

COMMANDING OFFICER

Captain Jack Maginnis, a native of Duluth, Minnesota, was graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy in the class of 1927. He subsequently advanced to the rank of Captain on March 20, 1945.

His first duty was aboard the aircraft carrier Saratoga, upon her commissioning in 1927, after which he served on the USS Parrott, operating in Asiatic waters. He received his degree of Master of Science in 1937 from the California Institute of Technology and then held various assignments both ashore and afloat. In 1943 he assumed command of the USS Black which took part in the Tarawa and Marshall Islands campaign. From April 1944 to March 1946, he served aboard the USS Minneapolis.

In 1946, he was assigned to the Bureau of Personnel in Washington, a post he held until 1949 when he was ordered to command the USS Winston which operated in the Korean theatre. Returning to the states in 1951, he was again assigned to the Bureau of Naval Personnel until 1953, when he was designated Commander Destroyer Squadron Twenty-four.

He was deployed to the Far East in April 1953 where he took command of the Wonsan blockade units and in an engagement with Communist shore batteries was seriously wounded. For his service there, he was awarded the Legion of Merit and Purple Heart medals. Following a period of hospitalization, he returned to full duty in 1954.

In addition to the Legion of Merit and Purple Heart, Captain Maginnis has the Bronze Star Medal and Commendation Ribbon.

Captain Maginnis is married to the former Miss Honor Rita McGarrity of Philadelphia. Their home address is 30 Grand Avenue, Oakland, California.

