

THE REST OF THE NEWS IN BRIEF

"SAUCER" ESCORTS

PARIS, Wed. — White circular objects surrounding "something like a giant flying saucer" were reported by about 20 persons at Gaillac, in Southern France, yesterday. They said that as the objects passed overhead they let fall a string of bright white threads which looked like glass wool.

DUKE AS PILOT?

LONDON, Wed. — The Duke of Edinburgh is considering a suggestion that he should learn to fly at the R.A.F. College at Cranwell, where King George VI won his wings in 1919. Both the R.A.F. and Royal Naval Air Service have been vying for the privilege of training the Duke, a naval man.

QUEEN PATIENT

NEW YORK, Wed.—The Queen "could not have been a better subject", American artist Douglas Chandor said on his return to New

said on his return to New York from London. He has been painting a portrait of Elizabeth II. She sat for him on eight occasions in the yellow drawing room of Buckingham Palace and she was most understanding, he said.

NO MORE FILMS

NEW YORK, Wed. —

Singing screen star Deanna Durbin back from Paris with film director husband Charles Davis and their 16 months old son, Peter, said she had had enough of films. "I don't want to go back. I started when I was 13 and wouldn't recommend it for youngsters", she said.

SHAVED AT WHEEL

LONDON, Wed. — Company director Frederick Arthur Evans had used one hand to steer his car and the other to shave himself with an electric razor, police alleged in court yesterday. Evans, who said he always shaved while driving, was fined £4 for careless driving. The court was told the car radio was playing and a police car had to use its loudspeaker

playing and a police car had to use its loudspeaker to make Evans halt.

THROUGH "BARRIER"

PARIS, Wed. — France's swept-wing jet fighter, the Mystere 425, yesterday became the first French aircraft to break through the "sound barrier". American test pilot Marian Davis piloted the daylight interceptor which has a theoretical top speed of 687 m.p.h. It has been allocated for the NATO forces.

NOISE "ANTI-SOCIAL"

LONDON, Wed. — Noise is anti-social, the magazine, "Medical Press", declares. According to the article, a Beethoven sonata can be as irritating as a pneumatic drill to a sick man. "To make a noise, whether in the home or in the factory, is as anti-social and uncivilised as to harbour mice, to spit in a public place or to sell tuberculous milk or tainted meat", it added.

CHAPLIN "ON TRIAL"

WASHINGTON, Wed.— Charlie Chaplin will be allowed to re-enter the United States if he "can prove his worth and right" to enter the country, Federal Attorney-General James P. Mc-

General James P. Mc-Granery said today. Mc-Granery issued his order after Chaplin had sailed on his current English visit. He said it was "prompted by grave moral charges" against Chaplin and "my published charges that the British-born comedian was pro-Communist".

"DON'T APPEASE NAZIS"

LONDON, Wed. — The complete restoration of Germany as a fully independent sovereign power in the European community was advocated last night by Sir Hartley Shawcross.

Sir Hartley, former Labor Cabinet Minister and chief British prosecutor at the Nuremberg trials, said the restoration must be done with a democratic Germany — not one which seemed to condone the odious crimes of its Nazi leader. There must be no policy of appeasement and clemency towards Nazi war criminals.