KING PAUL. 8/7/55.

On the site of the historic battle of Thermopylae, King Paul of Greece unveiled a statue of Leonidas --- the king of ancient Sparta, who fell in battle while defending the pass against the hordes of Xerxes, in the year four-eighty B.C. The ceremony was attended by three hundred "Knights of Thermopylae" --- a group of Americans devoted to the development of archaeological work in the Greeceof to-day.

POLE SQUATTER.

Here is a mast at Lucerne, in Switzerland; and here is Paul Loosli --- an artist who for some reason calls himself Captain Lopanelli --- bidding farewell to his wife before going up it. He is setting out to try and remain up the pole for ninety days --- to beat the record of sixty-four days, which has been held by an Italian for nineteen years. But there's no peace; whenever his wife rings up she says. "Are you there?"

NEW LOCO.

Here is the latest type of freight locomotive for British Railways.

In the petrol and jet age, this is a triumph of the steam and coal method of getting around --- and it is capable of hauling a huge load of sixty heavily-laden trucks. By a complicated new technique, it generates more heat with less fuel. [Take one --- and save 12/8d a ton.]