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**BIRTHDAY WISHES TO THE S.O.**

Can it be true that thirty years have pass'd  
Since your first copies tumbled from the press  
Like blossoms from a tree in May?

Let's hail this issue with a trumpet blast  
To show how pleased we are still to possess  
This paper which has come to stay.

This "S.O." which means such a lot to us  
And never fails its mission to fulfil:  
Keeping with home in faithful touch.

Its news is fair and never scandalous;  
Each page bears witness to that care and skill  
We gladly recognise as such.

To celebrate this happiest of events  
To-day's edition wears a festive guise,  
A new and lovely birthday dress.

From many sides flow well-earned compliments,  
Wishing you well upon your enterprise  
But there's no need for bashfulness.

For these good wishes truly are sincere;  
Take them not for the morrow but beyond,  
The day when each shall hear the call.

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Helping to closely tie that unseen bond  
Of brotherhood amongst us all.

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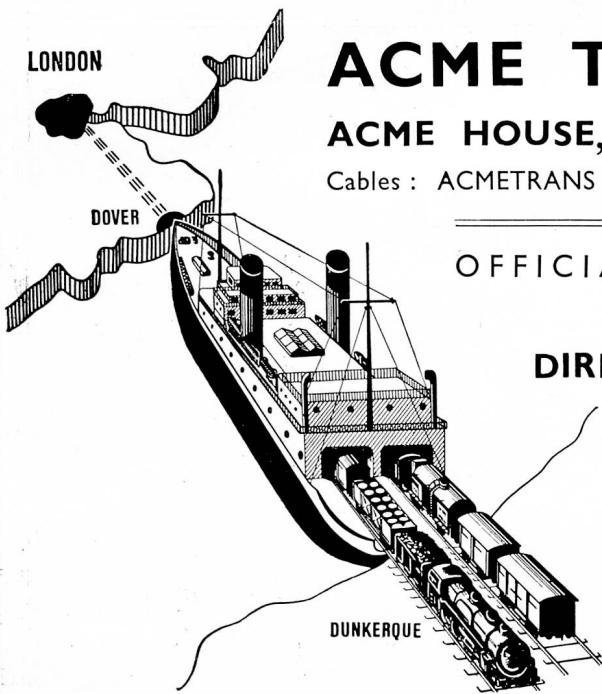


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