Shipmate let me tell yet another Stacy sea story about good ship Knox and the first military Court Marshall (many more followed but I was not involved) conducted a couple weeks after we pulled into Kaohsiung and conducted in Zouying district of Kaohsiung at military Building?. As you guys Know Paul talked me into changing my rating from GMG3 to QM (I gave up Mount 53 to head to the bridge to be alongside Paul and the day I went up Paul changed from QM to SM and left me in the cold) and was just getting ready to go on watch when we hit the reef.

Anyhow, the acting XO/Navigator LT. Roggenkamp (spelling may be off) who also was my gun boss and a guy I thought to be a super Naval Officer and he was a career guy, asked me to go that Zouying preliminary Court Marshall as a person to back him. So I left for the proceedings looking good in Tropical Whites and thinking I could help the XO out. When I walked in to the room I was all cocky then sitting at a long table was/were at least 2 Admirals and 2-3 captains and a couple three other ranks (but I was tough but a little shaken) but I did stand at attention. They had me sit and the questions they asked me I answered truthfully but the answers killed the XO. Never had to show up again and never seen the XO again. I did hear he went in country (Vietnam) for two tours of 15 months each trying to make LCDR, but they'd not promote him to so he hit the streets? The End . Bye