

BOYD OF THE TORPEDO

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USS Hawkbill



YUKON WAS NEVER LIKE THIS

A BUNCH OF THE BOYS WERE WHOOPING IT UP
IN A KALGOORLIE SALOON
THE AUSSIE WHO BANGED ON THE MUSIC BOX
WAS PLAYING A YANKEE TUNE

WHEN OUT OF THE NIGHT WHICH WAS 60 ABOVE
AND INTO THE DIN AND THE GLARE
THERE STEPPED HAWKY, FRESH FROM THE SEAS
WITH AN EYE FOR THE NEAREST BAR-CHAIR.

HE LOOKED LIKE A BOY WITH ONE FOOT ON THE RAIL
AND THE OTHER ONE ON THE DECK
BUT HE TILTED HIS POKE OF BOBS ON THE BAR,
SAID HE'D PAY THE HOUSE'S CHECK.

THERE'S NONE COULD TRACE POOR HAWKY'S FACE
THOUGH THEY SEARCHED HIS SHELL FOR A CLUE
AND HAWKY, THOUGH SILENT, WAS DYING TO TELL
WHAT HE HAD JUST BEEN THROUGH.

IN A TORTOISE SHELL WHICH WAS SHINY AS HELL
HE SAT AND I SAW HIM SMAY.
THEN HE CLUTCHED HIS GLASS AND MADE A PASS
AT A DIGGER IN HIS WAY.

A WAR NOT OF THE SIMPLE
KID
THAT'S BRANISHED WITH HIS
SHORE-DUTIES
BUT THE KNAWKING WAR OF
LONELY MEN
AWAY FROM THEIR STATE-S-
BEAUTIES.

WERE YOU EVER OUT IN THE GREAT ALONE
BY THE ISLES OF PHILLIPINES
WITH ONLY THE SOUND OF THE SWIRLING FOAM
WHICH CIRCLES SUBMARINES?

WHILE HIGH OVERHEAD, GREEN, YELLOW, AND RED
THE PLANES DOVE DOWN IN A ROAR?
THEN YOU CAN FIGGER WHY HE CONKED THE DIGGER
WHO ASKED, "ARE THE YANKS IN THE WART?"

(NIGHT RATIONS HAVE BEEN
DISCONTINUED UNTIL SUCH
TIME WHEN YOU PEOPLE RE-
ALIZE HOW FAR CLEANING
UP YOUR RESPECTIVE MES-
SES CAN GO)

VOLUME NUMBER THREE

EDITION NUMBER THREE

HE SPEAKS AGAIN:

HAWKY, THE HAWKBILL, REMOVING HIS COAT,
BEGAN WHERE HE LEFT OFF HIS TRIP THROUGH THE BOAT.

THE CONNING TOWER WAS NEXT - HE LISTENED TO PETER
EXPLAIN STEERING AND CHARTING AND THE PITOMETER.

SAID HAWKY TO PETER, "JUST WHAT IS THE DOPE
ON GAZING INTENTLY INTO THIS SCOPE?"

AND PETE, ALWAYS QUICK WITH AN ANSWER REPLIED,
"THAT'S JUST BECAUSE THERE ARE WIDGETS INSIDE."

"WIDGETS"? SAID HAWKY WITH A NEW TRACE OF DOUBT,
"JUST WHAT IS THIS JIBBIRISH ALL ABOUT?"

"GOSPEL TRUTH", EXCLAIMED PETE WITH A HALF-CONCEALED GRIN,
"IT'S THE GIZ ON THE SEA THAT PUSHES THEM IN".

THIS WAS ENOUGH - HE WAS GETTING NOWHERE,
SO HE LEFT PETE THERE SMIRKING AND SCRAMMED IN DESPAIR.

SURELY SOMEWHERE, THOUGHT HAWKY, THERE MUST BE RELIEF,
WHERE HE COULD GET INFO TO HELP EASE HIS GRIEF.

BACK IN THE CREW'S MESS THERE WAS A YOUNG DUDE,
WHO WAS SITTING THERE FILLING HIS FACE FULL OF FOOD.

HAWKY SPOKE UP AND SAID, "HEY, YOU SAD SACK,
JUST WHAT IS YOUR NAME?" HIS ANSWER WAS "JACK".

"JACK BRODEUR'S THE NAME (OR JEAN - IF YOU WILL)"
AND HE SAT RIGHT THERE MUNCHING AND GETTING HIS FILL.

NOW HAWKY, HIS MIND STILL ON LEARNING INTENT,
ASKED HIS FRIEND, BRODEUR, TO SHOW HIM A VENT.

BUT SOON THEN HE FOUND THIS WAS A GRAVE MISTAKE,
FOR BRODEUR JUST MUMBLED THROUGH A MOUTH-FULL OF CAKE.

"I'LL TRY ONCE MORE ONLY -- I'LL WAIT TILL YOU'RE THROUGH,
THEN AGAIN I WILL ASK THIS QUESTION OF YOU."

NOW JACK'S MOUTH WAS EMPTY - A STRANGE SIGHT TO SEE,
SO HAWKY ASKED HIM AGAIN WITH A MILD SORT OF GLEE.

AND JACK SITTING THERE - CLEARED HIS THROAT, RAISED HIS HEAD
SPOKE SIX WORDS ONLY -- "HOW'S TO TOSS ME THE BREAD".

DISCOURAGED? NOT HAWKY, BUT HIS FEELINGS WERE SUNK,
SO HE CRAWLED IN THE CORNER AND PLOPPED IN HIS BUNK.

THE TRIP IS BEGINNING TO TELL: EDDIE MANGLER REVERSED PROCEDURE BY RELIEVING THE WATCH TEN MINUTES EARLY. (MAYBE IT'S THE CRACK ON THE HEAD)

MYSTERY OF THE WEEK: WHO IS OLIVER MC-GORDWINDER?

A TOAST TO: THE FORWARD FISH HOUSE FOR INSTIGATING A NIGHT SCHOOL OF THE BOAT.

MILES TO GO: JUST 3100 AT 0800 JULY 19.

ODDITIES: RED GREER COMBING HIS BEARD -- FINSTAD SHAVING BI-NIGHTLY.

IRISHMEN OF HOGAN'S ALLEY - McPETROVSKY, McLENTZ, O'JANKS, AND McGORDWIN*
DER

PASSING THOUGHT: WHAT ARE FRENCY'S PLANS NOW THAT HE HAS CAREFULLY SCRUTINIZED THE BOOK OF LOVE LETTERS?

FOR YOU DOPE SEEKERS -- WE WILL ENTER THE MAKASSAR STRAITS ABOUT NOON.

OUR AUXILLIARY GANG HAS THIS TO SAY: - "FOX AMAZED ME AT THE SPEED OF HIS TYPING. HE USED TWO FINGERS AND HIS NOSE."

"I HEAR THE RABBITT POLE VAULTS OUT OF HIS SACK INSTEAD OF ROLLING OUT"

"IF PAPPY SHERRILL DOESN'T GET RID OF HIS GAS TROUBLE SOON WE CAN PUT THE H.P. AIR COMPRESSORS ON MAIN POWER AND LET PATTY TAKE CARE OF CHARGING THE AIR BANKS. AND HE CAN DO IT TOO"

"SKI'S LATEST RUNNING MATE, CARLSON, IS WORKING MR. SCHRODER OVERTIME. EVERY TIME HE MOVES FROM THE AFT. ROOM FORWARD HE HAS TO BE COMPENSATED."

"WE HEAR BIGGS HAS BEEN MAKING OUT LIKE FLYNN IN PERTH. HE MUST HAVE QUITE A LINE"

"GIRLS, PACE HAS ORGANIZED THE CAMPFIRE GIRLS IN THE AFT. ROOM, SERVING AFTERNOON TEA AND MIDNIGHT SOUP."

INCIDENTALLY WE'LL ADD THAT OUR NEWLY FORMED AUX. GANG IS REALLY ON THE BALL -- NOT ONLY WITH CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PAPER, BUT WITH THE WORK THEY'RE DOING THROUGHOUT THE BOAT. QUITE AN IMPROVEMENT.

MOVIE SCHEDULE

WE HAVE TEN GOOD MOVIES ABOARD AND HAVE MADE A SCHEDULE OF WHEN THEY WILL BE SHOWN. THEY WILL BE SHOWN TWICE A DAY, ONCE ON THE 08-12 AND AGAIN ON THE 12-16 WATCH, SO ALL HANDS WILL BE ABLE TO SEE THEM.

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| NOV. 27 | MON. | SING YOUR WORRIES AWAY |
| NOV. 30 | THURS. | PRIORITIES ON PARADE |
| DEC. 4 | MON. | THE MORTAL STORM |
| DEC. 7 | THURS. | SWING SHIFT MAIZIE |
| DEC. 11 | MON. | SIS HOPKINS |
| DEC. 14 | THURS. | BLESSED EVENT |
| DEC. 18 | MON. | MAYOR OF 44TH ST. |
| DEC. 21 | THURS. | GIRL TROUBLE |
| DEC. 25 | MON. | WHEN JOHNNY COMES MARCHING HOME |
| DEC. 28 | THURS. | EDGE OF DARKNESS |

IN CASE THE JAPS FOULD UP THIS SCHEDULE WE WILL SHOW THE LISTED MOVIE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. ANYONE HAVING SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING THE MOVIES PLEASE GIVE OUT WITH THEM.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE "RAVVIT" WILL HAVE TO BAIL HIS GIRL OUT OF JAIL IF HE WISHES TO SEE HER WHEN WE GET IN TO PERTH (2)

"GRAMMA" MAXIE IS HAVING A TERRIBLE TIME WITH THE SHIP'S COMPANY WASHING IN THE MAN. ROOM. HOW'S TO HELP THE OLD GAL OUT?

IF YOU NEED ANYTHING SEE "BIG DEALER" CARLSON. THANKS FOR THE PHONOGRAPH THOUGH, THE CREW APPRECIATES IT.

VITAMIN TABLETS HAVE BEEN PLACED IN THE CREW'S MESS FOR THE USE OF ALL HANDS. THESE VITAMINS, TAKEN IN A 1 TABLET DOSE TWICE DAILY WITH TWO MEALS, WILL GREATLY DECREASE THE DANGER OF MANY DISEASES. THESE TABLETS ARE RICH IN VITAMIN "D", THE SUNSHINE VITAMIN WHICH MANY OF THE CREW WILL BE UNABLE TO GET DUE TO THE TYPE OF SHIP, A SUB. THEY ARE ALSO RICH IN VITAMIN "A" WHICH HELPS TO PREVENT "NIGHT BLINDNESS", THIS BEING OF SPECIAL IMPORTANCE TO THOSE STANDING BRIDGE WATCHES. BESIDES ALL THESE VITAMINS, THESE TABLETS WILL SUPPLY YOU WITH THE REMAINDER OF THE VITAMINS WHICH YOU WILL BE MISSING FROM LACK OF SUNSHINE AND GREEN FOODS -- NOT TO MENTION MILK. THEY ARE THERE FOR YOUR USE. PLEASE USE THEM AND HELP KEEP THE HARBILL A HEALTHY CREW.

THE PHARMACIST'S MATE HAS PLACED SALT TABLETS IN THE CREW'S MESS ALONG WITH THE ABOVE MENTIONED VITAMIN TABLETS. WITH THE WARM WEATHER WHICH WE HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCING THE BODY LOSES A GREAT DEAL OF BODY FLUIDS IN THE FORM OF PERSPIRATION. THROUGH THE LOSS OF PERSPIRATION A GREAT AMOUNT OF SALT IS LOST BY THE BODY. TWO SALT TABLETS A DAY WILL HELP TO REPLACE THE NATURAL SALT LOST IN THIS MANNER. A MAN WHO WORKS IN AN EXTREMELY HOT ROOM SUCH AS THE ENGINE ROOMS, WILL NEED A LARGER AMOUNT OF THESE TABLETS.

PLEASE USE THESE TWO PRODUCTS, YOU ARE THE ONE WHO WILL PROFIT BY THE -----
"DOC" ROHRE

WHY HASN'T SCHRADER BEEN BRAGGING ABOUT HIS TOOTHLESS MOLLY, WAITRESS AT THE HOLLYWOOD CAFE IN PERTH. I GUESS THAT HORSE RIDE EFFECTED HIM IN SOME WAY. ALL HE COULD SAY AFTER WAS, SHE'S A PROFESSIONAL. IF YOU WANT TO KNOW HOW TO GET ALONG WITH W.A.A.F.'S OR AWAS'S SEE MR. SCHRODER, HOPPE, BENJAMIN, BLANKENSHIP, AND BYRNE, ALL EXPERIENCED. JUST WHY DID DOC ROHRE MAKE SO MANY TRIPS TO ROE STREET? PERTH OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN CONSIDERING REMAINING IT ROHRE STREET. WHY HAS BERGUSON TURNED FARMER? IS IT THAT WISCONSIN I S CALLING? WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW ABOUT BIGGS, A CERTAIN RED-CROSS GIRL AND AN "ABODE" ON THE BEACH WHEN HE GETS BACK TO PERTH. MOST AMAZING THING THAT HAPPENED IN THE FWD. ROOM TODAY WAS THAT SCOTT STAYED AWAKE. THE REASON WAS THE CARRYING OUT OF THE REGULAR SEA ROUTINE ON FISH BY THE FWD ROOM GANG.

JUST ABOUT EVERYONE CAME THROUGH WITH SOME HELP FOR THE PAPER TONIGHT.
THAT, OF COURSE, MAKES FOR A CREW'S PAPER -- WITH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM
THE CREW. IF SATISFACTORY CONDITIONS CONTINUE TO EXIST THERE'LL BE A
STEADY ISSUE OF THE VOICE AT YOUR DOORSTEP COME THE EARLY A.M.

NOTE: ONLY 464 SLEEPING HOURS UNTIL CHRISTMAS. (EXCLUDING BATTLE STA-
TIONS AND THE LIKE).

NEWS

THE FOCAL POINTS OF THE FIGHTING ON THE WESTERN FRONT ARE IN THE AREA NORTH OF VINLO TO AACHEN AND THE AREA OF STRASBOURG. BRITISH FORCES HAVE ENTERED BLERICK, TWO MILES WEST OF VINLO AND ARE LESS THAN THREE MILES FROM THAT TOWN AND ALMOST ON THE BANKS OF THE MAAS. THE AMERICAN NINTH ARMY IS MEETING VERY FIERCE RESISTANCE EAST OF AACHEN AND THIS, COMBINED WITH CONTINUOUS RAIN KEPT THE FRONT ALMOST STATIONARY EXCEPT FOR THE CAPTURE OF PATTERN, THREE MILES SOUTHWEST OF JULICH. AMERICAN SEVENTH ARMY TROOPS ADVANCED FROM SAVERNE HAVE CAPTURED NINE LOCALITIES ALL WITHIN EIGHT MILES OF SAVERNE.

FOOTBALL SCORES

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| ARMY | 59 | NOTRE DAME | 0 |
| HOLY CROSS | 19 | COLGATE | 13 |
| YALE | 13 | BROWN | 0 |
| N. CAROLINA | 0 | WILLIAM AND MARY | 0 |
| ALABAMA | 34 | MISSISSIPPI | 6 |
| DUKE | 34 | WAKE FOREST | 0 |
| GEO. TECH | 34 | TULANE | 7 |
| W. MICH. ST. | 33 | MARYLAND | 0 |
| MICHIGAN | 14 | ILLINOIS | 0 |
| MINNESOTA | 13 | INDIANA | 14 |
| PURDUE | 27 | NORTHWESTERN U | 7 |
| WISCONSIN | 26 | IOWA | 7 |
| KANSAS ST. | 18 | KANSAS | 14 |

U.S. EIGHTH AIR FORCES ON AUGUST TWENTY FOURTH ALMOST COMPLETELY DEMOLISHED A V-2 ROBOT BOMB COMPANY AND ASSEMBLY PLANT NEAR WEIMAR. IT WAS A MODERN PLANT COMPLETED IN NINETEEN THIRTY NINE. THE GESTAPO OFFICIAL BUILDINGS AND STORM TROOPS BARRACKS ADJACENT TO THE PLANT WERE ALSO DEMOLISHED. THE INFORMATION HAS JUST NOW BEEN DISCLOSED.

ONE OF THE MOST FAMOUS DRINKING SPOTS IN SAN FRANCISCO THAT WAS RUN BY IZZY GOMEZ ON PACIFIC AVENUE WAS CLOSED WHEN THE THREE HUNDRED POUND PROPRIETOR DIED RECENTLY.

RUMORS THAT JESSE OWENS, COLORED TRACK STAR, WAS IN THE ARMY AND WOULD APPEAR IN PARIS TRACK MEETS WERE SPIKED WHEN HE SHOWED UP AT THE OHIO-STATE MISSOURI FOOTBALL GAME WEARING CIVILIAN CLOTHES.

A WAITRESS SAID "DON'T YOU KNOW THERE'S A WAR ON" ONCE TOO OFTEN WHEN A BOSTON TYPING AGENCY OPERATOR ASKED FOR SQUASH INSTEAD OF POTATOES. THE OPERATOR, MISS SLOCUBE WHO HAS THREE BROTHERS AND A FIANCE IN THE SERVICE AND A COUSIN DEAD AT GUADACANAL, DUMPED A TRAY OF DISHES ON THE FLOOR.

OHIO STATE LEADS THE BIG TEN THIS YEAR.