#### **BB'S STAGE DOOR CANTEEN PRESENTS:**

DINNER WITH A CURATOR
THE INVASION THAT NEVER WAS
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## FIRST COURSE: THE SOLDIER'S RATION

HOUSE HOG'S HEAD CHEESE DUO, GRAINED MUSTARD, PICKLED OKRA RELISH
CAJUN CAVIAR, HOUSE-MADE CRACKERS
BEVERAGE PAIRING: SAZERAC BLUE BERRY BUCK
NONALCOHOLIC PAIRING: BLUE BERRY BUCK

MUCH LIKE LOUISIANA RESIDENTS OF THE TIME, WWII STEWARDS OFTEN USED INGENUITY WHEN COOKING WITH SPARSE INGREDIENTS.

### SECOND COURSE:

#### A WARM CUP OF BROTH

SMOKED DUCK, TASSO, TURNIP GREENS, AND ROASTED TURNIPS BEVERAGE PAIRING: LINGONBERRY VODKA CITRUS SPARKLER NONALCOHOLIC PAIRING: LINGONBERRY CITRUS SPARKLER

BROTHS WERE A CHEAP WAY TO KEEP SOLDIERS HEALTHY WITH MUCH-NEEDED PROTEIN.
ROOT VEGETABLES AND THE NUTRIENT-HEAVY GREEN TOPS WERE USED TO FULL CAPACITY.
WE THREW IN A LITTLE MEAT CURING, AS SOLDIERS WOULD SOMETIMES CURE MEATS
TO SAVE FOR EMERGENCIES.

# THIRD COURSE: CHIEF RUDDER'S REVENGE

SEARED RIBEYE CAP, BROWN BUTTER POTATOES, SPICED BABY CARROTS,
FRIED ONIONS, STEEN'S CREOLE DEMI-GLACE
BEVERAGE PAIRING: DUCKHORN CABERNET
NONALCOHOLIC PAIRING: ROSEMARY AND PEACH LEMONADE

CHIEF RUDDER SUFFERED AN ATTACK FROM LOCAL CATTLE. NEEDLESS TO SAY, THE HERD THEN SUFFERED A FEW CASUALTIES OF WAR. THE SOLDIERS ATE THEIR FAIR SHARE OF BEEF AFTER THE ACCIDENT. HERE WE USE THE RIBEYE CAP OR SPINALIS, A ONCE-DISCARDED PIECE OF BEEF DUE TO THE SKILLED HAND NEEDED TO CLEAN IT.

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#### SEABEE SEA BASS

PAN SEARED SEA BASS, WHITE BEAN CAKE,
BACON WRAPPED HARICOT VERTS, SCALLION SOUBISE
BEVERAGE PAIRING: TREFETHEN CHARDONNAY
NONALCOHOLIC PAIRING: GINGER LAVENDER SWEET AND SOUR

THE "CAN-DO" SEABEES ATTITUDE EXEMPLIFIED THE NOTION OF MAKING SOMETHING OUT OF NOTHING. HERE, COMMON BEANS TRANSFORM INTO A DELICATELY FLAVORED CAKE, ALSO POCKETABLE FOR THE SOLDIER ON THE MOVE. A FLAVORFUL SAUCE IS MADE FROM THE COMMON SCALLION, WHICH GROWS WILD IN MANY PARTS OF THE WORLD.

### FOURTH COURSE: BACK HOME APPLE PIE AND ICE CREAM

BAKED APPLE, EXPRESSO ICE CREAM, SPICED COFFEE BEANS, APPLE PIE CRUMBLE, AMARETTO CHOCOLATE SAUCE BEVERAGE PAIRING: HOLIDAY WASSAIL WITH BRANDY NONALCOHOLIC PAIRING: — HOLIDAY WASSAIL

WHAT DID THE SOLDIERS MISS MOST ABOUT HOME? HOW ABOUT THE SMELL OF COFFEE BREWING AT GRANDMA'S HOUSE? MAYBE MOM'S APPLE PIE? OR POSSIBLY A COOLING SUNDAY TREAT OF CHURNED ICE CREAM? HERE WE COMBINE THE THREE TO REALIZE A HUNGRY, HOMESICK SOLDIER'S DAYDREAM.