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WILL FIGHT VICE

Two Associations to Reform City.

CATHERING EVIDENCE NOW

Are Opposed to Gambling and Side Entrances.

VISIT MAYOR TO FIND HIS VIEWS

Ministers and Organizations of Citizens Will Probably Co-operate to See That All Existing Laws Are Strictly Enforced.

Both the Ministerial Association and the Municipal Association have committees at work gathering evidence on which to base a concerted movement against open gambling, as now conducted in Portland, and against side entrances to saloons.

As a preliminary to open hostilities members of these committees are visiting the Mayor, the Prosecuting Attorney, the Chief of Police and other officials, in whom the power presumably lies to prevent these evils.

The Ministerial Association, an organization of Portland ministers, announces that it will undertake the task of cleansing the Augean stables of Portland, and will direct its initial efforts against the unallied evils of gambling and side entrances to saloons. In this work it will be aided by the recently formed Municipal Association, which was organized with these specific ends in view.

As a preliminary to any open hostilities, the Ministerial Association appointed a committee last week to investigate existing conditions, and instructed it to report at a later date, which has not yet been set. The Rev. E. L. House, pastor of the First Congregational Church, was elected chairman of this committee, and in this capacity has already called upon Mayor Williams in order that the attitude of the city administration regarding these matters might be definitely ascertained. Just what the result of this conference was Dr. House will not say, but he intimated yesterday that the association might expect some co-operation and no opposition from the municipal officials.

Members of the ministerial committee, before making any report to the association, will interview the Police Commissioners and the Prosecuting Attorney, with the idea of finding out exactly what aid can be relied upon from these quarters, or whether, perchance, any passive antagonism will be encountered.

As a motive for their intended movement, Dr. House, on behalf of the ministers' association, advances the theory that every citizen who does not take active measures to see that the law is enforced is responsible for the numerous evils which he says follow in the wake of the side entrance and open gambling. The fact that the gaming houses pay in thousands of dollars to the city in the course of a year, and thus add to the municipal revenue, weighs for absolutely nothing with Dr. House.

"We might as well license robbery," says the reverend gentleman. "It would be as logical and as beneficial to the taxpayers."

Will Work Along Same Lines.

From the Municipal Association the same arguments and the same intentions are voiced. While this association originated in a committee appointed by the Calvary Presbyterian Church, it has outgrown its parent, and now disclaims any ecclesiastical connection. The number of its membership is not known, but its officers say that 1000 citizens of all religious creeds will be on the roll before long, and that they will work and vote as a body for the strict enforcement of the laws which appear in the Oregon code. A committee from this organization also will visit the various officials in whose power it lies to suppress open gambling and ascertain with what feelings of friendship, if any, their movement is viewed.

After both committees have made their reports, the two reforming associations will begin active hostilities, either as a joint body or on their individual accounts.

"Public sentiment is becoming very bitter against gambling and other immoral conditions," said Rev. House last evening. "Immorality is getting too great a hold, and it is time that the people were asserting themselves.

"Gambling should not be licensed nor should any municipal corporation enter into a partnership with crime," continued Mr. House. "The gambling habit is something to be dreaded. Possibly there is no cure for that. But precautions should be taken to prevent people from getting the habit. We should do something to protect the young. We owe them that much as a duty. We, as citizens, are parties to immoral conditions unless we protest.

Responsible for Children.

"We are responsible for the environment of children. Of course we are not responsible for the stations of life into which they are born, but we must see to it that they have a fair and even chance in the world, and how can they have that when evil is flaunted in their faces? If we don't destroy this evil or check it we are morally responsible for the downfall of young men and young women. That is why we must act.

"If we license gambling why not license robbery?" said Rev. House. "Why not give a license to the thug to go out and hold people up? They will do it anyway, so why should not the city get the revenue? That is just as reasonable as the statement of someone that since gambling must exist the city should make it a source of revenue.

"Of course," he added, "people who gamble are willing victims of licensed games, while the victims of thugs are unwilling. But the moral aspect of the things is quite the same.

"I learn from a reliable source that the monthly revenue of six of the leading gambling houses of the city is $40,000, clear of all expenses. I am informed that half this amount is taken in by the Portland Club. Now, if this is true, what an insignificant amount of this sum goes to the city—a paltry few hundred dollars.

Mayor Knows of No Graft.

"Mayor Williams tells me that so far as he is able to learn there is no grafting being done by employes of the city. The Mayor told me that he has investigated reports of graft and has not been able to verify the reports of grafting in any instance.

"But it seems to me there must be some grafting somewhere," asserted Rev. House. "It appears as if there were some sort of money influence being brought to bear somewhere, although, of course, I merely state this as theory and do not know it to be a fact.

"Merchants who have many employes are becoming alarmed at gambling. They realize that it is unsafe to employ men who gamble. One of our leading citizens was approached the other day by a merchant, who told him that one of his clerks had just embezzled $200 to cover gambling losses.

"As to the evils that confront young people, I believe there is none greater than the side-door saloon entrances," Rev. House continued. "I understand that there are 250 of these saloons, and the number of young girls and young men that go into these places under cover of darkness is appalling. In fact, everything seems to make for the degradation rather than for the upbuilding of character. The presence of women in saloons after night should be prohibited, I believe."

W. J. Honeyman, president of the Municipal Association, says that organization is to do its part in the work of reform, and will not cease its labors until results are secured.

"Gambling draws thugs and lawbreakers to the city," said Mr. Honeyman, "and while the number of robberies is appalling at this time, it is nothing to what can be expected in the future if gambling is not checked. We have not yet decided just how we will conduct our fight, but will probably decide upon some plan at a meeting which is to be held shortly, at which a committee of five will report the result of their interviews with city officials. Police Commissioners Beebe and Sichel and Mayor Williams in particular will be visited by members of our committee, and they will report at the coming meeting. We will then know just what is before us and will plan accordingly."

BOLD ROBBERS THESE.

Blow Open Bank Safe, While Pals Drive Citizens From Streets.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Sept. 12.—A band of eight masked men blew open the safe in the Minnehaha County Bank at Valley Springs this morning and secured between $8000 and $10,000 in cash. Residents of the town were aroused shortly before daybreak by several explosions.

When citizens appeared on the street to ascertain the cause they discovered that the town was picketed by seven or eight armed men, who drove the residents from the streets on pain of instant death. The robbers then completed their work and left town.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.

Navy Department So Designates the "Star-Spangled Banner."

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The Navy Department has issued an order declaring the "Star-Spangled Banner" the national anthem, and directing that whenever the composition is played all officers and men shall stand at attention, unless they are engaged in duty that will not permit them to do so.

It is required that the same respect shall be observed toward the national air of any other country when played in the presence of official representatives of such country.

TO BEAT FOSTER

Ed S. Hamilton Enters Senatorial Race.

ASKS PIERCE'S SUPPORT

Formal Announcement Made to Home County.

THE SENIOR SENATOR SILENT

Doesn't Want to Withdraw Yet Dreads the Possibility of Making a Losing Fight — Senator Ankeny Is Neutral.

TACOMA, Sept. 12.—(Special.)—After waiting for several weeks to obtain a definite statement from Senator Addison G. Foster, Ed S. Hamilton announced tonight that he was a candidate for the United States Senate. This means that Hamilton will contest Pierce County with Foster and will make the fight irrespective of the action of the senior Senator. The announcement was formally authorized tonight, and with it Mr. Hamilton gave the following brief statement to the public, it being intended as a statement to his home county:

"To the Public: I beg to announce that I am a candidate for the office of United States Senator and earnestly request the united support of my home county.

"(Signed) ED S. HAMILTON."

Following this announcement, it is expected friends of Hamilton in this county will effect a Republican organization and give assurances that they will support him. This is the step believed to be necessary since Foster remains, nominally at least, a candidate for the same office. Had Foster withdrawn it is likely the organization of a club to pledge support to Hamilton would have been foregone, but friends of Hamilton will now endeavor to give the impression that Hamilton, and not Foster, is to become the Pierce County candidate for Senator.

Senator Foster's position is as indefinite as it was when he hurried back from Spokane to investigate. He has not announced a policy, and his latest explanation was that he "does not know" what he will do. From this it is inferred that Foster is still busy waiting for developments that may save Pierce County to him.

That Foster does not want to give up his seat, but dreads the possibility of making a losing fight, is regarded as certain. He is not likely to enter a contest where he would not have a chance to win, yet is not ready to give up as long as he believes there is a chance for him to pull through. While some definite announcement is expected from Foster before he leaves for Washington, he might leave the question hung up even after his departure.

Senator Ankeny Neutral.

United States Senator Levi Ankeny, of Walla Walla, is in Tacoma, but he is not taking any part in the local senatorial fight. Senator Ankeny has been friendly heretofore with both candidates and his friends declare he will attempt to preserve the same attitude of neutrality, at least for the present. At one time Ankeny's friends were dissatisfied with what they declared Foster's indifference in their fight, but during the last campaign all of Foster's influence was thrown to Ankeny. This is a favor that Ankeny still remembers.

The position of Ankeny is rather a delicate one since Hamilton was at the head of the Pierce County delegation during the last legislative session. All but one of the Pierce County votes were delivered to Ankeny. That one vote was originally counted as an Ankeny vote, but got away two years ago. Hamilton's efforts to enable Ankeny to win out last Winter placed the junior Senator under some obligations to him, and it is reasonably certain that Ankeny will not fight him. If Hamilton could show Pierce County solid for him he might expect some support from Ankeny, though the latter might consider a half-pledge he made the King County legislative delegation last Winter a promise not to interfere at this election.

Hamilton and his friends have outlined an active campaign, and it is likely Hamilton's next move will be a tour of those counties wherein he can count some strength. He has planned heretofore to take advantage of a split in King County, but if he goes into the fight handicapped by the existence of similar conditions at home he will not have so much to gain from the King County conditions.

Foster's Policy of Delay.

That Hamilton was to enter the Senatorial fight has been regarded as a certainty for several weeks. He was discussed to some extent during the last Legislature, and it is possible he himself thought something of his chances even then. But when Foster came home from the last session of Congress, the Hamilton movement had taken such shape that it was serious enough for Foster to notice. In a vague manner he declared his friendship for Hamilton and even told some of his friends that he would not stand in Hamilton's way. Later, when asked for a definite statement, he went to California, promising an answer upon his return. Then he left on another business mission, leaving the same pledge of an answer later behind him. The Oregonian's exclusive announcement that Hamilton would soon make a formal declaration of his candidacy aroused Foster when he was on a tour of the northeastern counties, and he hurried home to patch up the trouble. He was met with another request for a definite statement and put off the matter.

Hamilton's candidacy has had the support of a number of prominent Pierce County politicians, and they have visited Senator Foster at times. Early this week Hamilton promised that he would give a definite answer tonight irrespective of Foster's attitude. He made the announcement of his candidacy late tonight after an unsuccessful attempt to secure a statement from Foster.

Of the two men there is no question but that Hamilton is stronger than Foster at home and could carry the county against him. But through the St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber Company, of which Foster is vice-president, the senior Senator is able to make considerable difficulty for Hamilton. The company's influence would be felt most in the Twenty-fifth Senatorial district, where the mill has a number of big logging camps. It is questionable whether the company could exert influence elsewhere save through the business houses with which it is connected. The company has never succeeded in welding any influence with its employes in Tacoma so far as politics is concerned, and it is only in the country that it could be anything of a political factor. Foster's other hope of injuring Hamilton would be through the railroads, but it is practically certain the Northern Pacific would not fight Hamilton. Business interests would be more likely to be with Hamilton than Foster, as the former has been closer to business men and politicians than the Senator. A sentiment that Foster's prestige might make him strong is the only one that would count with business man and politicians free from any allegiance.

Hamilton is finishing his second term in the State Senate. He is one of the most prominent business men of Tacoma and his firm, McCabe & Hamilton, controls the stevedoring business of Puget Sound and has a Hawaiian agency. Senator Hamilton is a New Yorker and served as private secretary to General Husted when he was Speaker of the New York Assembly. A wife and daughter constitute his family.

Hamilton is essentially a self-made man. He came to Tacoma in the latter 80's, equipped with a good education, some New York political experience, a limited business career and assets reduced to less than $1. His first work was as a dock laborer and he rose to a partnership in the firm with which he first began working as rapidly as his employer could make room for him. He is now the most

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CRUISER ON FIRE

Theft of Alcohol Starts the Blaze.

EXPLOSION COMES FIRST

Two Men Are Killed and Four to Seven Injured.

MATCH LIGHTED ABOUT SPIRITS

Sailors of the Olympia Steal a Barrel of Liquor From Naval Storehouse, and Take It on Board Ship.

NORFOLK, Va., Sept. 12.—The explosion of a barrel of alcohol on the superstructure deck of the cruiser Olympia, in dry dock at the Norfolk Navy-Yard, tonight, killed two men, severely injured several others, and set fire to the ship. The master-at-arms of the vessel is missing. The dead: Corporal Yerkes, United States Marine Corps; white man, name unknown.

The damage by fire was confined to the deck of the vessel, and embraced only the canvas awnings and their fixtures. The decks, however, were slightly injured.

Immediately after the explosion, fire alarms were sounded and the crew, Navy-yard department and detachment of marines under Captain Booth soon put out the flames.

The explosion, according to reports from eye-witnesses, followed the theft of a barrel of grain alcohol, containing 58 gallons, by a party of sailors. This barrel, it was stated, was taken from one of the storehouses of the navy-yard and removed to the dock near the Olympia. There it was opened, Shipkeeper Daly, on board the Olympia, detected the odor of the spirits and summoned the ship's master-at-arms. A search led to the discovery of the barrel, which was taken aboard the Olympia and placed on the hurricane deck. With the exception of a small quantity which had been consumed, it was intact.

Yerkes and the unknown sailor went to the barrel and one of them struck a match. An explosion followed, and both men were enveloped in the flaming liquor. They perished before a hand could be raised to save them. The ship at once caught fire, and the blaze for awhile was stubborn, but was finally extinguished. In the excitement the sailors concerned in the affair escaped the parties sent out to arrest them. The ship's company was assembled, and the ship's master-at-arms failed to respond to his name.

It is not known what became of him. One report has it that he was not on the ship at the time of the explosion. No one was admitted to the navy-yard, and all accounts of the explosion and attending circumstances were secured from outsiders. The injured are said to number four to seven.

EXCURSION TRAIN WRECKED.

Washout Causes Accident Which Results Fatally to Three People.

ST. PAUL, Sept. 12.—A special excursion train on the Wisconsin division of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha road went into a washout at Kempton, Wis., today. Three passengers were killed and a number of others hurt, none seriously.

The dead:

PATRICK CONWAY, Reedsburg, Wis.
WENDEL BROWN, Cassanovia, Wis.
— MURPHY, Madison, Wis.

The train was bound for Duluth, and as a terrific rainstorm raged during the night the engineer had orders to proceed carefully. The train was running at a speed of four miles an hour when the washout was struck. The engine passed over in safety, but the tender, baggage-car and three coaches were derailed. The other seven cars of the train remained on the track. Conway was riding in the combination car and was caught beneath the wreck and instantly killed.

Brown was passing from the third to the fourth car at the time of the accident, and in breaking apart the cars threw him to the ground and piled on top of him, crushing him. A number of the other passengers were slightly hurt, their injuries consisting mainly of minor cuts and bruises. Only the fact that the train was running slowly at the time prevented a much more serious accident.

AUTO DRIVER IS KILLED.

Former Californian Loses His Life in a Race Against Time.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 12.—Frank M. Day, formerly of California, was killed in an automobile accident at the State Fair grounds this afternoon while driving Barney Oldfield's record-breaking machine in a five-mile race against time. Day had covered about four miles of the distance when, upon reaching the head of the home stretch, the powerful machine swerved, ran into the fence and toppled over.

As the machine upset, Day received a terrific knock on the back of the head which rendered him unconscious and he died 15 minutes later without regaining consciousness.

Son of Prominent New Yorker.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 12.—Frank Day, who was killed in an automobile accident at Milwaukee today, was the son of Major James B. Day, of this city, agency director of the New York Life Insurance Company. Day entered the race against the wishes of his parents.

Railroad Men Accidentally Killed.

WINNIPEG, Manitoba, Sept. 12.—Hugh Mann, brother of D. D. Mann, vice-president of the Canadian Northern Railway and himself a prominent inventor and railroad builder, has been accidentally killed near Erwood, N. W. T., while superintending tracklaying operations. The exact manner of his death is not stated. He was 45 years old.

POPE LEO FORGOT THEM.

His Nephews Want Wealth They Gave Up.

ROME, Sept. 12.—When Cardinal Giuseppe Pecci, the brother of the late pope, died, Leo had all the cardinal's heirs renounce their claims to the inheritance, assuring them they would be adequately compensated. Not having received anything, the cardinal's nephews have now presented a request to the executors of Pope Leo's will that they enter into possession of the cardinal's estate and receive compensation.

Among the objects found in the late pope's apartment there were four large baskets full of silver belonging to Giuseppe and which never had been opened since the latter's death. It is supposed they were forgotten by Pope Leo.

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THE LAST STRAW

Turks Slay Thousands of Bulgarians.

NO ESCAPE FROM WAR

Ministers Only Await Confirmation of News.

PEOPLE URGE ACTION AT ONCE

Slaughtering of Population of Five Large Districts Is Barbarous Beyond Description — France Orders Cruiser to Beirut.

Sofia will give orders for the mobilization of troops as soon as the slaying of 6000 Bulgarians in two provinces is confirmed.

The powers now fully realize that only the most drastic measures will avert war.

France has ordered a cruiser to the coast off Beirut and Smyrna, and will probably send another.

United States Minister Leishman reports continued improvement in the conditions at Beirut. The new Vali is working hard to restore general confidence.

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Sept. 12.—With the arrival of new and sensational reports of the wholesale massacre of Christians in Macedonia, the situation here is hourly becoming more alarming. If the latest messages, which state that 6000 Bulgarians have been slaughtered in the districts of Okhrida and Leren should be confirmed, no doubt exists that the government will be forced to order the mobilization of the army.

According to information brought to the revolutionary paper Autonomye, a force of Albanians, assisted by Turkish regular forces acting under orders direct from the Yildiz Kiosk, massacred the entire Bulgarian Christian population of the Okhrida and Leren districts.

Barbarism Is Unequalled.

Fearful descriptions are given of the sights seen there, the soldiers slaughtering men, women and children in every direction, displaying a barbarism never before witnessed. The number of killed is not stated in the dispatch, but according to reports from other sources the total number of the victims will reach 6000.

Official circles are so far without information regarding the reported massacres, but in view of the character of the latest advices from Macedonia, it is feared the news is only too true. Rumors are current that at a council of the Ministers today, it was decided to mobilize immediately the first and second army divisions. This is officially denied, but well-informed persons do not doubt that the Cabinet, which is meeting in council daily, is seriously considering such a measure.

A deputation of leading professors and representatives of the professional classes yesterday waited upon the Ministers and urged the Government to order immediate mobilization. Premier Pretoff replied to the delegation that the Ministry was unable to admit the necessity for such a step at the present time.

Justification for Mobilizing Army.

The Turkish Government is believed to have at the present moment no less than 60,000 soldiers in the vilayet of Adrianople, large bodies of them within 10 to 15 kilometers of the Bulgarian frontier. Confronted with such a situation, it is argued that Bulgaria would be amply justified in mobilizing the first and second army divisions, the headquarters of which are at Sofia and Phillippolis, and which comprise the forces nearest the Turkish frontier.

The government appears to be resolved firmly to avoid giving Turkey the slightest pretext for declaring hostilities, and is doing its utmost to restrain the war fever. Sofia and the country generally are outwardly as calm as in the most peaceful times, but the Bulgarians say this calm is more to be feared than at any other time.

An engagement is reported to have occurred between a force of insurgents and Turkish troops at Sulpindot, in which not a single revolutionary was killed, while the Turks lost heavily. Telegrams from Burgas say the Bulgarian population is fast disappearing from the district of Losengrad and that every one unable to escape to the Bulgarian frontier is killed.

Five hundred fugitives who have arrived at Burgas from Tekengea report that two men, one 100 years old and the other 85, were impaled by the Turks. The War Office here is greatly concerned over the increasing number of deserters who go to join the insurgents.

POWERS NOW FULLY AWAKE.

They Recognize That Only Drastic Measures Will Avert War.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—From information gleaned in various diplomatic circles in London today the Associated Press learned that the powers have come to recognize the fact that only drastic measures will maintain peace between Turkey and Bulgaria. No one participating in the negotiations now denies that the two countries are perilously close together. It is even suggested in a responsible quarter that the Slavs are working with the Bulgarians to convince the world that a frightful state of affairs prevails in Macedonia and that humanity demands the intervention of the powers.

Strong pressure is being exerted on the

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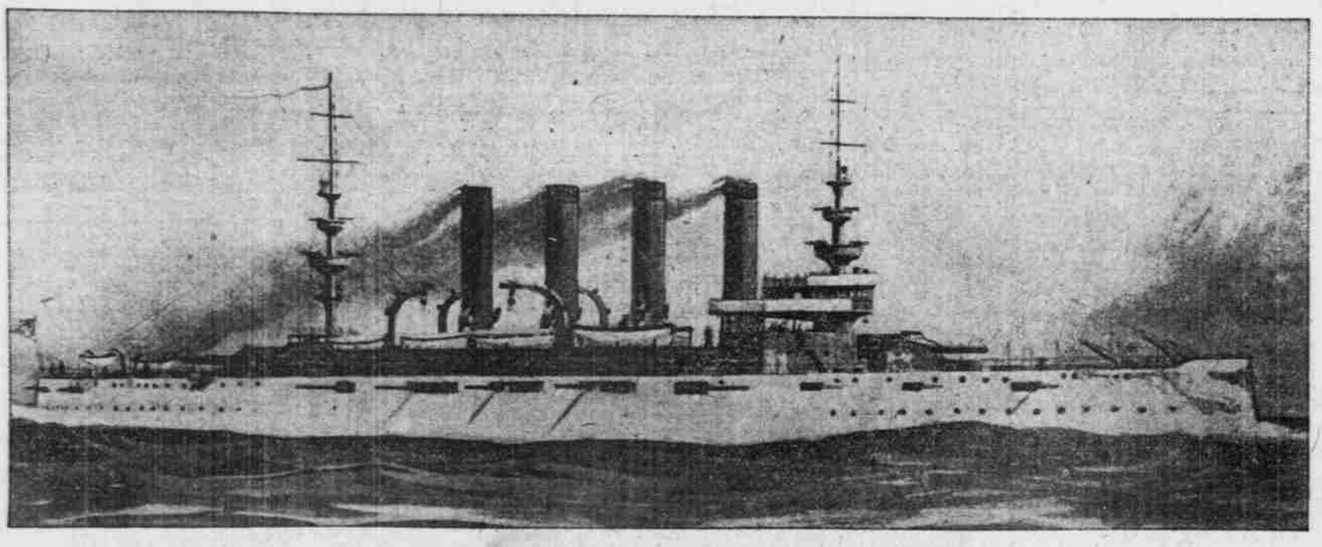
ANOTHER CRUISER IS ADDED TO THE FLEET OF THE UNITED STATES



THE MARYLAND, LAUNCHED AT NEWPORT NEWS YESTERDAY.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Sept. 12.—The launching of the new 15,000-ton armored cruiser Maryland was attended by a mishap which delayed the plunge more than half an hour. An imperfection in the structural work under the vessel caused the cruiser to sink into the mud as she slid down the ways; later she was successfully floated uninjured.

The cruiser Maryland is 502 feet on the load water line; extreme breadth 69 feet 6¼ inches; trial displacement, 13,860 tons; mean draft at trial displacement 24 feet 1 inch. Her armament will consist of four eight-inch guns, mounted in pairs of two, electrically controlled, elliptically balanced turrets, one forward and one aft on the main decks, four six-inch guns; on the gun deck a main broadside battery of ten six-inch guns, five on each side. On the main deck forward and aft will also be located the 18 four-inch guns of the secondary battery. The secondary battery also will consist of 12 three-pounders, eight one-pounders, two three-inch rapid-firing guns, two machine guns and six automatic guns of smaller caliber, mounted in commanding positions and on the military tops. Protection will be furnished by armor consisting of the water-line belt. Above this for a length of 200 feet the armor will be five inches of uniform thickness extending from the top of the water-line deck to the main deck. Transverse armor bulkheads, casemate armor and barbettes make up the other protective features of the vessel. The engines will be of the triple-expansion type. Miss Jennie Scott Waters, of Baltimore, christened the new warship. Among the guests were naval and state officers.

The Maryland is a sister ship to the Pennsylvania, Virginia, Colorado, California and South Dakota.