

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT



gotten our vessel ready and are constantly keeping it ready, as the men of operations division lead the way in carrying out our mission. Many is the time that men are urgently awakened in the middle of darkest day to help through troubled times. Just one such time was locks and the threateningly close banks of the St. Lawrence, requiring a tortuous 1600 mile special sea detail and unselfishly given long hours by all hands. It was here, and whenever their true expertise was needed, that the quartermasters were called upon to man the helm and after steering, the ship's only salvation in case of steering casualty. It was these same quartermasters who has assuredly set out the charts and guided the SOUTHWIND along its path.

As we venture farther and farther away from any contact with modern civilization



Back Row (Right to Left): LTJG Andrew (n) Malenki, QMC Arnt E. Jorgensen, QM1 Frank E. Rate, QM3 Nathan A. Callahan, RM2 Michael R. Androus, QM3 Laurence J. Cahill III, RMC Alvin A. Kramer, and ENS Richard W. Withers.

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Once again the icebreaker SOUTHWIND has left the sheltered metropolis of Milwaukee in search of adventure and nature's icy polar challenge. The powerful bow, soon to be bursting through the northern ice pack, slashes through the cresting waves of the Great Lakes, the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the Atlantic Ocean and Baffin Bay. Not to see home again for three to four months, the crew awaits the excitement and challenge of the various missions along their journey.

The deck force and the engineers have

and into the unknown, it is the radiomen, the true communicators, who provide our only connection with the real world. Keeping the crew informed, keeping the lines open to headquarters; it is the radiomen upon whom the entire crew depends and look to for the long awaited news.

Meanwhile, working behind the scenes, the unsung heroes, keeping the radiomen, radarmen and quartermasters functioning, are the Electronics Technicians. Master technicians, use every available skill to keep all the gear, old and new, broken or