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### **Crispin, Captain Robert E., USN (USNA, 1948)**

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### **Dimitrijevic, Captain William Joseph, USN (USNA, 1932)**

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### **Dixon, Rear Admiral John C., Jr., USN (USNA, 1949)**

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### **Donnelly, Captain Raymond D., USN**

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## **Dunn, Rear Admiral Robert F., USN (USNA, 1951)**

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**Ferguson, Colonel Edwin C., USMC**

Marine officer who ran the NROTC program from 1948 to 1952 at the University of South Carolina, 3

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### **Gardes, Captain Alfred W., Jr., USN (USNA, 1937)**

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### **Gazarek, Lieutenant Michael J., USN**

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### **Goodwin, Captain Robert L., Jr., USN**

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### **Grischy, Lieutenant John S., USN**

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### **Gudgen, Lieutenant Richard A., SC, USN**

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**Gureck, Rear Admiral William A., USN**

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**Guy, Captain Robert S., USN**

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**Hanson, Rear Admiral Carl Thor, USN (USNA, 1950)**

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## **Hilton, Captain Robert P., USN**

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## **Hoffmann, Captain Roy F., USN**

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## **Holloway, Admiral James L., Jr., USN (Ret.) (USNA, 1919)**

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## **Holloway, Admiral James L. III, USN (USNA, 1943)**

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## **Hughes, Rear Admiral Thomas J., Jr., USN**

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**John F. Kennedy, USS (CVA-67/CV-67)**

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**John King, USS (DDG-3)**

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**John R. Perry, USS (DE-1034)**

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**Johnson, Rear Admiral Wendell N., USN (Ret.)**

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**Jonas Ingram, USS (DD-938)**

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**Kaufman, Lieutenant Edwin J., USN**

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**Kelley, Captain Edward G., USN**

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**Kennedy, President John F.**

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**Kidd, Admiral Isaac C., Jr., USN (USNA, 1942)**

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**Kinnear, Vice Admiral George E. R. II, USN**

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**Kinnebrew, Captain Thomas R., USN**

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**Kirk, Lieutenant Commander George Griswold Ely Kirk, USN (USNA, 1947)**

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**Kosmela, Commander Walter T., USN (USNA, 1952)**

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### **La Rocque, Captain Gene R., USN**

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### **Liberia**

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### **Linder, Lieutenant Commander James B., USN (USNA, 1949)**

In the early 1960s served as aide to the Chief of Naval Personnel, Vice Admiral William Smedberg, 147

### **Litton/Ingalls**

In the late 1960s was involved in the DX/DXG destroyer design development competition, 218-220; Litton built an enlarged facility for construction of the Spruance (DD-963)-class destroyers, 223-224

### **Logistics**

Support provided at various ports in the late 1950s to ships of the South Atlantic Force, 104-105

### **Luce, USS (DLG-7)**

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### **Luciano, Charles “Lucky”**

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### **Macon, USS (CA-132)**

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### **Majorca**

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### **Margaret, HRH (British Princess)**

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### **Marine Corps**

From 1948 to 1952 Colonel Edwin Ferguson provided a strong influence as professor of naval science in the South Carolina NROTC program, 3; in 1957 Brigadier General Ralph Rottet mistakenly believed he met Yul Brynner in a Naples, Italy, nightclub, 63-65

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**McComis, Lieutenant Charles W., USN**

Well-heeled mustang officer who saved his money in World War II and in 1960 was a student in the Navy's General Line School, 110-112

**McDowell, Commander Joseph M., USN (USNA, 1938)**

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**McElroy, Rear Admiral Rhodam Yarrott, Jr., USN (USNA, 1935)**

As base commander at Key West, Florida, in the autumn of 1962, during the Cuban Missile Crisis, his job suddenly became a lot busier than it had been, 140

**McKeown, Commander Ronald E., USN (USNA, 1961)**

In the early 1980s served as operations officer on the staff of Commander Carrier Group Eight, 374-375, 378-379

**Mediterranean Sea**

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**Metzler, Commander Donald M., USN**

Modish officer who commanded the destroyer Jonas Ingram (DD-938) in the early 1970s, 235, 270

**Miller, Vice Admiral Gerald E., USN (USNA, 1942)**

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**Mississinewa, USS (AO-144)**

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**Missouri, USS (BB-63)**

Battleship that in the summer of 1953 made a midshipman training cruise to South America, 12-15

**Mitscher, USS (DDG-35)**

Guided missile destroyer that in the late 1970s had considerable problems in the engineering plant, 331-334; subject of a 1977 article in The Washington Post, 334-336

**Monroe, Rear Admiral Robert R., USN (USNA, 1950)**

In the mid-1970s worked long hours while serving as Commander Operational Test and Evaluation Force, 305-307, 313-314

**Montego Bay, Jamaica**

In the early 1960s was a liberty attraction for reservists on active duty, 134-135

**Moorer, Rear Admiral Joseph P., USN (USNA, 1945)**

In the early 1970s served as Commander Carrier Division Six, 279-283, 288-291, 296-297; wrote humorous response to a tongue-in-cheek memo from Colbus, 280-281

**Morin, Captain James B., USN**

In the early 1970s did a fine job of handling a racial protest on board his ship while in command of the aircraft carrier Franklin D. Roosevelt (CVA-42), 296-297

**Mosman, Commander Donald Eugene, USN**

In the late 1970s provided fine leadership as commanding officer of the guided missile destroyer Mitscher (DDG-35), 332-335, 356, 363

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**Mustin, Vice Admiral Lloyd M., USN (USNA, 1932)**

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**Porcari, Captain Thomas J., USN**

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**Price, Rear Admiral Frank H., USN (USNA, 1941)**

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**Read, Vice Admiral William L., USN (USNA, 1949)**

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**Replogle, Rear Admiral Thomas H., USN**

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**Rickover, Admiral Hyman G., USN (Ret.) (USNA, 1922)**

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**Rowlands, Ensign Warren L., USN**

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**Russell, Commander Kenneth B., USN**

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**Sanders, Captain Viola B., USN**

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### **Sharp, Commander Grant A., USN (USNA, 1960)**

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### **Sherwood, Lieutenant Commander Charles, USN**

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**Smith, Rear Admiral Daniel F., Jr., USN (Ret.) (USNA, 1932)**

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**Smith, Rear Admiral Norman M., CEC, USN (Ret.) (USNA, 1906)**

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### **Storms, Captain James G. III, USN**

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**Sullivan, Commander Gerald F., USN**

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**Swank, Lieutenant John A., USN (USNA, 1945)**

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**Thearle, Lieutenant William James, USN (USNA, 1955)**

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In the late 1970s, while serving as Commander Sixth Fleet, hosted a visit of fleet ships to Gaeta, Italy, 337-338

## **Training**

Midshipman summer cruise to Europe in 1951 on board the high-speed transport Burdo (APD-133), 9-12; summer cruise to South America in 1953 on board the battleship Missouri (BB-63), 12-14; in the mid-1950s Key West, Florida, was the site of a Navy sonar training school, 20-21, 26-27, 31-32, 34-35, 43-45; training of junior officers in the 1950s on board the destroyer escort Albert T. Harris (DE-447), 20-23, 27-29; provided in the late 1950s by the U.S. South Atlantic Force to South American ships in company, 82-83; refresher training at Guantanamo Bay in the early 1960s for the crew of the In the early 1960s was the site of training for the crew of the destroyer escort John R. Perry (DE-1034), 122-126; for the crew of the destroyer Basilone (DD-824) in 1966 while deploying to Vietnam, 167-168 land-based training facility for the crews of the Spruance (DD-963)-class destroyers, 224-225

## **Trinidad**

In the late 1950s and early 1960s served as a base for Commander South Atlantic Force, 80, 84-85, 101-103; local social structure in the late 1950s, 101-102; political unrest was led by Eric Williams, 102-103

## **Trower, Rear Admiral Ross H., CHC, USN**

In 1980-81 visited carrier battle group ships operating in the Indian Ocean, 384

## **Turner, Vice Admiral Stansfield, USN (USNA, 1947)**

As Commander Second Fleet in 1974, received a briefing from Commander Carrier Division Six on a planned NATO exercise in the Atlantic, 302-304

## **Tuttle, Rear Admiral Jerry O., USN**

In the early 1970s was air group commander on board the carrier Saratoga (CVA-60), 375-376; in the early 1980s served as Commander Carrier Group Eight, 376-377

## **Uniforms-Naval**

Looked sharp in 1951 for personnel inspections on board the high-speed transport Burdo (APD-133), 11-12; in the mid-1950s officers on board the destroyer escort Albert T. Harris (DE-447) had to wear their blues while standing bridge watches, 39

## **VF-33**

See: Fighter Squadron 33 (VF-33)

**Van Arsdall, Rear Admiral Clyde, J., Jr., USN (USNA, 1934)**

As Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Force Atlantic Fleet in 1967 was not as concerned as his subordinates were over some problems the destroyer escort McCloy (DE-1038) experienced during a NATO deployment, 201-202

**Venezuela**

Visited in the 1958, a time of domestic political upheaval, by ships of the U.S. South Atlantic Force, 98-99

**Vietnam War**

In January 1966 Destroyer Squadron 12 became the second East Coast desron to deploy to Vietnam, 167-169; in 1966 the destroyer Basilone (DD-824) provided shore bombardment of South Vietnam, 172-174, 185-185; carrier operations, 175-177; in late 1969 the Bureau of Naval Personnel considered Colbus for assignment in Vietnam but did not send him because of budget cutbacks, 230-232

**Virginia (CGN-38)-Class Cruisers**

In the late 1960s nuclear power was considered too expensive for the Spruance (DD-963)-class destroyers but was used for the Virginia (CGN-38) class, 215-217

**Vogt, Commander Frederick H., USN**

In the early 1980s, as commanding officer of Fighter Squadron 33 on board the aircraft carrier Independence (CV-62), encouraged Colbus to fly in the back seat of an F-4 Phantom, 386-387

**Wallace, Rear Admiral Kenneth C., USN (USNA, 1943)**

As Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Flotilla 12 in 1972, was concerned with pay allotment problems of the destroyer Jonas Ingram (DD-938), 266; visited Mrs. Daniel F. Smith, Jr., in October 1971 after her husband was buried at sea off Florida, 270

**Walsh, Lieutenant Commander Thomas W., USN (USNA, 1944)**

In the late 1950s served as commanding officer of the destroyer escort Tweedy (DE-522) during a deployment to the Mediterranean, 63

**Walters, Rear Admiral Robert L., USN (USNA, 1949)**

As Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Group Eight in the late 1970s, said Colbus was too protective of the ship skippers in Destroyer Squadron Two, 333-334; liked to conduct surprise inspections of ships, 359-361

**War Games**

Played in the mid-1960s at the Naval War College, 160-161

**Washington Post, The**

In 1977 Colbus did an interview with writer George Wilson of this newspaper concerning personnel in his destroyer squadron, 334-336

**Watkins, Vice Admiral James D., USN (USNA, 1949)**

As Commander Sixth Fleet in the late 1970s was quoted as saying he didn't want Colbus serving under him, 365

**Watson, Captain Thomas C., Jr., USN (USNA, 1954)**

From 1978 to 1980 did an outstanding job as commanding officer of the aircraft carrier Independence (CV-62), 293-294

**Weakley, Rear Admiral Charles E., USN (USNA, 1929)**

Gentlemanly officer who in 1960-61 served as Commander Destroyer Force Atlantic Fleet, 120-121

**Weaver, Chief Boatswain's Mate Joseph, USN**

In the early 1970s did a fine job of discipline on board the destroyer Jonas Ingram (DD-938) and prevented drug problems, 242-243, 250; took some sailors home for dinner, 298-299

**Weschler, Rear Admiral Thomas R., USN (USNA, 1939)**

In the late 1960s ran the DX/DXG destroyer development program in OpNav, 212-215, 217, 222-223, 225-226, 228-229, 308-310; difficult man to work for, 214-215

**Williams, Eric**

Racist dictator who came to power in Trinidad in the 1960s, 103

**Wilson, George**

In 1977 interviewed Colbus about the men of Destroyer Squadron Two for an article in The Washington Post, 334-346

**Wright, Admiral Jerauld, USN (USNA, 1918)**

As CinCLant in the late 1950s, conferred with Rear Admiral Edward C. Stephan about plans for use of the U.S. South Atlantic Force, 79-80

**W. S. Sims, USS (DE-1059)**

Destroyer escort that in 1972 was involved in a "shouldering" incident with a Soviet ship, 257-258; sonar capability, 260

**Yankura, Lieutenant Commander Thomas W., USN**

Fine officer who served in the early 1970s as chief engineer on board the destroyer Jonas Ingram (DD-938), 246

**Yom Kippur War**

In the autumn of 1973 the aircraft carrier John F. Kennedy (CVA-67) deployed to the Mediterranean during the Arab-Israeli War, 282-288

**Youngblade, Captain Charles John (USNA, 1949)**

In the early 1970s was skipper of the aircraft carrier Franklin D. Roosevelt (CVA-42) during Sixth Fleet operations, 261, 280

**Zumwalt, Vice Admiral Elmo R., Jr., USN (USNA, 1943)**

In late 1969 Colbus was selected for Zumwalt's staff in Vietnam but did not go because of budget cutbacks, 230-232; perception that competition among ships dropped off in the early 1970s when he was CNO, 239-240; effect of Z-grams on board the destroyer Jonas Ingram (DD-938), 242, 298, 300; as CNO placed great emphasis on cost saving in the design of the Oliver Hazard Perry (FFG-7)-class frigates, 310

