



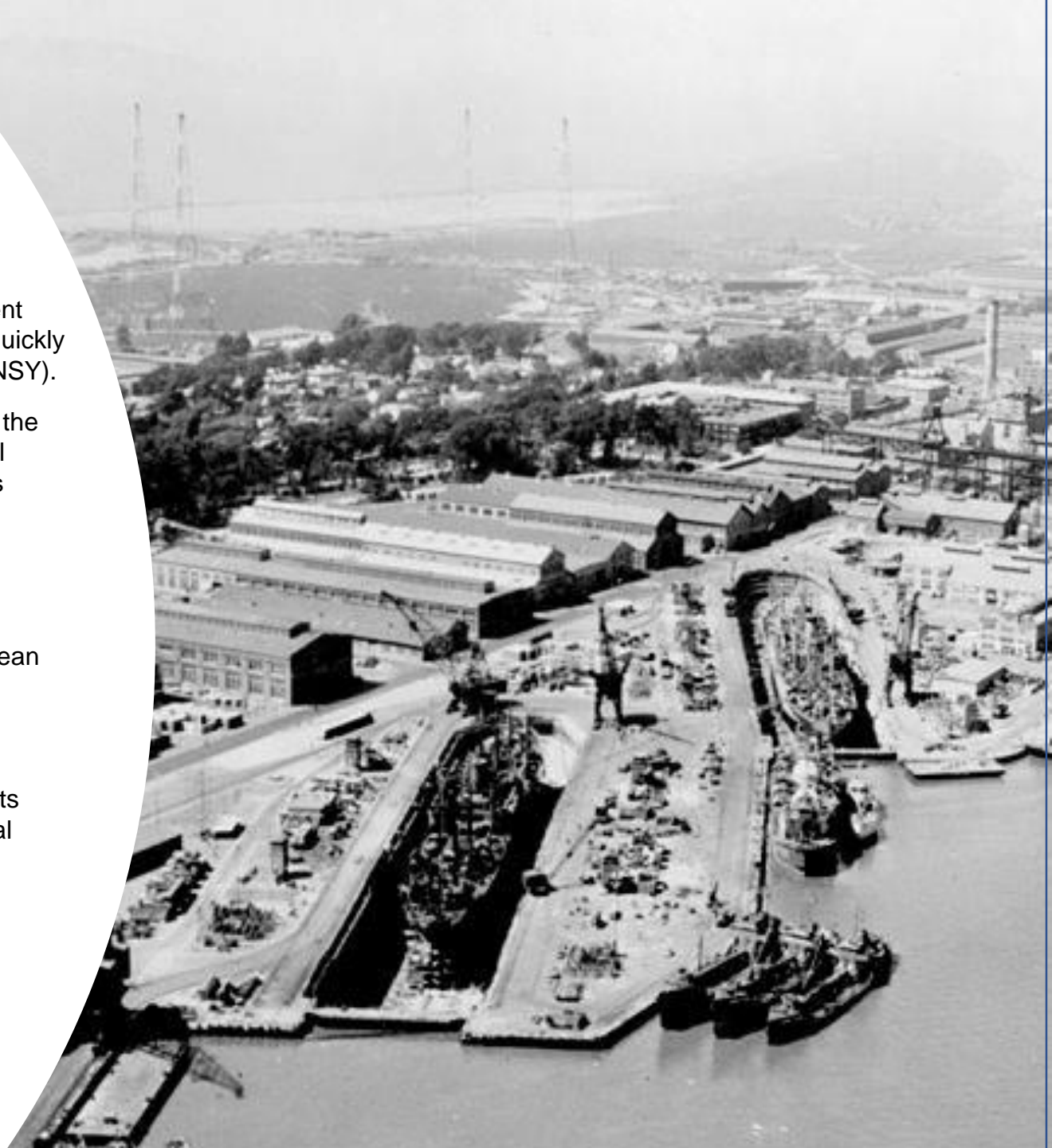
# The Story: Mare Island Naval Shipyard

In the mid-twentieth century, Americans were westward bound. The new land offered bountiful farming, opportunity, and gold. Realizing a new strategic opportunity, President Filmore partnered with the Navy's Lieutenant Commander William Pope McArthur to quickly build the first naval operation on the West Coast, the Mare Island Naval Shipyard (MINSY).

Spanning over 5000 acres, MINSY served to build and repair submarines deployed in the Pacific Ocean. Operating during WWI and WWII, the shipyard supported naval tactical efforts that played a vital role protecting United States' interests. Some of the MINSY's crowning achievements are:

- Converted the USS JUPITER into the United States' first aircraft carrier, the USS LANGLEY
- Built five of the top-scoring US submarines operating during WWII
- Built the USS SARGO, the first nuclear-class submarine deployed in the Pacific Ocean
- Achieved the world-record for the fastest built ship, which still stands today. The USS WARD was built in 17.5 days
- Built nearly five hundred vessels and overhauled thousands more

After nearly a century and a half of service, MINSY was decommissioned and closed its doors on April 1, 1996. However, if you are looking for beautiful Douglas fir with a naval history as old as the state of California, this wood may be perfect for you!



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