

CHURCHILL.

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Sir Winston Churchill, making his first political speech since the general election, spoke to Young Conservatives in his constituency at Woodford about what he called the "exhibition" of the Russian heads of state in India and Burma.

Sir Winston went on to speak about Russia's growing power and capacity --- notably the improvement in higher technical education.

LAUNCHES

In the Vickers-Armstrong shipyards at Barrow --- the finishing touches are put to the world's largest oil tanker..... which is about to be launched by the wife of the retiring chairman, Lady Weeks. It is called the Spyros Niarchos; forty-seven thousand tons, with a length of over seven hundred and fifty feet. It is built with thirty three cargo oil tanks, to carry fourteen million gallons of oil at a speed of some seventeen knots.

CHICAGO FIRE.

This was the home of Mrs O'Leary, where the great fire of Chicago, in eighteen-seventy-one, was supposed to have been started by a lantern knocked over by one of her cows. Two hundred and fifty people lost their lives. The fire raged for two days and virtually gutted the city -- whose only fire appliances were such as these. In 1955, Mrs O'Leary's house is burnt down to make way for a new Chicago boulevard.

EISENHOWER'S TRACTOR.

Down on his farm at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania --- President Eisenhower, looking fit and well again, was presented with the gift of a new forty-three horse power tractor, franked by a group of co-operative farm organisations. It's fitted with everything the modern farmer can want --- including cigarette-lighter and radio.