



**HOUSTON'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**

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Plans are now being made for the annual children's Christmas Party to be given aboard ship on Christmas Day. The Navy Relief Committee (mentioned in another column of this sheet) has consented to undertake the planning of the party, but help from all hands will be needed to make it a success. We feel sure that the fun which all, young and old, will have at the party, plus the satisfaction of seeing so many happy little children in our midst will be more than ample reward for the effort required.

The general plan is as follows: Children between the ages of five and twelve of all men attached to the ship plus about twenty-five children of poor families will be invited to the party. The children will be divided into a number of groups, and a group will be assigned to each division for special attention and guidance during the entire time they are on the ship.

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**NAVY TO PLAY PENN**

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Today the Midshipmen's football team will meet the Pennsylvania University's football team at Franklyn Field, Philadelphia. Early in the season, Yale defeated Penn. 7-0. Two weeks ago the Quakers downed the powerful Princeton eleven 7-0. Last Saturday they romped over Brown 48-6. However, in spite of Penn's powerful defense and veteran combination of players, Navy should come through for a win. In the past three years Pennsylvania has failed to score on Navy. Then too, Navy is smarting under two hard fought defeats.

**HOUSTON TO GET UNDERWAY  
0001 2nd. NOVEMBER**

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The HOUSTON and the CHICAGO have orders to be prepared to get underway at 0001 Monday two November. It is expected that the HOUSTON will be off the Mare Island Light at about 0845 on the morning of the third. The CHICAGO will be off this light at about 0910 the same morning.

**NEW DENTIST**

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This past week Lt. (jg) C. A. Schlack (DC) reported aboard for duty. This is the first time that the HOUSTON has had a dentist regularly assigned to her since returning from China. Mr. Schlack has been spending the entire week getting acclimated and getting his office in shape; but, this coming week he will open shop for business.

We are indeed fortunate in having such a capable man assigned to the ship. Mr. Schlack is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Dental College and after graduation went back to the University as an instructor.

The Blue Bonnet in behalf of the Officers and Crew welcome our new Dentist aboard and wish him a happy cruise.

**FATHOMS BELOW**

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Lt. (jg) J. W. Williams, Signal Officer, has received orders to the instruction, Submarine School New London, Conn. Mr. Williams will be detached from the ship five December. Before going to New London, he is expecting to be married.

**ARGENTINE NAVAL SHIP  
IN PORT**

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Friday morning the Argentine Naval Training Ship, President Sarmiento, commanded by Comdr. (Captain de Fragata) Francisco J. Clarizza arrived in San Pedro for a weeks visit. The ship is making a practice cruise of West Coast and Carribean ports with some twenty-eight Midshipmen. She left Buenos Aires on 22 August for a five and a half months cruise. On this cruise she has or will visit Montevideo, Magallanes, Valparaiso, Callao, Los Angeles San Francisco, Balboa, Havana, Puerto Rico, and Pernambuco. She will leave San Pedro on the eighth for San Francisco where she will remain until the twentieth.

The President Sarimento is a three masted sailing vessel of 2850 tons displacement, with auxiliary power consisting of two coal burning boilers and two engines capable of a maxium speed of 15 knots. At a cruising speed of 10 knots, she has a cruising radius of 4500 miles. Her armament consists of: 3-4. 7 inch 45 cal, 1-4 inch, 2-6 pounders, and 2-3 pounders. She was orginally built in 1898 and in 1929 she was refitted as a training ship. She carries a crew in addition to the Officers and Midshipmen of 8 Chief Petty Officers, 66 Petty Officers, 128 seamen and 40 conscripts.

**NAVY DAY OBSERVED**

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This past Tuesday, Theodore Roosevelt's birthday, was observed throughout the nation as Navy Day. All over the country appropriate ceremonies were held. Theodore Roosevelt's birth-

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