

SERIAL WAVES

BEING SMOKE AND SEA SPRAY
FROM
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TO OUR FIGHTING PADRES

We admired the moral courage and conviction of the padres who yesterday made bold to tell the men just where they stood with themselves. "Play the man" is a maxim which we would do well to remember - and it certainly would relieve the congestion in A deck after leave.

Ever since they came aboard our padres have been a source of inspiration to us. Their manly qualities and spirit of service have won universal respect and admiration.

The padres job is a tough one. It will help if we remember that they are here to help us and to strengthen our moral fibre - to keep us fit in every sense - and unless we are fit we cannot hope to be good soldiers.

A man knows where he gets his headaches; that's more than a woman can say.

Water is the best of drinks if taken in the right spirit.

Troops please note ties are now being sold in the dry Canteens to put around the collars of the glasses in the wet Canteens.

Who was the WO 1 who went to sleep in a strange cabin and left his money there forgetting the number of the cabin. "About Torn".

From what I hear, all that these Aussies want to know is, where is the Sergeant? what is the time? and when is pay day?

A certain sapper would like to know what became of his pay book; he gave it to a Sergeant on the return from his leave (A true bill).

To the Editor;

Lost, strayed or stolen, 13th Rly Con Coy song, last heard of in vicinity of 16th & 17th Rly Opr Coy's quarters. Anyone knowing present whereabouts please return to rightful owners.

And talking of songs, by the way, did we mention that the author of the recently published song of the 24th Bn is Sjt Major J A S Coppard of Papakura?

WATER RITUAL RUMINATES

Start a rumour - there are more suckers than you think - "5 Officers were seen sneaking life jackets back to their cabins".

Ship is short of paper - too many chits.

In spite of attempts to commence training the Ship still lacksexercise.

How did the Aussies get aboard - better buy Osram.

She was as white as the driven snow but she drifted.

Special Announcement - The Canteen is pleased to tell - No more beer will be mixed with the water - the Ship is running short of water.

WANTED - A Minnie Mouse for the voyage.

Apply Pte J Caundle.

WRESTLING COMPETITION - RULES

OFFICERS - Lt Carroll, Padre Henley, Spr Kirkman 14th Forestry, Pte Harris, Pte Ruddick
24th Bn B Coy, Pte G Spice 1st Training .

OFFICIALS

REFEREE - Spr Kirkman. JUDGES- Pte Spice, Pte Harris, Pte Ruddick .

ANNOUNCERS - 2nd Lt C W Mc Lean. TIMEKEEPERS - 2nd Lt L L Hill, Lt S Nicholson .

SCALES - 2nd Lt M B Lenton. Lt J. Beesley . DOCTOR - Capt Lange .

CALL STEWARDS - 2nd Lt D Bailey, 2nd Lt H Thompson .

WEIGHTS - Light 9-10, Welter 10-5, Middle 11-4, L/Heavy 11-10, Heavy 12-8 and over .

To be run on the same lines as boxing and each group to bring forward it's best in each weight. Each contest will be of 3 three minute rounds with a minute spell between each round and two minutes after a fall. An option of an extra 2 minute round if the referee is unable to separate the contestants .

SPORTS SHORTS

Major Jull and Major Aicken having a great duel in the 75 yds. Major Jull who was carrying extra weight was beaten by inches .

D Coy ran a midgets handicap between Capt C F Thomas and Pte A Gibson, but Capt Thomas's moustache must have got in the way - he was just beaten .

Tony Rex puts a medicine ball nearly as well as he sings and did well to get a 2nd in the final .

Pte J E Pike, a dark horse from D Coy, looks likely for the final .

A big hand for Mr Chapman, although he was jostled out of the Potato Race, he finished like a sport .

The 24th Battalion certainly took the Medicine Ball event :

1st Pte Skimmer E Coy
2nd " Tony Rex D Coy
3rd L/cpl Sisterson B Coy

What is the reason for Mr Beyer not competing in the sports - is he in love?

The M/O in convulsions at Pte Riley the Gobath of B Coy, winning his heat in the 75 yds .

LEAD SWINGER

A private who was continually going sick reported sick again for the 5th consecutive time.

(Doctor) What is the matter with you Yates, are you constipated?

(Yates) No Sir, I am C of E .

A raw recruit was passing a young Subaltern and he failed to salute, where upon the Sub called him back. (Sub) Look here young man, cant you see who I am?

(Raw Recruit) I don't know what you are, but they certainly fitted you out better than me .

----M A S S A G E N E----

That pure silky touch .

"I CAN PERSONALLY RECOMMEND IT"

-Happy Mac.

(advt)

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LONDON - Royal Air Force attacks on the Fiat Airplane Engine Works at Turin Italy, on the German held French harbours of Boulogne and Calais and on German long range gun emplacements were announced Friday night .

LONDON - Observers along the South East Coast, declared Friday that the Germans had evacuated all French civilians from a 30 mile deep zone of the French coast opposite England . The Daily Mail said it had learned this action was taken to prevent sabotage and spying on military preparations .

BUCHAREST - King Carol surrendered Friday to the demands of Rumania's new military dictatorship, abdicated in favour of his 18 year old son, Michael, and was reported to have left Bucharest to join Magda Lupescu on a royal yacht bound for exile . Prince Michael was proclaimed King but only to be a figurehead ruler under General Ion Antonescu .

LONDON - It was reported in a news dispatch from Chungking that well informed quarters in the Chinese Capital said French Indo China had agreed to the landing of 12000 Japanese troops at 3 Indo China ports . The Japanese had asked that troops be allowed to proceed through Indo China into China for the war against General Chiang Kai Shek .

WASHINGTON - The U S Senate completed Congressional action Friday on the five billion dollar defence appropriation to aid in equipping an army of 2 million men and building a 2 ocean navy . The measure now goes to the White House for the President's signature.

SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND - To the accompaniment of the piercing wail of air raid sirens the latest contingent of the Canadian 2nd Division marched into camp Friday heads high and singing.

LONDON - German war planes launched their biggest daylight attack on the London Zone today showering bombs over a wide area amid the crash of anti aircraft barrages and counter-attacking British fighter planes. About 50 German planes were involved in the main attack . Beaten back in preliminary attacks the German crafts reformed and returned to the attack . Anti-Aircraft shells exploded around them in one of the heaviest barrages of the war . Dog fights developed overhead till the roar of planes was deafening . Several German planes were seen to plunge towards the earth .

AN EASTERN CANADIAN PORT - Rear Admiral Stewart Boham-Carter, Chief of the British naval operations in the North Atlantic disclosed today that the destroyers obtained in a trade with the United States will be used in an intense drive against German Submarines .

HONOLULU - Opponents of immediate conscription are guilty of political sabotage in attempting to force a seven day trial period for voluntary enlistment, secretary of the Navy Frank Knox said here today, following his arrival in a Navy plane from San Francisco. Col Knox declared his belief Great Britain now had better than a fifty fifty chance of victory ~~for~~ Germany . I wouldn't have said that 30 days ago, but I believe it is true now, he added.

VICHY - The Government of Marshall Petain, under terms of the Armistice has turned over Herschel Grynszpan, assassin of a German diplomat, to the German Military authorities it was disclosed today .

LONDON - An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique states ; since dawn this morning enemy activity was negligible until shortly before midday, when a large force of enemy aircraft approached the coast north of Dover. They were promptly engaged by our fighters and anti-aircraft guns and only small formations were able to penetrate inland .

CAIRO - Saturday evening enemy aircraft raided Port Sudan causing little damage and only one casualty . Nothing to report from other fronts .

AN ADMIRALTY COMMUNIQUE ANNOUNCES - Aircraft of the fleet air arm have again been operating over the coast of Norway . Stuas and Swordfish Aircraft sighted two enemy supply ships . A hit was obtained on one of them and the ship was last seen abandoned and sinking . The other was seriously damaged by near misses and was last seen stopped, with a heavy list, and abandoned by her crew . These were the only two ships seen . All our aircraft returned safely .