

INSPIRED LEADERSHIP FOR GREECE

C.N. Diplomatic Correspondent

THE Prime Minister of Greece, Field-Marshal Alexander Papagos, has made a proud announcement. He has said that his country will this month begin negotiations to settle her foreign debts.

This marks an important stage in the soldier-statesman's determined effort to raise Greece from the economic ruin and confusion left by the war.

Not long ago Field-Marshal Papagos, who is now 70, would have recoiled at the thought of becoming a politician.

During the war he waged a brilliant campaign against Mussolini's armies, but later he was captured by the Germans and spent four bitter years in a concentration camp.

When he returned to his own country he would have been glad to live quietly in his small home outside Athens, where he was born.

The son of a general, he had passed his youth in the Military Academies of France and Belgium as well as of Athens. Throughout his life of action he had nursed an ambition to write—and, indeed, he has written some books. But the decision that his country still needed his public services made him put his pen aside.

One day in July 1951 he surprised all his countrymen by declaring that he would contest the General Election then being prepared in an atmosphere of crisis.

His sense of duty to his country in her great need, impelled him to try to succeed where the professional politicians had failed. He created a new Party, and called it the Greek Rally.

All that Field-Marshal Papagos

could offer the people were hard work, stern economies, and government without corruption; but in the election his party won more seats in the Greek Parliament than any other. To take part in the Government, however, this soldier-turned-politician would have had to join a coalition, and this he would not do.

A year later, in November 1952, the people returned him to power with a strong majority.

He told them they could not expect American aid to continue indefinitely, and the battle to rise clear of poverty and political confusion began.

BIG SCHEMES

The rebuilding of roads and houses was undertaken. Hydro-electric schemes offered hopes of more work. Efforts to rid the country of malaria were renewed.

A few weeks ago a pact with Turkey and Yugoslavia set a new seal on the programme to build a defence of the Greek democracy which no aggressor will easily overthrow.

Field-Marshal Papagos has been likened by some people to Garibaldi; others have called him the Churchill of Greece. Certainly he has raised his country to a position of new respect among the nations of the world. Although the tasks he has set himself are not yet completed he has achieved much. Through his inspired leadership Greece has again found the vigour and other qualities that made her a proud little country.



Marshal Papagos

YOUTH HOLIDAY

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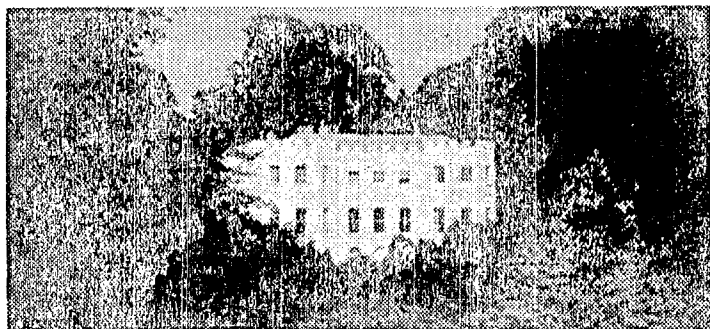
things as I have described these girls also study committee work and the organisation of social activities and so on, useful when they return to work again.

Finally Kilvrough is used for commercial and industrial conferences of managers and foremen. And when they have finished their own business they can soon see, at first hand, what this fine place has to offer to their own children or young work people.

A holiday at Kilvrough can be arranged by the National Associa-

tion of Girls' Clubs and Mixed Clubs (30 Devonshire Street, London, W.1.) through your own club or firm.

I mentioned that each party soon becomes a happy family. As one of the family you do your own chores, make your own bed and help tidy your room, and share in preparing vegetables and washing dishes. This is team work and all part of the fun. And it is also partly the reason why a week's holiday for anyone between 15 and 17 costs only £3 10s., beside the coach fare.



Kilvrough Manor nestling among the trees on the Gower Peninsula



By the C.N. Press Gallery Correspondent

THE name of "Her Majesty's Colonial Service" is to be changed. From October 1 next, it will be "Her Majesty's Oversea Civil Service"—and with this change come Government guarantees of security for those who devote their lives to Britain's interests in the overseas territories.

This is all part of the gradual change in our relationship with those who, with us in these British islands, owe a common allegiance to the Sovereign.

What a fund of opportunity this creates for young people with a strong sense of social service to go out into the world to work for a grand ideal!

With the freeing of our meat supplies from Government control new arrangements come into force for the purchase of fat-stock.

Major Lloyd George, the Food Minister, has been telling Parliament about the qualifications and salaries of the men who will run the new scheme.

For example, livestock inspectors will draw salaries of between £830 and £1230. They must have "ability to estimate carcass weights of live animals" and to supervise grading. At the higher level they must be able to organise and control the work of a team of inspectors.

Salary range for area markets officers is £1030—£1230. They must have "intimate knowledge of the operation of fat-stock markets; knowledge of commercial values of fat-stock; capacity to assess and report upon the efficiency of fat-stock markets in so far as the Government's financial liability is affected."

Meat graders, whose pay ranges from £515 to £1230, must have ability to interpret meat grading specifications with reliability. Among the qualifications of pig supply inspectors is ability to grade pigs for bacon and to deal with grading inquiries from pig producers and bacon factories.

ONE important aspect of the litter menace in the countryside is revealed in a written answer by Sir Thomas Dugdale, the Minister of Agriculture.

He says particular attention is called in the Country Code, issued by the National Parks Commission, to the risks of damage to mower parts and other farm machinery from discarded tins and broken glass.

MR. BUTLER, our Chancellor of the Exchequer, believes in being arithmetically precise. When he was talking about the cost of a concession in the Finance Bill the other day, he said a lesser concession would, of course, bring down the cost.

"If we gave only half the concession, the cost would only be half," he added. "I hope I am making the matter crystal clear." The House enjoyed the joke.

News from Everywhere

RIDING SCHOOL

Pupils of Haberdashers' Aske's School in Hampstead, London, set up a national record when five of them gained full marks in a cycling proficiency test. Of the other 49 pupils who took the test, none scored less than 90 per cent.

Three British Guiders have been selected to help in American Girl Scout camps for three months. They are Miss Mary Hunter of Aberdeen, Miss Enid Bainbridge of Sale, near Manchester, and Miss Sheila Hughes of Scholes, near Leeds.

A three-hundredweight stone said to have been used by St. Cedd when he preached in Essex is to become a pulpit in St. Cedd's Chapel, St. Peter-on-the-Seawall at Bradwell.

THE LIVING DESERT

The title of the new Walt Disney nature film reviewed by our critic in the C.N. dated June 19 was The Living Desert. It is a film that everyone should see.

New trading contracts won by Britain are: radar equipment for the US Army worth £2,200,000; and agricultural equipment for the Persian Government to the value of £1,600,000.

A playground at Harlow New Town, Essex, will have a committee of children who will be responsible for the conduct of the other children.

A new car park in San Francisco has five floors—all below the earth's surface. There is parking space for 1025 cars.

A group of 26 Yugoslav teachers is visiting this country to study the organisation and development of education in London.

FULL MARKS

Janet Lewis, ten-year-old C.N. reader living at Harlesden, came top in the North-West London Sunday Schools Scripture examination. She gained 100 marks.

A nine-foot long sow weighing nearly half a ton has been bred on a farm in central Sweden.

A memorial to Sir John Alcock and Sir Arthur Whitten Brown, who made the first non-stop flight across the Atlantic 35 years ago, has been unveiled at London Airport.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents has offered a challenge trophy for which factories can compete.

The Government of Western Australia have prepared a £500,000 scheme to combat ants.

CORRECTION

In the Picture-News map in the issue dated June 19, we stated that the Sun is seen overhead at noon at its farthest northern limit, called the Tropic of Capricorn. This should have been, of course, the Tropic of Cancer.

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