

DUTCH RECLAIM ANOTHER SLICE OF ZUYDER ZEE

Holland has won another great tract of land from the sea.

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The ~~main~~ dyke was finished all but 1300-yards. At

Lelystad three pumping stations, one ~~station~~ the largest

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in Europe, will pump all the water ^{out of} ~~from~~ the area enclosed

by the dyke. Two large polders have been already turned

into fertile land. Work on the present one began six

years ago. It will give Holland new ^{territory} ~~land~~ one-third-as-

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-large-again as the Isle of Wight. It was a great day

when the last gap was filled in, ⁴ This battle against

the sea is in the Dutch blood. Present at the latest

victory, was Queen Juliana, aboard the ship Van Hasselt. ✓

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She saw the end of the first, most difficult stage of the

reclamation, a job which Dutch engineers know better than

any others in the world.

(of crane)
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There was nothing phlegmatic about the Dutchmen when they

saw the last gap filled. pumping ^{ed} ~~are~~ now start. In eight

months time the great polder will be ~~now~~ free of the water

under which it has lain more than 600 years. Eventually

like the already reclaimed polders it will be agricultural

land.