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U.S.S. WASHINGTON COMMISSIONED.

Sister ship of the North Carolina, the thirty-five-thousand ton battleship WASHINGTON is commissioned in the Philadelphia Navy Yard. She joins the American Fleet at a time when the clouds of war stretch far beyond Europe. Colonel Knox is present, as the warship is given her new command by Admiral Watson.

U.S.S. WASHINGTON is a powerful addition, to a Navy which is, as determined as ours to maintain the Freedom of the Seas.