STANDING ORDERS
for
Troops on Board A.S.H. 24 - E.S.T. 326
by
Major G.B. Pitt, O.C. Troops
17 Feb 45

1. PARADES - 0730 hrs - Breakfast.
   0830 " - Sick parade under unit MOOs.
   0900 " - muster on top deck of all troops.
   1000 " - ships inspection.
   1200 " - dinner.
   1700 " - supper.
   2100 " - ships rounds - quarters inspected for cleanliness.

2. ALARMS - action stations - continuous ringing of ship's bells or siren.
   Abandon ship - one short, one long repeated on ship's bells or siren. All ranks will go overboard and will be picked up by escorting vessels.
   All Clear - three rings on ship's bells or siren.

3. BLACKOUT - it is the duty of all troops to maintain an efficient blackout. Blackout will be sounded verbally.

4. SMOKING - there will be no smoking on the top deck or floor of elevator on top deck. There will be no smoking above decks between sunset and sunrise.

5. DRESS - troops will be properly dressed at all times. Dress includes:
   1. battle dress, boots and anklets, web belt and braces.
   2. Tunic may be worn with top button and hocks open.

6. GENERAL - 1. life preservers will be worn at all times. Care will be taken to avoid unnecessary damage.
   2. all ranks will obey orders from ships officers without question.
   3. troops will not lean against guard rails.
   4. crew's quarters, showers and wash-rooms are out of bounds.
   5. quarters will be kept clean and tidy at all times.

G.B. Pitt
(O.C. Troops, G.B. Pitt) Major
Sgt. Harry Jonks
Personality No. 13.

Harry Jonks was born Feb. 20, 1919 in that small city of Kansas in Missouri. His family still live there and he still thinks "there is no place like home".

Harry has a girl-friend but her whereabouts remain a deep, dark secret. (Apparently there are too many Wolves on board).

Sgt. Jonks was considered somewhat of a prodigy because his parents started him on a musical career, at the innocent age of eleven. Harry went through high school and attended Kansas City university, majoring in piano and organ.

He first went into radio at the age of fourteen. Al Stone, the man who gave him his first job is now one of Harry's best friends. Sgt. Jonks continued at radio work and the entertainment field until two and a half years ago when he joined the army. Went into Field Artillery at Fort Bragg and in turn was assigned to Headquarters Battery as a bombardier. This held little appeal for Harry so he applied for a transfer to the Transport service, getting a berth on this ship Dec. 8, 1942.

Harry likes baseball, hockey and has played high school basketball.

Sgt. Jonks' post war plans are very indefinite. Having worked at various stations his first plan is to return to the radio field. Believes that television will be worked out so that they will be just as universally used as the present radio. Incidentally, he post-war plans are along this line.

His present job on board is that of assistant to the Chaplin in such as the radio broadcasting unit.

Harry finds quite at home on water now, though he does not bother him now. He works with the Transport Sgt. Major and does not wish for a better room mate.

We hope that the mere fact of him being personality No. 13 will have no bearing on his future voyages.

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Going to this being the last issue of this newspaper we are unable to bring the entries of the remaining winners in our recent contest.

FUTURED

Before inoculation yesterday we were hoping that the nurses would have the job of handling the needle being the "gentler sex".

Once again, however, we were doomed to bitter disappointment because the stronger sex did most of this work.

The troops who have been on fatigue consistently since coming aboard deserve a great hand for the manner in which they carried out the many tasks.

Fatigue work is always a very unfaithful job but jobs that must be done if we are to remain healthy living soldiers.

THANKS FOR EVERYTHING

The sincere thanks of all troops must be extended to the entire ship's crew for their indulgence in our week efforts as sailors. Our thanks also to the staff responsible for the meals we have had on board. All of us feel sure that they will be sadly missed.

The Zonisher Zippers will make another broadcast late this afternoon.

MOVIES - There will be no movies shown to-day time and the weather being responsible.
FADRE’S CORNER

Mark Twain once remarked—"The most
common thing in this world is human nature"
On this boat we have seen human nature at
its best in the past two weeks. All reli-
gious denominations and creeds have
differed, all in one endeavor to hasten
that day when the evil forces of life
shall be destroyed.
The life on this ship has been a dem-
stration that at heart and in basic
beliefs, all men are one. Our differ-
ences are superficial. It is hoped we will
carry forward into the future, the fine
spirit which we have found in all our
contacts of the past two weeks.

Thought for the Day—"Truth is mighty,
and must prevail."

Capt. Harrigan will conduct the ves-
per service.

"Arent We All"
by Cpl. Jack – 3 Provost Coy
(2nd prize winner in the O.Rs. group).

It was a wet rainy afternoon and suit-
ed to his mood. He paced the length of the
deck and raised his stare. His brow
was furrowed; he was thinking of the latest
promotion in his unit.

Of course it hadn't been he, L’Cpl.
John who had received the coveted second
corner. It had been that nitwit Smith.
Don't they see... of course the voices
that controlled his destiny along with
that of the others were blind. Hadn't he
done everything in his power to train
himself; wasn't he strong and self-re-
liant...to make parade for him never. He
squared his shoulders and walked
more briskly. String - tee. He looked
ekneerly at C.S.M. who nudged by. Per-
haps some day he would manitipate
with his anger.

Wrestling
The boxing fans were treated to a
pleasing surprise when they witnessed
a wrestling bout between two brothers
C.H. Quillman and C.A. Quillman, both
of the 11th Ed Rgt, RCA.
This had all the appearance of a
match between a great and fall for
each. When C.A. Quillman suffered a
"Charlie horse" in the back of his
leg. A return bout is looked forward to
in the weather breaks and is looks
forward to by all who witnessed the
first bout.

Today's report is our 1st issue.
Even though we have proved a disap-
point-ment to some have every reason to
believe that the majority on board
get a kick out of our efforts.

Our Stupid raised the most critici-
ism and we took it on the chin from all
sides. However, we would like to ask
everyone by saying "there are not any
such beings on board."

The entire staff comprised of
Mr. Goyen, S.S. M. Dickson, Sjt.
Stewart and Corporal. Thank you
for their intelligence and co-operation.
Perhaps some of you other corps will
have the opportunity of doing the same
thing at some other time and rest assur-
ed of our support (and sympathy).

"Bon-voyage and Good Luck!"
LT-COL. A. DeMAIO AND SENIOR OFFICERS
R.C.E.M.E. 1 CDN INF DIV
REQUEST THE PLEASURE OF YOUR COMPANY
AT AN R.C.E.M.E. DINNER
TO BE HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE THIRD OF OCTOBER
AT
PARK PLAZA HOTEL RICCIONE

RSVP 1900 hours FOR 2000 hours
Dear Mr. —

Expect to sail within 48 hrs. and just a note to thank you for the excellent cooperation you have given me.
Also thanks for the famous showers and luncheon.

My regards to all your officers and other ranks and the Best of Luck to all.

Sincerely,

Ford A. Murphy

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