Sailors & Soldiers

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Sailors and soldiers uniformed shoulders they're growing older over the sea

The troops they are leaving firmly believing no reason for greiving

Far from the banners,
Far from the glamour,
Far from the planners,
Who sent them to die

herded like cattle they head for the battle their rifles will rattle over the sea

Too young to be shaving yet the flags they are waving for the fury they are braving over the sea

proudly parading
with their medals they are
but their glory is fading
over the sea

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