



THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE

This coming Friday afternoon as we steam under the majestic portals of the World's largest and most magnificent single span suspension bridge, we will be taking part in a ceremony that is tribute to the triumph of American Engineering genius. It is the final phase of an engineering project that many of us have, in our various passages through the Golden Gate, seen grow from a mere dream to the now completed bridge which has cost some \$35,000,000. It is the completion of another key link in the proposed All Pacific Coast Highway System extending from Alaska to Patagonia.

The Golden Gate Bridge is a mere 4200 foot span swung on two 746 foot towers; thousands of tons of steel resting upon each of the four 169 ton cable-saddles that surround each of the tower legs. The 100,000 tons of steel required to build the Golden Gate Bridge would fully load a train 20 miles long. The concrete used in building this bridge equals the displacement of ten battleships of 33,000 tons each; in other words the concrete required in the construction of the Golden Gate Bridge would build two 10 foot sidewalks on each side of a highway from Omaha to Chicago, a distance of 516 miles or one sidewalk 10 feet wide and 1032 miles long.

The two 36½ inch cables of the Golden Gate Bridge required 80,000 miles of wire. This amount would be sufficient to erect a standard wire fence six feet in height on both sides of the main highway from Canada to the Mexican border, a distance of

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SAN FRANCISCO PLANS WELCOME FOR FLEET

IN A FEW DAYS we will arrive in the fair city of San Francisco, a city that is as cosmopolitan as New York, London or Paris. A city that is famous the world over for its hospitality, gayety and bridges. San Francisco has long taken pride in the fact that she has a reputation throughout the Fleet of always giving a warm welcome to the

Navy. This year she is planning on living up to that reputation as indicated by the following tentative schedule of events in connection with the Golden Gate Bridge Fiesta. This preliminary schedule was furnished to the Commander in Chief by the civilian committee and is subject to conformation and changes. Further details will be posted from time to time in the morning orders as they become available.

Friday, 28 May

- 1000 Waldo Approach Dedication.
- 1030-1230 Massed flight of naval aircraft over bridge (arranged in separate correspondence with Commander Aircraft, Battle Force and Commander Aircraft, Base Force).
- 1300 Bay and Exposition Fete.
- 2000-2200 Searchlight display by battleships, carriers, and cruisers present.
- 2030 Pageant—Crissy Field.
- 2200 Fireworks.

Saturday, 29 May

- 1000 Joint exchange of official calls at office of Commandant, 12th Naval District. Flag Officers present and Flag Lieutenants will attend. Uniform: Service (service aiguillettes).

- 1000 Yacht races, marine sports.
- 1400 Special exhibitions, Crissy Field.
- 2030 Illuminated night parade. A parade regiment from Cruisers, Scouting Force, Captain H. K. Hewitt, Regimental Commander, will participate.
- 2000-2100 Searchlight display by battleships, carriers and cruisers present.
- 2330 Dance for 200 enlisted men of Fleet sponsored by the Navy Mothers' Club, at Oakland Auditorium.

Sunday, 30 May

- 0800 Pistol shooting, Fort Funston Traffic Pistol Range. Volunteer contestants of Fleet will participate.
- 1000 Yacht Races.
- 1100 Special Church Services, all churches.
- 1400 Mountain Play (Tamalpais). Yacht Parade.
- 1500 Memorial Service in tribute to Golden Gate Bridge dead.
- 2000-2100 Searchlight display by battleships, carriers and cruisers present.

Monday, 31 May

- 0930 Decoration Day Parade. A parade regiment from

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