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**"Boat Ahoy!" Reindeer for
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Certain laws and customs concerning boats dating from the middle of the eighteenth century are still strictly observed in the Navy. There is that which concerns the approach of boats to ships after dark. Its observance is, for obvious reasons, enforced with a stringency which permits of no excuse on the part of those whose duty it is to see that it is carried out; and in war-time other precautions are taken which must be kept a close secret.

After nightfall every approaching boat is challenged directly it comes within hail. "Boat ahoy!" rings out from the fo'c'sle head or the quarter-deck. And the reply is flung across the water to the challenging ship with that promptness which is characteristic of the Navy.

The nature of the reply depends upon who is in the boat. If it contain an officer of flag rank—an admiral, a vice-admiral, a rear-admiral, or a commodore—the reply will be "Flag!" It may be the galley of Polyphemus returning with the captain of that vessel, which lies astern of the challenger. If so, the response will be "Polyphemus!" Or it may be a party of commissioned officers coming back to their units from the hockey ground or tennis courts. In that event the answer will be "Aye, aye!" And when the approaching boat contains only ranks lower than that of commissioned rank the reply in all instances is, "No, no!"

All boats are challenged by all ships after dark. All have to reply whether they are bound for the challenging ship or are merely passing on to other ships of the Fleet. And the look-out, having received an answer, passes it duly on to the officer of the watch: "Answers, flag, sir!" "Answers, Polyphemus, sir!" "Answers, Aye, yes, sir!" or "Answers, No, no, sir!" as the case may be.

Then there are the laws and customs to be observed when boats are passing one another. Junior officers salute senior ones. A boat carrying royalty or flag rank is saluted by tossing gifts or rowing, by letting fly the sheet if sailing, and by stopping the engines if steaming. A captain is saluted by laying on the oars (ceasing to row); other officers get the common salute—touching the cap.

The Royal Navy lost much of its beauty, if none of its charm, with the casting of oak and hemp and masts and yards, but there are still in vogue many laws and customs which came into being during that picturesque period, and that most of them fulfil a useful function in these days of steam, electricity, and steel is—well, merely to state a fact.—(O. K. in Daily Mail.)

**What Soldiers
Do Not Want.**

America is sending over many vaudeville artists to entertain her soldiers in France, and she is taking great care of them, too.

Criticism of a high class is found in the instructions issued by the Over There Theatre League to the players about to embark for the battleground. Among the jokes barred by these regulations are the following offenses:—

1. Any "Can the Kaiser," "Berlin by Christmas" stuff unless the boastfulness is redeemed by sufficient wit. The boys over there have a wholesome respect for the enemy's fighting qualities.
2. Any "fight for home and country" stuff. They are doing it. They don't want civilian advice.
3. Jokes about trench and camp life or military procedure should be accurate with the facts. The boys are likely to buy any obvious mistakes.
4. Local jokes and names and allusions unless nationally known. Ninety-five out of every hundred boys were never nearer Broadway than Hoboken. Camps in their neighbourhood are no criterion.
5. "Drunk" and "bar-room" stuff, unless of the right sort. Temperance is one of the army's big problems.
6. Any joke of even questionable taste. Performers should remember that they will not be facing an audience of men only. The front seats will be occupied by the most honoured of the regimental guests—Red Cross sisters, canteen workers, and Y.M.C.A. women.
7. Jokes derogatory to women. The boys would rather live with their wives' sort of wheeze. Absence from home has surrounded women in the boys' eyes with a sentimental halo, and this sort of thing may subtly hurt.
8. Unnecessary oaths, and particularly the use of "God." Most of the boys come from small country towns where old-fashioned prejudice still prevails.

These rules might well be posted on every stage and in every auditorium.

**A Prayer in
Time of War.**

Thou whose deep ways are in the sea,
Whose footsteps are not known,
To-night a world that turned from
Is waiting—at Thy Throne.

The towering Babele's towers raised
Where scoffing poppits brew,
The little Antipodians we praise—
The night is on them all.

The fool hath said . . . The fool hath said . . .
And we, who deemed him wise,
We, who believed that Thou wast dead,
How should we seek Thine eyes?

How should we seek to Thee for power,
Who scorned Thee yesterday?
How should we kneel in this dread hour?
Lord, teach us how to pray.

Grant us the single heart once more
That mocks no sacred thing,
The sword of Truth our fathers wore
When Thou wast Lord and King.

Let darkness unto darkness tell
Our deep unspoken prayer;
For while our souls in darkness dwell,
We know that Thou art there.
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Peace on Earth.

The great interest shown by all thinking people in the League of Nations scheme to ensure future peace, recalls that beautiful giant statue of Christ marking the boundary line between Chile and the Argentine.

For sixty years the unfortunate people of these lands fought each other, and were again at the point of a new war when two Catholic Bishops appealed for peace and succeeded in reconciling the people.

King Edward VII. was asked to adjudicate between them, and the statue cast in bronze from the now useless cannons, was erected in 1904 as the token of peace and friendship.

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**Six Centuries
Ago.**

(From the Westminster Gazette.)

If there had been daily papers about six centuries ago, when Edward III. was on the English Throne, the readers would have seen ray by day the same names of places that are so familiar to us to-day as we follow the course on the maps of the desperate struggle on the western front.

The turning of the kaleidoscope of history gives new combinations of nationalities at each twist, and in the fourteenth century King Edward of England was fighting King Philip of France, and the English King was Vicar of the Empire of Germany. The headlines one day might have been:—

Cambrai Besieged.

King Edward with a force of 40,000 men-at-arms is closely pressing the city of Cambrai by different assaults.

The French at Peronne.

King Philip is reported to have assembled his forces at Peronne, in the Vermandois.

From the Froissart News Agency: Arras, Ypres, Bruges, Ghent, St. Quentin, Cambrai, Peronne, Montreuil, Bethune, Mons, Cherisy, Rheims, Roze, and the rivers Marne, Seine and Vesle, all figure in Sir John Froissart's Chronicles.

**Fence Broken
Down.**

We would point out to the Municipal Council, or whoever has to do with the matter, that the fence on the Southside Road, mentioned by us yesterday, remains broken down, and the danger of horses or children falling over the bank is still open. If this fence is in the care of the Municipal Council authorities, why not have it repaired before an accident calls down the wrath of the public on the heads of those actually responsible?

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How many people are aware that Count Zeppelin was not the real inventor of the Zeppelin? As a matter of fact, a Frenchman, Maurice Chevreux, conceived the idea, and it was from his plans that the first monster airship was able to fly.

Chevreux, who was a naval engineer, has recently died. Since the commencement of the war he had practically lived the life of a hermit; some say because of his grief at being the innocent cause of placing in the hands of the hated enemy such a terrible machine of war.

He resided for some years in Germany, and was employed in the Zeppelin workshops, and while so engaged designed the six-cylinder motor, by which Count Zeppelin was able to eventually triumph over the difficulty of making a dirigible airship that would keep up for hours in the air.

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W. W. HALFYARD,
Colonial Secretary,
Dept. of the Colonial Secy.,
October 4th, 1918. oct4,21

MEMORANDUM.

The hands of ordinary striking clocks should not be moved backwards; the change of time should be made by putting forward the hands eleven hours, and allowing the clock to strike fully at each hour, half hour, and quarter hour, as the case may be. The hands should not be moved while the clock is striking. An alternative method, in the case of pendulum clocks, is to stop the pendulum for an hour.

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