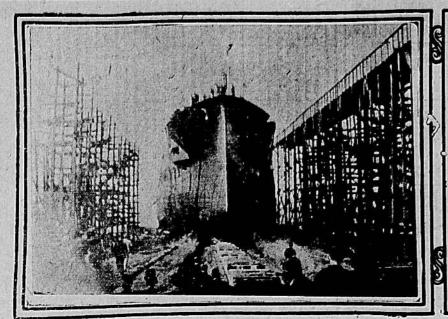
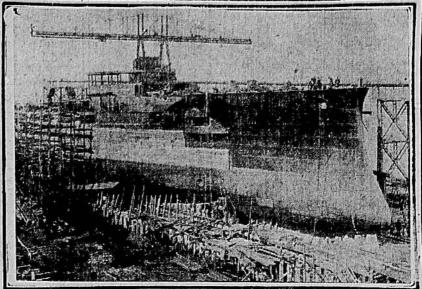
EATTLESHIP DELAWARE LAUNCHED 'MID SCENES OF SPLENDOR





DELAWARE SLIDING DOWN THE WAYS



THE SHIP READY FOR LAUNCHING.



MISS ANNE PENNEWILL CARLL,

THEIR ENTHUSIASM

Scores of Steel-Throated Whistles Shriek Welcome to the New Comer.

MAGNIFICENT

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round with lace and royal blue veivet. She wore a hat to match. Miss Hazels suit was of Loque broadcloth. She wore a net waist and black satin hat, trimmed, with black plumes. The sponsor and maids each carried large bunches of American Beauty roses.

Begun Preparate.
Scarred.

Scarcely had the sun peeked over the horizon in the east this morning when a force of about 500 picked mewhen a force of about 500 picked mechanics started to work to prepare the Delaware for her journey down the ways. The "boom, boom" of the great ranmers driving home the hundreds of wedges that were to lift the massive hull from the keel blocks and transfer its weight to the launching cradie was audible for blocks around the shipyard.

Fully an hour before the time, set for the launching hundreds of people

freat hindrance to the cure of womanly diseases. Women shrink from the personal questions of the local physician which seem indelicate. The thought of examination is absorber to them, and so they endure in silence a condition of disease which surely progresses from bad to worse.

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Silence!

Ship Two-Thirds Completed.

Nearly all of the scaffolding had been removed from around the ship, and the red hull, glistening in the sunshine, made a most imposing ap-pearance. The long hull and trim lines pearance. The long hull and un-at once betokened great speed and un-at once betokened great speed and unusually good sea qualities. What sur-prised the spectators more than any-thing else was the advanced stage of completion which the ship has attained. The hull was entirely completed, the



MISS ELLEN COLEMAN DUPONT, Maid of Honor.

Adams, of Old Point, and Colonel E. T. Lamb, of Norfolk.

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Miss Cabili Wore a handsome gown of French blue broadcloth with Pergan trimmings and satin buttons. Her hat was of black not, and trimmed with black plumes and black yelvet. Miss LuPont was gowned in a beautiful biscuit cloth auit, which was trimmed with lace and royal blue veivet. She were a hat to

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At 9:42 o'clock the pieces were completely severed, but the great hull falled to move a fraction of an inch. Immediately great "jacks" were set in place on the sele pieces to move the ship a few inches and get her started on the way to the water.

Steadily the jacks were worked, but the hull falled to budge. Fifteen minutes after the sole pieces were severed the ship had not moved, and the ship-yard officials began to be alarmed, for the great weight on the launching cradie might cause it to collapse.

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Finally, at exactly 10.0 clock, the hull began to tremble; there was an ominous creaking of the blocks, and two minutes afterwards the ship got under way. When the prow had moved about one foot, Miss Cahill drew her right arm back, and with all her attength she hurled the bottle against the prow, shattering it into a hundred pieces and drenching many of those on the launching stand with the wine.

Slow, at first, the hull moved, then it gathered momentum, and glided faster and faster. The stern struck the water with a great splash, and soon the bow left the ways and settled far down into the water, then ship drifted out into the river and was captured by tugs and towed to one of the shipyard piers, where she will be completed.

Ovation for Miss Cahill.

When the sponsor descended from the launching both she was given an ovation by those in the stand. She smiled sweetly upon all, and after shaking hands with the Governor and other guests, she left the stand and took a carriage for the Warwick Hotel, where the post-launching breakfast was served.

As the ship took the water Secretary Satteriee congratulated President Orcutt, of the builders, on the successful manner in which the ship went overboard. President Orcutt responded that the Newport News Company always built fine ships, and had been fortunate in putting them overboard. "And, Mr. Secretary," he said, "we are prepared here to build four or five battleships at a time, and if you will give us the contracts

began assembling in front of the ship-yard gates walting for them to open. Several excursion craft with people from Norfoth Portsmouth and Old Point aboard, and the United States army transports Meade and Kilpatrick, which were anchored in the hour set for the launching, people vessels and all of the ships tied up at the shipyard These vessels and all of the ships tied up at the shipyard were gally decorated with hundreds of small flags.

When the ship yard gates were thrown open at \$4.5 o'clock, thousands swarmed down into the shipbuilding plant and took up positions of vantage around the ship and on the piers near the launching ways.

Ship Two-Thirds Completed. of hull construction, who had direct charge of the launching, explained to a Times-Dispatch reporter the causes why the ship failed to go down the ways when the sole pieces were cut in order to prevent the vessel from sticking on the ways when her stern floated up and threw most of the weight on the centre of the ways, it would be necessary to put a large quantity of hard tallow on the ways. This tallow froze during the recent cold weather, and as the result the vessel did not start down the ways with her own momentum.

The Delaware will be completed in June, 1910. Aiready the five big turrets, the two smokestacks, the boilers and auxillary engines are

terday, the opinion reversing a recent decision declared by the supreme court. The law applied to officers of the law as well as to civilians and the decision declaring the law null and void was rendered in the case of Lon Taylor, a constable, who had been found guilty of carrying an unlawful weapon. her hand and was ready to name the new queen of the seas.

The "swish, swish," of the crosscut saws which were severing the sole pieces could be heard for many feet around, and the spectators ceased their laughing and talking and almost breathlessly awaited the first movement of the ship.

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At 9:42 o'clock the pieces were com-

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Length over all, 518 feet; extreme breadth, 85 feet; depth, 44.5 feet; displacement on trial, 20,000 tons; displacement on full load (about), 22,000 tons; draft on trial, 27 feet; coal bunker capacity, 2,500 tons; speed on trial, 21 knots; indicated horse-power, 25,000 25,000.

ware will be equal to those of any battleship in the world. There will be a waterline belt of armor extend-ing from stem to stern. This belt will be eleven inches in thickness along the engine-room, fire-room and maga

| Voin. | Delaware National Guard held the Delaware flag behind his nead. Colonel W. L. T. Waller, of the United States Marino Corps, responded to the toast, 'The Navy,' resulting the past achievements of America's ships and briefly telling of the provess of the present navy. | The Battleship Delaware was respectively. | The Battleship Delaware was responded to the toast, which was responded to the toast. | The National Guard had the Delaware flag behind his nead. Colonel W. L. T. Waller, of the United States Marino Corps, responded to the toast, which was responded to the toast, which was responded to the toast, which was respectively. | The National Guard had the Delaware flag behind his nead. Colonel W. L. T. Waller, of the was responded to the toast, which was responded to the toast was resp dered a delightful post-launching breakfast at the Hotel Warwick, in henor of the sponsor, Miss Anne Pennewill Cahill. Gathered around the "The Fair Sponsor."

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The Delaware will be propelled by twin-scrowa driven by two four-yilled properties of the spensor, who shall cannot be the sage of the spensor. The disting engines of a combined indicated by twin-scrowa driven by two four-yilled properties of seam will be 250 pounds to the square inch. These engines of a combined indicated by twin-scrowa driven by twin-scrowa

great men Virginia has contributed to our nation. Some of you who attended the late lamented Jamestown Exposition (laughter) saw there in the exhibits what Virginia has been in the past. However, I had rather speak of the Virginia of the present and the Virginia of the future."

Lauds Newport News Plant. Mr. Jones then went on to say that 42 per cent, of the present United States navy has been built at Newport News. Also, he said, that if the United States merchant marine ever was built

VIRGINIA GREETS DELAWARE

Up again, Newport News would figure prominently in the construction work.

Governor Pennewill and Others

Respond to Toasts in Happy
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States merchant marine ever was built up again, Newport News would figure prominently in the construction work.

Governor Pennewill Responds.

"Delaware" was proposed next, and Governor Pennewil responded in a very graceful speech. All the time that he was standing a color sergeant of the Delaware National Guard held the Delaware figs helid his next.

Attorney at Moline, Ill., Convinced by Speaking of the launching, Judge Pennewill said that this was a redictor day in Delaware's history. Every feature of the program had been carried out in a most excellent manner. Nover can we forget the kindness and the hospitality of Virginia and her the speaker.

Congressman Jones on Virginia.

"Virginia—The Old Dominion," was the next toast proposed by Mr. Orcutt, but before calling upon Congressman William A. Jones, of Virginia, to respond, he said he wanted to call the roll of the Virginia-built battleships that are making the great globe-ciling cruise with the Atlantic battleship of the speaker. "There is nothing that will convinced a lawyer except evidence. Now, here is some rather satelling way or expense of simple home cure for exema which convinced one lawyer. F. C. Entriken, attorney at Moline, Ill. He tells how oil of wintergreen compound the way of the sealesh of the sealesh ow oil of wintergreen compound the way of safety of the sealesh of the sealesh ow oil of wintergreen compound the decision of the safety of the safety of the sealesh ow oil of wintergreen compound the sealesh of the sample home cure for exema which convinced one lawyer. F. C. Entriken, attorney at Moline, Ill. He tells how oil of wintergreen compound with the proposed by Mr. Orcutt, but before calling upon Congressman William A. Jones, of Virginia, in the speaker." There is nothing that will convince of the sample home cure for exema which convinced one lawyer. F. C. Entriken, attorney at Moline, Ill. He tells home cure for exema which convinced one lawyer. F. C. Entriken, attorney at Moline, Ill. He tells how oil of wintergreen Compound.

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