

and iron ore industries. In World War II, he headed the Lake Vessel Committee which supervised lake vessel movements so efficiently that the industry was the only large one in the country that operated throughout the war without government regulation.

On Mr. Hoyt's death in 1955, John Sherwin, who had been vice president of Interlake and a P.M. partner, became Interlake president and senior managing partner of P.M. Mr. Sherwin is a member of LCA's Advisory Committee and director of several large industrial corporations.

George W. Callahan, Interlake vice president and head of the P.M. Marine Department in Cleveland, has been associated with the lake industry for forty-four years.

Important to the future of the Interlake fleet is the \$300,000,000 beneficiation plant of the Erie Mining Co. at Hoyt Lakes, Minnesota, which is managed by P.M. Erie Mining processes taconite, a low-grade, iron-bearing rock, into a high-grade iron ore concentrate which is formed into pellets. These pellets play an increasingly important part in the tonnage carried by Interlake ships.

Walter Havighurst, a research professor of English at Miami (O.) University and well-known author of books on the Great Lakes, has written a history of P.M. entitled "Vein of Iron." It will be published this fall.

Heads Museum



Capt. H. C. Inches

Appointment of Capt. H. C. Inches, retired Interlake master, as executive director of the Great Lakes Historical Society Museum at Vermilion, O., has been announced by Robert W. G. Wilson, society president. Capt. Inches retired from Interlake in 1948 after having sailed the lakes for 48 years. Ship models built by Capt. Inches make up one of the museum's most prized exhibits.

The *Bulletin's* sincere apologies to Wisconsin's distinguished senior senator, Alexander Wiley, for misspelling his name in the August issue, and changing his state to Michigan. Our thanks to David F. Howe of the Milwaukee Association of Commerce for pointing out the errors.

THE EDITOR

REAR ADMIRAL KERRINS NAMED NINTH DISTRICT COMMANDER

Rear Admiral Joseph A. Kerrins, USCG, has been appointed the new commander of the Ninth Coast Guard District with headquarters in Cleveland. He will fill the post recently vacated by Rear Admiral E. H. Thiele, who was transferred to Washington to be engineer-in-chief of the Coast Guard.

Admiral Kerrins for the last two years has been commander of the Eighth Coast Guard District with headquarters in New Orleans. He was graduated from the Coast Guard Academy in 1927, received a Bachelor of Law degree from George Washington University in 1936, and then taught law at the academy for a period. In 1942 he commanded the Cutter *Mojave* on convoy escort operations with the Greenland Patrol, for which he was awarded the Navy Commendation Ribbon, and later he served as escort commander of Tank Unit 24, Greenland Patrol. After a year's service in the Mediterranean Area, he was assigned in 1944 to the Marine Safety Division in Washington. Having progressed through



Rear Admiral Joseph A. Kerrins

the various ranks, he was made a captain in 1945, and in 1956, while acting commander of the 12th District and Western Area, he was elevated to rear admiral and made Eighth District commander.

Admiral Kerrins wears, in addition to the Navy Commendation Ribbon, the American Defense Medal with seaclops, American Area, European-African-Middle Eastern Area, and World War II victory medals.

Admiral and Mrs. Kerrins are the parents of a daughter, Joan Marie.