

### U.S. BATTLESHIPS

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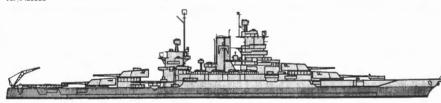
The appearance of U. S. Battleships, since the outbreak of the war, has evolved into a predominantly one-stack design. Although similar in general outline, these one-stackers may be differentiated by their armament dispositions and hull lines. Of the two stack BB's, COLORADO alone is likely to undergo radical alteration of appearance.



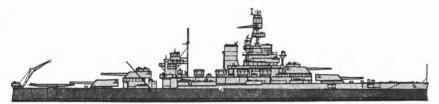
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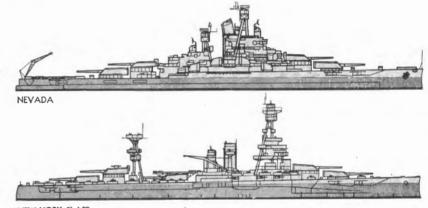
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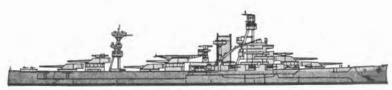
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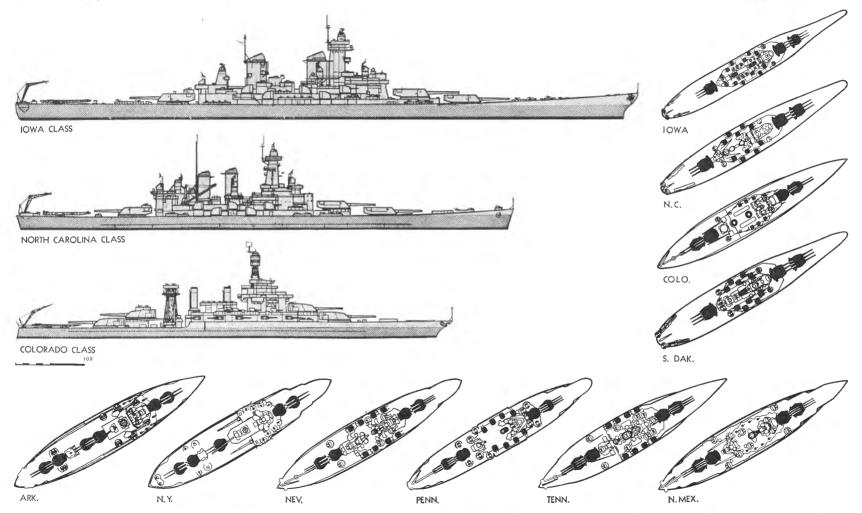
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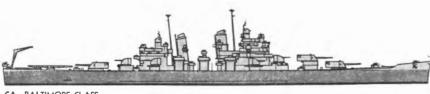


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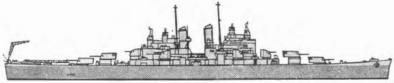
# U. S. CRUISERS

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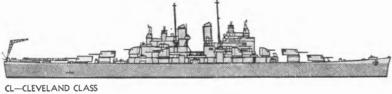




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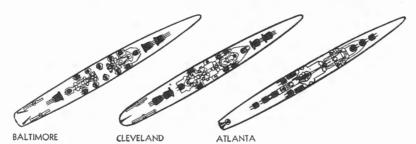
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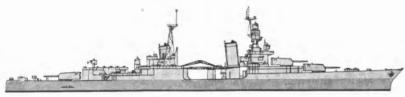
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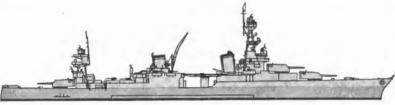


WICHITA ST LOUIS BROOKLYN

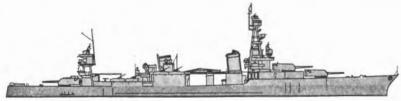
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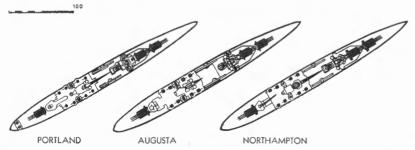
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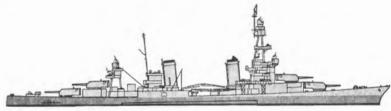


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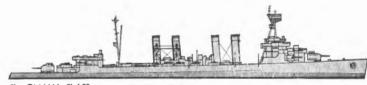




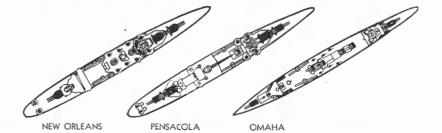
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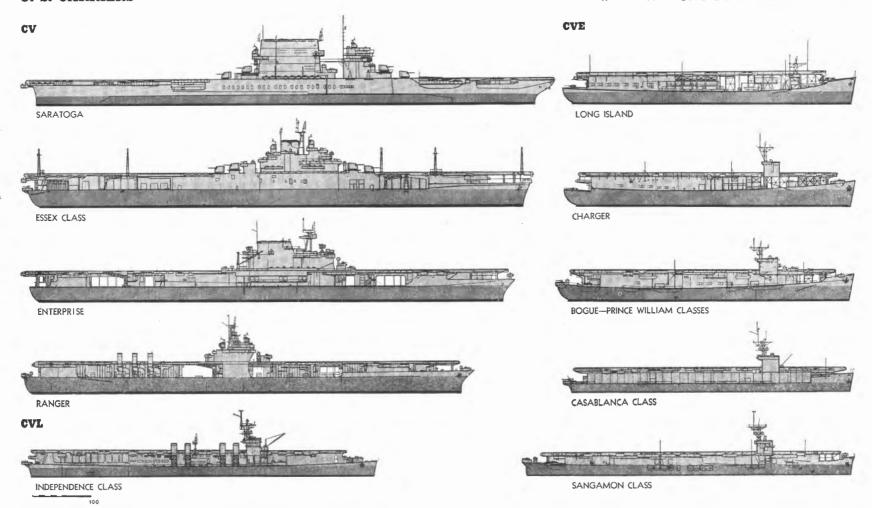


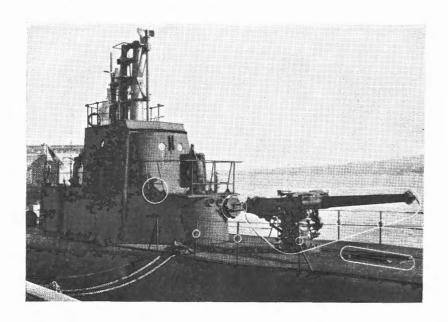
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CL-OMAHA CLASS

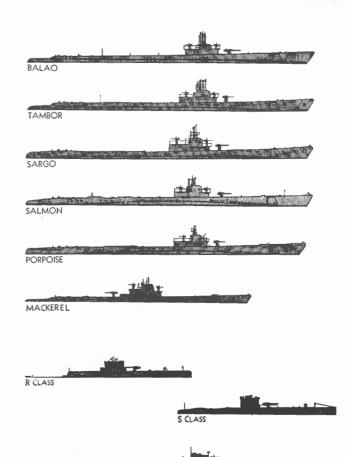






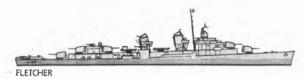
These photos and silhouettes are typical of the appearance changes completed in U. S. Submarines. Once distinctive, these ships now greatly resemble most Axis types, which may be found illustrated in the ONI 220 series.





# **DESTROYERS**



















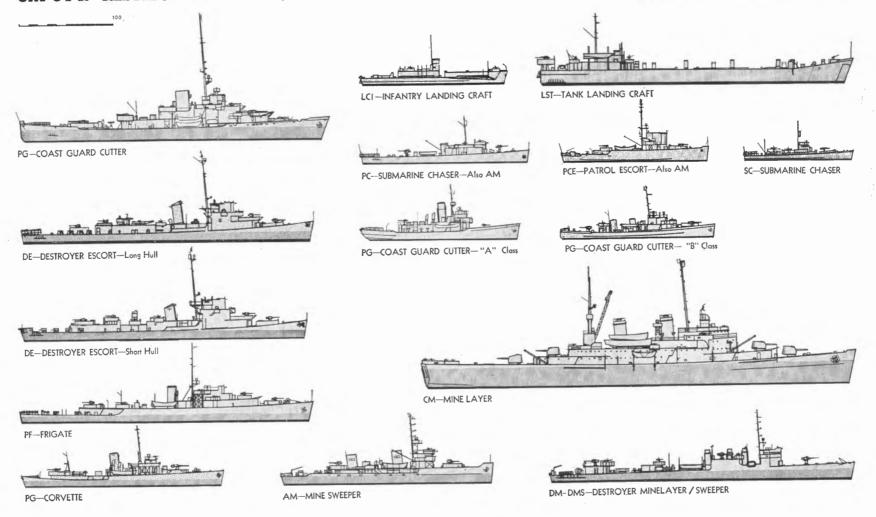








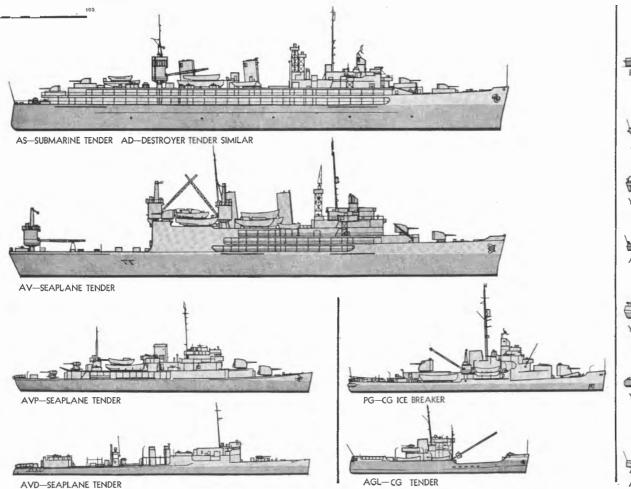
# U.S. MINOR COMBATANT TYPES

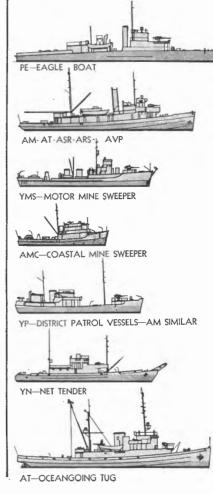


### **U.S. NAVAL AUXILIARIES**

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# U. S. CONVERTED MERCHANT AUXILIARIES ONI 54 R · RESTRICTED Division of Naval Intelligence— Identification and Characteristics Section WORLD, WAR 1 WORLD, WAR 2 **OILER** FLUSH-DECKERS TANKER, T-2 T2-SEA1 CARGO C-2 TYPES "HOG ISLAND" TYPE LIBERTY TYPE N-3 TRANSPORT "PRESIDENT" TYPE C-3 P&C EX-BALTIMORE MAIL "CITY" TYPE "HOG ISLAND 448" TYPE C-3 P&C STORESHIP EX-UNITED FRUIT LINE C-3 SA2 C4-SA2

### U. S. Naval Vessels—Type Designations

#### PRINCIPAL COMBATANT TYPES

-Battleship CB -Large Cruiser -Aircraft Carrier CVL -Aircraft Carrier (light) -Aircraft Carrier (escort) -Heavy Cruiser ζĹ -Light Cruiser DD -- Destroyer DE -Destroyer Escort Vessel SS -Submarine -Minelaying Submarine

#### MINOR COMBATANT TYPES

—Minelayer CM DM -Light Minelayer DMS -High-Speed Minesweeper AM -Minesweeper AN -Net-laying Ship PF —Frigate PE PG -Eagle Boat -Gunboat PČ -Submarine Chaser PCE -Patrol Craft Escort PCS —Submarine Chaser (136') -Submarine Chaser (110') -Motor Torpedo Boat PY. PYc-Yacht

### NAVAL AUXILIARIES

#### **TENDERS**

AD —Destroyer Tender
AH —Hospital Ships
AS —Submarine Tender
ASR —Submarine Rescue Vessel
AR —Repair Ship

ARB —Battle Damage Repair Ship
ARG —Internal Combustion Engine Repair Ship
ARH —Hull Repair Ships
ARL —Landing Craft Repair Ship
ARS —Salvage Vessel
AV —Seaplane Tender

AVD —Destroyer Seaplane Tender AVP —Small Seaplane Tender AGP —Motor Torpedo Boat Tender

#### CARGO AND FUEL SHIPS

AE —Ammunition Ships
AF —Provision Storeship
AK —Cargo Ship
AKA —Attack Cargo Ships
AKS —Stores Issue Ships
AO —Oiler
AOG—Gasoline Tanker

#### TRANSPORTS

AP —Troop Transport
APA —Attack Transport
APD —High-Speed Transport
APH —Wounded Evacuation Transport
APM —Mechanized Artillery Transport
APR —Rescue Transport

APV — Aircraft Transport AGC — Operations and Command Headquarters Ship

### LANDING CRAFT

LCC —Control Landing Craft LCI —Infantry Landing Craft LCT —Tank Landing Craft LSD —Dock Landing Ship LST —Tank Landing Ship LCM —Mechanized Equipment Landing Craft
LCV —Vehicle Landing Craft
LCS —Support Landing Craft
LCP —Personnel Landing Craft
LVT —Tracked Landing Craft
LCR —Rubber Landing Craft

#### BASE CRAFT

AB —Crane Ship
ABD —Advance Base Dock
ABSO—Advance Base Sectional Dock
AFD —Mobile Floating Dock
APL —Barracks Ship
APc —Coastal Transport
ARDC—Concrete Repair Dock
ARD —Floating Drydock
AT —Ocean-going Tug
ATR —Rescue Tug
AVR —Aircraft Rescue Vessel
AMb —Harbor Minesweeper

#### MISCELLANEOUS

AG —Miscellaneous Auxiliaries AGS —Surveying Ship IX —Unclassified

### DISTRICT CRAFT

YAG —Miscellaneous District Auxiliaries

YMS —Motor Minesweeper

YMT —Motor Tug

YN —Net Tender

YNg —Gate Tender

YP —District Patrol Vessel

YT —Harbor Tug

CMc —Coastal Minesweeper

#### BARGES

YCD —Fueling Barge
YOG —Gasoline Barge
YO —Fuel-oil Barge
YOS —Oil Storage Barge
YPK —Pontoon Storage Barge
YS —Stevedoring Barge
YSR —Sludge Removal Barge
YTT —Torpedo Testing Barge
YW —Water Barge

#### LIGHTERS

YA — Ash Lighter
YC — Open Lighter
YCK — Open Cargo Lighter
YCV — Aircraft Transport Lighter
YF — Covered Lighter
YFT — Torpedo Transport Lighter
YG — Garbage Lighter
YLA — Open Landing Lighter

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

YCF —Car Floats YD —Floating Derrick YDG —Degaussing Vessel YDT -Diving Tender YE — Ammunition Tender YFB —Ferry Boat YFD —Floating Drydock YHB --Houseboat YHT —Heating Scow YM - Dredge YPD -Floating Pile Driver YR —Floating Workshop YRD(H)-Dry Dock Workshop-Hull YRD(M)—Dry Dock Workshop—Machinery YSD -Seaplane Wreck Derrick -Salvage Pontoon

-27'

-20'

**—59**′

-72'

-103'

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Bow

Stern

Bridge

Stack

Mast

Ships in Class:

WYOMING -AG 17

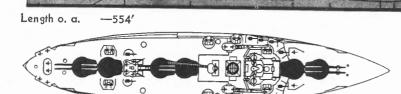
Last unit of eight dreadnaughts completed in 1912. Rebuilt 1925-27, modernized in 1942. WYOMING (silhouette), partially demilitarized, serves as a Gunnery Training Ship.

Observer's Note:

- -2-A-2-2 main battery disposition (Japan's ISE Class similar)
- -Low, widely spaced tripod masts (WYO-MING retains original cage foremast)
- -Catapult on No. 3 turret, flanked by prominent cranes.



ARKANSAS-BB 33



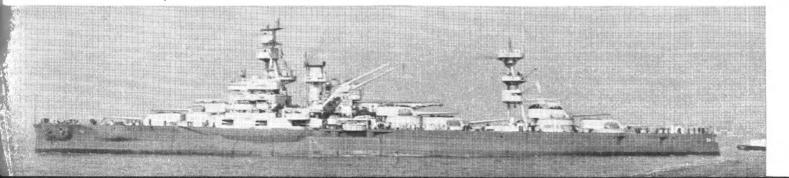




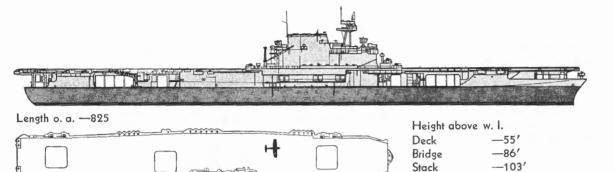




ARKANSAS 7-1-43 ▲ 6-27-42 ▼



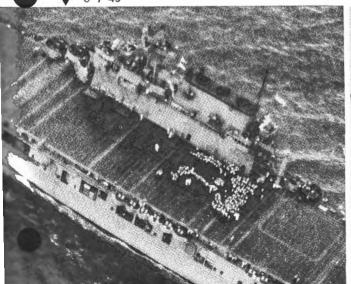
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Designed as an enlarged, speedier RANGER, this ship was authorized under the N. R. A. and completed in 1938. Resembles the new ESSEX design.

#### Observer's Note:

- Long, low island superstructure combined with heavy stack.
- Light tripod foremast with stick mainmast stepped abaft stack.
- —Full-length flight deck, broken freeboard.

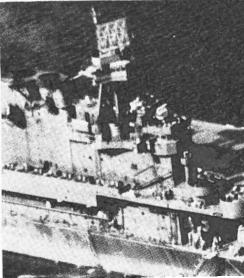


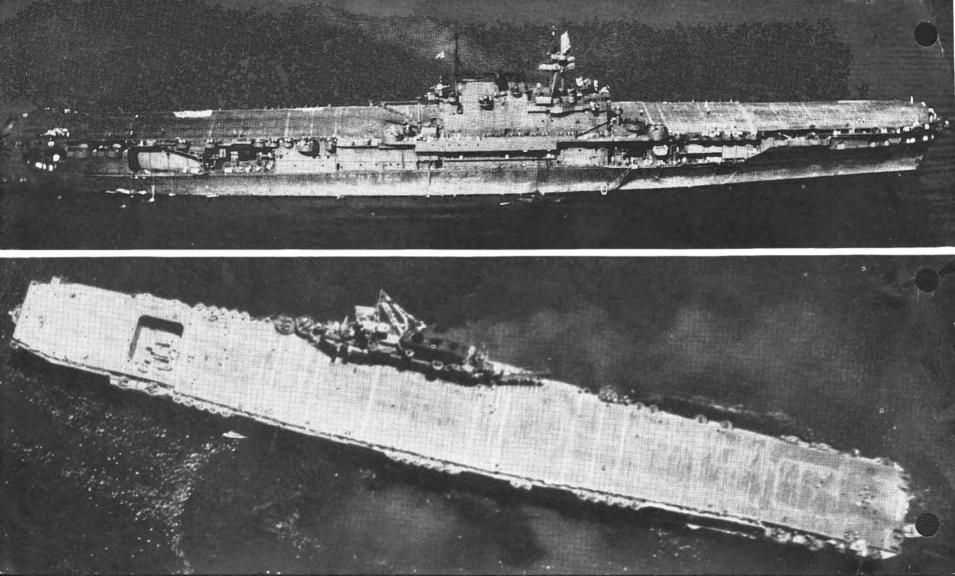


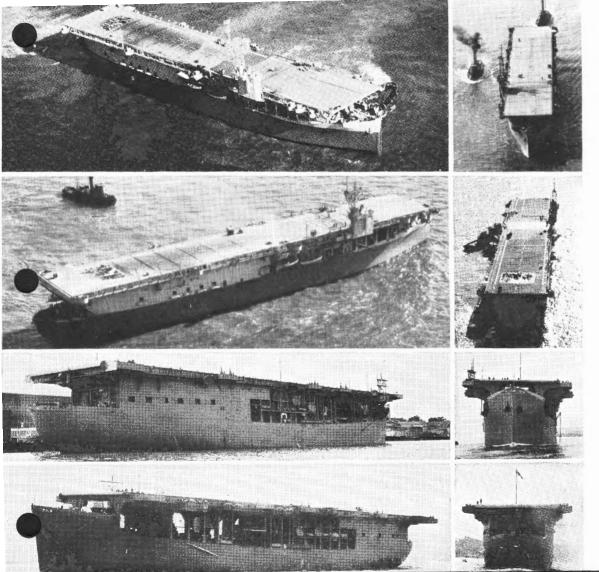
Mast

-143'

▼ 11-10-42 (Also full length views)







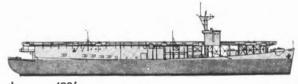
### CHARGER—CVE 30

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The first conversions of this war, these ships were developments of the LANGLEY design (the "old covered wagon"). Identical with the CHARGER is the British ARCHER Class CVE.

### Observer's Note:

- -Freighter hull, enclosed to flight deck aft, open forward.
- —Trestle mast on LONG ISLAND tops box bridge on CHARGER.
- —Note CHARGER is the only CVE without a raised forecastle.

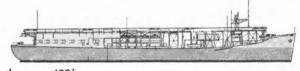


Length o. a.—492'

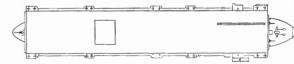


Height above w. I. Bridge-69' Deck-52' Mast-88'

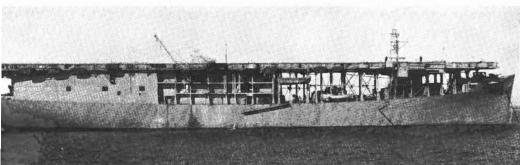
## LONG ISLAND—CVE 1



Length o. a.-492'



Height above w. I. Deck-58' Mast-69'



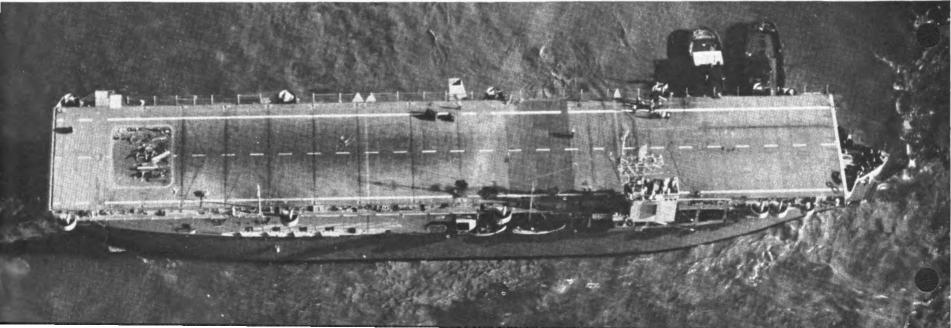


British sister ship to the LONG ISLAND, HMS ARCHER, 12-41.

All photographs of the LONG ISLAND, 12-19-42; of CHARGER, 

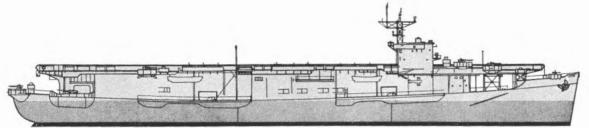
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▲ HMS BITER is similar to the CHARGER.

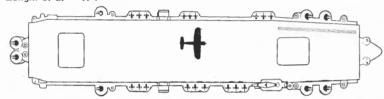


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Length o. a. -494'



Height above w. I.

Bridge **—73**′

Deck **—54**′

Mast --90' Converted from C-3 cargo hulls, these ships represent an improved CHARGER type. Often called "Baby Carriers", or by the British (who have sister ships) "Woolworth Carriers". Although divided into two classes there are no apparent appearance variations.

#### Observer's Note:

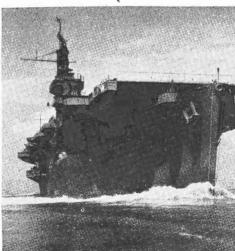
- -Hull enclosed to flight deck.
- -Standard CVE box bridge topped by trestle mast.
- -Distinguished from other classes by presence of hull sponsons.

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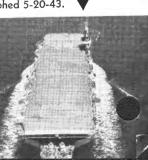








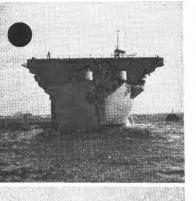












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### SANGAMON Class—CVE 26

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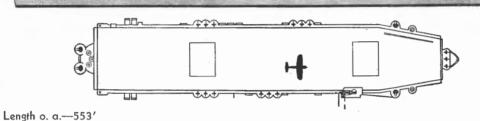
Height above w. I.

Bridge —59'

Deck —42'

Mast —84', 108'

The largest type of CVE, these ships are converted oilers, an expediency also used by Japan. Due to their elongated appearance, they may easily be confused with CV's or CVL's.



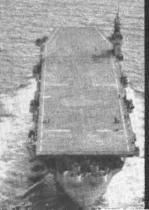
Observer's Note:

- —Hull enclosed to flight deck, with numer ous rectangular openings in freeboard.
- -Standard CVE box bridge and trestle mast.

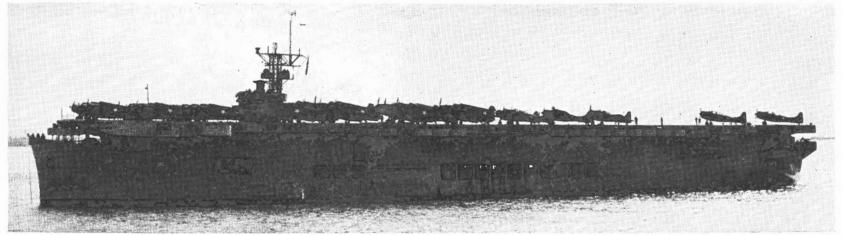
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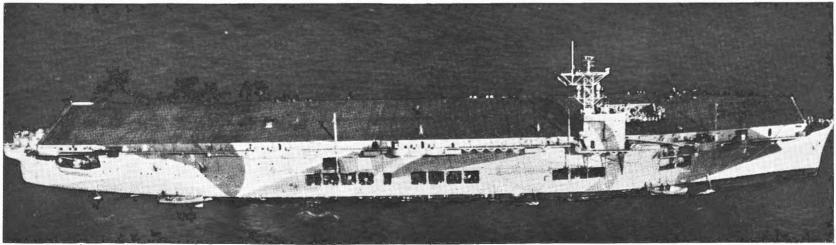






▼ SANGAMON, 9-11-42. Note TBF's, SBD's on flight deck.



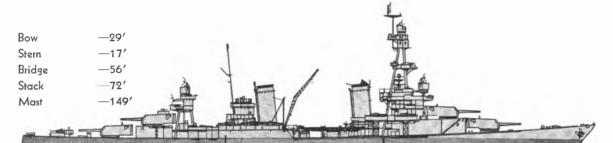


▲ Camouflaged SANTEE 9-27-42.

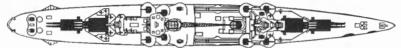
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PENSACOLA Class—CA 24, 25

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Length o. a.—585'



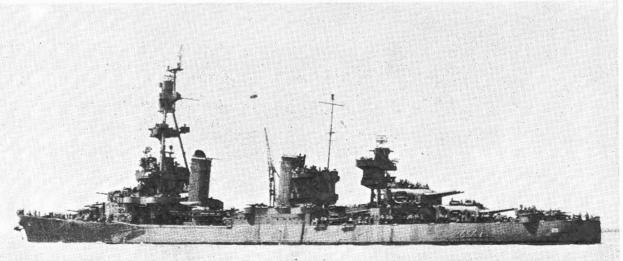
Ships in Class:
PENSACOLA —CA 24
SALT LAKE CITY—CA 25

The first of our modern heavy cruisers, these ships were modified in the subsequent NORTHAMPTON-PORTLAND designs.

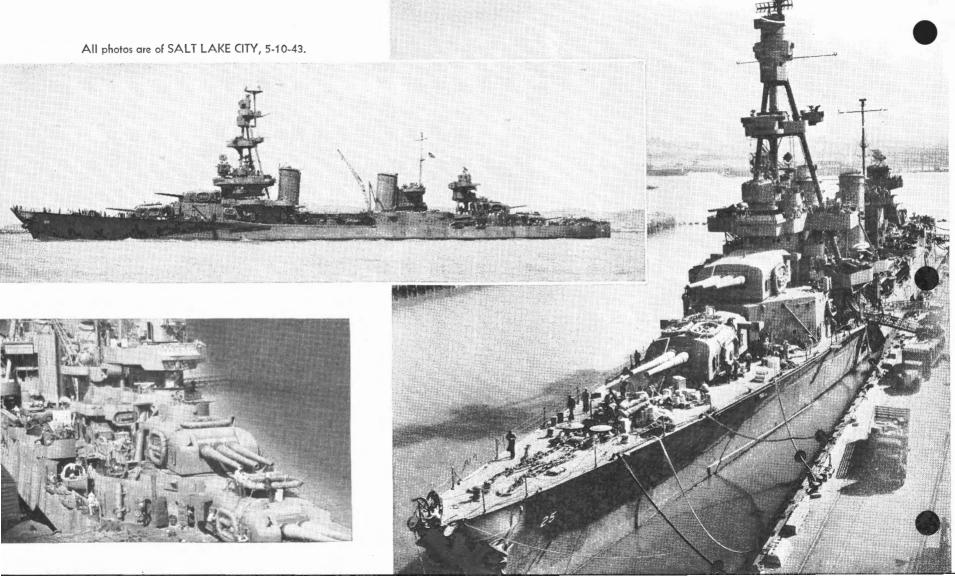
#### Observer's Note:

- -2-A-2 main battery disposition (triples over twins).
- —Tall tripod foremast, pole mainmast, plus a tripod control tower aft.
- Two heavy, widely separated raking stacks.
- -Flush hull, catapults amidships.





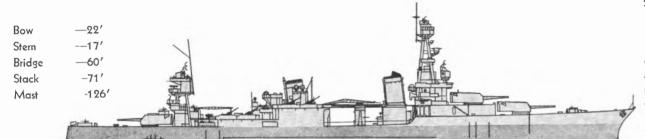




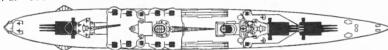
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# NORTHAMPTON Class—CA 27, 28, 31

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Length o. a.—600'



Ships in Class:

CHESTER —CA 27 LOUISVILLE—CA 28 AUGUSTA —CA 31

Completed in 1930—31, these cruisers were all fitted as Flagships. Ships are of the same basic design as the PENSACOLA and PORTLAND Classes.

### Observer's Note:

- —Cruiser hull, deck line broken at catapult in AUGUSTA, at foremast in other units.
- —Tall tripod foremast, heavy tripod mainmast.
- —Two short, raking, combined stacks.

▼ LOUISVILLE, 11-42.









Classed separately, the AUGUSTA varies from the NORTHAMPTON in position of hull break and minor superstructure details.





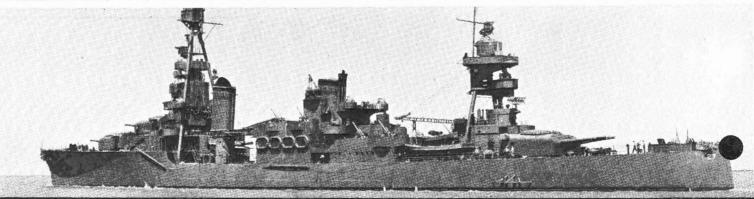
CHESTER, 8-42



CA 28, 11-42 CA 27, 8-42







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### PORTLAND Class—CA 33, 35

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Ships in Class:

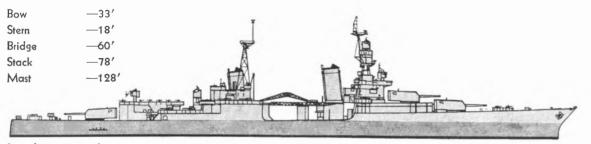
PORTLAND —CA 33

INDIANAPOLIS—CA 35

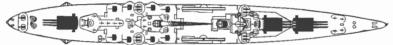
Improved NORTHAMPTON's, these two units were the last of the Washington Treaty group completed from 1929–1932. Both have had the light tripod mainmast moved forward.

#### Observer's Note:

- -Cruiser hull, deck line broken amidships.
- —Two raked, flat sided stacks, separated by catapult well deck.
- Heavy, low tripod foremast, light tripod mainmast at No. 2 stack.

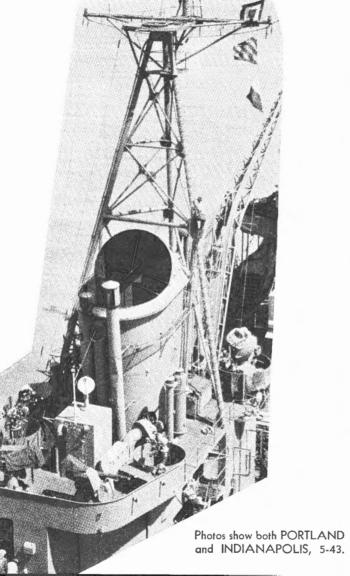












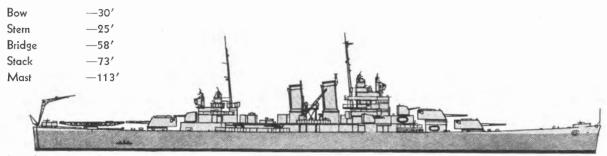




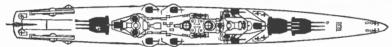


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Length o. a.-608'



The last CA built under the London Treaty (1939), the WICHITA is an 8" gun version of the BROOKLYN Class.

### Observer's Note:

- -Flush hull, wide transom stern.
- Two closely spaced, raking stacks, pole masts.
- -2-A-1 main battery arrangement; note superimposed secondaries.





BROOKLYN-PHOENIX Classes, ST. LOUIS—CL 40-49
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Altered to CL's to conform with the London Naval Treaty, these ships were completed in 1939, with WICHITA being the only ship to be completed in accordance with original designs. BROOKLYN and PHOENIX classes identical in appearance, vary from the ST. LOUIS in after superstructure and mainmast location.

Observer's Note:

-Flush cruiser hull, wide transom stern.

—Two closely spaced, raking stacks.

-Low tower bridge and aft control.

Ships in Classes:

BROOKLYN —CL 40 PHOENIX —CL 46

PHILADELPHIA—CL 41 BOISE —CL 47

SAVANNAH -CL 42 HONOLULU-CL 48

NASHVILLE —CL 43 ST. LOUIS —CL 49

**BROOKLYN** 

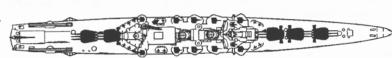


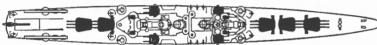
Bow —28'
Stern —15'

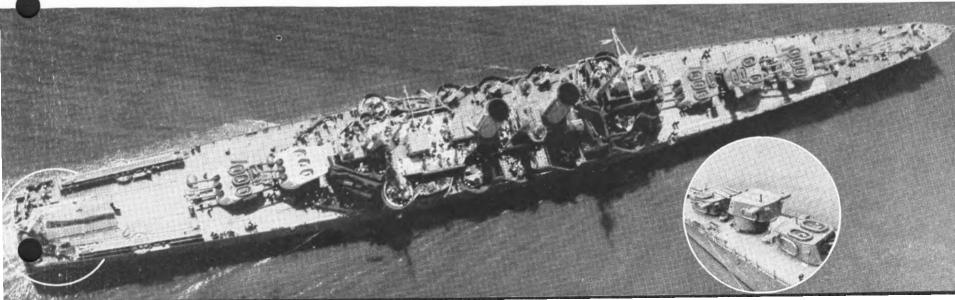
Bridge-58'

Stack --67'

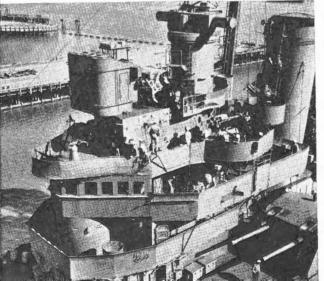
Mast -108'

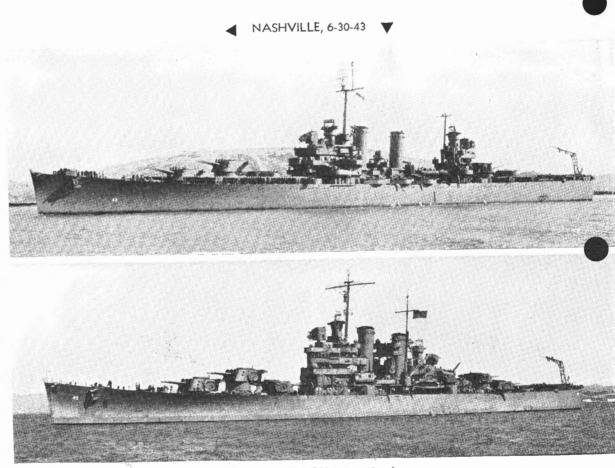




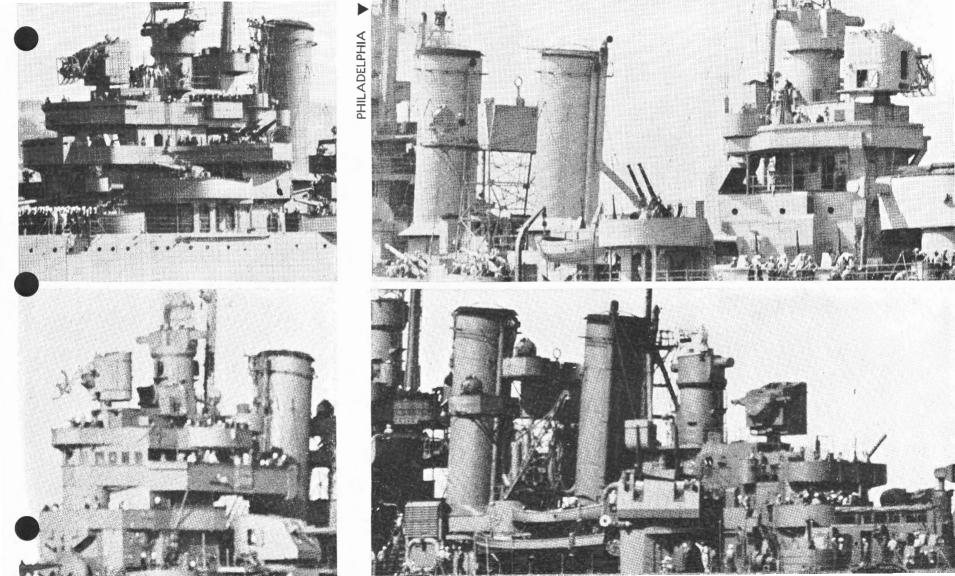


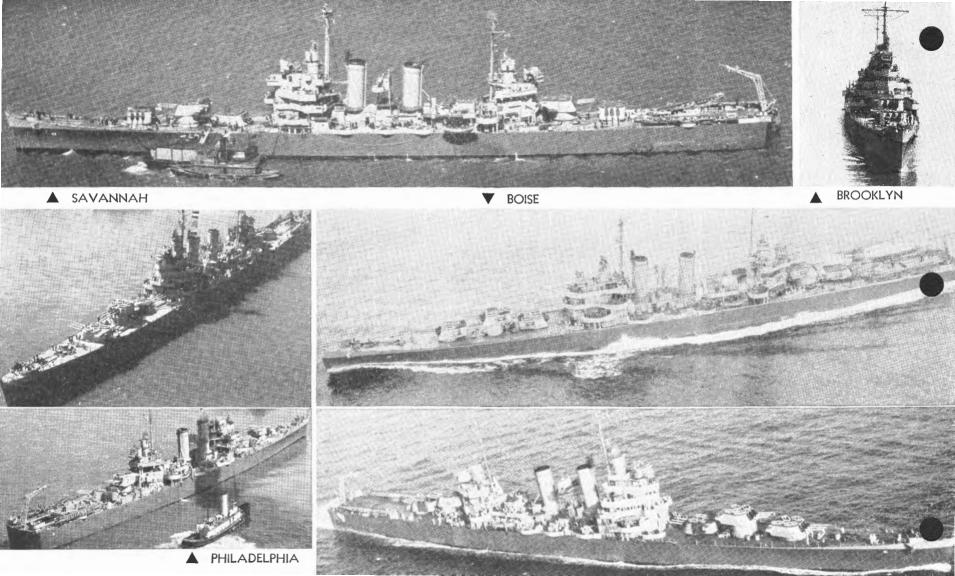






◀ ST. LOUIS, 3-6-42 ▶



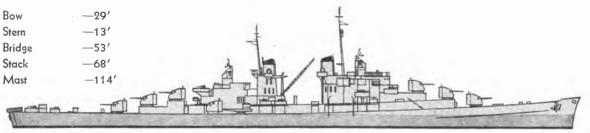


### ATLANTA, OAKLAND Classes-CL 53, 54, 95-

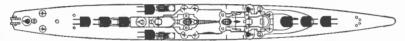
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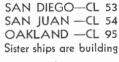
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Length o. a. - 541'



SAN JUAN, 6-3-43.



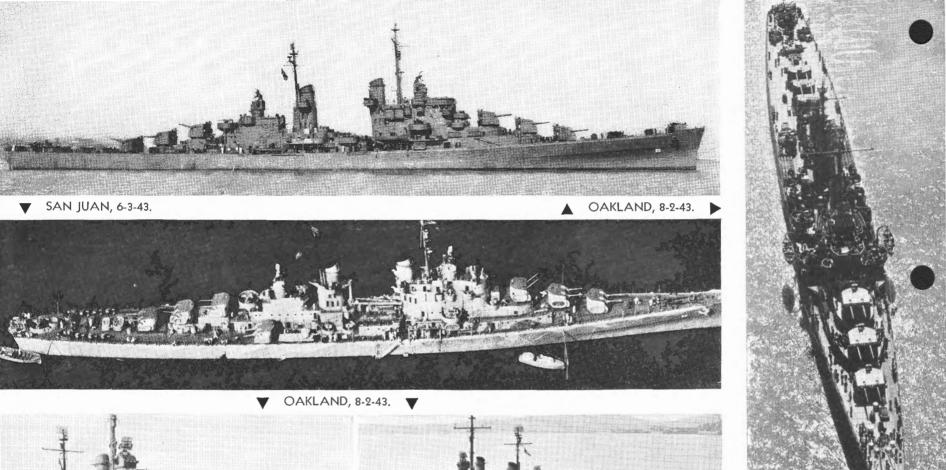
#### Observer's Note:

- -Flush hull with pronounced sheer forward.
- -3-A-3 main battery arrangement.
  (Note: OAKLAND has no wing
  - mounts.)
- —Two thin stacks combined with superstructure.
- OAKLAND differs from ATLANTA in bridge details and minor armament variations.

OAKLAND, 8-2-43.

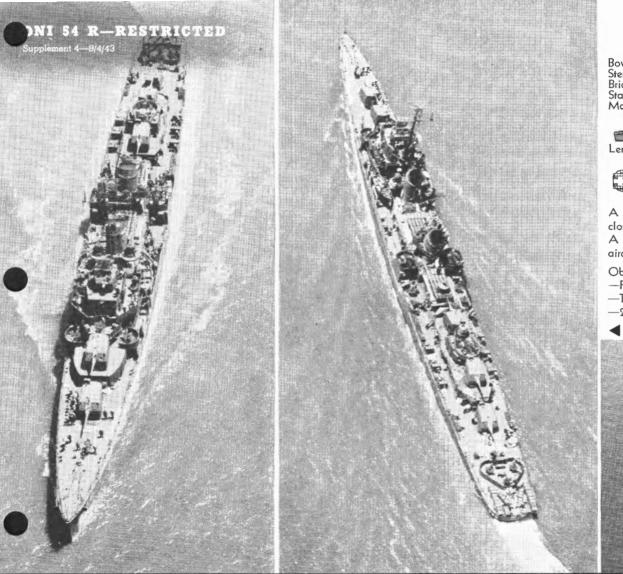












### FLETCHER Class—DD

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Length o. a. - 376'



A departure from previous designs, these destroyers follow closely the pattern found in our new BB's, CA's, and CL's. A variation occurs in those units equipped for handling aircraft.

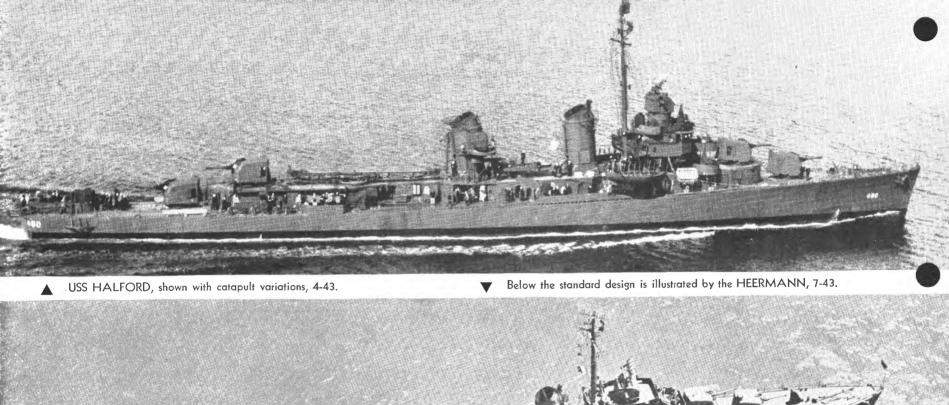
#### Observer's Note:

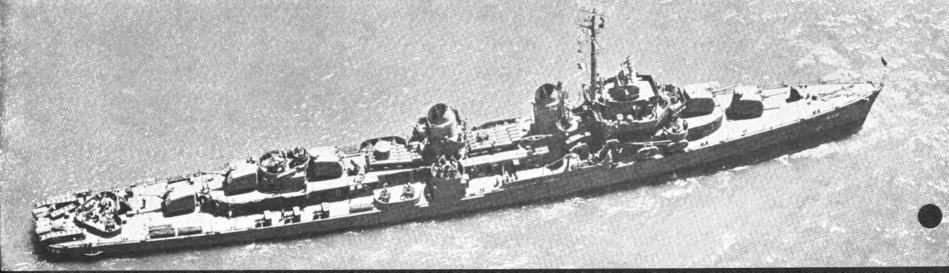
- -Flush hull with pronounced bow sheer.
- —Two broad, raking stacks.
- -2-A-1-A gunhouse disposition.

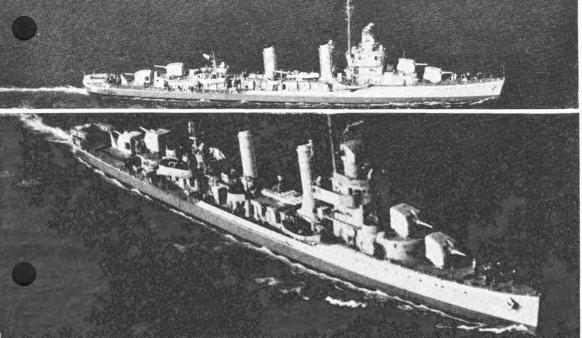
TRATHEN, 6-42

BULLARD, 4-43







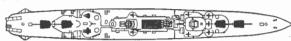


# BENSON, LIVERMORE Classes—DD

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Length o. a.—348'

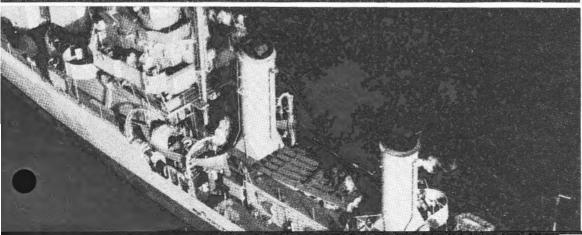


First commissioned in 1940, these ships are essentially an improved SIMS type. Armament varies in individual units.

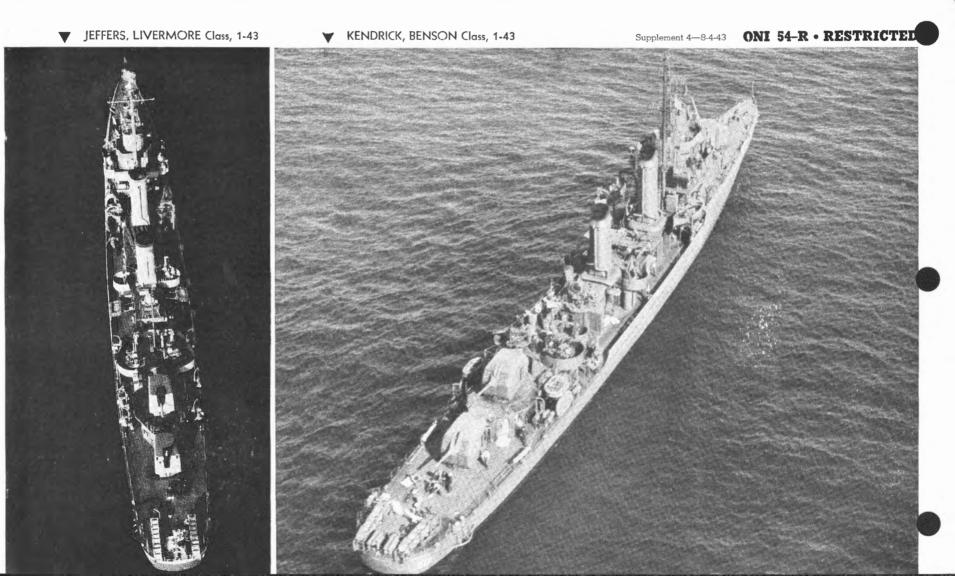
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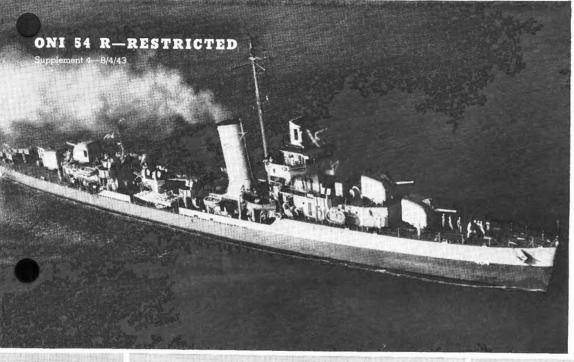
- —Two thin raking stacks—round in LIVERMORE's, squared in BENSON's.
- -2-A-2 gunhouse arrangement.

▼FITCH and JEFFERS ▼HOBBY, a unit of the BENSON Class,1-43



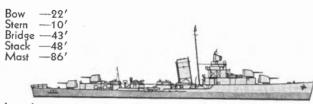






### BENHAM Class-DD

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Length o. a. - 341'



An improved MAHAN design, these units are very similar to SIMS Class ships. Both classes were completed 1939-40.

Observer's Note:

- -Large single trunked stack (no stack cap).
- Amidships quadruple torpedo mount differentiate these ships from SIMS, GRIDLEY, BAGLEY Classes.

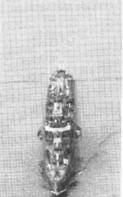
◀ RHIND, 9-17-42.

USS TRIPPE, 6-2-42. ▼

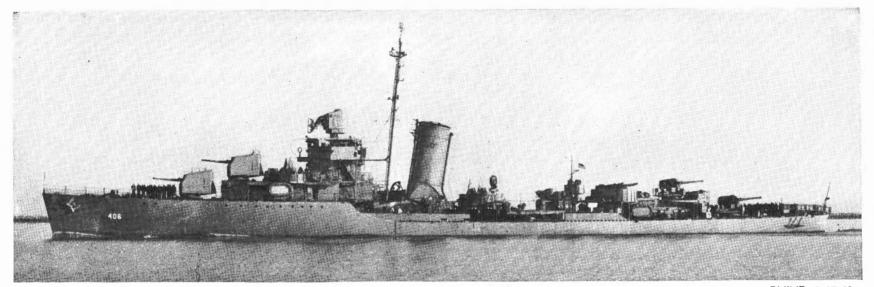




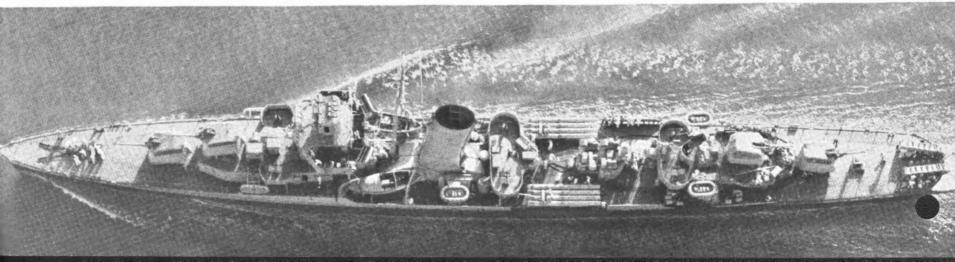


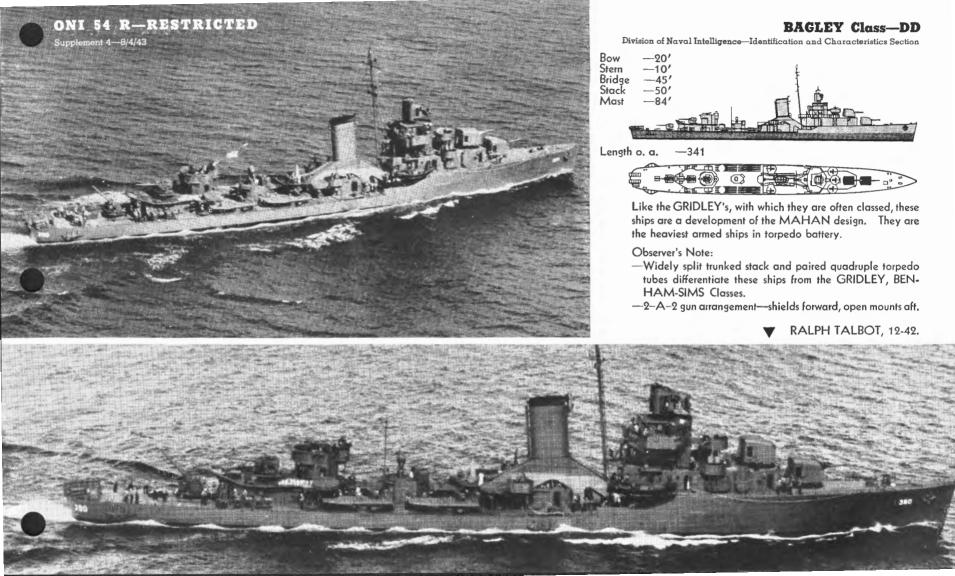


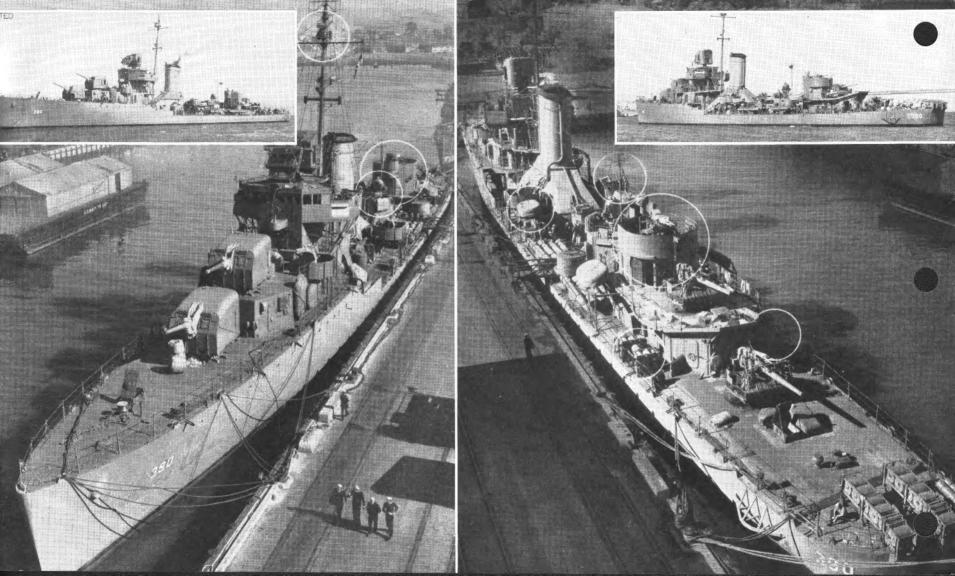




▲ STACK, 8-6-42. ▼ RHIND, 9-17-42.







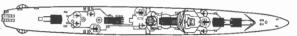


## SOMERS Class—DD

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Length o. a. - 381 '



Completed in 1938–39, these ships were designed as improved PORTER's. As in other classes, they have recently undergone considerable armament changes.

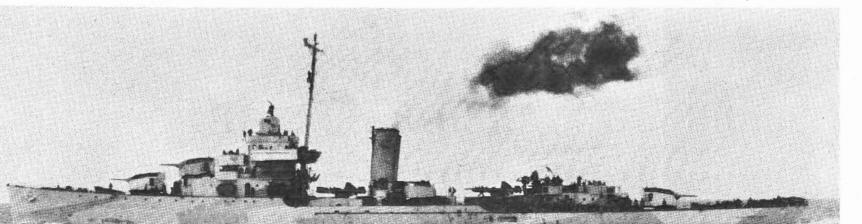
### Observer's Note:

- —Distinctive tall, raking, single-pipe stack.
- -2-A-1 gunhouse arrangement (twins).





Below and on front is illustrated the WARRINGTON, 4-23-43.



▲ SAMPSON, 3-14-43.



## MAHAN-DUNLAP Classes—DD

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Length o. a.-341'



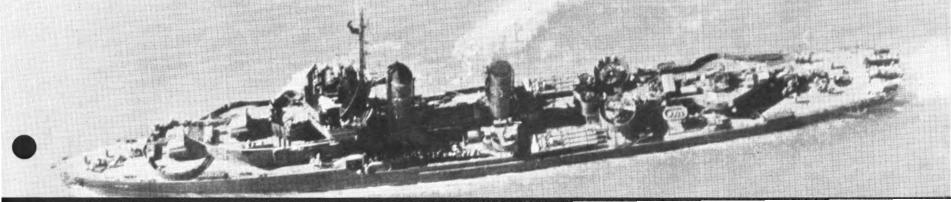
Completed in 1936—37 as improved FARRAGUT's, these ships are typical of our older two-stack destroyers.

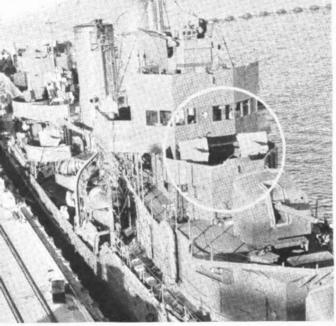
### Observer's Note:

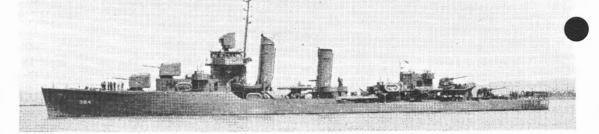
- —Gunhouses forward differentiate DUNLAP from MAHAN Class (open gunshields).
- Very similar in appearance to PORTER, LIVER-MORE, BENSON Classes; differentiated by armament disposition and stack spacing.

CONYNGHAM, 1-42

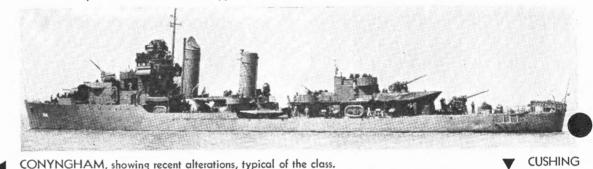
FLUSSER, 1-43



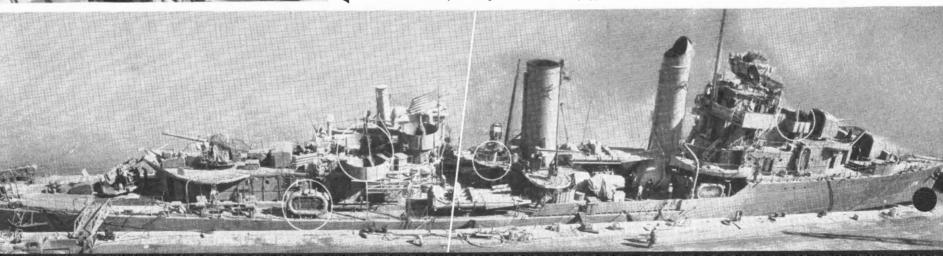


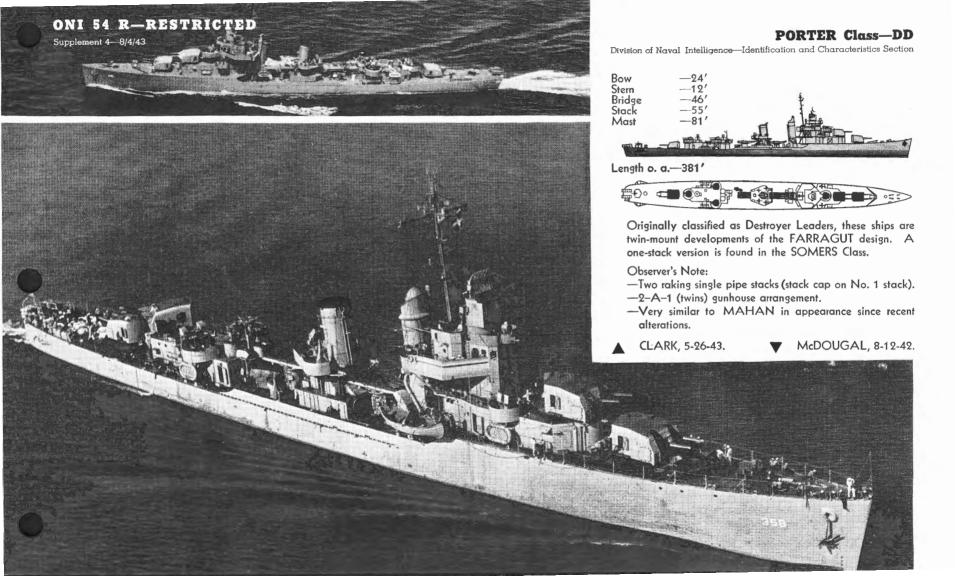


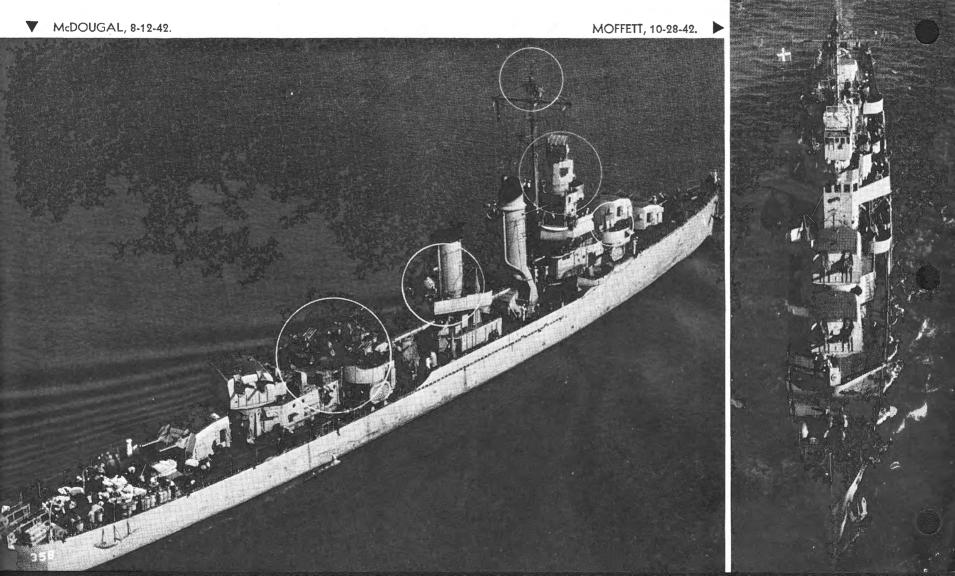
DUNLAP ▲, FLUSSER ▼ illustrate appearance differences in the two combined classes.

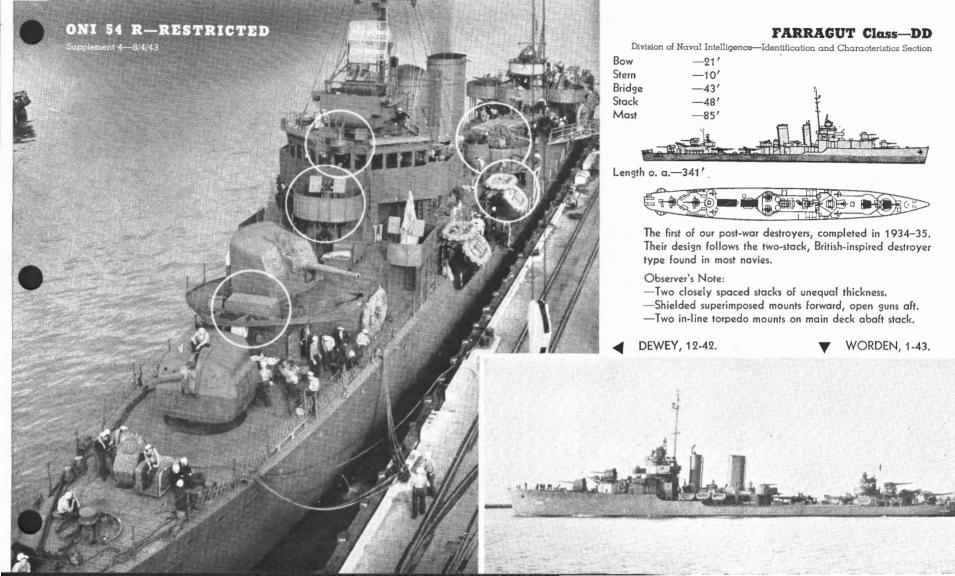


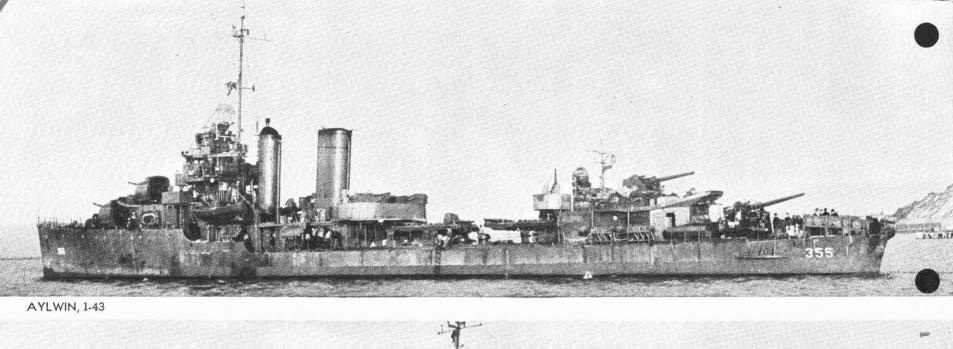
CONYNGHAM, showing recent alterations, typical of the class.

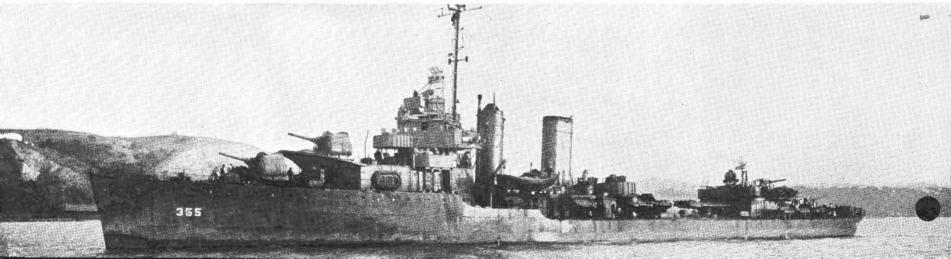








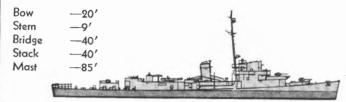






## **BUCKLEY Class—DE**

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Length o. a. - 306'



These ships still retain many of the attributes of the destroyers they replace in escort duties. Torpedo armament differentiates them from the short-hull DE's.

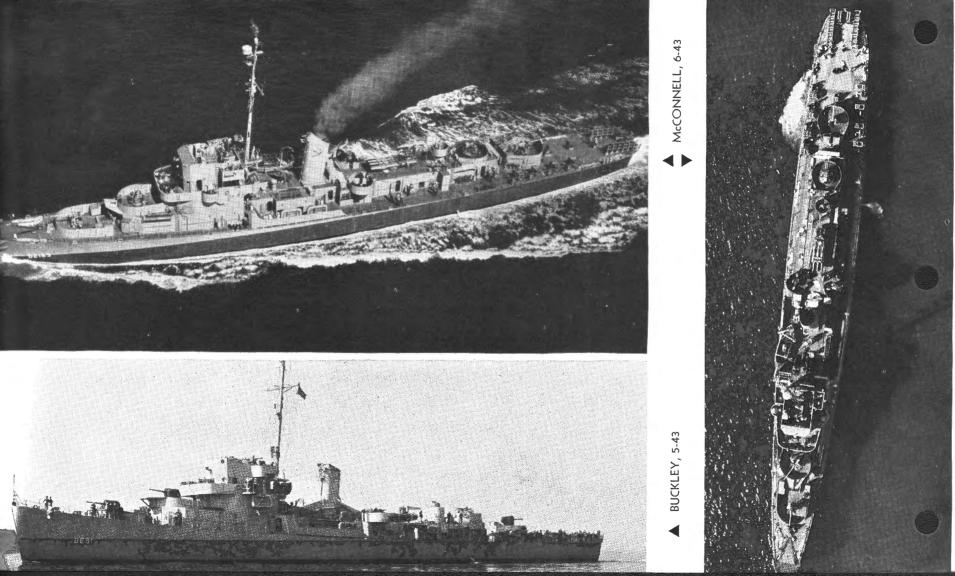
Observer's Note:

—Long-hull DE's have either a raking single pipe or trunked stack, depending upon type of drive. Although no class differentiation is made, these ships are classified under four separate groups, according to builder and machinery.

■ REUBEN JAMES, 4-43

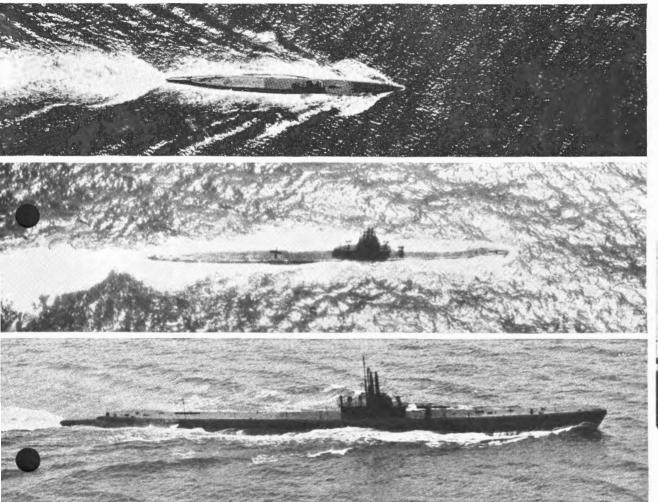
ACREE, 8-43





BALAO CLASS—SS

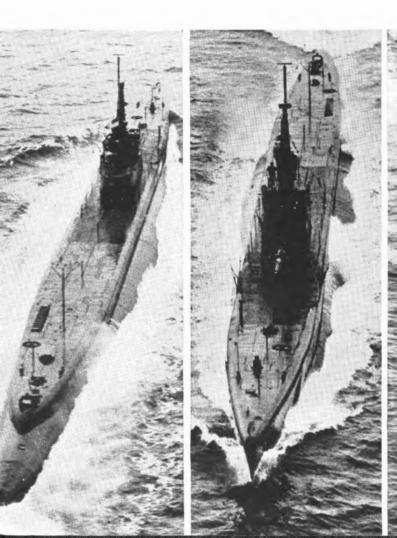
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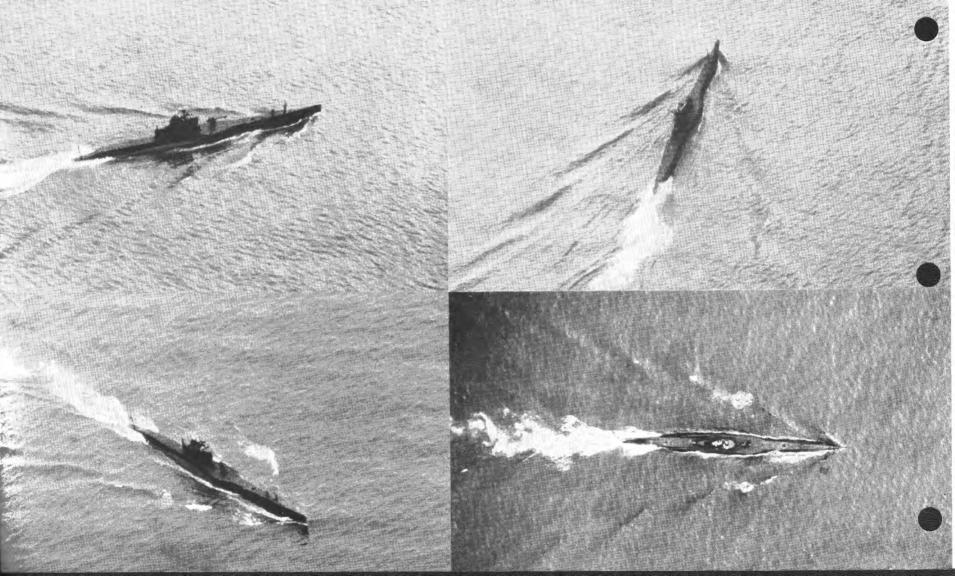
Completed between 1916–1918, this class is usually split into "Government" and "Holland" types. Of the latter group, three distinct appearance types are illustrated.

Photos, all taken in 1943, show new alterations in the conning tower, machine gun location and the stern deck structure.



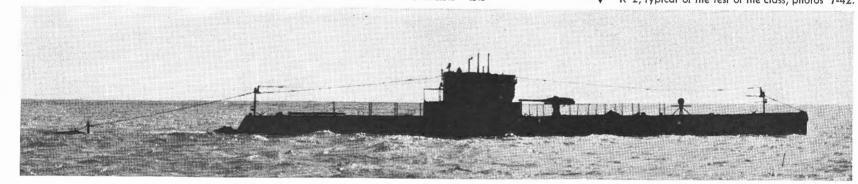












**▼ DOLPHIN** 

