

## LINE OF TICITY

### THE HOTEL STRY

the facilities offered guests were referred annual luncheon of the ants Association of under the presidency Park Lane Hotel.

proposing the toast of that the general social were in favour of the most noticeable was the If, as husbands, they es were no longer con- hotel-keepers they con- on the fact that wives ds to stay at hotels. y, said that the Hotels w before the House of eatest importance to the did not understand the was a close connexion try and the publichouse own way was a good do to confuse the two. ld be given to the hotel d one that would bring ose who at present were nted the best men that this as in every other the forthcoming World hat they had to do was attractive than Geneva. , M.P., proposing "The industry ought to be ustry. The old licensing le to present-day hotel

### MOTORING

replying, said that the ere delighted at the way responded to their sug- cent. of the appointed d cold running water. on the decline and fall for baths. Nearly 50 ounted hotels—and that nt. of the really decent y—no longer made a ths, but included it in It was also encouraging of the appointed hotels breakfast at a Conti- mplaints received 30 per A gradual improvement t, and there was almost anagement in the intro- of the public school boy. rman was proposed by

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### MINISTER ON LUMS

r spoke yesterday at a Claridge's by Lord s of provincial news- lton Young, Minister n the Government's ance.

at slums had been a dis- many years. They did uestion, but so far no rong enough, or perhaps e problem.

—I was only four days saw there has convinced blemis which the govern- ca have to face are con- ur own, bad as ours are. nvinced that one of the se problems successfully ooperation between the ves. That cooperation ssured of before I left.

is the problem that has -the question of housing ese conditions, with the o American cities, like critical and serious than

## HOME FROM THE ANTARCTIC

### DISCOVERY II. IN THE THAMES

#### THE LOST COMMANDER

The Royal Research Ship Discovery II. reached London yesterday and was berthed at St. Katharine Docks, near Tower Bridge. The flag of the ship was flying at half-mast out of respect for Commander W. M. Carey, who had been captain of the vessel and was lost over-board off Ushant on Tuesday. This misfortune so near the completion of a voyage that has been noteworthy for its scientific achievement cast an air of depression and sadness over the homecoming. Since the loss of Commander Carey the Discovery II. had been under the command of Lieutenant A. L. Nelson, R.N.R.

Lieutenant Nelson, in a tribute to the memory of Commander Carey, said:—"I first met him when I was appointed to Discovery II. in October, 1929. For six months I was his 2nd Officer and had been his Chief Officer for three years. During that time I learned to know him well. His untimely death has taken from us a captain under whom we were proud to serve and one who had the respect and admiration of the entire ship's company. We saw this also in the Australian ports of Fremantle and Melbourne, where, at one time, he had had charge of the training of the Australian R.N.V.R. officers and men, and where our ship was besieged by those whom he had trained, each anxious to be first to meet him again. He was always full of consideration for others, even to the detriment of his own health. There are some of whom there is no memorial; the memorial to Commander Carey is engraved on the hearts of those who served under him."

The work of Discovery II. during the commission which she has just completed was described in an article by Mr. Dilwyn John, chief of the scientific staff, in *The Times* last Wednesday. One hundred cases containing jars in which there are specimens of minute marine life have been brought home, and will be taken to the Natural History Museum to-day, where men of science will be engaged in working on them for several years.

The officers and scientific staff of Discovery II. spoke with keen appreciation and gratitude of their reception at the ports of New Zealand and Australia at which the ship called. Lord Bledisloe, Governor-General of New Zealand, and Lady Bledisloe visited the ship, and there was ample evidence that the importance of its work is nowhere better understood than in New Zealand.

The equipment of Discovery II. for research is probably the most efficient and complete of its kind, and has given every satisfaction in the latest commission.

An official inquiry was held yesterday by the Board of Trade into the death of Commander Carey.

### DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL AND POOR RATE

#### CONDITIONAL ORDER BY JUDGE

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

DUBLIN, MAY 5

In the Dublin High Court to-day an application was made on behalf of the Irish Free State Minister for Local Government for an order of *mandamus* directed to the Dublin County Council to compel it to levy a poor rate for the financial year ending March 31, 1934; and also

## THE KING'S GIFT TO THE ZOO

### RHINOCEROS FROM NEPAL

The King, who is the Patron of the Zoological Society, has given to it a young rhinoceros from Nepal for permanent exhibition in Regent's Park, presented to his Majesty by Maharajah Sir Judha Shumshere Jung, Prime Minister and Commander-in-Chief of Nepal. Sir David Ezra and the Zoological Society of Calcutta arranged for the transport of the rhinoceros from Nepal to Calcutta, where it was housed until the British India ss. *Mulbera* could bring it home.

The *Mulbera* docked in London a week ago, and the rhinoceros was at once brought to the Gardens, but, in order that it might thoroughly recover from its long voyage, it has been kept in the Sanatorium. This morning it will be removed to a large paddock in front of the Lion House, where it will remain until winter, when it will be necessary to move it to the Elephant House.

No gift could have been more welcome, for, although the Society has two African rhinoceroses, it has only one Indian, an old animal presented by the Maharajah of Nepal in 1924. The new arrival is a female, probably from 18 months to two years old, and appears to be in the best of health and condition. It was obtained on a hunting expedition, together with a young male, which was also offered to the King, but which unfortunately died before leaving India. Like all rhinoceroses, both African and Indian, which have been brought up by hand, it is quite tame, and even during its short stay in Calcutta it was running about freely in an open enclosure to which visitors had access. However, it is growing quickly, and, as it can easily knock over a full-grown man in friendly playfulness, it will have to be kept behind a barrier. It has been fed on boiled rice and milk, with green branches, clover, and other vegetable matter.

The Great Indian rhinoceros, of which the King's animal is an example, is now found only in Nepal, where it is getting rare. It reaches a very large size, and has only a single horn. The skin is naked, except for scanty tufts of hair on the tail and the ears. It is thrown into great folds like armour plates, studded with small round bosses. The first rhinoceros received by the Society belonged to this species, and was bought for £1,050 in 1834 and lived in the Gardens for 15 years. There is another one-horned Asiatic rhinoceros, *R. sondaicus* of South-East Asia, now excessively rare. The Sumatran rhinoceros and the two species found in Africa all have two horns.

### POST OFFICE STRIKE FUND

#### REINSTITUTION PROPOSAL DEFEATED

Mr. J. Coyne (Glasgow), the present chairman, headed the poll in the ballot for the election of the new Executive of the Union of Post Office Workers. The announcement was made yesterday at the conference at Douglas, Isle of Man.

A report on workers' control was passed stating that the union's aim was to secure joint management of the Post Office in conjunction with the State—that representatives of the union should share control and have equal status with other administrators—with Parliament ultimately responsible for the Post Office and its policy.

There was a motion on the agenda to reinstitute the strike fund, which for some years has been in suspense. It was decided that the question of the strike fund and of strike policy should be debated later *in camera*.

There was an animated debate in private on a motion by East Central District Office to the following effect:—"Conference agrees that in defence of our wages and conditions it is now imperative to reinstitute Rule 36, and to instruct the incoming executive to ballot the membership to this end."

Rule 36, it was explained, provides that a strike fund shall be instituted, and that members shall contribute to it in addition to the ordinary subscription. Several years ago the annual conference of the union decided to suspend this rule until such time as its reinstitution should be authorized by a ballot of the membership taken at the discretion of the executive in which a majority of two-thirds of those voting, together with a majority of the actual membership, should

## News in Brief

Lady Anglesey has been re-elected Vicar's Warden at Llanedwen, Anglesey.

Protest meetings are being held at Little Waltham, near Chelmsford, against greyhound racing in the village on Sundays.

The Cairngorm chain of hostels for "hikers" will be completed to-day by the opening of shelters at Tomintoul and Aviemore.

A May Day celebration in Hyde Park has been organized for to-morrow by the Trades Union Congress, the Labour Party, and the Cooperative Movement.

Three brothers, James L. Corbey, Frank Corbey, and Harry T. Corbey, of Mill Street, Oxford, were yesterday made Freemen of the City. Two of them are twins.

The L.M.S. Railway will to-day run to London 36 long-distance special trains for the Rugby League Final between Huddersfield and Warrington at Wembley Stadium.

Mrs. E. Juniper, 74, of Lower Roman Road, Chelmsford, died in Chelmsford Hospital yesterday, having lived for three months with a broken neck caused by falling downstairs.

Members of the West Indies Cricket eleven were guests at a luncheon yesterday given at the London Central Y.M.C.A. by Mr. Frank Pratt on behalf of the National Council of Y.M.C.A.s.

Three wireless school students were rescued by members of the Royal Air Force stationed at Bridlington yesterday, when their rowing boat was in danger of being swamped in Bridlington Bay.

The French Government presented Captain William Cole, of West Hartlepool, master of the steamer *Camerata*, with a bronze medallion for rescuing four French seamen from the *Rouziec*, which foundered in a gale.

The exhibition of the Thames Valley Arts Club, which will open at the Municipal Library at Kingston-upon-Thames on Monday, includes a memorial collection of paintings by the late William Shackleton, who was at one time president of the club.

Caterham and Warlingham Urban District Council debated on Thursday an application by the local theatre for permission to open on Sunday. When the vote was taken there were 11 for and 11 against, and the chairman gave his casting vote against the application.

Mr. Herbert Barker, of Altrincham, Cheshire, was killed and his wife seriously injured on Thursday a few miles from Cheltenham, on the road to Tewkesbury, when a saloon car which Mr. Barker was driving swerved suddenly, dashed over a grass verge into a ditch, and crashed into a large ash tree. The road was clear of other traffic at the time of the accident.

Sixteen additional trains—eight extra in each direction—will be run by the L.M.S. Railway between St. Pancras and all stations on the South Tottenham, Walthamstow, East Ham, and Barking line on Sundays, beginning to-morrow. Cheap return tickets will be issued from these stations on Sundays by any train to intermediate stations to Shoburyness, Southend, St. Pancras, and Bedford.

### NEWS IN ADVERTISEMENTS

The following items are taken from the advertisement columns of this issue of *The Times*, where details will be found:—

A list is given of the elections or appointments to annuities of the Governesses' Benevolent Institution. (p. 21, col. 6)

The Lord Mayor will preside at the annual meeting of St. Giles's Christian Mission and Wheatley's Homes. (p. 1, col. 3)

The eighty-seventh annual meeting of the World's Evangelical Alliance will take place at Caxton Hall, Westminster, on Monday. (p. 1, col. 3)

Tenders are invited by the Surrey County Council for the supply of envelopes, writing, typing, and duplicating papers, stationery and office requisites, typing and duplicating requisites. (p. 1, col. 6)

Dates of many regimental dinners are announced. (p. 1, col. 6)

A trial of voices to fill vacancies in the King's College Choir School, Cambridge, will be held on Tuesday, June 20. (p. 1, col. 3)

Receipts and payments of the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust for 1932 are given. (p. 21, col. 6)