INTERNATIONAL NAVAL REVIEW



NEW YORK HARBOR JULY 4, 1976

Salute to Maritime Heritage

The Fourth International Naval Review, on July 4th in New York Harbor, will be the greatest gathering of world navies in history. It's expected that more than 30 countries will send naval vessels to participate in the review and that approximately 10 more nations will send observer delegations. The foreign ships and assigned U.S. Navy units will be part of a modern armada of more than 50 ships, consisting of cruisers, frigates, destroyers, patrol boats, and the giant aircraft carrier USS FORRESTAL.

On July 2nd the armada will rendezvous 200 miles off the coast of New York and, in three columns with a combined crew of more than 20,000, proceed toward the harbor to arrive at the Verrazano Bridge at 8 a.m. on Saturday, July 3rd.

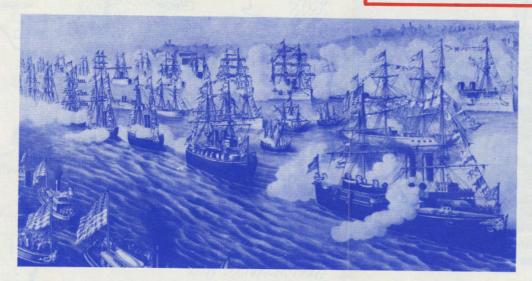
Prior to entering the harbor, the ships will form a 20-mile-long ceremonial column led by Commander, Second Fleet's flagship, the cruiser USS WAINWRIGHT, and subsequently anchor in New York's Hudson River between the George Washington and Verrazano Bridges.

On the following day, the Fourth of July, each unit will "full dress," hoisting a rainbow of flags and pennants from bow to stern, and then render a special gun salute to the senior U.S. official present — embarked in WAINWRIGHT underway — as he reviews the naval vessels as well as the tall sailing ships from around the world gathered for the occasion.

This year's International Naval Review will be a most fitting bicentennial salute to our nation's maritime heritage. The ships and delegations representing more than forty countries reflect the great hope of all men for world peace and for continued cooperation between the people of all lands to ensure that peace.

"SALUTE '76"

The principal land-based companion to the International Naval Review and Operation Sail will be "July Fourth In Old New York." Collectively, these three events will comprise "Salute '76," a 5-day (July 3-7) festival featuring parades, indoor and outdoor concerts, ethnic pageants, cultural displays, fireworks, religious observances, and numerous historic reenactments.



The First International Naval Review, held in New York Harbor on April 27, 1893, included a gun salute to President Grover Cleveland embarked in USS DOLPHIN, a U.S. Navy cruiser. Painting by Kurt & Allison.

Historical Background

International Naval Reviews have been held on special occasions over the years to celebrate unique historical events.

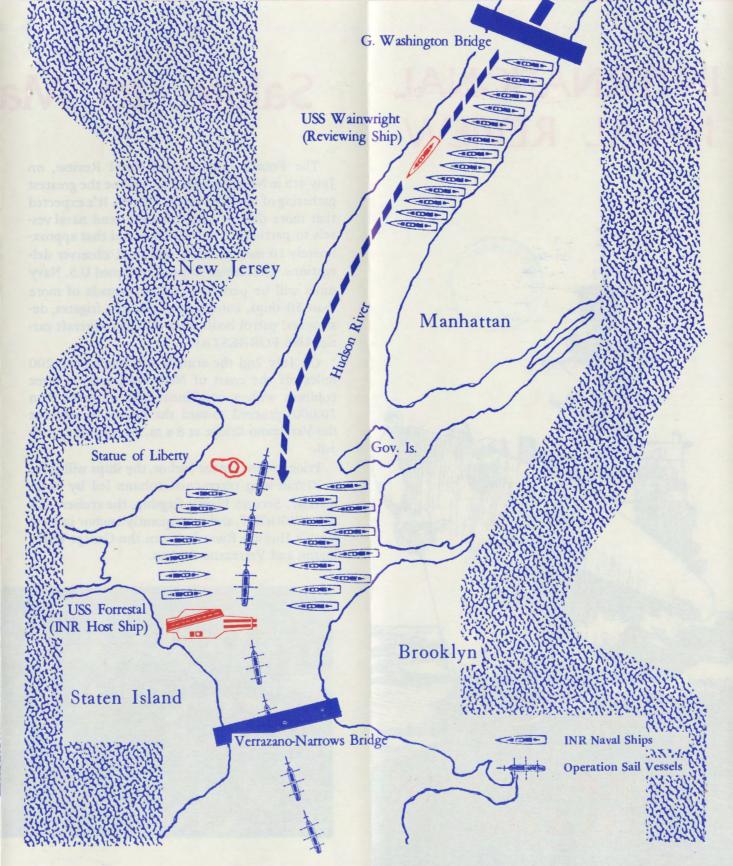
The first review was held in April, 1893 in New York to commemorate the 400th anniversary of Columbus' discovery of America. Nine countries joined with the United States in saluting that singular milestone as President Grover Cleveland, on board the USS DOLPHIN, a U.S. Navy cruiser, reviewed the assembled ships.

The U.S. Navy hosted the Second International Naval Review in Hampton Roads, Virginia in the spring of 1907. That review celebrated the 300th anniversary of the founding of the first permanent settlement in America — Jamestown, Virginia. From the Presidential yacht, USS MAY-FLOWER, President Theodore Roosevelt reviewed the more than one hundred naval ships on hand representing six nations.

Fifty years later, in 1957, to mark the 350th anniversary of Jamestown, Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson reviewed ships of 18 countries gathered in Hampton Roads, Virginia for the Third International Naval Review.



The 78,000 ton aircraft carrier USS FORRESTAL will serve as host ship for the Fourth International Naval Review.



4th International Naval Review Schedule of Events

Friday, July 2nd

Ships of the International Naval Review rendezvous at sea to prepare for entry to New York.

Saturday, July 3rd

8 a.m. More than 50 foreign and U.S. Navy ships enter New York Harbor in a ceremonial column and proceed to anchorages in the Hudson River and the Upper Bay.

Sunday, July 4th

11 a.m. Parade of sail by the ships of Operation Sail moves northward from the Verrazano Bridge.

1 p.m. (approx) The ships of the International Naval Review are reviewed by the senior U.S. official present, embarked in the cruiser WAINWRIGHT, steaming down the Hudson River from the George Washington Bridge to the aircraft carrier FORRESTAL.

5 p.m. Ships of the International Naval Review move to berths in Manhattan, Brooklyn, Staten Island and New Jersey.

Monday, July 5th

1-4 p.m. Ships of the International Naval Review are open for public visiting.

Tuesday, July 6th

12 noon: A land parade from Battery Park to City Hall by representatives from the ships of all the countries taking part in the International Naval Review and Operation Sail.

1 p.m. Special City Hall ceremony involving the Mayor of New York and officials and participants of the International Naval Review and Operation Sail.

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Wednesday, July 7th

Ships of the International Naval Review depart New York and proceed to other U.S. and foreign cities. Ah, would that he who helped to plan this test Of manhood on the sea, were with us still. Watching with us, the ending of the quest,

John Masefield



I. William Middendorf II

Admiral J. L. Holloway III Chief of Naval Operations

Admiral Isaac C. Kidd, Jr. Commander-in-Chief United States Atlantic Fleet

Vice Admiral John J. Shanahan Commander, United States Second Fleet

Rear Admiral Frank B. Guest, Jr. Commandant, Third Naval District