

Panik, Joseph C.

**Joseph C. Panik, S2/C,
Aboard USS Chicago**

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Joseph C. Panik, seaman 2/C, USNR, is serving on the heavy cruiser, USS Chicago, which is part of the fleet helping occupy Japan.

Culminating 60 days of operations in Japanese waters, the Chicago dropped anchor August 28 at Sagami Wan, key base of Japanese naval strength, in the shadow of Fujiyama.

The crew was at battle stations as the ship passed heavy gun emplacements a few thousand yards away on the island of O Shima, guarding the approach to Yokasuka.

Panik is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Panik, 522 Ontario Street.

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