



*A Quiet Day on the way to Okinawa*



*Part of our convoy on the way to Hagach Bay*

headed directly for the destroyer's midsection. The destroyer called all hands to "prepare to abandon ship." However, by letting go both anchors and backing down full, we were able to stop about twenty feet short of disaster. There may have been another solution to this situation which would have caused less grey hairs but since this one was successful, we will be satisfied with it.

We tied up to a floating pier at Saipan, disembarked the passengers, (who took along with them everything they could find of value which was not welded down,) and after partially refueling, cast off again and sailed with no passengers at all, for Panama and the Atlantic.

This new roaring was not a surprise. It had been known for quite some time that troops were being transported directly from Europe to the Pacific area. The ADMIRAL CAPPS probably would have been in the Atlantic earlier if the third trip hadn't stretched out so long a time.



*Naha after the B-2's had passed*