

PERSONALITIES IN THE NEWS

The largest and most powerful battleship ~~constructed~~ <sup>ever constructed in Britain,</sup> built with an eye to war in the Pacific, was launched by Princess Elizabeth. Admiral Cunningham, first Sea Lord, was in the party. ~~Rigid censorship cloaks most particulars of the man's war and~~ All pictures in the least likely to give away secrets have been suppressed. <sup>Ok</sup> Warships of the same class <sup>may be on</sup> the stocks, so even the name of this one is not made public, ~~lest the enemy discover which ship is ready first.~~ Battleship X incorporates every <sup>latest</sup> device ~~developed since war broke out~~, including the electric eye, enabling gunners to see the target at night and in fog. All this and 16-inch guns too will give the Japs something to think about.

Gen. Giraud, who has left the political field clear for De Gaulle, visited Metz, as guest of U.S. Gen. Irwin. Of this great fortress town Giraud was formerly military governor. He congratulated the Americans on the speed with which they <sup>captured</sup> ~~thrust the Germans out of~~ what the enemy thought was an impregnable position.

Visiting the Canadian Army in the course of his tour of the whole western front Gen. Eisenhower was received by Gen. Crerar, Canadian commander. Engineers demonstrated skill in erecting the Bailey Bridge that war-winning invention, and then Polish troops serving under Crerar lined up for inspection. Britain's super flame-thrower showed its venomous tongue of fire.

The supreme commander had a cheery word for the wounded In a nearby hospital, and before leaving, another for the ~~mm~~ nurses. Ike has the affection of everybody he commands.