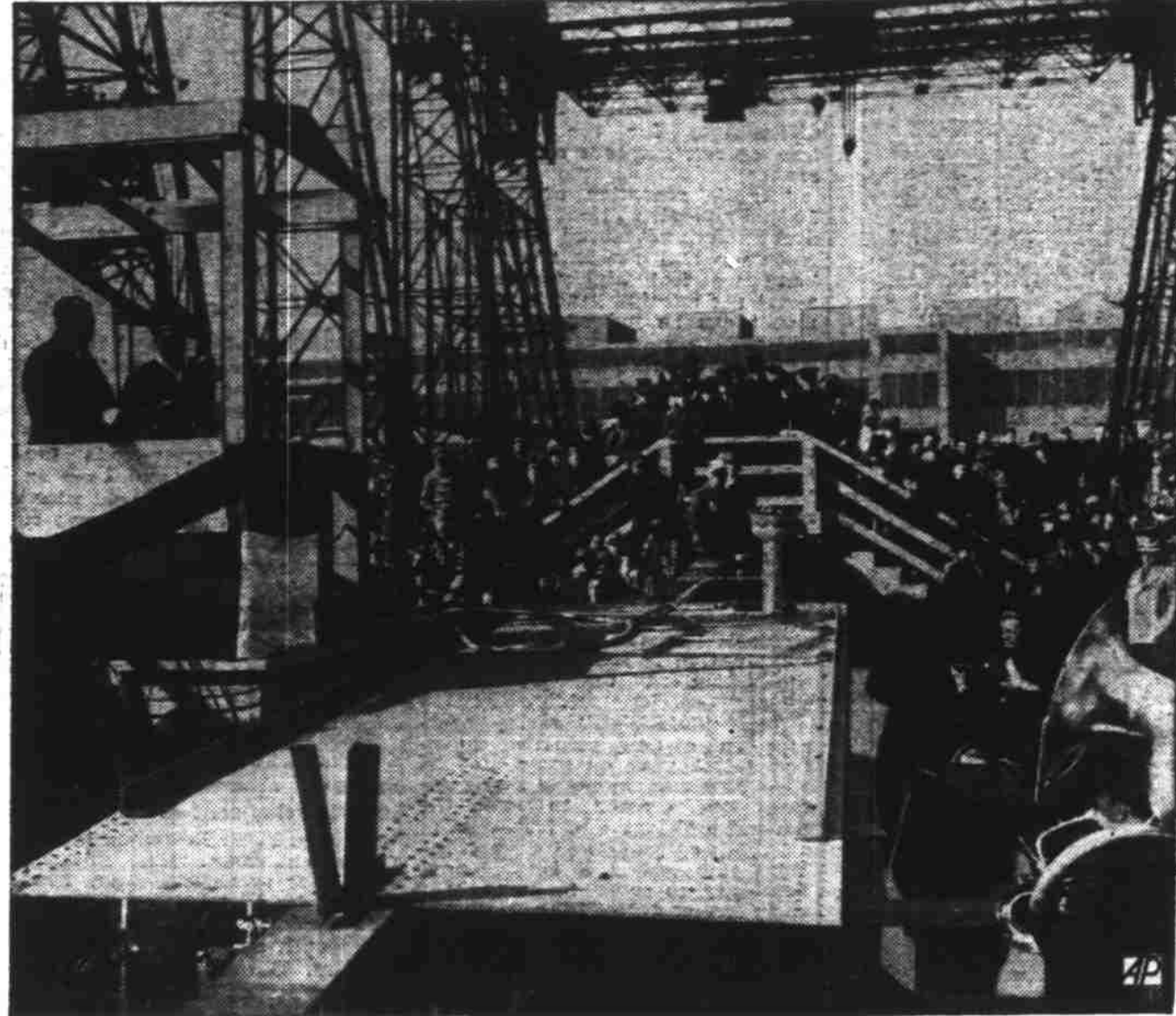


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**LITTLE RULERS HAVE BRIEF REIGN**—Junior king and queen for one day at the festive Mardi Gras in Galveston, Tex., were Shearn Moody, Jr., 6, and Joan Marie Ragsdale, 8, shown in white satin, pearl-studded costumes. The young king is the grandson of W. L. Moody, a Galveston pioneer; the fair queen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Silas B. Ragsdale.



**WHEN A BATTLESHIP IS BORN**—Out of this maze of steel and men will come the U.S.S. Alabama, Uncle Sam's new \$70,000,000, 35,000-ton battleship whose keel was laid during ceremony at Norfolk navy yard in Portsmouth, Va. Sen. Harry F. Byrd (left) was one of speakers. The Alabama is the 64th keel to be laid at Norfolk; ship's to be finished in 1943.



**H. HOOVER ADDS AN 'H' TO NAME: HELP**—Former President Herbert Hoover (left), whose drive for Finnish relief funds has sent thousands of dollars to the war-torn country, is shown at Chester, Pa., with Clifford H. Peoples, the mayor. Mr. Hoover visited Chester in connection with the drive. Behind men is Finnish Memorial statue in Crosier park.



**ALL IN A DAY'S WORK**—"No," shouts Adolph Bolm, creator of the "Mechanical Ballet" which appeared in New York. "It's one-two-three-four-five-six-boom! You bang the club down after six." A camera reflects above tense moment in rehearsal to prove that being in a ballet means long hours of work. Girl at left forgot costume, practiced in bathrobe.



**BEST BIB AND TUCKER**—When the annual army and navy reception was held at the White House in Washington, gold braid was plentiful, including that of Gen. George C. Marshall, U. S. army chief of staff, seen in full dress uniform as he and Mrs. Marshall left their home. General Marshall succeeded Gen. Malin Craig last July 1.



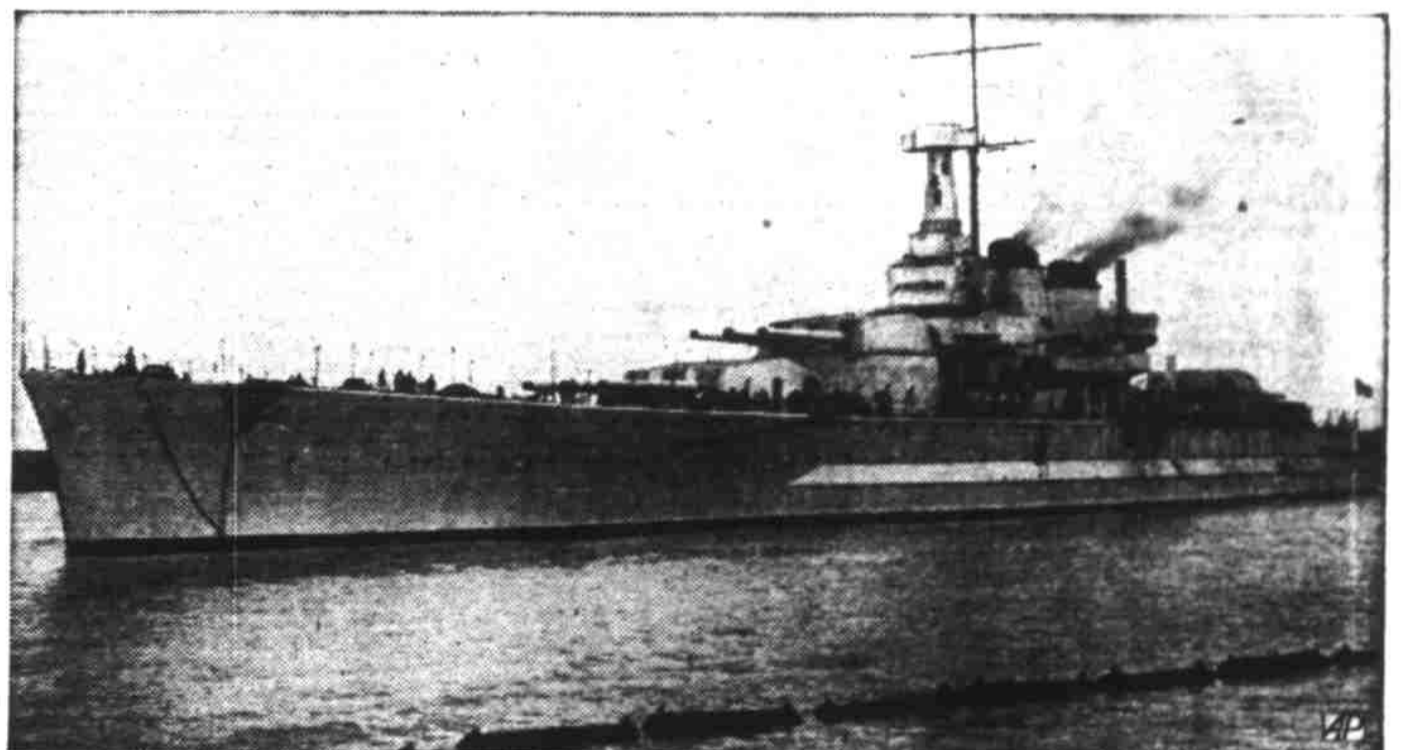
**MARINE MEMENTO**—With a tight grip Capt. Joseph Gainard of Melrose, Mass., skipper of the historic City of Flint, whose capture by Nazis led to international complications, displays a codfish given him by the Norwegian people.



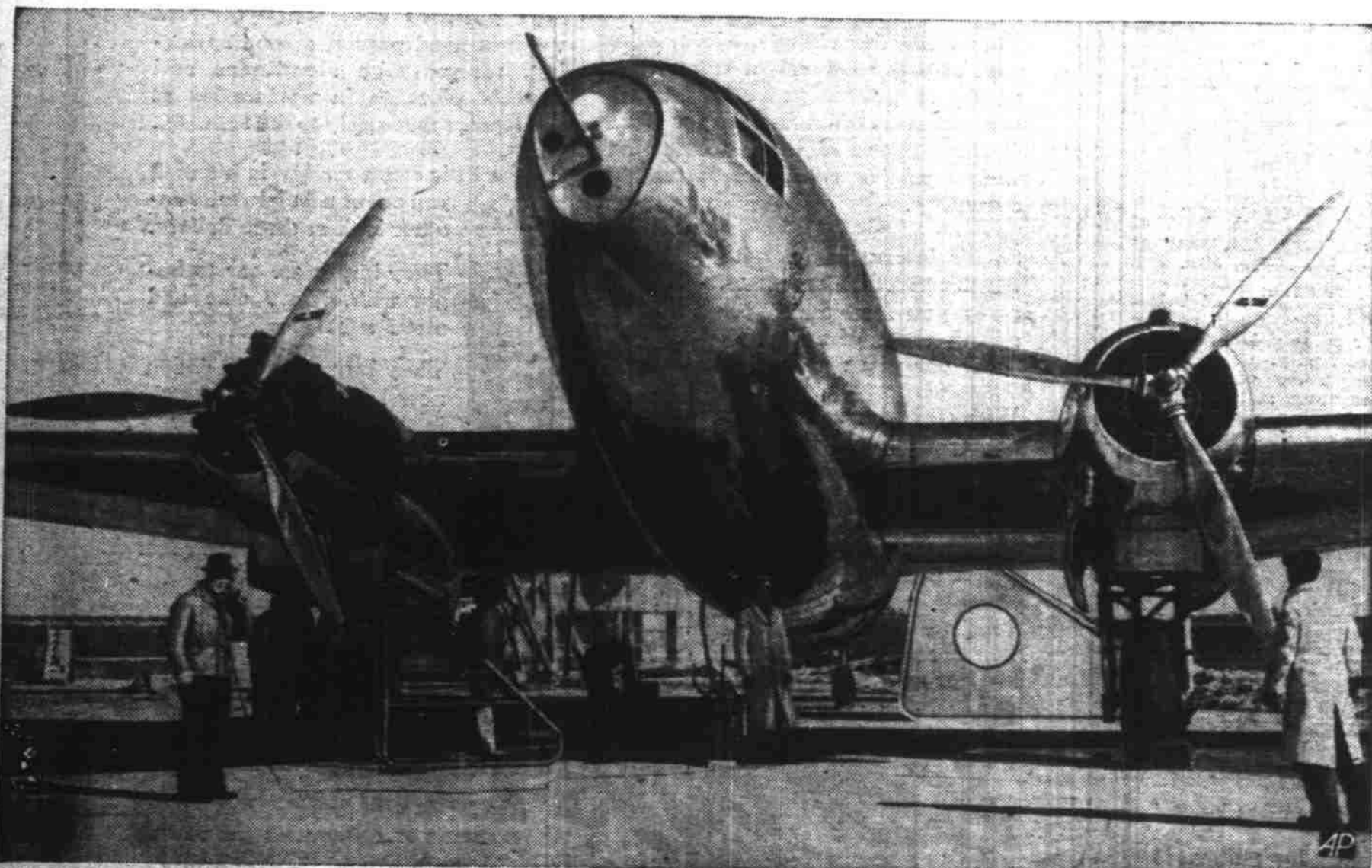
**MOUNTED POLICE; WINTER STYLE**—To help preserve order at the North American speed skating championships, Police Chief Joseph Peters (right) and officers of the Schenectady, N. Y., force put on their ice skates, too.



**TITLED FINN**—Countess Eva Sparre, 69, sister of Baron Carl Mannerheim, commander of the Finnish forces, has come to U. S. to give talks about her native country.



**ITALY'S NEW BATTLESHIP**—This is the 35,000-ton Littorio, latest addition to Italy's naval strength, after end of trial runs. A sister ship, Impero, was launched in November.



**SHAPE OF THINGS TO COME**—Man is dwarfed to pigmy size by this new Curtiss Wright high altitude plane being built at St. Louis. Its size is believed a record among twin-engine aircraft: it is 192' high, 75 feet long, has wingspread of 168 feet.



**CAMPAIGN 'COPY'**—"Government must be restored to its proper function as umpire, not player, in the game," said Publisher Frank E. Gannett (above), aspirant to the Republican presidential nomination, in a speech at New York.



**A GOOD DEED INDEED**—Rescue of two U. S. army fliers, Lieut. William Hindson, pilot, formerly of Oak Hill, W. Va., and Pvt. James F. Brennan, above, is credited to these two boys scouts, Raymond Kane (left), 16, and Hyei Ching, 17, dragged the fliers about 200 yards through pounding surf after an army plane crashed off shore near Honolulu. Men were badly bruised.



**WIRE HEAD**—Frank W. Phelan has been elected president of American Cable and Radio Corp., and its two operating subsidiaries, in reorganization of Postal Telegraph and Cable Corp. (A.P. photo from Blank & Stoller.)