



*Our First Customers—1200 Marines*

been to sea before let alone cross the equator. That made it tough for the Shellbacks who had to carry out the initiation. It

first part of call was San Diego, where we took on most cargo and 1200 Marine passengers. We sailed from San Diego on Thanksgiving Day, 23 November, 1944 for Noumea, New Caledonia.

The big event of the first trip was crossing the equator. About 90% of the crew had never



*Davey Jones presents King Neptune's compliments to the Skipper*



*Davey's Calling Card*



*Pollyanna Crew Past the Royal Court*