

I WON'T BE HOME TO DINNER SAYS PILOT IN CRASH



JANET MILNE

From Daily Mail Correspondent GENEVA, Friday.

A BEA pilot saved a Viscount jet from a serious crash after it landed today with two broken nose-wheels.

The plane from London pitched forward on its nose and caught fire, but the flames were quickly extinguished while the 30 passengers scrambled out unhurt.

A BEA spokesman praised the pilot, Captain Robert Lasham, 42, from Wilmslow, Cheshire.

One of the passengers, Janet Milne, 26, of Kechill-gardens, Bromley, Kent, said: "The plane pitched forward. There was a bang, and we pulled up after a few bumpy seconds. It happened so fast no one seemed to know what happened. There was no panic."

Captain Lasham's wife, Joyce, first heard of the news from a reporter. She said: "BEA told me my husband would not be home for dinner tonight but they did not say why."

—Agencies.

Raid for 6/-

Raiders cut their way through the roof into a bank in High street, Whitchurch, Shropshire at the weekend, but jammed the safe door when they tried to blow it open. Their haul was 6s. worth of stamps.

JET CAR PIONEER DIES

By Daily Mail Reporter

ONE of Britain's top motor engineers, Mr. Maurice Wilks, chairman of the Rover Car Company, has died at his home in Anglesey. He was 59. Maurice Wilks, with his brother, Spencer, was responsible for some of the most revolutionary advances in the motor industry during the past two decades. He pioneered Britain's first jet car and headed a team which developed the country's first production version of the gas-turbine aircraft in the last war.

Village on trial

By MICHAEL O'FLAHERTY

AN M.P. last night accused a village of letting the Great Train Raid gang get away with their £2½ million haul.

The village accused: Oakley, Buckinghamshire, population 327, where stands Leather-slade Farm, in which the robbers shared their loot.

The accuser: Mr. Roger Gresham Cooke, 56-year-old Tory M.P. for Twickenham, barrister and company director, with homes at Stratfield Turgis, Basingstoke, Hampshire, and Blakeney, Norfolk.

Mr. Cooke was telling Young Conservatives at Westminster "How to Combat Crime."

He said that at 9 a.m. on the Monday after the train robbery Mr. John Maris, a herdsman, telephoned the police to say

the windows of Leather-slade Farm were blacked out and a mysterious lorry was standing outside the supposedly empty farmhouse.

"Mr. Maris must have told someone else. Why did not some farmer leave his tractor in the narrow lane and make a further inquiry?"

"He would have brought off the biggest criminal capture in history."

"But nothing was done by anyone at all that Monday in the village. I very much blame the good people of Oakley for their negligence. Weeks of effort by

thousands of policemen would have been saved and the inhabitants might have had the whole reward."

"The Great Train Robbery has pointed to one tremendous weakness in our outlook. There is a common law duty on citizens not only to stop crime if they can, but to arrest criminals caught in the act."

"Too often people are content to ring up the police and leave the matter there."

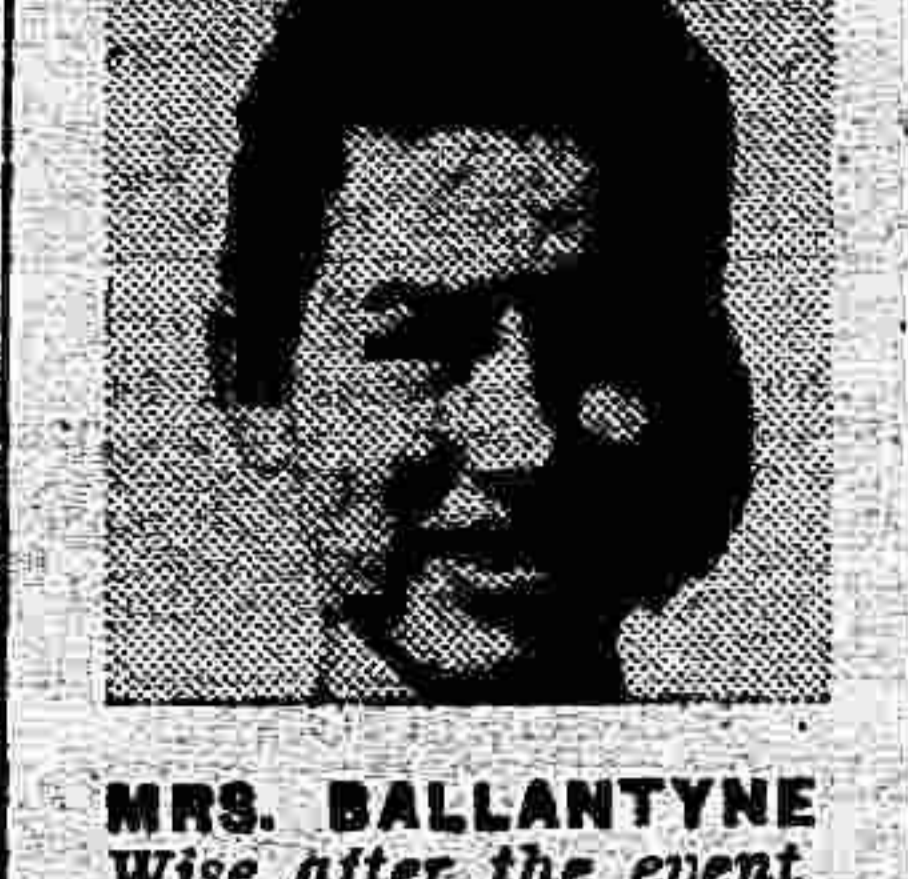
Mr. Cooke called for a "do it yourself" campaign by the public against crime: "A campaign of saring and initiative."



MR. JOHN MARIS Load of nonsense



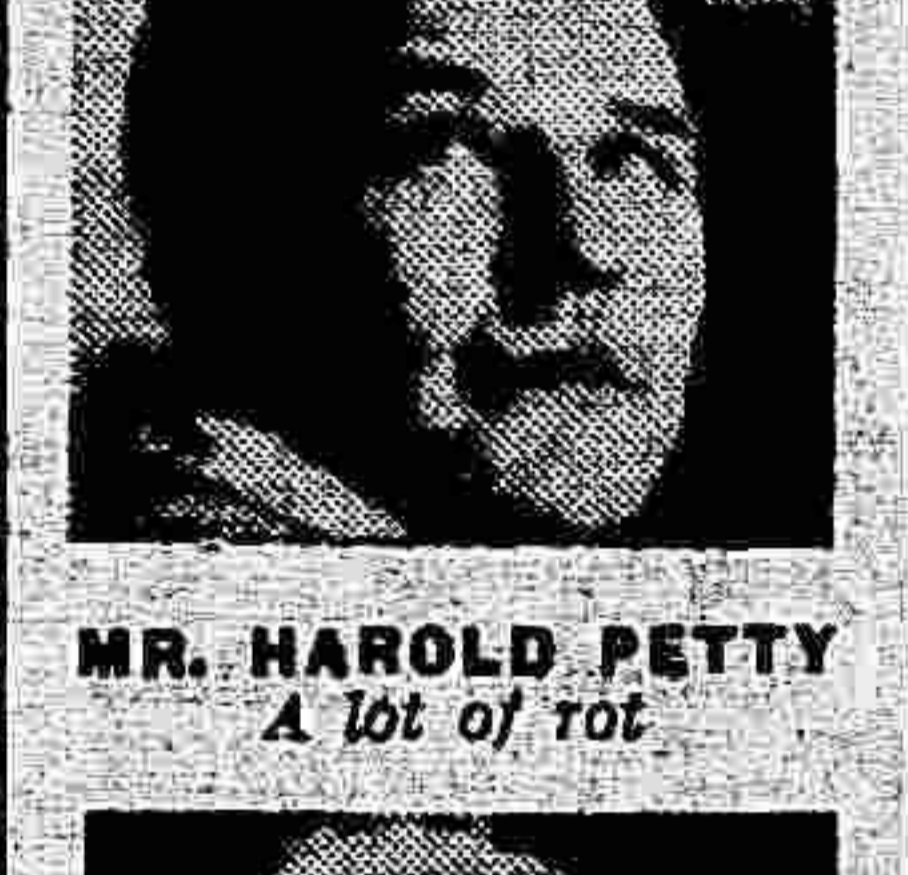
MR. R. MONTEITH Entirely unjustified



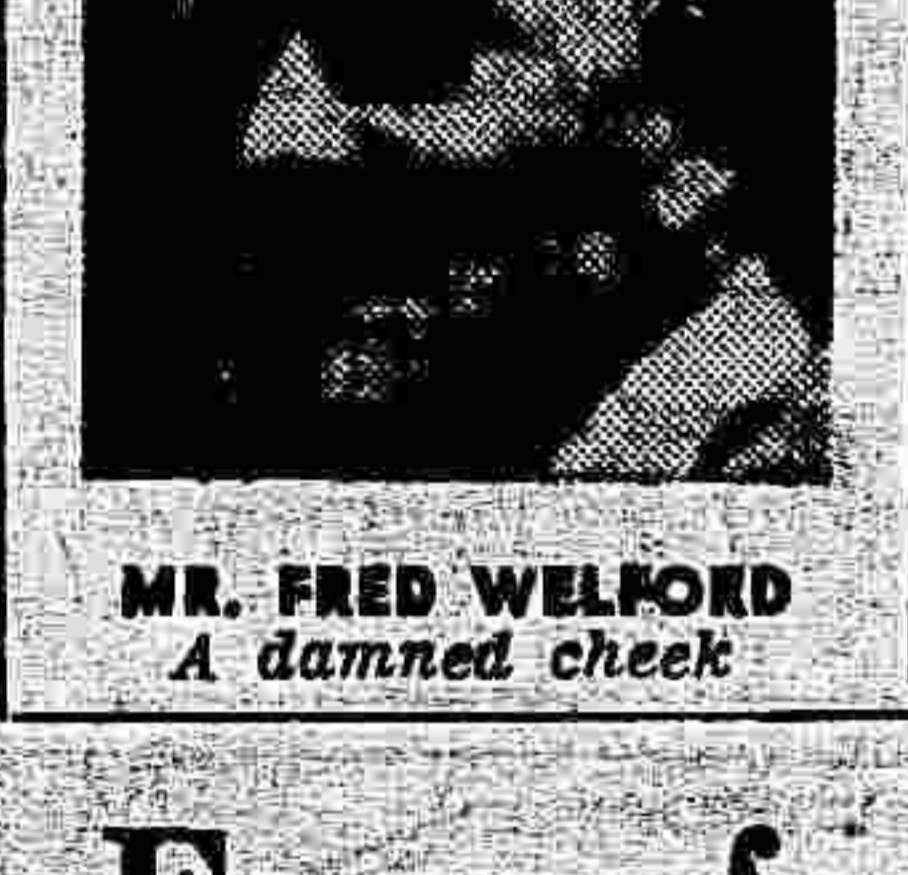
MRS. BALLANTYNE Wise after the event



MRS. MARIS Ridiculous remarks



MR. HAROLD PETTY A lot of rot



MR. FRED WELFORD A damned cheek

But train raid villagers say: 'It's nonsense'

THE villagers of Oakley replied angrily last night to Mr. Gresham-Cooke. And herdsman John Maris, 33-year-old father of two who first found the Great Train Robbers' hideaway, told why he did not block the road with a tractor.

Train raid charge

James Hussey, 30, of Dog Kennel-hill, East Dulwich, London, was accused at Linsley, Buckinghamshire, yesterday of being caught in the mail train robbery on August 8.

He was said to have told police: "I had nothing to do with it. Hussey, the tenth person charged in the case, was remanded in custody until today.

Tunnel watch

Police are keeping watch on a bank in Sussex-gardens, Paddington, London, after the discovery of a tunnel running beneath the vault. The tunnel is part of a Victorian coal cellar and will be filled in.

Bank charge

An unemployed man, Archie Aguiar, 24, will appear at Acton Court, today accused of trying to rob the Midland Bank at Chiswick High-road, Turham Green, London, yesterday.

Challenge

Mr. Maris's employer, 30-year-old farmer Robert Monteith, said: "I should have thought that if anyone was negligent it was the police."

"The M.P.'s remarks about Mr. Maris are entirely unjustified. He did a very good job."

Mr. Fred Welford, 53-year-old licensee at the village's Royal Oak Inn, said: "I challenge Mr. Gresham Cooke to a debate on TV or here in the village hall."

"We are all very annoyed and angry about this. Mr. Gresham Cooke has got a damned cheek."

"What does he think we are, moonfaced yokels?"

Mr. Gresham Cooke said last night: "I'm prepared to meet the villagers of Oakley to discuss this—as long as they don't lynch me."

Mrs. Susan Ballantyne, aged 26, said: "It's all very well to be wise after the event. I think Mr. Cooke is entitled to say anything he wants, but he seems a bit of a fool."

Mr. Harold Petty said: "I think Mr. Cooke is talking a lot of rot."

Sacked police accused of 'smearing'

By Daily Mail Reporter

TWO detectives, sacked after beating up three suspects during interrogation, are indulging in a smear campaign against their senior officers. It was claimed by the Watch Committee at a Home Office tribunal in Sheffield yesterday.

Mr. Geoffrey Baker, for the Watch Committee, said Derek Streets, 27, and Derek Millicheap, 32, joined a special seven-man squad formed to combat a crime wave.

At a conference addressed by C.I.D. chiefs it was forcibly impressed on them that urgent steps had to be taken.

Streets and Millicheap, he said, had clearly interpreted this as an invitation to use force and unorthodox methods.

The two men are appealing against their dismissal from the force.

They "deliberately resorted to sheer brutality in their efforts to extract confessions from the men who were in their custody."

Mr. Baker said that on the evidence of a consultant surgeon Albert and Kenneth Hartley and Patrick Bowman were subject to severe and repeated blows by a cosh and a rhino-tail whip.

Streets now alleged that ex-Detective-Inspector Rowley, former head of the Special Squad, was responsible for false mitigation Streets put before the magistrates when he admitted assaulting the prisoners.

He and Millicheap had claimed in court that they had acted during a show of violence in an excessive zeal. The inquiry continues today.

Town's PCs save to see solicitor

By Daily Mail Reporter

A TOWN'S policemen may take legal advice over criticism of their methods by their local M.P.

They have started a weekly collection among themselves to pay lawyers' fees.

The criticisms were made by Mr. John Parker, Labour M.P. for Dagenham, Essex, in a letter to the Home Secretary.

He alleged that the police were haphazard in their methods of arrest, beat up prisoners to force confessions and refused to take complaints of assaults on girls seriously.

He asked the Home Secretary for an inquiry.

A spokesman for the policemen said yesterday: "The allegations are completely without foundation or proof."

"We felt at first that there would be a quick official reply to the allegations to prevent any lowering of the morale of the men."

"This has not come about so we decided to see what could be done to take action ourselves."

"It will be purely an exploratory inquiry with counsel at first to see if the allegations are actionable."

POLICE OPEN FILES ON CARBON COPY KILLINGS

By KITH COLLING

DETECTIVES hunting the man who killed Nottingham publican George Wilson on his doorstep have reopened their files on the "Carbon Copy Murders."

They also issued yesterday a nationwide description of a man who was released from jail only a few days ago.

His home town is not far from Nottingham, where 48-year-old Mr. Wilson was stabbed to death outside his pub, the Fox and Grapes in Southwell-road, early on Sunday morning.

The man was closely questioned by Derbyshire police when they investigated two still-unsolved murders in 1960 and 1961.

In June 1960, William Elliott was battered to death on the moors between his home in Bakewell and Chesterfield.

Ten months later George Stobbs, of Mansfield-road, Chesterfield, was murdered in almost identical circumstances.

After each death police questioned the same man for hours.

Fewer for Labour

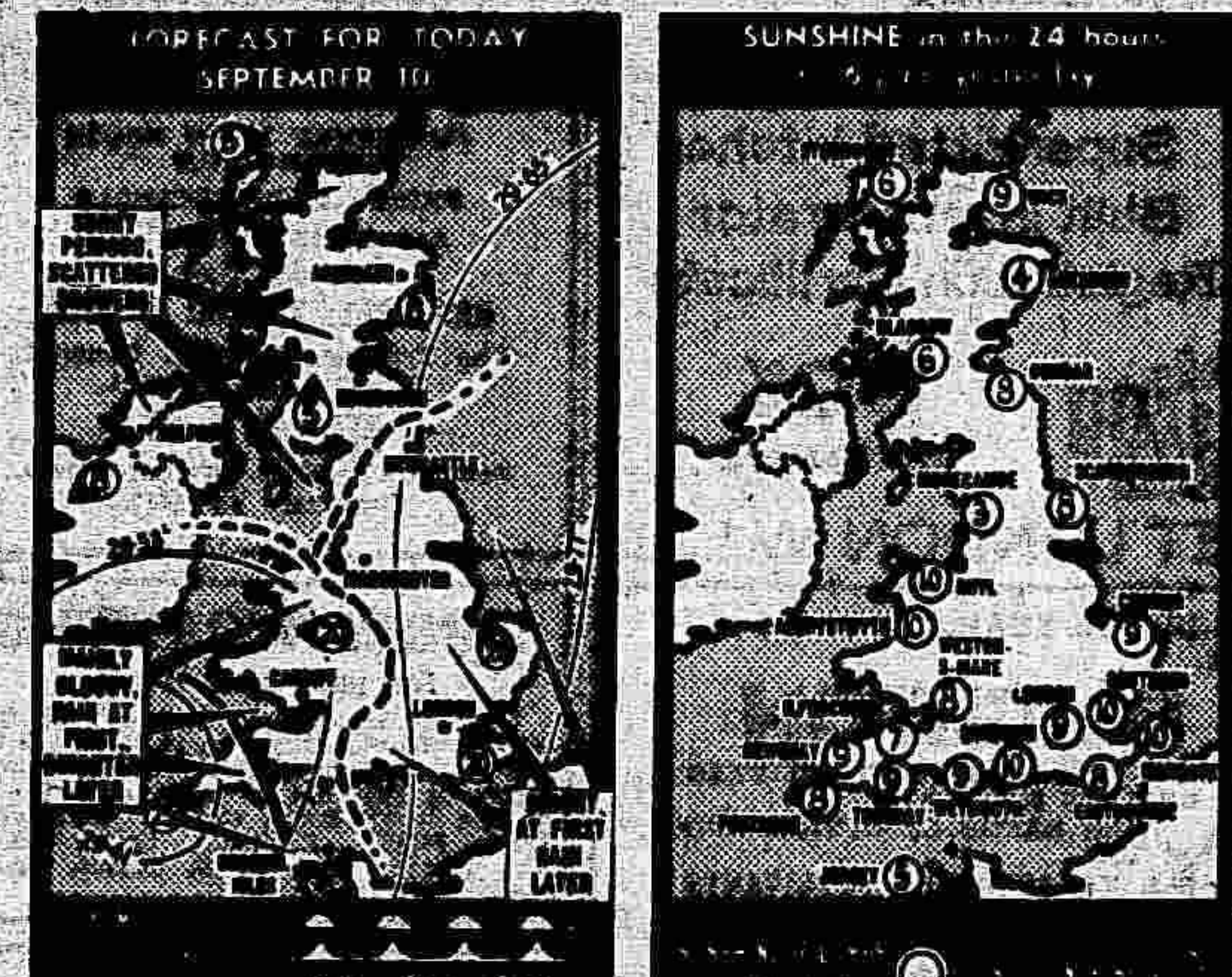
The Labour Party's membership dropped last year by 29,900 to 6,295,707, the lowest for ten years, it was announced yesterday.

The balance sheet showed a deficit of £10,098 on the general fund. The executive said this would have been more than £110,000, but there was an excellent response to a special appeal.

Malta visit

Mr. Geoffrey Rippon, Minister of Public Building and Works, leaves on September 18 for a three-day tour of Malta.

Holiday Weather



EASTERN districts will have early sunshine, but cloud and rain in the South-West will spread to most areas. During the afternoon brighter, showery weather will probably reach the South-West and spread to parts of Southern England later.

OUTLOOK: Changeable and rather cool. Showers, sunny periods and some longer periods of rain in most districts.

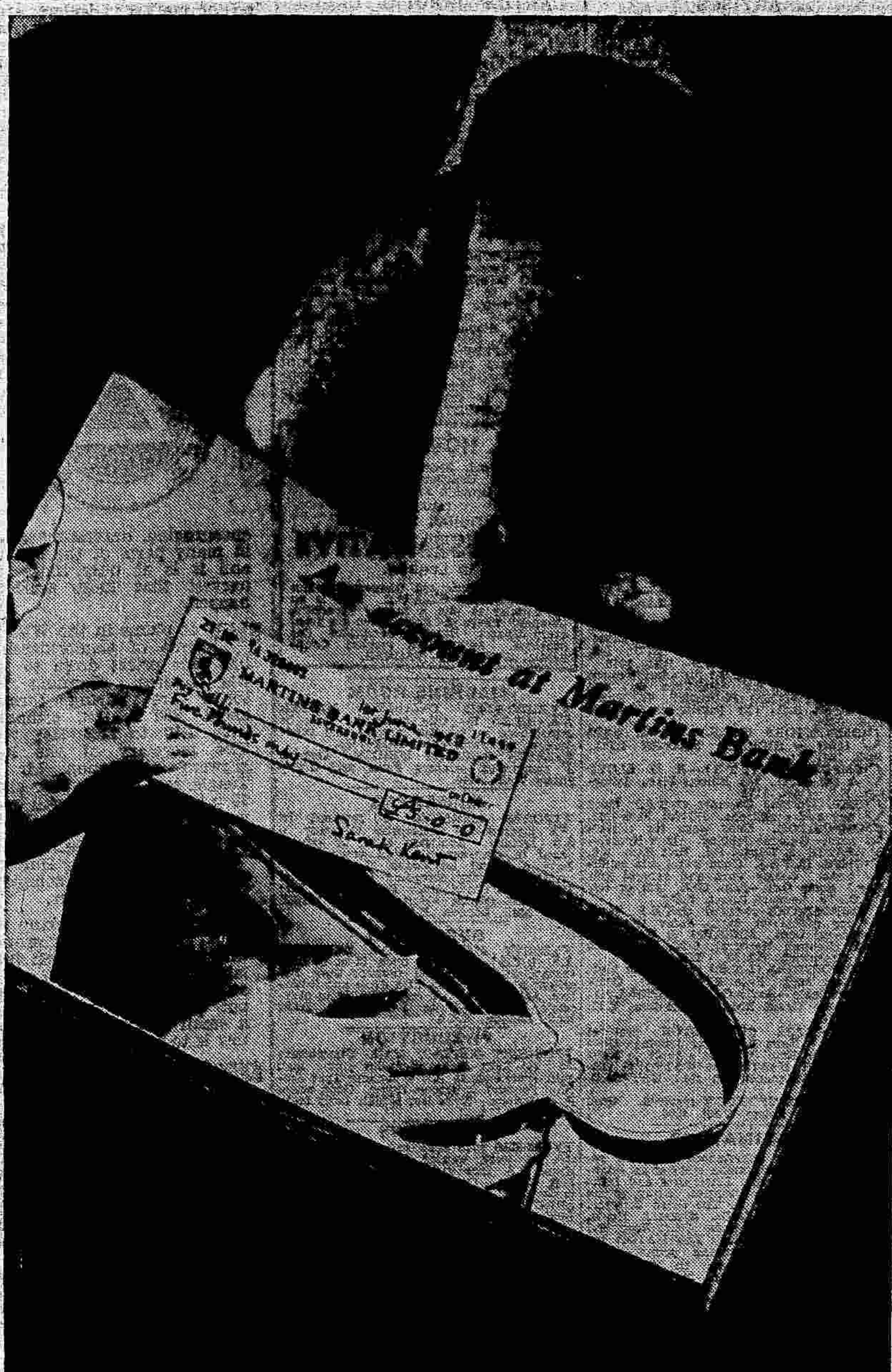
South North Sea: Wind S.W., moderate, becoming fresh to strong S. to S.E. Sea slight, becoming moderate. Channel: Wind fresh to strong, S. veering S.W. by afternoon. Sea moderate to rough. Irish Sea: Wind light, variable, gradually becoming S.E. Sea slight in North, moderate to rough in South.

THE warmest spots in Britain were along the South and South-East coasts, including Worthing (Sussex), Berne Bay (Kent), Dovercourt (Essex) and Lowestoft (Suffolk) with 18c, 65f. The sunniest was Cleethorpes, Lincolnshire, with 11.4 hours, and the wettest Morecambe, Lancashire, 4.36in. The coldest was Cape Wrath, Sutherlandshire, with 11c, 52f. Barometer: 29.88in., rising. Humidity: 66 p.c.

Moon rises, 11.27 p.m.; sets, 2.46 a.m.; Sun rises, 6.25 a.m.; sets, 7.29 p.m. Lights: 7.59 p.m. to 5.55 a.m. High water at London Bridge, 7.10 a.m. and 7.25 p.m. Tomorrow: 8.6 a.m.

World Weather AT NOON G.M.T. YESTERDAY

Table with columns for location, temperature, and weather conditions. Locations include Amsterdam, Edinburgh, Moscow, New York, etc.



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