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We have already had a battle station alarm. Baby, we don't want to live out here. I, rather all of us, stood out on deck for 25 minutes and I could not get my teeth apart when I got back to my bunk. O!! I did not tell you about the weather out here. In the daylight hours of 11 and 4, you might as well be in hell. But, at night, you wish to hell you were there. My Sug, I think I will look this "tug" over. Boy, if the Captain was to hear someone say that about his ship, I guess he would die.

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USS Patrick

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I just got up to take a look, last look for a while at the U.S.A. fading away in the fog. I think I will quit for a while - it didn't help my spirits.