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ARIZONA LEADS BIG FLOTILLA OF SHIPS IN STORMY REVIEW

Aeroplane Fleet Escorts Ships to Statue

SNOW HIDES THE GREAT PAGEANT

Sirens Shriek in Welcome For the Sea Warriors

New York, Dec. 26.—Led by the superdreadnaught Arizona, ten great battleships, in command of Admiral Henry T. Mayo—the vanguard of America's victory fleet in European waters—steamed majestically up New York harbor today in review before Secretary of the Navy Daniels and were greeted with tumultuous reception by harbor craft and hundreds of thousands of persons who lined the shores. The fleet reached Ambrose channel late yesterday and rode at anchor within sight of the city's lights last night.

The ships weighed anchor at 7.30 o'clock today, and, escorted by a fleet of twenty-one aeroplanes, proceeded slowly on the harbor to the Statue of Liberty, where Secretary Daniels and a party of distinguished guests on the Presidential yacht Mayflower reviewed the procession. The shrieks of thousands of welcoming sirens and whistles were drowned by the thunderous salute of nineteen guns from each battleship as it came abreast of the Mayflower.

The dreadnaughts passed up the Hudson and anchored from Fifty-fifth to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and preparation for the parade made for 10,650 men to disembark for the land parade down Fifth avenue this afternoon.

The ships welcomed home after eighteen months of strenuous patrol of seas infested by enemy submarines were the Pennsylvania, Arizona, Oklahoma, Nevada, Utah, New York, Texas, Arkansas, Wyoming and Florida.

In addition to Secretary Daniels, the reviewing party included Secretary of War Baker, Secretary of Agriculture Houston, General Peyton C. March, chief of staff of the United States Army, Admiral Grant, of the British navy, and the chief naval attaches of the Allied nations.

Residents of every hamlet facing the bay last night eagerly awaited their opportunity of being first to salute the homecoming armada. Every factory whistle for miles around received a final inspection, so that it should not fail to speak their welcome. It was expected that not a square foot of soil on the heights of Brooklyn or Staten Island would be vacant, while great hosts thronged both banks of the majestic Hudson to hail the returning ships.

At New York, the overseas fleet found awaiting to greet it great battalions of the home fleet and many swift, gaunt destroyers which have been doing convoy and patrol duty in American waters during the war. This home fleet was during the night anchored in the Hudson.

SHOW HIDES THE SHIPS ON REVIEW

New York, Dec. 26.—Snow fell so thickly in New York Harbor this morning, the day of the great naval review, that the war vessels soon were hidden from Observers on shore. This unpropitious weather came with the dawn while the fleet still tugged at its anchors off the Ambrose Channel Lightship.

MESSIAH TO BE SUNG AT GRACE CHURCH MONDAY

Musical Art Society to Give Annual Oratorio With Fifty Voices

The Musical Art Society, of this city, will render Handel's "Messiah" Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the Grace M. E. Church in State street. The chorus of fifty voices will be supported by the pipe organ and orchestra. The soloists for the occasion are prominent singers of the city: Miss Mary Buttrick, soprano; Mrs. Frank Jager, contralto; Stanley S. Backenstoss, baritone; William S. Yates, tenor; and William R. Stonestor, organist.

This is the fourth annual performance of the "Messiah" by the club, and Professor John W. Phillips, founder of the organization and conductor, stated today that it was his hope that this great musical work would become as familiar to Harrisburgers as any well-known hymn. "This year of all years," said Professor Phillips, "people should hear the Messiah; it would like to make this oratorio as well known to Harrisburgers as the most familiar hymn. It is an undying thing, and the music is as fresh to-day as the day it was written."

In speaking of the aims and purposes of the Musical Art Society, Professor Phillips pointed out that its object is to bring music to all classes in the city and to develop musical talent. He said: "The Musical Art Society was formed to develop a higher standard of choral singing and to bring out talent that has heretofore not had a chance. The society, besides, has a number of associate members and a growing list of honorary memberships. My purpose in repeating this great oratorio each year is to make it so familiar to the people that its rendition may become a kind of annual pilgrimage for music lovers in the city and vicinity."

The Musical Art Society plans to give some other big concerts this winter, and its rehearsal list has become full of interest to the members. Other concerts for the winter will be announced at a later date.

Thousands of Peruvians Flee Out of Chile

Lima, Peru, Dec. 26.—It is estimated that 3,000 Peruvians have fled from Chile to Peru and Bolivia during the past month as a result of the crisis between Chile and Peru.

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Wait Till He Gets the Real Broncho Buster on His Back



JITNEY DRIVERS WITHDRAW FROM INDEMNITY FUND

Public Carriers Ruled Off the Streets Plan to Operate Cars For Hire

Thirty-five jitney drivers of the city who have been operating for many months but must now comply with the Public Service Commission ruling which orders them off the streets unless they apply for a certificate of public convenience, are withdrawing funds from the city treasury.

According to the amended city ordinance under which the jitneys operated, each month they paid \$5 into the city treasury toward a fund which should be used in case any damage claims were made against the driver. As each one goes out of business and returns his license, this fund is returned to him when he furnishes a bond equal to double the amount he has paid into the treasury monthly.

The Municipal Commission ruled that the drivers should not be allowed to do a fair amount of business in that way.

TITLES ON SCRAP HEAP
Munch, Dec. 26.—The new Wurttemberg government, says a Stuttgart dispatch, proposes to abolish all nobility titles and powers.

ADMIRAL SIMS SENDS GREETINGS TO FRIENDS

Commander of American Fleet Pays Tribute in Interesting Letter to Yankee Seamen and Part They Played

Responding to a letter of congratulation from the editor-in-chief of the Telegraph, who was one of his youthful associates at Orbisonia, Huntingdon county, Admiral William S. Sims, writes an interesting letter, in which he pays tribute to the part of the American Naval and Army forces played in the winning of the war. He expresses in this letter confidence in a final adjustment that will assure the peace of the world.

IN NEW ATTIRE



"CHIEFY" GILNER, LONG FIGURE AT CAPITOL, DIES

Familiar Character Succumbs to Stomach Trouble in 69th Year

"Chiefy" Gilner, self-appointed custodian of the Pennsylvania State Capitol, and long a familiar figure about the institution, died early yesterday morning at the Harrisburg Hospital where he had been taken on the preceding afternoon suffering from a severe cold and stomach trouble.

"Chiefy" or Patrick Gilnaugh, as he was christened, was born in Ireland 68 years ago, and when quite young he came to this country and to Harrisburg. Never capable of doing more than a day's work, he was given to decide the issue.

The lonely man who appealed to the city editor of the Telegraph for a wife, has an answer to his appeal. A comely young widow has decided to embark on the sea of matrimony and sends this letter to the city editor to be forwarded to the party in question:

"Reading your letter in the Harrisburg Telegraph, I have finally decided to answer as I am a widow 31 years of age. Three years ago my husband died leaving me a widow with two children, two girls, 8 and 6. I am five feet, four inches in height, weighing 120 pounds. I have brown hair and blue eyes and a full complexion. I would like you to send me your photo.

ECKINGER HAS BILLS CUT DOWN FOR SECOND TIME

Agrees to Take \$400 of \$1,800 and Submit to Court Test

Coroner Jacob Eckinger, surcharged early this year by County Controller Henry W. Gough, for amounts totaling \$2,142, presented bills for more than \$1,800 today to the county commissioners. These are the first he has filed since November, 1917.

The commissioners decided to pay Coroner Eckinger \$400, with the understanding that settlement of the surcharges made against amounts he collected prior to this year should be settled by court decision on a case stated.

When Controller Gough issued his 1917 report he included two charges against the coroner, one for about \$700, which he claimed the coroner received during the last few years in witness fees of 25 cents each, to which he was not entitled; and the second account for approximately \$1,400, made up of charges of \$1.37 made by Coroner Eckinger for reporting investigations.

In the bills for this year Coroner Eckinger has included again the latter charges for reporting investigations. In paying him \$400 the county commissioners did so, they said, with the agreement that Coroner Eckinger will pay back the amounts he has been surcharged last year should it be decided by the court that he was not entitled to the money. The fees also would be deducted from his bills for 1918 when final settlement is made for the year.

County Solicitor Philip S. Moyer, who is away for a short time to rest after a recent illness, will prepare the case and present it to the court, it is understood. The facts will be agreed upon and the legal question argued after which an opinion will be given to decide the issue.

SCORES DIE IN NEW BERLIN REVOLT OF GERMAN SAILORS; WILSON GREETED IN ENGLAND

President Is Given Royal Welcome by British People

U. S. PARTY IS GIVEN HONORS

Demonstration of Great Size in British Capital

London, Dec. 26.—President and Mrs. Wilson are in Buckingham Palace this afternoon after a journey from Calais to London during which they were accorded all the honors ever given royalty. Never has a royal progress, except those of great national ceremonies excited such interest here as the first state visit of an American President.

The drive of the short procession from the station to the palace was made through streets lined with the Guards Regiment in khaki. Fresh flags hung overhead and covered the buildings, while windows, balconies, sidewalks and open spaces were filled with people, many of whom wore the American colors.

All Eyes on Wilson
First came the sovereign's escort of troops from the Household Cavalry. Then came the caissons with King George and President Wilson and Queen Mary. Mrs. Wilson and Princess Mary. These were followed by three others, which passed almost unnoticed, as all eyes were for Mr. and Mrs. Wilson and the Royal family.

The route lay through a most interesting section of London. From Charing Cross it ran along the north side of Trafalgar Square, with the Nelson monument towering on the left and the National Gallery on the right. Its gray walls almost covered by huge American and British flags. It continued along Pall Mall, turning northward at St. James Place and up St. James street to Piccadilly.

People Everywhere
Between Piccadilly and Buckingham Palace there stretched a green park which was dark with people. The party drove past Wellington Arch, along the southern side of the park, then into the broad plaza before the palace and through the iron gates into the palace forecourt.

Probably the most interesting part of the spectacle for the President was the people who crowded everywhere to greet him. The day being a holiday, workmen and women had a chance to turn out, with their small children. They made the most of their opportunity and to no stratum of British humanity could the President have made a stronger appeal. The interior of the grimy old station, where King George welcomed Mr. Wilson, was carpeted with red and the walls and roofs were hidden behind masses of flags.

Welcomed at Dover
Dover, England, Dec. 26.—The weather was bright and crisp this morning and Dover wore a festive appearance with its decorations and its animated throngs ready to welcome the President.

NEUTRALS BARRED OFF PEACE BOARD

Paris, Dec. 26.—Allied representatives have decided that neutral nations will not be admitted to the peace conference, according to newspapers here. Neutrals may address their claims to belligerents, however, and any demands thus made will be referred to a special body which will be created by the peace body.

PEACE CONGRESS OPENING MAY BE LATE IN JANUARY

Question of Representation to Be Discussed in London Visit of Wilson

Paris, Dec. 26.—More than three weeks probably will elapse before the general peace conference assembles. It is unlikely that any official statement will be issued in the meantime concerning the number of governments to be represented or the tests to be applied to determine the right of applicants to participate.

Technical experts attached to the delegations of the principal powers already have given much study to this subject. If negotiations to reach an agreement on this point have not been undertaken already it is certain they will be immediately after President Wilson's return from London.

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Government Is Left to Face Disorder Without Troops

BATTLE ABOUT ROYAL STABLES

Garrison Joins With Revolutionists in Street Fighting

London, Dec. 26.—The mutinous sailors who had been holding out in the Red Palace at Berlin have hoisted the white flag and have been allowed to leave under guard, according to advices from Berlin sent by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Amsterdam. Government troops, the message adds, now occupy the palace and the royal stables.

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"This evening each ship will be outlined brilliantly with strings of electric lights. Every turret, heavy gun and mast will stand out in a blaze of light, and the name of each vessel will be spelled out in colors. The flagships will carry pennants of blue bulbs, with their correct designations in silver stars.

"Dear Mr. Stackpole: Your letter of November 18th, just received and I thank you very much indeed for the kindly congratulations and expressions of appreciation that you and, through you, some of my old

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and colder to-night, with lowest temperature about 28 degrees; Friday fair, continued cold. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Partly cloudy and colder to-night; Friday fair; moderate west winds.

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with two children, two girls, 8 and 6. I am five feet, four inches in height, weighing 120 pounds. I have brown hair and blue eyes and a full complexion. I would like you to send me your photo.

"P. S.—Answer at once."

MARRIAGE LICENSES
John Malachuk and Mari Forzys, Steelton; James W. McClellan and Fannie E. Van Orman, Altoona; Ben F. Baxter, New Bloomfield, and Lydia L. Brunner, Oakdale; Paul A. Hoover and Beulah E. Grove, Penbrook; Franklin U. Brunner and Mary E. Kepler, Harrisburg; Chester C. Stettler, Philadelphia, and Iva I. Smith, New Market; John H. King and Minnie H. Ober, Middletown; George A. Herbert and Irene Hall, Harrisburg; William Richardson and Blanche Willis, Steelton.