

Andy Wilson leads his class on the Trafalgar Day parade!

# THE BOYS OF THE BIG MAST

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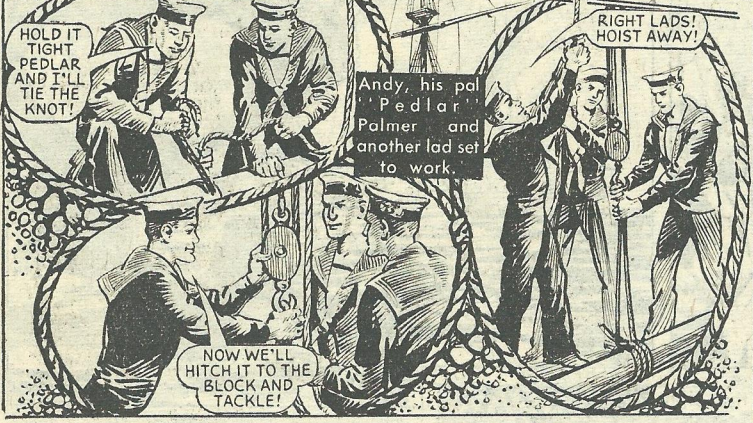


SQUAD RIGHT WHEEL!  
KEEP IN LINE! REMEMBER  
IT'S THE BIG PARADE  
TOMORROW!

ANDY WILSON and his classmates were on the parade ground at H.M.S. Landon, the shore establishment where the Navy trained young sailors. Under their instructor, C. P. O. Joe Hardacre, they were practising for the Trafalgar Day parade the following morning. H.M.S. Landon was often known as the School of the Big Mast because of the massive ship's mast which dominated the parade ground.



RIGHT, WE'LL SEE WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED ABOUT ROPES AND KNOTS. WILSON AND TWO OTHERS, RIG A SLING TO HOIST THIS SPAR!



HOLD IT TIGHT PEDLAR AND I'LL TIE THE KNOT!

RIGHT LADS!  
HOIST AWAY!

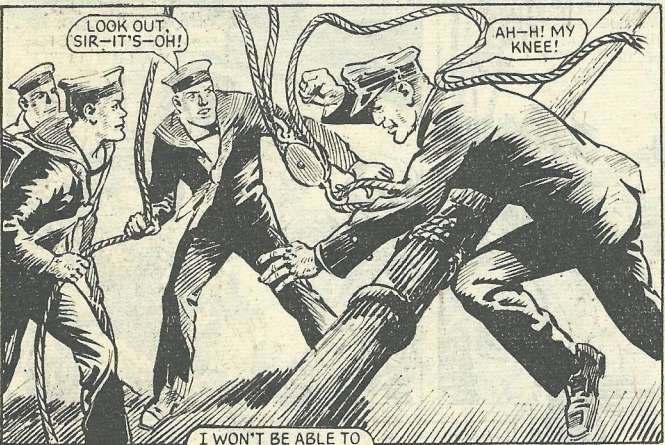
Andy, his pal Pedlar Palmer and another lad set to work.

NOW WE'LL HITCH IT TO THE BLOCK AND TACKLE!



Suddenly—

STOP HAULING! THERE'S A KINK IN THE ROPE UP AT THE PULLEY!



LOOK OUT, SIR—IT'S—OH!

AH—H! MY KNEE!



I—I'M SORRY, SIR!

IT WASN'T YOUR FAULT, WILSON.



Next day.

I WON'T BE ABLE TO TAKE THE CLASS ON PARADE TODAY, WILSON. AS CLASS LEADER, YOU'LL HAVE TO STAND IN FOR ME!

AYE, AYE, SIR!



GOSH, THIS IS SUPER, GETTING TO LEAD THE CLASS THROUGH THE TOWN!