



CWO-2 WEATHERS—First Lieutenant



From left: LTJG SCHNEIDER, Gunnery Off. and BMC HASTINGS.

DECK

FIRST AND SECOND DIVISION

Whether it is at noon or midnight, the pipe most often heard is "Now hear this, deck force ..." and they are always ready and able to do what must be done. Whether it's a small boat to be lowered, paint to be chipped, lines to be handled, or that anchor to be painted one more time, it is our deck force's hard work and knowledge that helped us gain our reputation in Vietnam.

Deck Department 2nd division, better known to us as Gunnery is probably the division that can be most credited with the actual delivery of 7665 rounds of 5"/38 cal on target. Their knowledge and experience in the "care and feeding of our 5" machine gun" can never be forgotten. Our FTs are also included in this division, and their skill in the operation and up-keep of fire control plot and its mysterious gear should not be overlooked.

These two departments are varied in their skill, but their close teamwork contributed very much to our successful deployment.



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