


THE TIMES WEDNESDAY: JULY

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## BRITAIN'S \$1,000M. STANDBY TO BE RENEWED <br> AID TO CONFIDENCE

From Our City Editor
Britain's standby agreement for $\$ 1,000 \mathrm{~m}$. with the International Monetary Fund is being renewed for a year. It was due to expire on August 8 . Announcing this in a Parliamentary written roply in the Commons yesterday, Mr. Maudling, the Chancellor, said Britain's payments position was healthy and he considered prospects for securing expansion of the economy without inflation as encouraging.

Nevertheless he felt, while Britain's expansion built up, her external position could still be affected by passing difficulties such as changes in stort-term capital flows arising out of confidence movements or a temporary imbalance in trade.
"The ready availability of a drawing under the standby agreement", Mr. Mauding said, "will be a valuable reinforcement against such contingencies, and the existence of the standby, on which it may well not prove necessary to draw, should of itself be a powerful factor making for the maintenance of confidence"
The current agreement was made at the end of July last year for one year. and coincided with Britain's repayment and coincided with Britain's repayment
of a $\$ 1,500 \mathrm{~m}$. drawing granted by the Fund in August, 1961. The agreement was made for one year from August 8 last. No drawings have been made on this standby.

## GORDON SENTENCE QUASHED

The quashing of the three-year prison sentence on Aloysius "Lucky") Gordon. the West Indian convicted of assaulting Miss Christine Keeler. was


An artist's impression of a design study for a new aircraft carrier. Improvements shown include the siting of the island inboard and of the port catapult on the angled deck.

## MORE TIME ON AIR FOR THE LIBERALS <br> PARTY ELECTION BROADCASTS

From Our Political Correspondent
When the party managers at Westminster yesterday had their annual meeting with the two broadcasting authorities they made a preliminary exploration of the srrangements for party political broadcasts during the next general election. The Liberal teaders came out of it well. They are to have more time on both television and sound.

## LIFEBOATMAN'S DEATH AFTER AIR RESCUE

## OWN BOAT STRUCK ROCK AND SANK

From Our Correspondent CAMBORNE, July 30
Mr. Archie Rowe, hero of many sea rescues in a lifetime of service with Coverack lifeboat in Cornwall, died tonight after being rescued from the sea by naval helicopters.
Last Wednesday he represented the Royal National Life-boat Institution at a Buckingham Palace garden party. This


This is a recognition of the fact that the Liberal Party will be fielding far more candidates. In the general election of 1959 there were 216 Liberal candidates; this time it is taken for granted there will be a minimum of 350 and perhaps up to 400 .
As before the qualification for a party political broadcast during the election campaign: will be the running of 50 candidates. This rule of thumb may exclude the Communist Party from the air. To date they bave adopted 34 candidates, and a spokesman said last night that no target figure bad been set for adoptions.

THE ALLOCATIONS
The following are the agreed election allocations, with the 1959 comparison in brackets:-

TELEVISION
Conservative and Libouk: Five broadcasts each of 15 minutes (four of 20 minutes and one of 15 minutes).
afternoon he had piloted a granite ship into the local quarry harbour and on the way back to the village his own small boat struck a rock and sank immediately.
Quarry workmen raised the alarm and as Mr. Rowe, aged 58 , swam 200 yards to the Lowland headland a helicopter from the Royal Naval Air Station Culdrose, flew in to pick him up His lifeboat was launched. The helicopler took him astore and landed him on the Headland Hotel golf course. Though badly shocked he refused to go to hospital and was taken home. He died several bours later.
His lifelong friend, Mr. Sam Roskilly, lifeboat secretary, tonight was $i n i$ in bed. His wife said: "We have lost the finest coxswaln the lifeboat service has had. His crew had so great a confidence in him that they would agree with any suggestion he made. The finest instance of this was several years ago when he drove vessel to resoat over the stern of a sinking vessel to rescue its crew in mountainous
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Miss Keeler. The Court ordered that the tape be returned by the police "to the person from whom it was obtained ".

## MR. ALOYSIUS GORDON ISSUES WRIT

A High Court writ, issued on behalf of Mr. Aloysius Gordon, was served on Miss Christine Keeler's solicitors in London yesterday. It alleges that Miss Keeler maliciously caused a prosecution to be instituted against Mr. Gordon.

Mr. Gordon, a Jamaican jazz singer, won his appeal on Tuesday against conviction and sentence of three years' imprisonment on a charge of assaulting Miss Keeler.

A representative of Miss Keeler's solicitors said: "The proceedings will be strenuously defended".


## a clause in the tenancy agreement forbidding balcony washing lines. <br> "We can't have authority flouted," he said. <br> Gorron drops Keeler claim

IAZZMAN Aloysius "Lucky" Gordon has decided not to sue Christine Keeler for alleged malicious prosecution and conspiracy.

After Miss Keeler, Paula Hamilton Marshall and housekeeper Mrs. Olive Brooker were convicted in December of committing per:- during the trial of Gordon, he said he would be suing all three for damages.

But yesterday his London solicitors issued a statement saying he had withdrawn his action against them.


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