

-- TATTOO --

Most sailors get tattoos. One superstition is that if you have a tattoo of a hen on one foot and a pig on the other, you will never drown at sea.

In the early fifties three of us were in the Panama Canal Zone and had had too much beer. It was called the one-eyed Indian" because the picture on the beer can was the profile of an Indian in full head-dress.

We were each to get a tattoo of a knife (6" long) and become "blood brothers". Well, it took some time to get the tattoo and by the time the second tattoo was completed the third person sobered up and said, "No Way!" Guess who was the "third person"??? Trust me, it wasn't me! Sure!!!

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