

Tuesday, 16th Sept.

Up at 5:30 A.M. Went for walk on deck. Sunny & calm sea. Dutch liner sailing to starboard & slightly astern; Achilles about a mile ahead. Our company on duty, fatigues etc. I had nothing to do. On Deck with Bob Holmes & Colin Skinner till lunch time.

Passed a school of small whales on port side. In afternoon, Bob, Colin & I sat in sunny spot at stern of ship. Sea calm. Dutch liner drew up level during afternoon. After tea wrote to Edna.

Had shave; put watch back 1 hour & went to bed.

Wednesday, 17th. Sept.

Up at 5:15 A.M. Had a hot sea-water bath. Went for walk on deck. Overcast but mild; sea calm. Dutch liner to starboard warship Achilles out in front. Company parade from 9:15 till 11:45 A.M. P.T. on deck.

On parade again at 2 p.m. Had skipping, tug-o-war & games on deck. Good fun. Sky still overcast, sea a bit "jobbly".

Went to bed 9:30 P.M.