

Navy Expansion Program Speeding Forward Rapidly

The Navy expansion program is speeding forward at an almost incredible rate. Figures recently released from Washington indicate that keels are being laid at the rate of over one a day, while launchings are but slightly behind this pace.

ASTOUNDING as are the reports for the month of September, it is expected that an even swifter acceleration will be seen in the figures for October. Here is the tabulation from September 1 to October 3:

Keels Laid, 38. One aircraft carrier, 3 cruisers, 3 submarines, 11 destroyers, 2 coastal minesweepers, 1 transport, 3 submarine rescue vessels, 3 tugs, 7 sub chasers and 5 district craft.

Launchings, 26. One battleship, 2 cruisers, one submarine, 6 destroyers, 10 coastal minesweepers, 4 sub chasers, 2 district craft.

The battleship that slid down the ways and will soon augment the ever growing battle line was the Massachusetts. She was launched late in September at the yards of the Bethlehem Shipping Corp. in Quincy, Mass. The new cruisers are the San Juan and the Atlanta.

The Massachusetts will soon be joined by the Indiana, which is over 60 per cent completed. Her launching is scheduled for November 19, at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company.

The Indiana which will displace approximately 35,000 tons, will carry a main battery of nine 16 inch guns, 20 five-inchers and other weapons of a smaller caliber. Her engines have been designed to develop in excess of 115,000 horsepower, which will drive her more than 27 knots.

The Navy Department reiterates that the fact that a ship's keel has been laid does not mean that the ture after August 23". He continued: begun. In reality, months, perhaps years, have been spent in assembling plans and all the thousands of complex parts that are necessary to the construction, so that as the hull and superstructure take shape, installations can be carried forward in the shortest possible time in order to facilitate completion ahead of schedule.

Another Film Star Applies for Brand

The second Hollywood film star to ask the state department of agriculture for a livestock brand is Ginger Rogers, who wants to use it for her Golden Guernsey cattle on her Rogers Rogue River ranch near Gold Hill.

The Rogers brand will be a 4R, after the ranch name. The request

for the brand came to the department in the name of Lela and Ginger Rogers, the former being the star's mother.

Eugene Pallette, who has a ranch near Enterprise on which he has stocked sheep, cattle and horses, is the other movie actor to have a brand registered in this state. Pallette's brand is the XL. Incidentally it was Pallette who facetiously remarked some months ago that he thought the only livestock Ginger would have on her southern Oregon ranch would be bees. But the Rogers application came in with the declaration the brand they had chosen was too large for bees so they had to buy cattle!

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(1) As methods through which devils — not dead people — operate Deut. 32:17: They sacrificed unto

devils, not to God; to gods whom they knew not. 2 Kings 21:1-3, 6: Manasseh . . . did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord, after the abominations of the heathen . . . He reared up altars for Baal, . . . and worshipped all the host of heaven. He . . . observed times, and used enchantments, and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards.

(2) As heathen abominations, Deut. 18:9-12: When thou art come into the land . . . thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations; . . . divination . . . consulter with familiar spirits . . . necromancer; for all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord; and because of these abominations the Lord thy God doth drive them out from before thee.

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