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From: Master, USNS POPE (T-AP 110)
To: Commander Military Sea Transportation Service, Pacific Area
Subj: Safety Council Committee Meeting; report of
Ref: (a) CMPI 5100

1. In accordance with reference (a), the Safety Council Committee Meeting convened in the Office of the Master at 0900, 25 May 1967, Captain H. L. HEINZ presiding. The following members were present.

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| Captain H. L. HEINZ | Master/Chairman |
| Mr. D. I. BERNEY | First Officer/Safety Officer |
| Mr. E. C. QUINN | Chief Engineer |
| Mr. J. R. RHODES | Chief Steward |
| Mr. F. M. RICAUD | Purser/Recorder |
| LT. L. R. SEVERIN, USN | CO, MILDEPT(Acting) |

2. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, minutes of the previous meeting were read and discussed.

3. Departmental Safety Meetings were held twice during the month, five minute safety talks were given. The current departmental meetings were read and discussed.

4. Old Business:

a. Safety deficiencies from the previous meeting have been corrected.

5. New Business:

a. The Safety Officer reported that there were a total of nine (9) accidents since the last safety meeting - - one (1) in the Engineering Department and eight (8) troop accidents.

b. The problem of wet decks after wash down in the early morning hours was discussed. The Master suggested that a troop detail with swabs be utilized to make the decks dry within the hour after the wash down gang has completed their work.

c. The Chief Steward recommended that the troop mess table located at approximately Frame 115, starboard side, 2nd deck be eliminated. The table creates a narrow passageway around the quarter deck area, thus causing at times a bottle neck, especially when a large number of people are coming on or going off the ship. The First Officer will investigate this and report what can be done about it at the next Safety Meeting.

d. The COMSTSPAC Memorandum from Safety dated 15 May 1967 was read and discussed. Ship's Instruction will be issued on this matter. On weekly inspection of crew's quarters a check will be made on personal electrical equipment items. Appropriate action will be taken to do away with any unsafe items found.

e. The Master commented on the broken hand rail on #6 hatch. Everytime cargo is worked, this rail is either broken or severely bent and necessitates fixing. It was suggested that a removable section with toggle pins be made. This section can be removed whenever cargo is worked.

6. The Master urged that all on board to be on the alert for safety hazards. "Think Safety -- Talk Safety -- and Sell Safety". He wished the entire crew a safe Memorial Day, and reminds all to drive carefully.

7. The meeting was adjourned at 1000.


H. L. HEINZ

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