

## NEWS IN BRIEF.

Picture.:- The genesis of a two-million-five-hundred-thousand pounds

ship. What will be His Majesty's aircraft-carrier 'ARK ROYAL' is given its

first keel plate. The slipway is the same which

gave birth to 'Rodney', but this ship will be larger. In fact, the longest ever built

on the Mersey. The contract gives Birkenhead employment to two-thousand

men for three years. So things are looking up

in some places !

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But not here ! Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire, has

had a bad break in the sea-wall. The highest tide ever known locally

burst through a four foot thick stone

barrier. Houses are threatened with flooding. Water has already turned

the main street into a canal. Many cottages are cementing up their front doors, and local Juilliets are

receiving their Bomeos by way of the bedroom windows, and blaming

the floods for it. Red Cross and Salvation Army take bed-less kiddies in their charge, and

provide them with meals. Floods are a disaster, but the kiddies are rather enjoying it all. You see, the school is flooded too.

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At Clapton Stadium a new

kind of fire extinguisher is demonstrated. It is a bomb which blows the fire out. Various parts of a fake village are,