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I enjoy reading the sea stories in the YAGRGRAMs.

New sailors were often sent on errands to find such things as plaid paint, Charlie Noble or, as in the engineering department, to turn on the cooling water in the hand rails.

At one time the deck department held an extensive training program on "relative bearings" in order to qualify new sailors in lookout duty.

On the mid-watch after this session, a young conscientious sailor on messenger watch was sent to find some "relative bearing grease." He made an extensive search through the entire engine room. He was sent to the shaft alley and after coming up empty handed, he started working his way up the "chain of command," waking up many engineering types. He finally woke up the Engineering Officer, where he found his relative "bearings" in no uncertain terms.