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WELCOMED VISITORS.

An American warship docks at Brisbane Harbour on a friendly visit to Australia. When shore leave is granted the "gobs" avail themselves of a sight seeing expedition. Among the first to greet them are the inevitable autograph hunters - they're one of the terrors of war - but sailors don't care.

Petrol rationing makes taxis as hard to come by as tobacco and when sailors go ashore it's local colour they're after. The forbidden fruit (it's forbidden here too) seems to have the desired effect. Gee Buddy - Dames!

And it doesn't take long for the bonds of friendship to be sealed between Uncle Sam's boys and Australia's Diggers, who gladly surrender another war-time luxury - cigarettes.

While there are good fellers like these in the Southern Hemisphere, the Pacific will live up to its name.