

couplet 1: WELL ME FATHER OFTEN TOLD ME WHEN I WAS JUST A LAD,
A SAILOR'S LIFE WAS VERY HARD, THE FOOD WAS ALWAYS BAD.
BUT NOW I'VE JOINED THE NAVY, I'M ABORD A M N O' WAR,

AND NOW I'VE FOUND A SAILOR AINT A SAILOR ANYMORE.

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GET YOUR CIVIES AREADY FOR ANOTHER RUN ASHORE,
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couplet 2: WELL THE KILLOCK OF OUR MESS HE SAYS WE 'VE HAD IT SOFT,
IT WASN'T LIKE THIS IN HIS DAY WHEN HE WAS UP ALOFT.
WE LIKE OUR BUNKS AND SLEEPING BAGS, BUT WHAT'S A HAMMOK FOR?
SWINGING FROM THE DECKHEAD, OR LYING ON THE FLOOR.

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TUSSENSPEL

couplet 3: WELL THEY GAVE US AN ENGINE THAT FIRST WENT UP AND DOWN,
THEN WITH MORE TECHNOLOGY THE ENGINE WENT AROUND.
WE KNOW OUR STEAM AND DESIL BUT WHAT'S A MAINYARD FOR?
A STOKER AINT A STOKER WITH A SHOVEL ANYMORE.

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+VERHOGING

couplet 4: TWO CANS OF BEER A DAY AND THATS YOU'RE BLEEDING LOT.

NOW WE GET AN EXTRA ONE BECAUSE THEY'VE STOPPED THE TOT.
SO WE'LL PUT ON OUR CIVIE CLOTHES AND FIND A PUB ASHORE,
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