

Gallagher, Donald J.

**Gallagher is Seaman
On Famous St. Louis** 1945

Donald J. Gallagher, seaman 1/C, 519 Taylor Street, served on the light cruiser, USS St. Louis, when she made a visit to Kiiun, Formosa.

After picking her careful way through mine-strewn Formosan waters, the "heroine of Pearl Harbor" entered Kiiun Harwbor October 17 to cover landings by elements of the Chinese 70th Army and thus become the first American ship ever tied up to a Kiiun dock. She was met by two barge-loads of Chinese civilians who bade her welcome with exploding strings of firecrackers and weird string music.

Gallagher's ship previously played a major role in the securing of Okinawa and was a segment of Task Force 58 in carrier-plane strikes against the Japanese homeland.

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