MINIATURE WARSHIP THRILLS BIG CROWDS

Model of Dreadnought Pennsylvania Goes Through All the Operations of Fight at Sea

Warship-hungry throngs, barred by the closed gates of the Philadelphia Navy Yard from seeing Uncle Sam's sea-fighters, are having their newly acquired appetites for naval battles satisfied in the center of the city.

Persons whose interest in battles on the sea has been aroused by the possibility of a clash with Germany crowded today about a miniature of the United States battleship Pennsylvania, flagship of the Atlantic coast fleet, which is on exhibition in Lit Brothers' store. Operated by a complete automatic electric system, it goes through all the maneuvers of a dreadnought, from the crashing music of the Marine Band as the warship moves out of the harbor to the firing of the "big" guns that send the enemy vessel to the bottom.

This miniature flagship Pennsylvania is thirteen feet in length and twenty-four inches wide; has a displacement of 250 pounds, a draft of nine and a half inches and an actual speed in water of fourteen miles per hour. It required two and a half years to build, at a cost of $15,000. The inventor, Samuel Orkin, of Boston, explains each maneuver of his boat, but it is not touched by hand from start to finish.

Built entirely of steel, it is operated by an automatic timing machine, which can be set to start operations at any desired minute. It is completely equipped with electric lights, searchlights, real wireless apparatus and complete armament of guns, and is manned by a dummy crew, which moves about, directing the searchlights, firing the guns and clearing decks for action exactly as though it were engaged in real warfare.

The miniature brass band plays a selection as the whistles blow and the "giant" ship moves out of the "harbor." Signals flash on the red and white lights and the Stars and Stripes are raised aloft. Shortly the play of the searchlights reveals an enemy war vessel. As the order goes down to clear decks for action, the little "jackies" scurry about the decks opening and shutting doors and manning the guns.

The guns are swung and elevated to train upon the enemy craft and broadside after broadside is fired at the unseen enemy. The enemy ship sunk, the flagship resumes its normal operation and not a hand has touched it through the maneuver. The miniature warship has been exhibited in many parts of the country and has gained the admiration of naval experts everywhere. It was operated at the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco and before Secretary of the Navy Daniels in the Waldorf-Astoria in New York. The craft, though small, is seaworthy and has towed an occupied canoe at considerable speed for several miles.

Skippack Pike Road Toll Free

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Feb. 9. — Having acquired possession of the Penllyn and Bluebell Turnpike road, the county has lifted the gates and the highway extending from Skippack pike to the Reading Railway, at Penllyn Station, a distance of 1.91 miles, is free of toll. The county pays the company $8190 for the road.

Naval Militia in New York Active

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—There was indication of an impending extension of the work of the naval militia and the volunteer motorboat patrol here today when Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt went to New York.

MRS. ELISE NORMAN HILL TO MARRY PITTSBURGHER

Daughter of Prothonotary Walton and James Lee Adams to Wed. Obtain License

Elise Norman Hill, a daughter of Prothonotary Henry F. Walton, and James Lee Adams, an attorney, of Pittsburgh, this morning obtained a license to wed. Adams is forty-three, while Mrs. Hill is thirty-three. The latter was divorced by Common Pleas Court No. 3 on April 22, 1912. Other licenses issued today were:

William L. Gaynor, Hustleton, Pa., and Mabel M. Becker, Mahanoy City, Pa.
Nathan Marbach, 978 N. Front st., and Sarah E. Glauser, 978 N. Front st.
Isaac R. Stead, 5114 Greene st., and Mabel B. Leonhardt, 2151 N. 22d st.
Douglas M. Klink, 5334 Wakefield st., and Myrtle Sands, 4538 N. Uber st.
Onofru Kokolis, Reading, Pa., and Haraska Kazio, 5702 Woodland ave.
Brady V. Smith, 5339 Gray's ave., and Nellie McIntyre, 1742 S. Taylor st.
Jacob Tecker, 312 Montrose st., and Ida Wexler, 312 Montrose st.
John A. Robb, Jr., 5324 W. Girard ave., and Susan C. Corrigan, 812 S. Allison st.
Harold J. Clarke, 4820 Chestnut st., and Margaret E. Delk, 630 N. Broad st.
Patrick Conroy, 3242 Ingersoll st., and Sarah O'Brien, 3242 Ingersoll st.
Everett C. Simpson, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Gertrude W. Wetmore, Long Island, N. Y.
Joseph Belton, 1344 South st., and Nora Felder, 1344 South st.
Charles Phillips, 2671 N. 17th st., and Louise Nicklas, 1601 E. Firth st.
Alphonsus L. Kennedy, 2027 Cherry st., and Mary C. McDermott, 1904 S. Rittenhouse sq.
James Moore, 3719 Cuthbert st., and Mary L. Brown, 3637 Market st.
Christian F. Sinn, Jr., 2830 N. 7th st., and Susan Haist, Byberry road.
Robert Cuthord, 5532 N. Lawrence st., and Rose Sperber, 2220 N. Howard st.
Morris Sklar, 1938 S. 7th st., and Bessie Nemirovsky, 1437 S. 6th st.
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PATRIOTISM NOT DEAD, RECRUITS' RUSH SHOWS

Army, Navy and Marine Corps Stations Do Land-Office Business

An intense spirit of patriotism was in evidence at the recruiting stations here today. Eagerness of men of all classes to enlist is in strong contrast with the criticism which has been heaped upon the youth of the country by banquet board experts during the last few months.

The attitude of Germany and the possibility of war, it is believed, are responsible for the rush to the colors.

Recruiting officers are pressed to the limit to examine all who apply. Although each examination is a long operation, twenty-four applicants were examined up to an early hour this afternoon at the army recruiting station, 1229 Arch street. Of these about a dozen passed. Among those who sought to enlist was Joseph Bankowski, who fought in the Russian army, receiving his discharge about a year ago.

Peter J. Rowan, a six-foot Irishman, who fought with the Dublin Fusiliers, was and other who passed. Most of those approved were sent to Fort Slocum.

At the navy recruiting station, 1310 Arch street, twenty applicants were examined up to noon, and about three-fourths of them will pass. A number of ex-service men were among those who applied. They express a desire for action.

There was a good number of applicants at the marine recruiting station, 1409 Arch street. Many of them expressed the hope that Uncle Sam would not be severe in the examination. They wanted to show that the fighting spirit of America is on edge.

The recruiting officers have noticed that idlers and pull-backs who made a practice of joshing the men who applied for service during the Mexican trouble are making themselves scarce. In view of the spirit of those who apply, there would probably be some quick hostilities if any of these opera-bouffe comedians tried such tactics at this time.

SHORE WAITERS' STRIKE WEAK

Threat of Atlantic City Bonifaces Causing Collapse

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Feb. 9.—There are signs of a collapse in the threatened movement of 800 negro waiters to organize a union and demand union wages. Five hundred last night heard Wilfred B. Cozart, ex-president of the National Head Waiters' Association, plead for action without response. Threats of bonifaces to substitute waitresses, following a precedent already established by several of the largest of the Boardwalk hostelries, has taken the vim out of the strike movement.

The average pay for waiters here is $20 and meals, but their tips frequently are said to be double their regular pay.

U-BOAT WAR WAS FORESEEN

Americans Told to Hurry Home Two Weeks in Advance

Americans in Europe knew of the plan of Germany for intensified submarine warfare to begin February 1 two weeks before the announcement was made in the German note received a few hours before that date.

That was made known by George C. Priestly, vice president of the Crew-Levick Oil Company, today in relating, on his return from abroad, his observations in the war zone. "Agents of the American and English governments notified many Americans to return home in advance of their original sailing dates because of the U-boat activities," said Mr. Priestly.

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HOOVER DESCRIBES BELGIAN RELIEF

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PLEADS FOR MORE AID

By M'LISS

"Hoover of Belgium" is in Philadelphia.

The American engineer whose name is as familiar in Great Britain and on the Continent as that of Joffre, Von Hindenburg or Haig—since he led an even greater battle than any of these—the battle of keeping the 10,000,000 people of Belgium and northern France from starvation—stirred Philadelphians to the very fiber of their being today at the City Club and later at a public assemblage at the Bellevue-Stratford, when he recounted the plight of the brave little country and told of the work that the Belgian relief committee has done.

He looked tired as he stepped off the train at North Philadelphia this afternoon.

The lines around his blue eyes were not only those of humor—there were the traces of a great fatigue. And his voice, when I asked him about his work, did not belie the impression.

This is the man before whom thousands of Belgian children at their noonday meal rise and sing the Star Spangled Banner in gratitude to him and to his country for the succor that has been sent them.

But Herbert Hoover is filled with no feeling of pride when he must accept this salutation. Instead there rises within him a great shame, a shame that we have been content to give so little.

You who have handed out your dime or your dollar to the insistent appeals of the relief committee hearken to Mr. Hoover's words:

"Americans opened the door to Belgium and have founded and sustained this enterprise in its administrative and in its political phases. We accepted the responsibility of this foundation not for ourselves, but for America. We felt that it was the national duty for America, who stood out unharmed in this vast swelter, to keep alight the lamp of humanity.

"Of the $250,000,000 spent in this work, approximately $30,000,000 has come to our hand from the public benevolence of the world and less than $9,000,000 of this sum has come from the American people. And with the exception of one great gift of $1,000,000 it has been the little rills of charity of the poor toward the poor.

"The great bulk of this expenditure has been furnished by the Allied Governments, and has been debited to the Belgian Government or to the communes or municipalities in northern France which have received its benefits. They have yet to repay all of this expenditure, and they assume this burden cheerfully and with the dignity of free men.

"Of this vast sum of money we have spent over $150,000,000 in the United States in the purchase of supplies and of this sum America has made a war profit of at least $30,000,000. Europe has begun to take stock of us. We laid claim to idealism, a devotion to humanity, and to great benevolence.

Six million dollars a month, Mr. Hoover declared, are necessary to sustain Belgium and Northern France, seven cents a day for every one of the 10,000,000 persons. As he talks about the country from which he has just come and to which he expects to return in a few weeks, war conditions permitting, it is not hard to understand how when he spoke several weeks ago to the famous Rocky Mountain Club—an organization of rich mining men—they turned over to him the million dollars they had collected for a clubhouse.

In a vivid word picture he described Belgium in war times.

DESCRIBES CONDITIONS

"Assume that this city and an area embracing a few counties were occupied by an enemy army," he said. "Your boundaries would be marked with a wall of steel. You would be, from military necessity, blockaded of imports. The daily flow of seventy per cent of your food supplies to your cities from beyond the wall of steel would cease, and your markets and bakeries would be empty. Every citizen and every village would board food to themselves. You would be interdicted from movement outside of your own ward or village, or from assembly in any manner without permission. Your railways would be taken over for military purposes. All communication would cease with the outside world. Your post, the telegraph, and the telephone would be suppressed. Your factories would be closed and half your people rendered destitute over night, through their loss of wage and income. Your normal newspapers and political press would be suppressed. The theatres would be abandoned; your whole intellectual activity smothered. The normal seats of administration would be occupied by enemy soldiers. A sentry would stand on every street corner, and every crossroad, and the instinctive feeling of security of every free man in his right to be heard in justice would be submerged in the practical power over life and death by the enemy army. You would be called upon to contribute to the cost of the occupying army. In a word, the whole economic, intellectual and governmental functions of ordinary life would be suspended.

"In a picture of such a situation you can, however, never imagine the indescribable despair and terror of every citizen," he continued; "the terror fanned by the millions of rumors which shiver through the population. Couple with this the overshadowing fear as to failure of the very food upon which your women and children survive or die. Consider to yourselves the double weight of anxiety that every understanding man in the community must feel, not only for this, the vitals of bare existence, but for the tranquility of the community lest in the riots that must mark the exhaustion of the meager stock of food your streets should run with blood. This is war.

"Such had been the situation of 10,000,000 people in Belgium and northern France for over two years, but for the relief commission. And this has been a relief not only to their physical being, but to their terror and a shield to their despair."

HERBERT C. HOOVER
Chairman of the committee for relief in Belgium, who tells his story of the work in that stricken country at the Bellevue-Stratford this afternoon.

MR. HOOVER STRICTLY NEUTRAL

But Mr. Hoover is an example of the perfect and strict neutral. When I asked him to tell me about the deportation of the Belgians he shook his head and refused to comment. When I backed this up with a second question about Germany's threat to sink even the relief ships in the new U-boat activities he was likewise taciturn.

"Another neutral nation will then have to look after Belgium, the United States still giving aid, but the subject will have to be carefully worked out before we can talk about it," was all that he would say.

Just from hearing Mr. Hoover talk, it is not difficult to understand why he was chosen to head the relief commission. He has the restrained, calm air of the efficient executive, or the man who does not lose his head no matter what the justification. The three tenets of the wonderful organization for relief that he has built up in Belgium are, he declares, first, volunteer service; second, high ideals, and third, decentralization.

"In Belgian and northern France we cooperate with very able and devoted bankers and manufacturers and professional men in the maintenance of a great federal system of distribution committees spread throughout the land. The service of every Belgian and Frenchman of executive experience and ability has been given freely and constantly, not for casual assistance in conference, but a daily executive work from early morning till late at night. It is difficult for me to speak of their courage and devotion without emotion.

Mr. Hoover was in London when the war broke out. When the plight of Belgium began to stir the world he, together with other prominent Americans, went to Ambassador Page. A committee which might have been nominal and inoperative, but which instead has saved a nation, thus had its inception.

Mr. Hoover was accompanied by George Barr Baker, of New York, the man whose talk with the Pope at Rome was responsible for the appeal issued by his Holiness to Catholics throughout the world to give freely to Belgium.

Albert Cross, secretary of the Pennsylvania relief division, met the visitors. Mr. Hoover will talk tonight at the Scotch-Irish Society's banquet.

NEW YORK COPS TO RUN SIX MACHINE GUN AUTOS

Trained Crew of 100 Metropolitan Policemen Will Be Prepared for Any Possible Emergency

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Six Police Department automobiles are to be equipped with machine guns and a trained machine-gun crew of 100 men held in readiness for any need.

This became known today when Police Commissioner Wood summoned 200 policemen, former United States army officers, to headquarters and announced that from this number he would select 100 to man machine guns. The guns are now owned by the department, but are simply mounted on tripods. They will be transferred to automobiles and the gun crews will be equipped as infantrymen.

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