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From: Master, USNS GENERAL JOHN POPE (T-AP 110)
To: Commander, Military Sea Transportation Service, Pacific
Subj: Ship's Safety Committee Meeting, June 1968; report of
Ref: COMSTSINST 5100.17

1. In accordance with reference (a), the Ship's Safety Committee Convened in the office of the Master at 0900 on 25 June 1968, Captain H. L. Heinz presiding. The following members were present:

Captain H. L. HEINZ
Mr. R. COLLINGE
Mr. M. S. CHAMBERLAIN
Mr. J. R. RHODES
Mr. F. L. SMITH

Master
First Officer/Safety Officer
Chief Engineer
Chief Steward
Purser/Recorder

2. The Master called the meeting to order. The minutes of the May meeting were read and discussed.

3. The minutes of the departmental sub-committee meetings were read by the respective department heads.

a. The Deck Department discussed, "Walkie Talkies Create Trouble", with particular reference to positive identification between talkers on board. "Drag Race Driving" from Safety Review was discussed in connection with a general review of safe driving. Safety goggles and face shields, their use and limitations, were reviewed. There were no accidents in the Deck Department during the month.

b. The Engine Department reviewed "Damage Control Bulletin" of May 1968. A possible hazard at #5 and #6 ladderwells was reported. The double ladders have their inner rails spaced three to four inches apart. The proximity of two might cause the man on the ladder to grab both rails at once, causing him to lose his grip. Suggested that the rails be singled up or moved apart. Instructions were given on the proper use of OBA and fitting of the mask. An article on the use of storm oil was read and discussed. Testing of Fire Pumps was discussed. The use of Safety Shoes was again recommended for all hands. There were no accidents in the Engine Department during the month.

c. The Steward Department met to discuss general housekeeping, handling of ship's stores -- stowing and handling. "Pile It Right", Talk 39 in Book 5, was read and discussed. Safe driving, drinking or driving, but not both, was used as a subject for safety reminder. There were no accidents in the Steward Department during the month.

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4. In the general discussion the following were discussed:

- a. Timely submission of accident reports.
- b. Change 2, COMSTSINST 5100.17.
- c. Memo, P-25, Fan Guards, is under investigation by the Chief Electrician. Action will be reported at the next meeting.
- d. OBA procedure.
- e. Aerosol spray paints.
- f. Safety shoes.
- g. P-25 Memo, 7 June 1968, safe work methods, read and discussed.
- h. Responsibilities of supervisors.

5. The Master concluded the meeting stressing the need for constant review of safety instructions and to incorporate the current instructions into the ship's safety program with the goal of making every member of the ship's crew totally conscious of safety as a working habit.

The meeting was adjourned at 1030.

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