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## are 'scraping' the barrel' for building sites ESTATE RESIDENTS OBJECT TO FOR COUNCIL 'BARRACKS'

### charge inquiry

ed, privately-owned  
Highbury, have been  
plan to build a block  
the sites of four 90-  
neighbourhood.

"intrusion" on the estate  
180-strong Aberdeen Park  
inquiry at the town hall on  
uesday.

council already own the  
vacant houses at Nos. 118  
120 Aberdeen Park, and  
received an offer to buy  
property at No. 114.

jections to the proposed  
pulsory purchase of the  
house at No. 116 were  
at the inquiry conducted  
L. Howell, an inspector  
the Minister of Housing  
Local Government.

council's plan to erect  
wellings on the sites of the  
es will be discussed by  
committee of the residents'  
ation at their meeting  
week.

chairman of the association  
Robert Stanley, who has  
in Aberdeen Park for  
years.

### Like country

Percy Winter, the  
ation's acting secretary  
the "North London Press":  
"I shall resist anything that  
likely to make this neigh-  
hood a less desirable place  
which to live. We first  
ed about the council's  
tions from the legal  
that appeared in the  
Aberdeen Park is a private  
and the cost of main-  
ing the pavements, and  
falls entirely upon the  
ers. It is a very quiet  
-you might be living in  
country, although we are  
a few miles from Picca-  
dilly.

### Workless total goes up

UNEMPLOYMENT is on the  
increase in Islington. The  
register of 2,370 at the Medina  
Road, Holloway, Employment  
Exchange—1,817 men and 552  
women—is 510 more than at  
this time last year.

Workers in the building, civil  
engineering, distributive and  
catering trades are among the  
jobless.

Mr. A. J. Brewer, manager  
of the Holloway Exchange, told  
the "North London Press" that  
unskilled and semi-skilled  
people, including a number of  
coloured immigrants, account  
for a large proportion of those  
out of work.

"There is usually a certain  
amount of seasonal unemploy-  
ment after the Christmas  
period," Mr. Brewer added.

## M.P. CRITICISES LORD SNOWDON'S NEWSPAPER JOB

MR. ERIC FLETCHER, Labour M.P. for East Islington, in  
the House of Commons on Tuesday questioned the Prime  
Minister on the appointment of the Earl of Snowdon to the staff  
of the "Sunday Times."

Mr. Fletcher asked Mr. Mac-  
millan to extend the terms of  
reference to enable the Royal  
Commission on the Press "to  
report on the new policies  
announced by the 'Sunday  
Times'."

He said: "Are you not  
aware that the recently pro-  
posed appointment of Lord  
Snowdon has, to say the  
least, provoked a certain

### St. Pancras press for evening smallpox clinics

ST. PANCRAS health officers want the L.C.C. to  
open special evening clinics to vaccinate the  
public against smallpox.

A spokesman told the "North London Press" that it was  
impossible for some people to attend day clinics and it was  
felt that provision should be  
made for them.

The health committee has  
recommended that the council  
make a formal request to the  
L.C.C. as quickly as possible.

At present the L.C.C. are  
operating nine day clinics in  
the boroughs of St. Pancras  
and Islington.

They are at St. Alban's  
Road, N.W.5, Raglan Street,  
N.W.5, Queens Crescent,  
N.W.5, Earnes House, N.W.3,  
and East, North, South and  
West Islington welfare centres  
and the University College  
Hospital, W.C.1.

## 68 VACANT HOUSES

A RECENT survey by St  
Pancras housing official  
shows that there are 68 vacant  
residential properties in the  
borough.

Forty of them are being  
rebuilt or rehabilitated and  
four more are considered  
completely uninhabitable. In  
22 cases investigations are still  
proceeding.

The owners of the remaining  
properties—Nos. 56 and 58  
Hampstead Road, N.W.1—are  
not known.

Housing officials have sug-  
gested to the council that  
unless the owners can be  
traced by the next council  
meeting the properties, which  
are said to be in a poor con-  
dition, should be taken over.

The council authorised the  
survey after Labour members  
insisted there were many un-  
occupied houses in the borough  
that could be used to accom-  
modate homeless families.

### New open space

St. Pancras Borough Coun-  
cil are to consider designating  
a large area north of Lewis  
Street on the Castle Road,  
N.W.1, Housing Estate as an  
"open space."

## GETTING INTO A HOLE

THE front wheel of a Route-  
master bus became jammed  
in a manhole at Hazell's  
Road, Upper Holloway, on  
Wednesday when the bus, a  
No. 41 bound for Archway,  
mounted the pavement while  
turning a corner.

The front wheel went into  
an open manhole. The pas-  
sengers had to disembark and  
wait for another bus. Heavy  
lifting gear was sent for.

