



U.S. COAST GUARD



America's Guardians & Warriors:



The Coast Guard at War

Coast Guard “History 101”



Dept of
Homeland Security
2003



Dept of Transportation
1967

Bureau of Marine
Inspection, 1946

U.S. Lighthouse Service, 1939

Dept of Treasury
1790

U.S. Coast Guard, 1915



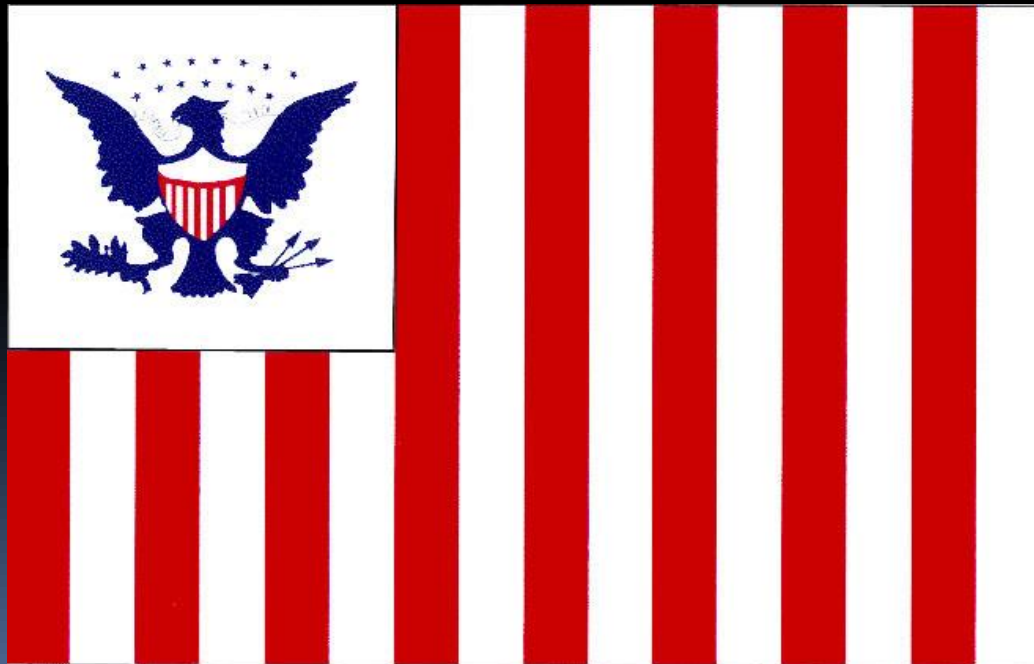
U. S. Revenue Cutter Service, 1790



U. S. Life-saving Service, 1871

Maritime Defense of the New Republic

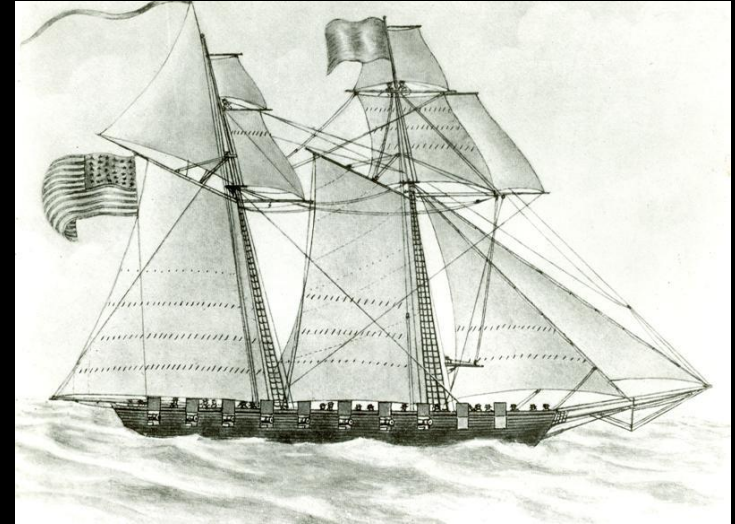
- “The system of cutters”
- Enforced national laws
- No United States Navy
- Cutters provide the only maritime force
- The “oldest continuously serving sea service”



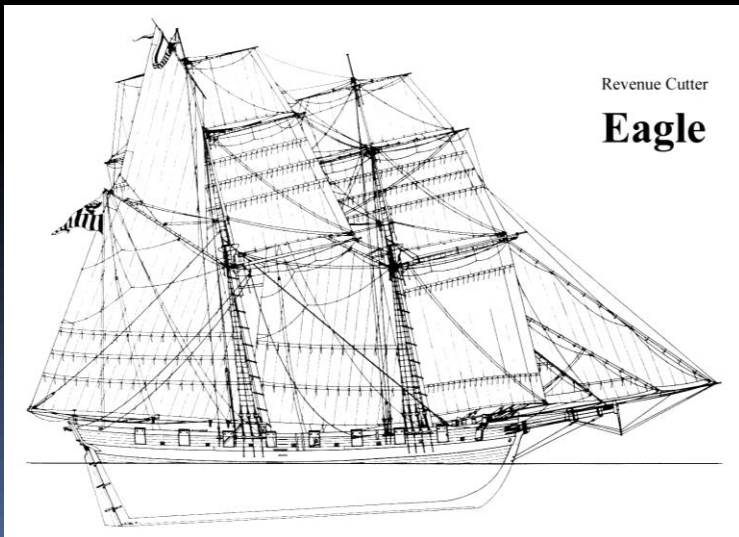
Original Revenue Cutter Service Ensign

Quasi-War with France 1798-1801

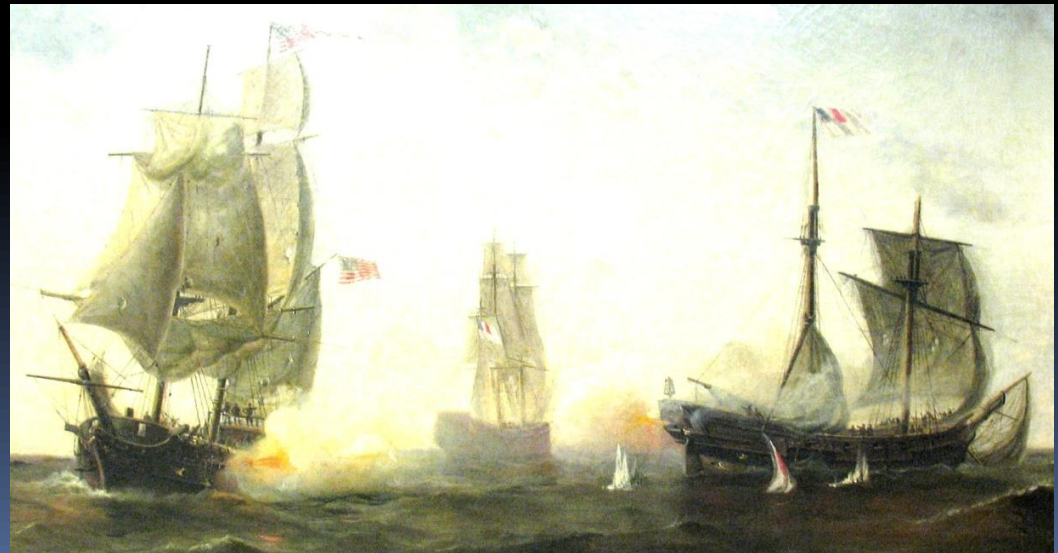
- Operational area
- Prizes
- Cooperation with the U.S. Navy
- Revenue Cutter *Pickering*



Cutter Pickering during Quasi War



USRCS Eagle



Cutter Eagle captures French privateer Mehitable

War of 1812

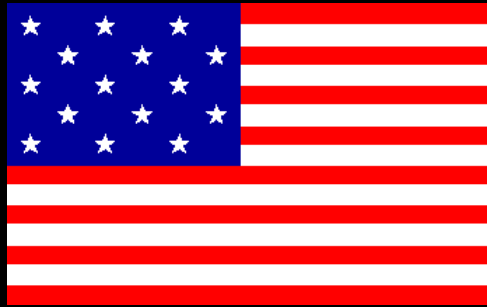
- 18 June 1812- U.S. declares war on Great Britain
- U.S ships vs. Royal Navy
- Treasury Secretary Albert Gallatin
- The revenue cutters augment the Navy with shallow-draft craft
- “Brown Water” combat operations
- Revenue Cutter *Jefferson*



Treasury Secretary Albert Gallatin

USRC *Surveyor* vs. HMS *Narcissus*

12 June 1813



- One of the most hotly contested engagements of the war
- *Surveyor* was captured
- British commander's remarks:

*“Your gallant and desperate attempt to defend your vessel against more than double your number excited such admiration on the part of your opponents as I have seldom witnessed, and induced me to return you the sword you had so ably used...I am at loss which to admire most, the previous arrangement on board the *Surveyor* or the determined manner in which her deck was disputed inch-by-inch.”*

Lieutenant John Crierie, RN

Cutter *Vigilant* vs. British Sloop *Dart*

13 October 1813



Vigilant and *Dart* in night action off of Block Island

- *Dart* had captured two dozen merchantmen
- Captain John Cahoon sailed in search of the enemy
- *Vigilant* located *Dart*, off the east end of Block Island
- Crew took her as a prize

USRC *Eagle* vs. HMS *Dispatch*

18 October 1814

- *Eagle* run ashore
- Used logbook for wadding
- Fired back enemy's shot
- Cutter's flag shot away and replaced three times



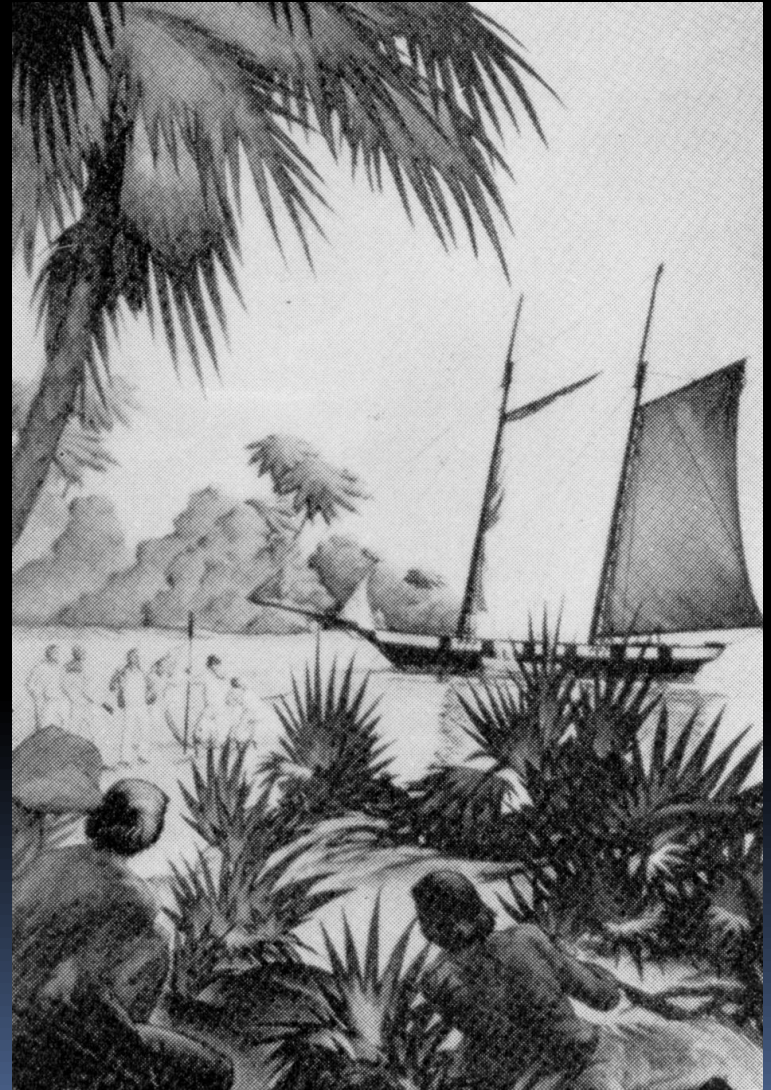
Artist's rendering of the action between Cutter Eagle and HMS Dispatch

Seminole Wars, 1836-1842

- Supported Army and Navy Operations
- Dispatched landing parties and artillery
- Duties performed throughout Florida

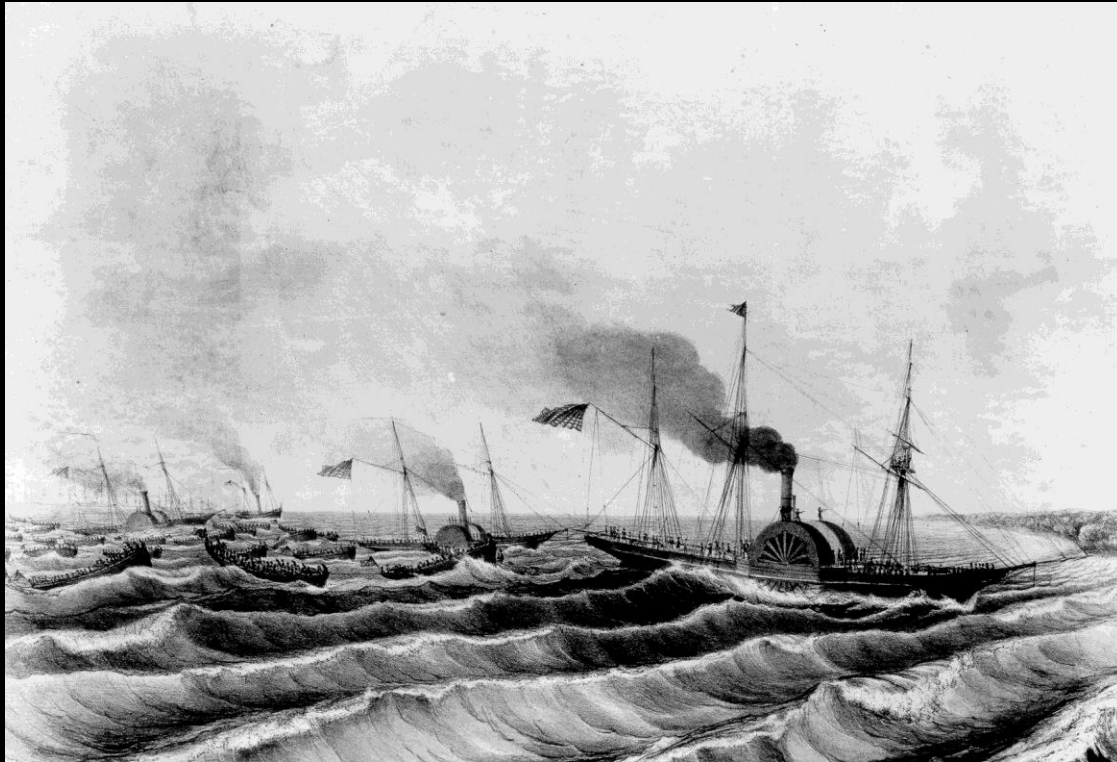


Cutter McLane just before the Seminole Wars



Revenue cutter puts ashore a landing party

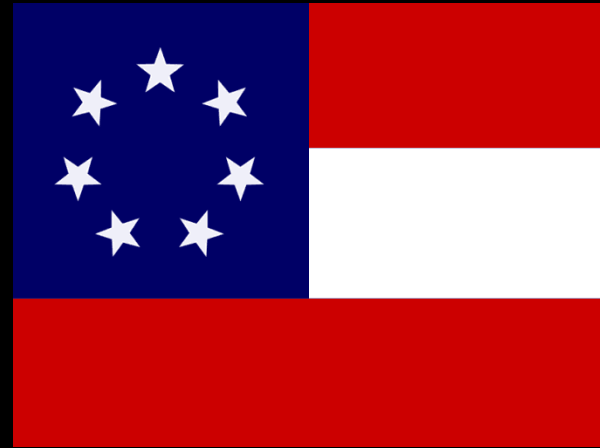
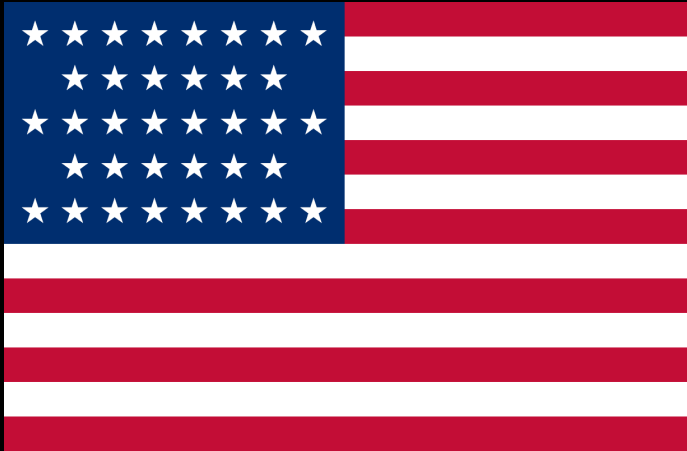
Mexican-American War, 1846-48



McLane and Forward support U.S. Navy operations in June 1847

- Principal naval operations
- US Navy short of shallow-draft vessels
- Five cutters were engaged
- Also served on blockade duty

War Between the States



- **Cuttersmen were divided in 1860**
- **Treasury Secretary John A. Dix**
- **Cutter *Robert McClelland***
- **Many cuttermen joined the Confederacy**

Early Revenue Cutter Service Action

- Revenue Cutter Service
- Union cutters
- Confederate cutters



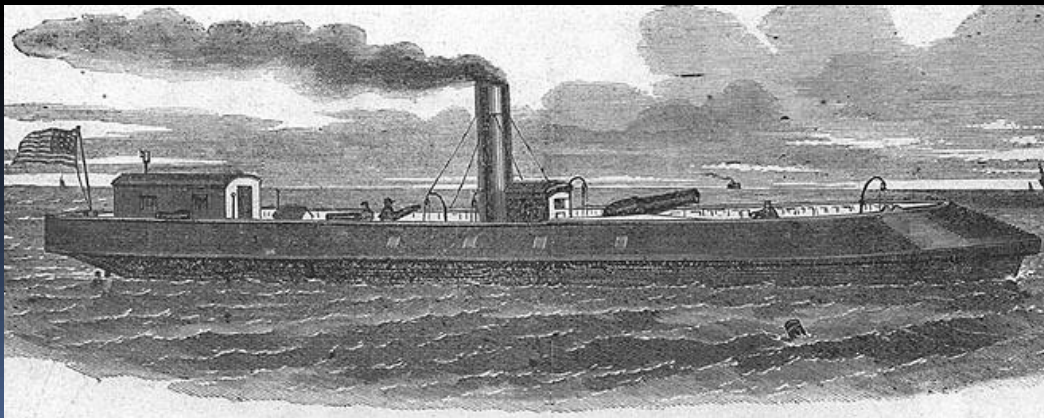
Cutter Harriet Lane and S.S. Nashville in front of Fort Sumter

Revenue Cutters in the Civil War

- Notable actions
 - *Miami*
 - *Naugatuck*
 - *Hercules*
 - *Reliance*
- 21 April 1865



Cutter Morris inspects a merchantman



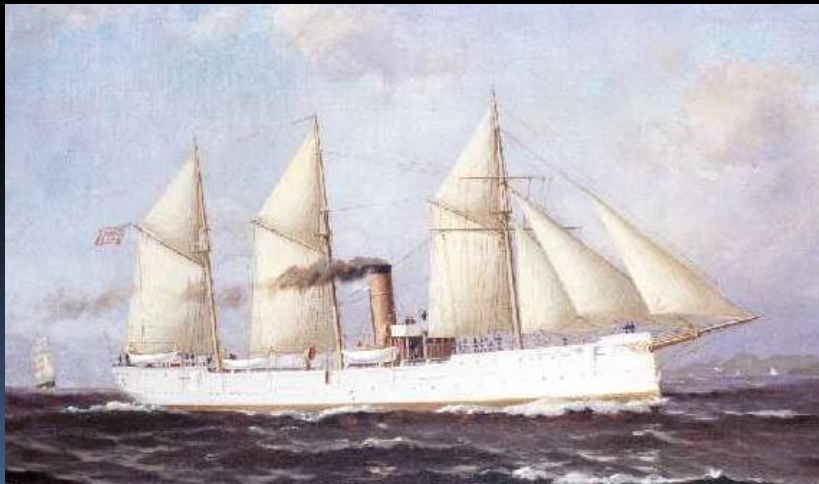
Cutter Naugatuck in Hampton Roads, Virginia



Cutter Miami at Norfolk, Virginia

Spanish-American War, 1898

- USRC *McCulloch* at Manila Bay
- USRC *Manning* and USRC *Woodbury* and the blockade of Cuba
- USRC *Hudson* at Cardenas Bay



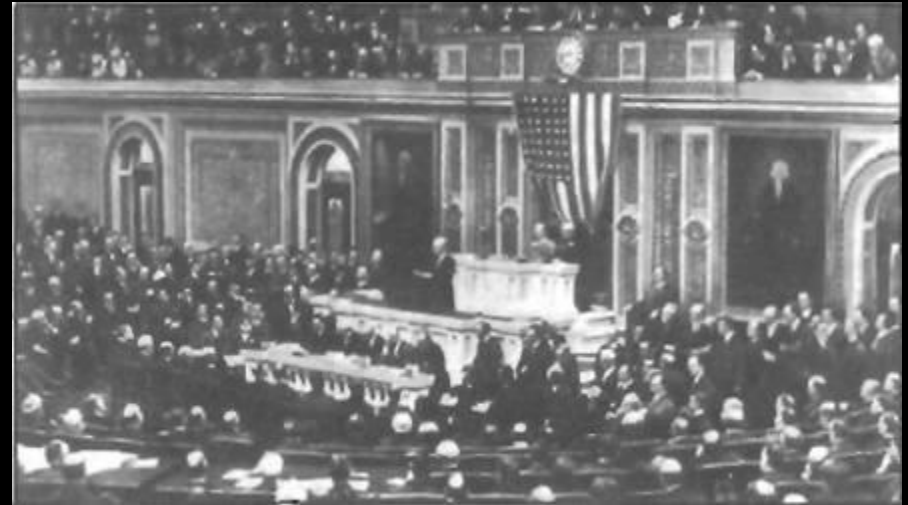
Cutter McCulloch in the Pacific before the war



USRC Hudson rescuing the USS Winslow

World War I

- 6 April 1917-- US declares war on Germany
- Coast Guard transferred to U.S. Navy
- Cutters, Districts & Personnel
- Command of Air Stations & Naval Vessels



President Wilson asks Congress to declare war on Germany



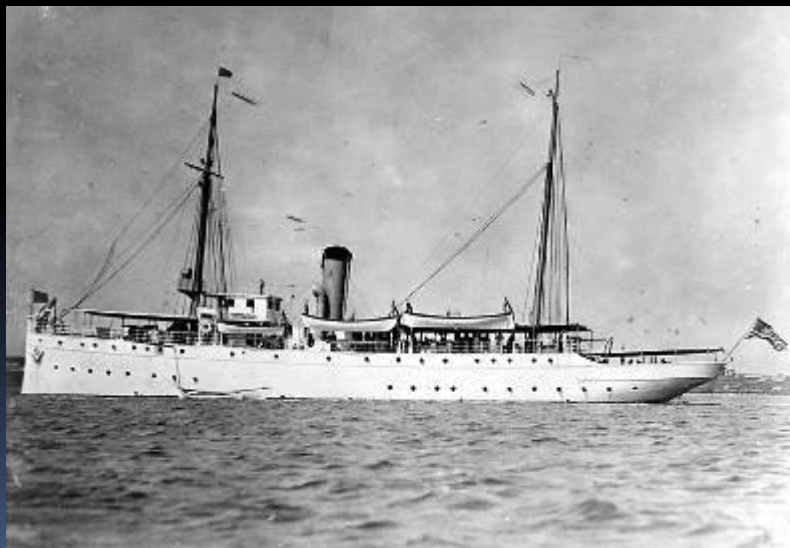
Coast Guardsman Drill at Ft. Trumbull, Connecticut



Coast Guard and Navy officers

Loss of Cutter *Tampa*

- Convoy escort duty
- 26 September 1918
- 131 dead
- Largest U.S. naval loss of the war



USCGC Tampa before the war



Artist's depiction of Tampa's sinking

The Rum War

Sixty-fifth Congress of the United States of America;

At the Second Session,

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the third day of December,
one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following amendment to the Constitution be, and hereby is, proposed to the States, to become valid as a part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of the several States as provided by the Constitution:

“ARTICLE —.

“SECTION 1. After one year from the ratification of this article the manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors within, the importation thereof into, or the exportation thereof from the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes is hereby prohibited.

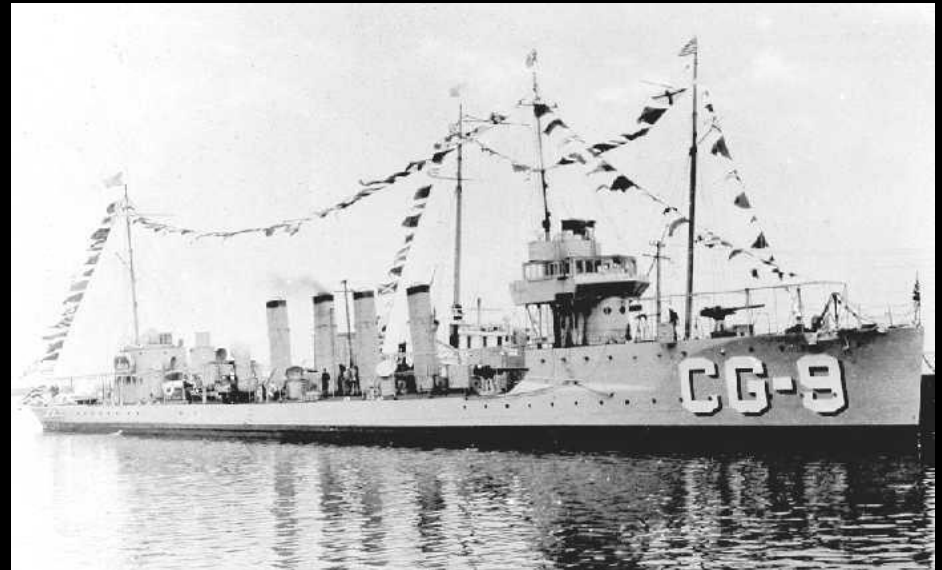
“SEC. 2. The Congress and the several States shall have concurrent power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

“SEC. 3. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of the several States, as provided in the Constitution, within seven years from the date of the submission hereof to the States by the Congress.”

Chamberlain



Government agents destroy barrels of liquor



Coast Guard Destroyer Beale (CG-9)



Rum Runner smuggling illegal liquor

The Coast Guard Intelligence Office

- Captain Charles S. Root
- RDF technology
- Elizebeth Friedman



Elizebeth Smith Friedman



Coast Guard radio direction finder



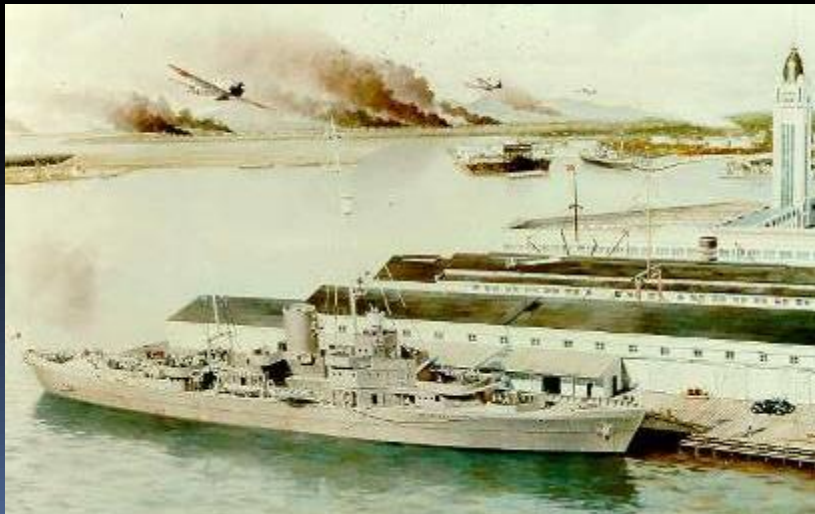
Captain Charles S. Root

Coast Guard in Early World War II, 1941-42

- Pearl Harbor
- USS *Wakefield*
- Crotty



Lt. Thomas James Crotty



Cutter Taney at Pearl Harbor



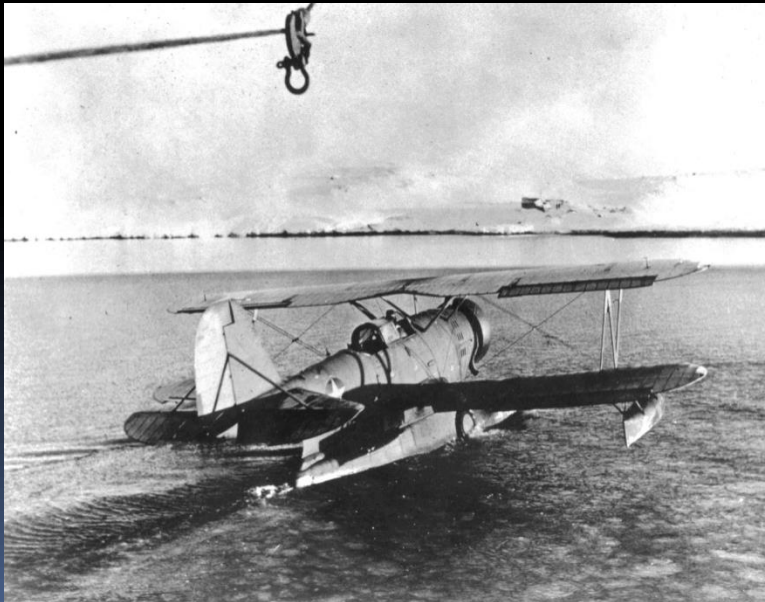
Coast Guard-manned transport USS Wakefield

The Greenland Patrol

- First Vessel Capture
- *Dorchester* & *Escanaba*
- Lt. Pritchard Rescues



U.S. Army Transport Dorchester



Pritchard preparing for take-off in Greenland



Cutter Escanaba in camouflage paint scheme

“Corsair Fleet” & Beach Patrol

- Coastal Picket Patrol or “Corsair Fleet”
- Operation PASTORIOUS
- SN2 John Cullen



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“Hooligan Navy” in winter



Disney's Corsair Fleet logo



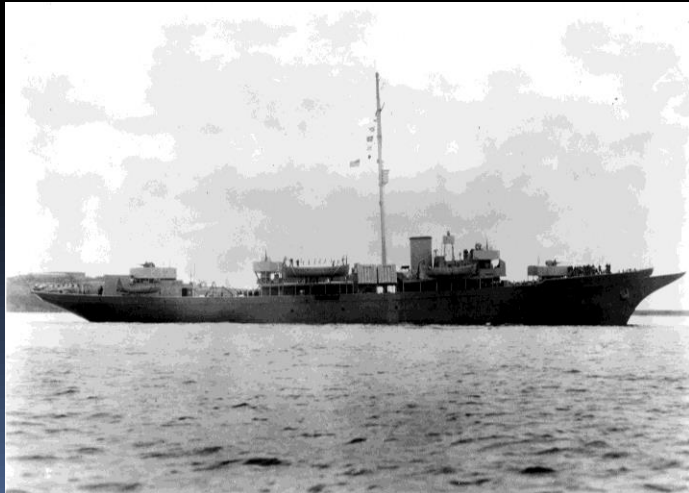
Mounted and armed beach patrol

The Coast Guard Pioneers Equality for Minorities

- War and social change
- Volunteers accepted
- All rates opened
- Shore stations
- *USS Sea Cloud*



African American officers



USS Sea Cloud



Women serve in World War II

- 23 November 1942
- Over 10,000 SPARS
- Dorothy Stratton
- “Semper Paratus – Always Ready”



First African American women in the service



Captain Dorothy Stratton



Recruiting poster



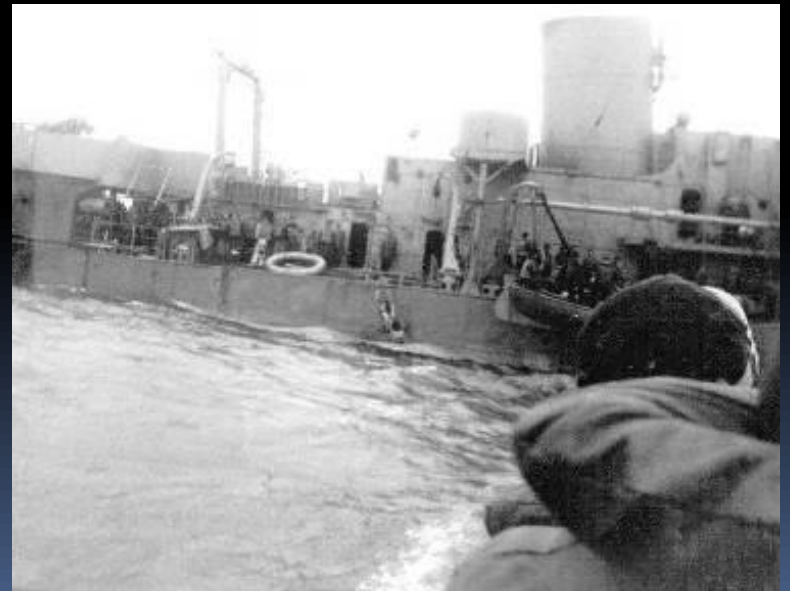
SPARS undergo training

Battle of the Atlantic

- USCG role is often overlooked
- U-Boats offshore
- Convoy duty & “Bloody Winter”
- Victories, but loss of *Alexander Hamilton*



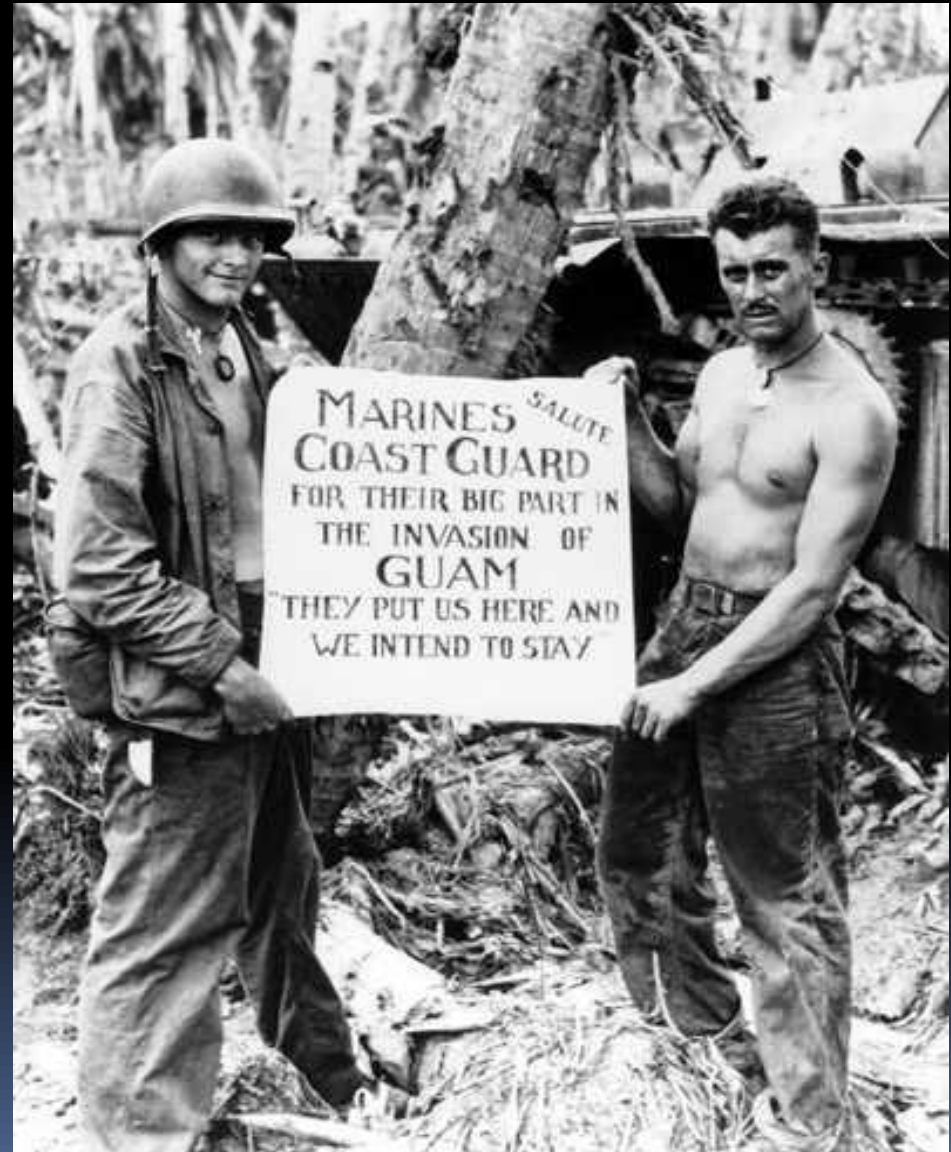
Cutter engages a U-boat with depth charges



Alexander Hamilton sinking after a torpedo hit

Coast Guard in the P.T.O.

- Amphibious Operations
- Manned Hundreds of Navy and Army ships



Coast Guard LSTs landing troops and supplies in the Pacific

Marines express their appreciation of the Coast Guard

Guadalcanal, 1942

- **Signalman Douglas A. Munro**
- **Killed by enemy fire**
- **Only Coast Guardsman awarded Medal of Honor**



Douglas Munro



Medal of Honor engraving



Artist rendering of rescue at Point Cruz, Guadalcanal

Amphibious Operations in the E.T.O.

- European Theatre of Operations, 1942-1944
- TORCH through ANVIL
- D-Day: OPERATION OVERLORD
 - OPERATION NEPTUNE
 - Assault Transports
 - Rescue Flotilla
 - Landing Craft
 - LCDR Walsh at Cherbourg



LCDR Quentin Walsh



Coast Guard LCVPs land troops at on D-Day



83-foot cutters of the First Rescue Flotilla

World War II Coast Guard Develops the Helicopter

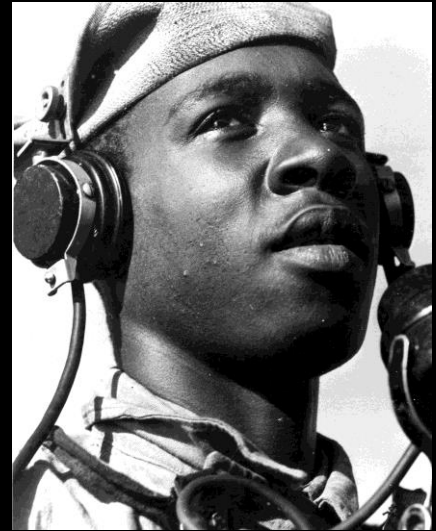
- U-boat losses
- Captain Frank Erickson
- Future role in the Coast Guard



Captain Frank A. Erickson

Desegregating the Service

- World War II: 5,000 African Americans serve / nearly 1,000 NCOs
- 1945: All rates opened up to minority recruiting
- 1948: Truman's 1948 executive order



Korean War

- Training Korean Navy
- Search and Rescue
- LORAN
- Weather Patrols
- Port Security



USCG PBM-5 amphibian and Cutter Vance



LORAN station Pusan, Korea



South Korean Navy officer and Coast Guard trainer

Operation Market Time

- Interdiction mission
- Success
- Enemy logistics diverted to the Ho Chi Minh Trail



Cutter Rush provides naval gunfire support



Crew of Pt. White pose with captured weapons



Gresham crew inspects Vietnamese sampan

Multi-Mission Role in Vietnam



LORAN stations



Tending Aids to Navigation



HH-3 "Jolly Green Giant" helicopter in action



Explosive Loading Detachment

Desert Shield & Desert Storm

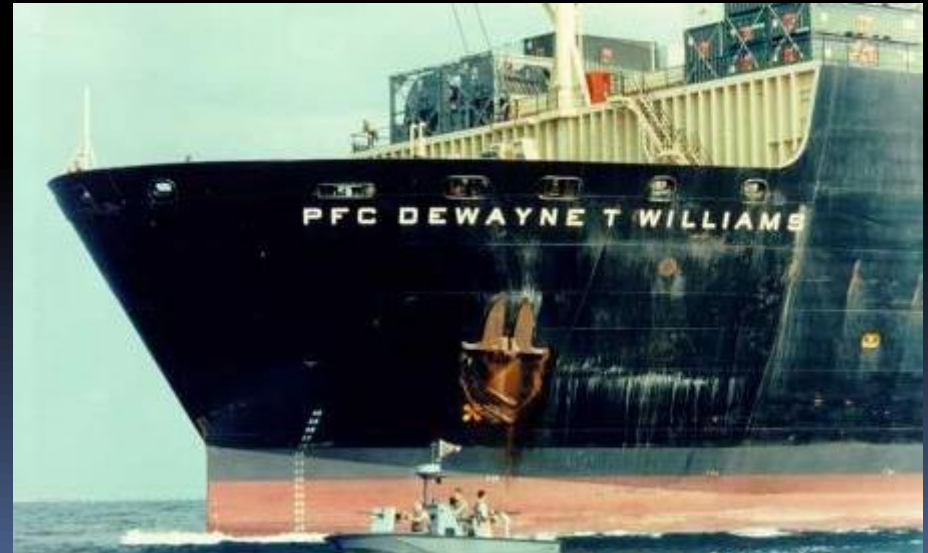
- 1 August 1990
- LEDETs
- Reserves & PSUs
- National Strike Force



PSU member in position



Women serve combat roles in the operation



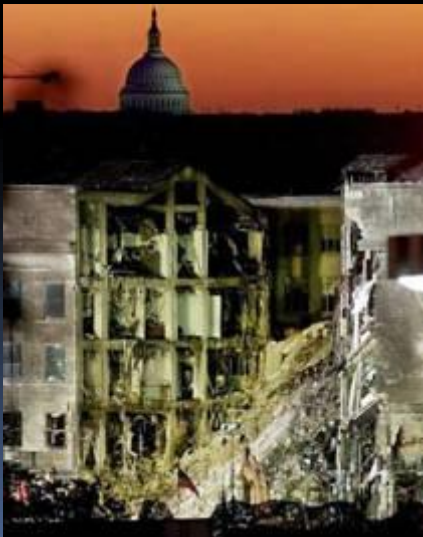
Coast Guardsmen conduct security patrols

9/11 and Operation Noble Eagle

- 11 September 2001
- Activities New York
- 5 November 2001



Cutter Tahoma controls vessel traffic in New York on 9/11



Damage to the Pentagon



CG on patrol after 9/11



September 20– Pres. Bush announces “War on Terror”

Operation Iraqi Freedom

- Missions
 - Port security
 - Secure oil terminals
 - Maritime Environmental Response
 - Navigational Survey
- Brown water patrol assets
- 1,250 Coast Guard personnel



Coalition naval bombardment



PSU 311 boat at Umm Qasr, Iraq



110-foot cutter Adak on patrol



A PSU 313 on an Iraqi oil terminal



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