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Admiral George C. Remy, distinguished Iowa naval officer, has been honored by having named a new combat vessel of the destroyer class to be the "Remy." The destroyer "Remy" was launched July 25, 1943, at the yards of the Bath Iron Works corporation, at Bath, Maine, on the Kennebec river. The sponsor at the launching was Miss Angelina G. Remy, of Jamestown, R. I., daughter of the late admiral. Readers of THE ANNALS are familiar with the colorful and useful life of Rear Admiral Remy, born in Burlington when Iowa was a territory and graduated from the Annapolis academy in 1859, and for sixty-five years served with great ability in the navy of the United States. The suggestion that the destroyer be named for the Iowa naval officer came from Mr. Sumner Salter, of New York city, also an Iowa man, long time friend of the Remy family, whose keen interest in Iowa men and Iowa history has been steadily maintained. When the matter was brought to the attention of Secretary Frank Knox the propriety of the name soon became apparent and the christening followed. Among the prized possessions of the Department of History and Archives is an oil portrait of Rear Admiral Remy, also a bronze portrait bust, and a portrait of his wife, the daughter of Chief Justice Mason of the Iowa supreme court.

NEW WAR RECORDS ACCUMULATING

Substantial progress is being made by the war records division of the State Department of History and Archives. This work was entered upon early, the purpose being to secure, at a time when records are fresh and available, the printed, manuscript, photographs and other records relating to Iowa's part in the present war of the nations. This will be for the use of historians, students, friends and relatives of participants, and all who are in any way interested. Material is being as-

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