

John Shepherd – Shipmate Memories

As for the mine sweeper hanging there anchor in our port holes well I was there watching it happen. When they made their run up alongside we could see they were coming in to close to us from where we were standing back by the ship fitter shop. We may of even been on the main deck below the ship fitter shop. It looked like they were starting to be rolled up alongside of us. Anyway we could see they were going to hit us, but when they hit and got there anchor hung in the port hole that was scary. At that point we were dragging them along. We could see the fear on some of their crew faces.

I do not remember what year that was or which mine sweeper or who was there with me watching. I do remember we wrote a comment on the patch job or by it with some smart comment which we were scolded for and had to remove it. The best I remember mine sweepers liked coming along side as we gave them fresh food supply's like bread, ice cream, soft drinks and mail. I would tend to think that after that they hated taking on fuel and supply's. Maybe this info will jar someone's memory about this.

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