

The USS "Edisto" will be commanded by Commander W. E. Morrison, U.S. Navy; the USCGC "Eastwind" by Captain A. O. Peterson, U.S. Coast Guard; the USS "Whitley" by Captain E. E. Garcia, U.S. Navy; and the USS "LST-533" by Commander J. E. Vautrot, U.S. Navy.

The supplies to be transported to the Arctic are at present being assembled in Boston and Halifax and a number of United States and Canadian university students are employed in checking and sorting all items to ensure that the proper, all-important supplies reach the individual stations for which they are intended. The supplies include all items necessary for the maintenance of these outpost weather stations for the next twelve months. Such items as prefabricated buildings, food, fuel, weather instruments and equipment will form the main portion of the cargo which will also include certain smaller items such as books and recreational equipment designed to make life more enjoyable for those who man these outposts.

A considerable amount of refrigeration space is necessary aboard ship in order to carry perishable foodstuffs into the Arctic where they are transferred to refrigerators to avoid food spoilage.

In these Arctic regions twenty-four hours of sunlight are experienced daily from the latter part of April to the first part of September. The amount of sunlight then diminishes very rapidly until the first week of November when the sun does not appear above the horizon at all.

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