REAR ADMIRAL ALFRED P. MANNING, USCG, Chief, Office of Research and Development, was born at Cambridge, Mass. in 1928. Following a year's enlistment, with a tour on CHAUTAUQUA as an Electronics Technician, he was appointed to the Coast Guard Academy. On graduation in 1951, he reported to Boston for tours on DUANE and EASTWIND. In 1954, he moved to Cape May where he became Executive Officer of the tender GENTIAN before returning to New London to instruct gunnery and seamanship at the Officer Candidate Schools there.

After earning a Master of Science Degree in Electronics Engineering from the University of Connecticut in June 1958, he went to Wildwood's Electronic Engineering Station for further training before assuming command of the Loran-C station at Simeri Crichi, Italy. In 1960, he returned to Wildwood to be Chief. Loran-C Division and then Executive Officer of the Electronics Engineering Station. He remained there until 1964 when he returned to Europe to become Chief, Operations and Electronics Engineering Division in London.

March 1967 saw then CDR Manning back in the United States as Chief, Systems Development Branch, Electronics Engineering Division at Headquarters. While there he earned a Coast Guard Commendation Medal for his engineering efforts in support of a multi-national effort to gather data on the navigational accuracy of aircraft flying the North Atlantic Corridor. He next reported to the Naval War College in Newport, R.I. for a year as a student before taking command of Coast Guard Base Honolulu. While at the War



College, he completed graduate work at the University of Rhode Island earning the degree of Master of Marine Affairs. For his achievements in the Pacific he was awarded a second Commendation The summer of 1974 brought Medal. him back to Headquarters, for a time as Chief, Electronics Engineering Division and then as Deputy Chief, Office of Engineering. For his accomplishments during his two years as Deputy Chief he was presented the Meritorious Service Medal.

He earned a second Meritorious
Service Medal while at his next
duty station, Chief, Operations
Division, 13th District, where he
was also selected for promotion to
Rear Admiral. Following his
promotion in July of 1978, he
assumed the responsibilities of
his present office.

RADM Manning, who holds memberships in the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, the Institute of Navigation, and the Marine Technology Society, is married to the former Claire F. Cote of Burreville, R.I. They are the parents of two daughters.