

GIRL IS UNABLE TO SMASH BOTTLE AT BIG LAUNCHING

Dock Worker Comes Rescue And Dreadnought Leaves The Ways.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—A dock worker relieved an embarrassing situation at the Brooklyn Navy Yard today and prevented the word "hoodoo" being applied to the monster fighting machine New York, as the dreadnought was launched. And all because pretty Miss Elsie Frances Calder, a slender wisp of a girl, did not have strength enough to throw the customary bottle of champagne with force enough against the slanting steel prow to shatter the glass. Three times the girl tried, but the blow was glancing. Then, as the great hull was slipping swiftly beyond reach, she looked appealingly at one of the workers perched on the structure above her head. Quick to act, the man hauled up the ribboned rope with which the bottle was attached to the craft, swung it high, and, with a mighty blow, spread champagne all over the bow of the craft. The christening was a success.

Built in the yard by Government labor, the great fighting machine declared by the officials responsible for her to be the greatest of all battleships, although she is only 42 per cent completed, and it will be May, 1914, before she will go into commission, unless war breaks out in the meanwhile and she has to be rushed to completion.

Distinguished Gathering.
Not in many years has there been so pretentious a ceremony as marked the giving of this enormous fighting machine to her element.

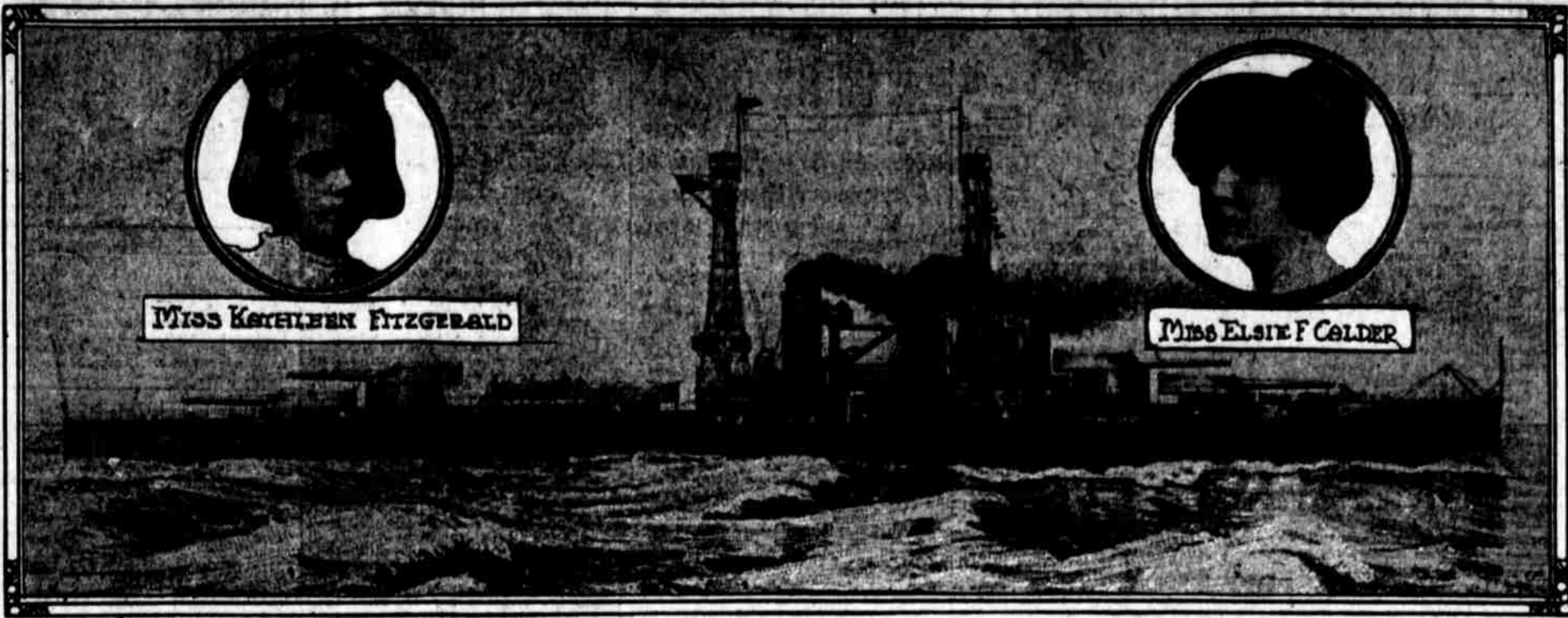
The President, Secretary of the Navy Meyer, Governor Dix, Mayor Gaynor, and every high official of the army and navy who could possibly get to the scene were interested spectators.

Just before the New York started her journey down the ways it was stated that she represented a displacement of 10,000 tons. To support that weight and make certain that she reached the water without accident, fully a quarter of a million feet of lumber had been used in the construction of the "cradle," while twelve and one-half tons of grease had been carefully spread by the yard workmen.

No Orders to "Saw Off."
One picturesque effect was absent from today's launching. When Naval Constructor J. E. Bailey, who has been in charge of the building of the warship, gave the order "Look out below," he failed to couple it with the old-time admonition, "saw off." There were no men along the sides to saw away the holding timbers.

Instead, Bailey pressed a little valve.

Super-Dreadnought Launched Today, and Girls Who Took Part in Christening



MISS KATHLEEN FITZGERALD

MISS ELSIE F. CALDER

Immediately hydraulic pressure released two steel fingers which had held the giant mass in check and the vessel started down the ways as slowly as though just moving along a level under tow.

The launching took place at the top of the flood tide. For half an hour before the time set, 10:30, the East river was closed to travel with the exception of a narrow course along the Manhattan shore. This was because of the impossibility of saying just what a great warship might do when she is plunged into the water. The yard officials were taking no chance, but were ready to see that their charge had all of the sea room needed.

One of the picturesque sights in connection with the launching was the presence in the yard of some of the best of the navy's ships. It was as though they were to bring luck by their presence. There were the giants Wyoming and Arkansas, greatest of all of our battleships now in commission; the Florida, the Connecticut, last word in battleship line when the fleet went around the world and now relegated to the reserve fleet; the Utah, the Delaware and a host of lesser lights, including the President's own personal flagship, the Mayflower.

When finished the New York will carry a battery of ten 14-inch guns on her main armament; will have a speed of twenty-one knots, and will carry 1,000 men and sixty-three officers. She is to be fitted out with an admiral's cabin and will be used as a flagship.

WASHINGTON HORSES ENTERED AT LAUREL

Fifteen Thousand Attend the Races Today and See Good Card.

A number of Washington horsemen and horsewomen have entries in the horse show at Laurel in connection with the Maryland State Fair now being held at that place.

Miss Jeannette Allen has several fine horses entered. As her guest attending the show is Miss L. Ashley, of New York. Mrs. Eva White has her horse, "Togo," entered. Julian Morris has several jumping horses entered, including "Queen of Undulla," "Merry Xmas," "Sweet William," and "Pacquette." Capt. J. R. Lindsey and Capt. Warren Dean, of Fort Myer, have their favorite horses entered. "Experiment," a heavy-weight jumper, owned by Captain Lindsey is entered in the jumping. Captain Dean's horse is "Comocret." R. H. Handale, Jr., has several animals entered.

A clear day, some fine horses in the show and a good race card for the afternoon attracted a crowd of fully 15,000 people to Laurel today.

RELIGIOUS DIFFERENCE POSTPONES WEDDING

Sister Being Methodist and Brother An Episcopalian, Cause of Trouble.

A "partial double wedding" was celebrated in this city yesterday. A difference of religious faith prevented the weddings from taking place simultaneously. Miss Sadie Mervin Cross, of North Keys, Md., nineteen years old, and her brother, Albert Cross, came to Washington to marry Ira S. Brooks, of Brandywine, Md., and Miss Grace E. DeVaughn, of Croom, Md., respectively. But the sister is a Methodist and the brother is an Episcopalian.

The two couples first went to the residence of the Rev. F. J. Prettyman, of 1208 Columbia road. Here Miss Cross and Mr. Brooks were married. Then they went to the parsonage of the Rev. H. C. Parkman, an Episcopalian, where the other two were joined in wedlock. The two honeymoon couples will remain in Washington several days.

Two Witnesses Are Arrested For Perjury

Promptly after the conviction of John Lee, colored, of murder in the second degree for shooting and killing Neilson Conway, colored, on September 11, 1911, Justice Stafford, in Criminal Court No. 1, ordered the arrest of Alf Mahoney and Alexander Stewart, both colored, the principal witnesses for the defense, on a charge of perjury.

The testimony of Mahoney and Stewart was so strikingly at variance with that of the other witnesses that the court believed they testified falsely. A deputy marshal took the two men in custody and they were committed to jail in default of \$500 bail to await the action of the grand jury.

District Attorney Clarence R. Wilson and Assistant Prosecutor B. McComas Hawken prosecuted Lee.

Former Government Clerk Pleads Guilty

Arthur M. Travers, formerly chief clerk in the office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General, yesterday pleaded guilty in the District Supreme Court to an indictment charging conspiracy, and was fined \$1,000. The indictment charging embezzlement was dismissed.

BOY WANTED TO SEE ENGINES RUN

Found Fire Box Open, He Says, and Just Had to Pull Levers.

Because he wanted some excitement, John Diggs, ten years old, of 1228 Wylie street northeast, called the fire department out at noon yesterday by sounding an alarm from the box at Eighth and I streets northeast. After sounding the alarm, young Diggs was arrested after a chase of several blocks by Sergeant Davis, of the Ninth Precinct.

According to the police, the boy told them he saw the glass that covers the lever in the door of the box broken and he was unable to resist the temptation to call the department out. Sergeant Davis was told that a boy with a bag of coal in his hand had sounded the alarm. He found young Diggs about two blocks away, but Diggs said the officer first and Davis had to run several blocks before he caught the boy.

WIFE IS INDICTED FOR SHOOTING AT WEALTHY HUSBAND

Sensational Disclosures Are Promised When Case Comes To Trial.

NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y., Oct. 30.—With the indictment of Mrs. Mary M. Hanner, of Buffalo, wife of wealthy Harry F. Hanner, for assault with intent to kill on her husband, interest in the mysterious shooting of Hanner in an automobile here on September 12 last, was greatly revived today. Chief of Police John F. Ryan declared today that he has in his possession the revolver with which the shooting took place. He said that it had been identified by George F. Hanner, brother of the wounded man, as having been given by him to his brother. He said that it had been identified by Harry F. Hanner brother of the wounded man, as having been given by him to his brother. Ryan said he picked up the pistol near the lumber yard from which Hanner and his wife said the shots came.

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