

*Chapter 1*

**MILITARY DUTIES**

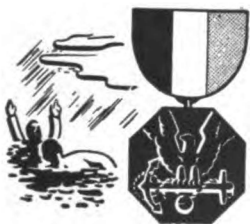


## THE STEWARD'S MATE HAS A FIGHTING JOB



At Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941, Dorie Miller, StM 1c, operated a machine gun firing at enemy attacking aircraft. Miller was awarded the Navy Cross.

In enemy-controlled waters, Joseph Cross, StM 1c, served on four submarine patrols which sank or damaged many Japanese ships. Cross got the Navy and Marine Corps Medal.



On 7 April 1944, off the Marshall Islands, Ed King, StM 2c, nearly lost his life in attempting to save a drowning shipmate. King received the Navy and Marine Corps Medal.

# BATTLE STATIONS! *The ship works as a team*

**Remember**—The man who pulls the trigger is only one member of the team which works together to keep that gun firing.



**On a 20-mm** anti-aircraft gun there is



**A GUNNER**



**A TRUNNION OPERATOR**

**But** the gun couldn't keep firing without



**LOADERS**



**MEN IN CLIP ROOM**

**This 20-mm team** has 6 men. Steward's Mates may be the entire gun crew from clip room to gunner. **YOU** may be on this team.

# STEWARD'S MATES

*are manning these  
battle stations*



**CV**

Director operator and the first  
loader on 40-mm gun.



**BB**

Gun crew for 40-mm gun. Am-  
munition handling room.



**CA**

Loader on 5"38 gun. Crew for  
20-mm AA battery.



**DD**

Handling rooms for 5"38 guns.  
In 20-mm clip room.



**DE**

First loader on 3"50 gun. On  
crew for 20-mm AA gun.



**YOUR battle station is listed on the Watch, Quarter and Station bill. Be sure you  
know where your battle station is.**