

## First Stop - Hawaii

Once again the mighty Bennington points her hurricane bow to the Far East as we begin another long voyage on the Pacific Ocean.

During the next six months or so the crew will taste the liberty that comes from visiting such ports as beautiful Hawaii, the crowded streets of Japan, mysterious Hong Kong, and the fun-loving people of the Philippines.

Our first stop in the Pacific will be one to long remember. The breathtaking beauty of Hawaii with its white sandy beaches and warm climate should provide many a fine liberty.

Special Services plans to arrange four hour tours that will take the men to the major points of interest on the island of Oahu. Plenty of opportunity will be given to those who wish to take pictures.

The recreational facilities at Pearl Harbor are both numerous and excellent. The Richardson Recreation Center which is located just north of Fleet Landing has the following facilities. Softball diamonds, barbecue pits, horseshoe pits, swimming pool, volleyball courts and for those who wish to go fishing or sailing they may do so by organizing small parties and renting boats. All of the facilities are open from 1000 to 1800 daily.

There are many fine eating spots throughout Oahu, which is the main island of Hawaii, however many of them are somewhat expensive. 'Don The Benchcombers' at Waikiki Beach is a must for those who like typical Hawaiian foods in an island atmosphere.

There are three very modern hotels in Waikiki but the Royal Hawaiian still stands as the hotel with class and distinction,



## Padre Wallace Joins Benn As New Senior Chaplain

Commander Anthony T. Wallace officially assumed duties as Senior Chaplain aboard 'Big Benn' on September 26, 1956, relieving CDR Ralph E. Handran, Catholic Chaplain.

Heeding the call to duty, he entered the naval service in August 1943 having been commissioned a Lieutenant (junior grade).

His first assignment was at the U.S. Coast Guard Training Station, Alameda, Calif. Next

The new Padre, a native New Yorker, reported aboard from the U.S. Naval Receiving Station, Brooklyn, N.Y. where he served as senior chaplain at the New York Naval Shipyard.

Immediately following his ordination to the priesthood in June, 1938 at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City, Father Wallace served as assistant pastor of Sacred Heart Church in Highland Falls, N.Y.

year he was transferred overseas to the Naval Air Station, Maui, T.H.

Twelve months later, he reported to the U.S. Naval Receiving Station, Pearl Harbor where he served until V-J Day of 1945. From there he came back to the U.S. Naval Receiving Station, Brooklyn, N.Y., until his release from active duty in March, 1946.

Father Wallace then returned to his Diocese until being recalled to active duty in September, 1950, shortly after the outbreak of the Korean War.

In the summer of 1952, Father was ordered to Norfolk, Va., and there he went aboard the

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