

EXCERPT FROM 3ND BOARDING REPORT, SS JESSIE BILLINGSLEY (US), DATED 25 DEC 43:

The following passenger was panelled at the INS Barge Office on 27 Dec 43 by the above representative of ONI and Agent Comes of the FBI:

EZZELL, Thomas D. - age 30 - Z #289788-D1 issued N.Y. 1 Sep 43 - signed on SS SILVESTER GARDINER in N.Y. harbor 8 Oct 43 as Steward - because of misconduct (fighting and disobedience) with the Chief Steward he was given a Coast Guard trial in Algiers on 1 Dec 43, suspended for 4 months and advised to pay off the SS SILVESTER GARDINER which he did 2 Dec 43. The same day he reported to the US Consul and was signed on the subject vessel as a workaway for repatriation to the US. Subject is to report to MMHU ✓ 27 Dec 43 for a hearing of his case. He enlisted in the U.S.N. in Philadelphia, Pa. on 8 Dec 41 and received an undesirable Discharge from Naval Air Station, Cape May, N.J. on 29 Oct 42 for being A.O.L. He was discharged with the rating of Ship's Cook 3rd class and admitted he went A.O.L. in order to get into the Merchant Marine. Subject passenger did not recall his Navy Serial number. Physical description of subject is as follows: born Wilson, N.C. 8 Jan 13, home, 105 No. Pine St., Wilson, N.C., next of kin, Mother, Mrs. Thomas A. Ezzell same address, 5'7", 150 lbs., blue eyes, blond hair, scar on left forearm, SS #27-05-1300 tattooed on upper left arm, Z # on upper right arm, rose on lower right arm.

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