



Captain H.C. Allan **COMMANDING OFFICER**

Captain Halle C. Allan's 26 years of naval service have been varied and colorful. Since his graduation from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1927 he has followed a career that has taken him over a vast portion of the globe.

His initial assignment on the battleship MISSISSIPPI was followed, in years to come, with duty in both sea and shore based Naval Commands. He has served on several destroyers as well as the heavy cruiser AUGUSTA, and the air-craft carrier ENTERPRISE.

During World War II he commanded the destroyer HARDEN which participated in numerous Central and Western Pacific campaigns.

In 1946 he was made Chief of Staff COMSERVRON 10, operating in Japan, Korea, and China and was later assigned as Personnel Officer COMSEVENTHFLT Staff, COMNAWESPAC in Shanghai and Tsingtao, China.

Assuming command of DESRON 9 and DESDIV 91 in December 1949, Captain Allan and his command were the first naval units assigned a mission in the Korean campaign. Under his leadership the Destroyer Division 91 received the Navy Unit Commendation for their action as "sitting ducks" in the invasion of Inchon in September, 1950.

In March, 1953, after serving two years with the General Planning Group, under the Chief of Naval Operations, Captain ALLAN was ordered to take command of the JUNEAU.

