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As a memento of his visit, the Admiral was presented a honorary destroyerman card, a ship's plaque and a plaque of Destroyer Division 22.

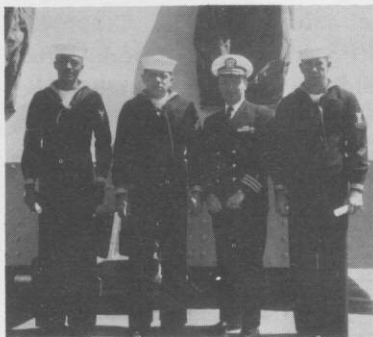
REFUELING

The crew members of the after refueling station on board *USS English* recently distinguished themselves during refueling operations at sea. The men, J.M. Beagle, BM2; W.T. Williams, BM2 and W.C. Brisette, BMSN were in charge of the after refueling station while refueling from *USS Saratoga (CVA60)* en route to the Mediterranean. Weather conditions were extremely poor and due to a casualty to *Saratoga's* after station, *English's* after station refueled from *Saratoga's* forward station. To further complicate the situation, the fuel hose looped around the span wire. This took intense labor by Beagle, Williams and Brisette, to unloop the hose and complete the fueling operation.

The following message was

received by *English* from Rear Admiral J.J. Hyland, COMCAR-DIV FOUR, on board *Saratoga*.

"The performance of your crew at the after fueling station was most inspiring to observe. Lesser men would have quit long before; yours were able to complete the job. A lot of good men had to struggle hard and do it right under very difficult circumstances and their efforts are greatly appreciated."



Commanding Officer, P. A. Schwemley stands with W.T. Williams, BM2; W.C. Brisette, BMSN; and J.M. Beagle, BM2 following commendations for their efforts during refueling.



COMSIXTHFLT Visits USS English; Three BM's Battle Refueling Hose

Vice Admiral William E. Gentner Jr., Commander U.S. Sixth Fleet, recently shifted his flag to *USS English (DD696)*, for a short visit and a tour of the ship during Sixth

Fleet operations in the Mediterranean.

While on board, the Admiral spoke to the First Class and Chief Petty Officers. He made a brief tour of the sickbay, ship-



LETTERS OF COMMENDATION - CDR P. A. Schwemley, C. O., USS ENGLISH (DD-696), reads Letters of Commendation from Secretary of the Navy Fred Korth to Joseph J. Lofano, RMSN, and Charles A. Dew, RMSN for their part in rescue and evacuation operations following a disastrous train wreck at Steelton, Pennsylvania in July, 1962. Both Lofano and Dew were students at Radioman Class A School at the time of the wreck.

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