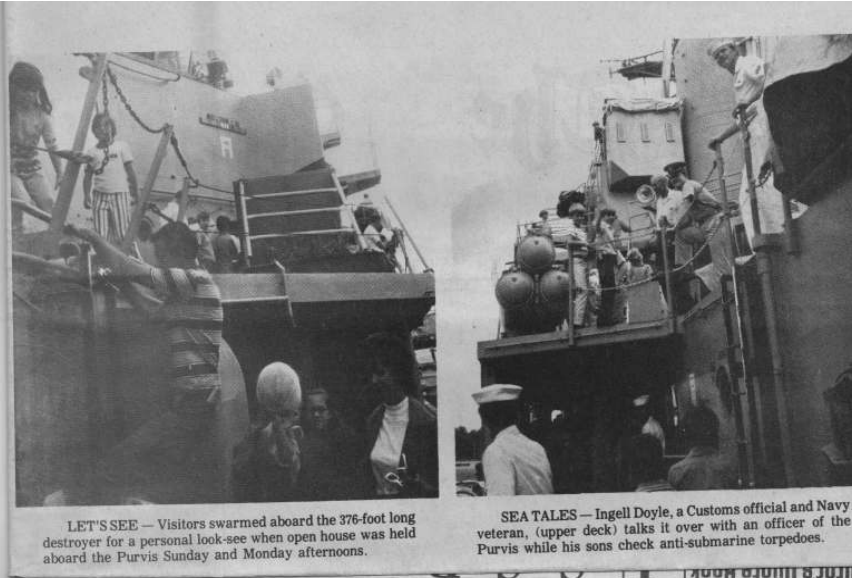




DOCKSIDE — The Union Jack is lowered from the bow of the USS Hugh Purvis when the 3,000 ton destroyer reaches dockside and lines are put ashore.

SECURING LINES — Crew members from the Purvis hop ashore to tighten and secure lines when the destroyer is dock-side at the State Ports Authority terminal.



LET'S SEE — Visitors swarmed aboard the 376-foot long destroyer for a personal look-see when open house was held aboard the Purvis Sunday and Monday afternoons.

SEA TALES — Ingell Doyle, a Customs official and Navy veteran, (upper deck) talks it over with an officer of the Purvis while his sons check anti-submarine torpedoes.

U. S. S. Purvis' Visit Recalls Bits Of History

The docking of the Purvis in Georgetown may have set something of a record for the Navy.

The Purvis' captain, Commander A. G. Hennessey, Jr., and his wife may have made a bit of Navy history during the Cuban missile crisis in the early 1960's. When families of American servicemen stationed at

Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, were evacuated during the missile crisis, Mrs. Hennessey was the only Navy wife to remain at the United States naval base on the eastern tip of Cuba. Mrs. Hennessey is a Navy nurse who was stationed at Guantanamo Bay when the Soviet Union attempted to install missile sites in Cuba. She was allowed to remain on duty during the crisis. Mrs.

Hennessey is retiring this month as a Lieutenant Commander in the navy Nurse Corps. When the ship neared the Ports Authority terminal Monday, an unusual line party was ashore to receive lines to moor the ship to dock side.

Pulling the ship's lines ashore were a school teacher, Eddie Pinckney; a sailor from the Naval Reserve; several dockhands, and Glennie Tarbox, dressed in

full uniform as a Commander in the Naval Reserve.

Tarbox grabbed a line when a monkey's fist bounced nearby on the concrete dock, prompting the Purvis' captain to chuckle that ship was probably the only one in history to have a full commander serving in a line gang.