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An officer in the US Merchant Marine from World War II to the Korean War, Jack Beritzhoff sailed from the South Pacific to Casablanca to Kuwait to Liverpool to Pusan... and back. Sail Away follows him from port to port, around the globe to five continents, discovering friendship and heroism (as well as occasional cowardice and deceit), and of course the beautiful girl in every port.

In the tradition of James Michner's Tales of the South Pacific, this memoir brings a world at war to life through a series of charming vignettes rather than sweeping battles or flying shrapnel. Sail Away is a view of epic events seen through a very human-sized, very bright window, offering glimpses of humor, humanity, and grace at the darkest of times.

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Lyle Appleyard says

I received a copy of this book through a Goodreads giveaway contest.

Everyone has a story to tell. It may take some time to tell the story. The author was a sailor in the Merchant Marine during the Second World War and for a few years after. This book contains a few of the stories of the author's adventures.

The Merchant Marine was important part of the war effort. They were not a fighting force, but often were fired upon, although the author was not. A modern army needs supplies to function. Lots of supplies. This is why this story is important.

This was a short book. It was a 109 pages, with a few blank ones between chapters. Not a hard read.

I enjoyed the book.

Brittany says

I won this book for free from the Goodread's First Reads giveaway.

I would rate this book a 2.5/5 which means it was ok to good. I think there is a large group of people out there that would really enjoy this book. I personally just found the sailing stories to not be my cup of tea.

"Sail Away: Journeys of a Merchant Seaman" is about a man named Jack Beritzhoff and his sailing adventures around WW2 and the Korean War. The stories mostly consist of the places he traveled to and the people he met. It is a very short book and was an easy read.

This book was published by Stillpoint Digital Press and is part of their new project called Stillpoint/Memory. It is a line of memoirs and stories of average people. I definitely will look more into this line of books as I think that is an awesome and interesting idea.
