

DIARY





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DIARY



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Lieutenant J. Williams  
Lieutenant H. Hill  
Lieutenant J. Ritchie  
Commander of Clair  
Lieut. Comdr. Redmond  
Admiral Robison  
Admiral Gortz  
Admiral Feight  
Admiral Stealing  
Admiral Wiley  
Admiral Butler  
Admiral Hughes  
Lieut. Comdr. V. Wood  
Lieut. V. Perry  
Lieut. Crehan  
Lieut. Comdr. A. H. Morgan  
Lieut. Jeff Beard  
Ensign V. Shunk 3rd

U. S. S. Seattle  
Armored Cruiser  
Flagship U. S. Fleet  
U. S. S. Texas  
Battleship First Line  
Flagship U. S. Fleet  
U. S. S. Meade 914  
Destroyer 38th Div.

U. S. S. Albatross (341)  
Destroyer  
Flagship Squadron 11

JANUARY 1

New York City.

Another bright  
year starting now.  
Goas at the Soldiers  
and Sailors Club  
all day for the  
entertainments. In  
the evening I went  
home with "Miss  
Newfound," "The Little  
Mother of the Navy." We  
had dinner together  
and then went to  
the Plaza. All the  
364 remaining days  
are as pleasant as  
this one. It will  
be a jolly good year.

JANUARY 2

New York City.  
I reported back to  
the ship after a 72  
hour leave of absence.  
Altho today is a  
holiday, we worked  
a little in the P.  
What work we can do  
now saves work for  
us when we are in the  
tropics. I went to a  
dance at the Soldiers  
and Sailors Club.  
Only danced twice as  
it was so crowded.  
Went back to the ship  
instead of waiting until  
morning.

JANUARY 3

New York City.

Worked all morning  
in T R yards  
left early for the  
Club. Had dinner  
with Miss Mond  
and to another  
show. Men of the  
second leave party  
are just returning  
now. We are to  
leave the morning  
of the eighth.

JANUARY 4

New York City.

Stayed aboard all day, working in the R.R. laying cable for the the few TV transmitters.

I forgot to turn in my liberty card until quite late this afternoon. It bawled out but managed to keep from being restricted.  
That's all.

JANUARY 5

New York City.

Have the duty to -  
night so I must stay  
aboard.

We are putting in  
14 new cables for  
the two TV transmitters  
and it is very slow  
work. There is only a  
day and a half left  
to do our navy yard  
work so we will have  
to speed up tomorrow.

Three bodies were re -  
moved from the S-4  
this morning. Two were  
officers and one was a  
chief machinist mate.

JANUARY 6

New York City.

Had my ukulele brought back from the club and was caught playing it in the TR before time to knock off so I can't keep it there any longer. Morris & Meeks are transferred to the third Naval district. Today I got a nice letter from Mary Ann also the New Year paper from Boise, were his line to read about my old friends in Boise, every day I find news of interest to me.

Pa.

JANUARY 7

New York City.

At last we are beginning to see a little daylight over our work in the T.R. I went ashore early in the afternoon. Miss Hu Wood and I went to dinner and to a show.

Tomorrow at 0900 we will get underway for the West Florida. She never been there but I know that it will much warmer down there than it is in New York. We have about six months of tropical and semi-tropical days ahead of us now.

JANUARY 8

At Sea Enroute Key  
West Florida.

This morning ab 0930  
we left the Brooklyn  
Navy Yard and started  
south to Key West Florida.  
Expect to arrive there in  
five days. I was on  
watch in the TR so I  
missed the interesting  
sight of the trip down  
East river and out of  
New York harbor. I have  
gone over the same trip  
several times and never  
tire of it. No work was  
done today but we will  
dig in again tomorrow  
morning.

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JANUARY 9

At Sea -

This noon we were 350 miles south of New York, and can already notice the difference in temperature. There are two young men aboard who are from the research laboratory at Bellevue. They are experimenting and measuring the frequency and natural impedance of our antennae. I finished wiring up one of the T.V. trays meters and expect to haul them both in commission by tomorrow night. *J*

JANUARY 10

Off Sea

Enroute Key West Fla,  
450 miles to go at  
noon today.

It has been raining  
all day today but the  
temperature is much  
higher.

The two TV's are all  
wired up except for the  
remote control leads which  
are just connected on temp-  
orarily. We had some  
difficulty in wiring the  
remote control and found  
that the blue prints  
were wrong.

No Mail Today.

JANUARY 11

Oh Sea.

We are just popping  
along this afternoon.  
Passed by Miami  
about a mile out and  
could see the people  
on the beach and on  
the streets. The big  
hotels towered in the  
skyline like New York  
skyscrapers.

All the work in  
the T R camp finished  
today. I hope we can  
get a much needed rest  
you, but old "Bright  
eyes" will find some-  
thing to do - perhaps  
we will have a little  
more school. VZ

JANUARY 12

Key West Fla.

Arrived in Key West  
this morning but anchored  
six miles out. Went ashore  
on a tug at 1300 and  
couldn't return until 1230.  
Key West is a small  
dirty town and there  
isn't a thing to do  
there - Saw a few  
several beautiful Spanish  
girls. A large patrol  
jugg sent ashore in fact  
almost as many patrol  
as liberty party.

I received a letter  
from Mother also one  
from Alec B. Cowley  
PK

JANUARY 13

Key West Fla.

Had the watch today  
so I stayed aboard.

We painted up the  
new generators this  
morning and then  
spent the rest of the  
day trying to look  
like we were busy.

It looks like there  
isn't a thing to do  
but we have to look  
busy nevertheless. Two

papers in the mail  
today. Fred Kivette is

now at Pensacola and  
was married last  
week.

JANUARY 14

Key West Fla.

Had the mid watch last night and could hardly keep my eyes open all day. We had Captain's inspection and rehearsal for the arrival of President Coolidge. Two hours and forty minutes of rehearsing and it is not known for sure whether Cal will come aboard tomorrow morning.

Whites are the uniform of the day now, should have been whites three days ago.

W. M. Mail

JANUARY 15

Havana Cuba

Pres. Coolidge came aboard this morning and we steamed for Havana. I manned the rail on the starboard side of the conning tower just above the forecastle where all the ceremonies took place. Coolidge, Hughes, Kellogg, Wilbur and other members of the Conference were standing in groups just below me. Mrs. Coolidge was very much there. As we entered Havana we could hear a thunder of voices. Thousands and thousands were lined on the waterfront and on houses - buildings - ships etc. Coolidge waved his hat to them and they went frantic with cheers. As we drew closer the saluting began from the old Castle. Today was a day of a lifetime for me I would not miss it for anything. At 1900 I went ashore and had a wonderful dinner.

JANUARY 16

Havana Cuba.

Today Admiral Wiley gave orders to let every man go ashore that could be spared. Four of us went ashore together from the radio gang. We went to "El Jardin de Tropical" where the famous "Tropical" beer was served to us free - all that we cared to drink - I almost made a hog of myself but who would not? We took a taxi from there to the Havana Race track where we were given free access to any part of the grounds + grandstand. After seeing a few good races we went back to town, ate a big dinner, had some more beer, shot the breeze with some Cuban sailors, and then returned to the ship - tired? yes, but with another great day in our memory.

JANUARY 17

Havana Cuba

We left Havana this morning and proceeded to Key West where Coolidge and his party went ashore to take the train to Washington D. C.

At about 10:00 we left Key West for Havana. We will probably get there tomorrow sometime.

It is a sorry looking crew this morning. The hospitality of the people of Havana and the low price of good beer got the best of us.

I stood a nice one half hour watch last night and win all in.

AP  
JANUARY 18

Enroute Ponceaux Haiti.

The Memphis and six destroyers have been manoeuvring with us today. We had all general drill today. I have a new general quarters station in the very top of the foretop. The foretop is where the fourteen inch guns are controlled. The officer in charge seems to be very good. will probably arrive in Ponceaux in the morning.

JANUARY 19

Ponape, Haiti.

Arrived here about  
1200. The battleships  
of the scouting fleet  
are all here including  
the Wyoming and the  
Utah, the pre-comm-  
issioned battleships.  
All hands turned to  
today and painted the  
sleeping quarters. It  
sure was a messy job  
but the quarters look  
like a million dollars  
now. The Captain gave  
five men general court  
martial for drunked-  
ness in Havana when  
the President was  
there.

JANUARY 20

Foraines Haiti.

Well at last I have  
made out an allow-  
ment. It could just  
as well been running  
for two years as it is  
starting now. I sent  
all of my whites to the  
laundry and got them  
back today - just got  
through pressing them  
it took two hours to do it.  
We have liberty here but  
I am not going over, was  
ashore here last year and  
didn't like it and besides  
I have to start watch-  
ing my bankroll now  
that half of it is going  
home.

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JANUARY 21

Sanames Fauti

This morning Admiral Wipey gave the crew a short talk on his ideals of an American Seaman. The Captain gave a short talk also.

I went ashore this afternoon. Nothing to do here except walk around the market place and it smells so bad there that one can't stay very long. Found some fairly good beer here but they have no ice to cool it with.

JANUARY 22

Papeete Tahiti.

I had all day off today and spent most of it on the top side.

It was wonderful out today - quite hot but a cool breeze all day long. In the evening.

I played poker for a while and won enough to keep me in tobacco for a month or so if I don't lose it tomorrow.

JANUARY 23

Providence Haiti  
This morning the  
President of Haiti  
paid an official  
visit to Admiral  
Wiley. The Haitian  
flag was hoisted  
on our foremast  
while he was aboard.

I sent a short letter  
from Bob a good  
letter from Lew  
and several papers  
in the mail for  
my today.

I would like to  
have weather like  
this all the time  
it is ideal not too  
hot but just comfort-  
ably cool.

JANUARY 24  
Jonaw's Suite.

This place is sure getting to be tiresome. If we could only go swimming it would be o.k. but that is impossible on account of sharks.

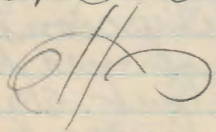
Mr. Kitchen yes old Bright Eyes himself started a school in procedure today. Everyone has to attend which should include him for he doesn't know a thing about it.

Bye  
That's about all  
Good  
Night.

JANUARY 25

Jonah's Hiti

A few more days  
 in a place like  
 this and a man  
 would go crazy.  
 I didn't do a  
 thing today except  
 caught off on the  
 boat deck and  
 read. I hope we  
 get underway to-  
 morrow as per  
 schedule.



JANUARY 26

# Gonaives Haiti.

Had a chance to  
go ashore today so  
I went over with  
my gun and we bought  
several baskets of  
fruit. I bought at  
least eight or nine  
dozen oranges for  
fifty cents & I also  
got a basket of limes.  
The limes down here  
are very small but  
are of a delicious  
flavor and make  
an excellent drink.  
We also got some fruit  
that looks like a pig on  
the lemon but the meat  
tastes like grapefruit only  
sweeter.

JANUARY 27

Port Au Prince, Haiti  
We left Gonaives this  
morning and arrived  
here about 1400. The  
paymaster must be  
feeling good for he  
paid us ahead of time  
today. I had the  
duty so I could not  
go ashore.

There are a lot of  
bum boats here -  
also some natives  
that will dive for  
coins. One native had  
a long knife and  
wanted to fight a  
shark for a dollar  
but no shark  
happened around at  
that time.

JANUARY 28

York Au Prince, Haiti.  
Captains inspection  
today.

At one o'clock of  
evening ashore with  
Wenzin. We bought  
a few souvenirs and  
a few beers. Had  
two nights, five meals  
at the Hotel de France.  
Most of the people  
here speak French  
but many speak  
Spanish so I had  
another chance to  
practice my Spanish.

JANUARY 29

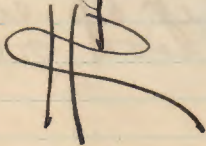
Port, Puerto Prince  
I went ashore today  
again in the snow-  
ing. Found a little  
wood shop where a  
sculptor made candle-  
sticks out of 'linguine  
vite' wood. His lathe  
is turned by hand but  
he turns out beautiful  
work. He talked Spanish  
well and we had quite  
a visit while he made  
a wine set for me. I  
broke the wine jug as I  
was returning to the ship  
but fixed it up so that  
it will look O.K.

JANUARY 30

Port Au Prince.  
Took an examination  
in procedure this  
morning - passed ok  
but missed one very  
simple question.

The president of  
Haiti came aboard  
this afternoon for  
some kind of recep-  
tion.

We will get under  
way for Maitanama  
sometime in the  
morning.



JANUARY 31

Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

This morning at day-  
light we left Port Au  
Prince arriving in  
Gtung at 1300.

I had the after-  
noon watch and  
it seemed like every-  
thing went wrong.

Got about ten papers  
and a letter from  
Ann and one from  
Mary Ann.

Not so bad!

FEBRUARY 1  
Quantanamo Bay.

It is like going back home to return to Gtms after being away for some time. Everything looks the same.

I went swimming today at Waicacle Beach and hurt my ear while diving.

There is a rumor that we will go to Kingston, Jamaica over the weekend. I am not a bit anxious to go for it is the fifth - best place I was ever in.

FEBRUARY 2

Quiglanaw Bay

Nothing much to do today. We had procedure school as usual, my test paper for last week has been graded 42.

At 1900 we got underway for Kingston. Have been trying to get VQ1 by radio but can't seem to raise him.

FEBRUARY 3

Kingston, Jamaica.

Arrived here this morning bright and early. There are three English Cruisers here and they saluted us as we came in. The Governor of Jamaica came aboard and was given a salute of 21 guns.

I went ashore with Benjamin and visited the radio station. We drank a lot of beer, sent some cards and returned home quite early.

FEBRUARY 4

Kingston Jamaica.

Had the duty and could not go ashore today. Several British jobs visited the ship today and we had quite a visit with some of the radio men.

John asked about the possibilities of war between Great Britain and the U.S. They said as far as they knew there was very little talk of it at home in England.

FEBRUARY 5

Kingston Jamaica

Went ashore today with Walsh & Wash-um and very little money. Bought a few beers and had good dinner and came back to the ship quite early.

Many visitors aboard today and the officers gave a bath this evening.

FEBRUARY 6

Kingston Jamaica.

We had a factor  
"C" test for radio  
this morning. I  
made a couple  
of mistakes in  
transmitting but  
passed the test O.K.

Underway for target  
practice at Quantan-  
jays at 1000  
this afternoon.  
H

FEBRUARY 7

Oh Sea

General quarters and  
gun drills this morn-  
ing. We stayed to  
about 3 miles from  
Guantanamo until  
1600 and then  
came in and anchored.

Mail Ho!

I got a letter from  
my old pardner  
Pearl Wilson, sure  
was good news to hear  
from him. Will  
write some letters  
tonite.

Took up exam  
in procedure this  
afternoon.

FEBRUARY 8

Guantanamo Bay,

Today we had a great surprise. A few minutes after nine the crew was called to the top side and in a few minutes a silver winged monoplane came into view. "Gandy" flew around the Texas several times, twice so close that I could see his face and see him wave. The Texas saluted him with 20 guns. He was on his way to Havana from Port-au-Prince. He circled around for about fifteen minutes and then sped on to Havana. This is the third time that I have been lucky enough to see "Gandy".

FEBRUARY 9

At Sea.

We left Guantanamo Bay early this morning and spent the morning in anti-aircraft target practice. The plane was shot away on the second run and I think that a very good score was made by all guns.

At 1300 we left the Gtms area and started for New Orleans.

Muddy Waters  
Round My fish  
Hey! Hey!

FEBRUARY 10

Ah Ha

Field day today.  
The ship was thoroughly cleaned today for captain's inspection. I had the mid watch last nite so I was excused from work. Got my locker in good shape for inspection tomorrow too.

Saw "Tell it to Sweeney" at the movie and was disappointed in it

Alp Sea  
FEBRUARY 11

Had my last pair  
of regulation shoes  
stolen, last night  
so I couldn't go  
to Captains inspection.

The clocks were  
set back one hour  
this morning  
and that's  
about all  
for today.  
Va.

KINGMAN'S BIRTHDAY.

FEBRUARY 12

Oh Sea.

hash nite at the smoker,  
tibetts, seaman of the  
4<sup>th</sup> division was knocked  
out. He didn't revive  
in the sick bay and  
at 0300 he died. We  
haven't heard just what  
the actual cause of  
his death was.

I got a good haul-  
ing out this afternoon  
for not keeping the Th  
for frequency. I'll  
be glad when we  
throw that birds  
nest off of this ship.

On the ~~Mad~~ Water

FEBRUARY 13

This morning at 0500 we entered the mouth of the Mississippi. The mail came aboard and also a pilot.

It was a beautiful trip up the river. Some places it seemed like we were in the farmer's yards, we were so close to the bank. Each ship, as it passed or met us, dipped its colours and saluted us with whistles, as we drew nearer to N.O. There were more boats and when we arrived, hundreds of boats were saluting us. It sounded like our entry into Havana Harbor.

arrived new orleans at 1430

FEBRUARY 14

Willy Orleans Co.  
I had the morning  
watch but got to go  
ashore in the after-  
noon.

Wenzel & I went  
together. Went to a  
show and then to  
dinner. After dinner  
we walked up and  
down Canal Street  
taking in the sights.

This is indeed a  
beautiful city and  
from all appearances  
we are going to  
have a fine time  
during the Mardi  
 Gras celebration.

OK

FEBRUARY 15

New Orleans La.  
It rained all day  
today and it was  
just chilly. However  
there were many  
visitors aboard. This  
is the first battleship  
in New Orleans since  
the Civil War and the  
people are eager to visit.  
Today was also pay-  
day except for me. My  
allowance starts this  
month and believe  
me I missed that  
money today. I man-  
aged to borrow enough  
money to last me  
while we are here tho.

FEBRUARY 16

New Orleans La.  
Had the liberty  
today so I went  
over with Max and  
we each bought a  
radio book and  
went to a show  
and then out to  
dinner.

At 5 o'clock we got  
a place to stand on  
Cajal Street and watch-  
ed the parade of "Moms."  
It was a very spec-  
tacular affair. Thousands  
of people were down  
town and everyone has  
the spirit of Mardi-  
gris. All of the girls  
in New Orleans seem  
to be bedazzled.

FEBRUARY 17

Miss Orlean La.

Here the duty so  
stayed aboard.

Fixed my ukulele up  
and played with  
another like this  
afternoon.

Many visitors were  
aboard today and they  
were allowed to visit  
the radio room.

At five o'clock the  
crew gave a matinee  
dance on the fore-  
castle but I had  
the watch and  
couldn't be there.

HO O/O

New Orleans La.

FEBRUARY 18

Had liberty today but it was very disagreeable outside so we didn't go over.

Many visitors were abroad today. Mr. Kitchen passed the word that visitors were allowed in the TR so we showed a few around.

New Orleans

FEBRUARY 19

Had the afternoon watch and showed about two hundred visitors around. Can't stop these people so when they want to look around.

New Orleans La.

FEBRUARY 20

Didn't go ashore  
this day either.

Am trying to  
arrange for  
liberty for  
tomorrow.

Thousands of visit-  
ors were aboard  
today.

New Orleans La.

FEBRUARY 21

"Mardi Gras"

Today was Mardi Gras. The people of New Orleans even the visitors had the "Carnival Fever". There were three huge parades.

I saw Jimmie Walker several times as he was being taken about the city.

In the evening the people all seemed to be drunk - most of them were. Orchestras were on all streets and there was no such a thing as asking a girl to dance - just grab any girl and start dancing.

Wild Hay!

FEBRUARY 22

New Orleans La.

The morning after  
the night before I  
slept all morning  
and just after I  
got cleaned up after  
dinner one of the  
antennas jarred away.  
I worked all after  
noon in a hard rain.  
It was pretty cold too.

One of the British  
cruisers that was in  
Kingston when we were  
there - tied up to the  
dock forward of us  
at 1000.

Today was the most  
disagreeable day that I  
have experienced —



U. S. S. Texas

Mindte rigged  
for a tow in  
Ponce P.R.

9

On the Muddy Water

FEBRUARY 23

We left New Orleans  
at 0730 this morning.  
After we got about  
fifty miles down the  
river we encountered  
a heavy fog and had  
to slow down. Later the  
fog got so thick that  
we stopped, and  
anchored, heading  
up river.

I have figured up that  
in the past two years  
I have cruised over  
30,000 miles, an  
average of 45 miles a  
day total time.

#759 Ground on  
The Mississippi  
FEBRUARY 24

The heavy fog was still with us this morning until about ten o'clock.

When it finally cleared away we started up stream. Had to go up about ten miles to find a place wide enough to turn around in. We passed South Pass about 1630 and headed south for Guantanamo Bay.

Ph La

FEBRUARY 25

This Morning  
we shifted to  
white uniforms.

Got all ready  
for Captain's in-  
spection and then  
it was delayed.

Procedure school  
will start Monday  
and all hands  
will have to attend  
Pay day will  
be the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March  
and Admirals  
inspection will be  
on the 27<sup>th</sup> of March  
enroute to San Diego  
from Balboa 0. 3.

At Sea  
FEBRUARY 26

We seem to be taking our time about getting back to Guantanamo.

I spent most of the day getting my blue uniforms cleaned up for the wash coach.

At sea.

FEBRUARY 27

Still poking  
along at about  
eight knots.

Procedure school  
started today and  
it looks like they  
mean it this  
time.

Bright eyes and  
I taught up  
today in an ar  
gument about the  
T.P.

FEBRUARY 28

Guantanamo Bay

Arrived in the Bay  
0900.

There was very little  
mail here for us  
but expect two more  
ships with mail  
tomorrow.

The dirigible U.S.S.  
Los Angeles completed  
a 22 hr non-stop  
flight from New York  
stop Panama today.  
She was scheduled to  
stop in Guantanamo  
but decided to go ahead  
when she got here.

FEBRUARY 29  
Guantanamo Bay.

We fired anti-aircraft battle practise today and made a fairly good score & fundastand.

MARCH 1

Guantanamo Bay

Fired five inch  
guns today.

School is still run-  
ning but I don't  
believe that it will  
last long because  
it is interfering  
with the work.

MARCH 2  
Puantanamo Bay

We fired long range  
battle practise today.  
The concussion of  
those huge shells is  
fierce. It broke several  
tubes in the train-  
ing room and  
tore everything loose  
from the bulkhead.  
The movie shack  
was torn to pieces.  
A letter from  
warden.

MARCH 3  
Guantanamo Bay

Nothing much going  
on now. Had the  
entire afternoon off  
but didn't go ashore.

We are leaving this  
place the 5th and  
will not be here  
again until next  
September.

A letter from  
Mother and one  
from Mrs. Martin  
also one from Corrie.

MARCH 4  
Quantawan Bay.

Lazy day

Slept and

read all

day today

MARCH 5

At Sea

Today is my second anniversary of the Navy. From now on the time will seem to decrease instead of increase.

We got underway for St. Thomas V.I. at 1600 hitting a good rate of speed.

Took on seven radiomen who are to be transferred to the radio station at St. Thomas and San Juan.

At Sea.

MARCH 6

We had about  
all of the emerg-  
ency drills today  
and then to top  
that off we had  
a stiff examination  
in procedure.

I believe that I  
got a good mark.

AD

MARCH 7

St. Thomas, Virgin Is.

We arrived here at  
1300. Liberty was  
to start immediately  
but we had only two  
boats running to the  
beach and then  
just as it was ready  
to go ashore the Gov.  
of the Island Coyle  
aboard and we had  
to stand at attention  
for an hour.

The people here are  
mostly negroes, however  
there are Danish and  
French colonies here as  
well as American. The  
Island is supposed  
to be dry.

ST. THOMAS, V.I. MARCH 8

Our baseball team was walloped by a team of natives today.

Altho this island is supposed to be dry, the officers in charge of out-  
stead enforcement give  
no trouble what so ever to  
the Danish colony which  
seems to consist mainly of  
boot leggers. All liquors are  
two dollars a quart even  
beer so here is one  
place where it is cheap-  
er to ~~buy~~ buy drink  
champagne than it is  
to drink beer.

OH

St. THOMAS, V.I. MARCH 9

Field day today. We  
sure did clean the  
old place up today.

Old Bright Eyes  
spilled it all over. He  
growled about a surplus  
of oil on an oil cup on  
the TV generator.

Underway at 1330  
for Cristobal, Canal Zone.

No more days to  
San Diego and  
leave.

AT

MARCH 10 SEA.

Captain's inspection this morning, also hammock inspection. The Captain said after the inspection that the division looked very good.

I played acy-puey and read 'Air Stories' all afternoon - nice way to improve the mind isn't it.

19 more days  
and then  
vo do deo do do do  
deu do!!



AT

MARCH 11

SEA.

There was nothing to do except sleep and take things easy and I did both of them.

The ship is rolling quite a bit on account of the oil cargo.

$$4 + 1 = 5$$

$$5 + 1 = 6$$

$$6 \times 2 = 12$$

$$12 + 2 = 14$$

$$14 + 1 = 15$$

$$15 + 3 = 18$$

18 more days.

AT

MARCH 12

SEA

Unused as I am to  
public speaking &  
will have very little  
to say.

It didn't rain

The sun shone

It may rain,

or it may not

Rain is nice

Some people say

I like the rain

Sometimes I do

not always.

1 day

whoop!

MARCH 13  
Lristobal, is my birthday

Arrived here this morning  
at 0600.

I went ashore in the  
afternoon. I didn't  
spend much money  
because I am saving  
for my leave. I did  
manage to quzzle down  
a few nice cold  
beers tho.

we will go thru the  
canal in the morning.  
It will be my seventh  
trip thru the canal.

16 days and  
then home.

MARCH 14

Balboa

C. J.

we went thru  
the canal  
today. nothing  
much out of  
the ordinary tran-  
sition, except that  
the Tepas is almost  
too wide to go thru.

As soon as we  
arrived in Balboa  
I went ashore and  
popped many beers  
also had a big  
feed at the  
Metropole Cabaret.  
Almost too much  
beer again.

15

More Days

Balboa

MARCH 15

P. J.

Today I went swimming at the Balboa Club. The Balboa pool is the most delightful place to swim in.

After swimming I went over to the Balboa Restaurant for another good meal.

What? only 14 more days?

Balboa

MARCH 16

C. J.

Coent swimming  
again today.  
The view was great.  
Returned to the  
ship shortly after  
lunch to pack  
all my clothes  
for sea Bag ins-  
pection tomorrow.

I will and  
6 days  
hey!

Balboa

MARCH 17

C. J.

Well after having  
rolled all of my clothes  
up, the bag inspection  
was delayed.

I went ashore  
with Masham &  
Hall. I went swim-  
ming all afternoon  
and beering all  
evening.

13 days  
more

Balboa

MARCH 18

P. J.

A swimming we  
did go. Surely was  
a wonderful day  
to be out in the  
air.

Work my ear  
while diving.

11 days  
Allen opp

Balboa MARCH 19 C. B.

This morning the doc  
said that I had a  
small hole in my  
ear drum that might  
turn out to be  
serious. I hope not  
because this time I  
want to spend my  
leave at home with-  
out being sick.

My ship mate  
W. J. [unclear] was  
transferred here for  
shore duty.  
Under way for San  
Diego at 3:30  
Longfellow

at

MARCH 20

Sea

Working hard  
to get ship  
ready for the  
Admiral's  
Inspection

at

MARCH 21

Sea

Mitts.

Too tired to write

at

MARCH 22

sea.

Hard work  
all day long

W 1 T 3592 W 1 A 91 MCH  
MARCH 23

At

Sea

At last we have  
caught up. Everything  
is ready for the  
old boy now.

I made out League  
papers today for there  
are only

6 days to go.

MARCH 24

Sea.

As well today is the day that all of the officers and crew have been looking for.

Our division had neither bag inspection or bedding inspection. so I spent twenty dollars last week on clothes that while not necessary, were drawn per orders.

The Admiral and Captain both spoke very complimentary about our transmitting room. They should have a cease fire if we worked from 8 to 12 hours a day as it for a week.

MARCH 25

at Sea  
Sunday.

The hull after  
the storm. No  
one worked today.

I tried to rest as  
much as possible  
but my ear gave  
me so much trouble  
that I was nervous  
all day. It is

frightfully painful  
at times and I  
feel like turning  
pin to the sick bay  
but am afraid that  
I will mess out on  
my leave if I do.  
There are only four  
more days to wait.

MARCH 26

At Sea.  
Monday.

Today we had  
general quarters &  
condition two.

Uniforms were  
shifted to the  
blue at 1730.

3 days  
off

MARCH 27

Ah Tuesday Sea  
Rough sea  
all day but  
it won't be  
long now.

H

Ab MARCH 28 Sea

Wednesday.

California

Here we come  
Right back  
where we  
started from  
OH

MARCH 29

San Diego  
Thursday

Arrived here at 0800

My leave papers  
were signed o.k.  
and I left the  
ship at noon.

Rode to San Pedro  
with Gus Brown

MARCH 30

This evening  
we all went  
in to Pasadena  
to get Ann.

MARCH 31

Am

have

How I wish  
that I

(over)

#1

APRIL 1

My  
slave  
had taken

# 2

APRIL 2

On  
Please

my diary  
with me

# 3

APRIL 3

On  
leave

On this  
leave.

#4

APRIL 4

Please.

There have  
been many

# 5

APRIL 5

Mary

Mary

#6

APRIL 6

Love

Golden Moments

#7

APRIL 7

My  
love

That I could  
have.

#8

Easter <sup>APRIL 8</sup> Sunday

Rose Ann Wagener  
Born this

Morning at  
12 30 A M

~~How~~

#9

APRIL 9

On  
Please

folded down,

#10

APRIL 10

Please

After the  
leave is over

#11

APRIL 11

Dear

It is too

late to write

#12

APRIL 12

Please

Anything  
about it.

# 13

APRIL 13

My  
Please

It would  
sound right.

#14

APRIL 14

Please

How ever

# 15

APRIL 15

Blue

leave

blue had one  
on this leave.  
for a better one.

#16

APRIL 16

Dear

Leah

Glorious time  
I couldn't ask

Wa.

#17

San APRIL 17 Leandro

I heard that the  
fleet was leaving  
tonite so I rushed  
out to the ship  
only to find that  
we don't leave until  
Thursday.

Good but it is  
awful to come  
back to the ship.

APRIL 18

San Francisco

Wednesday

Spent the day  
 trying to get  
 used the the  
 old ship after  
 having such  
 a good time  
 while on leave  
 Underway for Hono-  
 lulu sometime  
 tomorrow.

APRIL 19

At Sea.  
Thursday.

Got underway at 11:30  
this morning.

San Francisco and  
the Bay Area are  
a wonderful  
sight to see  
from the  
Golden Gate.

Ch Sea

APRIL 20

Friday.

Field day today  
Nothing much to  
do because every-  
thing seems to  
be cleaned up  
and in good  
shape.

**Boise Gob Promoted**—Richard W. Mindte of Boise, who enlisted recently in the navy, has been appointed apprentice chief petty officer of his company at the San Diego naval station, according to word received in Boise Saturday.

APRIL 21

At Sea  
Saturday.

Captain's inspection  
this morning ok.

Clocks were all  
set back one  
hour last night.

It is a little  
chilly in the  
evenings now but  
the days are ideal

APRIL 22

At Sea,  
Sunday.

Today I worked  
most of the time  
on a bug.

This old wreck  
seems to be  
putting out  
better show than  
usual now.

To Mail

APRIL 23

At Sea  
Monday.

Still working on  
a bug.

Last night the  
ship rolled a lot  
and this morning  
it was quite bad,  
it tipped over our  
tool chest and  
scattered tools all  
over the deck.

At Sea  
APRIL 24  
Tuesday

I had the mid-  
water last nite  
and was all in  
today. We haven't  
sighted any ships  
of the fleet yet  
but expect to  
sometime tomorrow.

A. D.

at APRIL 25 Sea  
Wednesday

Very little doing  
today. It is still  
cool enough to  
wear blues but  
I think that we  
will change tonight.  
will arrive in  
Honolulu tomorrow  
morning early.

APRIL 26 T. H.  
Honolulu  
Thursday.

We docked this morning at 6:00. It was quite dark and also raining at that time so I did not go above until after 8:00. I saw Mr. Pakes and Mrs. Lyons from Caldwell Idg. on the dock and got permission to go over and talk to them. I hadn't seen either of them for about 8 years. They have planned a lot of entertainment for me while I am here. I am going to call them up today.

Honolulu APRIL 27 T.H.  
Friday.

went ashore today.  
Called up Mrs. Pakes  
and made arrange-  
ments for them to  
visit the ship  
tomorrow.

There is a wonder-  
ful Y. M. C. A. here.  
It is built like a  
huge palace, swim-  
ming pool, gym etc.

APRIL 28

Honolulu T. T.  
Saturday.

Captain's inspection  
this morning. This  
afternoon I took  
Mr. & Mrs. Lyons and  
friends around the  
ship. Later they  
took me for a ride  
about the island.  
It certainly is a  
Paradise Isle.

APRIL 29

Honolulu T. H.

Saturday.

Mean Sunday

Today I had dinner  
with Mr. and Mrs. Pakes

at the school. After  
dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Lyons

came with their car  
and we rode all over

the island. Out to the  
"Gully" an historic  
battle ground of the island.  
Saw pineapple and sugar  
plantations, Pearl Harbor,  
Diamond Head, Waikiki  
and many other  
places.

Honolulu T. H.  
APRIL 30  
Monday.

General quarters drill  
this morning.

Went ashore for a  
short time in the

afternoon. Saw a  
hot hula dance.

what I mean it  
was, a mean, hula

I brought back a  
large type pineapple  
and was it good?  
dunt see.

Honolulu <sup>MAY 1</sup> T. A.  
Tuesday.

Pay Day, May Day,  
Lei Day, Mail Day,  
all in one. Not such  
a bad day, altho I  
had the duty and had  
to stay aboard and on  
top of that I didn't  
get a single letter.

There were a good  
many visitors aboard  
today, including some  
beautiful Chinese & Hawaiian  
girls.

Honolulu <sup>MAY 2</sup> T. A.

Wednesday.

Went ashore this afternoon and bought a few souvenirs and wrote several letters.

Saw Tremaine at the Y. M. C. A. and

had quite a talk with him. He lives

in Brea and seems to be a mighty

fine fellow.

Honolulu MAY 3 T. H.

Thursday.

This morning the  
S.S. President Lincoln

arrived with mail. I  
got a letter from Joe.

Went ashore in the  
afternoon and bought  
a Panama hat. It  
goes good with my  
suit so I am all  
decked out for going  
ashore in civies.

TH

Honolulu <sup>MAY 4</sup> T. H.  
Friday.

Field day as usual.

Ashore in the after-  
noon, went out to  
Waikiki again. It  
was rather cold but  
I had a lot of fun  
on the surf board.  
I saw Celen Moore  
several times this  
afternoon. She was surf  
board riding also and  
is good at it.

Honolulu T. H.

MAY 5

Saturday

Captain's inspection  
this morning.

I obtained a 3 1/2 hour  
leave this week end.

Went over to the "Y"  
and met Allen Lyons there.

We went out to his home  
in the afternoon and

after dinner we all went  
out to a swimming meet

After that we went down  
town for a chop suey feed

Slept at the "Y"

Honolulu T. H.

MAY 6

Sunday.

Went to Men's bible class with Mr. Pakes and Ellen then to church. Had a wonderful dinner at the Lyons'. Mrs. Pakes' sister was there also. She is a member of the Outrigger Club so we went out there to swim. The club house is right on Waikiki Beach. Ellen and I took surf boards and had great sport with them. Mrs. Pakes has been to Samoa and she showed me all of her pictures and curios from there and gave a very interesting talk on the people there. It was just like being home this weekend.

Honolulu T. H.  
MAY 7  
Monday.

Stayed aboard all day. There is no special work to do in the TR but we

manage to apparently be busy any time that it is necessary. I did a little more

work on my lug. A mail ship came in today but there was no mail for me.

Honolulu MAY 8 T. H.  
Tuesday

Worked almost all day on the bug.

I never realized how much work

there was to one of those things

until I started making one. It is

almost finished now

Having trouble with that eye of mine again.

MAY 9

Honolulu T. A.  
Wednesday.

Stayed aboard all day. Two mail ships came in but there was no mail for me.

Finished the log this evening and believe it or not it works fine. There

are a few minor adjustments to make on it tho before it is completed.

Honolulu H. H.  
MAY 10  
Thursday,

The ship gave a  
dance on the quarter  
deck tonight. I didn't  
know about it until

late in the afternoon  
but I called up Allen  
and Lucy and they  
came over. The dance

was every bit of a  
success. There were  
hundreds of beautiful  
girls and all of them  
are excellent dancers.  
Mrs Lyons included

Honolulu T. H.  
MAY 11  
Friday.

Another field day,  
but the Captain did  
not inspect before.  
I changed my bug  
a little and now  
it is complete. Altho  
it hasn't exactly the  
same flexibility as a  
Vibroplex, it seems  
to work very good  
makes good dots and  
that is important  
for a bug  $\rightarrow$

Honorable T. H.  
MAY 12  
Saturday.

Lady Luck sure en-  
ough left me behind  
today. I went to the  
sick bay as usual this  
morning and the  
Doc looked at my  
ear - and then  
told me to go to bed.  
Well I had to go  
but I had a 48 hour  
leave paper signed  
and was ready to go  
over to the Officers this  
afternoon. They had  
changed for me to  
stay here for the weekend.  
Mrs. Jones came over with  
some girls and she will  
be over tomorrow too.



Honolulu MAY 13 T. H.  
"Mother's Day."

I am still in the sick bay.

This morning some ladies came aboard and brought flowers and fruits to all the men in sick bay.

Lucy & Ellen & Mr. Oakes came over in the afternoon. They made a bunch of fresh quarts and a tip for me. I won't ever be able to repay these folks for the happiness and joy that they have given me while we were here in Honolulu. We will get underway tomorrow for Hilo.

MAY 14

Honolulu T. H.

Monday.

I can never forget the impression that was made upon my mind this afternoon as we left the dock.

Hundreds of people were there but I couldn't recognize my friends. The band first played "Star Spangled Banner" then just as we left the dock "Should Build Aqueducts etc" then just as we passed the back of the pier "Aloha Oe" was played.

Ordinarily I am very unemotional but this farewell got the best of me for truly I was saying "Aloha Oe" to some of the dearest friends I have, perhaps never to see them again.

MAY 15

At Sea  
Tuesday.

Today we have been manœuvring with the fleet. The frigate has been near us all day and planes have been taking off and landing on her. A "V" type submarine came to the surface off our port bow and cruised with us for a while.

The ear is getting no better and I think that I will have my tonsils taken out for that is what is causing the trouble.

Laraina MAY 16 Roads T. H.  
Wednesday.

We arrived here last evening. This is the Island of Maui, and it is even more beautiful than Oahu. The mountains slope right from the sea to the clouds. The top of the mountain is a mass covered with white clouds. The gradual slope is caused by volcanic ash and the pineapple plantations start right at the sea and reach far up into the clouds. Another island is connected to Maui by volcanic deposits and from here it has a very similar appearance to this island.

Lahaina Roads T. H.  
MAY 17  
Thursday

Nothing unusual today. All of the fleet is in the roads now, the light cruisers all came in at once in a formation this afternoon.

One of the boys in a deck division is in the sick bay now with St. Vitus Dance. He is in terrible shape, has no control of his muscles whatsoever. It is a shame for he is too young to be in the Navy and would probably be in good health if he had stayed out.

At

MAY 18

Sea

Friday.

The entire fleet is again maneuvering together. This afternoon the Langley was just off at our gunnery station. She discharged twenty-two planes one after another. They all flew around close to get in formation, when suddenly one of them shot like a bullet into the sea. It floated for about 15 minutes but when two destroyers rushed over there they could find no trace of pilots or plane. An ensign and a lieutenant were in the plane.

OK

Xilo

MAY 19

T. H.

Saturday.

We pulled in here this morning at 0930 so there was no Captain's inspection. This is another beauty spot. Lava from Mt. Kilgavea has formed a gentle slope from the sea to the summit 13,800 ft. There is snow on the summit now. Some of the fellows went up yesterday but they advised me not to go, for the volcano is absolutely dead now.

The boy, whom I spoke of as having St. Vitus dance, died yesterday at 5 p.m. Personally I believe he would have lived if he had the proper care.

Wile

MAY 20

T. H.

Sunday.

Today was a stormy day. It rained hard most of the day so I didn't go up to the volcano as I had planned.

I broke out my Spanish book and will study that for a while now.



At

MAY 21

Sea

Monday.

Today was quite un-  
eventful. I received

several pages in my  
Spanish grammar.

We got under way for  
the States at 1800.

Will arrive in Frisco  
at noon on the 28<sup>th</sup>

At first it was planned  
to make a speed run of  
this trip and make it  
in fine clay but the  
plans were changed.

At

MAY 22

Sea.

Tuesday.

It was announced at quarters this morning that Admiral's inspection would be next Saturday. I will have the watch that day.

My Spanish is coming along handsomely.

I am going to try and work at least an hour a day with it.

MAY 23

At Sea.  
Wednesday.

General quarters and  
abandoning ship drill  
this morning. The sea  
has been as smooth

as glass all day. Not  
a breath of air. I  
cleaned and painted  
my locker.

My ear has gone bad  
again. It is swollen  
and has ached very  
much all day.

Off

MAY 24

at Sea.

Thursday

I had to go to bed  
again today on  
account of my ear. It  
ached so much that  
could not sleep. Doc  
said that it appeared  
to be developing into an  
mastoid and that he  
would send me to the  
Hospital at Mare Island.  
I hope that I don't have  
to go, but if it will cure  
my ear, I'll sure go.

At Sea  
MAY 25  
Friday.

My ear, seems better today. I keep a hot water bottle on it all of the time and have it irrigated every two hours.

Everyone is cleaning up for the Admiral's inspection which will take place tomorrow.

MAY 26

Ph. Ea.  
Saturday.

Captain's inspection.

The Admiral went around  
with the Captain but  
I don't believe that it  
will be considered an  
Admiral's inspection.

My car is about the  
same. No word from  
the Doc, whether I  
go to the hospital  
or no.

No Mail!

MAY 27

At sea  
Sunday.

We are getting  
closer to Cal. Altho

the ear seems to  
me to be getting

better the Doc.  
said that he is

going to send me  
to the hospital —

and I don't want  
to go damn it!

MAY 28

San Francisco  
Monday

Arrived here about  
0800

Nothing much to  
see — only I would  
like to arrange a certain  
pharmacist's note.

Not ready to go to  
the hospital today  
but the orders were  
changed until  
tomorrow.

MAY 29

Mare of Island  
Tuesday.

Today I stood  
around until 1430  
waiting for a boat to  
take me over to the  
ferry. I finally did  
get started tho.

The Hospital looks  
O.K. to me. The food  
is better than that  
given me been  
trying to eat on the  
Island.

In the morning I  
will see the Hpt.  
Personally I don't  
think there is  
anything seriously  
wrong with my ear!

Mare Island  
MAY 30  
Wednesday


I didn't sleep very well last night. Went to the doc this morning and he showed more instruments and medicine up my ear & nose than I had ever seen before. He said that I could have been cured in two days on the ship but didn't give me any word about what my treatment here would be.

I called up Grandmother this morning to let her know that I was OK.

MAY 31

Ware Island  
Thursday.

I should be able  
to put on some flesh  
while here. The food  
is very good and  
I have all the time  
to myself. I go to  
sick call every  
morning. This  
afternoon I went  
over to the Radio  
Station for a visit.



Nare Island  
JUNE 1  
Friday.

There was a sort of  
captain's inspection  
this morning. This  
afternoon I walked  
down to the shipyard  
and visited the  
radiomen on the Melvin  
La Valle and the  
Anderson.

OH

JUNE 2

Marie Island  
Saturday.

The doctor told me  
to keep as quiet as  
possible from now on  
so I will have  
to knock off my  
afternoon walks.

Marie Island  
JUNE 3  
Sunday.

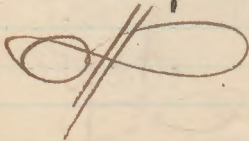
There is no sick  
call on Sunday.

I spent the day  
writing letters and  
playing cards in  
the Red Cross  
Recreation hall.

Waverley Island  
JUNE 4  
Monday.

I am having my  
ear treated twice  
daily now and it  
seems to be im-  
proving.

I took a long walk  
again this afternoon.  
Pay day tomorrow.



Mare Island  
JUNE 5  
Tuesday

Pay day today.  
My pay accounts  
have not been forwarded  
so I didn't get paid

However I received  
a letter from Betty  
with a check. It  
was a godsend.

J

June 6  
Marie Schland  
10th Birth day  
Wednesday.

Today I read an  
entire book - "Marie  
Nostrum" by  
Blasco Ibañez. He  
is my favorite  
author and this  
book was too good  
to leave.

Make <sup>JUNE 7</sup> Island  
Thursday.

At last I have  
been detailed for  
work. It isn't much,  
just keeping the  
veranda clean. I  
got away with it  
for quite a while  
tho.

H.

Waverley Island  
JUNE 8  
Friday.

Joe had a field  
day this morn-  
ing. The new Cap-  
tain changed the  
inspection day to  
Saturday.

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June 9  
Ware Island  
Saturday.

Oh look  
a letter from Mum.  
The first word from  
her in two months.

The Captain did  
not respect our  
ward!

W

More Island  
JUNE 10  
Sunday

Spent most of  
the day reading  
"Of Winter Comes."

The book was  
rather hard to  
start but as I

read on the un-  
interesting parts became  
the real backbone  
of the book. I

certainly admire  
Hutchinsons style.

Wave Island  
JUNE 11  
Monday.

Nothing much  
today. This morning  
I had an X-ray  
taken of my ear.

Received two letters  
and wrote five

AD

JUNE 12

Marie Island  
Tuesday

Went to request  
mast for a

special requisition  
for money but

found that pay day  
is next Friday

OH

JUNE 13

Maze Island  
Wednesday.


No improvement in  
my ear - in fact  
it is running more  
freely, perhaps it is  
better for it to run.

I can't walk around  
very much so I  
spend most of my  
time reading or  
playing cards in  
the recreation hall.

JUNE 14

More Island.  
Thursday.

We started a friendly  
game of poker this  
afternoon but later  
on it got to be cut-  
throat. I won \$15  
and put it away  
where I can't use  
it for a while.



JUNE 15

Mare Island

Friday  
Field day in  
preparation for  
Captains inspection  
tomorrow.

I was granted a 45  
hour liberty starting  
tomorrow noon so  
I called up the  
folks in San Leandro

Mare <sup>JUNE 16</sup> Island  
Saturday

I went over to San  
Pedro today. Ex-  
pected to see Bob but  
he didn't come.

went to a good  
show with grandpa.

JUNE 17

More Island  
Sunday.

Stayed around the  
house today finished  
up my scrap book and  
went for an auto  
ride in the afternoon.

The cherries are ripe.

JUNE 18

Ware Island  
Monday.

This morning I  
asked for a complete  
examination for T. B.

and believe me I  
got it - everything  
from saying - ah  
to jumping up and  
down on one foot.

Mare Island  
JUNE 19  
Tuesday.

All of my reports  
from the examination  
including two X-rays  
came back with  
a decidedly negative  
verdict. So that  
is a great load  
from my mind.

JUNE 20

Mare Ireland  
Wednesday,

I went over to  
San Francisco today.

Ann and Norman got  
there shortly after

I did. We had a  
nice dinner. ~~Christy~~  
and Paula were there.

Ann and I went  
to see Harold Teen  
in the evening.

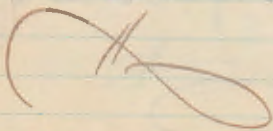
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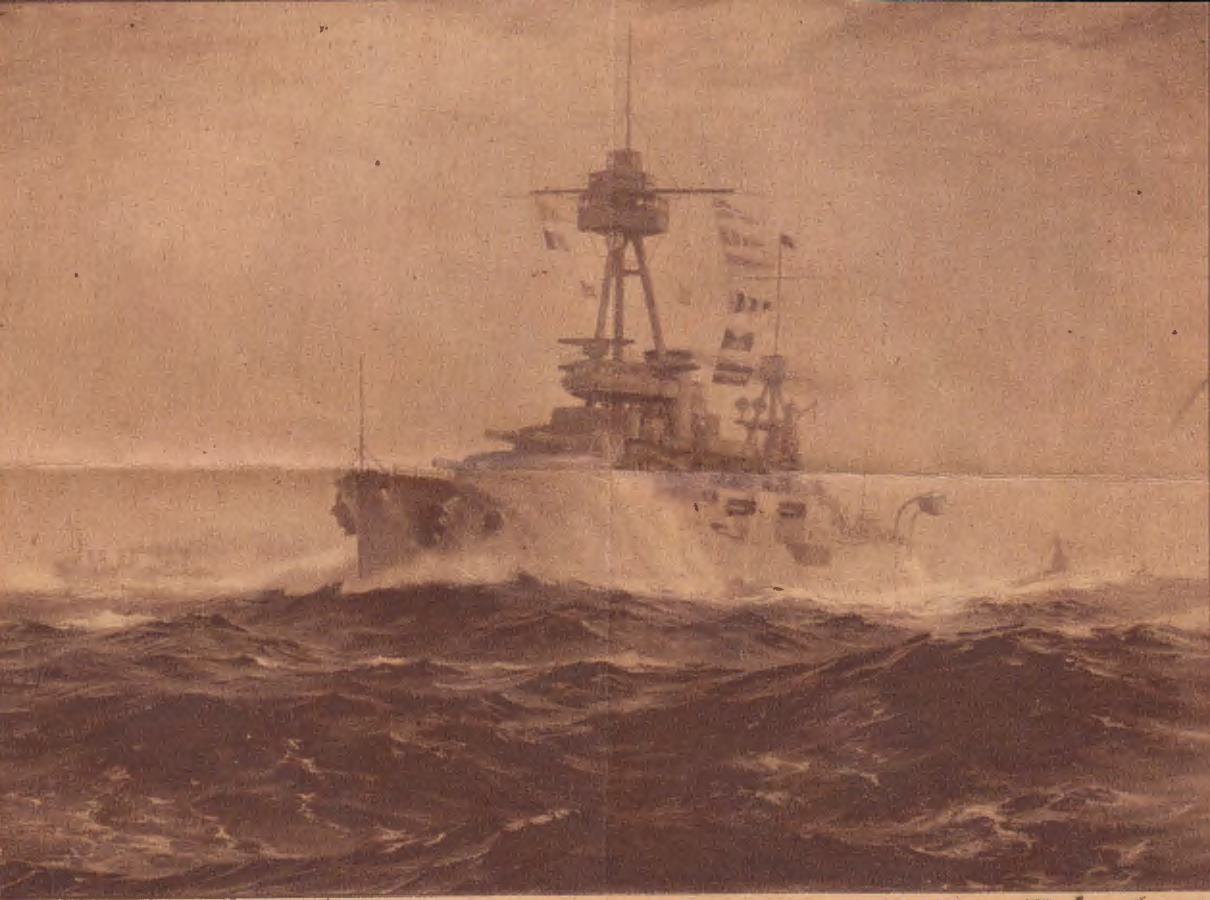
Waverly Island  
JUNE 21  
Thursday.

I got back to the Hosp.  
at 0800 this morning.

Went to sick call at  
0900 and then went

to bed. Didn't wake  
up until 1630.





THE FLAGSHIP OF THE SCOUTING FLEET: THE U. S. S. TEXAS.

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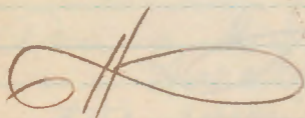
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June 22 Mare Island  
Friday.

Another field day

Read all afternoon  
in the library.

"The Bridge of San Luis Rey"  
and  
"Classics in Danger."



JUNE 23

Mary J. Doland  
Saturday.

Forgot to call up  
Ann until it was  
too late.

Sent Henley's  
suitcase to New  
York by express  
A

JUNE 24

Maui Island  
Sunday.

A rotten entertain-  
ment at the recreation  
hall. Then to an  
equally rotten base  
ball game in the  
afternoon.

A nice letter from  
Currie. It has  
been here for three  
days but I didn't  
get it until this am

Flare Island  
JUNE 25  
Monday.

This evening there was  
an entertainment in  
the recreation hall. Not  
so bad either.

I am going to try to put  
each day in the book,  
something that I have  
read or heard that day.  
A suggestion of Hubbard.

Books are the best  
means of self education  
Books of all sorts.

More of Ireland  
JUNE 26  
Tuesday

wrote some letters  
this morning.

The Milwaukee's  
plane caught fire this  
afternoon and crashed  
close to the hospital. The  
radioman apparently  
had no parachute and  
was burned to a crisp. The  
pilot jumped and was  
saved by his chute.

It is alright to take a  
chance occasionally but  
not with life.

JUNE 27

Mare Island  
Wednesday.

Walked down to  
the Navy Yard and  
visited the radio  
shacks of the Mel-  
ville, La Vallette and  
the Melvin.

JUNE 28

Ware Island  
Thursday.

Ate breakfast at  
the Marine Canteen  
because I was late  
for it over here.

visited Buiga in  
ward 18

OH

Mary <sup>JUNE 29</sup> Island.  
Friday.

A young doctor has  
taken Mr. Davis'  
place and he doesn't  
know what the  
score is. My ear  
has been decidedly  
worse yesterday and  
today.

Mark Island  
JUNE 30  
Saturday.

The Captain came  
aboard the ward

this morning for  
the fresh tithes.

Grandmother called  
off and I promised  
to come out for the  
fourth if I  
felt better.

Today I have been  
quite ill.

More Island  
JULY 1  
Sunday.

Played cards all  
morning and then  
went to another  
baseball game in  
the afternoon.

Movie after show  
and then  
to bed.

X/O

JULY 2

Mare Island  
Monday.

It has been bitter  
cold here all day  
a cold west wind.

Made out my pay  
receipt for pay  
day tomorrow.

OH

Mare Island  
JULY 3  
Tuesday

Was paid this am.  
and also got special  
liberty from noon till  
Thursday morning.

Took Norman out to  
buy some fireworks  
but couldn't buy many  
on account of the hour.  
However we took  
some home and  
fire them after  
dark.

JULY 4  
Mare Island  
Wednesday.

Norman and I got up early and took some giant fire crackers out to the bay to fire. He had the time of his life shooting caps into the air. Grandmother had a big chicken dinner for us and we all went to the show in the evening. Then Norman fired the rest of his fireworks.

A year ago today I was in Bar Harbor, Maine.

I have <sup>JULY 6</sup> Island  
Thursday.

Came back to the  
hospital this am

and was so tired  
that I turned in

and slept almost  
all day.

Received three letters  
the first ones in  
more than two weeks

OH

Marie <sup>JULY 6</sup> Island,  
Friday.

wrote several  
letters is all  
for this day  
program

H

Mary Island  
JULY 7  
Saturday.

Went ashore and  
finally decided to  
spend the week-end  
in Vallejo. Never  
had such a rotten  
time in my life.

This town & the  
Arbs.

A

Thaxa Island  
JULY 8  
Sunday.

Stayed at the "Y"  
in a terrible room  
walked around  
town for a few  
hours and then  
came back to the  
hosp. There was a  
large fire on the  
roof this evening  
but the patients  
put it out before the  
fire department  
arrived.

Mare Island  
JULY 9  
Monday.

This afternoon I  
went over to the  
radio power station  
and talked with  
the gunner regarding  
the possibilities of me  
getting shore duty over  
there. He is working  
for me now and I  
believe that I will  
get it.

H

Mane Island  
JULY 10  
Tuesday.

Very quiet  
today.

Played cards in  
the recreation  
hall.

Flare Island  
JULY 11  
Wednesday.

Went ashore and  
bought a high frequency  
buzzer for my practice  
set. Tried to get a  
crystal receiver but  
couldn't find one that  
was any good.

Ware Island  
JULY 12  
Thursday.

Started to read a  
rather interesting book  
"Gilman of Bedford"  
The recreation hall  
and the movie shack  
were closed today so  
we went over to the  
Marine Barracks to  
see the movies.

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Ware JULY 13 Island  
Friday

This morning, they  
Joe said that he  
would send you to  
duty Wednesday.

JULY 14

Mary Island  
Saturday.

Went out to San  
Leandro this

afternoon. We all  
went to a show  
in the evening.

Mare Island  
JULY 15  
Sunday.

I am so used to heading these pages with Mare Island that I put it on all of them.

Today Grandpa and I

went for a 50 mile air tour of the bay cities in a cabin monoplane. It was great.

JULY 16

Mare Monday Island

Got up at 0400 and  
arrived at the hospital  
at 0730. A letter  
from Mother today.

Wrote several  
letters and played  
cards in the  
recreation hall.

TH

Naval Island.  
JULY 17  
Tuesday.

A couple of letters  
This morning

The Doc gave me a  
final examination  
before sending me to  
duty.

Got my clearance  
papers all signed  
this afternoon.

Goat Island  
JULY 18  
Wednesday

Left the hospital at  
5:00 this am and  
got out to Goat Island  
about 11:00. This is  
certainly a cold,  
bleak miserable  
looking place and  
I am going to try to  
get as much leave  
as possible.

JULY 19

Goat Island

Thursday

Put in request for  
leave and it was  
okayed. I will  
spend part of my  
leave in San Pedro  
and part in  
southern Calif.

San Leandro  
JULY 20  
Friday.

My leave starts  
today.

I went out to San  
Leandro and

discussed making  
a radio for the  
folks.

SH

JULY 21

San Leandro  
Saturday.

went in to Oakland  
this morning to see  
about getting parts  
for a radio set.

met Clarence  
Garrity of Idaho and  
I had quite a chat.

Came home and found  
Bob there.

JULY 22

Sam Leandro  
Sunday.

Got up at 4:00  
and started for  
Fullerton in Bob's  
Ford. His friend  
Hagen from UofC  
to also with  
us.

JULY 23

Dear  
Love

JULY 24

On  
Leave

JULY 25

On  
Leave

JULY 26

On  
Leave

JULY 27

Dear

Friend

Yours

JULY 28

Pasadena Calif.

Today I met  
Golanda & Spirito.  
We went to a  
show in L.A.

Hello

Golanda

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JULY 29

Dear

JULY 30

Love

JULY 31

On  
leave

AUGUST 1

John  
Lane

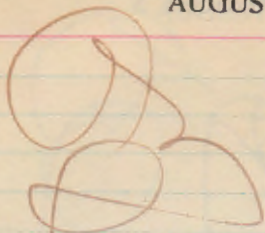
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On  
Leave

AUGUST 3

On  
Lair

AUGUST 4



Lead.

AUGUST 5

John  
Lane

AUGUST 6

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Jane

AUGUST 7

On  
leaf

AUGUST 8

Or

Leave

AUGUST 9

On  
Leave

AUGUST 10

Or  
Lowe

AUGUST 11

On

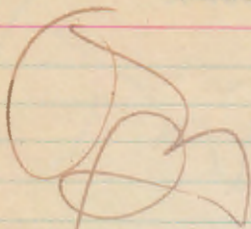
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AUGUST 12

Dear

John

AUGUST 13



John

AUGUST 14

Love

AUGUST 15

John

AUGUST 16

John  
Lave

AUGUST 17

John  
Law  
H

AUGUST 18

Saturday.

Said goodbye to the  
folks in Fullerton.

And came in to spend  
the day with Yolanda

Didn't get to Pasadena  
until 5:30 P. M.

Yolanda + Mrs. Spirito  
came down to the train  
with me at Glendale.

AUGUST 19

San Leandro  
Sunday.

Arrived here about  
10:30 and went to  
grandmother's.

In the evening I  
went in to Frisco  
but got there too late to  
go over to the Island so  
I stayed at the Y.M.C.A.

W.P.

AUGUST 20

Goat Island  
Monday

Reported in on leave  
at 8:00.

This place is jammed  
with men from the  
Quintana rota of them  
are short liners.

We are packed like  
sardines but most of  
these men will be  
paid off in a few  
days.

lots of mail.

AUGUST 21

Goat Island  
Tuesday.

It is heart breaking  
to come back to the Navy  
after having had  
another splendid leave.

The chow is rotten  
and the atmosphere is  
most decidedly foul.

Well only one  
year six months and  
1/4 day.



AUGUST 22

Good Island  
Wednesday.

Nothing much. I  
wrote several letters  
and straightened out  
my books.

Could have gone ashore  
but decided not to

Goat Island  
AUGUST 23  
Thursday.

wrote some more  
letters.

The men are gradually  
being sent away from  
here so it isn't quite so  
crowded.

It is damp and  
cold here. very  
disagreeable

AUGUST 24

Goat Island  
Friday.

The fleet came in  
this morning.

a letter from  
Glandia this  
afternoon

Expect to be transferred  
soon.

Port AUGUST 25 Island  
Saturday.

Captain's inspection  
this morning.

I met Mother + Dad  
Ashman in Oakland

and we looked at  
radio sets finally  
choosing the Majestic.  
It is certainly a  
wonderful set.

Goat <sup>AUGUST</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> Island  
Sunday.

Stayed all night  
in San Leandro. I

have a heavy cold in  
my chest so I

stayed in the house  
most of the day.

Called up the  
Badley's in the  
afternoon

AUGUST 27

Goat Island  
Monday.

Returned to the  
island early this am.

Another letter from  
Golanda.

I'll have to get  
transferred soon  
because this cold  
damp weather  
is getting me down

Goat Island  
AUGUST 28  
Tuesday.

I worked hard  
today carrying stores.

It is the first time that  
I ever had to carry stores  
since I enlisted.

My name is on the  
draft — to be sent to  
duty on the Tracy.

Will leave here  
Thursday morning

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Yak Island  
AUGUST 29  
Wednesday.

Today I packed  
everything up to  
leave in the morning.

I have a heavy cold  
in my head and chest  
but hope to get rid of it  
shortly after I get  
down south.

Big smoker and  
dancer tonight here  
but I don't believe  
that I will attend.

OX

U.S.S. *Maaha* AUGUST 30

Thursday.

Left the Receiving Ship this morning and went to the *Maaha* for transportation to the Tracy.

This evening I found some boys who were in training with me in San Diego.

Went a little practice in receiving

U. S. S. Maha.

AUGUST 31

Friday  
We got underway for  
San Diego this  
morning at 0600.

Spent most of the  
day in the aftack  
practising on receiving.

I sure need the  
practice too.

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SEPTEMBER 1

U. S. S. Maha  
Saturday.

Arrived in San  
Diego at 1000.

The Tracy has just  
left for San Pedro  
so I must stay  
aboard this packet  
until it returns.

This ship wouldn't  
be so bad for duty

SEPTEMBER

U. S. of Maha  
Sunday.

This morning I  
got a special liberty  
pass and went ashore,  
I visited several of  
the ships in the  
harbor and found  
many old ship mates.

Couldn't find Mr.  
Spencer's address

OH

SEPTEMBER 3

N. S. S. Maha  
Monday.

Labor day - a holi-  
day aboard ship.

I didn't go ashore  
so I took a watch

for one of the radio  
gadgets.

Talked to Befus on  
the Langley with the  
blinkers. Haven't seen  
him for two years  
and a half.

H

SEPTEMBER 4

San Diego, Calif.  
Tuesday.

The 38<sup>th</sup> Division  
came in this morning  
and I reported aboard  
the Tracy at 1430.

The ship seems  
awfully small but  
I believe that I  
will like it.

We are slated to  
the Altair for  
tender overhaul

~~at~~

SEPTEMBER 5

San Diego, Calif.  
Wednesday.

Last nite I received  
a wire from Yolanda  
will have to go to L.A.  
next Saturday.

Scrubbed and washed  
clothes this afternoon.

Olson, one of the radio-  
men on this ship

was on the battle for  
a while and we

have several mutual  
acquaintances

SEPTEMBER 6

San Diego, Calif.

Friday

Making arrangements -  
rents to get a 72

over the week end.

We are installing  
a TAD transmitter.

SEPTEMBER 7

San Diego, Calif.  
Friday.

Worked for a while  
today and then

got special liberty  
at 5 pm so

hit for Pasadena

stopped in Fullerton  
and called up to  
Yolanda.

SEPTEMBER 8

Pasadena  
Saturday.

Spent the day with  
Gloria at home.

We took Mrs. Spivak  
to a show in

Hollywood this  
evening.

SEPTEMBER 9

Sunday.

Out to Miles Field  
early and did  
take in the air  
exposition all  
day. It was excellent.

And so back to L.A.  
at 0100 where  
I took the train  
for San Diego  
6/11

SEPTEMBER 10

San Diego  
Monday

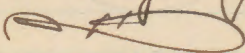
Did arrive in  
San Diego this

Morning at 5:30  
and all in.

Reported aboard  
at 800 and

worked all day  
on the new

transmitter.

A letter from  
a strange girl  


SEPTEMBER 11

San Diego.  
Tuesday.

Finished up work  
on the TAD this  
morning.

Scrubbed many  
clothes in the  
afternoon.

Growing to like  
this ship very  
much.

SEPTEMBER 12

San Diego.  
Wednesday.

Nothing to do today but  
kill time. A letter

from Yolanda helped the  
day along.

We have a new cook  
now and what I mean  
that black boy can cook.

I stood my first receiving  
watch since April 1927.

last site.

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SEPTEMBER 13

San Diego.  
Thursday.

Underway at 1600. We  
layed to just outside  
of Point Loma until  
2230. Someone started

to fish and in a few  
minutes all hands

were at it. Most of the  
fish were mackerel  
and how they did  
bite. We caught them  
as fast as we could  
bait our hooks.

At Sea  
SEPTEMBER 14  
Friday.

At sea all day  
manoeuvring with  
a division of battle-  
ships.

These boats sure do  
toss about on the  
waves, but fortunately  
I haven't been  
sick at all.

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SEPTEMBER 15

San Diego.  
Mother's Birthday.

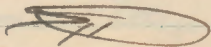
Didn't do much  
today except sleep

and read. In the  
afternoon I turned

in on the air  
races and listened

to the entire program

Eye ached in the  
harbor about 0200



SEPTEMBER 16

San Diego.  
Sunday.

Just another day  
wasted away.

Nothing to do  
but read and  
listen to radio.

SEPTEMBER 17

San Diego.  
Monday,

Four o'clock reveille.  
We went in to the

Marine railway and  
scrapped the sides, then  
swept them and  
brushed them. After  
that we gave the  
sides and bottom two  
complete coats of  
paint. Finished  
at 1200 and came  
back to our berth.

Some day work

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SEPTEMBER 18

San Diego.  
Tuesday.

Out to sea today  
for short range battle  
practice. Returned to  
port about 1600 and  
took over the division  
watch.

A letter from  
Mother this evening.

SEPTEMBER 19

San Diego,  
Wednesday.

Out sea, again  
for shark range  
battle practice.

Pay day this evening  
I drew a few dollars  
and went ashore  
for a good meal  
and a show.

SEPTEMBER 20

San Diego.  
Thursday.

Still at sea with  
the rest of the Division.

We had a power run  
this afternoon, averaged  
31.7 knots.

Anchored off Coronado  
Roads this evening.

Caught a lot of fish  
again.

SEPTEMBER 21

Saw Kriegs.  
Friday.

Same old thing  
just running around  
and around the  
target raft. Firing  
one pounders and  
practicing with  
the others. We  
came back to  
anchor in the bay  
at 1800. Had the  
ready watch.

← " →

San Diego.  
SEPTMBER 22  
Saturday.

Admiral's inspection  
this morning. This  
inspection delayed  
me from getting ashore  
until after 12:00.

I rode up to L.A.  
in a car with a  
friend and Yolanda  
met me at 5:30.  
I ate a little lunch  
and then we all went  
out to Betty's for  
a party. Ann and  
Mrs. Birkland were  
there having just  
returned from Chicago.

SEPTEMBER 23

Pasadena  
Sunday.

Slept quite late this morning and called up Mrs. Spirito.

Had dinner at Spirito and then back to Bethp for the evening again.

A ride out around Hollywood and back to L.A. where I did catch my friend again and so return to San Diego.  
Wonderful Day

SEPTEMBER 24

San Diego  
Monday.

Arrived in San Diego  
4:30 this am. after  
fighting fog on the  
festive trip! Intended  
to sleep today but  
had the watch and  
didn't get to turn in  
until six o'clock  
in the evening.



San Diego  
SEPTEMBER 2  
Tuesday.

Three ships of the  
division started to  
fire S R B P but we got  
out too late.

Lt. Cornelius of the  
famous Three Musketeers  
was killed today in  
a crash on North  
Island. The crash  
was seen by several  
of the crew as we lay  
anchored near the  
island.

San Diego.  
SEPTEMBER 26  
Wednesday.

We stayed out last night and today the, Sgt. Elyure, Barber, and Smith Thompson fired their short range battle practise.

We quipped off Coronado Roads and will fire in the morning.

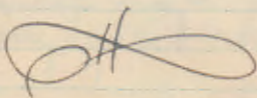
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Sax ~~Allego~~  
Thursday.

Came in this evening after firing a terrible score at S. R. B. P.

A letter from Glenda that made me blue.

Went ashore to get some pipe tobacco and came back early.



SEPTEMBER 28

San Diego.  
Friday.

Field day so we  
cleaned up the shack  
a little for Captain's inspec-  
tion.

And a very much more  
cheerful letter from  
my Zplanda.

SEPTEMBER 29

Samp Diego.  
Saturday.

Captain's inspection.  
The skipper gave us a  
short talk on the results  
of the S.R.B.P. and in  
concluding, he blamed  
himself for the very  
poor score that was made.  
In doing that he placed  
himself in a position  
of very great respect and  
esteem with the gun  
crews. He is a splendid  
man & commanding officer.

SEPTEMBER 30

San Diego  
Sunday.

A day of rest

Not a thing to do

The first class  
taking Hudson's  
place reported  
aboard.

H

OCTOBER 1

San Diego,  
Monday.

Out for torpedo  
practice today.

The pilots Brock  
and Schlee are  
still in the air on  
their endurance  
flight. They have  
passed the sixty  
hour mark now  
at 2100.

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San Diego  
OCTOBER 2  
Tuesday.

Torpedo practice  
again today

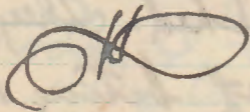
And that is  
about all  
for this time

OCTOBER 3

San Diego.  
Wednesday.

Some more turpeds  
practice.

Three letters  
today so that  
wasn't so bad.



OCTOBER 4.

San Diego  
Thursday

Torpedo practice  
again. I bet  
on the Yanks today

We anchored off  
Carmaderoads this

evening and some  
of us fished. They  
were not biting so  
good but we caught  
enough for breakfast

DH

OCTOBER 5

San Diego.

Friday.

Pay day. I won  
five dollars on the yanks  
again today.

The Barker fired  
his torpedoes today for  
record and both of  
them were lost. They  
cost \$18,000 each.

A letter from Mrs.  
Spirito and one from Beth.

Today I have only  
5/10 deep to do.

#1

OCTOBER 6.

San Diego.  
Saturday.

Captain inspection  
and they allow  
to go to Pasadena.

Arrived at 5 pm  
and straight out  
to Glendale.

Went for a ride.  
etc.

OCTOBER 7

San Diego.

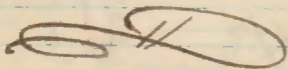
Sunday.

Stayed with Red  
last night. Dinner

at Spirit's and to  
Beth's for the

afternoon. Mary Ann  
was there.

Left for San Diego  
at 11:30



OCTOBER 8

San Diego  
Monday

Arrived at 4 am  
Reported to ship  
at 6.00 and we  
got underway

Shortly after (word)  
for torpedo  
practice again


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OCTOBER 9

San Diego  
Tuesday.

All day at  
torpedos practice.  
alternatingly  
chasing torpedos  
and being target  
ship.

Anchored off  
Cronado island



OCTOBER 10

San Diego.

Wednesday,

Fired our torpedoes  
practice for this  
year. Score was  
94.4.

Returned to base  
where a letter  
from Glenda  
came.

OTD

OCTOBER 11

San Diego  
Thursday.

Had the squid watch  
last night.

All hands are pre-  
paring for the battle  
problem which will  
start tonight at  
2200.

OCTOBER 12

Sandy Diego  
Friday

What a night!

No sleep at all  
while we are on  
this battle problem.

All the radiomen  
except me go sea  
sick. The sea  
was terribly rough.

Several destroyers  
reported small  
damage from the  
heavy seas.

OCTOBER 13

Says Diego.

Saturday

Back in the harbor  
this morning.

The flag is shifted  
to the Tracy for  
the 12th Squadron.

Two good letters  
today -

Betty & Glenda

OK

OCTOBER 14

San Diego  
Sunday.

Went ashore in  
the afternoon and  
inquired about flight  
lessons and later  
I met a ship mate  
Billback. We  
went over to North  
Island where I  
tried to find some-  
one to swap with  
me.

SD

OCTOBER 15

~~Same~~ ~~Blues~~  
Monday.

lots of work to-  
day and I like  
it. We changed  
lead ins on the  
TAD and took down  
an old antenna  
repaired two receiver  
and tested the  
sound apparatus.

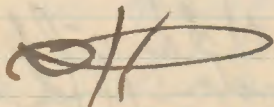
A birthday gift from  
Yolanda and a  
letter from Ann

OCTOBER 16

Sau Diego  
Tuesday.

Did you know  
my birthday was  
yesterday? Well I  
didn't say anything  
until after the  
mail came in.

Beavers work  
again today and  
the letter.



OCTOBER 17

Saw Klugs  
Wednesday.

Another hard  
day of work.

But I got  
a letter from  
Golander and  
my mother.

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OCTOBER 18

San Diego  
Thursday.

Had the morning  
watch for 785.

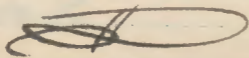
A short letter  
from Yolanda at  
noon and pay  
day in the after-  
noon. My pay  
accounts are mixed  
up in some manner  
because I shouldn't  
have any money on the  
book.

OCTOBER 19

San Diego.  
Friday.

Got a three day  
leave approved and  
went up to Pasadena  
by train.

Golande met me  
in L.A. and we  
went out to Betty's



OCTOBER 20

Saturday.

Mr. Spirito's birth-  
day.

Mrs. Spirito had  
the most wonderful  
dinner this evening.

OCTOBER 21

Sunday.

Spent the morning  
at Betty's.

and the rest of the  
day with Golarde  
at home.

Started back to  
S. Diego at one  
o'clock.

OCTOBER 22

Sunday (being)  
Monday.

Got in about 5:30

So went to the "Y"  
and wrote a  
couple of letters.

Had breakfast  
and so back to the  
ship where there  
was much work  
to do.

OCTOBER 23

San Diego.  
Tuesday.

Much work on  
the antennae.

Went ashore in  
the evening for  
dinner and  
a show.

No letter from  
Yolandex

OCTOBER 24-

San Diego.  
Wednesday.

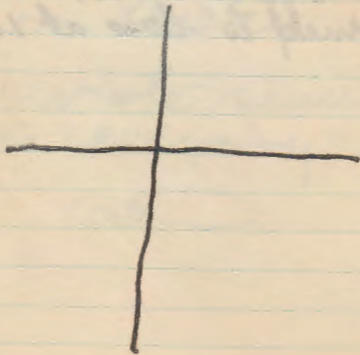
Another hard day.

Gene was all in  
and to make  
matter worse there  
was no mail  
from Yplander  
this evening  
either.

Not so good.

OCTOBER 25  
San Diego  
Thursday.

A letter from  
Yolanda today, and  
Vif was different to say  
the least.



OCTOBER # 29

Sau ~~Allego~~  
Monday.

Out to sea for the  
first time in two  
weeks. We were  
having long range  
battle practice rehearsals  
returned to base at 1600.

OCTOBER 30

San Diego.  
Tuesday.

Full power run  
today. Boy how  
we knocked off the  
knots. 31.75.

A letter from  
Yolanda and one  
from Currie.

I wrote several  
this evening

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OCTOBER 26

San Diego  
Friday.

Hard hard work  
all day until

supper time. We  
got underway at  
1600 and headed  
at buoy 71.

A letter from  
Yolanda and one  
from Mother.

J

OCTOBER 29<sup>2</sup>?

San Diego?  
Navy Day.

The aircraft squadrons today gave a marvelous exhibition of formation flying. All the ships in the bay are rigged full dress and there have been hundreds of reporters come aboard the ships to see the Navy at home.

Bill

OCTOBER 30<sup>28</sup>

San Diego  
Sunday.

Blue - I've been  
so damped blue  
for the last few  
days.

Went ashore for  
a change but it  
didn't help much.

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OCTOBER 31

Wednesday.

Preparing for  
inspection by  
11th squadron  
commander

OK

NOVEMBER 1

San Diego  
Thursday

Same as yesterday.

Clearing &

Painting

NOVEMBER 2

San Diego

Friday

Cleaning up the  
compass shack  
for inspection

H

NOVEMBER 3

Saturday.

A captain inspected  
us today and  
we received a  
mark of 3.6.

NOVEMBER 4

Sap Kings  
Sunday.

went ashore  
to a show &  
feed.

Called up Zplanda  
in the afternoon  
and sent a  
wire to Harry  
for his birthday

NOVEMBER 8

Lang Vlieg.  
Monday.

Stayed in port  
all day for  
fueling. Had  
the division  
duty on radio.

NOVEMBER 6

San Diego.  
Wednesday  
Election Day.

We are anchored  
in the bay and all  
men that wished  
to vote were allowed  
to go ashore.

I stayed up long  
enough to hear  
that Hoover was  
without a doubt  
our next president.

NOVEMBER 7

San Diego  
Wednesday.

We operated with  
submarine division

elven today and  
anchored off Coronado  
islands.

Tomorrow we  
will operate  
with the aircraft  
squadrons

TH

NOVEMBER 5

San Diego.

This morning we had a wonderful aircraft battle maneuver. It

lasted all morning and was thrilling every moment of it.

DO

NOVEMBER 9

Says Luigi.  
Friday.

Maneuvered today  
as a light cruiser  
and were attacked

twice by destroyers  
under a smoke  
screen. Will

return to base to-  
morrow morning.

Luigi has been  
rough out here

NOVEMBER 10

San Diego.  
Saturday.

We came back to  
San Diego this  
am and I left  
for home as  
soon as we  
dropped the hook.

dinner at  
Spiritas.

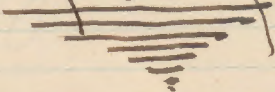
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NOVEMBER 11

Sunday.

Went out to  
Fullerton for  
the afternoon  
and returned to  
Los Angeles in  
time to leave  
for San Diego  
at 1. A.M.

The End.



NOVEMBER 12

Sua Kliegs  
Monday.

Reported aboard at  
7:30.

My mail for  
last week was  
here for me.

Mr. Creehan  
informed me that  
my second class  
time started  
November 1st.

NOVEMBER 13

San Diego

Parting

with

NOVEMBER 14

Klesdiw

31

NOVEMBER 15  
San Diego

Operating  
with

NOVEMBER 16

Klesdri

31

NOVEMBER 17

San Diego.  
Saturday.

Captain's inspection  
and pay day.

This weekend  
I must stay  
aboard to enable  
me to ~~go~~ home  
the following  
weekend  
OH

NOVEMBER 18

San Diego.  
Sunday,

Krag

Ray

Slow

Wray

NOVEMBER 19

San Diego.

Monday.

We were reference vessel today for the 31 division while they rehearsed S R B P.

Came back to port quite late.

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NOVEMBER-20

San Diego  
Tuesday.

. Anchored off north  
island and overhauled  
the guns and  
checked directors

Beautiful day  
here in San Diego  
now.

NOVEMBER 21

San Diego  
Wednesday.

Engineering trials  
today off La Jolla  
Anchored at berth  
#4 about 3 miles out.

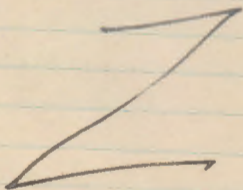
Went ashore and  
called Ylanda

Later went to a show  
and to dinner.

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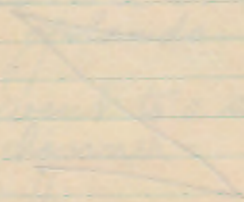
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week



NOVEMBER 23

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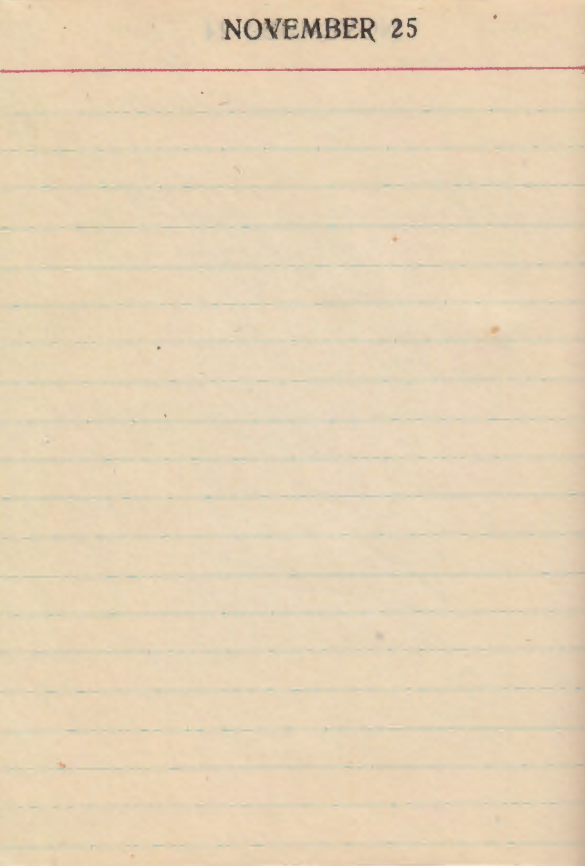
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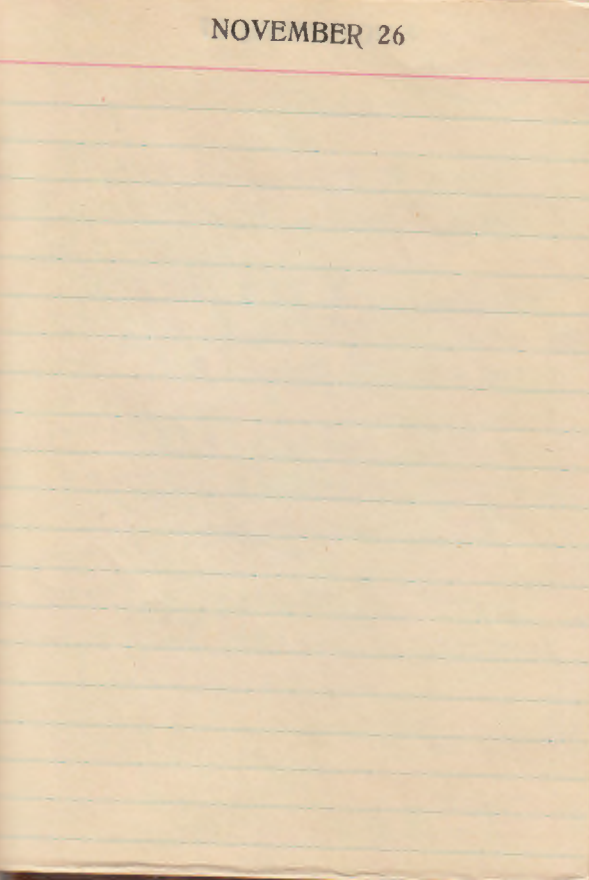
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NOVEMBER 26

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NOVEMBER 27

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NOVEMBER 28

NOVEMBER 29

Sand Blessings.

Thanksgiving

What can I be thankful for today?

Well it is mighty hard to think of what I could.

My good health - yes  
some friends - yes  
Others \_\_\_\_\_.

We did have a good turkey dinner today.

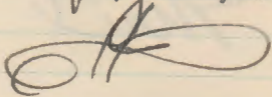
4/3 days left to do.

NOVEMBER 30

Sans Diego.  
Friday.

A conference for all  
radiomen on the  
flagship.

I had the afternoon  
watch and if  
we get paid tomorrow  
I will go home.



DECEMBER 1

San Diego  
Saturday.

No Captain's  
inspection.

We anchored out to  
Porolith.

No pay day.

No Mail

DECEMBER

San Diego.

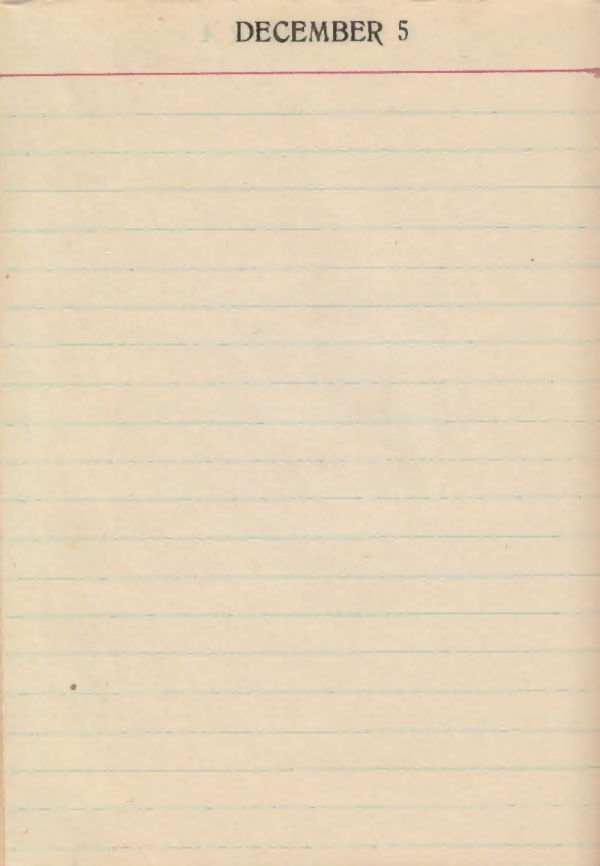
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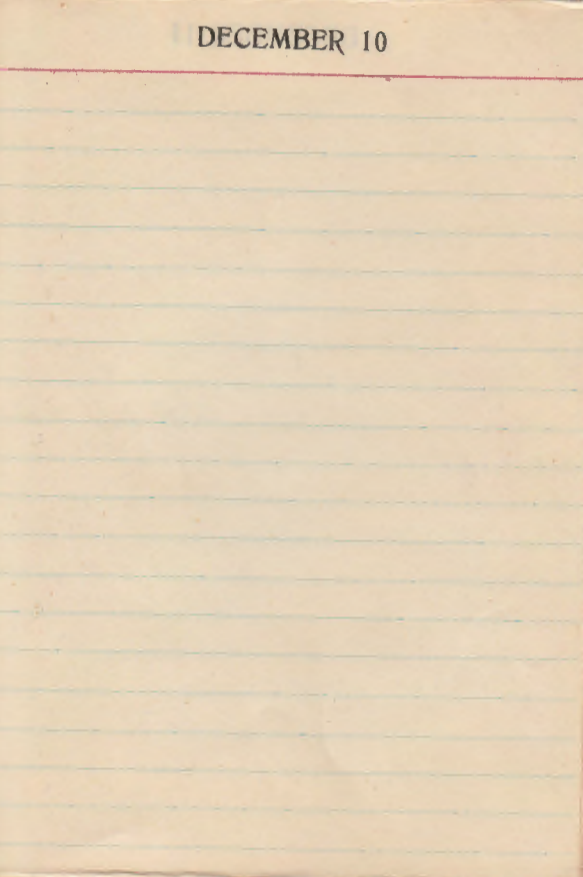


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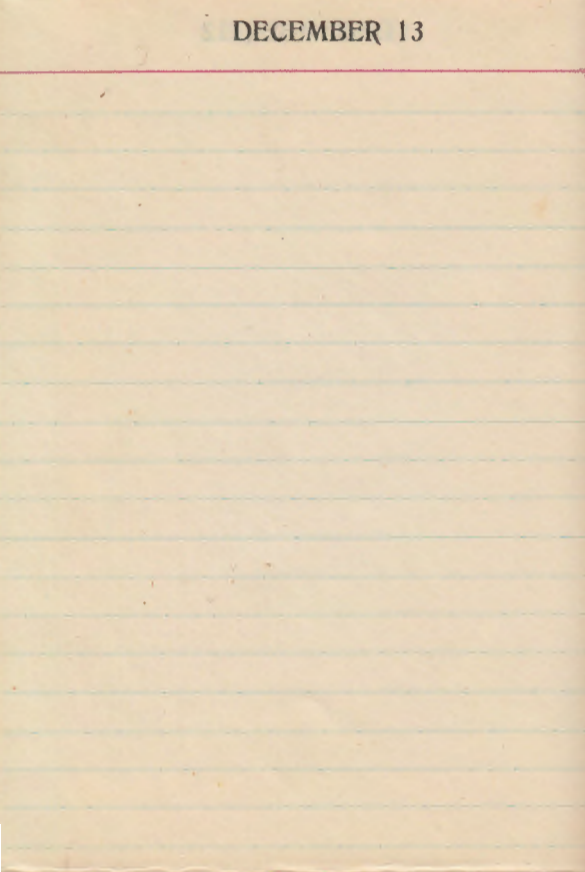


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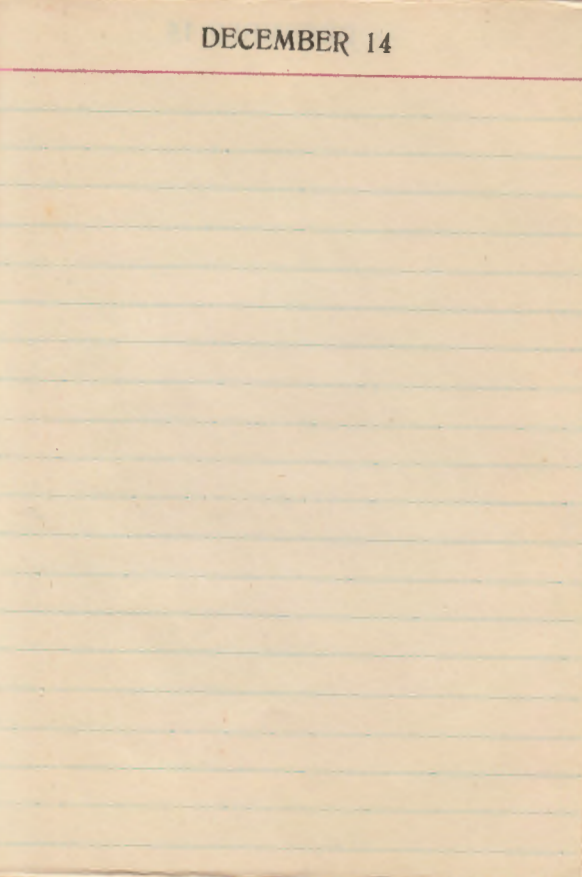
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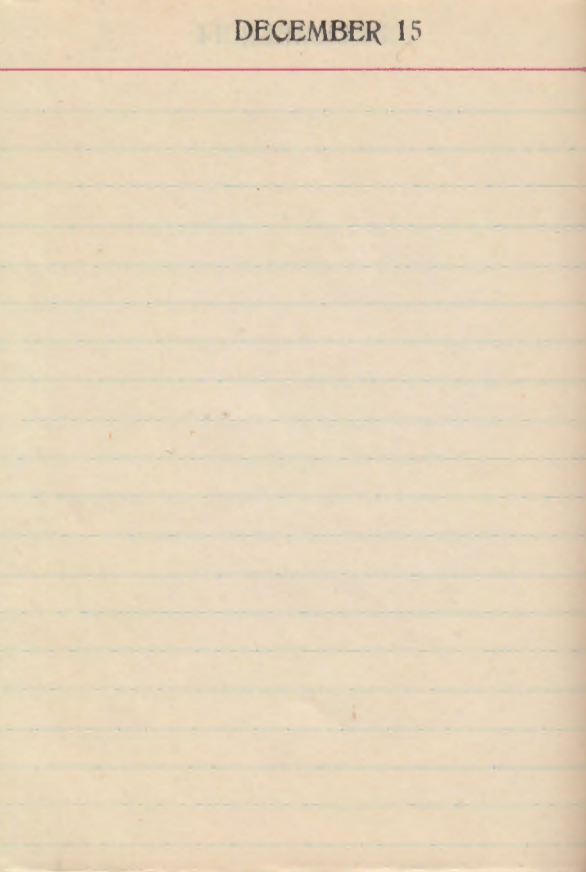
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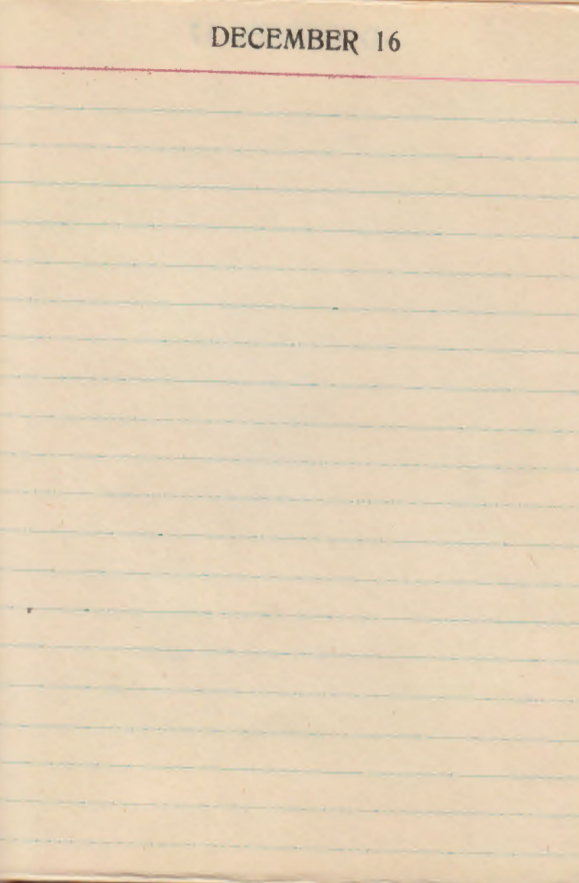
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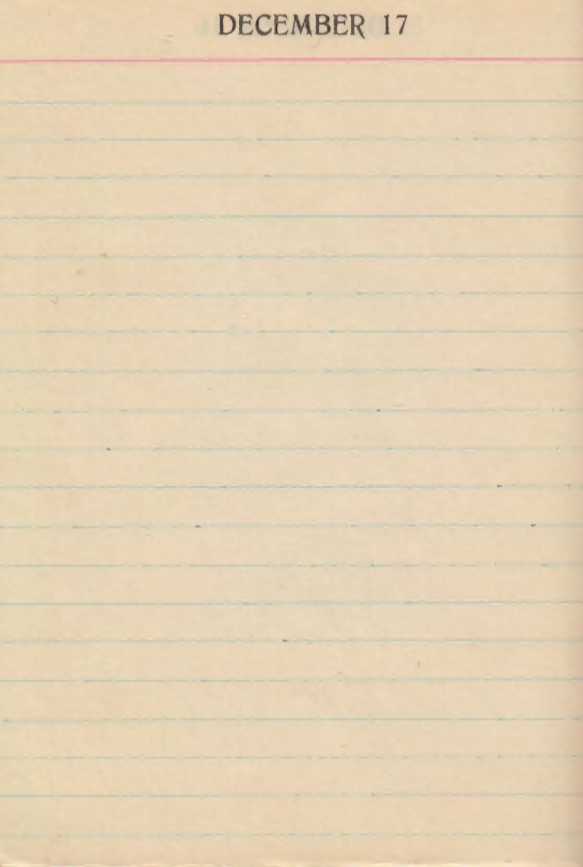
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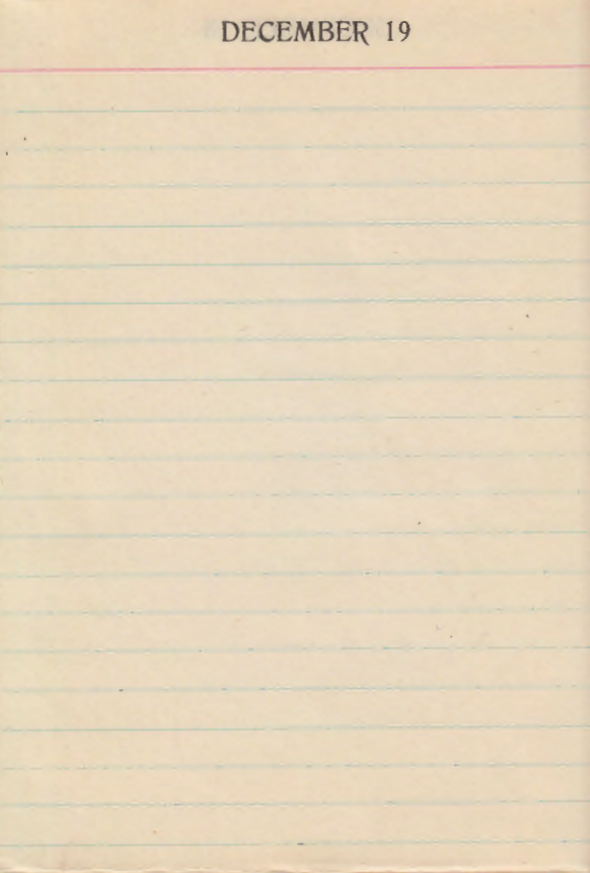
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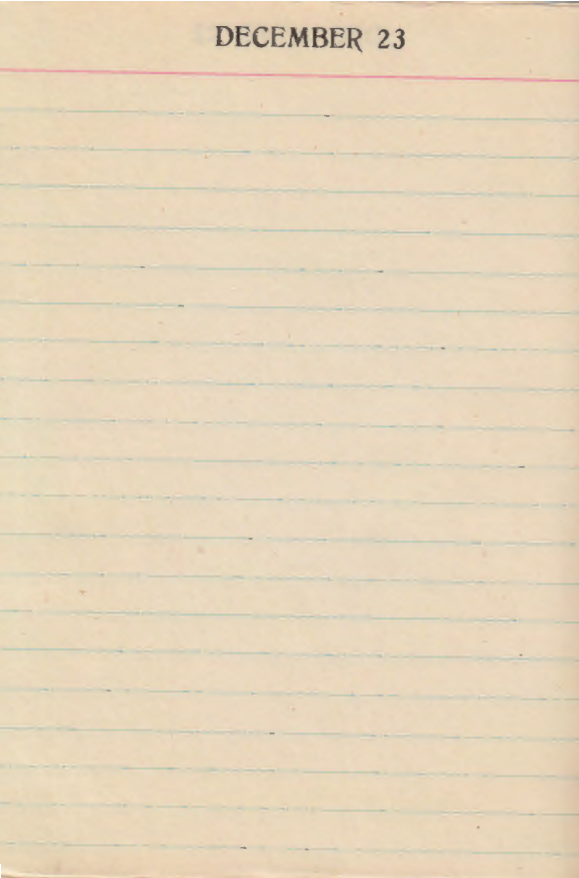
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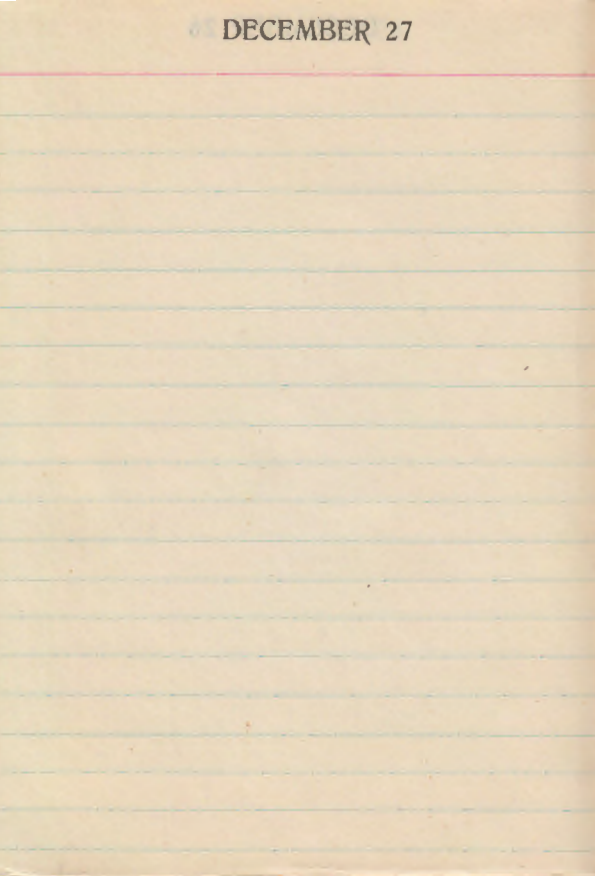
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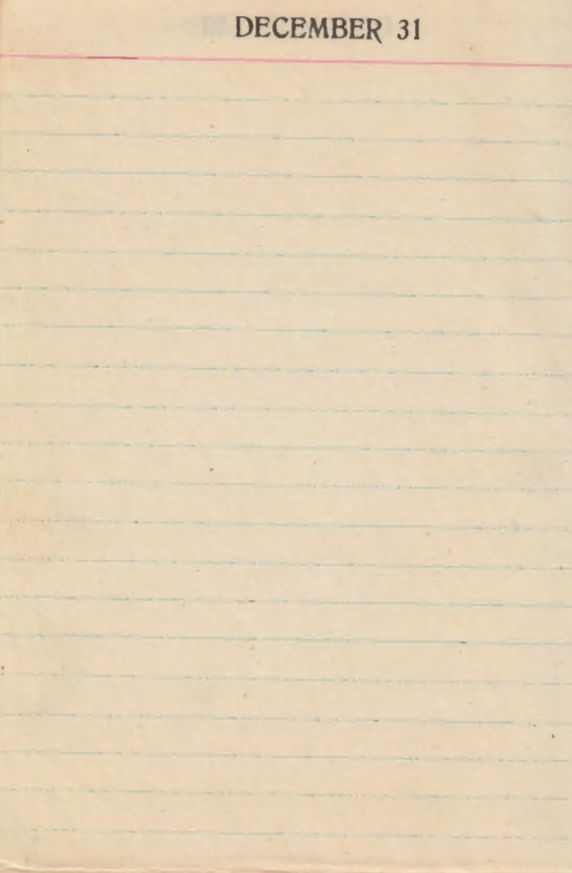


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San Diego, California  
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Cruz Colon, Panama  
Cruz Colon, Panama  
Guantanamo Bay, Cuba  
New York City, N. Y.  
Kingston, Jamaica  
Santo Domingo, D. R.  
Ponce, Porto Rico  
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