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

The Coast Guard has received information from a reliable source concerning the following officers and members of the crew of various vessels.

Report states that Phil Harris Acree, formerly Boatswain on the SS JOHN LAWSON was removed from this ship in Salerne, Italy recently. It is alleged he was removed as being unfit for duty due to drug addiction and other physical illnesses. Report also states he is suspected of having stolen morphine from the medicine supplies aboard.

Report also states that Sigurd Johansson, 3rd Engineer missed his ship, the SS CAVALCADE at Algiers in October 1945 due to drunkenness.

The Coast Guard will instigate whatever disciplinary action is warranted in these cases.

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