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While on the staff at the Officers Candidate School, I received orders to report to the USS Protector AGR-11 as Executive Officer. One of the other staff members asked me which ship I was to report to. Using my saltiest Naval Lingo, I told him to just look for the ship where the crew was jumping overboard. Getting underway for my first picket, one of the crew decided he did not want to make another one, and promptly jumped overboard as we neared the exit to Newport harbor. You may imagine the comments I received on returning to port. I can't remember the young lad's name, but he was lucky to survive the winter water.