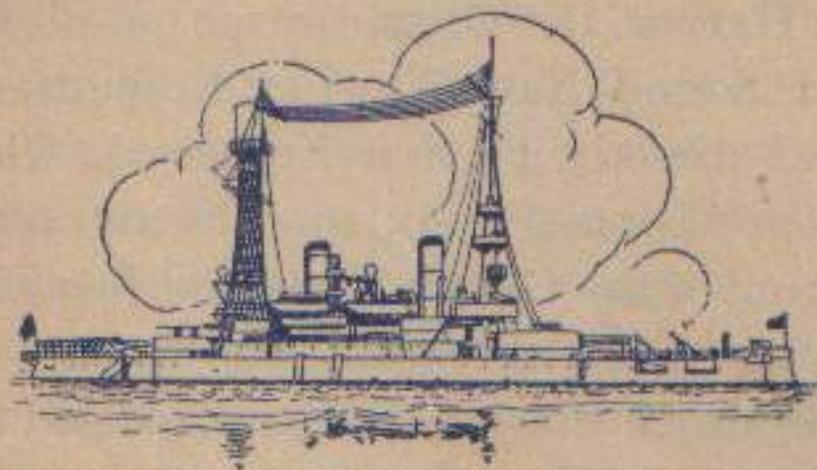


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VICTORY LOAN
1919

THE U. S. S. OREGON

“The Bulldog of the Navy”

THE OREGON was launched at the Union Iron Works of San Francisco in 1893 and was commissioned in 1896.

Four and three-fourths percent for four years!

HER specially famous service was in connection with the Spanish war in 1898. On February 16, 1898, the day after the Maine was blown up in Havana Harbor, the Oregon came out of dry dock in Puget Sound Navy Yard at Bremerton. She proceeded directly to San Francisco, where she took on provisions for six months and on March 19 stood out of the Golden Gate and headed south. The voyage down the coast was stormy but the good ship drove through the seas, passed through the Straits of Magellan, and put into Rio de Janeiro on April 30. While here she got news of Admiral Dewey's victory at Manila on May 1st. From Rio the Oregon, undisturbed by the report that Spanish destroyers were lurking in her path, made a daring run through the Caribbean Sea and dropped anchor off Jupiter Inlet, Florida, on May 24, in prime condition, needing no repairs after

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her long, rough voyage of 14,500 miles, ready and fit for immediate service. The news of her safe arrival in such excellent condition thrilled the whole nation with a sense of relief and pride.

*72,000 Americans overseas paid for victory
with their lives*

THENCE the Oregon joined the fleet of Admiral Sampson, which was then blockading the Spanish ships of Admiral Cervera in the harbor of Santiago de Cuba. When the Spanish fleet made a dash to escape on July 3rd, the Oregon joined the battle, and engaging the Christobal Colon pounded her with the accurate fire of her big guns and drove her on the beach. The Spanish fleet was destroyed. The nation celebrated the Fourth of July with enthusiastic rejoicing over the victory of the Navy.

*200,000 Americans overseas paid for victory
with wounds*

SINCE the Spanish War the Oregon has been attached to the Pacific Station, where she has been on duty during the past two years, giving

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place to her younger and larger sisters to defend the nation from attack on the Atlantic.

A Victory Note is a Thank-offering

THE OREGON is 351 feet long and her tonnage is 11,668. She carries four thirteen inch guns and eight eight inch guns. Her complement is thirty officers and 624 men. On her famous voyage and during the Spanish War the Oregon was under the command of Captain Chas. E. Clark, U. S. N., now Rear Admiral, retired. Her present commander is Captain W. T. Tarrant, U. S. N.



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