

SOME VACATION

Wasn't it thoughtful of the Government to arrange our return just at this time? As the Germans apparently don't intend to sign, hostilities will start again on June 24. That'll give us just two days in the United States before starting back to the battleline. Look out for yourself, Fritzic Boy, if they do send us back. You'll have a bunch of bloodhunters on your trail for fair this trip. July 4th will be a good day to put over a barrage.

Some of the troops seem in doubt as to whether the censor's stamp is still required for mail posted on board ship. Our latest information from the office is that no censorship is required.

The physical check yesterday was a complete success. All men who have been on pass to the neighboring towns have returned. There were no A. W. O. L's.

BOOCOO DRILLS

Another one of those much-enjoyed (?) but wholly necessary fireless fire and collisionless collision drills was on the program this morning, followed by "Abandon Ship" which was executed with great abandon.

Don't forget to return your books. You are allowed three days. Most of those out are overdue. Don't be a hog and deprive others.

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NAVIGATION SCORE

Lat. 36° 03' N. Long. 54° 15' W.

Distance made good in the last 24 hours	-	296
Distance from France	-	2352
Distance to Newport News	-	1101

WIRELESS NEWS

Brockdorff-Rantzau has left Paris for Weimer with revised edition of the Treaty. German reply must be in by 9 P. M. Monday, June 23.

Orders have been given for Allied forces of 600,000 supported by artillery to begin advance on morning of June 24 if Germans refuse to sign, as is feared by majority of Peace delegates.

Admirals Wilson, Rodman and Gleaves appointed to command Atlantic, Pacific, Asiatic fleets respectively. Rank to be that of full Admiral.

American troops have returned across boarder. Held in readiness for future Villa agressions.

As indication of Pershing's plans against the Germans in case of non-signature the 4th and 5th Divisions have been taken off the list for early return from France.

PUT THIS ON YOUR SANDWICH

Soldier: to Sailor: "What's the chance of getting mustered out in the East."

Sailor to Soldier: "Don't know but understand it's plentiful in the West."

Join the Navy and see the Army.

Soldier to Sailor: (referring to hawser holes) "What are those two holes in the front of the ship?"

Sailor: "Those, young fellow, are the eyes of ship."

Soldier: "Well, if the ship has eyes, why have a lookout!"

NON COMpus Mentus

Some of the ranking noncoms aboard are out of luck for berths and as a consequence they have some queer places to "coochay". Bickhart reposes on a foot locker and uses a chair for a pillow. Resser does his "shut eye" in a barber chair. Bertelsen decorates an ironing board. Fritz sleeps under Chief Gunner's Mate Vincent's bunk and every time the Gunner turns over he scores a bullseye on the Photog's solar plexus, Lively lives up to his name by being first in the chow line.

If this paper gets to you late, bear with us in patience. The extra print shop labor necessary to get the show programs done on time made it essential that either they or the paper be delayed.

"PEACE AND THE STARS"

Again the Crimson Poppies bloom
In a sunny foreign land.
The dove of peace unfolds its wings
And the mighty hordes disband.

The roaring thunder of the guns are still,
A rain of death no more they yield.
Our nation's heroes sleep on in peace
American flowers in a foreign field.

God bless the mothers' hearts that beat with joy,
As warrior sons return to native shore.
But Oh! to brush the gold stars from the service flags,
And make them blue once more.

—LEW B. WALLICE, U. S. N., On board ship.

FOUND

In writing room, envelope containing films, evidently property of sailor. In wash room soldiers' identity tags bearing names, W. E. Nelson and W. B. Posey. See Corp. Fleming Compartment 3.

Old Kid New Hampshire stepped up to the plate yesterday about noon and laced out a stiff one which bids fair to carry him Over the Hill for a HOME RUN. His batting average is now 2363.

MAIL BOAT

It has just been called to our attention that a slight typographical error was made in the announcement of meeting the mail boat. This should have read the second Thursday of this week instead of the second Tuesday.