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

The Coast Guard has received information from a reliable source concerning C. Harold Moe, Master of the MATTHEW P. DEADY. Present report states that Captain Moe has been extremely intoxicated on several occasions during the voyage which the MATTHEW P. DEADY is presently making. On three occasions in April, for a period of 2 to 7 days, he was continuously under the influence of liquor. In May, on one occasion after considerable drinking, he was involved in a fight with the 3rd Ass't Engineer. Again in June he was drunk for a period of a week ignoring his duty in dangerous areas, and performing a burial at sea in a disgraceful manner. Report at hand further states there were several violations of Wartime Instructions on this vessel, namely, wire cables around life rafts; 2 life boats completely dismantled while traveling single at sea; lookouts only in hours of darkness and degaussing off on the entire trip from Australia to the Persian Gulf except for 2 days.

The Coast Guard will instigate whatever disciplinary action is warranted in this case.

L. J. BERNARD  
Commander USCGR  
Acting Chief Merchant Marine Personnel

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