

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1963

Free Nations Mourn

TITH a sense of the deepest landers will read of the assassination threatre groups should certainly not of President John Kennedy. Details are scarce, but the presumption is compete with television. He criticised that this terrible deed was the work some theatre groups for their lack of of a fanatic—a direct result from the depth, and said they should treat stand President Kennedy took in the dramatists with more respect. cause of civil rights and justice for Diplomatic Immunity America's negro population.

Whatever the reason for the killand esteem of many millions of Britain, and includes 1873 wives. people, of all races, colour, and Like Common Market creed, outside the boundaries of his homeland. Those free nations, New Zealand among them, will mourn as which there seemed to be some the Americans mourn, and their urgency, Dr P. W. Cotter wrote in a sympathy will flow in immeasurable letter read at yesterday's meeting of the Mount Herbert County Council volume to Mrs Kennedy and her children.

man, and one who during his Presi- tain and the Common Market. dency handled with skill and cour- Automatic Control age the several crises that faced him after he entered the White House. In the international sphere he encountered the Cuban situation and traffic control in 1965, says "The clash with Soviet Bussia which Times." Motorists will be directed by the clash with Soviet Russia which brought the world very close to war. signs, operated by a central computer. If the Russians had been trying to call President Kennedy's bluff, the effort was a failure. They found they faced a leader of the utmost resolution, and it was from that time Not Worth Cutting that relations between West and East took a turn for the better. For ago one of Banks Peninsula's most that, great credit attaches to the lucrative summer occupations, has fallen on evil days. At yesterday's President's memory.

But while these international Council it was decided that it was not problems persisted, internally there worth advertising for someone to cut was no let-up in the struggle over Previously the council had called for racial integration. Knowing full reviously the council had the crop well the physical risks he ran-his but this year it was decided to author country's history told him that— President Kennedy set himself up as a devoted worker for the negroes' Logging Most Hazardous Job cause. In the South, needless to say, his attitude aroused the hostility that has to be seen to be most hazardous occupation, with a severity rate of 13,516, the chief forest believed; so much so indeed that in ranger for the Canterbury district of recent months the possibility had the New Zealand Forest Service, said been canvassed that his stand for racial equality could cost him vic- "Foresty News." Stone guarrying was racial equality could cost him victory if he had sought re-election to the Presidency.

Despite threats of every kind President Kennedy never wavered. His party is committed to this same To Inspect Port Facilities policy, but whether the campaign

waver in the face of opposition to any cause they feel is right.

N.Z. Too Acquiescent New Zealanders were not rebellious enough, which was why laws like the Indecent Publications Act could be put into practice, said Mr Patrick Carey, director of Dunedin's Globe Theatre, in Christchurch yesterday. "They are apathetic about the arts and they have a pathetic approach to life," said Mr Carey. Mr Carey said he had done and would continue to do plays which would offend an officious censorship committee. "Still, the artist's life is

committee. "Still, the artist's life is a good life—while it lasts," he said. An admirer of Greek drama, Mr Carey said the only things the Greeks considered indecent was a furtive conceal shock and dismay New Zea- ing of the facts of life. Mr Carey thinks

Full diplomatic immunity is to be Whatever the reason for the kill- given to 6235 people in Britain, the ing, the consequence is the loss to the Foreign Secretary (Mr R. A. Butler) free world of a comparatively young stated in the House of Commons. The figure covers those in foreign and President who had won the affection Commonwealth missions resident in

The question of amalgamation was a very important one and a matter about It would be a pity if other amalgamahildren. President Kennedy was a brave bert had to beg for admission, like Bri

Four square miles of the busiest approaches to Central London from the vest will be given over to automatic traffic signals and electronic diversion signs, operated by a central computer. congested points

Cocksfoot cutting, not so many years meeting of the Mount Herbert County

known.

next with a rate of 7700, followed by coal mining, 6760. The lowest severity

rates were in the "gentlemen's pro-fessions." This was only six in banking and other financial institutions.

As part of the preparation of the rewill continue with such dedication now that the Kennedy drive and decision have gone remains to be seen. New Zealand by Mr C. A. W. Dawes, deputy chairman and managing director of the New Zealand a visit is being paid to New Zealand by Mr C. A. W. Dawes, deputy chairman and managing director of the New Zealand a visit is being paid to New Seen. The free world is the better for John Kennedy's life and work. In death his example should serve to inspire men and women tending to We Zealand Shipping Company, and Mr J. G. Payne, assistant manager of the Blue Star Line, states the New Zea-land Press Association's special Lon-ference there. Only a short distance away the sun sparkled on the sea and We Zealand Shipping Company, and in umerable public meetings; the Liberals recently held their party political con-ference there. Only a short distance away the sun sparkled on the sea and We Zealand Shipping Company and in umerable public meetings; the Liberals recently held their party political con-ference there. Only a short distance away the sun sparkled on the sea and We We way the sun sparkled on the sea and Wellington on November 27. The re-beaches alongside the Palace Pier ports of the committees are due to be where, if the marina plan is approved, published simultaneously in London Brighton will achieve another milestone and Wellington in February. in its progress

Brighton to Have Fine Remember of the second New Yachting Marina BABIES SYDNEY.

NO Londoner, or for that matter, anybody else within easy reach, needs any strong persuasion to visit Brighton. A touch of sunshine, a streak of blue sky, and a few hours of leisure and who would not seize the chance to descend by train, car or coach on this gay and beautiful resort on England's south coast?

It has been a favourite rendezvous since about 1750, when a certain Dr Russell, discovering the magical properties of sea-bathing, established the smelly little fishing village of Brightelmstone as the vorld's first modern health resort. "Kind, cheerful, merry Doctor Brigh-ton!" exclaimed the 19th-century English author Thackeray. Before his time the novelist Jane Austen had already had one of her heroines imagining that

"a visit to Brighton comprised every possibility of earthly happiness." So when news broke this month of a

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£9,000,000 scheme to provide Brighton with a fine new yachting marina and casino to attract pleasure-lovers from all over the world, I decided that one pleasure-lover would start for Brightor n the next few minutes.

After an hour's journey from London's Victoria rail terminus on the "Brighton Belle" express, I found sun-bathed Brighton the same magnificent conglomeration of old and new that I have always

There was fairy-like fantasy in the lomes and minarets of the Royal Pavilion, the marine palace set up a century-and-a-half ago by the Prince Regent (later King George IV), that dandified prince who gave Brighton the roval seal of fame.

There was modernity in the cliff-like apartment blocks and steel and concrete office buildings. And to add the bloom of history and romance were rank upon rank of old-world terrace houses, as beautiful to-day, with their weather-stained stucco facings and bow-windows, as when they were first built more than one hundred years ago.





The Royal Pavilion, Brighton.

one at the Hotel Metropole), restaurants, shops, outdoor and indoor swimming pools, and a children's zone.

vide frequent helicopter services and a "Hovercraft" station for swift trips across the English Channel to the Continent of Europe.

'Boatels'

THERE would be "boatels," too, and holiday flatlets built into the sea wall, giving the advantages of an ocean cruise without risk of sea-sickness. The sponsors believe their creation would rival any marina anywhere, and draw pleasure-seekers to Brighton not simply from London, as in the "Regency Days" of 150 years ago, but from all corners

Approved or not, the plan is in keep-

Brighton already has visitors from many lands talking in exotic tongues almost matching in number restaurants, oyster counters, theatres, ice rinks, fashionable de partmental stores, ripe old English inns and modern aperitif bars.

LONDON.

revolutionise the treatment of deaf children. It is designed to check a child's hearing within days of its birth.

Scientists are swinging more and more to the belief that, in its early ife, a child is worse handicapped by aulty hearing than by faulty vision.

They point out that a child with perfect eyes does not use them to full advantage until at least three months old. By then it has probably learned to distinguish between mother and father by sound alone.

Time Lost

 \mathbf{B}^{UT} where a child is born deaf, even the most observant parent does not become aware of it until precious, irreplaceable time has passed. Before the defect is identified, any-thing up to four years may have passed; and during that time the child has been denied the most humar contact of all with his fellow beingsthe human contact of speech.

Dr Aram Glorig, director of research of the sub-committee of noise of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Oto-Laryngology in Los Angeles, lectured in Sydney in 1962 and said: "If you can get a hearing aid on a brain by the acoustic sense is the brain by the acoustic sense is the brain by the acoustic sense is the bear of price rises—butter, sugar, bear, bread, and flour, not forget-sequent associations are made with vision, with touch, and with all the performance of the performance

other senses." Consider, too, the words of Dorothea McCarthy in her "Language Develop-ment in Children": "The intimate rela-tionship . . between language and tionship tionship ... between language and thought is further evidence of the importance of this aspect of the child's levelopment. Language . . . is so freuently involved in thought . . . hat a certain basic level of attainment in linguistic skills is practically an essential pre-requisite to the child's formal education.'

Convinced

 $\mathbf{W}^{ ext{HEN}}$ Dr Glorig was giving his address in Sydney, a young Sydney teacher named Walter George Parr lecturer in education at Sydney Teach-ers' College, had for four years been working on perfecting an instrument designed to detect deafness immed-iately after birth.

Mr Parr was convinced that the routine method of clapping the hands or shouting near the child's ear was useless. The clapping of hands ex-



The P. P. J. Deafness Detector

pelled air, and the rush of air on the and music examination papers that are

Sir,—If apathy is a characteristic of this election, it is because candidates waste so much time in trivalities an backchat. A burning question, at prese largely side-tracked, is the constitution change proposed to give State aid private schools. Could a member of audience at any meeting ask the c didate the following question.—"A you in favour of any State aid to priv schools?"-and ask for an unequiv N Australian invention might revolutionise the treatment or reservations? The candidates' a wers might influence their fate election day.—SECULAR.

Suggested Question

Social Security

Sir,—Social Credit is under of sion in this election period. M quote Sir Compton McKenzie greatest man of Scottish letters") an article in the "Spectator," London March 26, 1952. "Social security sound wonderful, but the sooner we abandon the notion that social security is provided by the old age pension in i present form the better. So far the on people who offer a scheme for genuir

social security are the Social Creditor and in spite of the opposition of ort odox economists to the theory, I hav not yet read a convincing rebuttal it." That, sir, is from the greatest ma of Scottish letters. — ALBERT - I WILLYAMS.

Labour's Budget

Sir,-I would like to point out to "First Voter-St Albans," who com-plains about Labour's 1957 election promises, that although not a sup porter I believe in fairness to any party. If he gave the matter a little in you can get a hearing and on a party. If he gave the matter a little child when that child is a mere infant, just born, you are going to have a different type of adult than if you wait until this child is two, three, land Government left the country in Government left the country in. four or six. In my opinion, the mass If this National Government goes in of information that gets into that brain by the acoustic sense is the grumble about, for next year there will

Rescue Breathing

Sir,-Many organisations in this city are doing a really splendid job in educating the public on rescue breath ing, but the dramatic page with illustrations and instructions inserted in Tuesday's "Star" by a city firm and read by thousands and thousands of readers will undoubtedly also do a great deal to bring home the import ance of this vital knowledge. This page could quite possibly be the direct means of saving lives this summer for every reader who spent ten minutes or more studying its illustrations and instructions is now a potential life saver! I feel, and think most will agree that a vote of thanks is due to this, public spirited city firm.—BREATH OF LIFE.

Exam. Paper Leak

Sir,—I consider the letter by 'Fair's Fair'' to be most unfair. I can mly assume that he has no knowledge of the security precautions taken when examination papers are being printed have worked on them and I can assure you that the papers are checked and rechecked at every point and there very little possibility of anyone "borrowing" a paper for even a few minutes. I feel that it is inevitable that someone talks out of turn at some time, not necessarily deliberately, and not necessarily a printer. Perhaps if "Fair's Fair" would give a thought to



spot known as the Devil's Dyke. Every aspect of the temple would be reproduced in its true colouring. There would also be a heliport to pro-

of the globe.

ing with the spirit of this lovely and stimulating "city-by-the-sea."

Another typical Brighton plan under review is the building of a model of the ancient Abu Simbel temple which 46 countries have pledged funds to save from the dammed-up waters of the liquid form, the gas occupies only one-Another typical Brighton plan under

TALKING of dams, the almost unbe

lievable has just happened on Lon-don's River Thames. For two consecutive mornings all ship traffic up and down the river was stopped for four hours at a stretch. This enabled a 1500ft length of methane gas pipeline

overlooking the famous local beauty

Pipeline

to be hauled across at low water. _The pipeline is part of a 325miles system linking the north of England with Canvey Island, near the mouth of the Thames, to which methane is to be brought in liquid form from the Sahara Desert in special tankers now being built in Britain's shipyards.

When the liquid is "re-gasified" anvey Island, it will be fed over the pipeline as domestic gas to some 13,000,000 customers up and down the country.

Research

The Role of Youth

far too little vision.

has to offer youth, the contributor which the roof shells will fan outward

with the need to achieve some il Monte, the little town in Bergamo, north Italy, where the late Pope John XXIII was born, is to be known in dence in the youth of New Zea-land to say that neither will fail." XXIII was born, is to be known in future as Sotto il Monte-Giovanni XXIII. The Pope's old home is being The goal the country offers is identical with that which has al-ways confronted young people: to sister live in the town. The town of as it is and by grappling to A long time ago Goethe observed that the destiny of any nation, at

any given time, depends on the opinions of its young men under five and twenty-before compromise lays its crippling hand upon them. The role of politics-the science and art of governmentsurely is to make these opportunities plain to young people. Youth tends to accept as facts the injustice, arrogance, petulance, meanness and selfishness that afflict human relations and resolve to oust them with something superior.

The appropriate place for youth in New Zealand is not a special the mainstream of life, doing their whack. If our schools, despite record investments in education, fail to bring that truth home to boys and girls-if they fall short of teaching that the world does not owe them anything but that, conversely, they owe a debt to society camps, more streamlined methods of learning, judicious vocational guidance are all admirable in themselves. But when all is said and done, they are tools to be used in the business of living; nothing ONE lesson at least may be derived more.

hearts and the faith that these

Qpera House Grows The first huge segment of an arched YOUNG man's contribution to rule inst huge segment of an archive tacular roof shells for the Sydney Opera A the "Christchurch Star," this House was lowered into place yester. **1** The "Christchurch Star, this House was lowered into place yester-week, giving youth's point of view on politics leaves the conviction that political parties are setting their sights far too low. There is too much coddling and not enough too much coddling and not enough challenge, too much provision and form part of one of six ribs which will converge to an apex at the top of the

Asking what goal the country These arches will provide the base from

wrote: "If you take two boys—one from a good home who has led an exemplary life and the other from a Borstal—and really inspire them with the need to achieve accessing in Monte the little town in President (Mr Antonio Segni), Sotto with the need to achieve accessing in Monte the little town in President (Mr Antonio Segni), Sotto in the individual is explicable instinct of the flock, the herd, the instinct of the flock is the instinct of the flock is the instinct of the flock is the herd, the instinct of the flock is the herd, the instinct of the flock is the herd, the instinct of the flock is the instinct of the flock is the herd, the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the flock is the herd is the instinct of the physical violence, but were content ap-parently to "buzz" the big bird, which Sparr probably been either robbing legs and flying wings. The hawk must have been uncomfor-table in their presence, to say the least, set foot upon it. Yesterday a lone waxand he was escorted away into the far distance while my friend watched the rows disappeared and left the little distance while my friend watched the rows disappeared and left the little birds on escort duty bird in full possession.

showing the power of numbers when organised.

he would be ill-advised to let his con-frontation with the new Federation go

niche, nor a receiving centre for other people's beneficence, but in the mainstream of life doing their

* * * Red Weakness

KHRUSHCHEV talks a great deal about Soviet wonders in space, but he is always confronted with down-to-earth food troubles. As population keeps on zooming, this is a weakness for all its faults—then the schools in the U.S.S.R. that may yet be its have indeed fallen short. Summer in the bigh beavens — "Washington in the high heavens. - "Washington Post.

* Lesson Pointed

U in Moscow (and in other capitals). It is a mistake to arrest anyone on

Far more vital is the zest for spying charges unless there is convinclife itself—the exciting vision that ing evidence to bring against them. If sees opportunities, the daring that there really was any evidence against there is convince against the set of tackles "insuperable" problems, the Professor Barghoorn, it is unlikely that compassion that stirs human he would have been released so promptly after President Kennedy's protest. You do not create trust-the days moves mountains both liter- kind of trust needed if further agreeally and metaphorically. New ments on disarmament are to be Zealand is full of opportunities and crammed with challenge.

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Built by private enterprise, this miniature harbour or "sea park" would accommodate 3000 yachts and dinghies of all types, and include a new casino (Brighton already has

Down to Earth

from the dammed-up waters of the Nile. If the ideas of Mr Leslie Kramer, a Brighton resident, win support, the model will be dug into the chalk cliffs

Bold Sparrows

By H. W. Beaumont

600th of its normal volume.

Two ships running the ferry service between Britain and the Algerian coast will handle enough methane a year to meet one-tenth of Britain's total gas requirements. And although methane is the deadly 'fire damp" which causes colliery ex-

plosions, its carriage by sea has now been made so safe that the insurance risk is rated no higher than in the case of ordinary oil transport.

Nose Ticklers

The headiness of hot-house blooms. The dust-smote air of unused rooms, Excitement at the final bell, These are things I love to smell.

Sparrows during the last week have been prominent at our bird-table feed-Dusty footpaths damped by rain, Sweating bodies that heave and strain Wood smoke drifting in the breezenests or else swooping on young fiedge-lings trying out their walking were content with what fell to the *I love to smell such things as these*. ground as the wax-eyes ate at the table,

Spikey warmth of small boys' hair, Washing, fresh from sun and air, Cakes and coffee, scent that clings— Who would not love to smell such things?

One of these days when we have A sparkling dawn, a velvet night, Babies curled up, pink and tight. The moss around a wishing well reached the moon and are looking for Who organised them? How did they all know to gather, to rise, to wheel together, to pursue, to swoop? The bully would have been more than a benefit of a sparrow's philosophy. These are things I love to smell.

--MARGOT MANN.

child's cheek could easily bring ponse that could be wrongly attributed would give some credit where it is to normal hearing; and the human fairly due.—BROWNIE.

voice tested only a certain hearing range, leaving the usual high-frequency defect undetected.

Now, five years after he first tackled the problem, Mr Parr and two coworkers have produced the P.P.J. Deafness Detector. The name P.P.J. comes from their surnames. Parr's two co-workers are Ray Piesse, senior physicist of Australia's Compensional to Accurate a Loboratory

Commonwealth Acoustic Laboratory, and John Jacobsen, instrument maker at the Sydney Teachers' College.

Many Advantages

T has many advantages over other mechanical tests that have been tried. It is relatively inexpensive— parts used in an instrument cost less than £10-it is simple and portable, and is able to provide the needed stimulus without being too disturbing either to the child concerned or to others nearby.

It is contained in a small oblong box, and comprises an oscillator and power amplifier driving a small loudspeaker which is held close to the Sir,-We have had considerable pub-

baby's ear while it is asleep. Tiny signals are given at intervals, for a maximum of thirty seconds. The hearing baby usually responds with movements such as a blinking of the eyes, lifting the head, screwing up the face, moving the arms or

egs or body as a whole. If a baby does not respond, deafness is suspected and the tests are repeated until any doubt is resolved. The tests cannot be administered at a faster average rate than fourteen an hour, and then only at suitable times during the child's routine.

Twice Weekly

MR PARR feels that the adequate operation of the system would require tests to be made by trained staff twice weekly during the five days most children are in maternity hospitals. Since there are more than 1550 children born each week in New South Wales alone, special staffs would be

needed to carry out the tests. He says that properly trained staff is essential. He points out that even those babies whose hearing is perfect do not always respond to the stimulus. Contrary to popular belief, this fail-

ure is not a function of age in the first six days of life. The critical factor is depth of sleep. He has found that it is best to test

as soon as possible after the babies

as soon as possible after the burns return from feeding. Walter George Parr looks forward to the day when newly born deaf babies throughout the world can be immediately brought under the influence of specialist training, and given full opportunity to develop their capabili-

Handles 1800

Parcels an Hour

A parcel-sorting machine of a type which will probably be widely used in postal sorting offices in the future is now working at Preston, Lancashire, as part of a newly designed office. The machine, known as the tilted belt parcel-sorting machine, can sort 1800 parcels an hour.

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'Moral Drift'

Sir,—A great deal of the change that Dr Mazengarb considers a moral de-cline comes from people who, at-children, had been brought up on very narrow lines with too much discipline and not enough humanism. It has tended to swing the pendulum from one extreme to the other. Another facabout by a machine age, giving a fat-richer civilisation than ever before. The Labour Government brought New Zee land out of the depression with fa seeing legislation that gave the farme

protection from fluctuating prices by introducing a guaranteed price. It gave the worker increased wages and better

'Misdirected' Votes

licity on votes that might be cast for Social Credit or Liberals at our forthcoming election. I do not agree in principle to their being described as wasted votes, for every one of us has, and I hope will continue to have, the right to vote for any candidate we choose. But votes cast for splinter groups or for those organisations that do not enjoy even a modicum of public support are, in the final result, surely misdirected. The Press Association message of November 18 reporting that Lord Moynihan had resigned from the British Liberal Party is surely most apposite. His reason for resigning was, in effect, that the splitting of votes would put the Labour Party into power. That could occur here, and give us a

Government that did not enjoy the con-fidence of the majority of our people. That would surely be quite undemo-cratic.—MERIVALE.

Loan from I.M.F.

Sir,—The remarks of Mr E. L. Greensmith, Secretary to the Treasury, concerning the International Monetary Fund's attitude to the New Zealand economy make interesting reading. He states: "Those countries retaining exchange control are required to consult annually with the fund regarding the restrictions currently in use, the balance of payments justification for them and the possibilities for their removal. In our experience these consultations have been held in an atmosphere of understanding and helpfulness." Has he forgotten what the spider said to the fly or that the wolf smiled at Red Riding Hood's grandmother before he ate her up? The National Government threw us to these sharks of international finance without any election advice and without a mandate from the people. This occasion will rank as the

darkest day in New Zealand history, as the day when we lost our birthright and control of our economy.—JOHN FORSTER.

TO CORRESPONDENTS "Yours Dump Him": Write to the sports club concerned. "No Vote for Social Credit": You can-not write on the same subject over more than one nom de plume.

AFTER THE GENERAL ELECTION. - NEWS

"We seem to have encountered a small pocket of bad losers!"

Danger Line

THE reported build-up of Indonesian • forces against Malaysia could easily end in tragedy. If President Soekarno values the support of the United States

beyond the covert aid and comfort which he undoubtedly makes avaliable to the guerrilla forces in the former Borneo territories, and even his present



World Opinion