

Left—The impressive service of a week ago yesterday at the Rockaway Naval Station when the NC seaplanes were formally commissioned—an unprecedented ceremony in the annals of the navy, and marking the last stage in the preparations for the Trans-Atlantic flight.

The NC-3 skims the water before taking the air in a final test flight at Rockaway before setting out on the first "hop" of her Trans-Atlantic flight.

Right—A close-up of the giant NC-4 receiving her final grooming. The NC-4 and the NC 1 were damaged to the extent of some \$10,000 in a nasty fire in their hangar early last Monday morning, but repairs were quickly made.



Left—A wounded soldier guest is carried to the military exhibition in Van Cortlandt Park in a motorcycle side-car, driven by its attractive owner.

The smoking ruins of the half million dollar fire that recently swept ten acres of Brighton Beach, wiping out the famous Winter Pool and some forty other buildings.



Vice-President Marshall tries on a new bonnet previously worn by a German officer and presented to the Vice-President by the Victory Loan Committee for his efforts in behalf of the loan.



A scene at the annual trapshooting championships of America recently held at Travers Island. For the first time the championship title goes out of the country, J. E. Jennings taking it back to Canada after breaking 197 clay birds out of a possible 200.

Right—Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Treman leave the Little Church Around the Corner after their marriage last week. Mrs. Treman was Mrs. Vernon Castle and her husband is an ex-captain U. S. Aviation Corps.



All that a queen should be in beauty of face and of spirit is Queen Marie, beloved sovereign of Rumania. Queen Marie hopes to visit the United States in the near future. From a hitherto unpublished photo.



An army observation balloon poised above the crowd at the recent military exhibition at Van Cortlandt Park with which wounded soldiers from the New York hospitals were entertained.

Left—Coach Abbott, of the Yale crew, smokes a pipe of satisfaction over the showing of his boys against the Tigers.



Wellesley College is taking up spring sports with enthusiasm and rowing is among the most popular. An excellent crew has been selected and is hard at work on the lake which adjoins the beautiful college campus.



An aeroplane circles above the cross of Father Junipero Serra, famous old mission padre, at the eleventh annual Easter sunrise service on Mt. Ribadoux, Riverside, Cal.—a non-sectarian religious service inaugurated by Jacob Riis. Fifteen thousand pilgrims attended the service and overseas men were the guests of honor.



"Spike" has the distinction of having carried more messages through the lines during the fighting on the French battlefront than any other Yank pigeon. Only a small carrier pigeon, but his fifty-two delivered messages saved uncounted numbers of soldier lives.



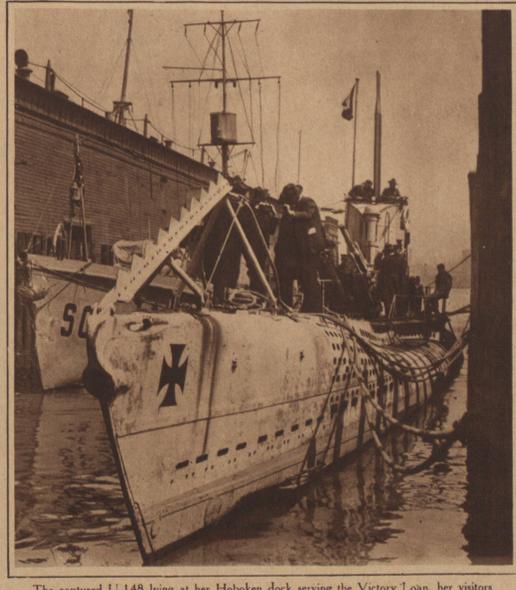
Yale goes over the line a full length and a half ahead of Princeton in the record-breaking two mile time of 10:58, on the Housatonic at Derby, Conn., a week ago yesterday. The first annual regatta to be held between the two universities resulted in a Yale win in both the freshmen and varsity races.



Looking south along the beach at Atlantic City toward the Million Dollar Pier from one of the Hotel Traymore's airplanes. The Traymore is the first hotel in the country to have airplanes at the disposal of its guests—the photo above shows one of the "ships" skimming close to the boardwalk above the beach in front of the hotel.



Rescued from the horrors of war and placed in the Methodist home at Ecullly, Lyons, this small orphan follows the orderly instincts of her peasant foremothers and briskly plies her little broom.



The captured U-148 lying at her Hoboken dock serving the Victory Loan, her visitors being often moved to subscribe. The saw-toothed contrivance on the prow cut through the dangerous anti-submarine nets and mine moorings.