

SIX BATTLESHIPS TO GO INTO DISCARD

Six battleships stationed at Philadelphia, with an aggregate tonnage of 25,000, are going into the discard.

ON TRANSPORT DUTY

After the armistice these vessels, which were assigned to transport duty, their secondary gun batteries were removed and berth decks cleared of all clutter to make room for the returning doughboys.

Since the conclusion of this service the vessels have been stationed at Philadelphia in reduced commission. The Alabama, Illinois and Wisconsin last summer were used for the training of the Annapolis midshipmen.

The order discarding these ships is in accordance with the navy's policy of economy and curtailment from its war basis, there being at present no use for them, as they are of obsolete design, and their maintenance and upkeep is very heavy.

There is an acute shortage of officers and men in the navy at present, and the placing of these vessels out of commission will release approximately 1500 men for duty with the active fleets.

The ships, with the exception of the Maine, are armed with an old type of short caliber, 13-inch rifle. The Maine has 12-inch guns. All were units of the battle fleet that the United States acquired since the war.

Were Subjects of Criticism

The Kentucky and Kearsarge are the ships around which such storm of criticism and protest arose ten years ago regarding defects in their design and general inefficiency.

The criticisms, written by a prominent writer on naval subjects, attracted wide attention on their publication with photographs and drawings in a magazine. The data was at that time said to have been furnished the writer by Sidney Smith, an officer in the navy's engineering corps.

There is a possibility that on their retirement the ships will either be sold as scrap or used as floating targets for the new fleet to test the destructive power of our latest guns and shells.

Navy yard officials estimate that it will take from three to four months to place the big ships out of commission.

The Maine, the largest of those to be retired, has a displacement of 16,000 tons. She was completed at Campden in 1902.

The Kearsarge and Kentucky, 11,600 tons, were built at Newport News in 1900. The Illinois, 12,100 tons, was also completed there in 1901. The Kearsarge and Alabama, 12,100 tons, were built in 1901, the former at San Francisco and the latter at Cramp's, Philadelphia.

CAMDEN MAN FOUND SHOT

Police Place Man Under Surveillance as Suspect

Suffering from a bullet wound in the head, Henry Smith, of Seventh and Pine streets, Camden, was found at 8:15 and removed to the hospital by John Anderson, of 434 Sycamore street.

The cop on the corner

ANY PERSON WHO WITNESSED THE ARREST

PORTRAIT SELLS FOR \$20,000; WAS ONCE PRICED AT \$350

Painting by Gilbert Stuart Purchased by Arthur Meeker, of Chicago

It Is Likeness of Major General Dearborn and Measures 30 by 24 Inches



Portrait by Stuart

A portrait painted by Gilbert Stuart, for which the late John Welsh paid \$350 about forty-five years ago, has just been sold by his son, Herbert Welsh, for \$20,000.

The portrait is that of Major General Henry Dearborn, and is regarded as a fine specimen of Stuart's art. Arthur Meeker, of Chicago, vice president of the Armour company, bought the painting. He is collecting works of early American artists, especially portraits of leading generals and statesmen of American history.

He has paid as much as \$50,000 for a Stuart portrait of Washington.

The Dearborn portrait measures thirty by twenty-four inches and is painted on an oak panel which has been grained to look like canvas.

General Dearborn is depicted in civilian garb and wearing the insignia of the Society of the Cincinnati. General Dearborn was born in New Hampshire in 1751, served as a captain in the American army during the two terms of President Jefferson, and was major general and commander of the United States army in the War of 1812. Later he was minister to Portugal. He died in Massachusetts in 1829.

The portrait originally belonged to John Neagle, a pupil of Stuart. His son, Garrett Neagle, later sold it to

Dr. N. G. McManus

Physician Is Victim of Heart Disease.

Dr. Nathan G. McManus, forty-one years old, died of heart disease at his home, 2337 West Lehigh avenue, last night, after an illness of one week.

Doctor McManus was born at Tyrone, Ireland. He was graduated from the Royal University of Dublin in 1867, and received a B. S. degree from Black Rock, Ireland. He graduated in medicine at the University of Pennsylvania in 1891, and was resident physician in St. Joseph's Hospital, Reading, during the last part of his illness.

Doctor McManus is survived by his wife, Anna, and by a son, George, thirteen years old, and a daughter, Catharine, twelve. He was a nephew of the Rev. Nathan McManus, of St. Mary's Church, Scranton.

He was a member of the Philadelphia Medical Society and of St. Columba's Church. Requiem mass will be celebrated at Columbia's Saturday morning, when the funeral will be held.

Ronald E. Suppliff

Mr. Ronald E. Suppliff, twenty-three years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ludlow Suppliff, died at his parents' home, 6423 Catharine street, yesterday.

Mrs. Edward P. Allen

Mrs. Claudia Cooper Allen, of Stratford, Conn., wife of Edward P. Allen, died at the Jefferson Medical College Hospital last night as the result of injuries received when she was struck by a trolley car on Sanson street near Twelfth yesterday morning.

Mrs. George A. Welsh

Mrs. George A. Welsh, wife of Assistant District Attorney Welsh, died yesterday at her home in Lima, Delaware county. Mrs. Welsh was Miss Nellie E. Wolf, of Bermuda, before her marriage thirteen years ago. She married Mr. Welsh while he was engaged in newspaper work in Bermuda. Later he was private secretary to Mayor Weaver.

TESTS FOR PLACES IN STREETS BUREAU

Nearly 100 Men Take Civil Service Commission's Exams for Cleaning Inspectors

HEPBURN TO NAME SOME

The Civil Service Commission is holding an examination today for street-cleaning inspectors. Nearly 100 men, including eight who are serving provisionally, are taking the examination.

Chief Donald M. Hepburn is expected to suspend or dismiss many of the fifty-six street-cleaning inspectors now in the employ of the city before he quits March 1 to join the State Highway Department.

The ground will be false and incomplete reports on the condition of the streets during the recent storm.

No announcement has been made as to Hepburn's successor. Director Winston said today he was not yet ready to announce the name of his successor.

The man under consideration is said to be an engineer capable of handling large bodies of men and with experience that would enable him to undertake the cleaning of the streets should it become necessary for the city to take over the equipment and men of the present street-cleaning contractors.

51 YEARS CUSTOMS MAN

Henry K. Lathy Has Served Under Twelve Administrations

Mr. Lathy was sworn in as a clerk in the U. S. Custom office fifty-one years ago. Last year he celebrated his fiftieth anniversary.

Mr. Lathy has served under twelve administrations as well as under twelve collectors here. He is a little more than seventy years old.

PRaises "DRY" ENFORCER

Federal Surveyor Compliments R. L. Daily, Official Here

Mr. Hall has just completed a survey of New England and Pennsylvania. He said Mr. Daily is getting as good results here as are the New England agents, despite the fact that the latter have much larger numbers of working agents.

MAY SERVE SUIT PAPERS

Former Aviation Captain Accused Patrolman of False Arrest

Others in the cast include Misses Nettie Hess, Edna Tuttleman, Minnie Joseph, Ruth Bernheim, Leah Meyers, Ruth Adler, Beatrice Cohen, Minnie Keiser and Messrs. Joseph Hirshberg, Benjamin Scheiner, Eugene Marben, Martin Keiser, Willard Swaab, Milton Theeman, August Gross, Sylvan Turk and Seymour E. Karfunkle.

CLUB WILL GIVE PLAY

Delphi Members to Present Musical Comedy This Evening

Liberty Bond Booklet

For the use of those who desire information concerning the different issues of Liberty Loan bonds, we have prepared a brief booklet describing the issues and explaining their status for taxation.

Philadelphia Trust Company

COUNCIL DEADLOCK HOLDS UP MEASURES

Body is Marking Time Until Develin Returns From Illness to Break Tie in Vote

The new City Council is marking time owing to a deadlock existing in that body because of the illness of Councilman James A. Develin, of the Fourth district, who is convalescing from pneumonia.

Among these important measures are the bills to create positions in Council and fix councilman salaries, and the bill to increase the pay of police and firemen.

Councilman Joseph P. Gaffney, a Vice leader, is taking a short vacation in Cuba. Francis F. Burch, Independent councilman from the Fourth district and chairman of the finance committee, and Charles H. Von Tago, Sixth district, are also out of the city for a few days.

Failure of Council to create new councilman jobs and fix salaries has given the employes of the old councilmanic bodies additional time to stay on the city payroll.

SAYS MANY FAVOR LOWDEN

W. F. Kendrick Asserts Middle West Wants Ohio for President

After a trip covering several thousand miles through the Middle West and South, Receiver of Taxes W. Fredrick Kendrick returned to his office in City Hall today.

TO HEAR 13 MURDER CASES

New Jersey Supreme Court Justice to Preside at Camden

Supreme Court Justice Mintram will sit in the Camden Criminal Court next Tuesday at 11 o'clock to hear the pleas of the thirteen men and women now in the Camden county jail, charged with murder.

Some of the prisoners have been awaiting trial for more than three years. The delay has been chiefly due to the illness of Supreme Court Justice Garrison.

Rev. L. C. Washburn Regains Health

The Rev. Dr. Louis C. Washburn, pastor of Old Christ Church, has recovered from an attack of bronchial pneumonia and will be able to resume his duties shortly.

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\$5000 IS LEFT TO CHURCH WILL DINE CATTELL TONIGHT

St. Asaph, Bala, Benefits by Will of Maria P. Gerhard

Robert P. Cregar, banker, who was scalded to death under a shower bath in a New York hotel several weeks ago, left \$10,000 to relatives. Dr. Francis T. Stewart, 311 South Eleventh street, for many years chief resident physician at the Pennsylvania Hospital, and a member of the faculty at Jefferson Medical College, left \$70,000 to his widow, Matilda Stewart.

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