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Thursday 2

Did our usual day's drill on deck. Took particular notice of the clearness of the water. When looking over the bows it is possible to see the keel of the ship clearly 27 ft below the water line. Our identification disks were issued to-day. Cut down a pair of trousers to-day. A singlet short pants & a pair of shoes is quite sufficient to wear now.

Friday 3

Pvt Rose of B. Coy died of pneumonia early this morning. Had been in hospital about 3 days. His funeral was held before dinner, about 11 o'clock. Ship was slowed down for a few minutes while body went over. No parades held in the morning. Our platoon was on fatigue, I was down in deck hold, shifting some cargo in the morning. Having nothing to do after dinner, I washed some of my clothes.

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Saturday 4

Getting very hot. 50° allowed to sleep on deck every night. Cold water dip at 5:30 is very good. I saw some flying fish to-day for the first time. Did some more washing this afternoon. Boat drill held at 4 p.m. to-day. A concert was given on the boat-deck to-night by officers & A.C.'s. It went off very well. I got a good position. Medical inspection to-day.

Sunday 5

Hotter than ever. Church Parade this morning. Started to write my second lot of letters for A.Z. A chap got his arm badly cut to-day owing to a bottle bursting.