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REAR ADMIRAL CHARLES W. THOMAS, USCG (RET)

(Photographed here as a Captain in 1955)



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COAST GUARD OFFICER AWARDED LEGION OF MERIT

CAPTAIN HENRY T. READ, FLEET ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER IN BOSTON, PINS THE LEGION OF MERIT UPON CAPTAIN CHARLES W. THOMAS, U.S. COAST GUARD, OF 1510 EAST OCEAN, LONG BEACH, CALIF. THE AWARD WAS MADE FOR HIS "EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT.....AS COMMANDER OF A GREENLAND PATROL TASK UNIT."

CAPTAIN THOMAS WAS CITED FOR INFLECTING "SEVERE DAMAGE ON ENEMY INSTALLATIONS AND OUTPOSTS IN THE NORTHEAST GREENLAND AREA. OPERATING NORTH OF THE ARCTIC CIRCLE AT A TIME WHEN ICE AND WEATHER CONDITIONS WERE EXTREMELY BAD, HE MANEUVERED HIS SHIP THROUGH HEAVY ICE, DENSE FOG, AND UNPREDICTABLE CURRENTS TO CLOSE AN ISOLATED ISLAND ON WHICH THE ENEMY HAD ESTABLISHED A WEATHER STATION. TAKING THE GARRISON COMPLETELY BY SURPRISE, HE LANDED A FORCE WHICH DESTROYED THE ENEMY INSTALLATION. LATER HE RELOCATED AN ENEMY ARMED TRAWLER WHOSE PRESENCE IN THE AREA WAS KNOWN. AFTER AN EXTENSIVE CHASE THROUGH HEAVY PACK ICE, HE CLOSED THE ENEMY, OPENED FIRE, AND FORCED THE ENEMY SHIP TO SURRENDER."

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Captain Charles W. Thomas, USCG, is shown here at his desk on board the Coast Guard icebreaker EASTWIND following the muster of the ship's company at ceremonies in which he received the LEGION OF MERIT for outstanding action in defeating the Nazis in Greenland. He is wearing the Medal.

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Captain Charles W. Thomas, USCG (left) is seen here with Commander H. U. Schell, USCG, with golf clubs on an icy Greenland fjord after the mop-up of Nazis from Greenland. Captain Thomas had been relieved of his command of the Coast Guard icebreaker EASTWIND by Commander Schell and assigned to duty as Chief of Staff for the Commander, Greenland Patrol.

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Captain Charles W. Thomas, USCG (J-10) is seen here with Commander
H. U. Scholl, USCG, with golf clubs on an icy Greenland fjord after the
pick-up of Neale from Greenland. Captain Thomas had been relieved of his
command of the Coast Guard cutter USCGC (J-10) by Commander Scholl and
assigned to duty as Chief of Staff for the Greenland Patrol.



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PARTICIPANTS IN "THIS IS YOUR LIFE" PROGRAM

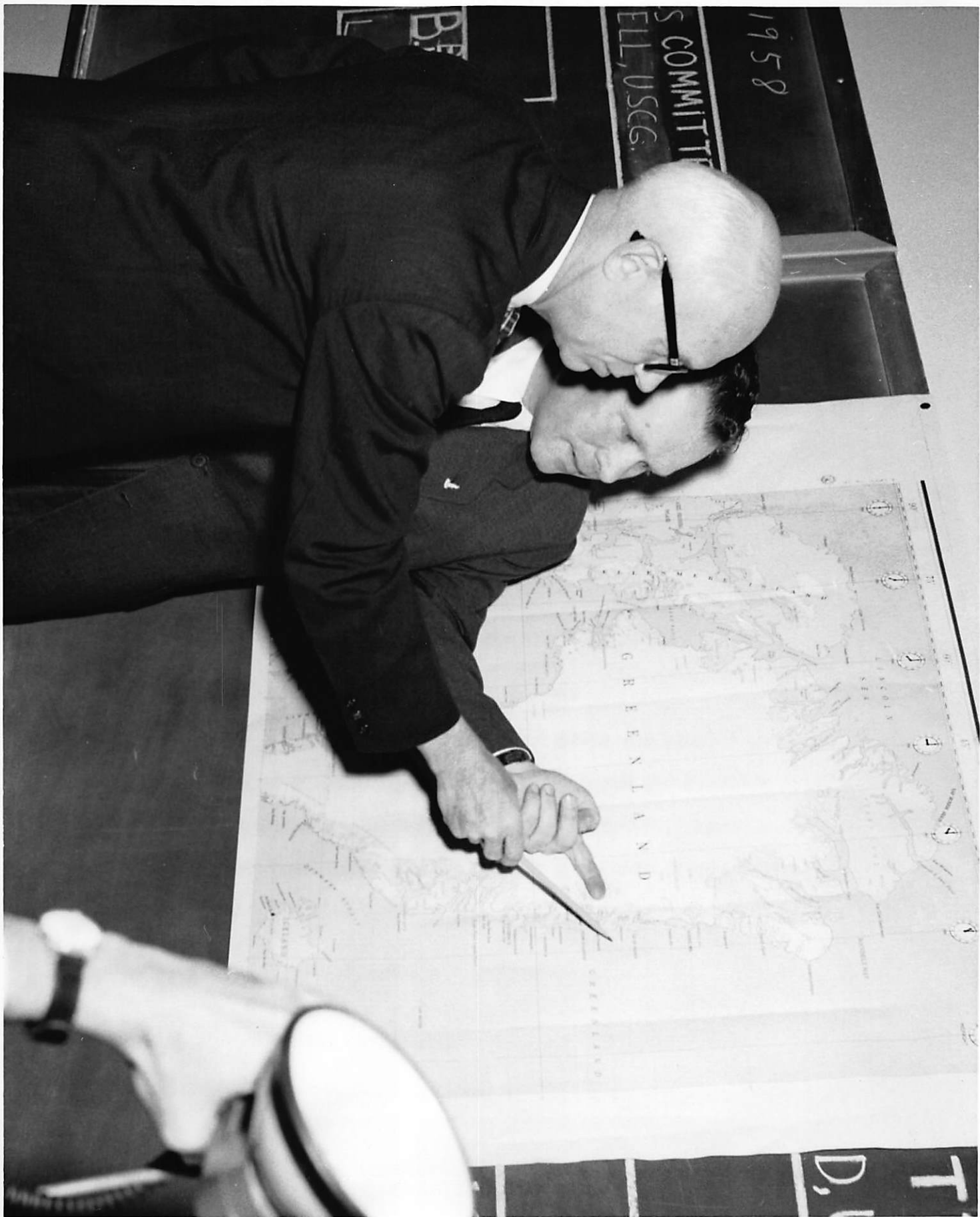
Smiling Ralph Edwards, master of ceremonies of the National Broadcasting Company program, "THIS IS YOUR LIFE", catches with a hand microphone the comments of Captain Charles W. Thomas (center, seated), who was the surprise guest of honor on the broadcast March 29.

A review of the Captain's life story brought together members of his family, men who have served with him during his 26 years of Coast Guard service, and others connected with incidents in his career. He is Chief of Staff of the U. S. Coast Guard Second District, St. Louis, Mo.

Seated with Captain Thomas are his wife (left) and his mother, Mrs. Charles E. Thomas, Seattle, Wash. Participants standing are (left to right): Admiral Richard H. Cruzen, USN, Commander of the Pearl Harbor Naval Base; Mrs. G. A. Thoreson, sister of Captain Thomas; his father, Charles E. Thomas, Seattle, Wash.; Captain H. C. Perkins, Chief of Staff of the 12th Coast Guard District, San Francisco, Cal; Malcolm Wright, who was chief engineer on the tanker AMERICAN FISHER, which was saved from fire by the Coast Guard cutter HERMES in 1934 while she was under the command of Captain Thomas; Commander Charles Tighe, executive officer of the Coast Guard Air Station, San Diego, Cal.; Commodore John Baylis, USCG (retired), Clifton, N. J., and Chief Machinist Mate Carl E. Jensen, of the Coast Guard icebreaker NORTHWIND, which Captain Thomas commanded during "Operation Highjump", the most recent Byrd expedition to the Antarctic and subject of the Academy Award winning picture, "The Secret Land."

(See attached story)

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During a press conference held at U. S. Coast Guard Headquarters, retired Coast Guard Rear Admiral Charles W. Thomas (left) and Dr. Walter Sander, German geologist and glaciologist, friends and partners now in science, show reporters on a map the location of North Little Koldewey Island, Greenland, where the Admiral took Doctor Sander prisoner during World War II.

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Thomas aboard the USS ARNEB.

Captain C. W. Thomas, USCG, and Mrs.

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(Right center foreground) Captain C. W.

Thomas, USCG.



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Castle Island, Boston, Mass.--Captain Charles W. Thomas, USCG, Chief of Staff for Commander, Task Force 43, delivers a speech at ceremonies for the departure of the Coast Guard icebreaker EASTWIND for the Antarctic.

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ST L 02155201 When Capt. Charles, W. Thomas, USCG, Commander of 2nd CG Dist., right; lectured before Division 12 of the CG Auxiliary, Knoxville, Tenn, he received this floral replica of a ship he once commanded in the frozen Artic, the icebreaker Northwind. Making the presentation are, Dr. W. T. DeSautelle, Capt. of Div. 12, and his daughter, Mrs. Gene Gooch of Knoxville.

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Castle Island, Boston, Mass.--Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd, USN (Ret), signs his autograph for Captain Oscar C. Mohnke, USCG, Commanding Officer of the Coast Guard icebreaker EASTWIND. Captain Charles W. Thomas, USCG, Chief of Staff for Commander, Task Force 43, U. S. Atlantic Fleet, stands in the background watching. The scene takes place in Captain Mohnke's cabin aboard the icebreaker the day of ceremonies for the departure of the EASTWIND for the Antarctic.

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