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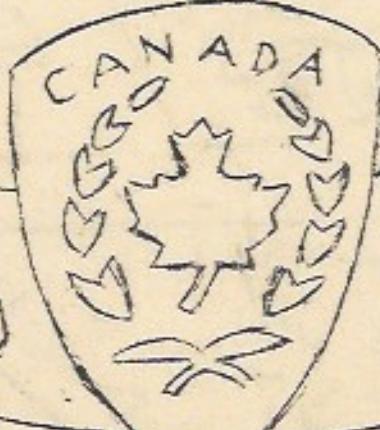
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"GLAD TO SEE YOW BOYS ARE GETTING  
YOUR SEA LEGS."

(THANK TO R.W. GASKELL  
PFCLI)



#### AHOY SHIPMATES

There is a famous old sea chanty that goes something like this "We're homeward bound for Puget Sound, ho, my hearties, yo ho".

In a few hours those words will become reality. We will be seeing the verdant shores of Puget Sound and, more important to you Canadians, the Straits of Georgia and the "Lion's Gate" entrance to Vancouver.

This has been an exceptionally pleasant voyage and I shall long remember the good friends and shipmates I have met in the past ten days.

We of the *Munemori* are proud to have been chosen to return you to your homeland, and hope that among the thoughts of cramped quarters and lack of some of the modern conveniences, you may find a pleasant thought or two concerning the *Munemori* and the two weeks spent aboard.

We extend to you, friends, neighbours and shipmates, our best wishes in all your future assignments and undertakings. May the winds of good fortune forever fill your sails.

Raymond E. Fosse (MASTER)  
U.S.N.S.  
Pvt. Sadao S. Munemori

#### FAREWELL AND GOD'S SPEED

These few words are to express the appreciation of the Military Department for a job well done. The entire voyage has been made pleasant by the co-operation obtained from all of the troops embarked. The voyage staff are to be commended for their organization and attention to detail.

Working together on this trip has indicated the value of our International friendship. May that friendship, presently existing between our two nations, continue.

We hope the voyage has seemed shorter than it has actually been. Again we say, "Farewell and God's Speed."

James R. Lathem (Lt-CMDR)  
Officer Commanding  
Military Department

#### BROTHERS AT ARMS

On the eve of our arrival in our homeland, I wish to convey to all Canadians my sincere congratulations for the manner in which you have conducted yourselves on this trip: no problems, no beefs, no unpleasant messes. We had heard, before our departure, all kinds of rumours concerning the *Munemori*, but I am happy to say here that this has been one of the most pleasant sea voyages I have had to suffer.

This smooth, pleasant voyage was made possible through the co-operation, the understanding and the willingness of the *Munemori*'s Officers and crew and the Naval personnel aboard. We owe them our admiration and gratitude.

Word has been received that the City of Vancouver is preparing a civic welcome for our arrival.

Let us show by our smartness and our good behaviour that we are capable of being a credit to our Brigade, not only when the going is rough, but also and above all, when the time of rejoicing is at hand.

I have full confidence in you.

Upon our dispersion to the widely separated parts of Canada, I bid you all, "Bon Voyage and Good Luck."

John H.J. Gauthier (Major)  
Officer Commanding  
Canadian Troops

#### SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Here's good luck to Yew'l. It has been a pleasure to have had you ABOARD, for among other things, you are the most enthusiastic BINGO players I have had to date. Sorry that each of you could not win the Giant Jack Pot.

Good Luck and a pleasant leave.

Lee W. Green Lt.j.g. USN.  
Special Services Officer.

We would be remiss, in our thanks to the personnel aboard the ship, if we failed to pass our thanks and appreciation to the Medical Staff. Thanks to Doc. Giffin and his Naval personnel for the care and attention given to all.

Editor.

#### HELLO COMPAGNONS DE VOYAGE!

Il existe une vieille mélodie marine qui dit à peu près ceci: "We're homeward bound for Puget Sound, ho, my hearties, yo ho."

Dans quelques heures ces mots deviendront une réalité. Nous verrons bientôt les rives verdoyantes de Puget Sound et ce qui est encore plus important pour vous Canadiens le détroit de Georgia et les "Portes du Lion", entrée du port de Vancouver.

Ce voyage fut des plus agréables et je me souviendrai longtemps des bons amis et des compagnons de voyage que j'ai rencontrés durant les dernières dix jours.

Nous sommes honorés, comme membres du *Munemori*, d'avoir été choisis pour vous convoyer vers votre Mère Patrie et nous espérons, que malgré les quartiers exigés et le manque de quelques commodités modernes, vous puissiez avoir quand même quelques bons souvenirs du *Munemori* et ces deux semaines que vous y avez passées. Nous formulons, amis et voisins, nos meilleurs vœux envers vos carrières et vos projets futurs.

Puissent les vents du bonheur gonfler vos voiles pour toujours.

Raymond E. Fosse (MASTER)  
U.S.N.S.  
Pvt. Sadao S. Munemori

BONJOUR ET BONNE CHANCE.

Ces quelques mots sont pour exprimer l'appréciation de la part du département militaire, pour un travail bien fait.

Le voyage complet a été plaisant grâce à la coopération de la part de tous les soldats à bord.

Les responsables du groupe Canadien ont droit à des félicitations pour leur organisation et leur minutie du détail.

Travaillant ensemble durant ce voyage, a montré la valeur de notre amitié internationale. Puisse cette amitié qui existe présentement entre nos deux nations, continuer à tout jamais.

Nous espérons que ce voyage vous a semblé plus court qu'il n'a été en réalité. De nouveau nous vous disons : "Bon-jour & Bonne Chance."

James R. Latham (LT-CDR)  
Officier Commandant  
Département Militaire

FRÈRES D'ARMES

A la veille de notre arrivée dans notre Mere Patrie, je désire offrir à tous les Canadiens à bord mes félicitations les plus sincères pour la manière dont vous avez été conduits durant le voyage: pas de problèmes, pas de recriminations, pas de choses désagréables. Nous avions entendu avant notre départ de nombreuses rumeurs sur le Munemori, mais je suis heureux de déclarer ici que cette traversée fut une des plus agréables que j'aie eu à endurer.

Cette agréable traversée fut rendue possible grâce à la coopération, à la compréhension et au bon vouloir de tous les membres de l'équipage et du personnel naval. Nous leur devons notre admiration et nos remerciements.

Nous avons reçu un message à l'effet que la Ville de Vancouver préparait une réception civique pour notre arrivée. Montrons leur par notre apparence et notre façon d'agir que notre Brigade doit être orgueilleuse de nous non seulement dans les moments difficiles mais aussi et surtout quand le moment du célébrer est arrivé. J'ai pleine confiance en vous.

Au moment de se séparer vers les différentes parties du Canada, je vous souhaite Bon Voyage et Bonne Chance.

(JKJ GAUTHIER) MAJOR  
OFFICIER COMMANDEANT  
TRUPUS CANADIENS.

*What is this life, if, full of care,  
We have no time to stand and stare.  
Longfellow.*

*Within the secret soul of man,  
What depths unplumbed, what thoughts  
unread.*

Quotation.

IT IS A FACT

"A science which hesitates to forget its founders is lost."

"It is characteristic of a science in its earlier stages.. to be both ambitiously profound in its aims and trivial in its handling of details."

"But to come very near to a true theory, and to grasp its precise application, are two different things, as the history teaches us. Everything of importance has been said before by somebody who did not discover it."

by ALFRED NORTH WHITEHEAD  
The Organization of Thought

An Indian Summer Day on the PrairieIn The Beginning

The sun is a huntress young,  
The sun is a red, red joy,  
The sun is an Indian girl,  
Of the tribe of the Illinois.

Mid-Morning

The sun is a smoldering fire,  
That creeps through the high gray plain,  
And leaves not a bush of cloud  
To blossom with flowers of rain.

Noon

The sun is a wounded deer,  
That treads pale grass in the sky,  
Shaking his golden horns,  
Flashing his baleful eyes.

Sunset

The sun is an eagle old,  
There in the windless west,  
Atop of the spirit-cliffs,  
He builds him a crimson nest.

by VACHEL LINDSAY

A PROBLEM

If one man can scrub ten square feet of deck in one hour, how long will four men take to scrub a deck twenty feet square?

A. The answer, of course, is 10 hrs. Why?

Ten square feet represents a comparatively small area, but a deck space of twenty feet square represents four hundred square feet. Therefore if one man can scrub ten square feet in one hour, four men will require ten hours to scrub the area of four hundred square feet.

by J. Jackman.

*Those souls of priceless rarity,  
"The Pioneers of our State".  
Prudent, cautious self-control  
is wisdom's root!*

Quotations

EDITORIAL

At 0544 hours, 5th May, 1952, the USNS Pvt. Sadao S. Munemori, a converted Victory Ship, lifted anchor and sailed from Kure, Japan, with 1100 veteran Canadian troops aboard, bound for Vancouver, B.C. and home. Some of the troops had been away for as long as twenty months.

The apprehensions, which some held in respect to a crossing of the Pacific on a small vessel, were dispelled when some of the facts about the vessel were learned.

The Munemori, a converted cargo ship, was built in 1945 at Baltimore, Maryland, USA. She is 455 feet long, 62 feet wide and can cruise at 16 knots. She is equipped with modern safety and life-saving gear and has general accommodation for 2200 troops. The Munemori operated from Pusan to Sasebo, Japan, for a period of 30 days prior to the trip home. The food was good and some fine articles were available for purchase in the P.X.

Complete facilities for troop recreation were available on board. Moving pictures, three performances daily, were provided, with the film changing each day. Lieut Doug Honsman of 2 PPCLI was appointed director of games, film shows and general recreation in the recreation deck. Lt. Rick Cochrane, 2 RCR, was appointed troop show and musical entertainment director and immediately set about the task of gathering together the talent necessary for the presentation of a colorful and entertaining programme.

Lt. Lee Green, USNR, the Special Services Officer aboard, was co-ordinator of troop recreation and instituted the operation of this daily newspaper.

Comparatively favourable weather was enjoyed all the way and with the sun shining down upon them, the troops on deck enjoyed the disc-jockey programmes operated from the open deck 0900 hrs. to 1700 hrs. daily.

The troop show "HOME REVUE" was presented in three performances on Friday 9th May and represented 1 hr. 40 min of fine music and humor. The last night at sea, a second evening of live musical entertainment, coupled with surprise awards of prizes, was featured with a fine effort by way of audience participation.

Bingo was played on six nights and several hundred dollars in fine prizes were awarded to the winners. Each night saw a full house of avid players, good-naturedly haggling and berating the "Bingo-man" to "mix 'em up".

Bridge and Cribbage tournaments held in the Recreation Deck were entered into by a large number of the personnel aboard.

Chess, checkers and various card games were always in play and even in the compartments the odd game of dominoes found high favour.

TROOP SHOW

The personnel of the troop entertainment group are listed hereunder:-

Lt. R.L.Cochrane Malakwa, B.C.  
Cpl. Mike Doohan...Hamilton, Ont.  
L/Cpl Bob Webb... Verdun, P.Q.  
Pte Andy Marshall. Pte St Charles PQ  
Sgt Rob't W Jones. Montreal P.Q.  
Pte Eddie Oliver.. Verdun P.Q.  
Tpr Al Seelye..... Black's Harbour B  
Sgmn Frank Allyson.McClures' Mills N  
Pte Don Ross .... Drummondville P  
Pte Wally Chaisson, Dartmouth, N.S.  
Pte Ron Knight....Toronto, Ont.  
Sgt Leslie B Logan.Ottawa, Ont.  
Pte Sylvio Rousier, Hull P.Q.

WE'RE THE GUYS WHO CAN'T SAY NO!

We're the guys who can't say no,  
We're in the army once more,  
After we cashed our chips last time,  
We said they'd see us no more.  
Then the army called for volunteers  
To help peace loving nations in the fig.  
We're just like the famous musketeers  
We've got to stick together for what's right.

CHORUS

So we're just the guys who can't say no,  
There was a tear in there eye  
As we were waving ~~good~~-by,  
They looked and heard us reply  
We can't say no.

By L/Cpl Bob Webb.

A POEM by Vachel Lindsay  
I am a tramp by the long trail's border,  
Given to squalor, rags and disorder.  
I nap and amble and yawn and loek,  
Write fool-thoughts in my grubby book,  
Recite to the children, explore at my ease,  
Work when I work beg when I please.  
Give crank drawings, that make folks stare,  
And get me a place to sleep in the hay  
At the end of a live-and-let-live day.

PADRE'S CORNER

Judge me, O God, and distinguish my cause from the nation that is not holy; deliver me from the unjust and deceitful man. For Thou, O God, art my strength. Why hast Thou cast me off, and why do I go sorrowful, whilst the enemy afflicteth me? Send forth Thy light and Thy truth. They have conducted me, and brought me unto Thy Holy Hill, and into The Tabernacles. And I will go unto the Altar of God, to God, Who giveth joy to my youth. Come, behold the works of the Lord, what desolations He hath made in the earth. He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; He breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; He burneth the chariot in the fire. (Psalm 46).

L. S. S. R.

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