

TROOPSHIP MAUI DUE AT DOCK TOMORROW

Plans for Welcoming Veterans of "Dandy First" Regiment Complete

IRON DIVISION TO PARADE

The transport Maui, with 2500 Iron Division troops on board will arrive here tomorrow.

A program containing this information was received today by J. Jordan Gensler, secretary of the Philadelphia welcome home committee.

The message stated that the Maui is due at Delaware Breakwater at 6 o'clock tomorrow morning. It should dock in this city between 2 and 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

More than half of the men aboard are Philadelphians, former guardsmen in the old First Infantry. Others in the 109th are from the Thirtieth, a former Seranton guard regiment.

Plans for taking orders and officials of the reception committee down the river to meet the transport which were made for today will hold good for tomorrow. The police boats will be ready at Chestnut street wharf at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning to receive those who have been issued tickets. Tickets issued for today are good for tomorrow, Mr. Gensler announced.

The American tank ship Avondale which sailed from La Pallice, France, April 17, will dock here today.

The vessel carries twenty three cannons, comprising Casual Company No. 51st, consisting of one officer and twenty men, and a general detachment of two enlisted men.

Avondale Nears Port

The Avondale passed the Delaware Breakwater early this morning.

The old First Regiment is part of the 109th Infantry. These boys will be the first Philadelphia infantry unit to reach this city in the homeward trek of the Twenty eighth Division. Other boys in the regiment are from Seranton, having been members of the old Thirtieth Infantry.

Aboard the Maui are eighty four officers and 3491 men of the 109th Infantry, a detachment of fifteen officers of the 110th, another "Twenty eighth" unit, and three officers and twenty men of the Fifty fifth Infantry, Brigade Headquarters. The latter units on board include the Regimental Headquarters Company, First Battalion Sanitary Corps, detachments of the Second Battalion Headquarters Company, and the Third Battalion sanitary corps, Headquarters and Supply Company, Sanitary Corps, detachment of ordnance machine gunners, and Infantry Companies A to L, inclusive.

The transport sailed from St. Nazaire on April 22.

Camp Dix will receive 1148 men for demobilization, while the remainder will be sent to Camp Meade, Ft. Detrick, Custer, Devens, Sherman, Lee and others.

Opportunity to Get Home

Soldiers of the Twenty eighth Division will get ample opportunity to visit their families. Major General Charles H. Muir, commander of that famous fighting organization, gave assurance of this before leaving today for Washington.

General Muir is going to Washington on a brief visit to his family, whom he has not seen for a year. General Muir will remain in Washington until Sunday night, and then will return to Camp Dix.

"I have left an officer in charge of each unit," said General Muir, "with instructions to see that the men be

PREDICTS AERO LINE TO CUBA IN 90 DAYS

Transport Between Atlantic City and Havana to Link Republics

DANIELS SENDS GREETING

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger, Atlantic City, May 2.—Any future understanding between the United States and the progressive Caribbean republics under the Stars and Stripes will be made impossible, Victor Hugo Barranca, fiscal agent for Cuba, announced to officials of the Pan American aeronautic congress here today, through the establishment of an aerial transport line between Atlantic City, north and Havana.

Mr. Barranca believes that the line will be in operation with regular flights and possibly in a much shorter time.

President Menocal is an enthusiastic supporter of aviation and the Cuban treasury will assist in the financing of the proposed aerial service.

"We have agreed upon Atlantic City as the terminus of the line in the United States because of its proximity to the great industrial district of Philadelphia and to New York, as well as to Washington, making it for granted that it will be our line in the future."

The Cuban American aviators will fly from the coast to Miami or to Key West and then across the Key West channel. The distance from Key West is approximately 1000 miles, and it is estimated that the line can be done in ninety minutes. Cuba will pay \$1000 in gold to the first flyer making the jaunt.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels sent his greetings to the air congress by cable today. He said:

"My visits and conferences with aeronautic experts of France, Italy and Great Britain convince me that the largest fields of adventure and invention lie along the line of further conquest of the air. Inasmuch as the first flight was made by Mr. Wright in America, I trust the government and citizens of America will heartily and earnestly advance this science, which means so much to mankind."

Captain C. I. Barisso, Uruguay's representative in the international gathering of aerial experts, today declared his intention of attempting a longer hop south than that planned by the Cubans. Barisso's destination is to be Valparaiso. He will follow the Atlantic coast to Florida, skirt the upper side of the gulf and swing over Mexico to the western coast.

While Lieutenant John Rolph and Eddie Stinson were flying here yesterday from New York in the face of a thirty-mile gale and a driving rain-storm, E. Beryl Kendrick and Kenneth E. Jaquith in flying boats, hopped from Atlantic City to Long Island. They landed at the Rockaway air station, one hour and twenty-five minutes after getting under way here, completing the journey in a fifty-mile gale.

Jean Ors, a French inventor, who is said to have been the first man to drop from an airplane with a parachute, will essay here tomorrow morning the hitherto unattempted feat of climbing up a wing of a plane and dropping to the ground. Ors' first drop was taken from the underbody of a monoplane. His descent tomorrow is to be made from an altitude of not less than 1000 feet.

PAVING BIDDING LIVELY

Local Firms Keen for Chance at Street Jobs Here

Bids opened today by Director Datesman, of the Department of Public Works, for the first big program of street repair work since the beginning of the war, brought out scores of bidders among local contracting firms.

The cost of this work, estimated at \$200,000, will cover grading, paving streets with asphalt and vitrified block, and repaving with asphalt, wood and granite blocks.

Bids were also opened for repaving and repaving bridges over Frankford creek; Gibson avenue over the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad; Gray's Ferry bridge over the Schuylkill, and the Stockley street bridge over the Pennsylvania Railroad tracks.

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