Battleship Utah Rides the Stream

Biggest Fighting Machine in the United States Navy is Named as She Slides Down the Ways—Miss Mary Alice Spy Breaks Bottle of Wine in Customary Fashion—Crowds Cheer and Whistles Blow as Huge Vessel Touches the Water—Fifth of All-Big-Gun Type of Battleships for Uncle Sam.

Philadelphia, Dec. 11—Dedicated to be our naval fleet as a mighty fighting monster, the battleship Utah, the greatest warship in the United States, was launched at 3:30 today to the presence and applause of a crowd that gathered at the Navy Yard to witness the historic event.

When the stern of the Utah was pushed over into the sea, the launchers were immediately adjusted, and the vessel's guns were fired in unison, the number of shots from the warship being fired in exact time with the announcement of the launch. The sound was heard throughout the yard, and the spectators were able to see the vessel rising from the water as she was launched.

The ship was named Miss Mary Alice Spy, as Miss Mary Alice Spy, daughter of Capt. Harry E. McPherson, of the Philadelphia Water Works, had the honor of breaking the bottle of wine on the keel of the ship. The bottle was broken, and the wine was allowed to run over the keel, and the ship was pushed into the water.

The ship was built at the Naval Yard, and is the fifth of the class of battleships to be launched. She is 850 feet long, and has a displacement of 15,000 tons. She is equipped with eight 16-inch guns, and is armed with a battery of 7-inch guns. She is also fitted with a turbine engine, and is capable of making 20 knots. She is the first battleship of this class to be launched.

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