THE DOCTORS' CASE

186 Fleet Street, London,
Sunday Evening.

The annual meeting of the British Medical Association will shortly be held at Southport.

We can expect some harsh things to be said about the Health Minister's attitude to the profession.

Apart from the question of remuneration, general practitioners are disturbed at the way they have been cut off from close connection with the hospitals service.

Would they are certainly of opinion they should have greater representation on regional hospital boards.

Doctors feel that, under the present set-up, all they can do is to make a preliminary examination of patients, and if the case appears to be at all serious, to pass the patient over to the regional hospital board.

While being able to do less than they would wish for patients, doctors find their time occupied with paper work necessitated by the National Health Scheme.

VOLUNTEERS FOR KOREA

The war in Korea has brought a steady stream of men to the legation near Marble Arch.

Most of them have been officers in the British Army. Some of them crave the adventure of battle, others are inspired with the sentiment which aforetime sent Lord Byron to aid a nation in opposing oppression.

Among those are several Czech and Polish patriots.

At present no recruiting is taking place in London, but the Korean authorities are expressing their gratitude to the volunteers, and keeping a record of their names and addresses.

BETTER THAN BULLY

People in the Midlands and the North who pitied the eight million Londoners condemned to eat one ounce of tuppence worth of bully beef need not have worried.

In a tour of the suburbs yesterday I found housewives giving it the cold shoulder. They were buying chicken, instead.

London seemed to be stocked with the latter, thanks to consignments sent out from the cold stores by the Ministry.

The average price was half-a-crown a pound, but some stores were selling boiling fowls at from nine shillings each.

ANGUS CENTENARY

A notable centenary which ought not to pass unnoticed in Angus falls this month.

On the 12th, one hundred years ago, died Robert Stevenson, whose name flashes across the annals of everyone whenever the three flashes of the Bell Rock Lighthouse are seen.

Although this is one of the best known of his remarkable achievements, Stevenson constructed no fewer than 20 lighthouses.

On one of his voyages of inspection to them he was accompanied by Sir Walter Scott.

ORDEAL OF THE TUNNEL

There is nothing more terrifying to some travellers than to be held up in a tunnel in the London underground.

One of my friends was among 50 passengers who had this experience yesterday. They were completely in the dark for half an hour, each minute seemingly longer than the other.

One does not have to be a victim of claustrophobia to have disturbing thoughts when it is remembered that some of the tubes and tunnels on the Metropolitan are a long distance under the London pavements.

There ought to be some system of emergency lighting in a breakdown.

DISHED

One of the big controversies of the week has been about the presentation of menus in French.

Even members of Parliament, whose meals are set down in French, have joined in the debate.

My own contribution, for what it is worth, is that outside the Soho restaurants, the majority of menus are in bad French or no French at all.

Blanc-mange, for instance, which frequently appears, is entirely unknown as such in any part of France.

One also sees some funny dishes described. Has anyone in Scotland or France ever heard of one example: "Irish stew a la ecossais"—presumably Scots Irish-stew?

SEEING THE HOUSE

When Wimbledon tennis stars visited the House of Commons to-day they created a precedent.

The Sunday visit was arranged because of the difficulty of getting away together from the courts on a weekday.

It might also have been more agreeable to them, as never before have so many people wanted to make the precincts of the House a number one London sight.

Over 1000 visitors a day are now taxing the energies of officials and members, who see them round in groups. It takes an M.P. an hour to do the honours of a long walk round.

One day last week 22 parties were being conducted at the same time by different members, each giving a little lecture or answering questions.

SPEEDWAY RIDER KILLED

Twelve years after being told he would never ride again speedway rider Joe Abbott, of Bradford, was killed on Saturday—speedway riding.

He was competing in a national league match at Odsal, Bradford, and when he fell at the first bend was run over by another rider.

In 1938 while riding in Australia he received spinal injuries and was told his riding days were over. Within three months of returning here he was riding for Belle Vue, Manchester.

He returned, but love of speedway was too strong for him. In 1947 he returned to lead Haringey.

BAND HELPS CADET RECRUITING

Pipers and drummers of the 1st Dundee Cadet Battalion, The Black Watch (R.H.R.), had a busy time yesterday.

There is a drive on to recruit 120 members before the annual camp at Glencorse this month, and yesterday the battalion pipe band led the leading part.

Crowds gathered as the cadets beat "Retreat," and then went on a route march at Douglas Street, Strathmore Avenue, and Broughty Castle.

Thirty lads signed on, bringing the total of new entrants in the last month to over 80.

Lieut.-Colonel H. J. Rothwell, who commands the battalion, said his aim is to build up two more infantry companies in addition to those at Bell Street, Dundee, and Broughty Castle. The new units will be based at Douglas Street and Strathmore Avenue drill halls. In time it is hoped to form an artillery unit and an engineer platoon.

FIRST-TIMER WINS BANCHORY HILL RACE

The four-mile race to the top of 1000 ft. Geldy Hill, highlight of Banchory games on Saturday, was won by J. Howie, 25 Cotton Street, Aberdeen, who entered for the first time. His time of 29 minutes 55 seconds just failed to beat the record time of 29 minutes.

Open. Winners—Heavy hammer—J. Hunter, Crathie, 85 ft. 3 in.; Light hammer—L. K. Stewart, Fort-William, 114 ft. 8 in. 56 lb. weight 46 ft. Sword—H. Fraser, Aberdeen, 31 ft. 10 in.; Putting the stone—H. Fraser, 69 ft. 2 in. High jump—Jean and Olivier Jamieson, 5ft. 2in. Hebon, Aberdeen. Long jump—A. Bonar, Cullier, Hap. Pole-Vault—M. Grierson, Balmoral; strathspey and reel—D. Nicol, Balmoral. Dancing (under 18)—R. Highland Fling—F. Burns, Aberdeen; under 18—H. Johnston, Aberdeen.

CAMERA CLUB OUTING

Five carloads of enthusiastic members of Dundee and East of Scotland Photographic Association yesterday explored the photographic possibilities of Dunkeld and Clunie Pass districts.

The more was expressed that the results which exhibited at the Scottish Salon, Art Gallery, last year being housed in Dundee Leader for the day was Mr W. L. Weir.

FEE TO SEE ROUND GLAMIS CASTLE: EARL TELLS WHY

Because of crippling taxation and heavy death duties consequent on the death of his grandfather and his father within five years the Earl of Strathmore has decided to open Glamis Castle to the public twice weekly and to charge a fee.

The proceeds will be used to help in the maintenance of the castle.

In happier times the castle was open to the public one day a week and the fees collected were devoted to charities.

Interviewed yesterday by the "Courier," the Earl said: "I am trying the venture out for a small way because I do not have the staff to deal with large crowds.

"I have no guides or escorts, and the job of showing people over the castle will be done by the housekeeper, Miss Wild.

"If bus loads come we won't turn them away, but will do our best.

"If the scheme proves the success I hope it will, then I intend getting it properly organised for the future."

The Earl recalled that in his grandfather's day taxation rose to about 10s in the £1, and he added: "It is even heavier to-day."

There are many interesting things to see in the castle, including the rooms occupied by Their Majesties and the Princesses and the room in which Princess Margaret Rose was born; also the famous tapestries and, in the chapel, noted pictures by De Witt, the Dutch artist.

The amount of the admission fee has not yet been decided.

"Was There Something—"

"Or am I selling the wrong things?" asked Sam Costa, radio and stage star, after he had opened Dunfermline Boy Scout's fete and fun fair in the Ice Rink on Sat urday.

WIFE SEES RIDER CRASH

Two British riders were seriously injured in crashes during the Belgian motor cycling Grand Prix at Francochamps yesterday.

Artie Bell (Norton), after gaining second place in the 350 c.c. event, was in collision with Leslie Graham (A.J.S.) in the second lap of the 500 c.c. event, both riders shooting into a control post.

Bell suffered a fractured skull and was rushed to hospital. His condition last night was described as very serious.

M. D. Whitworth (Velocette) was in collision with a Belgian rider in the last lap of the 350 c.c event. Whitworth suffered a fractured skull and internal injuries and was stated to be in an extremely serious condition. Whitworth's wife witnessed the crash.

Wm. Hall (Velocette), who fell in the first lap of the 350 c.c. event, sustained head injuries, but was reported not seriously hurt.

British riders swept the board, filling the first seven places. Bob Foster, riding a Velocette, was an easy winner at an average speed of 97.32 m.p.h. Second was Artie Bell (Norton) at an average of 96.56 m.p.h. G. E. Duke (Norton) was third at an average of 95.87 m.p.h.

Bluebird To Try For Record Next Month

Donald Campbell, 29-year-old son of the late Sir Malcolm Campbell, said yesterday he reached 160 m.p.h. in a test run in his father's water speed record-breaking boat, Bluebird II., on Coniston Water, in the Lake District.

"I made the test run to-day to try out certain new modifications to the Bluebird, and I am very pleased with the results," he said.

"The run was not a record attempt—we shall be doing that in about six weeks' time, when the new propeller for the boat is ready.

"The modifications include a new gear-box and lubricating system, and both, which let me down last year, are working very well now."

Last year Bluebird touched 152 m.p.h in a record attempt, but over the whole distance failed to beat Sir Malcolm's record of 141.74 m.p.h., set up on Coniston Water in 1939.

Mr Campbell added he had not yet heard whether the speed of 160.3255 m.p.h., which Stanley Sayres claims to have set up in his boat Slo-Mo-Shun IV on Lake Washington, is an official record.

Mr Campbell's chief mechanic, Leo Villa, rode on Bluebird with Mr Campbell to help check the performance. "Leo has done something to this boat to improve its efficiency to an amazing degree," he said.

Later he said he was so satisfied that he would attempt to beat the new American speed of 160 m.p.h.

NYLON STOCKINGS AGREEMENT

The executive of the National Union of Hosiery Workers met in Leicester on Saturday to discuss the failure of the manufacturers to sign an agreement on national rates for the knitting of seamless nylon stockings. No statement was issued.

Union negotiators met a few weeks ago it was announced that a national rate would apply as from June 19. This was amended to July 3, but on Friday the union officials were informed that the manufacturers would not sign the agreement.

A spokesman for the manufacturers stated yesterday that there was no dispute. Their representatives, he said, had still to secure the necessary majority before the agreement could be signed, and the union had been so informed.

COUPLE ACCUSED OF CHILD'S MURDER

The Chief Constable of Hastings, Lieut.-Colonel A. G. Cargill, told a reporter yesterday that a man and woman have been charged there with the murder of the woman's child. They will appear in court to-day.

The body of the child who is believed to have been missing for about two months was found late last night by the police in a well on a farm near St Leonards.

It was later learned the child's name was Stewart Benney.

Hastings police started during the night an intensive search of the surrounding countryside for the body of the child, and the search was continued yesterday, being directed personally by the Chief Constable and Detective-Inspector George Copper, chief of Hastings C.I.D.

DOCTOR DRIVER FINED

Harry Gordon Laing, medical practitioner, Longhill Road, Inverurie, was fined £25, and his driving licence endorsed, at Aberdeen Sheriff Court on Saturday.

He pleaded guilty to driving a car while under the influence of drink.

Dysart Co-Operative Society children's gala and sports were held on Saturday at Ravenscraig Park, Kirkcaldy. Four thousand children took part.

A jumble sale in Dovecotland Hall, Perth, on Saturday, on behalf of Jeanfield Swifts F.C. ground fund realised £40. Organisers were two members of Swifts' committee, Ian Robb and D. Stewart.

BRITON WINS RHEIMS CAR RACE

Cooper cars, driven by three Englishmen and a Swede, yesterday filled the first four places in the Grand Prix de Rheims race for 500 c.c. cars.

The race consisted of 15 laps of a course totalling about 64 miles.

Alf Bottoms (Britain), who had the fastest lap of 3 min. 52.2 sec. (nearly 85 m.p.h.), won the race in 46 min. 16.8 sec. (approx. 82 m.p.h.), followed by Ate Jonsson (Sweden), 47 min. 7.5 sec.; R. M. Dryden (Britain), 47 min. 53.1 sec.; and Donald Parker (Britain), 47 min. 44.8 sec. Stirling Moss and John Heath, of Britain, both driving H.W.M. machines, were third and fourth respectively in the race for two litre cars, Alberto Ascari (Italy), on a Ferrari, winning from Andre Simon (France).

The main event, the Grand Prix Automobile De Rheim, was won by Fangio (Argentine) on his Alfa Romeo, in 2 hr. 57 min. 52.8 sec. A speed of nearly 105 m.p.h. P. M. Whitehead (Britain) was third.

Fife Doctor Gets Dundee Post

Dr Boyd Suttie, only son of Mr and Mrs D. C. Suttie, Lulthrie Schoolhouse, Cupar, has been appointed resident casualty officer at Dundee Infirmary. He takes up duty next month.

Aged 22, he was educated at George Watson's College, Edinburgh, graduated M.B., Ch.B., at St Andrews University.

As a pianist he gained early successes at the Edinburgh and Fife music festivals. He is an expert shot and was a member of George Watson's A.T.C. team which won the small-bore championship of the British Isles (under 18).

TROOPS MAY MOVE INTO SMITHFIELD

Butchers are expecting troops to help move carcase meat from cold storage depots to Smithfield market to-day—the tenth day of the Smithfield drivers' strike.

"We do not know yet whether the orders will be given, but men and vehicles are available if they are required," a War Office spokesman told a reporter.

Last week 128 R.A.F. lorries and drivers distributed tinned corned beef to London butchers' shops.

Fears were expressed last night by some butchers that the porters might join the strike. If they do it will mean another corned beef Sunday next week-end for many Londoners.

Soldiers would have to be used to load the meat into lorries at both the cold storage and at Smithfield.

Forfar Fire Brigade was called on Saturday afternoon to Zoar, where about 40 yards of a railway sleeper fence was ablaze.

David Stewart (49), c/o Clark, 2 Carlton Street, Cupar Angus, was cycling home from Alyth agricultural show on Saturday night when the handlebars broke and he was thrown. He was admitted to Dundee Infirmary with facial injuries.

After the car and bus crash on the main Glasgow-St Andrews road at Guardbridge on Saturday. Occupants of the car, Mr and Mrs Orr, Hamilton, were seriously injured. Mr Orr is an ex-Provost of Hamilton.

Rescuers Were Waist Deep In Deadly Gas

Eleven men died and twenty-eight are in hospital after being overcome by gas at Consett Iron Works, County Durham, on Saturday night.

It is thought that somewhere in the pipe, which carries the gas from the furnace, there was a fracture or split seam.

A man, who lost two of his neighbours, was working at a furnace 20 yards away when one of his mates shouted, "Jack, there's men lying on their backs here, Gas."

The affected place was filled with a layer of gas probably more than waist deep, because as the rescuers were walking towards the falling men, and standing upright, they were not affected. As soon as they bent down to lift the fallen men they were overpowered.

Consett Works, one of the biggest steel centres, employs 4000.

Air Link Begins

BIGGER PLANES PROMISE FOR SCONE

Sir Patrick Dollan, chairman Scottish Civil Aviation Advisory Committee, and Mr Robert M'Kean, Scottish manager British European Airways, were passengers on a silver-coloured De Havilland Rapide which inaugurated the Glasgow-Perth air service on Saturday.

The plane was piloted by Captain E. A. Starling, Aberdeen, senior captain, Scottish Division. It arrived at Scone Airport from Renfrew six minutes late.

The officials were joined on the return journey by Lord Provost J. Lyle Primrose, Perth, and Mr J. Swan, traffic superintendent.

Sir Patrick announced that the service, already criticised by Lord Provost Primrose as a "stop-gap," was virtually experimental, but would link Perth with all the principal British and overseas airlines.

It would be possible to travel from Perth to any of the twenty European capitals, via Glasgow and Northolt, in under nine hours.

Only a few bookings so far had been received, and for the first few weeks the scheme would probably lose money, but improvement and encouragement were expected.

"Bigger and better machines will be introduced as the scheme develops," he said.

Return fares from Perth to Glasgow (40 minutes each way) is £2.

£20,000 CATHEDRAL CROSS STOLEN

The high altar cross of Exeter Cathedral—nearly a hundred-weight of jewel-encrusted silver, worth £20,000—was snatched on Saturday night by thieves.

They took out the gems and hurled the silver remainder into a field outside the city.

The alarm was given after a member of the cathedral staff had early yesterday discovered a side door of the cathedral forced open.

Police over a wide area were notified that the cross, 5 feet 6 inches tall and 2 feet 6 inches wide, was missing.

Later it was found lying in a field a few yards from the main Exeter-London road at Fenny Bridge, near Honiton.

It was undamaged except for the expert removal of three diamond brooches from each point, and a diamond tiara which was suspended below the figure of Christ.

If the cross had been stolen some years ago it would have been worth much more. During the war about half the jewels were taken away, and they have not been replaced.

Police believe that the cross was taken to Fenny Bridge by car or van before being flung into the field.

The jewels were part of the Newman collection lent on trust to the cathedral after the death of Mrs Lumley, sister of Lord Mamhead, of Exeter, who, as Sir Robert Newman, was a former M.P. for the city.

Sun Favours Seaside Season

The rush to Arbroath for the holiday season began in earnest on Saturday.

Two thousand visitors packed incoming trains, while buses brought another 500. All bus services had to be duplicated, and several special trains were run.

Greatest number of holidaymakers was from the Shell—Glasgow, Dumbarton, Falkirk and Lanarkshire—but trains from Edinburgh also carried large crowds.

CROWDED CAR PARK

Montrose enjoyed its best day for three weeks yesterday and beach crowds stretched several miles along the sands.

The Links were popular. Motorists made such a heavy demand on the car park that buses taking trippers to the beach had to be found other accommodation.

Sea temperature was 56 degrees. As the tide rolled in the beach rescues warned children who might have been caught on a sandbank.

Bowhill and District Band played two concerts at Carnoustie yesterday, when the biggest crowd of the season gave beach and links a summery appearance.

ARBROATH CHURCH WEDDINGS

When Mabel Gunning married Douglas Bride in Fife Street Church, Arbroath, on Saturday she wore a gown of figured satin cut on princess lines, with a flowing train. Her silk embroidered veil was caught in a beaded coronet, and she carried a shower bouquet of harristi lilies.

Mr James T. Gunning was best man, and John Gunning and Charles Kinnear were ushers.

Following a reception in Hotel Seaforth, the bride left for the honeymoon in a dove grey suit, with cherry hat and accessories.

Miss Eunice M. Allan was bridesmaid in a dress of cyclamen corrigal, with cape and Bleu d'Chantilly hat, and matching headdress. Her shower bouquet was of mixed sweet peas.

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In the Old Church, Isabel Mudie Lumsden, second daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Lumsden, 2 Airlie Crescent, married James Craig, fourth son of Mr and Mrs W. Craig, 1 Airlie Crescent.

The bride was attired in white silk. Her embroidered veil was held in place by a headdress of orange blossom, and her bouquet was of pink carnations.

Miss Jean Craig and Miss Agnes M'Gregor were bridesmaids, and Sheila Lumsden and Mary Craig were flower girls. Miss Craig wore a dress of blue taffeta with blue feather headdress, and carried a bouquet of sweet peas. Miss M'Gregor was in pink figured silk, with feather headdress and bouquet of sweet peas. The flower girls wore blue crepe hooped dresses, with floral headdresses and posies of pink and blue cornflowers.

Mr Richard Craig was best man, and Mr Charles Blair and Mr William Craig were ushers.

After the reception in Panmure Hall the bride travelled in a stone-coloured coat with turquoise blue accessories.

NOTED ANGUS CURLER AND BOWLER

Mr James C. Stewart, Mill of Tannadice, whose death has taken place, was well known in Angus curling and bowling circles.

He was 75.

A native of Stonehaven, he was a champion ploughman in the district as a young man. For 40 years he was an auctioneer and manager at Brechin Auction Mart.

In 1919 he took over Mill of Tannadice, which he farmed and ran as a dairy. He retired about six years ago.

He was a member of Kirriemuir Bowling Club and was identified with curling interests all over the county. He also played frequently at the indoor rinks in Dundee and Perth. He had few equals as My Lord.

Of a technical turn of mind, he transformed Mill of Tannadice with many modern trimmets.

He is survived by his wife and a grown-up family.

BRITISH NAVY IN ACTION OFF KOREA

Five Communist Ships Go Down

U.S. TROOPS STRENGTHEN DEFENCE LINE

General MacArthur's headquarters in Tokio yesterday said British and U.S. warships had gone into action off the east coast of Korea, sinking five of six Communist motor-torpedo boats encountered in Samchok-Kangnung area.

B-29 Superfort bombers struck Yonpo airfield, on the east coast, and pilots said they left the entire area covered by smoke.

Reports from Taejon, temporary capital, 70 miles south of Suwon, said American troops passed through to man new defence lines.

Aircraft of 5th Air Force heavily lashed Seoul area with strafing and bombing missions.

An ammunition dump was blown up and one Yak aircraft with Red Star markings was shot down.

Australian Mustangs flew their first mission of the campaign to escort U.S. transport planes from Japan.

RUSSIAN MARKINGS

Four Yak fighters with Russian markings, and six with North Korean markings strafed Suwon airstrip yesterday afternoon.

A headquarters spokesman said two Northern columns, trying to outflank Suwon, down parallel roads, had penetrated to a depth of ten miles.

Another column said to have ten pieces of motorised artillery and seven ox-drawn anti-tank guns, were reported making for a point 30 miles south-east of Seoul.

Suwon and Fusan, to the south, are the only airstrips in South Korea able to handle heavy planes.

ROAD STILL CLEAR

The Seoul-Suwon road is still clear of Northern forces, and no Northern tanks have yet crossed the Han River.

Northern troops were reported to be concentrating on an island in the Han River. They had repaired, with planks, one of the three rail and road bridges across the Han, blown by the South Koreans.

Pontoon bridges were said to have been thrown across the river, apparently in preparation for a renewed armoured drive south.

Koreans cheered and waved when the advance battalion of American troops passed through Taejon in trucks to guard the road along which invading tanks would have to fight.

U.S. COMMANDER

Major-General Dean is to command American forces in Korea. Brigadier-General Church becomes senior liaison officer attached to General Dean.

Twelve U.S. Air Force planes have been lost since operations began.

North Korean radio claimed that the Americans bombed Pyongyang, their capital, three times during the night.

CHIANG'S HELP OFFER

The U.S. State Department said yesterday the Chinese Nationalists had offered to send about 55,000 "seasoned" troops for the defence of South Korea, but the Department, while expressing "deep appreciation," said that preparations to meet a threat to Formosa should have priority.

Chiang's aide-memoire to the U.S. State Department said: "The Chinese Republic is willing to send land troops to South Korea to assist in the operations."

A State Department spokesman said General MacArthur had been informed of these developments.

He declined to say if a decision on the offer would or could be made by General MacArthur, without referring to Washington in the light of the military situation.

Israel yesterday declared her support for the Security Council's action on Korea.

Swedish Prime Minister Tage Erlander said yesterday: "The attack by North Korea on South Korea is condemned in our country as an act of aggression liable to endanger world peace.

"What has happened has undoubtedly strengthened the conviction of the Swedish people that it is the right policy when we strive to build up a defence for the independence of Sweden and for freedom for its citizens."

Mr John Dulles, Republican policy adviser to the State Department, back from the Far East, including Korea, said in Washington that South Korea was attacked because "the Communists seem to have felt they could not tolerate this hopeful, attractive Asiatic experiment in democracy."

A second reason was a desire to place Japan "between the upper and lower jaws of the Russian bear."

Germans Help Report

Detachments of Soviet zone "people's police" would shortly be sent to fight in the North Korean Army, the West Berlin "Telegraf" reported yesterday.

More than 7000 policemen from all parts of Eastern Germany were being assembled near Berlin to be flown to Korea in Soviet transport aircraft, the newspaper said.

Moscow radio claimed on Saturday that the North Koreans had "liberated" 500 towns and villages in South Korea, killed and wounded 9000 Southerners, and captured 3000 men, together with 15 anti-tank guns, seven armoured cars, two tanks and 48 lorries.

Moscow newspapers yesterday gave reports of protest meetings at which factory and office workers demanded "hands off Korea," and that "Anglo-American war aggression against the Korean people must cease."

CHINESE MOVE

Chinese "democratic" groups have told Communist leader Mao Tse-Tung they will "strive to liberate Taiwan (Formosa) and for the complete maintenance of China's territorial integrity and sovereignty," according to a Soviet news agency message from Peking.

"We shall fight to drive the American imperialists out of Taiwan and other territories belonging to the Chinese people and for their return to the Chinese people.

"The United States imperialists have mobilised their several fleets for armed aggression against China for the purpose of preventing us from liberating Taiwan."

WORLD WAR CAN BE AVOIDED —Morrison

The hope that a world war could be averted if the free democracies accept the fresh challenge of Korea was expressed by Mr Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the Council, at Manchester yesterday.

The Korean invasion is an act of naked aggression, deliberate and, in the face of it, it is not only the duty but the interest of freedom-loving peoples to come to the assistance of the victim, as provided for in the Charter of the United Nations.

Only by showing that the free democracies will take a stand can we hope to convince disturbers of the peace that aggression just does not pay.

We have been bearing the brunt of the "cold" war for months in Malaya, which our forces have been defending against the terrorists in the hot jungle.

While armed opposition is necessary in reply to armed aggression, the path we and other like-thinking people must follow is in removing the causes of Communism, by alleviating the malnutrition and misery that affects so many millions of people, particularly throughout Asia. This is a task for more than one lifetime. We have played our part worthily, and we must continue to do so.

Meanwhile we must not shrink from the obligation laid on us by the resolution of the Security Council of the United Nations. We dare not repeat the mistake of the pre-war Governments or re-enact the weakness of the old League of Nations.

Forces From America

In Washington, C.-in-C. Admiral Arthur Radford said a new task force having assembled on the west coast of America would move soon to Hawaii area.

To be known as Task Group Yoke, it would include an aircraft carrier, two heavy cruisers, and nine destroyers.

Field-Marshal Sir William Slim, British C.I.G.S., arrived at Singapore yesterday by air from Australia. He said his defence talks with Australian and New Zealand military leaders had been very satisfactory.

"But any decision to send Dominion troops to the Korean operations or to Malaya is a matter for the Dominion Governments."

Field-Marshal Slim did not comment on whether the Korean situation would cause a redeployment of British troops in Malaya.

Perth Bride

The wedding took place in the Middle Church, Perth, on Saturday, of Miss Margaret G. Norval, M.A., Perth, and Mr Geoffrey Laycock, Northwich, Cheshire. The bridegroom, graduated B.Sc. with honours at St Andrews on Friday.

SOVIET ALLEGES U.S. DROPPED COLORADOS

The Soviet Government has sent a Note to the United States Government on the alleged dropping of Colorado beetles in Eastern Germany, according to a Tass (Soviet) News Agency message received in London on Saturday.

The Note, according to Tass, said—The Soviet Government has received from the Government of the German Democratic Republic a report to the effect that between May 22 and June 7 of this year, American planes, violating existing rules governing aviation flights, dropped a large quantity of Colorado beetles, which are a dangerous pest to potato crops. These acts are deliberate and, consequently, are of a criminal nature.

"The Soviet Government insists that the guilty persons be brought to book and expects the United States Government to adopt proper measures to guarantee that there is no repetition of similar acts in the future.

"In connection with the above, the Soviet Government expects the United States Government to report on the measures it adopts," the Note added.

SUSPECT TAKEN FROM STEAMER QUEUE

Two men will appear at Chelmsford Court to-day charged with house-breaking and robbery with violence at a house in East Hanningfield, Essex, last Wednesday.

The men were arrested at Southend yesterday and charged. One of the men, Trevor Charles Arnold, of no fixed address, was seen in a queue about to board a pleasure steamer.

The other man is John James Jones, Station Road, Westcliff.

The charges relate to an incident at the Gables, an East Hanningfield farmhouse, where Mrs Solly Putter, (53), was found tied to a table. Missing from the house was £350 in notes.

Five thousand children marched to Cowdenbeath Public Park on Saturday accompanied by five bands for the crowning of the Co-Operative Queen, Lorna Duncan, by Mrs Dryhie, wife of Treasurer Dryhie, chairman, Cowdenbeath Co-Operative Society.

WOMAN MISSING IN MOUNTAIN STORM

Search parties were out yesterday for Miss Helena Muir, who failed to return from a climb on the 7375-foot Patscher Kofel Mountain, near Innsbruck, says a message from Vienna, during a terrific thunderstorm on Saturday afternoon.

Miss Munro, who was staying at a hotel over 6000 feet, had gone alone for a climb, ing on the east slopes. She was caught in the storm, and failed to return to the hotel.

BURNTISLAND CROWNS QUEEN OF THE FAIR

Thousands lined the streets of Burntisland on Saturday for the crowning of the "Queen of the Fair."

Miss Sheena Anthony, 59 Somerville Street, was queen, and Mrs Meldrum, wife of the Provost, performed the crowning at the links.

Provost Meldrum and members of the Council took the salute as the procession passed the Council Chambers.

The queen of the fair laid flowers at the War Memorial. Afterwards sports were held for the children.

The queen and members of her retinue were presented with tokens of appreciation by Provost Meldrum at the Picture House in the evening.

WEEM HONOURS DEAD SOLDIER

Corporal William Newton, Weem, who fell in the last war, had his name added to Weem War Memorial yesterday.

The unveiling ceremony was conducted by Lieut.-Col. J. Gordon Ramsay of Farleyer, who read a letter in which his platoon commander paid tribute to Cpl. Newton's character as a Highland soldier in the 2nd Battalion Black Watch.

The corporal's mother laid a wreath at the memorial, and Mr D. Matheson played a lament on the bagpipes. The ceremony concluded with prayer by Rev. Ian MacLellan.

Massed pipe bands from Dundee, Perth, and Angus Associations took part in a display at Brechin yesterday. With the Brechin Pipe Band they marched from the Inch to Nursery Park, where they gave a two-hour programme.

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