

The **MIDGETT** dropped anchor in Limon Bay at 0839 11 July 1972 to await her turn to enter the Panama Canal. At 1443 the anchor was aweigh and she started the 51 mile trip thru the canal. In 51 miles the ship passed thru three sets of locks. Before entering the Pacific another stop was made at Balboa to refuel. The following day the ship moved across the river to Rodman Naval Base. At 0818 13 July the **MIDGETT** was again underway, only today, just 3000 yards from her berth, was the gateway to the Pacific, the waters she is to sail in the years to come.

