

ENGINE FOR LIGHT PLANES.

The Rover driving to Elmdon Airport was powered by a gas turbine engine, in the experimental stage, not for general use.

In the plane too, there was a similar type engine. The firm's managing director and the pilot stood by while pictures were taken of the motor in the aircraft. For more than ten years work has been going on to perfect the gas-turbine for cars; meanwhile, they've found it suitable for many other purposes, and it seems ideal for light planes.

The power units which run on paraffin are earning dollars, driving motorboats, fire-engines pumps and many other things. Roll on the day when they're under the bonnet of the ordinary car.

oooooooo

VARIETY TO THE RESCUE

The Variety Club, in the person of Scottish singer Kenneth McKellar, met the City of Glasgow, in the person of Lord Provost Jean Roberts, to present a mobile film unit. It will give free entertainment to children in orphanages, homes and residential schools in the city and surrounding districts. The mobile outfit was soon in use at a children's home. Variety Club, the charity run by show business people, has benefited nearly a million sick, needy and handicapped children in the past eleven years.

There's a very big family in Newstead Road, Lewisham; and what splendid news the Variety Club had for them, A cheque for £4,000, and another for two-thousand from Billy Butlin. About 12 mothers and 22 children live here. Some of the mothers are widows, some live apart from their husbands, some are not married. Here, they and their children are cared for, though none of the women have men to help them. Now, thanks to the Variety Club, two new houses will be bought (one of them next door) and the hospitality extended.

For nine years this great hearted Yorkshire woman, Elizabeth Ambridge, has been helping mothers - about 3,000 of them. In the second new house, too, the good work will go on. This world could do with a few more like Liz Ambridge.