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Our newsreel camera looks down upon a ~~xxxx~~ section of the countryside of Buckinghamshire, which bears a name that is famous all over the world. And for the party to celebrate the twenty-first birthday of Pinewood Studios, Lord Rank --- arriving early to receive the guests --- is himself received by Arthur Mundy, who has welcomed all studio visitors during those twenty-one years. The guests included twenty-one girls chosen from different parts of the British Isles who were all, also, twenty-one years of age. They were welcomed by Lord and Lady Rank and by Mr ~~xxxxxx~~ John Davis, (the Managing Director of the Rank Organisation) and Mrs Davis.

Needless to say, the lawns of Pinewood's spacious grounds were crowded with stars. Among them you'll recognise Tony W Wright. And here, with lovely Anne Heywood, is that famous portrayer of tough roles, Stanley Baker. With David MacCallum are Jill Ireland, Susan Besumont and Jill Dixon.

Walking among the guests, our cameraman spotted June Laverick ~~---~~ and here's Belinda Lee with Norman Wisdom, sharing a joke with Sir Henry French, Director-General of the ~~Film~~ British Film Producers' Association. When all the guests were assembled, Jill Ireland released hundreds of pigeons ~~who flew off from Pinewood with a message of xxxxxx greeting.~~

But there was one important Pinewood star who wasn't there. Kenneth More was still in the throes of making a spectacular dash home from the United States --- a dash by ~~plane~~ plane and helicopter after having landed at Cherbourg from the Queen Elizabeth. Thanks to split-second timing, and catching all the connections, he arrived at the ^{party} /in time for the lunch. Phyllis Calvert was another star with a long association with pictures made by the Rank Organisation, who went along to convey her birthday messages of goodwill.

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More than five hundred guests filled the huge marquee for lunch --- and the stars you see here include Donald Sinden / ~~who seems to be about to demonstrate a particular~~ --- and Maureen Swanson. The guest of honour --- who spoke warmly of the Studio and of the man who was its first Chairman --- was the Canadian High Commissioner, the Honourable George Drew. / SOUND.

When the curtains drew back to reveal a huge birthday cake Kenneth More produced the knife for Lord Rank to perform the cutting ceremony. / ~~while the band played the appropriate music.~~

And next on the Call Sheet was a job for Pinewood's busiest star --- Dirk Bogarde. / SOUND.

The birthday presents that Dirk Bogarde handed over were two silver statuettes --- replicas of the cameraman on top of the birthday cake. / ^{THEY WERE} ~~(SOUND)~~ a true symbol of confidence in the great future of British films --- based upon the great achievements of the past. / (SOUNDS TO END).