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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CREW DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE,  
WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION.

The Coast Guard has received reliable information concerning members of the crew of the SS DANIEL DRAKE during a voyage beginning in March 1943.

1. John R. Smith, 2nd Mate, and Richard R. Olsen, Wiper, are reported to have been logged and fined for being drunk.
2. William C. Powell, Boatswain, is reported to have refused to obey orders and to have gone ashore on one occasion after being ordered by the Master to stay aboard. He was disrated by the Master, on this account, for gross neglect of duty. Powell is also reported to have been drunk aboard and engaged in fighting.
3. James A. Posey, Messman, is reported to have continually refused to work and obey orders and to have been insubordinate and threatening to officers. He was logged, fined and placed in the brig twice for being wilfully, and continually disobedient to lawful commands at sea. Subsequently he was demoted to Utilityman and thereafter again fined for gross neglect of duty and wilful disobedience to lawful commands at sea.

The necessary disciplinary action in these cases will be instigated by the Coast Guard.

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Commander USCG