

THIRD NAVAL DISTRICT
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
INTELLIGENCE OFFICE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

Date 18 September, 1943

Subject: Bar at 273 West 23rd Street

Summary of Information:

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A merchant ~~seaman stated at~~ the above location that he was assigned to the George Washington and had a 17 day leave. He said that he had just come back from the west coast and that the George Washington was 32,000 tons. Also he stated that she runs from the west coast to Australia. He claimed it took 21 days over and 20 days back. He had taken 150,000 parachute troops across, and a convoy of 62 ships went at one time and all returned safely. He said on one trip alone the George Washington had 9,000 on board. The convoy consisted of two battleships, about 50 destroyers, and a couple of small aircraft carriers. He claimed one of the battleships was the Texas.

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