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THE DUKES VISIT

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH WHOSE VISIT WAS POSTPONED OWING TO THE DEATH OF QUEEN MARY, WILL NOW FLY TO LIVERPOOL ON APRIL 20 TO OPEN THE £30,000 DOCKERS SPORTS STADIUM AT ANFIELD

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SILVER MARKET

THE PRICE OF SILVER TODAY REMAINS UNCHANGED AT 74D PER FINE OUNCE FOR BOTH SPOT AND FORWARD POSITIONS.

DUKE TO OPEN CITY DOCKERS' NEW STADIUM

A SPECIAL committee under the chairmanship of Mr W. A. Marshall, are to issue details of the arrangements made to welcome the Duke of Edinburgh, when he visits Liverpool on March 31 to open the new Merseyside dockers' sports stadium at Breck Park, Anfield.

The first announcement of the Royal visit was made at a meeting of the Merseyside Dock Workers' Sports and Social Organisation, and was confirmed, yesterday, by an official of the Liverpool group of the National Dock Labour Board, who said that the Duke would be paying only a "flying visit."

Already christened "the dockers' Wembley," the sports ground is being built entirely from twopence a week contributions made by more than 10,000 members of the Sports and Social organisation, and from loans provided by the National Dock Labour Board. When completed it will be one of the most elaborate private sports centres in Lancashire.

Football and cricket

Teams of dockers gave up their Sundays to help clear the site—originally a greyhound stadium destroyed by fire—before contractors began the work of building a large wall around the ground and of levelling what has been, for many years, a rubbish dump and playground for children.

The lay-out of the sports ground will include two full-size football grounds, with a large cricket pitch in the centre, as well as two bowling greens, tennis courts, and a children's recreation ground.

The main gateway will have an elaborately designed tracery of dockers' hooks, ships and anchors, and beyond this will be the main entrance with club-houses, dressing rooms, and raised embankments for spectators.

Although the ground will be in use from the beginning of April, it will be some months before the project is finally completed.

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