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## The Glamour Of A Ship

$\mathbf{T}^{\mathrm{HE}}$ job of reconditioning the old frigate Constitution Thill safonat, with the lower maxts all sil stepped, have been printed in the newspapers: before long she will be ready
to zo to sea, and that triumphal tour of inland and coastal water will probably get under way.
The Constitution will be worth looking at
ican naval vessel holds anything like her place in public
esteem. But her tour will bring some of us, at least, up against a peculfar little problem in comparative values.
During the last few years most people have made a genuire effort to get away from the old attitude
toward war. Dozens of books have been printed to toward war. Dozens of books have been printed to
prove that war is not giamorous and romantic, as we used to suppose, bu: fitthy and cruel and senseless. W have told ourseives that only by adopting this
can we ensure the continuance of world peace.
But here we have the Constitution-glamorous and romantic, if any ship ever was. The mere sight of this
old square-rigger, with her white gun ports, her distended sails and her long. graceful hull cutting through heart of the most confirmed war-hater on earth. Furthermore, the Constitution has a past that worth remembering. The men who sailed on her, up-
wards of a century ago, did some fine and gallant things, The ship was not unimportant in the develop-
ment of this country. She deserves the homage we give
her. What is the answer then? On the one hand
have this new-born determination not to wrap her in
false glargour; on the other, we have war's glamour i carnate. The Constitution's cruise will bring the old a
titude and the new face to face. Which way shall titude and the new face to face. Which way shall
jump? jump?
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ither way. The conditions that attended need to jump of the Constitution, for one thing, are gone forever sary then are not so necessary now.
In addition, we might remind ourselves that the romantic and pieturesque-but wars aren't fought that way now. The modern sailor, instead of standing by
the breech of a carronade and cheering as the enemy comes alongside, is more apt to be crouched in the deal out death to a ship that he can never see. Whategain in 1930.
does not commit us to the belief that war is either a necessary or as colorful now as it used to

A scientist predicts we shall some day live on air plane livers.
rejoin the Italian army is just an ill draft that blow no good.

If you're feeling in the pink, don't brag about
ne of those Communist spies might overhear you One is induced to ask that 156 -year-old Kurd on Insects ruin a picnic, complains a writer. Especially Irish women and girls spend more than $\$ 3,000,000$ year on cosmetics. lip-stick.

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