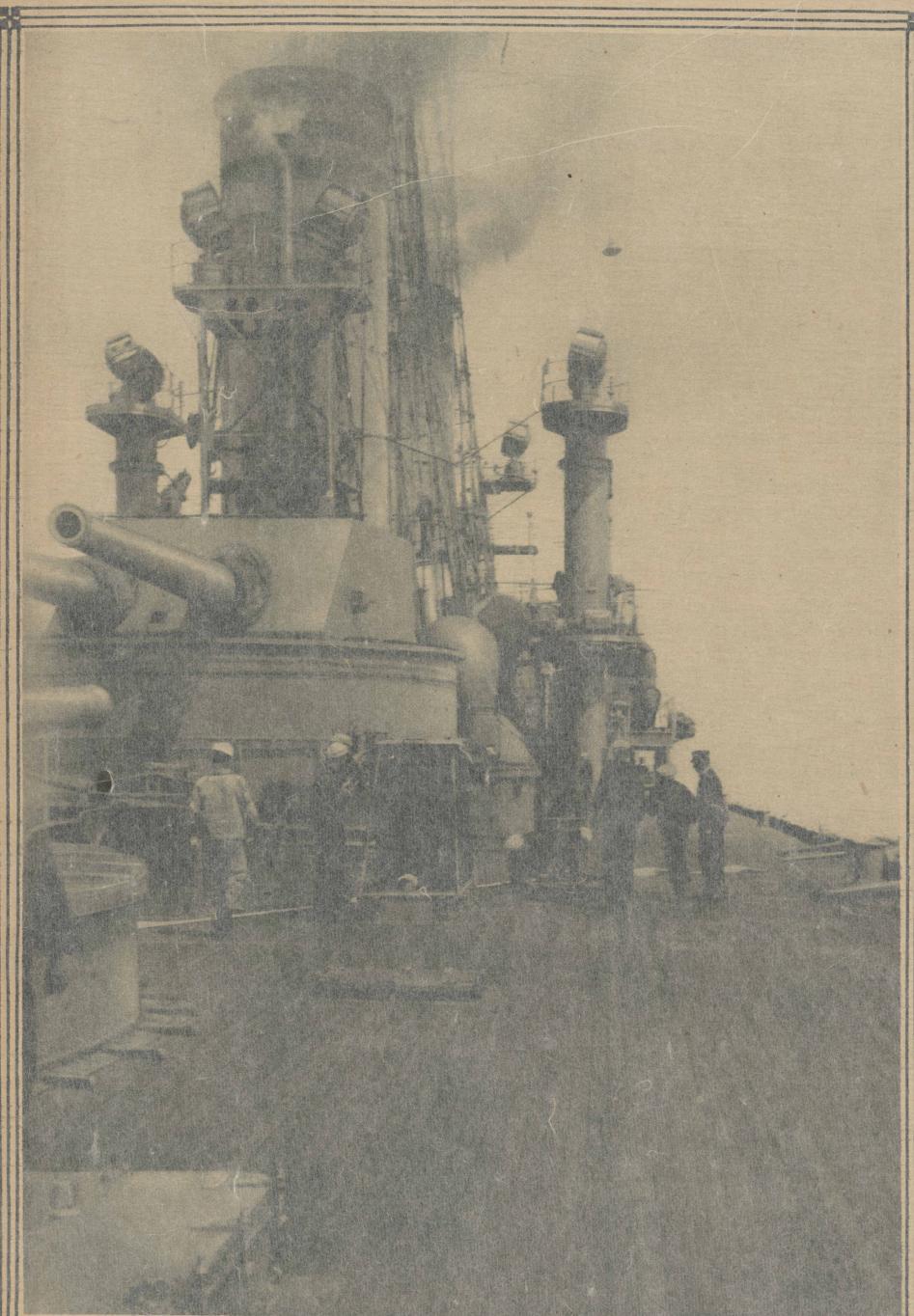
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BUSINESS ABOUT TO PICK UP-This picture was taken aboard the U. S. superdreadnaught Texas just three minutes after the bugle had been sounded for all men to go to their stations and prepare the ship for action. In this short time the searchlights have been tilted, the life rails and davits stored away, and the last battle hatches are being closed and secured. No one is allowed on deck while the ship is in action. (Photograph copyright by E. Muller Jr., New York.)