

# War Bond Event

Enemy submarine in downtown Richmond, April 1, 1943



**ERA**  
WWII

**THEMES**  
Homefront during WWII,  
Civilian War Effort

**CITATION**  
Submarine display on Grace  
Street, circa 1943, J. Haden  
Hankins, J. Haden Hankins  
Collection, V.94.09.36,  
The Valentine

**\*Includes associated local  
newspaper articles and  
advertisements from the event.**

## ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS

- How do countries get money to pay for military operations and supplies during a war?
- How did Richmonders support the war effort?
- What role did war bonds play in financially supporting the war effort?

## CONTEXT

During World War II, the United States government began selling war bonds to fund the war without continuing to raise taxes. Before the attack on Pearl Harbor, the bonds were called "defense bonds." After the attack, the government changed the name to "war bonds." War bonds were marketed as a patriotic way for citizens to support the troops and fulfill their duty as Americans. Citizens would purchase war bonds for a specific amount and then were guaranteed to get that money back after the war plus interest. Instead of investing their money in stocks or land, war bond buyers were investing in the United States military. War bonds were sold at banks, post offices, local businesses, concert venues, movie theaters and at patriotic events such as this one shown in the image above encouraging Richmonders to come down and take a look at a captured Japanese submarine. Over 80 million Americans purchased war bonds during World War II, raising more than 185 billion dollars.

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# Midget Sub Will Arrive Here Today

## Public Can Inspect Captured Jap Craft

The War Savings staff's two-man Japanese submarine was expected to arrive in Richmond during the early morning hours today for the all-day program at Sixth and Broad Streets, to promote the sale of War Bonds and Stamps.

The program will begin at 10 o'clock.

With S. A. Markel acting as master of ceremonies, the program will open with the National Anthem, sung by Wilson Angell, after which talks will be made by Governor Darden and Lieutenant-Commander Langhorne Gibson. Other guests for the opening will include Lieutenant-Commander Charles L. Kessler, Commander Herbert Chandler, Commander W. L. Moise, Major C. J. Milne and Commander R. A. Rose.

Mr. Markel will officially invite the public to inspect the sub at 10:20 A. M., the price of admission being the purchase of a \$1 War Stamp for adults, and a 25-cent stamp for children. War Savings volunteers will be on hand to accommodate purchasers at Miller and Rhoads, Thalheimer's and Berry-Burk's, as well as at Loew's, the Colonial and Byrd theaters.

Officials stressed that persons with proper tickets of admission will not be permitted to actually enter the submarine, but to view the internal portion through port-holes as they progress along a cat-walk.

A navy mothers' hour and Boy Scout hour will be held during the afternoon, while various school bands will present music throughout the day. A foreign group will present a program of native singing and dancing. Radio Station WRNL will broadcast from 4:30 to 4:45 P. M. and Station WRVA the opening ceremonies at 10:06 A. M.

Conrad Lloyd, America's youngest auctioneer, will conduct a War Bond auction beginning at 8:30 P. M. Such rationed commodities as hams, sugar and coffee will go to the highest-priced War Bond purchaser, while other items to go on the block include a quilt, nuts and bolts from the famous submarine, Shark, cylinderheads from the submarine Tarpan, pastries from the galley at the Naval Training School in South Richmond, and a stamp book autographed by Tyron Power and Betty Grable, and another by Edward G. Robinson.

The captured vessel will be open to public inspection until 10 o'clock tonight.

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**TAKES A SECOND LOOK**—Mrs. M. T. Horne, of Richmond, gets a "close-up" inspection of the Japanese two-man submarine that she first saw following its capture at Pearl Harbor. [Staff photo.]

## Woman Who Saw 2-Jap Sub In Honolulu Sees It Here

**Army Lieutenant's Wife, Now Employee at Miller & Rhoads, Recalls Earlier View; Open to Public**

By KATHERINE L. WARREN

When Mrs. Katherine Dew Horne saw a two-man Japanese submarine washed up on the island of Oahu, Hawaii, she hoped she would never see another.

Today the same submarine literally arrived at the front door of her place of business here, for she is an employee at Miller & Rhoads, near which the sub is stationed for the War Stamp drive.

Mrs. Horne, wife of Lieutenant M. T. Horne, United States Army, was living in Honolulu at the time of the Japanese attack on Dec. 7, 1941, and she saw the submarine when it was washed up on a coral reef.

"When I heard that the submarine was coming here I didn't like the idea at all," Mrs. Horne said today. "But now I'm glad I've seen it again."

Mrs. Horne was at Port Rueger on Diamond Head, where her husband was stationed, when the "alarm gun" went off signaling the Pearl Harbor attack. Lieutenant Horne left immediately, and Mrs. Horne watched the air duels which could be easily seen.

She saw the submarine when she was carrying cigarettes, candy and toilet articles for the post exchange to a field near the spot where the submarine was beached. "It looked pretty rusty then,"

Mrs. Horne said. "Now it has been repainted for the tour."

Although she got a good sight of the underseas craft at that time, this was Mrs. Horne's first chance to see the interior. She was tremendously interested in viewing the compartments, and seeing the operation of the pig-boat.

Her two sons, Mac, a cadet at John Marshall High School, and William, a student at Chandler Junior High School, both of whom were with her in Honolulu, probably will view the sub later in the day, she said. Neither boy saw the craft in Honolulu, since it was beached in a restricted area.

Approximately 1,500 persons were on hand at 10 A. M. today when the ceremonies opening the boat to the public were held. In spite of the fact that it was during school hours a number of

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