

London: Events ~~developed~~ <sup>MOVE</sup> swiftly in the Suez Canal crisis. Leaving the Foreign Office, M. Pineau, the French Foreign Minister, is followed by Mr Dulles, U.S. Secretary of State, after momentous talks with Foreign Secretary, Mr Selwyn Lloyd.

Later, a communique stated that the Three Powers were in complete agreement - calling for a London conference to set up international control of the Canal.

Next day, at Arundel Castle, (during a special Meeting of the Privy Council), the Queen signed a Proclamation authorising the immediate call-up of some twenty-thousand men - mostly specialists and technicians. Meanwhile, with preparations under way to reinforce strategic points in the Middle East, ~~the~~ <sup>VESSELS</sup> are taken out of their "cocoon" wrappings - ready for action.

At Portsmouth, the Navy was standing by - ready <sup>to</sup> sail - while ratings, recalled from leave, hurried aboard the carriers Bulwark and ~~the~~ Theseus, which, with the Carrier Ocean, at Plymouth, ~~are~~ <sup>WERE</sup> leaving for the Middle East.

Not far from this scene of preparedness, the Egyptian destroyer

"Al Quaher" lies between the British warships, "Vigo" and "Plover".

~~is now being sent to the Middle East.~~ During the last war, we kept the invader from the Suez Canal. Now, our duty is to preserve a seventy-year right for all maritime Nations - to use one of the world's most vital waterways.