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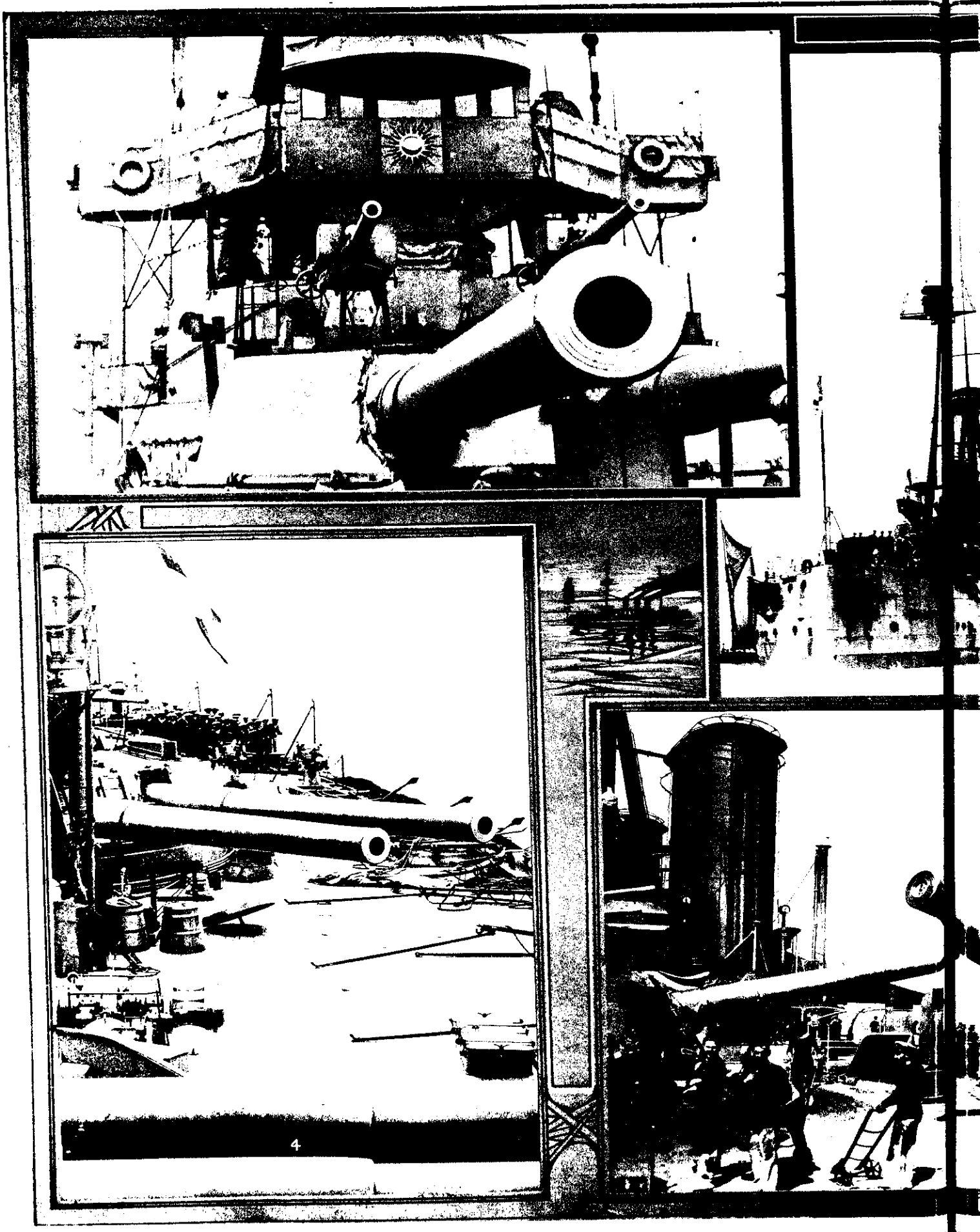

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THE ERA OF THE ALL-BIG-GUN SHIP — WHE ITAL

(1) The forward barbette on H.M.s. Superb, showing the 12in guns. On top of the turret are two of the 4in guns used to repel the attacks of torpedo boats and destroyers. (2) H.M.s. Nep st of is so constructed that the guns can be swung round to fire on either broadside, as well as ahead or astern. The "Neptune" can thus discharge a complete broadside of ten 12-in. guns on e , an ments. It appears that the terrific concussion of this tremendous discharge wrecked many of the lighter fittings of the ship, and smashed much glass and crockeryware. These trifling bro over, scene on board the "Dreadnought," showing the guns of the two after turrets trained over the quarter. The ship is cleared for action, and steaming at ab while