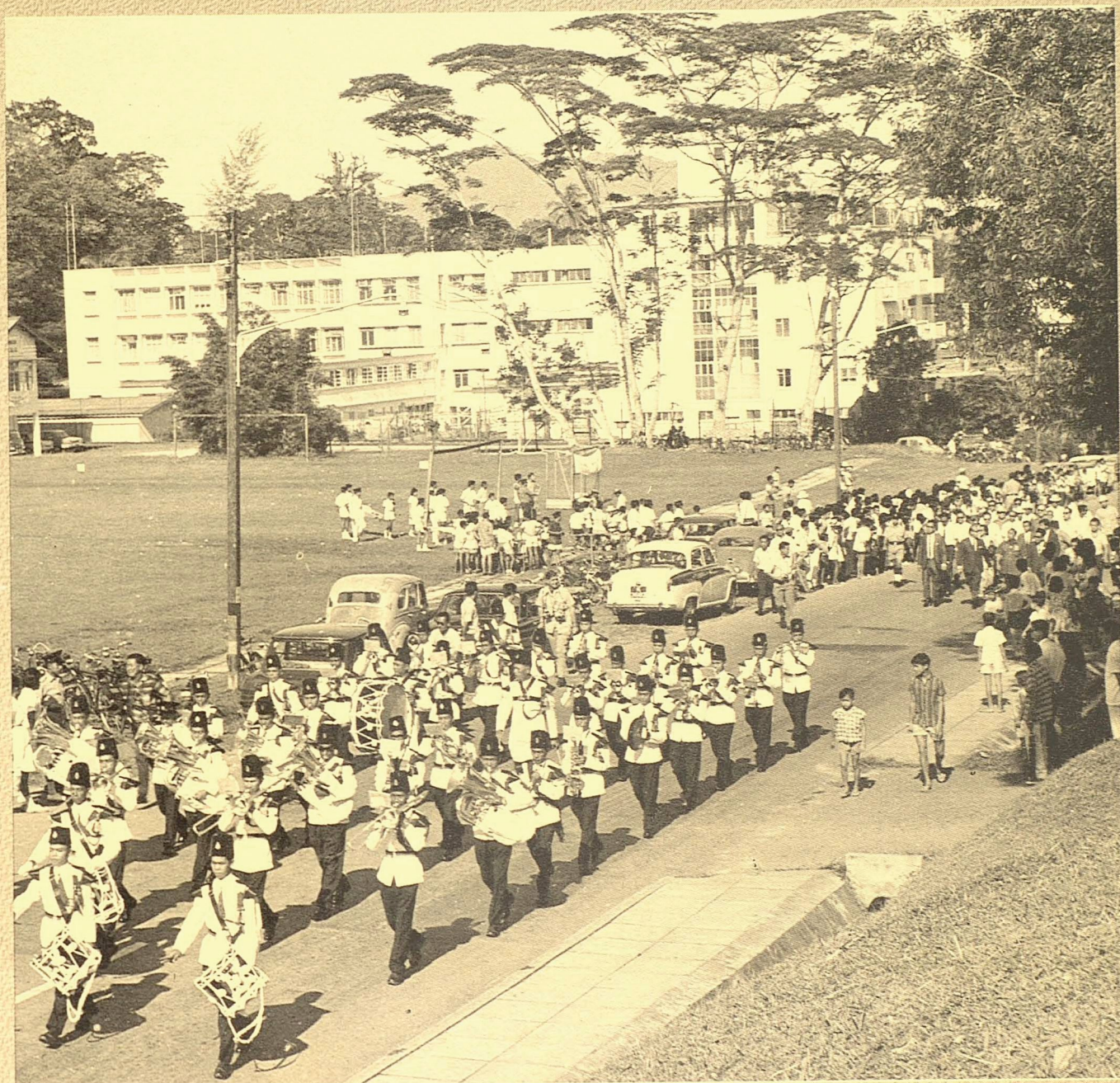




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British Minister of Defence Says:

'Be Confident'

MALAYSIA CAN BE CONFIDENT THAT BRITAIN WILL DO ITS PART IN ASSISTING IT TO TAKE ITS RIGHTFUL PLACE AMONG THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD, AND TO WRITE A NEW PAGE OF HISTORY BY ESTABLISHING A DEMOCRATIC, INDEPENDENT AND PROSPEROUS STATE IN SOUTH EAST ASIA.

This was stated this week in Kuching by Britain's Deputy Secretary of State for Defence and Minister of Defence for the Army, the Rt. Hon. Frederick Mulley, MP.

Mr. Mulley who arrived in Kuching on Wednesday by special RAF aircraft spent a busy time

visiting Army border posts and conferring with Government leaders, including the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan and the Governor, Tun Abang Haji Openg.

On Thursday, before his departure for Hong Kong, Mr. Mulley told a press conference at the Kuching airport that the present build up of British armed forces in Malaysia was in response to Indonesia's massing up of troops in the border areas and its assaults on mainland Malaya.

In a prepared statement to the Press, Mr. Mulley said: As regards first impressions I would like to say how impressed I am by the vigour and purpose with which the British Army is carrying out its task. I have also been struck by the extent to which they are aided in this by the determination of the people of Sarawak to resist Indonesian aggression. It is largely this fact which has enabled us jointly to present a common front on the border. I have become convinced that this shared purpose will make it impossible for Indonesia to succeed in her attempts to disrupt this new nation."

Asked if he was satisfied with the general situation in the country, the Minister replied that there was no occasion for complacency. He said, however, that the people's determination to resist aggression and the assistance by the British army would be sufficient to 'carry the day'.

He stressed that the British Government was keeping the situation here under constant review. Touching on the present build up of the British armed forces in the area, the Minister said that this was in response to Indonesia's massing up of troops in the border areas and its assaults on the mainland Malaya.

Mr. Mulley dismissed reports that Britain would attack Indonesia. "I do not think that Sukarno's claims that Britain would attack Indonesia carry any weight," he said.

He stated that nothing would suit Britain better than to see the end of the 'nonsense of confrontation' and let Malaysia develop politically and economically.

The Minister who is also the Deputy Secretary of State for Defence, also stated that Sukarno had been losing friends while Malaysia had been gaining friends.

Asked if the helicopter fleet in Sarawak would be further strengthened of late. He said that if there was a need for more helicopters, those on aircraft carriers would be available; he pointed out that aircraft carrier "Eagle" arrived in Singapore two days previously

PLEDGE TO STAND BY

IN a recorded message over Radio Malaysia (Sarawak) on Thursday, Mr. Mulley assured listeners that it was Britain's intention "to stand by Malaysia in their present difficulties."

He said: "The recent intensification of confrontation activities have given rise to sorrow and anxiety, not only here and in Kuala Lumpur, but in great Britain as well. We are well aware and deeply in sympathy with all the problems that beset this young nation.

"Within the Commonwealth we have a special concern for the worthwhile and exciting enterprise to which the concept of Malaysia gives tangible form. I refer to the democratic, multi-racial society of which Sarawak is part.

"In Great Britain we share your enthusiasm for your objectives and will do our best to see that they are not jeopardised by the threats of Indonesia.

"I should add that my visit to your country and to other parts of Malaysia has revealed to me the strength of your common purpose.

"It is my impression that if you hold to the objective of the firm and united resistance to the threats which at present are directed towards you, you will not fail.

"If the vigour and determination which I have seen displayed by your ministers, officials, soldiers, police and people, are sustained, you must succeed.

"I wish you well in this task.

"My Government has responded to your request for aid against Indonesia. You can be confident that we will do our part in assisting you to take your rightful place among the nations of the world, and to write a new page of history by establishing a democratic, independent and prosperous state here in South East Asia.

IMPORTANT VISIT BY GEN. CASSELS

THE impending visit to Sarawak and Sabah of the British Army Chief of General Staff-designate, General Sir James Cassels, was described as "a very important one", by the Deputy Prime Minister, Tun Abdul Razak, in Kuala Lumpur this week in January 1965.

General Cassels arrived in Kuala Lumpur on Tuesday, January 12 for a ten-day visit to Malaysia.

After the meeting, Tim Razak said that he had a useful discussion with the General on the present situation facing Malaysia.

He said that General Cassels who had been Director of Operations in Malaya during the previous Emergency knew much about the country.



Dato James Wong. Rt. Hon. Frederick Mulley M.P Dato Otig Kee Hui.

BUY YOUR OWN 'COPTERS

Suggestion by Mulley

A PROPOSAL that Sarawak should purchase its own helicopters was made by Britain's Minister for Defence, Mr. Fred Mulley when he met the Governor, Tun Abang Haji Openg January 1965.

Mr. Mulley later told a press conference that he had suggested that the Government could make use of helicopters not only for defence purposes but also for civil work.

He disclosed that the Royal Air Force had enough helicopter pilots and that they could help Sarawak train its pilots if the country bought helicopters.



The Governor Tun Abang Haji Openg, Datu Teo Kui Seng, D.C.M. Dato James Wong and Frederick Rt. Hon. Mulley.

C.M. EXPRESSES GRATITUDE

ON Wednesday night, Mr. Mulley was feted at a reception given by the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan.

Welcoming Mr. and Mrs. Mulley the Chief Minister expressed gratitude to the British Government and the British people for their readiness to help defend the sovereignty and integrity of Malaysia.

Said the Chief Minister: "We are particularly thankful to the thousands of British troops who have come here to help defend our country. They, together with our own Malaysian armed forces, have earned the confidence and love of the people of Sarawak through their courage and friendliness."

The Chief Minister concluded his speech by requesting Mr. Mulley to convey our sincere thanks to the British Government "for the wonderful services being rendered to our country by all the British here, military and civilian alike."

Thanking the Chief Minister for the kind remarks and the 'magnificent party', Mr. Mulley said the purpose of his visit here was to see the British army at their bases - in their task to resist Indonesian aggression.

He said that during his short stay here he had already seen the high morale of the people and the army.

Duke Flies In Today

ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27 1965, SARAWAK WILL ONCE AGAIN WELCOME HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS, THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH: THE DUKE WAS HERE NEARLY FIVE YEARS AGO DURING THE EARLY PART OF 1959.

The Duke will arrive in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight, and accompanying him in the aircraft will be the Commander-in-Chief Far East, Admiral Sir Varyl Begg.

The Duke will be met at the airport by H.E. the Governor, Tun Abang Haji Openg and Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah.

The Duke will be staying at the Astana as the guest of His Excellency.

Also at the airport to meet His Royal Highness will be the Speaker of Council Negri, Dr. M. Sockalingam; the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan and members of Supreme Council; the Federal Secretary, Tuan Syed Hashim bin Abdullah; the British Deputy High Commissioner, Mr. F.D. Webber; the Commander West Brigade, Brigadier W.W. Cheyne, and other service chiefs.

During his stay here His Royal Highness will visit units of the Security Forces including the 1/7 Gurkha Rifles of which he is Colonel-in-Chief. He will also call on the Chief Minister and make presentations to the winners of Duke of Edinburgh's Awards.

He leaves Kuching for Sibü on March 1.

At Sibü Airport His Royal Highness will be met by Dato Temenggong Jugah, Federal Minister for Sarawak Affairs and the Resident, Mr. A.F.R. Griffin.

His Royal Highness will be welcomed in Sibü town with a traditional Dayak "Mering" Ceremony which will take place in the Sibü Recreation Club. He will visit the King George VI Memorial Ground which he opened, and Edinburgh Place which he named, during his visit to Sibü in 1959. At Edinburgh Place he will tour the Sibü Urban District Council offices and meet the councillors.

His Royal Highness will also visit Headquarters 3 Commando Brigade and 845 Royal Naval Air Squadron.

He will leave by Queen's Flight for Brunei in the afternoon.



Duke Presents Awards At Astana: Urges 'Make Scheme Malaysian'

THE HOPE THAT THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME WOULD BECOME COMPLETELY MALAYSIAN WAS EXPRESSED BY THE DUKE HIMSELF IN KUCHING FEBRUARY, 1965.

He said this while presenting Gold and Silver Awards to winners at the Astana.

Calling the winners "Pioneers of the Scheme" in Sarawak, the Duke urged them to help get other people started on.

He reminded them as they were the ones who have gone through the Scheme, they were the only people who could get the younger children going in this Scheme.

The Duke hoped that the people in Sarawak would not look at the Scheme as a separate youth organisation. The Scheme, he said, was for all.

The presentation ceremony was graced by the presence of the Governor, Tun Abang Haji Openg (with whom the Duke was staying). Also present at the ceremony were the Chairman and members of Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme Committee for Sarawak, and present Gold and Silver Award holders.



Ahadon bin Haji Abdul Rahman, a sixth form student at St. Thomas's School, Kuching, receives his Gold Award. Looking on is the Governor. The Chairman of the Awards Committee, Mr. Jeremy Hughes, is on the right.

Chairman of the Duke's Scheme Committee, Mr. Jeremy D.T. Hughes, in a speech said: "Some of us, inside and outside Sarawak think - quite wrongly - we here in Sarawak are so to speak at the end of the line; a small country, covered in jungle, starved of the luxuries of life."

"Young people here", said Mr. Hughes, "complain that the Beatles never reach Sarawak and that the latest films take years to arrive. May be. But this doesn't mean that we are lagging behind - far from it."

He said that the Duke' Scheme only started in Sarawak in November 1961 and yet in almost the minimum time possible there were now five Gold Medallists who had completed their Awards - and he was very happy to see them present at the ceremony.

Mr. Hughes added: "I'm equally happy - and not a little proud - to say that they were, to his knowledge, the first five Gold Medallists in the whole of South East Asia."

"And now the miracle has happened. You are, I am sure, aware that your Award Scheme is known affectionately as 'The Duke's Scheme' and today we all have what is surely the biggest thrill of our lives to have the very Duke himself with us.

"I know this will give tremendous encouragement to those here today and to the many boys - and now, indeed, an increasing number of girls in the Scheme - all over Sarawak, who could not be here. May I say a very sincere 'thank you' to you, for sparing some of your time this evening to meet us all and especially to present the recently gained Awards."

Immediately after he had presented the four Gold and three Silver Awards Prince Philip congratulated the winners, and was introduced to the present holders of the Duke's Awards.

Most Memorable Event

The three-day visit of the Duke will remain one of the most memorable events in the history of the State since Malaysia Day.

His visit has not only strengthened Sarawak's determination to remain independent within Malaysia, but has also been a tremendous morale booster, as the Chief Minister himself has said, especially to members of the armed forces who are actively fighting Indonesia's confrontation on the border.

The Duke arrived in Kuching on Saturday, February 27, 1965 in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight.

Despite intermittent showers throughout the day, the weather at the time of the Duke's arrival - at 5.40 p.m. - remain bright and cool.

Hundreds of people, including British servicemen off duty, and civilians of all races, had gathered at the airport long before the scheduled time.

The Duke was accompanied by Vice-Admiral Bonham-Carter, and Admiral Sir Varyl Begg, Commander-in-Chief, Far East.

The first to greet him as he stepped on to the tarmac, was the Governor of Sarawak, Tun Abang Haji Openg, his wife, Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah, and Sarawak's Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan.

The Duke was then introduced by the Governor to the Speaker of the Council Negri, Dato (Dr.) M. Sockalingam, and Datin Sockalingam; the Chief Justice and Lady Wylie; the Deputy Chief Minister, Mr. James Wong and Mrs. Wong; the Minister of Communications and Works, Inche Taib bin Mahmud and Che Puan Laila; the Minister for Local Government, Mr. Dunstan Endawie and Mrs. Endawie; the Minister for Natural Resources, Mr. Teo Kui Seng and Mrs. Teo; the Federal Secretary, Tuan Syed Hashim bin Abdullah; the State Secretary, Mr. G.A.T. Shaw and Mrs. Shaw; the State Attorney General, Mr. P.E.H. Pike and Mrs. Pike; the State Financial Secretary, Mr. John Pike and Mrs. Pike; the British Deputy High Commissioner for Eastern Malaysia, Mr. F.D. Webber and Mrs. Webber; the American Consul, Mr. W. Brown and Mrs. Brown; the Commissioner of Sarawak Constabulary, Mr. R.T.M. Henry; the Commander West Brigade, Brigadier, W.W. Cheyne; the Station Commander, RAF, Kuching, Wing Commander, G.C. Atherton and Station Staff Officer, Kuching, Major I. Johnstone.

The Duke spoke briefly to everyone as he was being introduced. Then, together with the Governor he drove to Kuching town and the Astana where he was the guest of the Governor and Toh Puan during his three-day stay.

Later in the evening, the Duke presented Gold and Silver Awards to winners of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, as mentioned earlier.

On Sunday, the Duke paid a courtesy call on the Chief Minister at his office and then spent the whole day visiting Gurkha and Commonwealth troops in the Bau District of Sarawak's First Division.

Dressed in the military uniform of a colonel, Prince Philip first called at Camp Cambri, headquarters of the 1st Battalion 7th Regiment of the Duke of Edinburgh's Own Gurkha Rifles, of which he is Colonel-in-Chief.

After being briefed on the latest military situation by the Commanding Officer, Colonel C.S.F. Carroll, he presented nine gallantry awards at a simple investiture ceremony to five Gurkha officers and four N.C.O.'s for their outstanding skill and bravery against Indonesians in the jungles of Sarawak and Sabah.

One Gurkha Officer, Major Dalbahadur Rai, of 1/7 Gurkha Rifles; was awarded the M.B.E. (Member of the British Empire) for outstanding services, while the other four received the Military Cross.

Visits Border Village

The four N.C.O.'s, from different regiments, were awarded the Military Medal for their luncheon Hall where he dined with the officers and recipients.

After lunch, the Duke travelled in a Land Rover to Krokong, a border village about seven miles from the Indonesian border, as the crow flies. Here he inspected another detachment of 1/7 Gurkha Rifles and the 170 Battery, Royal Artillery.

The Duke's route was heavily guarded by British troops, Royal Malaysian Field Force personnel and armoured cars stood at strategic points along the road.

On arrival at Krokong Bazaar, the Duke inspected the Gurkha Camp and the Royal Artillery Camp, about 200 yards away.

Here he saw huge 5.5 in. medium range guns pointing towards the Indonesian border.

He was told by the Commanding Officer, Major A.B. Latham, that the guns were being fired practically every day along the border as part of the operations.

The guns are being fired at random everyday but the ammunition is rationed.

Here the Duke spoke to the Commonwealth troops - British and Jamaican - and was impressed by their high morale and spirits.

Earlier, before inspecting the weapons and camp, the Duke was introduced to local school

teachers of St. Patrick's Mission School which occupies the same premises.

On his way back to Bau, Prince Philip, made an unscheduled stop at Krokong Bazaar and spoke to the local people there, who had for the first time in their life seen Prince Philip in person.

The Duke walked through the eight-row of shophouses and spoke to each and every owner. In the afternoon, before returning to Kuching, the Duke inspected the airfield at Bau, which is now being constructed by the Royal Engineers.

During his whole tour of the military installation, Prince Philip was accompanied by Admiral Sir Varyl Begg, Vice-Admiral Bonham Carter, Major-General W.C. Walker, Director of Operations, Borneo States, Major- general G.H. of Borneo Operations (Designate) and Brigadier W. Cheyne.



The Duke of Edinburgh with a group of Gurkha heroes to whom he presented Gallantry Awards.



H.R.H. Prince Philip the Duke of Edinburgh paid a courtesy call on the Chief Minister Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan on 1/3/1965.

The Duke who was accompanied by Admiral Sir Varyl Begg and Vice Admiral E.B. Bonham Carter drove from Pangkalan Batu to the Minister Office and remained there for twenty minutes. The High Commissioner Mr. J.D. Webber was also present at the meeting.

Sarawak Chief Minister Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan described the Duke visit to the front line as a moral booster to the Security Forces guarding the border against Indonesia aggression.

He also said that Prince Philip was satisfied with the defence measure taken to protect the country territorial integrity and sovereignty Dato Ningkan also described that Prince Philip was fully informed of the military strength in the state.

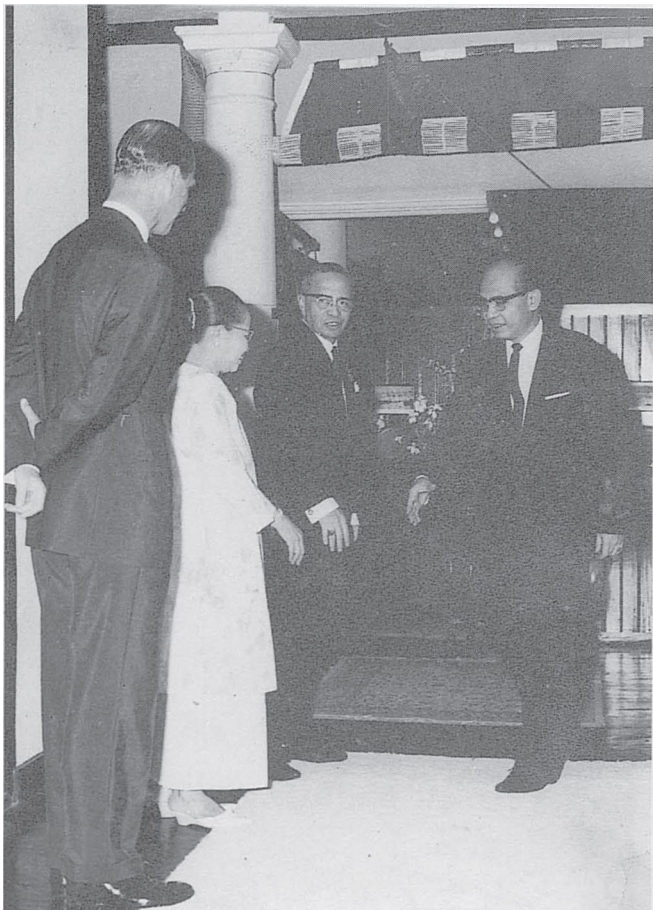


Deputy High Commissioner in Eastern Malaysia Mr. I. B. Webber C.M.G; C.T.D.

At Grand Reception

On Sunday evening at the Astana, Kuching, the Duke was the guest of honour at a grand reception given by the Governor and Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah.

At the reception, the Duke mixed freely with the guests and talked to some, whom he had met when he visited Sarawak five years ago.



The Chief Minister of Sarawak, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan.



The Deputy Chief Minister Dato James Wong.



The Minister of Communications and Works, Inche Taib bin Mahmud.



First Secretary (Information) of British High Commission Mr. Stanley Chandler.

A GRAND RECEPTION GIVEN BY THE GOVERNOR AND TOH PUAN HAJJAH MASNIAH IN HONOUR OF THE DUKE AT THE ASTANA ON 28/2/1965.



Mr. Tan Ho Choon William, C.B.E.,



Mr. Tan Kui Choon O.B.E.; P.B.S.,



Mr. C.P. Law O.B.E.,



Mr. Tan Bak Lim O.B.E.; C.S.S.,



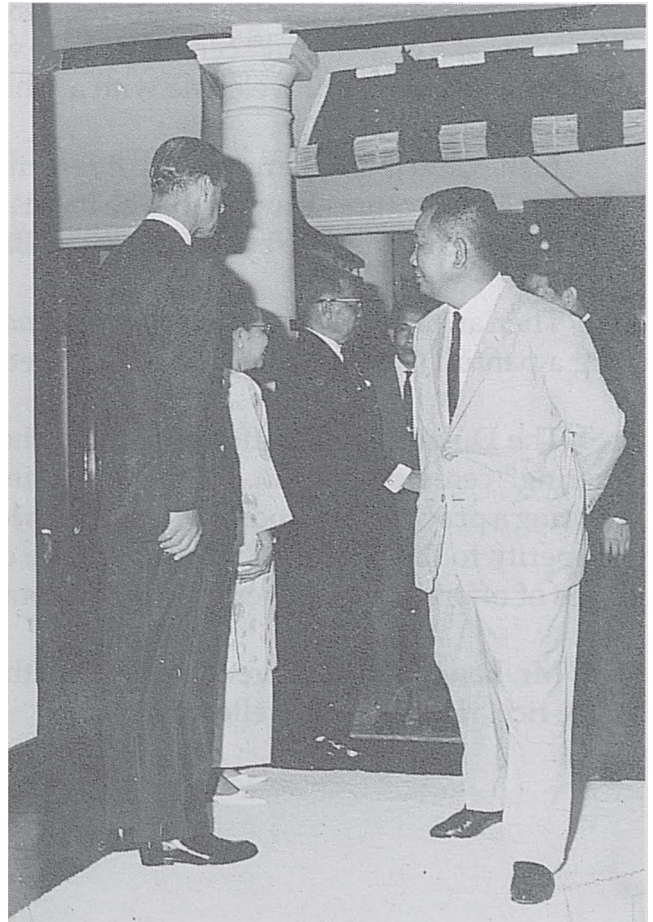
American Consul for Sarawak and Sabah Mr. William Brown.



The Chief Justice Sir Campbell Wylie Q.C.E.D.



Mr. T.H. Harrison O.B.E.; D.S.O.



President of Kuching Rural District Council Mr. Sim Kheng Hong.

On Monday morning, before leaving for Sibu, the Duke visited the coastal minesweeper, the H.M.S. Wilkieston which was berthed at the Ban Hock Wharf in Kuching, and spoke to members of the crew.

The Duke then drove to the airport to fly to Sibu on the last leg of his visit to Sarawak. He was seen off at the airport by the Chief Minister, Dato Ningkan, members of his Cabinet, the Chief Justice, the Commissioner of Sarawak Constabulary, and Service Chiefs.

H.R.H.'S VISIT TO SIBU

THE Duke was met on arrival at the Sibu airport by Dato Temenggong Jugah anak Barieng, Federal Minister for Sarawak Affairs; Inche Awang Hipni bin Pengiran Annu the Minister of State; Dato and Datin Ling Beng Siew; Mr. A.F.R. Griffin, the Resident: Third Division and Mr. B.R.P. Edwards, Divisional Superintendent of Police and Mrs. Edwards.

The Duke began his three-hour visit by making a call at St. George VI Memorial Ground, which he opened exactly six years ago on February 27, 1959.

There at the entrance of the Ground the Duke was received by the District Officer, Mr. Lo Yik Fong, who later introduced the Duke to Mrs. Lo; Senator Dato Tuanku Bujang and Datin Rejemah; the Federal Parliament; a Member of Council Negri, three local Headman; a priest and seven Penghulu (Iban chiefs) from Sibu District. The Duke also met a group of British nationals who gathered at the entrance of the Memorial Ground.

Prince Philip then walked from the Memorial Ground to the Sibu Recreation Club where he was to partake of a "*mering*" ceremony. He was welcomed at the door by Penghulu Pilang who chanted a few words of welcome with a white cockerel in his hand.

In the Club the Duke met a long line of more native chiefs and Iban beauties, all wearing their traditional Iban attire. Having shaken hands with all of them the Duke sat down on the carpeted floor flanked on one side by Mr. Jonathan Bangau and on the other side by Mrs. Jane Julin.

Then an Iban beauty, with a glass of "*tuak*" in one hand knelt by the left side of the Duke and sang a pantun (song). Aiter that, she offered the Duke the glass of "*tuak*".

The Duke took the offer and drank the "*tuak*" amidst cheers from all present. Then the "*mering*" ceremony began. Penghulu Pilang holding the white cockerel in his hands started chanting a prayer to the gods asking them to let the Duke's visit bring about peace, happiness and prosperity to the people of Sibu, and as he did this he waved the cockerel over the numerous plates of offering which were placed in front of the Duke.

Mr. Bangau then offered the Duke all the items of food laid in front of him, which included white rice, rice cake and yellow rice.

'Mering' Ceremony

Dato Temenggong Jugah then invited the Duke to throw a few handfuls of yellow rice over the plates of offering - this, the Dato himself also did after the Duke.

As Temenggong Jugah, who is also the Paramount Iban Chief, threw some rice over the offerings he said that Indonesia could never crush Sarawak because of the support given by the British Government.

It is the Iban belief that the throwing of '*bras kuning*' (yellow rice) is an act of resistance against evil forces. Throughout the "*mering*" ceremony Mr. Bangau was explaining to the Duke the meaning of all that was going on, while Mrs. Jane Julin saw to it that the Duke's glass was filled with "*tuak*" which the Duke later commented was "very good".

After the ceremony the Duke was entertained to three ngajat dances performed by one man and two women.

Before leaving the Recreation Club the Duke again shook hands with the Natives, and bade them farewell.

From the Recreation Club the Duke left by car with the Mayor of Sibu, Mr. Khoo Peng Loong for a visit to Edinburgh Place, which the Duke named himself during his previous visit to Sibu in 1959. At this Place now stands Sibu's Townhall where Mr. Khoo introduced the Duke to the SUDC councillors.

Prince Philip then visited the Headquarters of 3 Commando Brigade and 845 Naval Air Squadron.

Fine weather persisted throughout the Duke's three-hour visit to Sibu.

The Duke left by an aircraft of the Queen's Flight for Brunei at 2 p.m. on Monday afternoon.

SHORT BIOGRAPHY OF PRINCE PHILIP

HIS Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, was born at Corfu on June 10, 1921, son of Prince Andrew of Greece. On his father's side he is of Danish descent; Prince Andrew was a younger son of King George I of the Hellenes, son of King Christian IX of Denmark; however when Prince Philip, renouncing his royal title, became a British subject, it was under his mother's family name Mountbatten, because his father's family have no family name.

His mother was Princess Alice of Battenberg, eldest daughter of Prince Louis of Battenberg, who was naturalised in 1868 and during the first world war took the name of Mountbatten, renounced his royal title, and became the first Marquess of Milford Haven. Prince Louis' wife was Princess Victoria of Hesse, grand-daughter of Queen Victoria, so that the Duke of Edinburgh, like Queen Elizabeth II, is one of Queen Victoria's great-great-grandchildren.

In July 1947 the engagement of Lieutenant Mountbatten - he had renounced his royal title on becoming a British subject in February 1947 - to Princess Elizabeth was announced. The marriage took place in Westminster Abbey on 20th November. On its eve King George VI created the bridegroom Duke of Edinburgh, Earl of Merioneth and Baron Greenwich and a Knight of the Garter, and Merioneth and Baron Greenwich and a Knight of the Garter, and authorised his use of the prefix "His Royal Highness".

Patron of Industrial Welfare Society

The Duke of Edinburgh succeeded the late King George VI as patron of the Industrial Welfare Society. It was not, however, as patron of this Society but on his own initiative that he caused arrangements to be made for a conference at Oxford in July 1956, HRH the Duke of Edinburgh's Study Conference on the Human Problems of Industrial Communities within the Commonwealth and Empire.

The Duke is also Patron or President of a large number of bodies. He is President of the English-Speaking Union of the Commonwealth and United States, a position held by Her Majesty the Queen before her succession. An organisation in which he takes great interest is the National Playing Fields Association, in whose presidency he succeeded Lord Mountbatten in 1948.

In pursuance of his interest in youth and its training, Prince Philip in 1956 founded the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme the award, originally instituted for boys and in 1958 extended to girls, is for achievement in a number of spheres, such as adventurous enterprises. Rescue work and public service, study or craftsmanship, and physical fitness.



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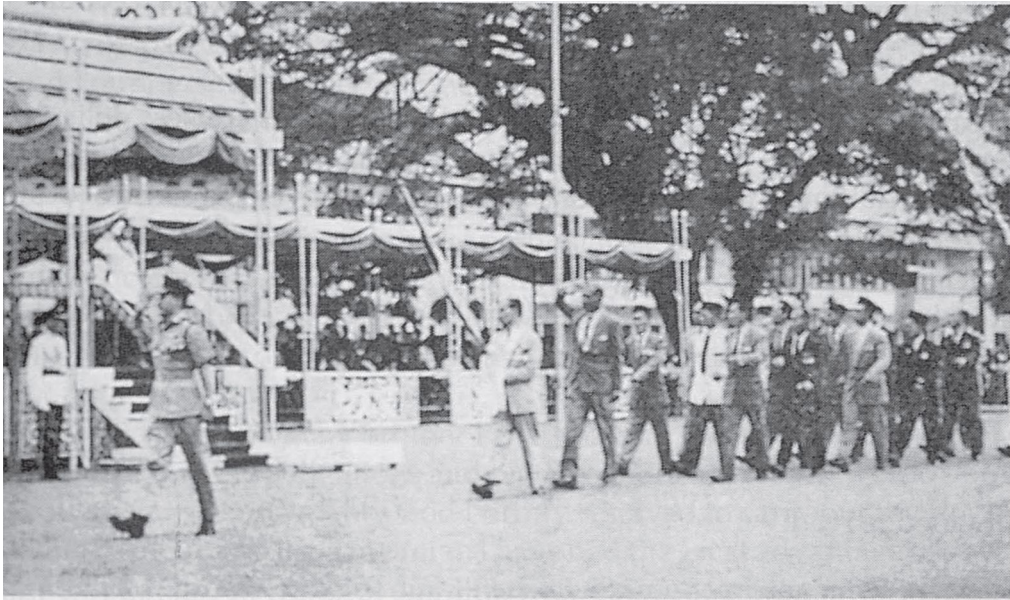
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SARAWAK CELEBRATES KING'S BIRTHDAY

PEOPLE OF ALL RACES PLEDGE LOYALTY TO KING AND COUNTRY



The Governor, Tun Abang Haji Openg taking the salute at the March-past at the Birthday Parade on the Central Padang.

The Birthday of His Majesty the Yang di-Pertuan Agong was celebrated with special regattas, land sports, concerts and fun fairs, and cultural shows, staged by all communities in the different towns and kampungs in all the five Divisions.

The highlight of the celebrations in Kuching included a colourful Parade and Rally on Kuching's Central Padang in the morning; a grand multi-racial cultural show, organised by Gabungan Kelab-kelab Belai Melayu Sarawak (Sarawak Association of Malay Youth Club) in the afternoon, and a reception for invited guests at the Astana, in the evening.

At the Parade, the Governor of Sarawak, Tun Abang Haji Openg, took the salute, as 21 guns were fired from the Public Order Company Depot across river.

Led by Civil Defence Units

The Parade, which was led by Kuching's Civil Defence Units, was under the command of Acting Regional Staff Officer, Mr. Loh Phin Soon. Other units which participated in the Parade included detachments from the Ex-Services Association, Red Cross, the Boys' Brigade and the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides; School children in uniform, representing all leading schools in the capital, also took part in the March Past.

All important Government buildings, including the Secretariat, were floodlit for two nights, while the National and State flags were flown from all buildings and houses, including Government, commercial and private.

More than 5,000 people of all races attended the Parade, and again turned up in the afternoon to watch the multi-racial show.

Among the contributed items in the programme were the Lion Dance by members of Kuching Youth Club; the Iban Ngajat by Dayak Youth Association, and a special Chinese cultural contribution by Yi Shing Fukien Dramatic Association.

The affiliated clubs of the Gabungan also presented Zapen, Hadzrah, Pencha Silat (art of self-defence), Kuntau, Pukulan Hang Tuah, Tarian Melayu lama and baru, choir and comical sketches.

The President of the Gabungan, Inche Hasbie Sulaiman, in his address delivered before the show began, urged the people to be steadfast in their loyalty and devotion to King and Country. He said the object of holding a multi-racial show was to help develop a sense of unity among the people.

This was followed by the reading of the loyalty pledge to His Majesty and Malaysia by Sarawak's Youth.

THE PLEDGE

The Loyalty Pledge read:

"We, the Malaysian youth, sincerely and faithfully promise to devote our loyalty to our beloved King and our Country and to help promote inter-racial unity to make Malaysia a prosperous and peaceful land."

The Pledge was read by four prominent youth leaders representing the Iban, Bidayuh, Chinese and Malay communities.

On arrival at the Padang, the Governor, who is the Patron of the Gabungan, and Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah were accorded the traditional honour of being received with the Malay Yellow Umbrella.

Among others who attended the show were State and Federal Ministers, led by the Chief Minister and Datin Ningkan, and community and youth leaders of all races.

TEXT OF ADDRESS BY H.M. YANG DI-PERTUAN AGUNG

Text of Address Broadcast by His Majesty the Yang di-Pertuan Agung on the occasion of his official Birthday, Wednesday, June 2, 1965.

My beloved people,

Each year during my reign I have always looked forward with great pleasure to the occasion of my Official Birthday because of the personal opportunity it gives me to talk to all of you - the people of Malaysia. This morning, however, my pleasure is tinged with regret because this is the fifth and final year of my reign, so this is the last time I will be making a birthday broadcast to the nation as your Yang di-Pertua Agung.

I know very well that everywhere throughout Malaysia today, from the villages of Sabah to

the kampungs of my own home State of Perlis, and in all the towns and cities of our country, you are rejoicing happily together in celebration of my birthday. Not only in Malaysia, but in many other parts of the world, wherever Malaysians or friends of Malaysia may be, there will be joyful gatherings in my honour on this day.

As I speak to you my heart is warm with gratitude in the knowledge that you welcome this special holiday with particular affection and regard to demonstrate your loyalty and devotion to the Throne and your personal respect for me as your Sovereign Ruler. Your congratulations and good wishes for my well-being and happiness, expressed in so many ways, make me feel closer to you at this time than on any other day of the year.

Because this last birthday of my reign is of particular significance to me, I want to reveal to you the feelings in my heart. This morning at the Istana Negara I received warm felicitations from the Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps on behalf of his brother envoys and an overwhelming tribute from our beloved Prime Minister on behalf of the nation, the government and the people.

In my reply I said that when my brother Rulers elected me as the Sovereign Head of State, I was very well aware that the obligations and responsibilities involved would be very great, but with a prayer in my heart to Almighty God I firmly resolved to carry out my Royal duties to the best of my ability. I said that during my reign I have had the great advantage of always being able to rely on the advice and experience of our illustrious Prime Minister, and I expressed my lasting debt to him.

I then spoke about the people of Malaysia, and I would like you to know the very words I used. I said, "Moreover, it was my good fortune to be able to enjoy another blessing which grew and flourished with the passing years - the loyalty and affection, esteem and respect the people of Malaysia have shown for their Sovereign Ruler and his Consort. Time and again Her Majesty and I have been encouraged and uplifted in the course of our duties by the radiant welcome we have received from Malaysians everywhere. To them we owe our debt we can never repay, for they have made the years of my reign a rich and rewarding experience."

Pride In Nationhood

Those words of mine reflect my deepest sentiments and my heartfelt gratitude to you, my beloved people. I can assure you most earnestly and sincerely that when Her Majesty and I return to Perlis in September next, our duties done, we will carry with us in our hearts a very great treasure indeed - countless happy memories of kind thoughts and actions, friends and cheerful greetings from young and old, prayers and blessings given with true sincerity, and above all an enduring appreciation of the hope and confidence and trust the people feel for the Throne as a focus of their patriotism and pride in nationhood.

Each year on my birthday it is my privilege and pleasure to bestow honours and awards on citizens and friends of Malaysia who have rendered valuable services to the nation in manifold ways. The Honours List today is Malaysia-wide in scope and embraces many fields of activity and achievement. I am greatly pleased to recognise the accomplishments of many persons who have loyally and unselfishly contributed to the benefit and betterment of our country.

It is also usually my custom in this birthday broadcast to review and reflect upon important affairs and events that have occurred in the past years or likely to take place in the near future. I delivered my Royal Address to the opening of the Second Session of Parliament only a week ago.

It was quite an extensive statement of plans and policies, achievements and progress. It is obvious enthusiastically. Many hard words were spoken, but that is the way of democracy. The constitution ensures that everyone can speak his mind. Any Member of Parliament can act in any way he likes, so long as he does not transgress the bounds of propriety, or the Rules, in other words the Standing Orders, of the House.

Parliament meets several times throughout the year, and in doing so brings out the opinions and ideas not only of the Government but also of the Opposition, as both sides represent a cross-section of the people. Thus the voice of all the people is heard in Parliament. Having said what they want to say, and having heard views of others members should not take any difference that occur too much to heart. They all have their part to play in ensuring the success of Parliamentary democracy.

In a democracy like ours the people are intended for the benefit and good of the country, and that Members naturally tend to speak their minds fairly freely, so our people should not be unduly worried or concerned about the thrust and parry of debate, or the rivalries and difference that arise. They should carry on with their normal ways of life and let those whom they have elected do the talking.

Both in Parliament and among the people, one of our greatest assets is, and must be, the spirit of national unity. Let us never forget that it is the feelings of unity and common destiny which have brought about the formation of Malaysia. Indonesia's confrontation brought the importance of unity right to the forefront of our daily life. We have learned from practical experience that unity is can be a sure shield and guard against evil and hostile forces, both within and without. So, as true Malaysians who love their country, we must uphold and encourage national unity in every possible way.

'Unity, Most Priceless Asset'

I regret to say, however, that there are certain elements in our community who tend to forget or even deliberately ignore the fact that a State of Emergency exists in Malaysia. They prefer to pursue their own selfish ends without thought of the consequences of consideration of their duty to their fellow citizens. I urged these elements to think calmly and reflectively that each and every Malaysian has his own personal role to play in ensuring the success of the nation in both defence and development, and that no Malaysian should think or act in any way that may deter or detract from the victory that is vital to us if both these fields of endeavour are to succeed. Let not one corrode or damage or destroy the spirit of unity which brought us together as Malaysians and which can always be the most priceless asset of our nationhood, both now and in the future.

In this very spirit of national unity, I wish to take this opportunity of my birthday to express the undying thanks of all the people of Malaysia to all members of our Armed Forces and Security Services and those of our Commonwealth Allies in their tireless devotion to duty despite mortal danger. Their courage and fortitude are a lesson for us all. Their bravery and resolution are an inspiration and example to the whole nation.

I also wish to express my admiration for the coolness and courage displayed by the peoples of Sarawak and Sarawak in spite of constant harassment by the enemy. The people of Pontian and Labis, too, have shown the same spirit of equanimity and endurance of difficulties in the face of actual invasion. My warm tribute must also go to the many thousands of Malaysians who have

given their services so willingly in the Vigilante Corps, Civil Defence and other voluntary organisations.

Let all Malaysians determine that the loyalty and conduct of the Armed Forces and those civilians I have just mentioned shall be the measure of their own contributions to the needs of our country in these trying times. If we so resolve, the nation and people of Malaysia cannot fail.

Although Malaysia is small and weak in terms of power and might, we have another immeasurable asset in our armoury - the active and generous support, steady and unwavering, of our Allies in the Commonwealth. They give daily proof to us of the reality and value of true friendship. The time are critical, the future uncompromising, but we can meet all difficulties with stout hearts because we know we do not stand alone. We are most grateful indeed to all those who understand our problems and give a ready and willing hand to help. Our circumstances remind me most vividly of the advice that Shakespeare wrote, "The friends thous hast and their adoption tried, Grapple them to your hearts with hoops of steel."

Moral Victory

In my journeys and contacts throughout Malaysia I have been deeply impressed generally with the spirit of resolve and determination evinced by our leaders and the people, and especially by members of the Security Forces, both our own and our Allies, in withstanding unwarranted hostility and actual aggression by Indonesia. The need for patience and forbearance in facing all attacks, threats and pressures is clearly understood. Indonesia had failed to undermine either the fortitude of our forces or the morale of our people. The reason for this is patent enough. Our policy of refusing to retaliate by taking the initiative is a moral victory that grows increasingly plain to all the world, which is left in no doubt at all that Malaysia is pledged to the path of peace, believing profoundly that right and justice are on our side and must triumph in the end.

With these thoughts in mind, I pray that Almighty God (All Praise to His Name) will in His benevolence and wisdom look upon the people and nation of Malaysia with favour and mercy, guiding us along the right path so that we may justly deserve the regard and respect of all other peoples and nations as we seek the peace and happiness we desire, not for ourselves alone, but for all men.

To all Malaysians at home or overseas, Her Majesty the Raja Permaisuri Agung and I send our loving greetings on this day of joyful celebration. My heart is blooming with pride and affection for all the people of Malaysia. I wish each and everyone of you happiness and health, success and content, and an unfailing pride and loyalty to this country of ours which is so dear to us all. My beloved people, May God bless you.

Tunku Announces

SINGAPORE SEPARATION

SINGAPORE BECAME AN INDEPENDENT STATE AND SECEDED FROM MALAYSIA ON MONDAY, AUGUST 9.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING THE SECESSION WAS MADE ON MONDAY MORNING TO THE DEWAN RAAYAT BY THE PRIME MINISTER, TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN.

In making the announcement the Tunku said: "... to me and to many of the members, it is the most painful and heartbreaking news I have had to break and for them to hear. I consider it a misfortune for me to have to make this announcement. In all the ten years of my leadership of this House, I have never had a duty so unpleasant as this to perform..."

The Tunku added: The announcement which I am making concerns the separation of Singapore from the rest of the Federation. The reasons for this have been many. Since the formation of Malaysia, and this year in particular, there have been so many differences with the Singapore Government and these differences take many forms; so much so that it has now come to a breaking point.



Tun ku Abdul Rahman.

"I can't find any way out except the course of action which I am forced to make."

The Tunku told the Dewan that he had given himself plenty of thought while he was lying in his sick bed in London and when he was convalescing before his return to Malaysia.

"I had conveyed my thoughts to my friend and colleague, Tun Abdul Razak who had sought to find an understanding with the leaders of Singapore, but I am afraid to no avail," said the Tunku.

He added: "It appeared that as soon as one issue was resolved, another cropped up. Where a patch was made here, a tear appeared elsewhere, and where one hole was plugged, other leaks appeared. So it does seem completely impossible to arrive at a solution whereby we can hope to pull along together and to work together in the interest and for the common good of Malaysia.

"We have tried everything possible to avoid separation of Singapore from the rest of Malaysia. In the end we find that there are only two courses of action open to us.

"Number one is to take repressive measures against the Singapore Government for the behaviour of some of their leaders, and number two to sever all connections with the State

Government that has ceased to give even a measure of loyalty to the Central Government. The position of the Central Government not only at Home but worse still abroad has been mocked on many instances.

"It was clear some action must be taken. It is odious for us to take repressive measures against the Singapore Government, for such action is repulsive to our concept of Parliamentary Democracy. Even then it would not solve the problem before us, because as I said just now, there is not one problem but many, and one that gives us the most concern is communal issue.

"This is the matter which concerns me most, because the peace and happiness of the people in this country depend on the goodwill and understanding of the various races for one another. Without it this nation will break up, with consequential disaster which we have seen and read about happening elsewhere.

'REMAIN UNITED' URGES C.M.

THE Chief Minister of Sarawak, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, has urged the people to remain united to fight external threat and internal subversion.

In a special cabled message received on Tuesday by the Deputy Chief Minister, Mr. James Wong, the Chief Minister said:

"They (the people) must not listen to irresponsible as well as subversive propaganda.

"Economic and social development will go ahead as planned. Loyal people should keep their eyes open on subversive elements and inform Government immediately when they see or hear of clandestine communist organisation's activities in their respective areas.

"The presence of people of suspicious character or strange appearance must be reported to the nearest police station without delay. Disloyal elements have no place in the country and they shall be dealt with according to law."

"We feel that this repressive action against a few would not therefore solve the problem because the seed of this contempt, fear and hatred had been sown in Singapore, and even if we try to prevent its growth, I feel that after a time it will sprout up with a more virulent force. The thousands of students abroad have been fed with all kinds of propaganda against the Central Government.

"Malaysian Malaysia in particular, suggests that Malaysia we have now is bad for it gives all the advantages to one race while depriving others of their rightful place in our society.

"Foreign correspondents who approached me on this subject while I was in England and France were under the wrong impression that the Malay-dominated Central Government has not been fair to others, that there has been discrimination against the Chinese in all fields and in all matters.

"One even went so far as to suggest that the closing of the Bank of China is a move against the Chinese. Poor stall holders have to close down their stalls because they are unable to get the food they need from China.

"It was suggested that our quarrel with the P.A.P. was due to the fact that we are afraid of the far more advanced and enlightened socialist Government of Singa-

pore. They appeared incredulous when I informed them that there are Socialist Parties in the mainland and other parties who are opposed to our party and the P.A.P. contested our election without success and that the only party that we ban is the Communist Party.

"I also informed them that most of these parties are made up mainly of Chinese whose number well exceed that of Mr. Lee Kuan Yew, and to suggest therefore that Mr. Lee Kuan Yew represents the Chinese and at the same time represents the only left wing party in the country is wrong."

The Tunku also referred to articles which had appeared in the Foreign Press from time to time "which gave an entirely wrong picture of this country to the people abroad."

Said the Tunku:

"They implied any action that we take to put a stop to the subversive activities of the enemies and traitors, as attempts to victimise the Chinese, Apart from the closure of the Bank of China, the resettlement of the Chinese in Sarawak is one of the examples I can give of criticism directed against us. In short, while they are trying to build up the image of Lee Kuan Yew, at the same time they are belittling us."

The Tunku went on to say that while in London he had to interview pressmen, representing some of the leading papers and magazines and explained to them what the position was, but they could not do that all the time.

"We want to be allowed to be left alone and to be given the moral support which we deserve to bolster our courage against the communist threat and Indonesian confrontation.

"We consider ourselves as one of the nations in South East Asia that has managed not only to fight our enemies but also to provide for our people's need. We are in fact one of the countries that have made a real success of our independence," declared the Tunku.

'WE CARRY ON AS BEFORE' - SAYS D.C.M.

THE Deputy Chief Minister, Mr. James Wong, said on Monday that Singapore's withdrawal from Malaysia did not in any way affect Sarawak's policy and position within Malaysia. He added that Sarawak would carry on as before.

In a statement issued in Kuching Mr. Wong pointed out that the withdrawal of Singapore from Malaysia was a matter between the Central Government and the Singapore Government.

Mr. Wong said: "It is a matter for satisfaction to Sarawak that so far as defence trade and commerce are concerned the close links between Singapore and Malaysia are to be continued.

"The anti-communist stand of the Malaysian, Singapore and Sarawak governments continues unchanged and will be vigorously enforced.

"It is anticipated that normal travelling, commercial and trading arrangements between Sarawak and Singapore will not therefore be disturbed.

"In so far as Sarawak is concerned, the new situation does not in any way affect our policy and position within Malaysia. We carry on as before."

He continued: "While we have to spend so much money in strengthening our defences, we have at the same time managed to provide livelihood, education and other services which have made this country happy and prosperous and the people, on the whole, contented.

"There has also been certain inclination on the part of some countries to look upon the Prime Minister of Singapore as an equal partner in the Government of Malaysia and to encourage indirectly to assert his authority and this has made the situation rather awkward for us.

"In a nation there can only be one national executive head. The illustration which I saw in one of the British papers depicting a cartoon of Lee Kuan Yew and myself over the map of Malaysia and with the caption 'too many cooks' is to the point. This is a situation which we must avoid

"There can only be one Prime Minister for the Nation, and so the best course we can take is to allow Lee Kuan Yew to be the Prime Minister of independent Singapore in the full sense of the word which otherwise he would not."

The Tunku recalled that he was hoping to make Singapore the New York of Malaysia and had begged the politicians in Singapore to give their thought for the fulfilment of this objective. In order to do that it was necessary to place the interest of Singapore above that of their own personal glorification.

"Unfortunately, political rivalry and political activities and enthusiasm of the various politicians in Singapore had made this impossible," said the Tunku.

He added: "They lost sight of the importance of Singapore as one of the most important ports in South East Asia. My dream is shattered and so we now come to the parting of ways."

Refused Finance Contribution

Touching on the matter of finance, the Tunku said: "It has been extremely difficult to obtain Singapore's support. Criticisms levelled at the Central Government by the Singapore representatives at the last Budget Meeting of this Parliament are still fresh in the Hon'ble Members' memory. Now we find we have reached a stage where it is difficult to agree on anything at all however trivial the matter may be. There is disagreement as to the quantum of Singapore's financial contribution to the Central Government.

"The Hon'ble Members are aware that there has been a sharp rise in the defence and security expenditure and the Central Government felt compelled to ask for Singapore's support. It is only right that it should bear a legitimate share of the country's burden, but Singapore refused to make this contribution except in so far as the Singapore defence is concerned.

"Under Annex J to the Malaysia Agreement, Singapore was bound to contribute for a five-year period by way of loan, the sum of \$150 million to the Central Government for economic development in Sabah and Sarawak. Part of this loan was to be free of interest. But this loan has not been given.

"There have been bickerings over the amount of interest to be paid, and Singapore refused to trust the Bank Negara to determine the current market rates for long term loans in the Federation, but instead proposed a World Bank arbitrator. This would have taken a considerable time to reach a decision. In the meantime the development of these two States is absolutely

urgent."

Pointing out that the political trouble in Singapore 'which is simmering today might blow up into something extremely serious," the Tunku said:

"On the other hand our relationship with Sabah and Sarawak has been excellent. We are desirous of carrying our extensive development programmed in these two States, because we realise that under the colonial rule, the development in the two States has been neglected.

"We know that they have joined us of their own accord and on their own free will in order to enjoy not only the independence and prestige which freedom brings them, but also to enjoy the other fruits and independence.

"They fit into the pattern of administration with the rest of the States in Malaysia so admirably well, and unless we can carry out some development, however small it may be, their hope and trust in us will be inevitably lessened.

"But with the money we have to pour out to defend ourselves against Indonesian aggression, it was expected that Singapore would co-operate. Unfortunately they refused.

No Sense of Frustration

"The people of Sabah and Sarawak live in an area where Indonesia aggression is most strong and violent. Since Indonesia started its confrontation against Malaysia, the people of Sabah and Sarawak have suffered more casualties than the people in the other parts of this country.

"In spite of that they feel no fear or sense of frustration but continue to play their part as true, patriotic and loyal citizens of Malaysia. The people in the mainland admire them for their courage and no word is sufficient to describe our thanks and admiration for them."

The Tunku hoped that the breakway with Singapore would not cause the people of Sarawak and Sabah undue worry or concern, and that in the circumstances they would agree that the course of action, they were taking, was the only one open to them to maintain peace and harmony in Malaysia, and at the same time to obtain the closest co-operation with Singapore.

The Tunku continued: "Those citizens of Singapore who have been strong in their support for Malaysia, I hope, will not feel that they have been let down. I can assure them that in discussion with the Prime Minister of Singapore we have agreed that they would be given the fullest of protection and amenities as given to the other citizens.

"On the other hand, if they feel strongly that they wish to evacuate and come to the Federation, I have arranged with the Menteri Besar of Johore to reserve quite an extensive area of land in the State to enable them to live in the Federation. We will do all we can to make them feel comfortable and welcome.

"I pray that they will not lose their sense of balance and do some thing which can only bring about unhappiness to themselves, their families and ourselves. This is the last thing which we would like to happen, and considering the peace of Malaysia as a whole we are convinced that there is no other way out but to do what we think is best.

"Things are getting worse every day. Irresponsible utterances are made by both sides, which reading between the lines, is tantamount to challenges, and if trouble were to break out the innocent people will be sacrificed at the altar of belligerent, heartless and irresponsible trouble makers of this country.

"So I believe the second course of action which we are taking, that it the breakway, is the best and the right one, sad as it may be. We had pledged to form Malaysia with Singapore but having given it a trial we found that if we persist in going on with it, in the long run, there will be more trouble to Malaysia than what Singapore is worth to us.

"The separation will be made on the understanding that we shall co-operate closely on matters of Defence, Trade and Commerce."

The Tunku disclosed that these matters were discussed with the Government of Singapore. As a result an Agreement has been drawn up setting out the terms agreed upon. This Agreement had been signed by selected members of the Central Government and those of the State Government of Singapore.

External Defence

He added: "The Agreement is to grant Singapore independence and establish it as a sovereign State. For the benefit of the Hon'ble Members, I would like to refer to some of the clauses in the Agreement.

'Article V reads:-

'The parties hereto will enter into a treaty on external defence and mutual assistance providing that:-

- (1) the parties hereto will establish a joint defence council for purposes of external defence and mutual assistance;
- (2) the Government of Malaysia will afford to the Government of Singapore such assistance as may be considered reasonable and adequate for external defence, and in consideration thereof, the Government of Singapore will contribute from its own armed forces such units thereof as may be considered reasonable and adequate for such defence;
- (3) the Government of Singapore will afford to the Government of Malaysia the right to continue to maintain the bases and other facilities used by its military forces within Singapore and will permit the Government of Malaysia to make such use of these bases and facilities as the Government of Malaysia may consider necessary for the purpose of external defence;
- (4) each party will undertake not to enter into any treaty or agreement with a foreign country which may be detrimental to the independence and defence of the territory of the other party.'

"Article VI provides for the economic arrangements between the two countries. The two territories will have to depend on one another, more so for Singapore.

"Talks will be held to provide facilities for trade and commerce between the two territories. It is not possible for me to say any more than this at this stage. The businessmen of these two territories will have to rely on us to do what we can to give them all the help and facilities that will help to maintain commercial and trade relation between the two territories.

"Articles VI reads as follows:-

'The parties hereto will on and after Singapore Day co-operate in economic affairs for their mutual benefit and interest and for this purpose may set up such joint committee or councils as may from time to time be agreed upon.'

"In respect of Article VII the Agreement expressly rescinded as from today, the 9th of August, the Annex J relating to the establishment of Common Market, and Annex K relating to Broadcasting and Television.

Exonerated From Liabilities

"In Article VIII, which is rather important, we agreed that the liabilities of the Central Government with respect to any debts or liabilities incurred by Singapore since Malaysia Day, will from today exonerate us from further liabilities.

"This Article reads:-

'With regard to any agreement entered into between the Government of Singapore and any other country of corporate body which has been guaranteed by the government of Malaysia, the Government of Singapore hereby undertakes to negotiate with such country of corporate body to enter into a fresh agreement releasing the Government of Malaysia of its liabilities and obligations under the said guarantee, and the Government of Singapore hereby undertakes to indemnify the Government of Malaysia fully for any liabilities, obligations or damage which it may suffer as a result of the said guarantee.'

"In order to give effect to the Agreement and the Proclamation of Independence of the State of Singapore it is necessary to amend the Federal Constitution and the Malaysia Act so that both the Constitution and the Act shall cease to have effect in Singapore except on those matters specifically provided for in Clauses 8 and 13 of the Bill. This will be presented to this House in due course.

"Another matter which is of great concern to the people who live in Singapore and Malaysia is their movements between the two territories. It is obvious with different Governments, some control will have to be exercised in order to restrict the movements of the people of these territories.

"Until the regulations have been formulated, it is agreed that these people should have free movement. It will be necessary perhaps to provide them with some form of travelling document such as border pass for short visit be finalised, it is only right and fair for the people of these territories to carry on as they are now."

In conclusion, the Tunku said: "I pray that Singapore and the people of Singapore will enjoy peace in that island. Whatever we can do to help them, I can assure them that we will be too glad to do. In diversity I am convinced we can find unity or in ordinary every day phalance absence will make the hearts grow fonder."

BRITISH GOVT. RECOGNISES SINGAPORE

THE Commonwealth Relations Office in London this week issued the following announcement:

"In consequence of the arrangements made by the Federation of Malaysia for Singapore to become independent, the British Government have recognised Singapore as an independent State."

News of Singapore's withdrawal from the two-year-old Federation of Malaysia was received in London with regret. Implications of the withdrawal are being studied in London by the Commonwealth Relation Office, Foreign Office and the Ministry of Defence.

A London Press Service Commonwealth Correspondent wrote:

One question now is whether independent Singapore will become a member of the Commonwealth. The decision to apply for membership must of course rest entirely with the Singapore Government. On the question of procedure, however, it seems that this case may well prove different from previous ones, and how it will be worked out is yet known.

Commonwealth membership so far has normally been by a consensus of Commonwealth members if the country concerned so wished.

If Singapore applies for Commonwealth membership, the British Government, it is understood, will favour its acceptance.

A Commonwealth Relations Office spokesman this week said that the decision taken in Malaysia was within the competence of the parties concerned, since Malaysia was completely independent and Britain had no sovereignty over any part of it. He added that the British Government had been informed in advance of the decision.

Singapore Separation: Tunku Appeals For

CALMNESS AND UNDERSTANDING

THE PRIME MINISTER, TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN PUTRA AL-HAJ, HAS ASKED THE PEOPLE OF SARAWAK AND SABAH TO TAKE THE NEWS OF SINGAPORE'S SEPARATION "WITH ABSOLUTE UNDERSTANDING AND CALMNESS."

"THIS HAS BEEN THE CHARACTERISTIC OF THE PEOPLE OF THESE TWO STATES, SO LIVE UP TO IT/' SAID THE TUNKU.

He was speaking over Radio Malaysia, Sarawak and Sabah, in a special broadcast in which he explained the differences that caused the separation of Singapore from Malaysia; the broadcast was made on Friday, August 13, 1965.

The Tunku said: "There has been for some time differences between the Central and the State Governments of Singapore. The differences are of so many kinds that it was almost impossible to resolve them, and so my colleagues and I had to think of a way out whereby we could part company and at the same time stay as good neighbours and good friends with Singapore.

"The States that make up Malaysia have all shown so much support for the Central Government because they realise that without this support it would be impossible for the Central Government to function.

"Singapore had been different. The leaders of Singapore had openly defied and in fact challenged the authority of the Central Government in many matters, even in matters of concurrent jurisdiction.

'Only Peace Can Assure Success'

"It was impossible and it was obvious that two national Governments with two Prime Ministers would not work. The only course open to the Central Government was to proceed with repressive measures against the Singapore Government."

The Tunku said that he gave himself a lot of thought whether in doing that (adopting repressive measures) it would not cause trouble. He and his colleagues decided that it would not be the correct thing to do "because any trouble as a result of such an action within the country would not help us to fight our more dangerous enemies - the Communists and the Indonesians."

The Tunku added: "So whatever we do we must maintain peace in this country, and in peace only can we be assured of success."

He continued: "I had hoped to make Singapore with regard to Malaysia what New York is to the United States.

"I had pleaded and begged the politicians of Singapore to give all their thought and attention to this, for Singapore had all the advantages which, in fact, could make it one of the greatest cities and ports of Asia.

"But is politicians chose to make Singapore a red hot-bed of politics and the significance of my dream was lost to them.

"They would not listen but chose to go ahead with their turbulent politics.

"The Prime Minister of Singapore had toured many Asian countries to enlist support in order to ensure the success of his aim. Whatever that might be Malaysia with Singapore in it could not long endure without internal strife and trouble for long. This would weaken our efforts to defend this country against Indonesia.

"I had promised to make Malaysia a haven of peace, a home where could all live together in happiness, in peace and in contentment, a home not only for us but also for our children and their children - a home which they can be proud of."

The Tunku went on to say that all the other States, be they in Malaya, Sabah or Sarawak, have helped to make Malaysia an example to the world, where it could be shown that people of different races, creeds and cultures could live as one in peace and in harmony, and they all have helped in their individual capacity or as subjects of their own respective States to make Malaysia what it was today.

He declared: "With all Indonesia's strength, with all the subversion that is going on inside the country, it has not been possible for our enemy to shake the confidence in our people.

'Not A Dent In Our Armour'

"On the contrary, it had helped to being the people closer together with one determination, to be loyal to the country and to fight the enemy to the last drop of or blood.

"Indonesia's attacks could not be even make a dent in our armour; Indonesia's propaganda could not change the hearts and minds of our people. The world acclaims our success and expressed admiration for it.

"All this gave me absolute confidence a the leader of the Government, that the people of Malaysia have everything to live for, that Malaysia is going to be a success in which we can all take pride, and its success is going to continue for generations and generations to come."

The Tunku repeated that there must not be a State rebellious in its attitude towards the Central Government, which Singapore was, and it has not been able to follow the example set by the rest of the States of Malaysia."

Recalling what he had earlier said in Parliament, the Tunku said: "There were only two courses open to me and those were either to take repressive measures against the leaders of Singapore, or to agree to a breakaway form us.

"The former course would be against my conscience and it would no doubt cause widespread unrest and criticism against the Central Government, and I did not want to excite the people unnecessarily if I could help it.

"But if such a situation were to arise, I had already stated, I and this Government could very well take control of it. I am quite able and capable of asserting my authority when the occasion

demands.

"I was convinced that by having an amicable settlement with Singapore it would ensure peace and success for the future. Indeed I was convinced that the change would open the way to greater co-operation between our two Governments, leading to mutual friendship and goodwill." Continuing, the Tunku told the people of Sarawak and Sabah they need not worry themselves unduly over this split with Singapore.

"This does not affect the present set-up of Malaysia. We want you with us and work in partnership to make Malaysia a nation in which we can take pride," said the Tunku.

He added: "It is going to strengthen our hand in dealing with our enemy from without and help us to live in peace with one another at home.

"I know the people of Sarawak and Sabah have had to bear the brunt of Indonesia's aggression, and will continue to do so for some time to come."

'True, Patriotic And Loyal Citizens'

Again recalling what he had mentioned in Parliament "that the people of Sarawak and Sabah live in an area where Indonesian aggression is most strong and violent," the Tunku said: "Since Indonesia started its confrontation against Malaysia, the people of Sarawak and Sabah have suffered more casualties than the people in other parts of this country.

"In spite of that they feel no fear or sense of frustration out continue to play their part as true, patriotic and loyal citizens of Malaysia.

"The people in the mainland admire them for their courage and no word is sufficient to describe our thanks and admiration for them. I meant every word of what I said in Parliament. Let us pray to God that together we will march from success to success.

"To the people of Sabah and Sarawak I ask you to remain cool and calm, as well as composed, and take the news with absolute understanding and calmness. This has been characteristic of the people of these two States, so live up to it.

"Bankrupt Indonesia has seized this occasion to propose renewal of trade relationship with Singapore to be followed no doubt with the setting up of diplomatic relations through recognition of Singapore, but we have seen to it that under the Agreement with Singapore she will be denied this opportunity."

Turning to "our friends in the Commonwealth, in particular the British, the Australians, the New Zealanders and the Canadians", the Tunku reminded his listeners that they have "all promised to continue to stand by us and to help us defend our way of life as free and proud people of Malaysia, and to help us defend ourselves from the enemies from without."

The Tunku then assured his friends and all the people of Malaysia that he would continue to serve this country "for as long as God permits me and as long as the people want me." He said: "While I am at your service I shall always make it my duty to bring peace, happiness, goodwill and understanding among the people of all the races in Malaysia who have looked to me as their leader and as their father, and so have my colleagues in the Alliance Government."

Finally, the Tunku said that Tun Razak would shortly visit Sarawak and Sabah to explain the circumstances leading to the split with Singapore.

"You must have faith in my leadership and my leadership and my determination to stand by you all, come what may. As soon as I am able to clear up the affairs at home, I will immediately proceed to Sarawak and Sabah myself," the Tunku ended.

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DATO GHAZALI CALLS ON SINGAPORE LEADERS TO RENEW FRIENDSHIP

THE Permanent Secretary for External Affairs, Malaysia, Dato Mohd. Ghazali bin Shafie, last week called on the Prime Minister of Singapore and the Minister for Foreign Affairs to renew the friendship and the assurances of goodwill between the two countries and its leaders.

In a statement issued to the Press before his return to Kuala Lumpur on Saturday, August 14, Dato Mohd. Ghazali said: "Singapore is now an independent and sovereign State and relationship between Singapore and Kuala Lumpur must naturally be on diplomatic level. This is of course a development which both sides will have to try and get used to."

He added: "The decision to make Singapore a separate independent State will no doubt continue to be debated for a long time in the minds of many.

"The question we have to answer in our own hearts is not as to who is right but the general well being of the peoples in both territories what is right.

"In view of the mutual agreement and common conclusion reached by Singapore and Kuala Lumpur leaders, the decision must be a correct one. Here I would like to say that leaders on both sides of the Causeway had off time expressed fears of the dangers of violence and communal clashes.

"Knowing my own Prime Minister and his Deputy, Tun Abdul Razak, very intimately, I can assure everyone that these two dynamic political leaders have made their decision after a very thorough and careful examination of the various implications.

"This decision reflected very clearly the personal nature of our Bapa Malaysia who has an intense hatred for violence and repressions. Racial clashes must be avoided. This is a perfect example of the spirit of non-violence.

"With a bit of modification, may I quote this:-

'Greater love no man hath than that he should refuse to permit his friends to lay down their lives for him.'

"Let Malaysia and Singapore stand shoulder to shoulder and march forward with determination and in the spirit of co-operation to build our common destiny.

"Your Prime Minister was kind enough to receive me and I also had a very useful discussion

with your Foreign Minister and we discussed how the relationship between Malaysia and Singapore should be conducted.

"We both agreed that we should place both Governments in a special position in the sense that we dispense with, as much as possible, the formalities and protocol in our international relations with each other. While we place ourselves in this special relationship, one, of course, must not expect that we should conduct our diplomacy through public speeches and newspapers.

"It is basic in the foreign policy of Malaysia that her relationship with Singapore should be congenial and on the best of terms. It would be Malaysia's main endeavour to prevent a wedge being driven between the two Governments.

To Sponsor U.N. Membership

"Singapore has expressed the desire that we should sponsor her as a member of the United Nations and the Commonwealth and I have given the assurance that not only would we sponsor Singapore but that we would be working all out to rally support. As a matter of fact, I have already given instructions to that effect.

"On the question of Singapore's interest overseas, I have already assured Mr. Rajaratnam (the Minister for Foreign Affairs) that we would undertake to look after their consular and other matters where we are represented.

"WE ARE NOW TWO SEPARATE NATIONS WITH COMMON AND IDENTICAL INTERESTS AND OUR ENEMIES SHOULD TAKE NOTE THAT WE ARE DETERMINED TO SAFEGUARD OUR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND INDEPENDENCE. THERE IS A JOINT WORKING ARRANGEMENT TOWARDS THIS END. LET THERE BE NO DOUBT THAT BOTH MALAYSIA AND SINGAPORE WILL NOT TOLERATE INDO-NESEAN AGGRESSION AGAINST EITHER TERRITORY," DATO GHAZALI CONCLUDED.

HE ENDED: "IF THE FACT OF HISTORY, CULTURE AND GEOGRAPHY SAY THAT MALAYSIA AND SINGAPORE ARE ONE, LET US ALL LOOK FORWARD TO THE FUTURE WITH CONFIDENCE."

Parting of the Ways...

Sad and painful as Singapore's secession from Malaysia has been, it is an inevitable step brought about by the dangerous and acute differences between the Singapore government leaders and the Central Government.

The position has been recognised by both sides and, although such a tragic and shocking step has had to be taken, some comfort can be drawn from the fact that there has been mutual understanding on the inevitability of Singapore's withdrawal, and the parting of the ways has been on the most friendly and cordial note.

This is a good augury for the future, and we have got to look now only to the future. Recriminations over the past will not help to undo what has been done. All we can work for and hope for is that when passions have cooled down, when both sides have had time to make a calm assessment of what this division really means, the proper atmosphere will again be created for the bridge to be built again.

Our Prime Minister in his broadcast to the nation has expressed the hope that Singapore will enjoy peace, happiness and prosperity. He has assured that Malaysia will give her utmost contribution toward anything which would make Singapore happier and safer. Similar expressions of friendliness have been voiced by leaders of the new independent State of Singapore.

We should take our Prime Minister's lead in this, as we had done in achieving Merdeka, in quashing communist terrorism, and in the creation of Malaysia.

Let us do all we can to foster and maintain the spirit of friendliness with Singapore, so that, as our Tunku has said, "in diversity we can find unity," and the day will not be too far off when Singapore will return to the fold.



Chief Minister Declares Open New Co-operative Bank Building says: "A symbol of Faith in Malaysia's Future". 1965

THE Co-operative Movement has made possible a great increase in business, leading to a steady improvement in social and economic conditions, particularly of the rural people.

This was stated by the Chief Minister of Sarawak, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, on Saturday, August 28, when he declared open the Sarawak Co-operative Central Bank's new \$300,000 building in Kuching.

Congratulating the Chairman, the present committee and members of earlier committees of the Bank, the Chief Minister said: "This building stands as a symbol of faith that the co-operators of Sarawak have in the future of their country."

He added: "It is also a sure sign that the Co-operative Movement itself is growing stronger with every year that passes.

"The development of co-operative movement in Sarawak has been impressive. Most of the early co-operatives organised by the indigenous people were of the simple types, such as Credit, Savings and Loan, Padi Savings and Padi Mills.

"The Foochows of the Third Division were progressive from the outset in organising Co-operative Stores and Vegetable Marketing Societies, most of which continue to this day and have expanded their functions.

"Co-operation has opened the way for native participation in trade and commerce. This, of

course, entailed a very great effort from the staff of the Co-operative Development, particularly because of the difficulty in recruiting Managers, Secretaries and other staff of sufficient ability from among the members of Co-operative Societies, to run a business of considerable complexity from the beginning. This is inevitable in a country where rural people still have on the whole a low level of education, and very little business experience.

"It is encouraging, however, to find that so many of them are prepared to accept training for, and then to undertake, work of a clerical and semi-managerial character which in many cases is no doubt difficult, and is generally only moderately paid."

The Chief Minister went on to say that many more multi-purpose and store societies had been formed by the indigenous people since the change of direction in Co-operative Policy, particularly after Malaysia, when greater emphasis was laid on multi-purpose rather than the small single-purpose co-operatives.

He said: "Amalgamations or mergers of single-purpose societies in a number of kampongs and longhouses have also taken place. At the end of 1964 the total number of these societies was 83 (59 Indigenous, 21 Chinese, 3 Mixed) compared with 36 (17 Indigenous, 18 Chinese, 1 Mixed) at the end of 1962, an increase of 47.

"The total number of all types of co-operatives at the end of 1964 was 218 with total membership of 15,089 compared with 197 co-operatives and membership of 12,445 in 1962.

"As a result of this change of direction in Co-operative policy, the value of agricultural produce marketed through co-operatives increased from \$576,390.00 in 1962 to \$4,612,500.00 in 1964, an increase of 73 per cent.

"One of the most encouraging features of the increases in both sales and marketing is the way in which it was achieved by the extension of the movement into new areas and ethnic groups, where previously the movement was weak."

The Chief Minister then spoke on the benefits derived by members and non-members of Co-operative Societies. He said: "There is ample evidence to show that the existence of a Co-operative Society has the effect of tending to bring down the prices of consumer goods, and of increasing prices offered for produce at the neighbouring private shops. In this way the whole community benefits by the introduction of a co-operative business into an area.

"Despite Indonesian confrontation, the first two years of Sarawak's independence within Malaysia have seen encouraging progress in many fields. Under the Five-Year Development Plan, 1964-1968, the Co-operative movement has played a full and growing part. Among many others, four co-operative multi-purpose societies have also been established in Rubber Planting Scheme 'B' areas, and several more are in the process of formation.

"In all these years the Co-operative Movement has been made possible, leading to a steady improvement in social and economic conditions, particularly of the rural people. I am confident that the Co-operative Central Bank will carry on with greater success in the years to come."

The Chief Minister concluded by referring to the fact that the building would also provide a good hostel for Co-operators who visited Kuching from other places in Sarawak "thereby fulfilling the pledge made to the Saribas people who first erected a co-operative hostel on this site."

THE Chairman of the Sarawak Co-operative Central Bank, Ltd., Mr. Yeo Cheng Hoe, welcoming the Chief Minister, said that it was only last year that the then Minister for Agriculture and Co-operatives, Malaysia Enche Mohamad Khir Johari, came all the way from Kuala Lumpur to lay the foundation stone of the building.

"That in itself was a magnificent expression of an act of co-operation," said Mr. Yeo, as he gave a brief history and activities of the Bank.

"He said the Bank was started in 1953 with 84 original members. A welcome stimulus was given to the Bank by recognition in the Development Plan 1955-60 that it should be regarded as an instrument for the channelling of credit for rural development and \$1,000,000 was allocated from Government funds. \$250,000 as the first instalment was advanced to the Bank in the form of an interest-free loan in 1957.

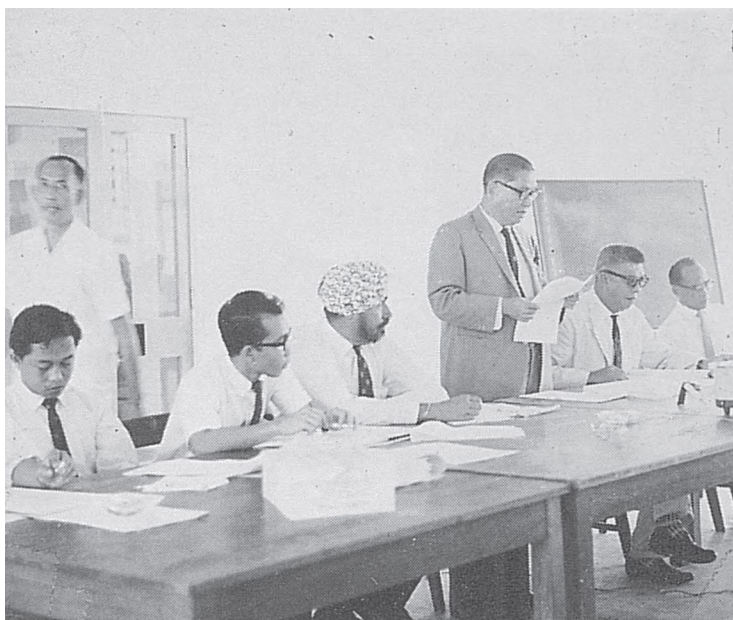
The Bank then continued to grow steadily, to a total of 171 member societies and total Assets over \$1,200,000 to date."

The Chairman went on to say that recently the Bank's main function was to channel funds for rural credit. 1964 was the most successful year of business - 30 loans and overdrafts for production purpose were approved to member societies totalling \$221,000. These figures nearly reached the limit of lending of Government funds. Further 21 loans and overdraft were totalling \$91,000. This year to date repayment instalments of loans and overdrafts were being paid promptly.

The Chairman added: "It is hoped that additional Government loans funds for rural credit will be made available to the Bank as soon as possible in order to facilitate its operation for this year. I understand for future years for rural credit channelled through this Bank will be provided by the Central Government under the first Malaysia five-years Development Plan.

"Another function of the Bank is to act as purchasing agents for member societies of their requirements, such as consumer goods in bulk, engines and padi mills and stationery, but with a limited number of staff business is at present confined to purchase of engines and padi mills, spare parts and stationery. After we have settled down in our new office, it is our intention to try and expand the Bank's activities so as to provide a better service to its members."

Finally, the Chairman thanked everyone connected with the planning of the building. This included the former Commissioner for co-operative Development Mr. H.S. Brown, the present Deputy Commissioner, Mr. Liew Fook Loy, the Bank's Committee, the Architects, Messrs Booty, Edwards & Partners, and the Chartered Quantity /surveyors Messrs Frank & Vargeson and the Contractors Messrs. Tham Shing Kee.



The Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Sarawak Mr. Liew Fook Loy making his address at an Annual General Meeting of Bank delegates of Co-operative Societies.

TRIBUTE to officials, employees and members of the Co-operative Societies in the border areas of Sarawak was paid by the Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Mr. Liew Fook Loy, when he spoke at the annual general meeting of the Co-operative Central Bank Limited on Saturday, August 28.

Speaking in the National Language, Mr. Liew said that co-operative societies in the border areas shared dangers and difficulties.

He added that it was to the credit of the staff concerned that in practically every case they had managed to keep their societies going, and to continue to give essential services to members and others.

Mr. Liew added that despite all difficulties, the co-operative movement had continued to grow bigger and stronger in 1964.

During the year a total of 41 new societies were registered, which was more than ever before in a single year, and the total end of 1964 was 218, which was also higher than ever before.

Total membership increased from 12,500 to over 15,000 in the year and the total was now much bigger than ever before, said Mr. Liew.

Touching on the business of the Co-operative Central Bank, Mr. Liew said: "As far as your Bank's main business is concerned, namely the channelling of funds for rural and urban credit, 1964 was the most successful year in its history. Thirty loans and overdrafts for productive purposes were approved for primary societies, for a total of \$220,990, and this figure was about three times as large as in 1963.

"The total of about \$267,000 out in the form of loans and overdrafts at the end of 1964 was almost exactly double the figure at the end of 1963.

"As the original loan from the Sarawak Government was of \$250,000, it can be seen that the Bank has therefore reached the limit of lending of Government funds. Your committee is naturally reluctant to lend the deposits of member societies for development projects, some of which have a certain amount of risk.

"The committee has agreed to lend a certain amount for this purpose, so that we can keep up the pace of progress in the co-operative movement, but unless we can get more help from either the State or the Federal Government, there will inevitably be some slowing up in our operations by the end of 1965."

Explaining the balance sheet, Mr. Liew said that on the liabilities side, the main item consisted of Deposits by member societies. Some of these were at call and some on fixed term, and together they amounted to \$595,000.

At the end of 1963 the total was \$520,000, so there had been a large increase of \$75,000. Most of these funds were provided by the savings of two large urban Thrift and Loan Societies in Kuching.

The next main item was the Joint Investment Account, with a total of \$185,000. These funds were invested directly overseas, and similarly represented the savings of urban Thrift and Loan societies. The figure was lower than last year by \$60,000, because the societies had invested their savings in different ways.



A cross section of member delegates present at the Annual General Meeting session.

The last big item on the Liabilities side was the interest-free loan of \$250,000 made by the Government in 1957, and the figure was the same as last year. However, the great difference this year was that it had been fully used up in re-lending to co-operative societies. That was why it was so important that more Government funds for rural development should be made available.

Looking at the assets side, Mr. Liew was this showed in broad terms what the Bank had done with the funds entrusted to it.

He said: "In the first place, money out on loan and in overdrafts to member societies now stands at \$267,000, and this is about twice as much as the figure of \$135,000 at the end of 1963.

"Then comes an item called Savings, which in this case means deposits in local banks. This is \$260,000, and is \$70,000 less than the figure a year ago, because money has been withdrawn to pay for the new bank building.

"After that is the Joint Investment Account, totalling \$185,000. This consists of the savings of the urban Thrift and loan societies, and is invested directly overseas.

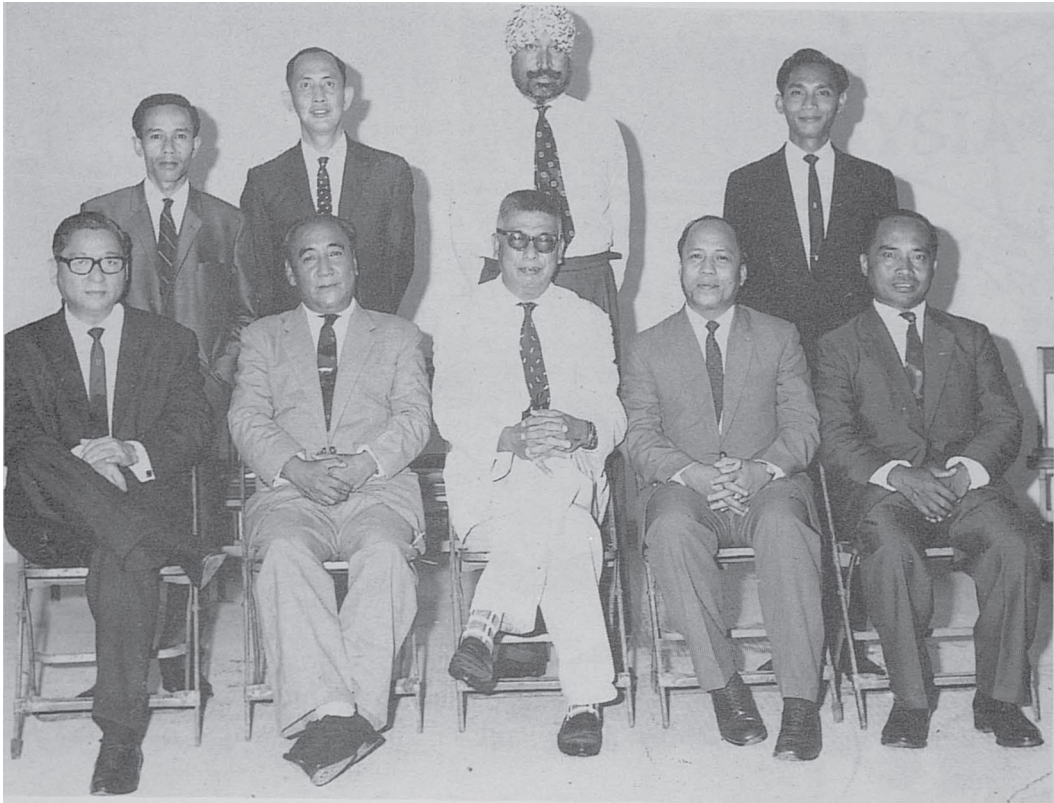
"Finally, there is an item which was never very large before, and that is Land and Building, which at the end of 1964 stood at \$135,000. This was the value of the new bank building at that date, although of course now that it is completed the value is a great deal more, and that will be shown in the accounts for 1965."

Touching on savings in the form of deposit, Mr. Liew said that two societies, the Sarawak Constabulary and the Sarawak Co-operative Thrift and Loan Societies alone accounted for 80 per cent; of all deposits in the co-operative movement in Sarawak, with the other 216 societies only accounting for 20 per cent.

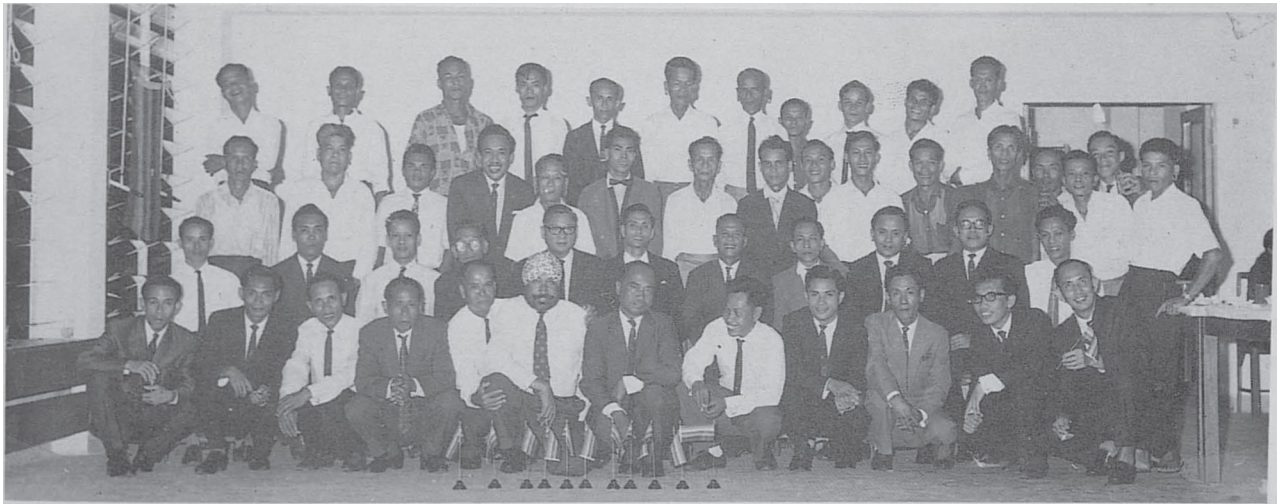
"Indeed, if we exclude these two Kuching societies, the average deposit for the remaining 12,908 members of all these other societies is exactly fourteen dollars and eleven cents (\$14.11). After fifteen years of organised co-operation, this is not a record we can be very proud of," said Mr. Liew.

He reminded members that almost every society now had provisions in its by-laws for accepting either recurring or fixed-term deposits, so that a member could choose whichever method of saving suited him best. In either case the deposits could earn interest up to a maximum, usually of 5 per cent, and provided the society was making use of the money attracted in this way, either by re-leading it to members, or by using it as working capital in the business, it could comfortably afford to pay this rate.

Alternatively, it could re-deposit this money with the Central Bank, which was currently paying 8 per cent on fixed-term deposits of over six months.



Members of the Board of Directors of Sarawak Co-operative Central Bank, the Bank's Secretary and the Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Sarawak.



A group photograph of member delegates attending the Bank's Annual General Meeting.

Finally, Mr. Liew pointed out that there was now over 15,000 individual members of the co-operative movement in Sarawak. If everyone of these saved and deposited just \$1 per week that would be \$50 a year, a total \$750,000 (three quarters of a million dollar) each year for the country as a whole.

The Chairman, Mr. Yeo Cheng Hoe said the business of the Bank for the year under review had been growing from strength to strength.

"We are convinced that if we have peace we shall be able to harness the full resources of our country to constructive tasks of development of our Co-operative Movement thereby raising the standard of living of our people," he said.

The Chairman added the opening of the new building was a crowning effort of the Co-operative Movement at the present stage of development.

"More are yet to be achieved and with hope and faith we shall go forward hand in hand to attain to greater rewards so as to benefit the well being of our fellow countrymen," he concluded.



A group photo of representatives and member delegates of Sarawak Co-operative Central Bank taken for the official opening of the Bank's premises situated at Ban Hock Raod, Kuching.



Sarawak Co-operatives Central Bank situated at Ban Hock Road, Kuching.

Tunku Assures People of Sarawak

'YOU'RE SECURE IN MALAYSIA'

THE PRIME MINISTER OF MALAYSIA, TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN PUTRA AL-HAJ, HAS ASSURED THE PEOPLE OF SARAWAK THAT THEY HAD A BRIGHT AND SECURE PLACE IN MALAYSIA.

THE TUNKU VISITED KUCHING ON THURSDAY AND SIBU ON SATURDAY DURING A FLYING VISIT TO THE BORNEO STATES THIS WEEK.

AT A PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE KUCHING AIRPORT ON FRIDAY BEFORE LEAVING FOR JESSELTON THE TUNKU SAID THAT HE WAS QUITE HAPPY WITH WHAT HE HAD SEEN IN SARAWAK DURING HIS ONE DAY STAY IN THE CAPITAL.

He said that naturally there were people sympathetic to the communists living outside who were determined to cause trouble, but the Government was strong enough to see that they did not go too far.

"We are strong enough to meet any challenges," said the Tunku.

He said that the purpose of his visit was to assure the people of Sarawak that the break-away from Singapore did not produce any change as far as the other States of Malaysia was concerned.

The Tunku said: "To the best of my knowledge and intention we will remain together for ever and ever."

He said that there was no cause for the people of Sarawak to worry because people in the other States had shown no worry at all.

He added: "We are member of the same family. Malaysia is not one single country. It's made up of all the States; before we were 11, then we went up to 14 and now it's 13 which I regard as a very lucky number!"

The Tunku then went on to say that they would now be able to concentrate on affairs at home and do whatever they could for the good of the people in Malaysia.

Pointing out that much development had been carried out in the peninsular states, the Tunku said that the Government had planned similar development in the Borneo States, though they



Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan iwelcomes the Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Al-Haj, on arrival at the Kuching Airport.

had lost the \$150 million which Singapore had promised to contribute by way of loan for the development of the Borneo States.

"Our credit is good abroad. I don't think we should show any concern at all. I am happy to see on the whole that the people of Sarawak are quite calm and composed; they have not shown any undue excitement.

"Naturally the Opposition will try and make a mountain out of this and try to cause excitement among the people in Sarawak and I think they will carry out an extensive campaign to do this," said the Tunku.

He said he had spoken to the Alliance leaders that they would have to be put across by meeting them in their own kampongs and longhouses to explain to them the state of affairs, and tell them that there was no reason to be worried because the other states were not worried.

The Tunku said that he had also visited the Commonwealth Forces during his short stay and thanked them for the good in man.

'Speaking For Freedom Loving Peoples'

"When I say thank you, I am not only expressing my own sentiment but I am speaking for the freedom-loving peoples of the world," said the Tunku.

He continued: "I am glad that I had the opportunity to meet them (the Commonwealth Forces) and I'm going to do the same when I go to Sabah.

Touching on trade, the Tunku said that some business people seemed to be unduly worried that most of the raw materials went to Singapore. He had, however, assured them that they need not be concerned because the Government would see that their trading with Singapore would go on as in normal times.

He said that at one time Singapore imposed restrictions on goods from Malaysia, but the Federal Government had drawn the attention of the Singapore Government to the difficulties being experienced by the business people. He thought that they had now agreed to the withdrawal of these restrictions.

There were now indications that Singapore was going to work very closely with us to make sure that business would go on as usual.

The Tunku then went on to say that a Joint council of Defence was now being set up and "Singapore is determined to see this trouble through to the bitter end."

He added: "By way of showing their determination they have sent the Singapore Regiment to operate here with Commonwealth troops.

"This showed that the separation or the break with Singapore had not brought about any drastic changes at all.

"I am on the whole quite happy with the little I could see in Sarawak, but naturally there are people sympathetic to the communists living outside who are determined to cause trouble."

"We are strong enough to see that they do not go too far, and we are strong enough to meet any challenges that come from them."

Asked to comment on Dato Temenggong Jugah's recent statement that it was Singapore who asked for the separation, the Tunku said that it was mutual understanding "because no one State can ask and be given."

The Tunku added that he had worked on the idea that originally Singapore wanted a loose form of Federation. He did not know what a loose form of federation was. There had been no instance of such a federation. "Either they are in the Federation or they are out," declared the Tunku.

He said: "They want the right to control fiscal policy, but there is no state in the world where a state within that nation is allowed to have complete control over the fiscal policy."

Fighting The Common Enemy

Pointing out that the fiscal policy had always been in the hands of the Central Government, the Tunku said: "If there is a link up with Singapore at all, Singapore will have to take its place like all other states. If they do not know it would weaken our hands in fighting our enemy."

The Tunku reiterated that there was no question of Singapore being driven out, because when this question was discussed in Parliament there was not one member from Singapore Government who had turned up in Parliament to contest it.

Another proof was that as soon as the break took place Singapore abolished the Turnover Tax, and introduced unemployment insurance. "All this one could not do overnight," said the Tunku.

He added: "In separation we could work closer together without any more rancour in our hearts."

He stressed that although Singapore was out of Malaysia it still existed within the Greater Malaysia "not as a member of the family but as an old member of the family who had gone out."

Asked about a news agency report that the Sabah Alliance had decided to re-examine its position within the Federation, the Tunku replied that what appeared in the papers was entirely different from the resolution that was passed.

Here the Tunku was handed a note by Mr. Khaw Khai Boh, Minister of Housing and Local Government who had just come from Sabah. The note contained the resolutions passed by the Sabah Alliance National Council which the Tunku read out.

The resolutions endorsed the action taken by the Alliance MPS who supported the Bill passed by the Malaysian Parliament on August 9 providing for the separation of Singapore from Malaysia.

The council also approved another resolution calling for the appointment of a committee to study the future interests of Sabah as a result of Singapore's secession; the committee will also study the proposed merger of all parties in the Alliance.

Asked if there were any special problems which were now confronting the Government as a result of the merger, the Tunku said that there were no problems at all.

He said that the Central Government had promised that development would go on and that there was no anxiety on the part of the people here.

The Tunku added that he had thanked the Government servants for their excellent co-operation and Sarawak had a good administrative machinery. He had spoken to the Government servants and nobody had asked him any awkward question at all.

'Concept of Democracy'

Asked what he thought of the concept of the Malaysian Solidarity Convention, the Tunku replied that he had never worried much about them. He added in any democratic country one should expect opposition. However, their numbers were only four or five against more than 140 in the Alliance.

"I have never given much thought to them. However, we are strong enough to see that our concept of democracy will continue/" said the Tunku.

Answering a question on non-communist subversion the Tunku said there were non-communist subversives and Indonesians but he classed them all as communists if they were enemies of the State. If they are not then they had every right to oppose that subversion in the sense that the communists were out to wreck the government by force of arms.

There should be no difference between those who committed treason and the communists who were out to wreck the Government by force of arms, the Tunku stressed.

Asked about the "ultras" in the UMNO, the Tunku replied that he did not know why they were called "ultras." He did not understand why there should be "ultras" in the UMNO alone. Any successful party must have certain groups of people who were vociferous and would like to make their views heard and known and in all democratic countries, they were allowed to do so.

The Tunku went on to say that with all the shouting and screaming, he thought the biggest "Ultras" were Mr. Lee Kuan Yew and his party.

Referring further to the UMNO "Ultras", the Tunku asked: "What have these people done to worry anybody? Have they taken up arms or shot at any number of the Opposition party?" They had not done so, he answered.

Continuing, the Tunku said, on the other hand, there were always troubles in Singapore. The only time the unrest stopped was when Malaysia took over the internal security of Singapore. Now that Singapore has taken it over they would see whether there were "ultras" or not, said the Tunku.

The Tunku again stressed that it was in the interests of both Singapore and Malaysia to continue to work in harmony.

Asked if he thought whether Singapore would come back into the fold within the next 15 or 20 years, the Tunku replied that it would be best to work together rather than to come together.

If they came together there would again be trouble, the Tunku said. Quoting the proverb, "Once bitten twice shy" the Tunku said: "Now we have Lee Kuan Yew we might have somebody worse than him later on."

Believer In Peace And Harmony

The Tunku went on to say that they could not afford to have all the troubles in their hands. "We want to carry on our work, our administration, and our way of life in peace and harmony, because I am a believer in that," said the Tunku.

He added amidst laughter that when he was given the Magsaysay Award it was not given to the wrong person.

The Tunku then said that the Deputy Prime Minister, Tun Razak would be visiting the Borneo States soon for a longer period.

He would be discussing chiefly development projects and whatever Tun Razak said went for him too.

The Tunku added that he took pride in the fact that the present Malaysian cabinet had stood and weathered the storm for many years now. Very few cabinets in the democratic world could say the same thing.

Asked what the chances were of Malaysia attending the forthcoming Algerian Conference, the Tunku replied if it was the intention that all the countries in Asia and Africa should take part, then there was no question of Malaysia's participation.

He added: "We are not only a member of the United Nations, but a few months back we were a member of the Security Council. If the world admits that we are independent and that we are in Asia then by all rights we are entitled to attend.

"On the other hand, if it is confined only to those people with their own particular ideology and they don't want us, then we can understand it, and we won't insist on joining. But as I said if it is intended for Afro-Asian countries then by right we must be admitted."

The Tunku, in conclusion, referred to a report in the Japanese Press that he had said Japan would not attend the conference, and also many other countries would not attend it.

The Tunku stressed that he said nothing of the kind. He only referred to his own country. The rest was comment by the newspaper itself. If it had been properly reported and properly translated there would have been no mistake whatsoever, said the Tunku.

"We had made no mention of Japan or any other country," the Tunku reiterated as he ended the conference.

PRIME MINISTER MEETS MEMBERS OF SECURITY FORCES

IMMEDIATELY before the Press Conference, the Prime Minister met members of the British Armed Forces in West Malaysia and thanked them for the "very good work they were doing in the cause of freedom."

During his visit the Tunku called on 2nd Green Jackets; The King's Royal Rifle Corps and the Sarawak Squadron of the 4th Royal Tank Regiment at Semengo Camp; he also met a representative gathering of members from Royal Air Forces, Kuching.

After being welcome by the commanding officer, Lieut-Col. E.N.W. Bramall, the Tunku addressed officers and men of the 2nd Green Jackets and Royal Tank Regiment on parade.

He said: "I came here today to thank you for the very good work you are doing in the cause of freedom. I know you are working under very difficult conditions and I know that you have to put up with it because you are fighting for a good cause. You know that we are fighting against a very dangerous and efficient enemy whose aim is to destroy anything that is not under their command.

"And so, with that in mind, I realise how you feel and of the good work you are doing and that it is not only for that you are working for but in the cause of mankind and freedom and for the survival of all small nations.

When I say thank you today I do not only express the sentiments of myself and the people of Malaysia but also the sentiments of the people of all freedom-loving countries in the world. We are being attacked for no real reason and we are determined to fight.

The Tunku added that British, Australia and New Zealand had said they would stand by Malaysia to the "bitter end" and had given assurances for keeping open the sea and air spaces.

"If the enemy triumphs there will be nothing left for us to live for and there will be no hope for the small nations of the world," he added.

Referring to Singapore's secession from Malaysia, the Prime Minister said he would not go into all the causes leading up to this event, but "I will assure you that in spite of the break we are determined to fight together and for that purpose we have set up a Joint Armed Forces Council for defence and also for operations.

"As a way of convincing us that they (Singapore) are determined to stand by us they are sending the Singapore Regiment to take part in the operations here," he added.

Finally, the Tunku told the troops: I hope God will give you protection. May God bless you all. You have the blessing of all mankind."

On leaving Semengo Camp, the Tunku went to Kuching Airport where he was greeted by the forward Air Commander, Borneo, Group Captain L.B. Foscett.

He was then introduced to officers and sergeants, representing the various units at R.A.F., Kuching by the Station Commander, Wing Commander G.C. Atherton.

In Interest of Freedom

In another address, the Prime Minister thanked members of the Royal Air Force for the good work they were doing in the interests of freedom and for the good of man.

"If Indonesia wins, then the Communists will take over leaving nothing for us at all."

He added: "There has been a little concern over the break with Singapore but in actual fact it won't affect our determination to fight."

The Tunku gave a Press Conference before he left Kuching in an aircraft of the Royal Malaysian Air Force. He was seen off at the airport by State Ministers, the Federal Secretary, Tuan Syed Hashim bin Abdullah and senior Government officials. The Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, was not present as he was indisposed.

P.M. ENTERTAINED AT STATE RECEPTION

ON Thursday night, the Prime Minister was the guest of honour at a State reception at the Astana.

Three hundred guest, including cabinet ministers and their wives, senior government officials and community leaders were among those invited.

Welcoming the Prime Minister and his party on behalf of the Governor, who was away in Kuala Lumpur, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan said:

The visit of our Prime Minister, so soon after the regrettable separation of Singapore from Malaysia, is very much welcomed by the people of Sarawak.

For two years, 1961 to 1963, the people of Sarawak pondered, debated, discussed and expressed their views freely and democratically as to what kind of independence we wanted to achieve for ourselves.

During that period, as we studied the Cobbold Report, the workings of the Malaysia Solidarity Consultative Committee and the negotiations of the Inter-Governmental Committee, it transpired that the Malaysia concept as proposed by the Tunku and immediately supported by Singapore began to receive growing support in this country.

The Malaysia Plan was not the only concept of independence we had considered. Indeed, even before the Malaysia concept was mooted, there was a proposal put up by a top Colonial Administrator, that is, a federation of three Borneo territories, which sparked off little enthusiasm from the people of the territories concerned. We also explored and debated the desirability or otherwise of Sarawak "going it alone."

Support for Malaysia gathered momentum, culminating in the signing of the London Agreement, that is, the IGC Agreement. That Agreement was endorsed by Council Negri in March 1963, soon after which the people went to the polls to express their self-determination.

Positive Support

The overwhelming and positive support given by the people of Sarawak for achieving Independence through joining Malaysia was expressed in no uncertain manner. We have exercised our rights of self-determination in accordance with the principles of the United Nations Charter.

This was certified by the Secretary-General of the United Nations in his Report based on the findings carried out in Sabah and Sarawak by the U.N. Mission, all this is now part of history. Malaysia was born of the free will of the people of Malaya, Singapore, Sabah and Sarawak. It was established in a democratic and constitutional manner.

Despite the confrontation of Indonesia which shut its ears to international opinion; which refused to accept the U.N. Secretary-General's Report on Malaysia, which eventually broke away from the United Nations Organisation - Malaysia had made a success of her Independence under the leadership of our Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman, whose presence here this evening brings cheer to our hearts.

We, in Sarawak have stood firmly behind the Central Government in safeguarding the honour and integrity of our Malaysian Nation, and it is our determination to continue doing so. We have enjoyed excellent relationship with the Central Government, and we believe in the sincerity of the Tunku and the Central Government in building a truly happy, united, prosperous and democratic Malaysian Nation.

The sudden separation of Singapore from Malaysia has no doubt caused some anxieties in Sarawak, because of our close relations socially and economically.

But, we are somewhat relieved to see that both Malaysia and Singapore have decided to maintain close co-operation, especially in defence and trade. I am sure the timely visit of our Prime Minister will do a great deal to dispel whatever anxieties our people may feel.

It is our hope that the time will not be long before a happy re-unification between Singapore and Malaysia takes place, for as peace-loving Malaysians we do not like any form of confrontation, fragmentation, or hostility in this part of the world.

The Hon'ble the Prime Minister, on behalf of the people and the State Government of Sarawak, I extend you our warmest welcome, and wish you the best of health and every happiness.

In reply the Tunku thanked the State Government and the guests present and said that the main purpose of his visit was to assure the people that there need not be any anxiety about the separation of Singapore.

"The people of Singapore are with us and I hope they will always remain with us," said the Tunku.

He added that if there was any agitation on the part of some people it was only to be expected, otherwise the Opposition would have nothing to do.

The Tunku ended by saying that he had always looked forward to visiting Sarawak and hoped to stay longer during his next visit.

OUR NEW KING AND QUEEN



Sultan Ismail Nasiruddin Shah



Tengku Intan Zaharah

THE new King of Malaysia, the fourth Yang di-Pertuan Agong, is Sultan Ismail Nasiruddin Shah ibni Al-marhum Sultan Zainal Abidin, D.M.N, D.K., S.P.M.T., D.K. (Kelantan), D.K. (Selangor) The pictures above show the King and the Queen, Tengku Intan Zaharah binti Al-marhum Tengku Sri Setia Raja, Darjah Kerabat Yang Amat Mulia Darjah Yang Pertama. (D.K.). The new King was elected Yang di-Pertuan Agong by his brother Rulers on Thursday, August 27 at the Rulers' Conference at the Istana Negera. The Sultan of Trengganu will take office on Sept. 21. The present Yang di-Pertuan Agong, Tuanku Syed Putra Jamallulail al-Haj, and the Raja Permaisuri Agong, Tengku Badriah binte Tengku Ismail will leave the capital and return to Perlis their home State on the eve of the swearing-in ceremony of the new King. On September 21, 1950, the new King was elected Timbalan Yang di-Pertuan Agong by the Conference of Rulers and assumed the duties of the Head of State when the Yang di-Pertuan Agong went on State visits to India and Pakistan (Dec. 1961 to Jan. 1962) and to Middle East countries and pilgrimage to Mecca (April to May 1965).

TUNKU VISITS SIBU:

TELLS RMR, 'NATION APPRECIATES YOUR SERVICES'

THE Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman told members of the 3rd Royal Malay Regiment in Sibu last week that he deeply appreciated their services and hardships in defending the nation against 'confrontasi'.

The Tunku had also meet Commonwealth Forces serving in the Borneo States during the course of his visit to "tell the people what had happened."

The Tunku said that in the past our people had always looked up and admired Sukarno for his personality as a President of a nation of over 100 million people.

Sukarno, however, was too ambitious and the communist influence had "penetrated deep into him" and he wanted to "pull" smaller surrounding nations under his rule.

The Tunku said that although our nation was young and we were fewer, we would fight to the last man to defend our freedom.

Afterwards, the Tunku was presented with a locally-made belian walking stick. The presentation was made by the Commanding Officer, Lt. Col. Ismail Ibrahim, on behalf of the battalion.

TUNKU ANNOUNCES DATO DONALD STEPHEN'S RESIGNATION

THE Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman announced in Sibu on Saturday, August 21, that Dato Donald Stephens had tendered his resignation as the Federal Minister for Sabah Affairs and Civil Defence, and his resignation had been accepted.

Dato Donald Stephen's United National Pasok Momogun Kadazan Organisation (UPKO) would remain in Sabah Alliance.

The Tunku told the news conference that Dato Stephen had submitted his letter of resignation in Jesselton on Saturday, August 21, but he had not yet had an opportunity to read it; he was, therefore, surprised that Dato Stephen had announced his resignation publicly that afternoon.

Collective Responsibility

The Tunku explained that when Singapore's separation was discussed with the Federal Government in the Central Cabinet, Dato Stephens had supported the decision, but had since gone back on his own word after meeting with his party in Sabah. As the Federal Cabinet worked on the principle of collective responsibility Dato Stephens had no alternative but to resign.

The Tunku said that Dato Donald Stephens wanted to be the Chief Minister of Sabah, but the present Chief Minister could not moved around simply to suit Dato Stephens.

The Tunku said he had a friendly talk with Dato Stephens on Saturday morning and had advised him not to create any excitement or to do anything that would give rise to political hazards.

The Prime Minister said that his mission to Sabah had been very successful. He had not seen any excitement or resentment over Singapore's separation from Malaysia, but it was obvious that there were certain political leaders who were trying to work up feelings in this matter.

He said that while in Sibu he would like to dispel fears expressed by some sections of the Chinese community in Malaysia that they would come under Malay domination with Singapore's withdrawal from Malaysia.

The Tunku said that this was a very wicked suggestion. If the Malays had ever intended to dominate the others they could have done so before Singapore joined Malaysia. He said that certain people in Sabah who were trying to cash in on the present situation were spreading rumours that the State would secede from Malaysia.

He pointed out that this could not be achieved constitutionality as Sabah had only 16 seats in the Federal Parliament. If anyone tried to use force he would be fighting the Central Government which was his own Government.

If that happened the Federal Government would deal very firmly with the situation.

ENTERTAINED AT SIBU RESIDENCY

AT a reception given in his honour at the Sibu Residency on Saturday, August 21, the Tunku emphasized that Singapore's separation from Malaysia was a necessity and unavoidable.

He said that although Singapore has broken away from Malaysia it was agreed between the two Governments that they should work closely together in all matters affecting trade, commerce and defence.

He told the business people of Sibu that they should not worry about trade and commerce because Singapore depended more on Malaysia than Malaysia on the island state.

The Tunku also dispelled fears expressed by certain people that Singapore's lvi million Chinese out of Malaysia, there would be Malay domination.

He explained that there had never been the intention of one race trying to dominate another or of one state trying to get the better of another state. He said that everyone was equal under the provisions of the Constitution.

The Prime Minister asked the people not to worry unduly. He said that Malaysia was a happy home, and it was the Government's intention to make it a happy home for all the people and for all the time.

In welcoming the Tunku to Sibu, the Deputy Chief Minister, Mr. James Wong reiterated that Sarawak's interest, its future, and the destiny lay within Malaysia. He declared that but for Malaysia, Sarawak would not enjoy the prosperity and peace prevailing in the State today. Mr. Wong said Sarawak entered Malaysia under special terms which were beneficial to Sarawak. These terms had brought about prosperity, peace and progress for Sarawak.

Mr. Wong concluded: "There is no looking back. We shall proceed ahead and put our whole faith in Malaysia and in our Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman."

The Tunku left for Singapore on Sunday, August 22, on his way to Kuala Lumpur.

MALAYSIA'S NATIONAL MOSQUE OPENED BY H.M. THE YANG DI-PERTUAN AGONG

MALAYSIA'S National Mosque, Masjid Negara, was opened by His Majesty the Yang di-Pertuan Agong on Friday, August 27, 1965, in the presence of many invited guests from friendly Muslim countries.

Situated in the central part of Kuala Lumpur, the capital of Malaysia, this tall, gracefully slim, missile-like structure dominates the skyline. It is a magnificent work of art and Asia's most modern mosque.

Cost \$10 Million

The mosque is a masterpiece of architecture. It is an intricate structure beautifully executed. It took five years to build and cost \$10 million, of which the Federal Government contributed \$4.5 million, the State Governments \$2.5 million and the public \$3 million. A substantial portion of the public contributions was from non-Muslims.

Symbol of Importance of State Religion

The Masjid Negara serves as a symbol of the importance of the state religion, Islam, in the affairs of the Nation. It is also a permanent edifice to commemorate the achievement of Merdeka or independence on August 31, 1957.

Accommodation for 8,000

As all mosques, the Masjid Negara is primarily a place of prayer. But it will also be used as a centre for religious meetings and ceremonies when large congregations are expected. At times of special festivals and on occasions for thanks-giving and rejoicing, the mosque can be used as a place for feasting and for the feeding of the poor. It can accommodate about eight thousand people.

Site of Mosque

The mosque covers an area of about 13 acres. The building proper occupies about five acres. It is centrally situated and easily accessible to the public, being on the city's major ceremonial thoroughfare, Jalan Hishamuddin. The mosque is flanked by important buildings of monumental character.

Connected to the mosque by a covered pathway, but not forming part of it, is a mausoleum. This is an equally beautiful concrete structure with a star-like peaked roof. Here will be entombed the nation's heroes.

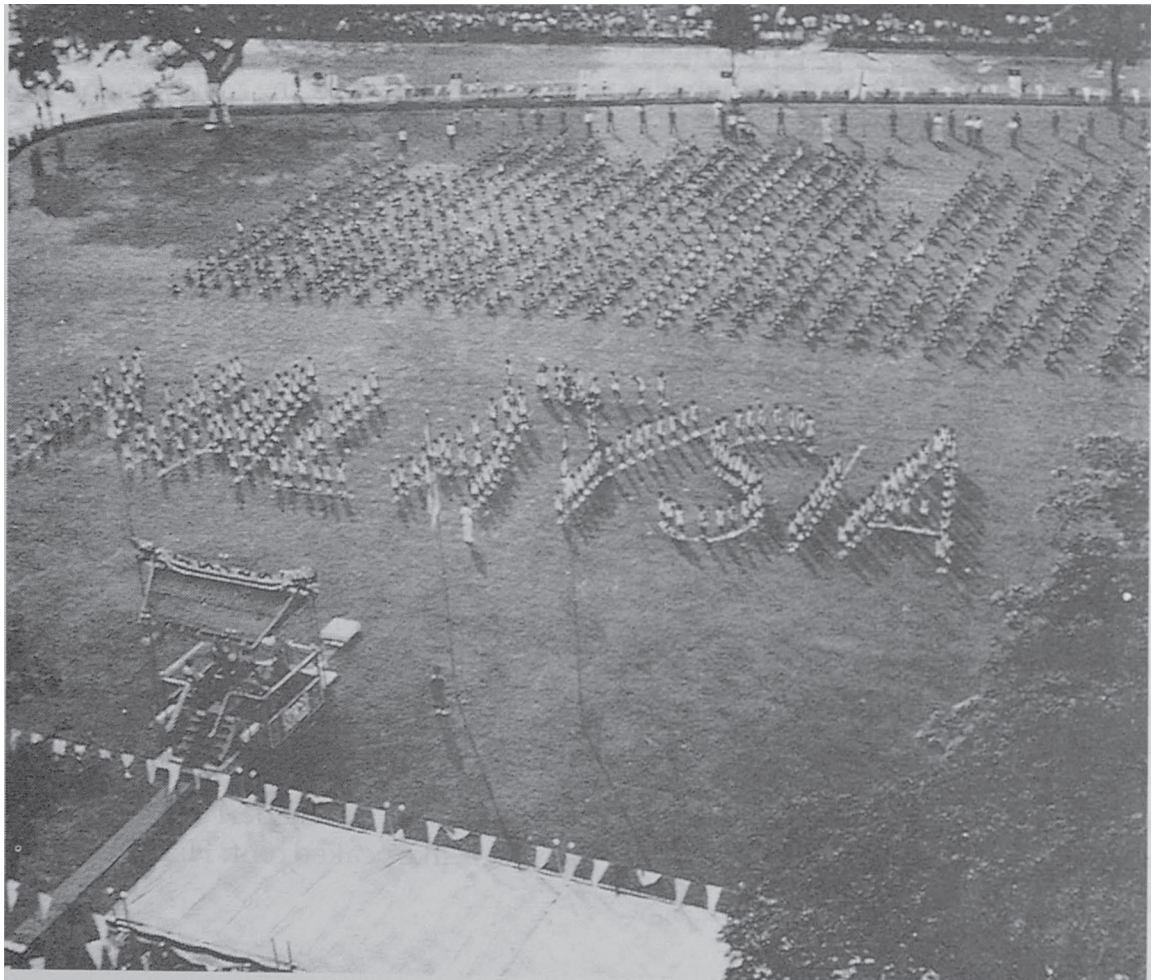
Sarawak Participates In

Malaysia Day Joy

THE SECOND MALAYSIA DAY ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS WHICH BEGAN ON TUESDAY IN ALL THE CHIEF TOWNS OF SARAWAK HAVE AGAIN AMPLY DEMONSTRATED THE DETERMINATION AND WILL OF THE PEOPLE TO STAND UNTIED AGAINST INTERNAL SUBVERSION AND EXTERNAL AGGRESSION.

EVERY TOWN AND VILLAGE PARTICIPATED IN THE STATE-WIDE CELEBRATIONS, AND IN SOME PLACES ACTIVE ORGANISING COMMITTEES HELPED TO MAKE THE WEEK A MEMORABLE ONE BY HOLDING SPORTS, REGATTAS, FASHION SHOWS AND EXHIBITIONS LASTING THREE TO FOUR DAYS.

The emphasis, however, was on Youth. In Kuching, the celebrations were highlighted by a four-day Youth Festival and Fair which was declared open on Saturday, August 28, by the Deputy Chief Minister, Mr. James Wong.



A bird's eye view of the Rally as the children formed the word 'Malaysia'.

The Youth Festival was attended by delegates and observers from the Malayan Association of Youth Clubs, the Malayan Youth Council, as well as youth representatives from Singapore and Sabah.

The highlight of the celebrations in all the chief towns were the Children's Rallies. The Royal Address was read at these Rallies, in Kuching by the Governor, Tun Abang Haji Openg, and in the outlying towns by Ministers and District Officers.

The Deputy Chief Minister, Mr. James Wong attended the Malaysia Day celebrations in Limbang, Fifth Division; the Minister for Welfare, Youth and Culture, Abang Othman bin Abang Haji Moasili was in Miri; the Minister for Local Government, Mr. Dunstan Endawie attended the celebrations in Simanggang; Penghulu Francis Umpau anak Empam, Minister for Lands and Mineral of State, Mr. Tajang Laing addressed the children's rally at Marudi, Fourth Division.

In Kuching bright weather favoured the start of the celebrations. Thousands witnessed the massed physical display of more than 1,000 school children on the Central Padang.

The Governor of Sarawak and his wife Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah, and the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan and his wife watched the physical display from a special dais.

Malaysia Day messages by the Governor, the Chief Minister the Federal Minister for Sarawak Affairs, Dato Temenggong Jugah were broadcast throughout the day.

In the evening the Chief Minister reviewed the progress achieved by Sarawak since the state achieved independence in another special throughout the day.

All leaders appealed to the people of Sarawak to cultivate unity. They said all loyal Sarawakians should help and co-operate with the Government in the eradication of internal subversion and external aggression.

The Royal Address

The following is the text of the Royal Address which was read out to children at all the rallies throughout the Stater-

Today we celebrate the Second Anniversary of Malaysia. Let us offer our thanks to God the Almighty for having showered His blessings upon us. Indeed with His blessings we have been able to celebrate this historic day.

Two years is a short time. Nevertheless during such a short period our Government has provided all students with a lot of opportunities for advancement. For instance, in the States of Malaya, a Comprehensive System of Education was started at the beginning of this year whereby students are given the opportunity to receive suitable education and to develop their individual interest and ability.

In the Borneo States the Central Government will abolish primary school fees with effect from the 1st January next year. This will bring the Borneo States to the same status as the States of Malaya. This is indeed a great improvement achieved as a result of the establishment of Malaysia. At University level a building for the Faculty of Medicine costing millions of dollars has just been

opened and other Faculties have also expanded. For the future, Malaysia's First Plan will provide more facilities and opportunities for students to study.

We, therefore, urge all of you to work hard to achieve progress. You are, of course, aware that in a young country like Malaysia, there is a shortage of experts especially in the fields of science of technology. We call upon all students to make good for this shortage. We are sure the shortage can be overcome within the next ten or twenty years for there must be some among you who are as brilliant as Edison or Einstein and other well-known figures in the world. Secondary and higher education that are being planned are meant to fulfil this aim.

You all know that the National Language Month in the States of Malaya has just ended. We are very happy to note that all students have played a major role in making the National Language Month a success. This is most encouraging. We call upon all students to practise and use the National Language at all times and not only during the National Language Month.

This will be the last time I am speaking to all of you as the Head of State. I take this opportunity to call upon all of you to live and study in the spirit of mutual understanding, to respect one another, to respect your teachers and elders. Only in such atmosphere and spirit will Malaysia be able to produce future leaders from among its present young citizens. I thank all of you for your loyalty and wish you success in your studies in the interest of our nation.

H.M. THE YANG DI-PERTUAN AGONG'S MESSAGE

HIS Majesty, the Yang di-Pertuan Agong in his broadcast message said that in three weeks from now his term of office as Head of State would come to an end, and his duties and responsibilities would pass to his successor, H.H. the Sultan of Trengganu.

Reviewing the past five years of his reign the King said that for him and his Consort, the Raja Permaisuri Agong, "the most eventful, rewarding and rich experience of our lives had been the friendliness, support and undivided loyalty" shown by the people.

The King then described the evolution and emergence of Malaysia as "a bright ideal embraced and endorsed by the peoples of the Federation of Malaya and of Sabah, Sarawak and Singapore". He described confrontation as "nothing more or less than direct aggression".

On the separation of Singapore, the King said: "This was a sad but very necessary step which aroused disappointment elsewhere. We Malaysians, however, being more fully aware of the trend of events that led to this separation, have taken this historic surprise with calm and steady acceptance".

The King went on to praise "the sanity and sense of the people" demonstrated over the years, and said: "We as a people have shown our capacity to rise above the apprehensions of those who predict dire consequences from our own decisions".

The King added: "I have very good reason to know the strength and qualities of our people whose one wish is to live their lives in peace and order. I have noted over the years that the consensus of opinion among the people will always uphold loyalty and unity in the nation. This

is clear from the strong support consistently given to my Government, especially in times of crisis or danger. The vast majority of the people retain unshaken faith in the leadership of our beloved Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman. His tolerance and wisdom have won their love; his foresight and firmness have earned their respect; his philosophy and practice of peace and happiness are in tune with their own desires and hopes.

"No one is more aware than I of the many problems and difficulties our Prime Minister had had to meet and solve, so I know that the people's confidence and trust in him and in the Government he leads is fully justified. I, too, am deeply in his debt for the guidance and counsel he has always given me so willingly while it has been my privilege to be your Yang di-Pertuan Agong. Throughout my reign I have received the fullest co-operation from the Prime Minister and all Ministers in the Government, and I am happy to say that working closely together we have carried out our onerous duties as a team.

"In this final broadcast, I have abroad picture in my mind of the celebrations and rejoicing that are taking place in Sabah and Sarawak and in all the States of Malaya in tribute to our nation of Malaysia. I am thinking, too, of Malaysians scattered throughout the world who are gathering together with their friends in honour of our national day.

"On your behalf, and with the most heartfelt gratitude on my own behalf, I wish especially to offer the nation's thanks to countless thousands who have given, and are giving, unstinted and unselfish service to Malaysia. On this day our hearts are with all members of our Security Forces and those of our Allies who are bearing the brunt of the defences of the nation on land and sea and in the air, and especially to the stout-hearted people of Sabah and Sarawak whose courage and example inspires us all."

Govt. Officers Praised

The King also paid tribute "to all Government officers and to the many Malaysians who devote their time and efforts to voluntary organisations or to charitable services".

The King then reviewed his travels and his meeting with different heads of states, and said, "It has also been my great pleasure to receive many foreign dignitaries in Kuala Lumpur to acquaint them of our excellent progress since independence".

Finally, Her Majesty and I will always treasure the memory that during our reign we were able to carry out our religious duty of making the pilgrimage to the Holy City of Mecca.

MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER

WISHING all Malaysians good fortune in the third year of our independence, Tun Abdul Razak, Deputy Prime Minister said that though Singapore was separated from the rest of Malaysia "our concept of Malaysia had not changed".

The Deputy Prime Minister added: "We shall continue to uphold the principles of parliamentary democracy and of maintaining harmony and goodwill among our people so that they will ultimately become members of one nation rather than of different communities. Our ultimate aim is clear, that is the formation of a united Malaysian nation, but this must necessarily take time".

Pointing out that adjustments would have to be made as we moved along the road of nationhood, Tun Razak said: "We know that a large section of our people are economically backward and it is our determination to do everything possible to help them. The peoples of Sabah and Sarawak who have joined Malaysia out of their own free will need assistance and we shall do everything possible to provide them with the benefits of independence".

The Deputy Prime Minister then called upon Malaysians of all races to pledge themselves to strengthen the harmony and understanding among our people.

He then declared that despite confrontation the tempo of development would be maintained, and announced: "With the formulation of our First Malaysian Development Plan, which will be launched at the beginning of 1966, the level of expenditure in this plan would be higher than in the previous plan and it is our intention to provide our people with greater development and a higher standard of living."

Tim Razak added: "We also intend to give greater attention to Sarawak and Sabah whose people, particularly the Natives require urgently assistance and the provision and amenities of life and assistance in raising their standard of living".

Finally, Tun Razak said that Malaysia's prestige at home and abroad had risen steadily.

"In international field we believe in friendship with all nations, particularly those within the Afro-Asian region. We have geared out policies towards greater co-operation with newly emergent nations of Asia and Africa. We are pleased to say that our friends in Asia and Africa have come to know us more closely," he concluded.

MALAYSIA DAY CELEBRATIONS IN SARAWAK

A REGATTA organised by the Kuching Boat Club highlighted the Malaysia Day celebrations in the capital.

All the boats in the river were dressed for the occasion, and hundreds of people of all races, dressed in holiday garb, thronged vantage points on both sides of the river's bank to watch the regatta.

All public buildings were flood-lit at night, and the celebrations ended with a reception at the Astana for more than 600 invited guests.

The Governor, Tim Abang Haji Openg proposed the Loyal Toast to H.M. the Yang di-Pertuan Agong at the reception.

Similar celebrations were held in the chief towns of the other Divisions. In fact every village, kampong and longhouse in the country actively participated in the celebrations which will continue till the end of this week.

In Limbang, Simanggang, Miri and Marudi

In Limbang, Fifth Division, the Deputy Chief Minister, Mr. James Wong attended the celebrations and read the Royal Address at the children's rally.

The Minister for Welfare, Youth and Culture, Abang Othman bin Abang Haji Moasili read the Royal Address at the Miri rally.

The Minister for Local Government, Mr. Dunstan Endawie, delivered the Royal Address at the children's rally at Simanggang, Second Division and the Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources, Penghulu Francis Umpau anak Empam, at the children's rally in Sibu, Third Division. Mr. Tajang Laing, Minister of State read the Royal Address at the children's rally in Marudi, Fourth Division.

In Sibu

In Sibu more than 1,000 people attended the rally and watched the physical drill display by more than 500 school children on the King George VI Memorial Ground.

The display was followed by the release of hundreds of ballons with three cheers of 'Hidup Malaysia', led by the Minister.

In the afternoon, Penghulu Francis Umpau declared open the land sports. The day's celebration ended with a reception at the Residency when the Loyal Toast was proposed by the Minister.

In Sarikei

In Sarikei, more than 5,000 people attended the Sarikei Regatta. There was a football match; side-shows, cultural shows and other entertainments.

The District Officer said that people of all races participated in the celebrations make in it a successful one.

More than 1,000 children packed the Sarikei Basketball Stadium to hear the Royal Address.

In Dalat

In Dalat, a coastal sub-district, Mr. Sim Boon Liang, MP, led the celebrations. Over 3,000 people from all over Batang Oya attended the Dalat Regatta, and over 1,000 people including school children, gathered on the padang to hear the Royal Address.

In Mukah

In Mukah, a crowd of over 1,000 attended the Rally.

A Big Walk and Football Match highlighted the celebrations.

In the evening a joint reception given by Government officers and Mukah Youth Club, was attended by community leaders.

In Kapit

In Kapit more than 600 people, including school children attended the Rally. The District Officer read the Royal Address in English and then explained it in Iban.

Among the items in the programme was a badminton tournament.

A reception was held in the evening at the District Office for invited guests, including members of parliament, community leaders and members of the Security Forces.

In Kanowit

Presentation of citizenship certificates to 93 persons marked the celebration in Kanowit.

Sixteen received their certificates during the Rally and others at the reception held in the evening.

Two of the recipients, Mr. Ling Chu King and Mr. Lim Keih Yuk donated \$20 and \$10 respectively to the National Defence Fund to show their appreciation.

Earlier, during the Rally, the District Officer read the Royal Address; this was followed by speeches by the chairman of the Kanowit District Council, Penghulu Masam; the Kapitan China, Mr. Tan Cheng Chiu and member of Council Negri, Mr. Francis Bujang.

In Daro

In Daro, another coastal district of the Third Division, the children's rally was followed by the drawing of the unlimited sweepstakes on the recent regatta.

The winning numbers are : 1st No. 1924 - \$210; 2nd No. 3005 \$105 and 3rd No. 3949 - \$42. Consolation prizes of \$6.30 went to the following numbers- 2476; 1965; 1471; 3442; 4255; 3082; 1271; 1670; 1658; 3261.

In Bintulu

A children's rally was held in King George ground and the children were explained the importance of the royal Address.

The programme included prayers in mosque, churches, Chinese temples; football matches for both senior and junior teams and a Big Walk.

In Simanggang

In Simanggang, the celebration began on August 27. The programme included film shows, side-shows, and Agricultural Exhibition, variety shows, football and basketball semi-finals, a cross country race and speedboat racing.

There was also a beauty contest, children's rally, regatta and a Malaysia Ball.
In Debak

Hundreds of people from villages and longhouses in the Saribas District, Second Division, attended a regatta which began on Saturday, August 28.

Land sports were also held in connection with Malaysia Day celebrations.

At Lundu

A three-day celebration, highlighted by Chinese Lion Dancing, was held in Lundu, First Division.

There were also be side-shows in the Bazaar for three days and a three-night concert at Kampong Seling. A Regatta and outboard races were held ending with a football final. There were also cultural shows, Sepak Raga and Main Bubu and a football match.

MALAYSIA DAY DONATIONS TO DEFENCE FUND

A SUM of \$111 for the National Defence Fund was handed to the District Officer, Sibü, by Tua Kampong Median on behalf of the people of Kampong Igan this week.

T.K. Median collected the amount from the kampong people during the Malaysia Day celebrations and travelled all the way to Sibü just to hand the money over.

Receiving the donation, the District Officer, Mr. Peter Hwang, said that he was impressed by

the people's patriotism and their initiative to contribute towards the defence of the nation.

In Sarikei another \$300 was received by the District Officer, Inche Bujang Mohd. Nor from the Ibans of Kampong Nyelong.

The District Officer has thanked their generosity, and praised their patriotic spirit.

From Dalat, Mr. Sim Boon Lian, MP, has reported that a sum of \$216 was collected from the public during the Malaysia Day celebration in Dalat.

MINISTER OF STATE VISITS ULU BARAM LONGHOUSE

THE Minister of State, Mr. Tajang Laing, has urged the people of Ulu Baram to be vigilant against internal subversion and external aggression and report any suspicious movements in their areas to the nearest Government official.

The Minister who was on a five-day tour of the area received rousing welcome from leaders and people at all the longhouses he visited.

At Long Akah on Thursday, August 26, 1965 the Minister was met by Senator Temenggong Oyong Lawai Jau, SAO Kiprawi Haji Senusi, Tuai Rumahs and councillors from various longhouses.

From Long Akah the Minister proceeded to Long San where he was shown a water supply pump installed under the minor rural development projects.

Speaking at a reception given in his honour by Senator Temenggong Oyong Lawai Jau, the Minister also appealed for unity among the people; he said that if the people of the various longhouse were united they would be able to progress speedily.

'ELIMINATE ENEMIES IN OUR MIDST' CALL BY GOVERNOR

MALAYSIA Day messages by the Governor, Tun Abang Haji Openg, the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Nmgkan, and the Federal Minister for Sarawak Affairs, Dato Temenggong Jugah, were broadcast over Radio Malaysia, Sarawak on Tuesday, August 31.

The Governor deplored the crimes committed by internal subversive elements with the aid of Indonesia agents, and said that they must be eliminated at all costs.

He appealed to every loyal Sarawakian, "for the safety and future of Sarawak, to fight these enemies and to give your help and co-operation to the Government in order to eradicate them."

The following is the full text of the Governor's speech:-

It is exactly two years now that Sarawak had become an independent State within the fold of Malaysia.

Let us first thank God Almighty for making it possible for us to celebrate once again our Merdeka Day and for giving us protection and guidance during the period of trials and tribulations. During the past 2 years we, in Sarawak, have experienced many things both sweet and sour.

Sarawak, if I may say so, is a litter unfortunate because she had become the battlefield of Indonesia confrontation, which really means an undeclared war perpetrated by Indonesia against Malaysia.

She had become the target of enemy infiltrations due to the fact that she is just at the enemy's doorstep. Indonesian confrontation is not the only threat. Internal subversive elements which are small in number, have shown to be of an equal danger to our security.

These two forces are working hand in hand and as has been demonstrated recently, they have carried out their work in a most cruel and brutal manner. For these crimes they must be eliminated at all costs.

Help and Co-operation

I appeal to every loyal Sarawakians, for the safety and future of Sarawak, to fight these enemies and to give your help and co-operation to the Government in order to eradicate them. I am happy that most of you have responded to the call of the Government and those who are still reluctant to do so are exposing themselves as traitors. To them Sarawak is not their home.

It is obvious to any one that our enemies have failed in their evil mission to subvert Sarawak so as to hand her over to a foreign power. Their failure is a mirror which reflects to the world that we, in Sarawak are determined to maintain our independence, and will never succumb to our enemy's designs to make us to be under foreign domination even though we have to suffer and undergo hardship in defending our rights and freedom.

Our brothers in the rest of Malaysia will not leave us to fight along. They are already here to defend the nation and have been working together with us to eliminate our enemies. They have also made a significant contribution in giving \$300 million for development projects in the

country.

For this, on behalf of the people of Sarawak, I thank the Central Government and our brothers in the other States of Malaysia for their selfless gestures.

We, in Sarawak, are using that money for our ambitious 1964-1968 Development Plan, which is intended to uplift the living standard of our people.

This Plan has been going on smoothly, and after 2 years, some of the results achieved are of great benefit to us. We must work and participate seriously in our Development Plan to ensure it's success because it is an instrument that will defeat the communists' attempts to introduce their ideology of violence under the guise of helping the people. It is also a deterrent to communist propaganda.

We regret to hear that Singapore has separated from us. This is a sad event in our history which we never dreamed would happen. But the separation was inevitable.

We must not just look ahead without looking back. The separation of Singapore from Malaysia must be a reminder to us that those who misuse the freedom of democracy and fight for racial interest and personal glory will bring us nowhere but to frustration.

To avoid this sad event to happen again, we must put a national interest first before everything else. There must be unity, understanding, co-operation and co-ordination in the country; for these are the materials by which we can prove that Malaysia is not a failure but is on the road to success.

Think Deeply

I appeal to all Malaysians to think more deeply before they say anything which may disrupt racial harmony. By going beyond the proper limit and uttering unnecessary remarks they may cause our Nation untold damage and the consequence maybe more painful than the enemy could do to us.

We must also be on the watch for people who may take advantage of the recent developments to create racial friction and unrest in the country for their personal and wicked ends. I hope that no one here would do such a thing.

Let us together hope and pray to God Almighty for his protection and guidance in order that future generations can celebrate this historic day in an atmosphere of peace, tranquility, and prosperity and that their fundamental Rights as free men will always prevail.

C.M. RENEWS LOYALTY PLEDGE

THE Chief Minister in his Malaysia Day message renewed Sarawak's pledge of loyalty to King and Country and called on the people to devote their energy to Nation building.

He said: "This is not the time for us to waste our energies in arguments which will only profit our enemies. Our time and our energy should be devoted to the building of our Nation and the strengthening of its defences against internal subversions and external aggression."

The following is the full text of the Chief Minister's speech:-

Merdeka Malaysia! It is with a heart full of gratitude to Almighty god that I greet you all, the peoples of Sarawak, today.

On this, the second anniversary of the founding of our Nation, we, in Sarawak, who had decided, of our free will, to join the Federation of Malaysia, should look back with gratitude for the blessings that have accrued since independence.

We can feel proud of the way we have conducted our own affairs with the help and advice of the Central Government during the past two years, and I am sure, we can look forward with pride and confidence into the future.

As you know, the concept of Malaysia was not brought to life in a hurry, nor was it thrust upon us. We entered the portals of Malaysia willingly and with our eyes open.

Since the last two years, we have tasted the fruits of freedom, we have also learnt that freedom brings responsibilities, and we have lived in a spirit of co-operation and concord with all our brother states which form the Federation of Malaysia.

Although it is a great pity that one of our brother States - Singapore - is no more within the Federation, we in Sarawak, feel that the change will, in no way, affect our attitude either towards Singapore or towards any other State in Malaysia.

Entirely New Phase

Our Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman, has assured us during his recent visit that the separation of Singapore would in no way affect the close and intimate ties that bind us all in Malaysia, and I earnestly hope that the people will not be swayed by the arguments of trouble-makers and agitators who do not wish us well.

There is no need for me to remind you that Sarawak in Malaysia, under the benevolent rule of His Majesty the Yang di-Pertuan Agong, has entered an entirely new phase in its chequered history.

As you all have already heard, our present Yang di-Pertuan Agong, Tuanku Syed Putra Jamalullail Al-Haj and the Raja Permaisuri Agong, Tengku Badariah binte Tengku Ismail, will soon leave the capital, when their term of office expires to return to Perlis, their home state.

On this auspicious day, I, on behalf of the people of Sarawak, thank their Majesties for their

benign interest in all our affairs. They have watched over our welfare with concern, and have taken a keen interest in the progress of not only our State, but the Nation as a whole.

During their visit to Sarawak last year, Their Majesties not only gained first-hand knowledge of Sarawak and its people but showed keen interest and keep understanding of all our problems.

Though our present Yang di-Pertuan Agong and the Raja Permaisuri Agong will soon relinquish their duties, we earnestly hope that they will continue to watch our growth in the years to come as solicitously as they had done when they were in Istana Negara.

I also take this opportunity of pledging our loyalty to our new King, the Sultan of Trengganu, Sultan Ismail Nasiruddin Shah who will take office on September 21. We hope our new Yang di-Pertuan Agong and the Raja Permaisuri Agong will be able to visit our shores as soon as they have settled down to their royal duties.

While we are celebrating the second anniversary of the establishment of Malaysia here, I feel it is my duty to also thank our Governor, Tun Abang Haji Openg, who has carried out his onerous duties with justice and wisdom.

Our thanks also go to his wife, Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah, who has taken an active part in the welfare and advancement of women in the State as a whole.

On this day as we measure our success and take stock of the problems that still confront us a Nation, we find that though we have successfully surmounted many difficulties in the past, the road ahead is still thorny and difficult.

As I have mentioned in several of my public utterances since the first Malaysia Day, there is an urgent need for unity among the peoples of the various races in Sarawak if we were to survive the perils ahead.

Alive to the Dangers

Internal communist subversion, aided by active Indonesian confrontation, still challenging our very existence.

The people themselves are now alive to the dangers that are threatening their way of life and their freedom. Villages which were once under the sway of the clandestine communist organisation have now emerged as islands of freedom. The people have awakened, and now realise that the path of the communists and Indonesians will eventually lead only to slavery and persecution.

President Sukarno calls us 'necolim' because we are friendly with the British. His uncompromising attitude towards us and his active co-operation with our enemies, the communists, still keeps us in a state emergency. Sukarno and his accomplices have robbed us of peace and happiness.

But, I can categorically state that neither the communists nor the Indonesians will ever be able to win or force our people into joining their camps.

We are a free and independent people. And if there is any among you who feel that either Sukarno or Moa Tse Tung is preferable to Tunku Abdul Rahman, then obviously Malaysia is not

the place for you.

The Government is doing its best to enable individuals, groups of people and urban and rural communities who had come under the sway of the communists to break their shackles and declare their allegiance openly to King and Country.

Such people are un-Malaysian and unpatriotic. They are friends of our enemies, and therefore they are traitors. I repeat, we are in a state of emergency, therefore those who are not with us are against us.

The Government is doing its best to enable individuals, groups of people are urban and rural communities who had come under the sway of the communists to break their shackles and declare their allegiance openly to King and Copuntry.

This is not the time for us to waste our energies in arguments which will only profit our enemies. Our time and our energy should be devoted to the building of our Nation and the strengthening of its defences against internal subversion and external aggression.

We cannot tolerate disloyal elements in our midst. A house divided against itself shall not stand. It is therefore incumbent on everyone of you who regard Sarawak as your home to be vigilant at this hour of national crisis and co-operate actively with the Government.

The war that Malaysia is now waging against the communists and the Indonesians concerns everyone of us. Of course, our security forces are facing the brunt of Indonesia aggression across the border will continue to do so with renewed vigour.

To them we owe a debt of gratitude. Our Malaysian forces have continued to receive the active support of British, Australian and New Zealand Units in resisting Indonesian tactics.

Defenders of Freedom.

Our Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman, has recently thanked all units in the Borneo area including our own forces. He has said that all freedom loving people throughout the world were grateful for the men from Britain, Australia and New Zealand who are now in the jungles of Borneo helping to defend the freedom that we all cherish.

Recently, the British Parliament paid tribute to the success of our forces in Malaysia. The British, the Australians and the New Zealanders have set a splendid example to all of us and I take this opportunity to add our own tribute to their bravery and determination.

We crave for peace; we have the right to live and the right to be left alone as much as Sukarno has the right to live. I hope and pray that Sukarno will drop his dangerous ambition. At this juncture, I want to pay tribute to the Commonwealth troops serving in Sarawak and our own forces for their courage and endurance.

Let us give them a special thought on this day ad indeed, everyday.

In conclusion, let us pull ourselves together, let us unite and consolidate. United we stand; divided we fall.

C.M. REVIEWS SARAWAK' PROGRESS

THE Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, in a broadcast talk over Radio Malaysia (Sarawak) on Tuesday gave a brief account of the progress achieved by Sarawak since the State achieved independence through the establishment of Malaysia.

The Chief Minister began his talk by covering "sincere greetings to all the people of Sarawak" on behalf of all the Ministers in the State Cabinet. He said:

"The Alliance State Government pledged to carry out sound social and economic development that will raise the standard of living of the people. Thanks to the people for their hard work and co-operation, we have made a good start of our Development Plan in the past two years, despite the problems we have had to face due to Indonesian confrontation."

Touching first on rubber, the Chief Minister said:

"As all of you must know by now, the most important scheme in our Development Plan is the Land Development Rubber Planting Scheme, called Scheme "B". This is a complex scheme designed to improve rural economy and also to provide amenities, at present available only in urban areas, to the Land Development Scheme villages. The Scheme would, at the same time, make available surplus land for farmers who are landless."

Apart from Scheme "B", there were 15,309 acres of land planted with rubber in 1964 under Rubber Planting Scheme "A". This is a continuation of the Scheme started in 1956. The Scheme provides a subsidy of \$400 per acre for new planting and \$600 for replanting. Some 12,500 acres have been approved for planting under Scheme "A" in 1965.

Plans For Village Sites

The Chief Minister said that there were ten such schemes approved with a total area of about 3,700 acres, in which it is hoped to settle some 2,500 families. These ten schemes are Tai'i and Triboh in the First Division; Melugu, Skrang, Undup, Awik Krian and Bukit Batu in the Second Division; Sibintek and Meradong in the Third Division; and Lambir in the Fourth Division.

They are not only defending our own borders, but have proved to be of great help in many ways to border communities who live in isolated areas. For all this, the people of Malaysia are indeed grateful and it is our prayer that Providence will grant us ultimate success in all our efforts.

"The first phase of these schemes has been completed with the planting of 4,447 acres with high-yielding rubber. Preparations are now being made to carry out the second phase of planting 8,000 acres in the schemes during 1965-1966 season," the Chief Minister added.

On plans for village sites, the Chief Minister said that tenders for the construction of prefabricated houses were under consideration. The first lot of houses would be erected in one of these villages before the end of this year, he added.

Touching on the Coconut Planting Scheme, the Chief Minister said there were about 12,000 acres planted with coconut in 1964 with subsidies from Government. In 1965 it was anticipated that 13,00 acres would be planted.

'Referring to the Assistance to Padi Planters Scheme, Dato Ningkan said that over \$200,00 was spent to assist padi planters last year, and more would be spent this year. Government assistance

was in the form of providing survey, layout, tools, water gates and also cash subsidy, and in the case of hill padi, free fertilizer was provided.

Pepper

"Pepper planters have also received considerable assistance from Government, but not on a direct subsidy basis. The Agriculture Department provides expert advice on planting and the cure of diseases," said the Chief Minister.

He added: "The Sarawak Development Finance Corporation, which is wholly owned by the State government, provides loan assistance to those pepper planters who are in need of help to finance their pepper planting. The Corporation also operates a Pepper Processing and Storage Scheme in Sarikei designed to help the pepper producers in regularising the export of their products with a view to stabilising the price of pepper.

A similar scheme will be introduced in Kuching in the near future if there is favourable response from pepper producers and dealers in the First Division.

"A survey of the problems connected with pepper planting has been carried out by the Agriculture Department this year and the results are being studied. In addition, a survey of the oversea market for Sarawak pepper is now under way."

Speaking on Animal Husbandry, the Chief Minister said that with financial assistance from the Sarawak Development Finance Corporation and the veterinary services provided by Government, the pig breeding industry in the Third Division has now progressed to such an extent that it not only could supply the demands of the Third Division but has also surplus pigs for export to Kuching.

Agricultural Education

"Efforts are now being made to improve the pig breeding industry in the First and Fourth Divisions so that these areas will also become self-sufficient in pig supply," the Chief Minister added.

He also announced that the poultry industry would become self-sufficient in the not too distant future.

On Agricultural Education and Extension, the Chief Minister said that a varied form of agricultural education provided through farmers courses, publicity units and agricultural extension was continually being held at different places throughout the State.

Referring to Drainage and Irrigation, the Chief Minister said that a major drainage scheme was a present under construction. It was Phase I of the Kabong/Nyabor Scheme. Work started at the end of 1964 and was expected to complete in 1966. The cost of this Phase was \$950,000, and the Scheme would open up 12,000 acres of Land for agricultural purposes, mainly for coconut

"Another major drainage scheme, the mid-Sadong Scheme, is scheduled to start this year. This scheme with an area of 1,700 acres will be planted with padi and coconut.

"Bukit Aup drainage scheme, which will benefit 110 acres of new swamp land for padi planting, is at present under consideration," said the Chief Minister.

Reviewing the progress made in the construction of roads and bridges, the Chief Minister said that the total mileage of roads constructed between September 1963 and June 1965 was about 130 miles, of which about 62 miles were secondary roads and 58 miles were feeder roads.

On Port Development, the Chief Minister said that during 1964 and 1965, new wharves have been built at Kapit, Sarikei, Song, Saratok, Lawas and Trusan. A new launch wharf at Sibu was presently under construction.

A Hydraulic Research Team from the United Kingdom Technical Research Department was carrying out investigation at Kuala Baram to determine whether or not a port could be established there.

Touching on Education, Dato Ningkan revealed that apart from primary schools, six secondary schools have been built by Government since January 1964. These are at Semongok, Serian, Simunjan, Sibu/Oya Road, Binatang and Baram.

"Two new secondary schools at Lutong and Lawas are at present under construction. Plans are being prepared for construction work to being on five other secondary schools during this year.

"The Kuching Trades School has been completed and is now functioning," said Dato Ningkan. On Medical and Health, the Chief Minister said that four static dispensaries have been built since January 1964. They are at Muara Tuang, Skrang, Pantu and Nanga Medamit.

Numerous Projects

Two were under construction at Long Linau and Tatau, and it was hoped that four more would be built within this year at Roban, Long Lama, Batu Niah and Pulau Bruit, he added.

"A local hospital has been completed in Lundu, and another in Marudi. One more is being planned to begin work this year in Bintulu.

"Two Dental Clinics have been constructed, one at Simanggang and one at Limbang. One such clinic is being planned for Sibu," Dato Ningkan said.

Touching on the Minor Rural Development Projects, the Chief Minister said: "under minor rural development programme, there have been numerous projects approved and implemented during 1964/1965, and nearly all of them have been carried out on a self-help basis, this is, with materials provided by Government and labour provided by the people who stand to benefit by these project.

Reviewing Foreign Trade, the Chief Minister said: "Sarawak's foreign trade has remained stable despite confrontation by Indonesia. The total foreign trade in 1964 was \$849.2 million, an increase of 10 per cent. Over the 1963 total of \$770.3 million. The total value of exports in 1964 was \$400.8 million compared with \$373.8 million in 1963. Total imports in 1964 amounted to \$448.4 million compared with \$396.5 million in 1963.

"The foreign trade for the first half of this year is on nearly the same level as in 1964, and there are indications that the total foreign trade for this year will exceed that of last year."

On Public and Private Investment, the Chief Minister said: "The rate of capital formation in 1964 was 14 per cent, higher than in 1963. The fixed capital formation in 1964 was estimated at \$108.5 million, of which \$39.8 million was Government investment and \$68.7 was investment by private enterprise."

In conclusion, Dato Ningkan said: "Dear fellow-countrymen, from this brief outline of our progress in development that I have given you, you will no doubt agree with me that there is a bright future for Sarawak in Malaysia. I assure you that the tempo of development will be continually stepped up. Let us forge ahead with renewed determination in building a truly happy and prosperous country."

'DO NOT BE COMPLACENT', WARNS DATO JUGAH

THE Federal Minister for Sarawak Affairs, in his Malaysia Day message, warned the peoples not to be complacent.

Urging them to face the future with confidence and optimism, Dato Jugah said: "I am fully convinced Sarawak's future lies with Malaysia. We love this Nation because it is founded upon the rock of freedom and justice. This difficult period that we are going through is part and parcel of the task of nation-building. With determination and dedication we will triumph; if there is unity and tolerance our nation's greatness will be assured."

The following is the full text of Dato Jugah's message:-

It gives me great pleasure to be able to speak to you tonight on the occasion of the Second Anniversary of Malaysia. I shall not take much of your time.

Many things have happened since the last anniversary - they are well-known to you already so that I need not remind you of them. These are for the historians. Let us leave the past, learn some lessons from it and face the future with confidence and optimism. But we must not take things for granted; there is no room for complacency.

I am fully convinced that Sarawak's future lies with Malaysia. We love this Nation because it is founded upon the rock of freedom and justice. This difficult period that we are going through is part and parcel of the task of nation-building. With determination and dedication, we will triumph; if there is unity and tolerance our nation's greatness will be assured.

Now I want to refer to Singapore's separation from the rest of Malaysia. I have explained this before but, unfortunately, I was misinterpreted by some people. You must realise that I was speaking in Iban.

When my speech was translated into other languages my thought was to some extent, distorted. This became the political capital of some people who are ultra-critical.

'Mutual Separation

I don't worry very much about this as long as my conscience is clear. The "marriage" between Singapore and the other States was not a happy one through during their courting days they had vowed to love each other eternally. Nothing should separate them.

However, it turned out to be that Singapore was sometimes more unco-operative; she became very ambitious; she got irritated easily.

Our Prime Minister had thought about this problem. Both parties came together and reasoned it out. It was finally decided that they must separate and they did so mutually. The operative word is "mutual".

Arrangements relating to this and other arrangements were made and agreed to by both parties. One is still dependent on the other in matters relating to defence, commerce and trade. It is my firm belief that when emotions subside and tears dry, the couple can be reconciled because blood is thicker than water.

I hope you do not worry unnecessarily over this separation. Carry on with your daily pursuits. Remain faithful to your Government so that your Development Plan can go on smoothly. In the near future you will see the results of your labour.

Government has been trying its level best to serve you so that your standard of living is raised. Since I became a Minister in the Federal Cabinet I have been trying my very best to be worthy of my office.

Whatever good I have done is not for one to say. I prefer to see things done, and done well not just for the sake of publicity. Suffice it to say that I have your interests at heart always.

The Federal Government has given us one good thing. From 1st January, 1966, your children will not be required to pay their school fees if they are in Primary School. Will you please seize that opportunity so as not to deprive your children of education upon which your progress and that of our country depends? Please do me that favour. There is no excuse for not being able to pay fees at primary level.

I realise, however, that there are many other problems that you have to solve as regards education of your children, especially those parents in the ulu. But if you have determination and will power to overcome them one by one, you will be greatly rewarded.

Once your children are in school, you are happy and when you are happy you can tackle the other problems much easier. Remember that your children are your real asset and that their education is our excellent investment. However, you must not think that every one of your children will get a white-collar job. You should dispel this idea altogether. Do you not think that with education your children can also become prosperous farmers, sawmillers and businessmen?

'We Crave for Peace'

Now I want to say a word about confrontation. We do not deserve the humiliation of this experiment of Sukarno and his Jakarta regime. The unfair thing about it is that his soldiers and his communists are allowed to cross the border to our side, whereas our tough and brave men are on the defensive.

PEOPLE EVINCE KEEN SENSE OF PATRIOTISM AND LOYALTY DURING M-DAY CELEBRATIONS

PEOPLE of all races in Sarawak's urban and rural areas last week took the opportunity to reaffirm their loyalty to Malaysia during the second anniversary of the Malaysia Day celebrations.

In some areas the celebrations lasted more than three days and community leaders, clubs and associations urged the people to show their sense of patriotism and loyalty by deeds and to give generously to the National Defence Fund.

The people responded wholeheartedly and money raised for N.D.F during the celebrations has been handed over to the respective District Officers or Sarawak Administrative Officers, and the donations were published as they came in.

AT SIMANGGANG

The celebrations at Simanggang, capital of the Second Division lasted five days. The District Officer reports that thousands of people of all races flocked into town in order to share in the celebrations.

The celebrations began on August 28 with filmshows and sideshows on the compound adjoining the Batang Lupar District Council Padang.

On August 28, an Agriculture Exhibition was staged at Fort Alice and the semi-finals for football and basketball were played off later in the day.

In the evening thousands enjoyed themselves at the Gendang Melayu Batu and the concert which was staged by voluntary bodies in Simanggang District. The concert and Gendang Baru ran for the whole period of the celebrations and culminated with a ngajat competition at which the Resident, Second Division, gave away the prizes to the winners.

Sunday, August 29, saw a thrilling outboard race on the Batang Lupar river. One of the most interesting items was the gruelling Cross-Country Race which was run from Temudok to the Batang Lupar District Council Padang for the men's section and from the Airport to the Padang for the women's section.

On the morning of August 31, the Children's Rally was held and the Royal address was read out by the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, Mr. Dunstan Endawie. Physical displays were given by the school children at the rally.

For the rest of the day Simanggang town went gay as the biggest crowd to be seen in years lined up along the waterfront to watch the regatta. The anniversary celebrations concluded with a reception at the residency and a grand Malaysia Ball at the Simanggang Recreation Club.

The District Officer, Mr. Denis Hon, as Chairman of the Malaysia Day Celebration Committee wishes to thank all Sub-Committees, and schools which have participated in the Children's rally, and the public in Simanggang generally for their co-operation in making the second anniversary of Malaysia such a memorable success.

AT SERIAN

MALAYSIA Day was celebrated in Serian with a school-children's rally at the Kubu ground. About 1,000 school children from Chung Hwa, Ayer Manis, Government Secondary, R.C. Mission and Serian Local Authority Schools took part in the rally.

Thousands of people including Government and military personnel, Penghulus, Pemanchas, Tua Kampongs, Kapitan Chinas and other community leaders also took part in the celebration. Both Malaysia and State flags were flown in the kampongs and the town itself.

The District Officer, Serian, Mr. Goh Hak Seng, speaking at the rally touched on the address made by His Majesty the Yang di-Pertuan Agong. He advised the school children to take keen interest in the fields of science and technology to meet the urgent technical requirement of our growing Nation.

He also stressed the importance of loyalty in every citizen of Malaysia.

On education, the District Officer reiterated the Government desire in up-lifting the present standard; primary school fees would be abolished next year, he added.

After the rally, light refreshment was served to all guests and school children at the Upper Sadong District Council reading room. At 10 a.m. a school sport was held at the USDC padang. There were also a tug-of-war between 40 Commando team and Serian Combined and a football match between the Commando and Serian Selected. Serian lost both the tug-of-war and the football.

AT LIMBANG AND LAWAS

Brunei Visitors Join M-Day Merry Makers

VISITORS from Brunei were among the thousands of Malaysia Day merry-makers at Limbang and Lawas in the Faith Division.

Regattas during the day and a three-night concert arranged by the organising committees at both District Headquarters, gave an opportunity for people of all races to mingle together purely as Malaysians.

Members of the Women's Institutes in both towns took an active part in organising entertainments, and among the items in the varied programmes was also the traditional cock-fighting.

Other items in the programmes in the programmes included badminton tournaments; beauty contest and kebaya parades; joget and singing and dancing.

The Deputy Chief Minister who delivered the Royal address at the Children's Rally at Limbang, earher in the morning performed a similar ceremony at Lawas.

Separate Malaysia Day celebrations were held at Nanga Medamit when a great number of upriver people attended the boat-racing and other events.

Ulu People Attend Limbang Celebrations

PEOPLE from the ulu in the Fifth Division were among the 1,500 who gathered on the Town padang on Tuesday to attend the Malaysia Day Rally.

The Deputy Chief Minister, Mr. James Wong, delivered the Royal Address and the Chairman of the Limbang District Council, Tuan Haji Bakar bin Abdullah also addressed the gathering.

Among others who attended the Rally were Heads of Departments, community leaders councillors and 500 school-children, including Boy Scouts and members of the Red Cross.

The Chairman of the District Council in his address, pointed out that rural development has progressed in Sarawak beyond all expectations.

He praised the wisdom of Malaysia's leaders and called upon the people to unite for the well-being of the country.

The Chairman also reminded the people that as they attend to their daily chores, they should also be vigilant and watchful against subversive elements, who were trying to destroy the peace of the country.

AT MARUDI

HUNDREDS of school children took part in the Malaysia Day school children's rally at Marudi on August 31, which was witness by about 5,000 local residents, including the Minister of State, Mr. Tajang Laing, who read the Royal Address.

Wan Hashim Datu Tuanku Taha, District Officer, Marudi, in his address thanked the Minister for his presence.

The D.O. said that though we were facing aggressive acts from within and without, we have achieved a lot of progress in the fields of economy and education.

The D.O advised the school children to work harder in order to shoulder the leadership of the Nation in future.

Wan Hashim reminded the people that Indonesian confrontation should not strike fear in the hearts and minds of the people of the State. Such aggressive acts should make everyone of us rally together behind the Government and fight for the country's integrity and independence.

Senator Temenggong Oyong Lawai Jau who was present at the rally, urged the people to follow the advice given both by the Minister and the D.O.

The rally ended with three cheers of Berjaya Malaysia, led by Chegu Jolhie Omarzen, Acting District Commissioner of Scouts.

The highlights of the celebration included mass physical drill by 500 students, big walk, cross country race, football and badminton matches and also a National Language Oratory Contest for Malays and non-Malays.

Baram District went gay with the Malaysia Day celebrations where every shophouse and longhouse flew both the State and Malaysian flags.

Apart from the celebration in Marudi, the people of the 12-door Kayan longhouse at Long Laputheld their own Malaysia Day celebration. This included landsports and regatta for the Ulu schools at which function the Minister of State was also present.

The Indian Association in Miri observed the anniversary by hoisting the Malaysia and State flags.

BERJAYA!

'Make The Week A Resounding Success,' Urges C.M.

Berjaya Week this year must be a week for re-dedication and for the consolidation of what we have already achieved Nation-building during the past two years.

This was stated during October 1965 by the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, in a broadcast talk over Radio Malaysia, Sarawak.

As Chairman of Sarawak Berjaya Week Celebration Committee, Dato Ningkan urged the people to make the celebrations "another resounding success:

Reminding his listener that last year Sarawak's participation was generally reckoned the best of any State in Malaysia, Dato Ningkan said, "I hope that this year we shall do still better."

The following is the full text of the Chief Minister's speech:

As you have probably seen in the newspapers and heard over the radio we shall again be celebrating Berjaya Week this year, from the 1st to 7th November.

It must be our aim to make these celebrations another resounding success. Last year, Sarawak's participation was generally reckoned the best of any State in Malaysia. I hope that this year we shall do still better.

Our objects this year are two-fold. We want to demonstrate the unity and solidarity of the people from all walks of life. And we want to express the people's determination to consolidate Malaysia.

Malaysia Much Too Important

Of course, we have had our ups and downs during the past year. Murderous acts of Indonesian and communist aggression against our country have continued, leading to the loss of many innocent lives. And it has been very sad that only recently the State of Singapore should have withdrawn from the Federation.

I do not propose to go into that now except to say that we hope that the estrangement will be only a temporary one. We all of us want Singapore back as part of the Malaysian family.

But Malaysia is much too important for us to be deterred or worried by temporary setbacks of any kind. The aims and reasons which brought about the establishment of Malaysia remain as true today as they did before our new Federation was born. We must expect temporary difficulties.

The sea is never smooth for long. But if we are true men, we easily see to it that these difficulties are overcome. We have to ride out storms and then sail steadily onwards.

The people of Sarawak are not cowards. We are not going to wring our hands and say that it is all too difficult. Difficulties and problems such as the hostility of our neighbours or the session of Singapore are there to be looked at squarely in the face and to be overcome by the united efforts of our people.

And let us remember our successes as well as our difficulties. We have had plenty, right here in Sarawak, harmony between our races; full rice bowls for all; steady progress in every field of development, thanks to the generous help of our fellow citizen in other states of Malaysia.

We have more roads and schools than ever before. Next year, primary school fees will be abolished. We are opening new clinics. Soon we shall have the finest hospital in Borneo. All these benefits and many more besides are coming to us as never before now that we have achieved our independence.

But we must never take things for granted and Berjaya Week this year must be a week for re-dedication and for the consolidation of what we have already achieved in Nation-building during the past two years.

Preliminary meetings have been held by our State Berjaya Week Committee, and plans are being prepared for the celebrations to be held all over Sarawak. I am sorry that notice is a little short but, in fact, it is long enough if we all make up our minds to pull together and to make it a success.

I ask all the people of this, our multi-racial Sarawak, to give all the support they can to the celebrations. I ask them to take part in the activities arranged, to come to the rallies and meetings, and to work together with their fellow citizens.

This is a national and not a political occasion. There is just as much room in the celebrations for people who play no part politics and for members of loyal Opposition as there is for supporters of the Alliance Government.

We welcome help from every loyal citizen. Let us work together and celebrate our national unity which overrides such narrow considerations as race and party, and let us do this with happiness and the determination to make our unity ever stronger.

Detailed Arrangements

Detailed arrangements will be prepared in the Divisions and Districts. I know I can count on you all to help the many organisers who will work so hard to make the celebrations a success. But let us not for one moment, forget the purpose of Berjaya Week.

We are young nation, little more than two years old. During this time, under the wise leadership of the Tunku and with help of loyal allies, we have made much progress and we have overcome many difficulties.

We have enemies who thought that we would fall apart long ago, but our success has shown the world that Malaysia is here to stay, and here to stay because that is the will and the firm decision of our people.

BERJAYA TEN GOLDEN RULES

1. Think of yourself firstly as a Malaysian and never firstly as a member of a racial group.
2. Make friends among your fellow citizens of different racial origins to yourself and cultivate these friendships.
3. Never by word or deed hurt the feelings of your fellow citizens.
4. Learn the National Language.
5. Respect all other languages of Malaysia.
6. Learn your country, its history, peoples, geography and cultures.
7. Never allow family and racial pride to degenerate into feelings of superiority in your relations with other Malaysians.
8. Accept setbacks calmly and bravely. They must merely heighten our determination to carry on.
9. Accept good fortune with humility. Ours is a fortunate and happy land but never take this for granted.
10. Believe wholeheartedly in the greatness and future of our country. If we are united in this faith we can overcome all difficulties which may stand in our path.

The people of Sarawak gave unmistakable proof of their loyalty to Malaysia by taking an active part in Berjaya Week Celebrations.

People of all races, young and old, from all walks of life, gathered in thousands at the mass rallies which heralded the national solidarity week, and publicly renewed their pledge of loyalty.

The mass Rally at Kuching amply demonstrated the peoples' undivided loyalty and their solidarity when more than 10,000 braved a torrential down-pour for two hours on the town's padang.

Similar enthusiasm marked the rallies in all the five Divisions.

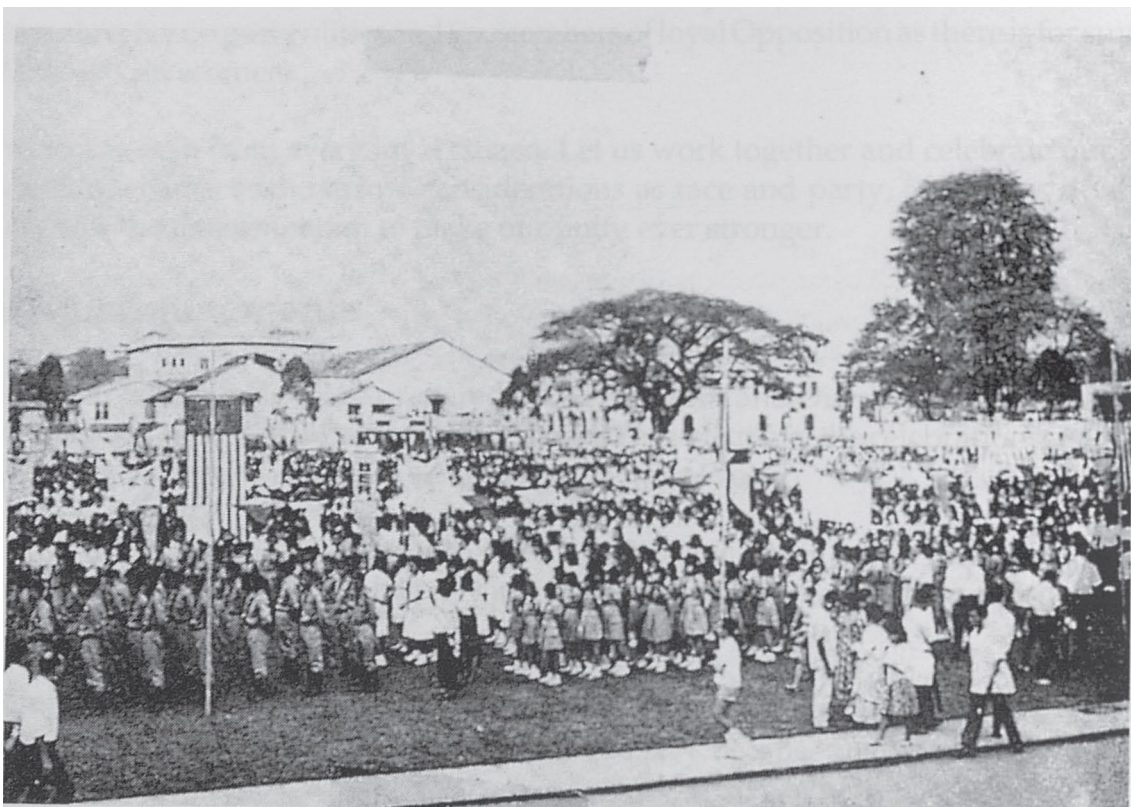
The various Sub-Committees responsible for organising the various sports events, competitions, exhibitions and cultural shows had left no stone unturned to make the week's activities a resounding success.

Their work was made easy by the wholehearted co-operation of people of all races who were eager to demonstrate their abilities, their talents and their own cultures.

In Kuching, in the absence of the Governor who is indisposed, the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, who is also chairman of Sarawak Berjaya Week celebrations Committee, addressed the Mass Rally and launched the Berjaya Week.

Representing the Federal Government at the Mass Rally was the Minister of Transport, Dato Haji Sardon bin Haji Jubir; Sabah was represented by the Minister of Finance, Inche Mohamed Harris bin Mohamed Salleh.

The celebrations in the Second Division were attended by the Minister for Local government, Dato Dunstan Endawie; Penghulu Umpau, Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources, participated in the celebrations in the Third Division; State Minister, Mr. Tajang Laeng, was in Kapit; Dato Abang Othman bin Abang Haji Moasili, Minister for Welfare, Youth and Culture addressed the mass Rally at Miri in the Fourth Division; and Awang Hipni (State Minister) went to the Fifth Division.



General view of Mass Rally on the Kuching Central Padang.

Dato Temenggong Jugah, Federal Minister for Sarawak Affairs, represented the Federal Government at Jesselton, and Sarawak's Deputy Chief Minister, Dato James Wong, represented Sarawak at the celebrations in Jesselton.

The highlights of the Mass Rally at Kuching was the participation of a 100 strong Berjaya Choir and Sarawak Constabulary's Royal Malaysian Band.

It began with the firing of a signal gun from across river as the Chief Minister, Dato Haji Sardon and Inche Harris Salleh arrived.

Addressing the Rally, the Chief Minister said:

At this time we show by taking part in rallies and celebrations all over Sarawak that we believe in the future our nation and that we are absolutely determined to stand together and to strengthen our national unity.

Demonstration Of Unity

Our opening Rally here today is made up of people of very many of the races of Malaysia. We all have our own distinctive racial origins and we are proud of these origins. But these differences are all fused in our sense of belonging together, in our sense of Malaysian nationalism which transcends all bounds of race or creed. We who live in this happy land are one, one Malaysian people.

So when we come together let us think of these Berjaya Week events first and foremost as demonstrations of our unity. If we believe in the greatness of our country and think of all our fellow Malaysians as being truly our brothers, we shall grow ever stronger and all the evils activities of our enemies will fail.

We are happy today to have present with us a representatives of our Federal Government, the well known and genial Dato Sardon, our Minister for Transport. He brings us a message of goodwill and fraternal greetings from Kuala Lumpur.

We are also very fortunate to have with us Enche Harris Salleh, the young and dynamic Minister for Finance from Sabah. Sabah is our closest neighbour and we are very happy to have a representative of our fellow Bornean Malaysian from the north.

We are only sorry that our greatly loved Governor, Tun Abang Haji Openg is indisposed. I know that he is greatly disappointed at his inability to be here, and we all miss him.

I know that I'm speaking for all of you when I say that we send him a speedy recovery from his illness.

I do not wish to make a long speech to you today. I thank you all for coming to give this demonstration of our unity. I thank Senator Jika and his fellow organisers for all the hard work they have put in to organise this Rally. Let us make a great success of this Week for our national unity is the most precious things we have.

Berjaya Week is a time to rededicate ourselves anew to our great task of nation building so that our country Malaysia may and shall achieve the happiness which our people want and which our people deserve.

I now have much pleasure in declaring open our Sarawak Berjaya Week Celebrations or 1965. Berjaya Malaysia!

'REVIVE SPIRIT OF SOLIDARITY'

- DATO SARDON

The Federal Minister of Transport, Dato Haji Sardon bin Haji Jubir, reminded the people that they had assembled "to revive once again the spirit of National Solidarity."

He said: "Rallies such as this give us an opportunity to demonstrate our spirit, as Malaysian, of loyalty and determination to defend and destroy any threat or aggression from without, designed to disrupt our National security, and also to contain the efforts of the undesirable elements bent at destroying our security and unity."

"The spirit of solidarity you are showing today - standing up as you are in the open in torrential rain - I am certain, God willing, will carry us through."

The Minister went on to say that the spirit of the first National Solidarity Week observed in grand style about one year ago, had remained in everyone's hearts as a stimulant in their daily life.

He added: "I cannot translate in words how grateful I was throughout the year each time I received money as donations to the National Defence Fund, however small, and which has now amounted to \$6 million."

"This is the way by which the people of our country, people of diverse communities and parties, show that they are standing firm behind the government to defend any external attempt to harm our livelihood and progress."

"The National Solidarity Week we launch today is aimed at renewing the confidence and loyalty to our Nation, Malaysia. Not all of us have the opportunity to fight in the front line in defence of our country - like those in the Security forces - and we therefore observe the occasion as our service in the country's defence. We realise that the best thing for us to do is to preserve National Solidarity the best we can in the rear."

The Minister stressed that the spirit of solidarity was a powerful will to preserve their way of life and that demonstrated to their enemies that the people of Malaysia were indeed one - united and with common aspiration.

"Although we have always emerged victorious in our fights against our enemy, we must not be complacent. On the other hand, we must be more vigilant and be on guard against any trick that they might play on us," said the Minister.

He said that confrontation might end, but the spirit of solidarity must be permanently preserved. As long as confrontation was pursued, National Solidarity would continue to serve as a vital weapon for Malaysia.

Finally, Dato Sardon appealed to all Malaysians to reaffirm their determination to defend the country and renew their confidence.

He said: "Support flag-days, attend the rallies, patronise the exhibitions, donate to the Defence Fund and to whatever you can to ensure the success of the National Solidarity Week."

'DEMONSTRATE TO THE WORLD YOUR UNITY'

- INCHE HARRIS

The Minister of Finance, Sabah, Inche Mohammed Harris bin Mohammed Salleh, said this year Malaysians were celebrating National Solidarity Week in a gay manner.

He said it was befitting that Malaysians, whether from western or eastern Malaysia should demonstrate to the world that they were solidly behind our Government to consolidate this new nation of ours and to be prepared to crush any form of aggression from within or without.

He added: "This week, in future, will be celebrated every year as a mark of our determination

to be prepared to sacrifice our lives to resist and crush aggression and subversion in order to safeguard the independence which we have proudly obtained under the benign protection of our Malaysian rulers.

"There can be no better way to demonstrate our steadfast determination and resolve to fight for our freedom than such rallies as are arranged today throughout the nation of Malaysia.

"Today, as we hold this rally and pledge our loyalty to the King and Nation and to our leaders, similar pledges and rallies are being held in every part of our nation. Today, we are in common with all our brethren in other parts of the country in our united resolve to ensure that our enemies shall not be able to split us by any subtle and mischievous methods.

"As you all know many have tried to split us following the separation of Singapore from our fold. We face an enemy not only in Indonesian President Sukarno but also an enemy right in our midst, right on our doorsteps too. Our enemies are jealous of our growing strength and unity and are, therefore, trying to split us, so that little by little, they can destroy this new nation of ours."

Inche Harris Salleh reminded the people of the heroism and gallantry of our security forces "by whose sacrifices and chivalrous spirits, we have been protected and shielded from the evil machinations of our enemies.'

He said this was the time for all Malaysians to rededicate themselves and make sure that they were vigilant, alert and always watchful against all elements wanting to disrupt the peace of the Nation.

"Do not believe rumour mongers who try to spoil your minds by saying that the Central Government is not going to help us. We know that our leaders in the Government are eager to help us in every way possible. We must stand by our government and it is to prove that we are solidly behind our Government that this National Solidarity Week is being observed throughout the Nation, not only in Sarawak, but in Sabah and in all the States in Western Malaysia," said the Minister.

He added: "There is no better multi-racial society and unit in Malaysia than the Alliance parties in which every party of every description finds an equal voice and say. Unlike those who manage their affairs in dictatorial fashion, we in Malaysia are democratic, we value our freedom of expression, and all the other freedoms enshrined in the Constitution."

The Minister concluded: "With calmness and courage, with faith in ourselves and trust in the mercy of Almighty God, this nation of Malaysia will emerge stronger and better, safe and sound through any trials and tribulations despite all what our enemies may try to conjure up and create. Let us show to the world through these rallies and through the medium of this National Solidarity Week that we are masters of our own destiny, that even though our nation is small, we Malaysians are a people who will never submit to domination and tyranny."

'WE HAVE ONE COMMON PURPOSE - T.Y.TAN

Mr. T.Y. Tan, MP, Vice-Chairman of National Fund Raising Committee said they had gathered, irrespective of racial origins, creed and political beliefs, with one common purpose, "to demonstrate to the world in general and to Sukarno in particular, our determination to unite and to resist aggression from any quarter."

He added: "When Malaysia was formed two years ago, the Indonesians shouted and kept on shouting 'Crush Malaysia'. But now they have changed their tune to 'Crush the PKI'. What will they crush next? The answer they will crush themselves.

"A Chinese saying goes: 'A nation must destroy itself first before others could destroy it'. The recent events in Indonesia have clearly revealed that country is in a chaotic condition and the people there are suffering miserably. It is in the stage of destroying itself and eventually it will

be destroyed.

"On the other hand, the people in Malaysia are enjoying political stability, progress and prosperity. Our future is bright. Malaysia will certainly succeed if we are all solidly behind the Government in its efforts to create a sense of oneness and solidarity among the peoples of all races in Malaysia."

In conclusion Mr. Tan appealed to all Malaysians to unite and to think not in term of Malays, Chinese, Dayaks or Ibans, but in term of Malaysians, and to actively participate in the activities designed for the Week, and contribute generously toward the National Defence Fund."

CM. DECLARES OPEN BERJAYA FAIR

Declaring the Berjaya Fair open at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, November 1, 1965, the Chief Minister said: "This afternoon on the Padang, we pledged ourselves anew towards our great task of nation building. This evening we come together at the fair ground to enjoy ourselves together and to show that we Malaysians are able to organise ourselves efficiently to provide entertainment and happy recreation for our people.

"Nothing can do more to cement national solidarity than friendly competitions between Malaysians and the coming together of our people to enjoy themselves. These activities can and do contribute very greatly towards building up our national unity and I would like to congratulate the Competitions and Dramatics Sub-Committee of the Sarawak Berjaya Week Celebrations Committee for doing such a splendid job of organisation in such a short time.

"There is something for everybody here. Music and dancing, facilities for refreshment and a mild flutter. Cultural shows put on by our various racial groups and all sorts of competitions designed to enable the widest possible cross-section of our people to take part. I am sure that you will all enjoy the Berjaya Fair and I know that you are just as anxious to go into the Fair Ground to see what has been prepared as I am."

Acting Chairman Welcomes Chief Minister

Earlier, welcoming the Chief Minister and other dignitaries the Acting Chairman for the Competitions and Dramatics Sub-Committee, Mr. Y.Y. Lee, said it was a great honour for him to have been given the privilege to deputise for the Chairman of the Competitions and Dramatics Sub-Committees - Dayaks, Chinese, Malay, Indian and other racial groups.

"For the first time, we are pleased to see that the Javanese community is participating most enthusiastically in this Cultural Entertainment," Mr. Lee said.

He added that the Committee had been hard at work since they had received notice of the Malaysian National Solidarity Week Celebrations and six working sub-committees were elected to tackle this gigantic scheme.

These Committees were as follows:

The Chairman for:

Competitions Working Sub-Committee - Mr. Foo Seong Nghee, A.B.S.; Dramatics - Mr. O.F. Wright; Publicity - Mr. Kushairy Mohd.; Finance and Estimates - Mr. Vincent Chong; Berjaya Fairground - Mr. Mohd. Musa; and Refreshment - Mr. Chong Shak Luke.

Last but not least, Mr. Lee said he should mention the Deputy Assistant Hon. Secretary Abang Ahmad.

He concluded: "The projects carried out so far promise even better results than the previous year and I sincerely hope that we will again be recognised as the Malaysian State that has put up the most outstanding performance."

On arrival at the Fair the Chief Minister was garlanded by 10-year-old Dayang Fatimah binti

Dato Abang Othman, daughter of the Minister for Welfare, Youth and Culture

At the same time nine-year-old Yvonne Yap, daughter of Mr. Y.Y. Lee, presented a bouquet to Datin Ningkan.

Eight-year-old Dayang Faridah, second daughter of Dato Othman, then garlanded Dato Sardonbin Haji Jubir, Federal Minister of Transport. This was followed by the garlanding of Inche Mohammed Harris bin Mohammed Salleh, Sabah's Minister of finance by Miss Tenny Chene (9), daughter of Mr. Cheng Yew Kiew.

The Berjaya Week Exhibition was declared open by the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, on Monday morning.

Declaring the Exhibition open, the Chief Minister said: "Citizens of all walks of life throughout Malaysia will once again demonstrate to the world their national unity and solidarity, and in one voice pledge their loyalty to and support for the Federation of Malaysia.

"During this Week, the people of Malaysia will be celebrating this national event by holding rallies, processions and many other functions that had been befittingly planned for the occasion in their respective States and Districts.

"In Sarawak, rallies and celebrations are being held at different times in all over the districts to mark the launching of the Berjaya Week 1965 in the State, and our people have been very enthusiastic to make this second Malaysian National Solidarity Week a great success.

"In Kuching this afternoon we are going to assemble at the Central Padang to open the Berjaya Week Celebrations with a big rally. The other celebrations which had been planned to be held in the various places will go on throughout the Week; and I hope that this Exhibition will be of great interest to the people.

"The Publicity and Exhibitions Sub-Committee, like all the other committees of the Berjaya Week, had been very hard at work in ensuring the success of this Exhibition. And for the excellent work they have done on the publicity side of this Berjaya Week and that they have put up in display at this Exhibition for us all to see, I am sure everyone of you will agree with me that they deserve our very hearty congratulations.

As Chairman of the Berjaya Week, I wish also to extend my warm congratulations to Inche Mansor Ismail who despite his handicap had been very helpful by looking after the Exhibition.

"The Exhibitions, as you all will see, depicts the various cultures of ours and it also shows the progress of development today of our country. And, if we take a little trouble by looking into all that it illustrates, we will find that there is always something more significant than being just an ordinary display of pictures and showing of produce and some local handicrafts.

"There lies behind all this the inspiration of our people of the country; the urge to generate greater national productivity and the desire to achieve even greater on the overall progress and advancement in all fields and the fulfilment of our national ambitions."

Earlier, welcoming the Chief Minister on the Chairman of the National Solidarity Week Publicity and Exhibitions Subs-Committee, Tuan Haji Su'ut Tahir, the Secretary, Inche Hanis bin Mahalie said: "This, however, is not the first exhibition of its kind to be held in conjunction with the National Solidarity Week last year in this very building, was visited by thousands of people.

"You will recall that quite apart from photographs and display of captured enemy equipment, there were also numerous photographs depicting what the young nation of Malaysia did, in spite of confrontation, in the fields of education, health, welfare and rural development.

"Copies of leaflets, signed by Lt. Sutikno, were distributed by thousands during that Berjaya Week."

Inche Hanis hoped that after having seen what they had in the building the visitors would be fully convinced of what Government had done, and would be doing, for the country.

CERTIFICATES PRESENTED TO COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND PROJECT ORGANISERS

At the presentation ceremony at the Berjaya Fair on Sunday evening, Datin Ningkan presented certificates to State Committees members, member of various sub-committee organisers.

Inviting Datin Ningkan to present the certificates, the Chairman of Competitions and Dramatics Sub-committee, Dato Abang Othman bin Abang Haji Moasili, said that last year Sarawak was named the Malaysian State that put us the most outstanding performance in the Malaysian National Solidarity Week celebrations.

He added that the overall result of the projects carried out during the Berjaya Week had proved without doubt that Sarawak had done equally well this year, if not better.

"This achievement had, without question, attributed to the splendid work done by the various project organisers and the overwhelming support of the public," said Dato Abang Othman.

He added: "In spite of the trying bad weather, the spirit of the people was not drenched, and their persistent support was indeed an indication of their desire to demonstrate their feeling of National Unity and Solidarity. The high morale as expressed by the people during the last seven days had clearly shown that Malaysians and Malaysia can and will withstand any form of aggression, subversion and confrontation from any quarter.

The success of the BERJAYA WEEK contributed by you is yours and with your continued determination to make it so, we will certainly build a National Unity that will stand up proudly among all Nations in this world."

Good and Able Leaders

Praising the achievements of the various Project Organisers, Dato Abang Othman said they had once again proved that they were good and able leaders.

He also thanked the Chairman and members of the six Working Sub-Committees, and all those who had helped to contribute to the success of the Berjaya Week celebrations.

The Chairman of the six working sub-committees were: Mr. Foo Seong Nghee (Competitions); Mr. O.F Wright (Dramatics); Mr. Vincent Chong (Finance and Estimates); Mr. Mohammad Musa (Berjaya Fairground); Mr. Khushairy Mohammed (Publicity); and Mr. Chong Shak Loke (Refreshment).

Finally, Dato Abang Othman made special mention of Mr. Y.Y. Lee, Deputy Chairman, who was also the Honorary Secretary "for acting on my behalf during my absence, and to Abang Ahmad for assisting him".

"SPLENDID SUCCESS', SAYS SENATOR JIKA

Speaking next, Senator Andrew Jika Landau, Chairman, Rallies and Processions Sub-committee said the Berjaya Week celebrations this year has surpassed those of the previous year.



BERJAYA SPIRIT MARCHES ON ... 'SYMBOL OF UNITY'

DECLARES CHIEF MINISTER
THE BERJAYA WEEK IS THE SYMBOL OF UNITY WHICH EXIST
AMONG THE VARIOUS COMMUNITIES IN MALAYSIA.

The Chief Minister of Sarawak, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, addressing a 15,000 strong multi-racial assembly in Kuching Central Padang for the Berjaya Procession which marked the end of the National Solidarity Week Celebration in Sarawak.

In his closing address the Chief Minister said: Last Monday afternoon was assemble at this padang and braved the torrential rain while launching in Sarawak our Malaysia National Solidarity Week Celebration for 1965. But the blinding rain did not deter us from going through the function. Indeed there is nothing that will damper out Berjaya spirit as we have determinally made up our mind to stand together and strengthen our unity.

We have demonstrated to the world, and in particular to those who wish nothing but evil for us, that we are always united. And for the sake of our country, we should always ensure that unity and solidarity will continue for all times.

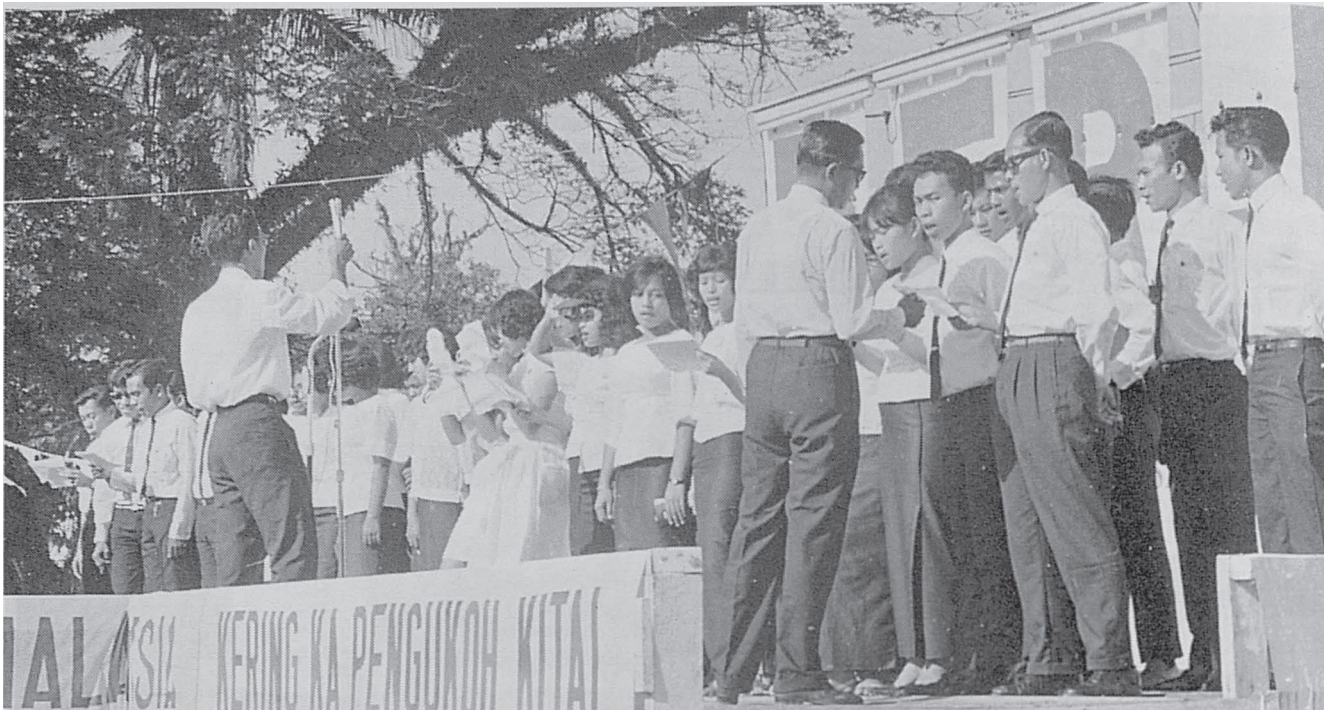
Imbued with that spirit we have come here again this morning - this time to start our Berjaya Week Procession. As in last year, this procession has been befitting planned to further highlight the week which has been celebrated by people of all walks of life with enthusiasm and a growing sense of Malaysia identity and unity.

This morning's procession brings us to end our celebrations. As you go on in procession this morning and as you later resume your daily routine work. I want you all to remember the Berjaya Week as a great symbol of our unity which exists among the various communities of our country - Malaysia.

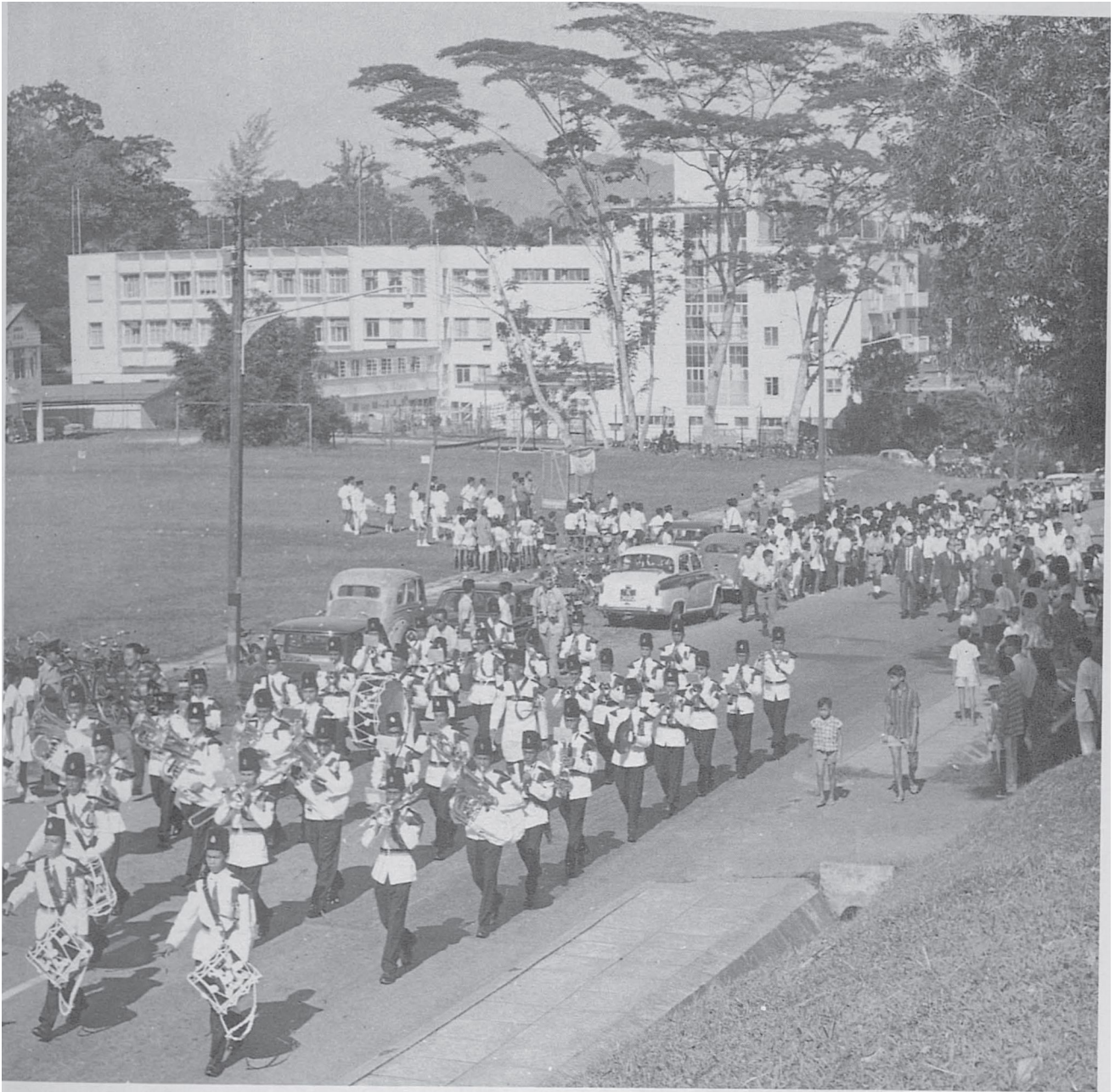
The more we give thought to what the past week has meant to us all, the more we will recognise our duty and responsibility towards nation building. Berjaya Week has brought home to our people the need for national unity which is essential for our happiness, prosperity and progress. We are happy that the past week had been most meaningful and eventful and that all the Berjaya Week events had fully demonstrated that they are absolutely determined to stand together and defend Malaysia independence.

I have no reason to doubt that our people will not in future demonstrate their loyalty even more enthusiastically in answer to the call for the defence of democracy itself.

We multi-racial people of Malaysia, have the sympathy and full support of our friends - the people - loving people of the entire free world in our determination to uphold our integrity and sovereignty, and the pressure the survival of our democratic Malaysia. Hidup Malaysia Berjaya Malaysia.



The Chief Minister (Second from left) leading the Berjaya Procession, on his left is Dato Wee Hood Teck, Treasurer of the National Defence Fund, and on his right are Dato Othman. Chairman of the Competition and Dramatics Sub-Committee and Tuan Haji Su'ut Tahir, Chairman of the Publicity and Exhibition.



Berjaya Spirit Marches On ...

The Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, as the Chairman of the Berjaya Week Celebrations Committee, led the procession. He was accompanied by the Chairmen and vice-chairmen of the celebrations sub-committees.

Groups which took part in the procession included those from schools, associations, clubs, Government departments and individuals.

Gaily decorated floats and banners and posters with appropriate slogans, gave a lively air to the whole procession which followed a three-mile long route around the town's perimeter.

There were also bands of singers and musicians at the head of the procession. The singers included a 100-strong Berjaya Choir of young men and women; the Police Band of the Sarawak Constabulary and others from different communities, including lively Chinese Lion Dancers.

Certificates were presented to all groups of participants at the end of the procession.



A section of the participants as seen in the Temple Street, Kuching.



The Police Band of the Sarawak Constabulary took the lead in the 'Berjaya Procession.'



At the junction of Rock Road, Mosque Road and McDongall Road, in the centre were the Chief Minister accompanied by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the celebration Sub-committees.





Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah delivered her address soon afterwards declared the Orchid Show open.

TOH PUAN HAJJAH MASNIAH OPENS ORCHID SHOWS HELD IN 1965

Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah wife of the Governor Sarawak declared open the first Sarawak Branch of the Malaysian Orchid Society Exhibition and also presented certificates to a number of orchid cultivators.

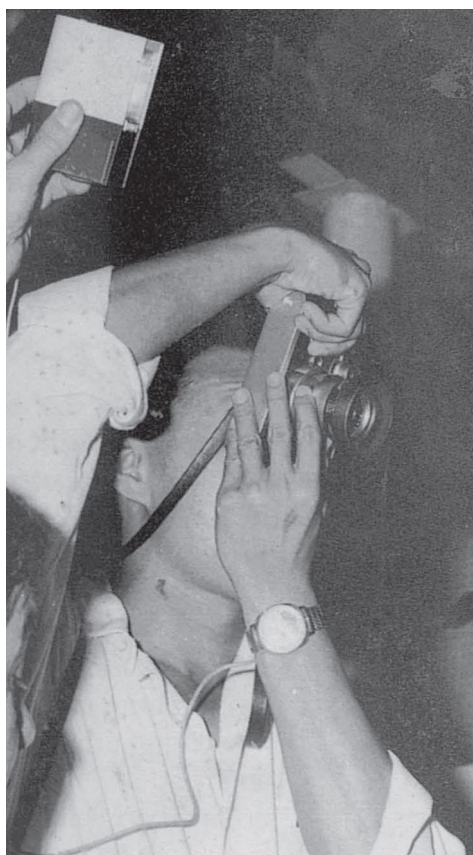
The simple ceremony took place at the Residence of Mr. Wee Hood Teck who had kindly permitted his garden to be used for the Orchid Exhibition that followed, and was witnessed by a large number of people.

In declaring open the Exhibition as part of the Solidarity Weeks Celebration, Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah thanked the organiser for inviting her to perform the ceremony and for the opportunity provided her to see lovely exhibits on display and meet the enthusiastic growers.

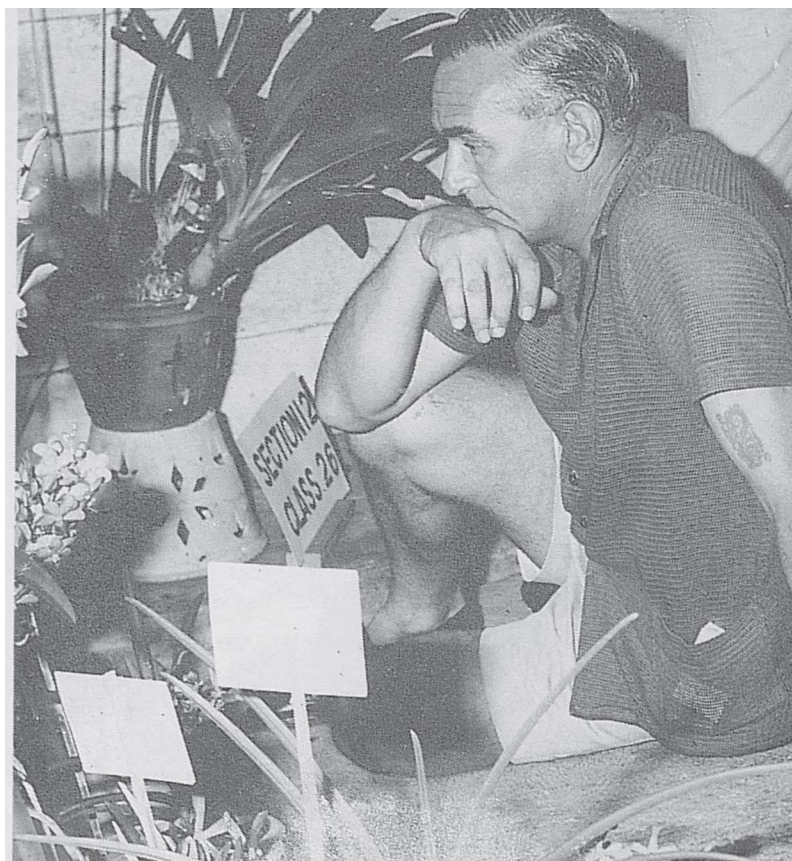
Earlier welcoming the Toh Puan, Mr. R. Donough Chairman of the Organisation Committee for the Exhibition said National Solidarity Week was an appropriate occasion for orchid collectors and growers to demonstrate their desire to support the Malaysian Government call for solidarity and at the same time to strengthen the bonds of friendships which exist between orchid enthusiasts of Malaysia.

"It is also a time for resolution "he went on" In this it is essential that we have now in formation a branch of the Malaysian Orchid Society to attract members and in doing so we are fulfilling our prime duty to solidarity to achieve unity and success. We feel certain that this attraction will continue to grow and promote better understanding for unity and success in maintaining our loyalty to Malaysia.

BERJAYA WEEK ORCHID SHOW 1965



Mr. Joseph Chin and his orchid which won the first prize



Mr. John Seal has rendered his expert service and advice to Exhibition of the Orchid Show where he was known as a world-wide authority on orchid.



From left to right Datin Wee Hood Teck, Datin Stephen Kalong Ningkan, Datin Stanley Chandler and Mrs. Kuah Hap Swee at the Orchid Show.



Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah delivered her address soon afterwards declared the Orchid Show open.

A thriving orchid industry with an export market in demand all over the world could be of great importance to our economy.

It is encouraging to see that your society is contemplating to set itself achieve this ideal aim.

This as stated by the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan when he declared open the Berjaya Week Orchid Show at Dato Wee Hood Teck's residence in Kuching.

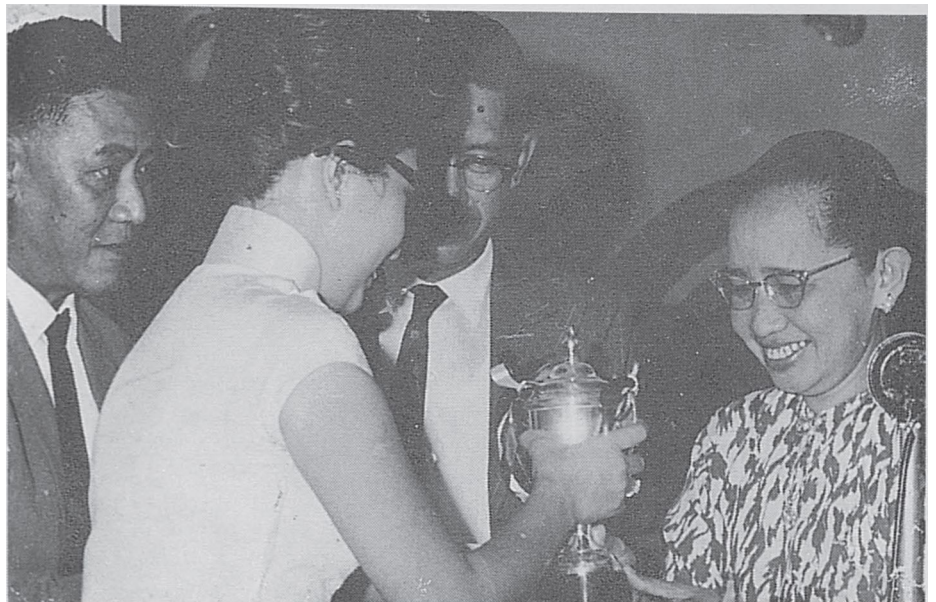
The Chief Minister added: "It is also befitting on this occasion to stress that successful cultivation of orchids can and do contribute very greatly towards national progress and development. With all the good wishes and encouragement from all of us, it is hoped that the society will be successful in achieving its aims."

Earlier the Chief Minister said that Malaysians distinctive orchid species had earned word-wide recognition.

He said that great interest should be attached to the fact that the attraction would continue to grow and provide more opportunities to promote better understanding to our orchid enthusiasts to share their knowledge and experience.



The Chairman of the Organisation Committee for the exhibition inspected all the orchid around.



The second prize of the Orchid Group Display was won by Datin Wee Hood Teck.



At the Orchid Show, the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan stressed a point with Dato Abang Othman bin Abang Haji Moasili while Dato Wee Hood Teck looked on.



Chairman of Competition and Dramatic Sub-Committee Hon'ble Abang Othman bin Abang Haji Moasili making his opening address.

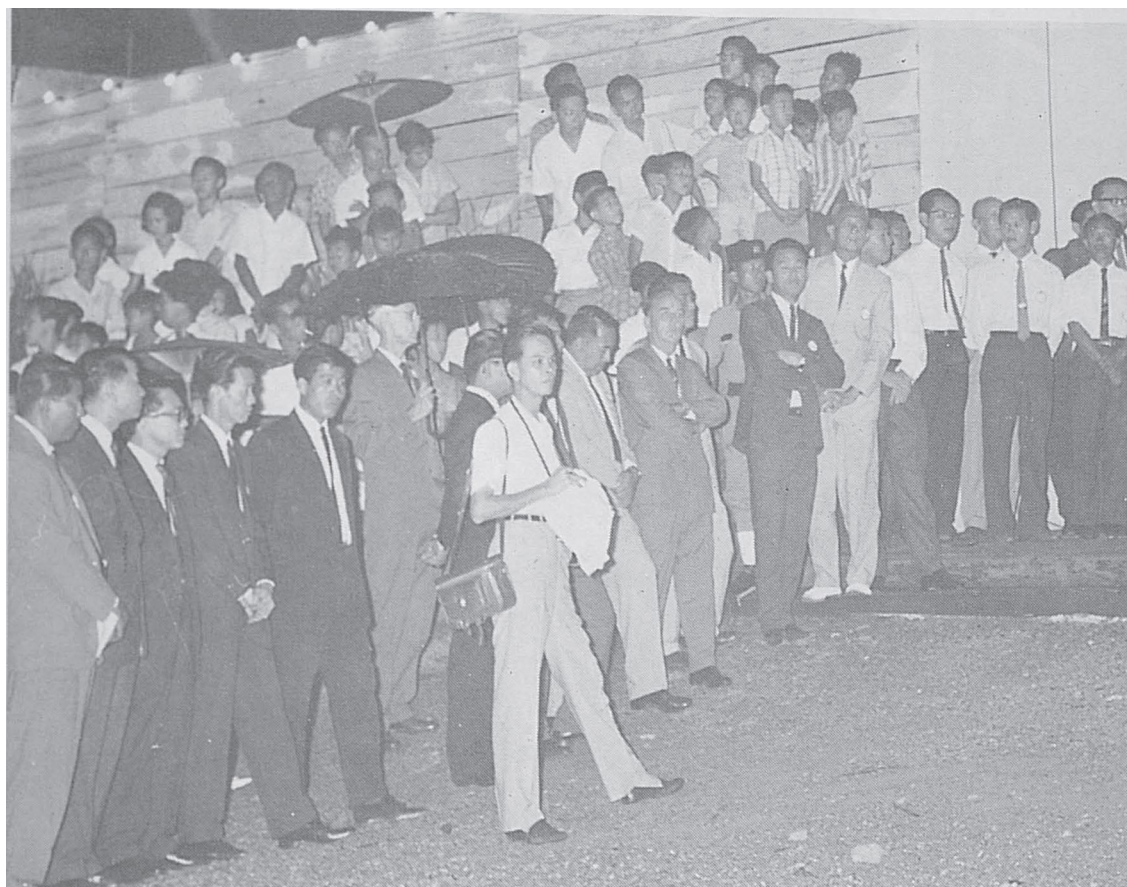
AT THE BERJAYA FAIR GROUND 1950.

The people of Sarawak this week gave unmistakable proof of their loyalty to Malaysia by taking an active in the Berjaya Week Celebration.

People of all races, young and old, from all walks of life, gathered in thousand at the mass rallies which heralded the National Solidarity Week, and publicly renewed their pledge of loyalty.



His Excellency the Governor, Tun Datu Abang Haji Openg declared the Berjaya Fair Open.



A section of the crowd and a few of the Chairmen of the sub-committees. L/R Mr. Vincent Chong (Finance and Estimates) Mr. Chong Shak Luke (Refreshment) at the Opening Ceremony of the Berjaya Fair.



Chairman of Competition and Dramatic Sub-Committee Hon'ble Abang Othman bin Abang Haji Moasili making his opening address.





Picture shows in the V.I.P Berjaya Fair Bar, the distinguished guests were Tun Abang Haji Openg, Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah, Dato Jugah, Dato (Dr.) and Datin Sockalingam, Datu and Datin Pike, Mr. Jayasuria as entertained by the Chairman of the Solidarity Week Celebration Committee Mr. James Wong and the Chairman of the Competition and Dramatic Sub-Committee Hon'ble Abang Othman.



Accompanied by the Hon'ble Datu Abang Haji Moasili, the chairman of the Competitions and Dramatic Sub-Committee and the Deputy Mr. Y.Y. Lee both the governor Tun Abang Haji Openg and Dato Jugah tried on the last game at one of the game stalls.



CHIEF MINISTER DECLARES BERJAYA WEEK CLOSED

The Chief Minister, declaring the Berjaya Week close said:

Tonight brings us to the end of our National Solidarity Week on 1965. It has been celebrated all over Malaysia by people of every community and every walk of life with enthusiasm and sincerity.

It has played its full part in cementing our Malaysian identity. It has helped to strengthen our unity of purpose and the love for our country which is the bedrock of our existence in the world today.

When we look around at the other countries of Asia we can see that even though we have our difficulties, Malaysia is a shining example of stability, prosperity and peaceful progress. The hostility of our enemies - the vicious treachery of communists and communists sympathisers in our midst and the wanton aggression of our neighbour Indonesia - has failed to stop us going forward.

Our people have plenty to eat, plenty of clothing, schools for their children and clinics and hospitals for their sick. We do not have everything we would like because progressive people like ours always want to go on improving their standards. We are not complacent but we should recognise that we have a tremendous amount to be thankful for.

We must see that this happy state of ours is maintained and we can do this best by other's view points and strengthening the whole fabric of our country's unity. For this the strength which enables our Security Forces and our loyal Allies to deal with armed subversion and aggression against us. We must never, never cease from building up these feelings of unity because they are the source of our national strength.

We have come here tonight to close the Berjaya Week Celebrations and to express our appreciation for all the work that has been undertaken by thousands of voluntary workers in Sarawak to make the week of success. I thank them all from the bottom of my heart. I say to them: 'you have done a wonderful job'.

But do not let us think of it as being a job that is ended, for we shall have many more National Solidarity Weeks and it must be our aim always to do better. I know that it involves a lot of hard work for many people but it is well worth all the troubles and effort for we have the satisfaction of knowing that we have done a good job for our country and for the future of ourselves and of our children.

I also want particularly to thank all those who have contributed so generously both large and small towards our National Defence Fund, not only during the past week during the past year and towns who, although they are not rich, have given all they can.

We have had most generous donations throughout the year from villagers and other citizens of modest means. We know that these donations mean a very real sacrifice for them but the spirit which these contributions have shown makes their gifts valuable beyond all sense of money. This is the spirit of Malaysia which can and will make our nation a great one. I appeal to all our people who have not examples of so many of our less fortunate fellow citizens.

Mr. Chairman, I thank all the people of Sarawak who have helped to make this week a success and who will I know, make our celebrations in future years even more successful.

Hidup Malaysia Berjaya Malaysia.



All shouted Hidup Malaysia, Berjaya Malaysia. Picture shows from L/R Inche Khushairy Mohammed (Publicity); Mr. O.F. Wright (Dramatics); Mr. Foo Siang Nghee (Competition); Dato Abang Othman (Competitions and Dramatics); all of the working sub-committee Chairman; Mrs. Stephen Kalong Ningkan; the Chief Minister, Chairman of the Berjaya Week Celebration; Haji Mohd Su'ut Haji Tahir, Chairman of the Publicity and Exhibitions Sub-Committee; Inche K.S. Majeed, Vice-Chairman of the National Defence Fund Raising Committee; and Senator Andrew Jika Landau, Chairman Rallies and Processions sub-committee at the stage.



From L/R Dato Abang Othman (Competition and Dramatics) Chairman of the working sub-committee, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, Chairman of the Berjaya Week Celebration; Dato Wee Hood Teck, Treasurer of the National Defence Fund, sitting next Datin Wee.



Comical show the Singapore 'Wang Sal' performed che a go go.



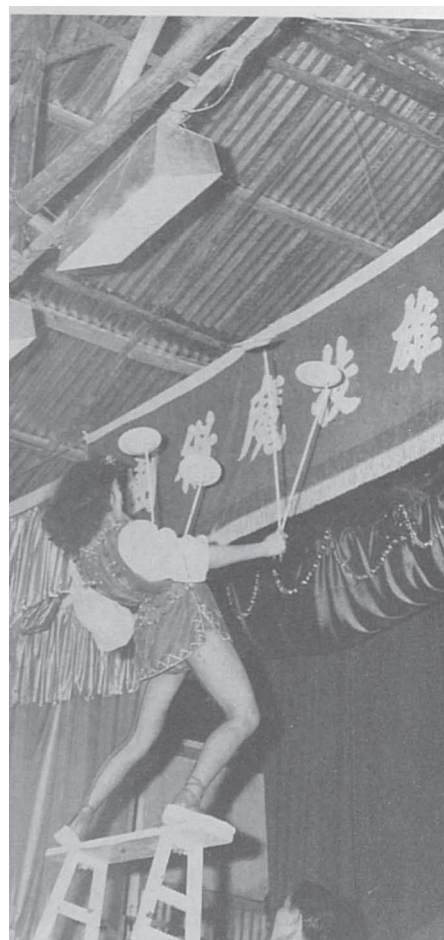
Long line of V.I.P. enjoy the stage show.



Different scenes of the Asia Poa Hung Drama show.



The acrobatic show in progress.



BERJAYA

'Make The Week A Resounding Success/ Urges C.M.

Berjaya Week this year must be a week for re-dedication and for the consolidation of what we have already achieved in Nation-building during the past two years

This was stated during October 1965 by the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, in a broadcast talks over Radio Malaysia, Sarawak.

As Chairman of Sarawak Berjaya Week Celebrations Committee, Dato Ningkan urged the people to make the celebrations "another resounding success".

Reminding his listeners that last year Sarawak's participation was generally reckoned the best of any State in Malaysia, Dato Ningkan said, "I hope that this year we shall do still better."

The following is the full text of the Chief Minister's speech:

As you have probably seen in the newspapers and heard over the radio we shall again be celebrating Berjaya Week this year, from the 1st to 7th November.

It must be our aim to make these celebrations another resounding success. Last year, Sarawak's participation was generally reckoned the best of any State in Malaysia. I hope that this year are two-fold. We want to demonstrate the unity and solidarity of the people from all walks of life. And we want to express the people's determination to consolidate Malaysia.

Malaysia Much Too Important

Of course, we have had our ups and downs during the past year. Murderous act of Indonesian and communist aggression against our country have continued, leading to the loss of many innocent lives. And it has been very sad that only recently the State of Singapore should have withdrawn from the Federation.

I do not propose to go into that now except to say that we hope that the estrangement will be only a temporary one. We all of us want Singapore back as part of the Malaysian family.

But Malaysia is much too important for us to be deterred or worried by temporary setbacks of any kind. The aims and reasons which brought about the establishment of Malaysia remain as true today as they did before our new Federation was born. We must expect temporary difficulties.

The sea is never smooth for long. But if we are true men, we easily see to it that these difficulties are overcome. We have to ride out storms and then sail steadily onwards.

The people of Sarawak are not cowards. We are not going to wring our hands and say that it is all too difficult. Difficulties and problems such as the hostility of our neighbours or the session of Singapore are there to be looked at squarely in the face and to be overcome by the united efforts of our people.

And let us remember our successes as well as our difficulties. We have had plenty, right here in Sarawak, harmony between our races; full rice bowls for all; steady progress in every field of development, thanks to the generous help of our fellow citizens in other States of Malaysia.

We have more roads and schools than ever before. Next year, primary schools fees will be abolished. We are opening new clinics. Soon we shall have the finest hospital in Borneo. All these benefits and many more besides are coming to us as never before now that we have achieved our independence.

But we must never take things for granted and Berjaya Week this year must be a week for re-dedication and for the consolidation of what we have already achieved in Nation-building during the past two years.

Preliminary meetings have been held by our State Berjaya Week Committee, and plans are being prepared for the celebrations to be held all over Sarawak. I am sorry that notice is a little short but, in fact, it is long enough if we all make up our minds to pull together and to make it a success.

I ask all the people of this, our multi-racial Sarawak, to give all the support they can to the celebrations. I ask them to take part in the activities arranged, to come to the rallies and meetings, and

to work together with their fellow citizens.

This is a national and not a political occasion. There is just as much room for people who play no part in the politics and for members of the loyal Opposition as there is for supporters of the Alliance Government.

We welcome help from every loyal citizen. Let us work together and celebrate our national unity which overrides such narrow considerations as race and party, and let us do this with happiness and the determination to make our unity ever stronger.

Detailed Arrangements

Detailed arrangements will be prepared in the Divisions and Districts. I know I can count on you all to help the many organisers who will work so hard to make the celebrations a success. But let us not for one moment forget the purpose of Berjaya Week.

We are a young nation, little more than two years old. During this time, under the wise leadership of the Tunku and with help of loyal allies, we have made much progress and we have overcome many difficulties.

We have enemies who thought that we would fall apart long ago, but our success has shown the world that Malaysia is here to stay, and here to stay because that is the will and the firm decision of our people.

BORDER PEOPLES REAFFIRM LOYALTY

THE people of Lubok Antu District, Second Division, have pledged their full support to the Alliance Government in its effort to defend the country and to raise living standards by the implementation of the Development Plan.

The pledge was given to the Minister for Local Government, Dato Dunstan Endawie, when he toured the Lubok Antu District for three days during the Berjaya Week.

The Minister visited several border kampongs and was warmly welcomed by the people in every kampung.

At Lubok Antu, the Minister attended the opening ceremony of a new branch of the Sarawak National Party, which is affiliated to the Sarawak Alliance.

Many community leaders were present at the ceremony, and the Minister took the opportunity to advise them to urge the people to always remember their Berjaya Pledge.

He reminded the people that Sarawak, their motherland, was now being threatened by enemies who were trying to crush Malaysia and therefore it was their duty to sacrifice their lives in protecting its sovereignty and integrity.

Dato Endawie warned everyone to be on guard against infiltrators and subversive elements and thus help the Security Forces in defending their border from Indonesian aggression.

He also appealed to everyone to extend their fullest co-operation to the Government and to be united among themselves and respect each other's customs and cultures as well as political affiliations so that Sarawak could become a peaceful place to live in.

The longhouse visited by the Minister included Rumah Penghulu Ngali at Nanga Delok, Rumah Miggang at Ng. Mepi and Rumah Penghulu Manan at Ng. Skarok.

At all these places, the Minister reiterated what he had said earlier and stressed the importance of preserving inter-racial harmony.

He warned the people to beware of false propaganda now being spread by the communists with the object of disrupting racial unity.

The Minister said he was greatly impressed by the high morale of the people in the border areas and congratulated them for their loyalty and determination in facing the brunt of Indonesian aggression.

He also appealed to the people to forget old tribal feuds and to join the march of progress in the development of their own lands and properties.

COLOURFUL EVENTS MARKS SIMANGGANG BERJAYA CELEBRATIONS

SIMANGGANG National Solidarity Week celebrations consisted of various colourful and entertaining events which were enjoyed by young and old.

They included concerts, side-shows, day-light film shows, exhibitions, sports events, and photographic exhibition.

The highlight of the celebrations on the fifth day was the Long Hair Competition' for kampong women.

Thirteen women participated in this interesting contest and a panel of four judges measured their hair as they paraded with the hair down.

The winners were: 1. DayangltibintiPengiranKassim; 2. YotbinteNarawai;and 3. Siahbinte Ling.

The Secretary of Drama Contest Sub-Committee, Enche Su'ut Suhaili, on behalf of the Chairman thanked the Judges particularly Penghulu Tawi Sli who presented the prizes to the winners of the Competition.

Enche Su'ud Suhaili hoped that in the near future the Long Hair Competition would be one of the highlights of Berjaya Celebrations.

SERIAN BERJAYA WEEK CELEBRATIONS

THE National Solidarity Week Celebrations in Serian, First Division, were highlighted by nightly concerts comprising comical sketches and short plays by school children, supported by the Women's Institute Choir.

In addition to these there were film shows by the Malaysian Information Service film unit; an Agricultural show; Art exhibition; Armed Forces exhibition; Big Walk; Football Knock out Competition; Table Tennis Competition; Secondary and primary School Art Competition; and Native dances and Singing Competitions.

The Berjaya ground in front of the R and D.O. Office was daily packed to capacity by people of all races who came to witness the celebrations.

Many of those came from distant ulu kampongs to participate in the celebrations.

The District Officer, Mr. Goh Hak Seng, said this year's celebrations were more successful than those of the previous year. The reason, he said, was that the people of a 11 races were becoming more conscious of the purpose and object of the Week.

The Fund Raising Committee of the Week has also announced that they had collected more money from the general public. Many kampongs in the district have promised to contribute more, and the contributions are expected soon.

SARAWAK CLUB GOLFERS DONATE TO N.D.F.

A CHEQUE for \$260 has been presented to the National Defence Fund by the organisers of the Berjaya Golf Competition which was held on November 6 at the Sarawak Club Golf Course.

The cheque was handed to the Hon. Treasurer, NDF, Dato Wee Hood Teck, in the Dato's Office by Mr. Dennis Sykes.

BERJAYA PHOTO EXHIBITION AT SARIKEI

THE District Officer, Sarikei, Inche Bujang Mohd. Nor, told the people of Sarikei, Third Division, this week that Sarawak had achieved tremendous progress since the formation of Malaysia.

Inviting them to see for themselves the photographs at the Malaysia Information Service exhibition at the District Office which he was declaring open, the District Officer said they were evidence of what Government had done.

Saying that there were still people who doubt the sincerity of the Government to raise the living standard of the people, Inche Bujang said: "I invite them to see for themselves the photographs here and at the Development Operations room recently completed. Photographs do not lie."

The Assistant Information Officer, Sibul, Mr. Chih Chia Kwei, inviting the D.O. to declare open the exhibition, also spoke of the progress our country had achieved since it attained independence through Malaysia.

BELAGA BORDER SCOUTS DONATE TO RELIEF FUND

A GROUP of Belaga Scouts stationed at Belaga, led by Sgt. Pelukau anak Penghulu Kenpang recently donated a sum of \$102 to the Belaga District Relief Committee.

The money was handed to SAO Belaga, Mr. Musa Cirie, for the relief of fire victims of Rumah Taboh Pulau Raya which was recently destroyed by fire.

Receiving the money the SAO said that the people would not be able to thank them enough because they had not only dedicated their lives for the defence of the country but also given relief to distressed people.

SIBU RECORDS GREATER 1965 SUCCESS

THIS year's National Solidarity Week in Sibü, Third Divisions was a greater success, the President of the Third Divisional National Solidarity Week Committee, Sibü, Mr. Kong Sune Seng said last week.

He said this was so because more and more people were realising the value of unity.

Speaking at a prize giving ceremony held at the Foochow Association, Mr. Kong said he was confident that Malaysia would achieve greater prosperity in future.

Welcoming about 200 guests including Members of Parliament; the Resident, Mr. A.R. Meikle; the District Officer, Mr. Peter Hwang; Senator Dato Tuanku Bujang and military personnel, Mr. Kong thanked them all for their "sincerity, unity and co-operation" in making the week-long celebrations a success.

"Malaysia would strive on and on", he declared, "the reason being the sincerity of you all to unite and work together not only for your own benefit but for the benefit of everyone and the Nation as a whole.

"You have proved this well for the past one week. Indeed it was the sole purpose of holding the celebration - to foster closer understanding and thus create a feeling of oneness in you", Mr. Kong added.

Mr. Kong said that as far as our economic and social security were concerned, this was the policy we should adopt no matter what the colour of our skin and what race or creed we belonged to.

Finally, Mr. Kong appealed to everyone to always remember and preserve in their minds the pledge they had made during the Rally last Monday.

DIVISIONAL BERJAYA CELEBRATIONS END

Prize Giving Ceremony at Kapit

THE National Solidarity Week Celebrations in Kapit ended its week-long programme with a prize-giving ceremony held on the District Office Padang on Sunday.

Prizes to winners in the various Berjaya competitions were given away by Datin Tion Jugah, the wife of the Federal Minister for Sarawak Affairs.

Thanking the participants for their sincere support and assistance in making the Berjaya Week a success, the District Officer, Kapit, Mr. Percy Majeng, in his speech praised the people of Kapit for their fine example of unity and racial harmony.

Reiterating the purpose of Berjaya Week, he advised the people to continue to live peacefully and harmoniously among themselves and at the same time give their full support to Government to enable smooth development to be carried out speedily.

At Matu/Daro

At Matu and Daro, the coastal sub-districts, the Berjaya celebrations ended with the holding of rallies at both places.

At Matu, the ceremony was attended by more than 1,000 people including the Minister of State, Awang Hipni Pengiran Annu, who arrived there on Saturday, November 6, for a week's visit.

In his address at the Rally, the Minister explained the aims of holding Berjaya Celebrations and thanked the people for their full support.

Awang Hipni urged everyone to remain united and live peacefully among themselves and also to stand solidly behind the Government.

Others who spoke included the Chairman of the Matu NSW Committee, Mr. Sim Choo Gim, who reiterated the Minister's advice.

At Daro, about 500 people attended the Rally held on the Government Padang.

The speakers included the Chairman of Daro NSW Committee, Mr. Tan Ngee Song; Haji Pio and Haji Mokhtar and Council's schools' teachers, who all stressed the importance of the Berjaya Week and appealed to the people to remain firmly united.

At Kanowit

More than 1,000 people attended the closing and prize giving ceremony at Kanowit on Monday.

Prizes to winners of the various competitions were given away by councillors and Council Negri Member, Hon'ble Mr. Francis Bujang.

Baby Show - 1. Fabian Uzaraga; 2. Susan Hii; 3. Chai Mee Tin

Art, Junior - 1. Theresa Hii; 2. Tee Sing; 3. Vincent Lee. Senior 1. Inche Samsudin; 2. Inche Rambli; and 3. Mr. Patrick

Badminton - Kanowit Recreation Club.

Volleyball - Kanowit Bazaar Team.

Mr. Francis Bujang, who declared the Berjaya Week closed, thanked all participants for their active support in making the celebrations a success.

At Mukah

The Berjaya Week Celebration have clearly indicated that all races of people in Mukah District, Third Division, were loyal to Sarawak and Malaysia and were solidly standing behind the Government against any external and internal threats to defend our independence and integrity.

This was stated by the Chairman of Mukah District Council, Mr. Sim Boon Liang MP, in an address to the Council last week.

Mr. Sim said: "Our Council is fortunate to hold its meeting during this 'Berjaya Week' too. This also shows that all brother Councillors are not only behind the Government, but are also working hard together to make the Berjaya Week a success."

Mr. Sim then informed the Council that he would be proceeding to Kuala Lumpur on November 5 to attend the Parliamentary Budget Meeting which will be held from November 10 to December 22.

At Saratok

Berjaya Week at Saratok, Second Division, came to a close with a mammoth Lantern Procession by thousands of school children.

Though the season kept many farmers busy at their padi farms, the younger people found time to attend concerts and participate in other celebrations, including the Berjaya Fair.

The last two evenings were marked by a successful concert in the Rajah Brooke Recreation Hall where a Troupe of artists from Kabong staged shows before packed audiences.

At Bau

Hundreds of people in Bau District, on Sunday witnessed the presentation of prizes and certificates to winners of various Berjaya competitions at the Bau Padang, at 4 p.m.

Mr. Ong duan Cheng, Chairman of the District Celebrations Committee, in his speech said that the number of people who took part in the celebrations was greater than last year's. This, he said, was a clear sign of unity among the races, and he hoped that the spirit of unity would remain as strong in the years to come. He also thanked those who had worked so hard to make the Week such a great success.

The District Officer, Haji Yusuf Arbi, thanked the Chairman and his Committee for their fine work and praised the people of all races in the District for their efforts in bringing about national solidarity. He also thanked the Security Forces for taking part in several competitions and for helping "to make the National Solidarity Week Celebrations lively".

Others who spoke at the ceremony included Temenggong Salau. He hoped that everyone would again contribute the utmost in order to make the next Berjaya Week yet another success. Prizes including certificates were given away by Mrs. Ong Guan Cheng.

2,000 At Bau Beauty Contest

Despite inclement weather last Saturday, about 2,000 people from the suburbs of Bau District attended the Bau Berjaya Beauty Contest on the Bau Padang.

There were eight contestants from various Land Dayak kampongs in Bau District, and 18-year-old Miss Senah, from Kampong Skio, was chosen 'Miss Berjaya 1965'. Second was Miss Nyoeb from Kampong Krokong, followed by Miss Niah who was placed third, also from Kampong Skio.

The trophies were presented by Mrs. Ong Guan Cheng, wife of the Chairman of the Bau District Solidarity Week Celebrations Committee.

BEAUTY CONTEST AT MUKAH

A BEAUTY contest and land sports, including football, were held just before the presentation of Berjaya Certificates by the District Officer, Mukah, Abang Abdul Rahim.

Declaring the National Solidarity Week closed, the District Officer thanked the organising bodies as well as the participants of the various events for their support and co-operation in making the National Solidarity Week a success.

Following are the full results:-

Beauty Contest	- Che Jaliha binti Ismail
Lawak Jenaka (comedy)	- Inche Mustapha Gin
Flowers	- Mrs. H. Brodie;
Cake	- Mr. Kang Shui Sieng
Football	- Three Rivers School
Basketball	- Three Rivers School
Volleyball	- Methodist Youth
Land Sports	- Kampong Tellian School (overall champion)

At Betong

The Berjaya Exhibition organised by the Malaysian Information Services at Simanggang was declared open in Betong, Second Division, this week by the District Officer, Saribas, Abang Naruddin bin Abang Sharkawi.

Addressing a large gathering Abang Naruddin said that the Exhibition depicted the successes achieved by the Alliance Government.

The Exhibition, he reminded the people, was the first of its kind' in Betong. Therefore, everyone should make it a point to visit and enrich the general knowledge about their own country, said Abang Naruddin.

BERJAYA COMPETITIONS RESULTS

THOUSAND of Malaysia, especially the youths, took part in the various competitions organised to celebrate the National Solidarity Week. Here are the results of some of the competitions held in Sarawak:

KUCHING

Big Walk: Ladies Section - 1. Norfiah binti Edon; 2. Noriah binti Deris; 3. Rajamah binti Hop; 4. Mastiah binti Arriffin; 5. Miss Elizabeth Lau.

Veteran's Section - 1. Abang bin Takip; 2. Uteh bin Eteng; 3. Haji Hassan Manan; 4. Abang Yussuf; 5. Anthony Read.

Senior Section - 1. AlwiRamli; 2. Abdul Wahap bin Abdul Wahup; 3. Abdullah bin Zain; 4. Hj. Paee bin Haj. Kipli; 5. Borol bin Bujang.

Junior Section - 1. P.W. 232 Salleh; 2. Kipli Ali; 3. Bujang bin Sidi; 4. Sharkawi bin Raffle; 5. Ziz Zymoisky.

BADMINTON

Men's Singles - Lim Khiok Seng - Champion; Abang Shukori Abang Hj. Gobil - Runner-Up

FISHING

Fish Section - 1. Inche Sulaiman bin Bujang; 2. Inche Edi bin Enchik; 3. Inche Kassan bin Serpan.

Prawn Section - 1. IncheS.L. Siritod; 2. Mr Low Teck Kui and Mr Tan Boon Giok; 3. Inche Drahman bin Dari.

All participants are requested to collect their certificates from Inche Shafiee bin Bujang, Kuching Fire Station.

TENNIS

Men's Section - Joseph Lee and Chan Kiok Hian b. John Chow and Augustine P. Song 8-6, 7-5.

Women's Section - Mrs R.B. Read Y Mrs M. Jones b Mrs J.M.C. Rawlins & MrsE.M.Lim6-3; 2-6; 6-2.

MOTOR RALLY

MotorCars - Haji Hassan bin Manan; Motor Cycles - Dominic Cotter; Scooters - Sajilee Haji Jaya.

TRACK BICYCLE RACE

800 Metres: 1. Ngun Lee Choon; 2. Mohamed bin Bilek; 3. Abdul Rani bin Sekot.

1500 Metres: 1. Wakimin bin Mukmin; 2. Kho Chuan Lim; 3. Lim Boon Chai.

5000 Metres: 1. Lee Shui Khoon; 2. Ngun Lee Choon; 3. Ali Umar bin Masli.

ORCHID

The Dato Wee Khen Chiang Cup for the Berjaya Orchid Competition was won by Mrs Chan Yan Teng for her Orchid Group Display which included ferns and foliage plants.

The second prize was won by Datin Wee Hood Teck and the third prize resulted in a tie between Mr Ramsay Ong and Mr Tan Teck Soon.

GOLF

Men's Section - Dr Daniel Kok

Women's Section - J. Stephens

SIBU

Road Relay Race, Distance 2.7 miles - Organised by Sibu Division Amateur Athletic Association - 1. Sibu Boys's Club "A" Team - Time 11 mins 42.5 secs; 2. Catholic High School "A" Team; 3. Sibu Boys' Club "B" Team.

Rugby - Organised by the Sibu Rugby Association - Winners - Mid - West Brigade "A" Team. Runner-up - Sacred Heart School.

Basketball - Organised by the Sibu Basketball Association. Winners - Catholic High School. Runner-up - Sibu Boys' Club. Sacred Heart School; Chew Geok Lin Private Secondary School.

Hockey 6-a-side - Organised by the Sibu Hockey Association - Winner - Sacred Heart "A" Team. Runners-up Sarawak Constabulary "A" Team.

Boxing - Organised by the Sarawak Amateur Boxing Association - **Flyweight Champion:** Wan Mohamad; **Runner-up:** Bujang Jamal. **Bantamweight Champion:** Wan Ramlee; Runner-up: Ah Sahdan. **Featherweight Champion:** Udin Yusup; Runner-up Mohamad Deli. **Lightweight Champion:** Gabriel Lee; Runner-up: Bujang Sham. **Middleweight Champion:** W. Evans; Runner-up: J. Stroud. **Lighthweight weight Champion:** Jim Weekes; Runner-up Laidlaw.

Big Walk - 41/2 miles - Organised by Third Divisional Youth Council - Senior Section: 1. Ohtman Nor - time 47 mins. 2. Ting Tieng Kong. 3. Kamil Abdul Rahman. **Junior Section** - Chee. **Girls Section:** Annie Chang - time 1 hour 3 mins. 2. Ling Ching Choo. 3. Mary Bujang.

Ngajat - Sagong (T.R.); 2. Indai Pua; 3. Joshua Mangka.

Fashion Contest - 1. Helen SebU; 2. Elizabeth Alii; 3. Nona Asma.

KANOWIT

National Dress Competitions - Malay Section: 1. Dyg. Rohannah; 2. Che Hadmah;
3. Che Rofina.

Iban Section - 1. Grada anak Untak; 2. Winnie ak. Husin; 3. Clothilda ak. Duit.

Ngajat - 1. James Tabang ak. Tuton; 2. T.R. Dusin; 3. Inche Bujang.

Big Walk - Mr C. Buan; 2. Mr Temenggong; 3. Mr Thomas Jitai.

Art Junior - 1. Theresa Hii; 2. Tee Sing; 3. Vincent Lee

Senior - 1. Inche Samsuddin; 2. Inche Rambli; 3. Mr Patrick.

Badminton - Kanowit Recreation Club.

Volleyball - Kanowit Bazaar Team.

Mr Francis Bujang, who declared the Berjaya Week close, thanked all participants for their active support in making the celebrations a success.

KAPIT: Mr Golden Voice: Edwin Ibes.

MIRI

Big Walk - Ladies - Zelaha Joll; Boys Junior - Apeng; Men Senior Samat Alie.

Cross Counry Race - Men Senior - Salleh Samat; Boys Junir - Nawawi Haji Sabil;

Women's (fice mile) - Dancy binte Haji Uni.

MIS BERJAYA EXHIBITION MOVES ON TO LAWAS

THE Malaysian Information Services photographic exhibition which was showing in Limbang, Fifth Division, during the Berjaya Week, moved to Lawas on November 13.

The exhibition was declared open at Lawas by teh District Officer, and will remain there till the 15. The opening ceremony wllbe attended by heads of departments, councillors, headmasters of schools and local dignitaries.

Malaysia's New King Takes Oath Of Office

THE NEW KING OF MALAYSIA, SULTAN ISMAIL NASIRUDDIN SHAH IBNI ALMARHUM SULTAN ZAINAL ABIDIN, ON TUESDAY TOOK HIS OATH OF OFFICE IN THE THRONE ROOM OF THE ISTANA NEGARA IN KUALA LUMPUR.

Attending the ceremony from Sarawak was the Governor, Tun Abang Haji Openg and his wife, Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah; the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan, and the Federal Minister for Sarawak Affairs, Dato Temenggong Jugah anak Barieng.

The ceremony was also witnessed by the new King's brother Rulers, the Governors of Malacca and Penang, the Yang di-Pertua Negara Sabah, the Prime Minister, Cabinet Ministers, Mentri Besars and Chief Ministers of all States.

The Timbalan Yang di-Pertuan Agong, the Sultan of Kedah, also took his Oath of Office.



The new King reading the Oath of Office; on his right is the Sultan of Kelantan.

Tunku Reads The Proclamations

As His Majesty and the Timbalan Yang di-Pertuan Agong signed their oaths, the Prime Minister read the Proclamations announcing the assumption of office of both the Yang di-Pertuan Agong and his Deputy.



The Raja of Perlis and Raja Perempuan (until recently Yang di-Pertuan Agong and Raja Permaisuri Agong) leaving for Perlis their Home State.

The pledge taken by the new King, who is 58 years old, is as follows:

"We, Ismail Nasiruddin Shah ibni Almarhum Sultan Zainal Abidin, Yang di-Pertuan Agong of Malaysia, do hereby swear: Wallahi; Wabillahi; Watallahil and by virtue of that oath do solemnly and truly declare that we shall justly and faithfully perform our duties in the administration of Malaysia in accordance with its laws and constitution..."

The King then signed four copies of the Proclamation. This was followed by the Mangadap (homage and allegiance) ceremony. First to pay homage was the Tunku.

While the swearing-in was in progress, congratulatory messages from friendly countries began to pour in.

Among the earliest messages received was that from the President of India, Dr S. Radhakrishnan, who said:

"On the happy occasion of Your Majesty's assumption of the high office of the Yang di-Pertuan Agong of Malaysia, I have great pleasure in conveying to you, and to the Government and people of Malaysia my sincere felicitation and the good wishes of the Government and the people of India.

"While expressing my best wishes for Your Majesty's success in the discharge of the heavy responsibilities that you are called upon to shoulder, I feel confident that the bonds of friendship so happily existing between our two countries will continue to grow stronger."

The King's first public function was at Istana Negara where he and the Raja Permaisuri Agong entertained 140 VIP guests to a royal banquet.

On Wednesday, heads of diplomatic missions paid their respects to the King at the Istana. The date for the installation of the new Yang di-Pertuan Agong and the Raja Permaisuri Agong has not yet been fixed.

Hobbies Include Photography

The new King was born at Kuala Trengganu where he received his early education. He later attended the Malay College, Kuala Kangsar.

He became the Sultan of Trengganu on December 16, 1945, and was installed on June 6, 1949, at the Istana Maziah in Kuala Trengganu.

He was elected the Timbalan Yang di-Pertuan Agong on September 21, 1960, and assumed the duties of Head of State when the last King went on State visits to India and Pakistan (December 1961 - January 1962) and to Middle East countries and pilgrimage to Mecca (April - May this year). The King's hobbies include photography, fishing and golf.

The new Queen is Tengku Intan Zahara binte Tengku Seri Setia Raja, Tengku Ampuan Besar of Trengganu. She is a sports enthusiast and is fond of badminton. Like the King, she is also keen on fishing. They have four sons and six daughters.

GOVERNOR'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS:

H.E. Pledges Peoples' Undivided Loyalty To King And Nation

THE GOVERNOR OF SARAWAK, TUN ABANG HAJIOPENG, THIS WEEK PLEDGED THE UNDIVIDED LOYALTY OF THE PEOPLE OF SARAWAK TO OUR NEW KING AND NATION ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 60TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS.

The Governor appealed to the peoples of Sarawak to be united and strong at heart in defending our rights. They can do so by giving co-operation and support to both the State and Central Governments in their efforts to defend and improve our country.

The Governor was replying to the loyal address by the Chief Minister at the Birthday parade held on Monday, October 4, on Kuching's Central Padang.

Among those attending the Parade was the Deputy Prime Minister, Tun Abdul Razak, who was on a visit to Sarawak.

The Governor stressed that every Malaysian had his or her role to play in maintaining the independence of our Nation. He said: "We must make sure that our enemies, be they Indonesians or communists, will never succeed to dominate even an inch of our land."

He added: "Sarawak, as it is, is at the enemy's doorstep and subjected to infiltrations. These infiltrations and other disturbances caused by the enemy could have brought about a setback in our economic and social development but what I have observed during my frequent tours in the country, the contrary is true.



'Made Rapid Progress'

Earlier, the Governor said he was deeply touched by the words expressed by the Chief Minister, and was pleased to hear the brief outline he had given concerning the development in our State and the courage of our people in facing the enemies' aggression.

"We in Sarawak, under the wise leadership of the Alliance Government, have made rapid progress in almost every field of development. This fact is another proof to show that the Government is very much concerned with the improvement of the country.

"The Alliance Government, under the able and energetic leadership of the Chief Minister and his Ministers has been responsible for the big stride that we have made during the past two years."

The Governor said he was pleased to note "that the benefits derived from our ambitious Development Plan are shared by the people in the country. The various improvements that we have achieved could not have been achieved so rapidly if the Government machinery had not been working efficiently."

He then praised the civil servants "for their devotion to duty and dedicated service", and said: "Their unstinted loyalty and co-operation with the Government have, in no small measure been responsible for the smooth and efficient running of the Government.

"With this trend this in our Government service, I am sure that our progress will move steadily in future. The good relation between the State and Central Governments in implementing the various projects of development has also contributed to the tremendous improvements in our State."

The Governor went on to say that the good relationship was very much appreciated by the people, and hoped that this goodwill would always be maintained.

He continued: "On behalf of the people of Sarawak I take this opportunity to pledge our undivided loyalty to our new King and to our Nation.

"I appeal to all the people of Sarawak to be united and strong in heart in defending our rights and freedom. They can do so by giving co-operation and support to both the State and Central Governments in their efforts to defend and improve our country.

"We must make sure that our enemies, be they Indonesians or communists, will never succeed to dominate even an inch of our land.

"Everyone of us has his or her role to play in maintaining our independence and improvement of our Nation."

Finally, the Governor thanked everyone who has given the time and energy in one way or another in making his official birthday celebrations a success.

'An Example of Devotion And Service'

The Chief Minister in his loyal address expressed the congratulations of the people of Sarawak to the Governor his attaining the 60th birthday anniversary, which he said, was "a landmark in any man's life."

The Chief Minister added: "We all feel particularly happy today because Your Excellency has recently been appointed to be our Governor for another four years. These things, together with the presence of our distinguished visitors, make this occasion one which we shall long remember.

"Your Excellency has been, to us all, an example of devotion and service. No corner of this large State has been too remote for you to visit; no person too humble to receive courtesy from you; no person too great to be received with dignity and assurance.

"There have been troubles and difficulties during the past year, but we have come through them. Malaysia is not something which is going to disappear at the first sign of trouble. It is more robust and stronger than that. Indeed, the past year gives us good reason for confidence in the future."

Referring to the past year, the Chief Minister said that the more our enemies attempted to divide us the more united the people had become.

"The past year has also begun to show the real and excellent benefits which Malaysia will bring us through economic and social development," he added.

The Chief Minister continued: "Many things have changed during the last year, but two things at least have not changed. These are the fortitude of the Security Forces in defending Malaysia, and the determination of the people to defeat our enemies from within and without.

"It is hard for me to find words to thank the Security Forces. We must all be deeply grateful to those who have come from outside Malaysia to help defend us. At it is, we can say that we are together fighting for freedom and democracy, and that Sarawakians too have given their lives for this cause.

"Sarawak and Malaysia both have strong traditions of friendliness and goodwill between people of all races. Your Excellency has done much to continue and strengthen this sense of harmony. There is one thing that never succeeds in Sarawak, and that is pretence.

"The people of Sarawak know who is genuine and who is not. The people of Sarawak respect you as their Governor; but also they know you and Toh Puan as the genuine, sincere friends of people of all races."

Finally, the Chief Minister, on behalf of the people of Sarawak, renewed their allegiance to the Governor.

BIRTHDAY MESSAGE OF H.E. THE GOVERNOR

THE following Birthday Message from His Excellency the Governor, was broadcast over Radio Malaysia, Sarawak, at 9 a.m. on Monday, October 4:

I feel overjoyed and happy that I can speak to you tonight especially on this occasion of my official birthday.

Let us first of all thank God Almighty for His guidance and protection in the past years and pray for His blessings upon us and our country, to guide us in the years ahead.

I thank God for giving me strength and courage to carry out my duty to the country as Your Head of State. As you are aware, I am now on a new term of office which will enable me to serve you for another period of four years.

I am most honoured to be appointed to hold this office again and am thankful for the trust and confidence you have placed in me. On my part I will do everything within my power and ability to serve our people and the country.

The past two years have been a pleasant and memorable time for my wife and me because during that period we have been together with you watching anxiously the rapid developments in all fields around the country.

I am confident that the future of Sarawak will be bright judging from the progress that we have made during the past two years.

I take this opportunity to say thank you to all of you for the kind welcome you have given me and my wife during the course of our tour throughout the country.

It has not been possible for me to meet everyone of you, but I can assure you all that each one of you has a place in my heart and my thought is always with you. I am looking forward to meeting as many of you as possible during my next travels.

Two years is a short time, but during that short period, I am happy to note the rapid changes that have taken place in our country and the tremendous improvement that have been achieved since we attained independence.

During my visits, I have been very pleased to note that the people of Sarawak are united, cheerful and determined to maintain their independence and improve their living status.

As I have said, unity is the most important thing to bear in mind and put into deeds; it cannot be allowed to weaken. Therefore my appeal to you is to be united and be as strong as ever. I am also happy to note that our unique tradition of racial harmony has always been maintained everywhere. The diverse races in Sarawak have shown that they can live harmoniously together. Unity and racial harmony have proved to be the most powerful weapon with which to defeat our enemies whenever they tried to work their evil designs in creating chaos to weaken our determination to maintain our freedom. They also act as strong barriers to repulse the Indonesian aggression and destroy the communist organisation.

Aggression Has Failed

Indonesia and the communists should have realised by now that they have failed to make us bow to their unwarranted aggression and desire of domination.

I wish to express my warmest appreciation to the people of Sarawak and praise them for their courage in meeting the brunt of enemy attack, especially to our border people who have shown outstanding courage and bravery and have been very co-operative with the Government and the Security Forces. This shows that the people of Sarawak value their independence and are loyal to the Nation.

On behalf of the people of Sarawak, I would like to thank our Security Forces, be they Malaysian or Commonwealth forces, for defending our country and protecting our freedom. Their presence here has given us extra encouragement and assurance of security. The Security Forces have not only been defending our border, but they have also been very helpful in social work and in giving humanitarian services to the people such as saving life and other urgent needs.

Their presence of Commonwealth forces in Sarawak shows beyond doubt that our friends in the Commonwealth will not leave us alone in resisting aggression. It also shows that the independence of small nations such as ours must be protected and these nations be given the right to work out their own destinies.

I must say also that our Police Force have been very active and zealous in playing their role of maintaining Law and Order in the country. The failure of communist attempts to create disorder and the successful capture of a number of communists are evidence of their vigilance.

Law and Order must be maintained because without them democracy cannot work. We must not make the mistake of thinking that by democracy it is meant that we could do what we like, because if we have such thoughts in our mind democracy would disappear by itself. Democracy does not mean that we are free to shoot or murder anybody or to commit any treacherous act.

I appeal to all of you for the sake of democracy and your future to be disciplined and to observe law and order.

Let us therefore renew our efforts in giving our co-operation to both the Central and the State Governments in their task of making Sarawak a united, prosperous and dynamic State within Malaysia.

I hope and pray to God Almighty that He would guide us in our pursuit for peace and prosperity and bestow upon us His blessings.

C.M. PROPOSES BIRTHDAY TOAST AT RECEPTION

ABOUT 600 invited guests, including the Deputy Premier, Tun Abdul Razak, attended the Birthday Reception at the Astana.

Proposing a toast to His Excellency, the Chief Minister said: "We who live in Sarawak have grown to love our Governor more and more in the past two years. Under the benign guidance of His Excellency we have enjoyed internal peace and harmony and steady progress.

"He has spared no energy in travelling to various parts of the country, visiting the people in longhouses, kampongs, villages and towns. His keen interest in the welfare of the people and the development of the country has been an inspiration to us all.

"The people have responded enthusiastically to his constant call for unity and inter-racial harmony. And, his unfailing faith in Malaysia has contributed very much to the stability and the confident outlook of our society as a whole.

"May we take this opportunity, Your Excellency, to express our warmest congratulations on your appointment as our Governor for a further term of four years. With you as our Governor and under your wise guidance, we are confident that we shall march forward towards greater unity and achievements.

"We are very happy to have among us a very distinguished guest and friend, the Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia, Tun Abdul Razak, who has been visiting the people and Security Forces in the State in the past two days.

"We are grateful to Tim Razak and the Central Government for the assistance they have extended to us for the development of our State and the assurances they have given in the form of even more generous help to accelerate the pace of development in the coming years.

"Despite attempts by our enemies from within and without to harrass us in every imaginable way, the people of Sarawak have stood firmly behind Malaysia, and it is our determination not only to intensify our efforts in developing our country economically but also to continue to play a full role in the defence of our Nation.

"Ladies and Gentlemen, on behalf of all of you and myself I wish His Excellency many happy returns of the day. We wish Your Excellency and family the best of health and every happiness. Let us drink a toast to the health and long life of His Excellency the Governor."

THE BIRTHDAY PARADE

THE Parade was witnessed by more than 10,000 people of all races some of whom had travelled from remote kampongs in the ulu.

Accommodated on the special dais were the Governor and Toh Puan Hajjah Masniah; the Deputy Prime Minister and the Chief Minister and Datin Ningkan.

The units that took part in the Parade included detachments from the Malaysian Rangers; the Public Order Company; the Police Field Force; the Ex-Services Association; the Civil's Defence Corps, the Boys' Brigade; Boys Scouts and Girl Guides; Red Cross and Salvation Army contingents.

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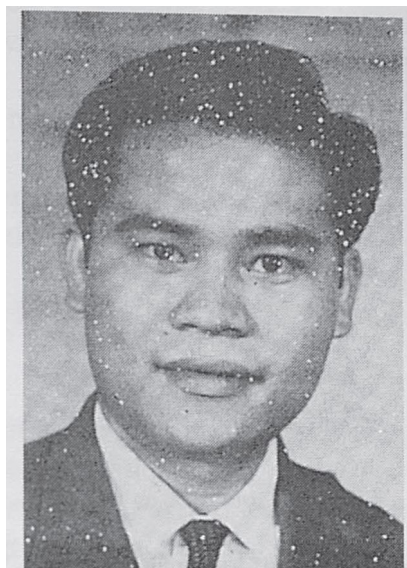
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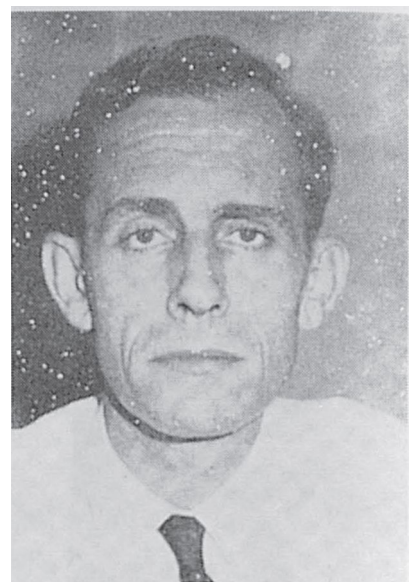
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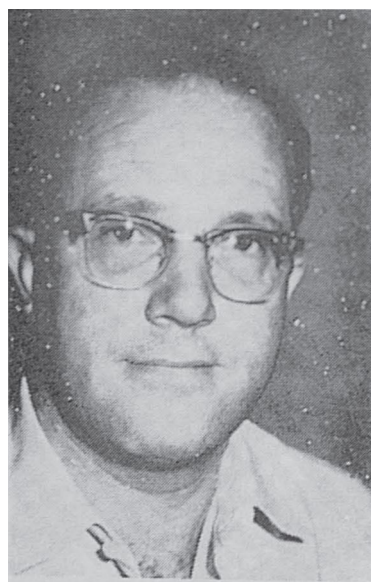
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Five honorary Datos were also created: they are : Mr. G.A.T. Shaw, C.B.E.; Mr. P.E.H. Pike, O.C.; Mr. John Pike; Mr. R.T.M. Henry, J.M.N., Q.P.M., C.P.H., P.J.K.; and Tuan Syed Hashin bin Abdullah, J.M.N., P.I.S.

Honorary Pegawai Bintang Sarawak - Inche Ya'acob bin Hitam, A.M.N., P.I.S.; Inche Abdul Karim bin Ineh, Mrs Hedda Marie Morrison; Mr Desmond Linggard Bruen; Mr Honn Woods; Mr D.C.L. Wilson, P.J.K.; Mr Johan Seal, M.B.E.; Group Captian L.B. Foskett, O.B.E., A.F.C.; Lt. Col. J.B. Clements, M.B.E., M.C.; Lt. Col. G.A.Carter; Lt. Col. Ismail bin Ibrahim.

Ahli Bintang Sarwak - Abang Abdul Karim bin Abang Abdul Hamid; Mr Arthur Patrick Merrells; Border Scout No. 2031 Tama Malai; Chief Inspector Eric Than; Inspector Francis Foo Fook Foong; Inspector Alek bin Sopen; Mr Vincent Tahot anak T.K. Sunggam; Mr Warren Sija Ginyong; Tuan Haji Yusuf bin Haji Arbi; Mr Shim Pan Chi; Mr Muli Sampar; Mr Sin Kheng Swee; Inche Abdul Karim bin Abol; Mr Bennet Empam; Mr Pancras Eddy; Abang Yusuf bin Abang

Puteh; Mr Chew Hock Guan; Mr Foo Seong Nghee; Mr Lau Han Choon, M.R.E.; Mr Edward Kechendai; Mr Michael Hardin; Mr Ignatius Angking; Mr Tan Teng Chiew; Mr William Nais; Inche Dawi bin Abdul Rahman; Inche Isa bin Ali.



Dato R.T.M. Henry



*Dato Syed Hashim
bin Abdullah*

Honorary Ahli Bintang Sarawak - Mr John Noel Bagley; Wing Commander G.C. Atherton, D.F.C.; Major G.D.C.M. Lewis; Squadron Leader P.J. Bulford; Mr Thomas Liao Ping.

TUN RAZAK PRAISES SARAWAK'S PROGRESS...

SARAWAK has made good progress during its two years of independence and the only problems still facing the Government are those connected with security and development.

As regards development, there is still much to be done, particularly in the rural areas.

The Deputy Prime Minister, Tun Abdul Razak bin Hussein, said this in Kuching on Tuesday, October 5 1965 at a news conference at the airport.

He was returning to Kuala Lumpur after a four-day visit to Sarawak's Third, Fourth and Fifth Divisions.

Tun Razak, who was accompanied on his tour by Sarawak's Deputy Chief Minister, Dato James Wong and the Commissioner of Sarawak Constabulary, Dato R.T.M. Henry, visited all the chief towns including Limbang and Lawas (Fifth Division); Lutong, Miri, Marudi and Bintulu (Fourth Division) and Mukah and Sibu (Third Division).

Commenting on his tour, the Tun said that he was happy to have had the opportunity of meeting so many leaders. He added it was clear that they were all standing solidly behind Malaysia and actively supporting the Central and State Governments.

Touching on the security problem, the Tun said that there were still communist sympathisers and saboteurs to be dealt with.

He congratulated the State's leaders on the way in which they had looked after the affairs of the State and hoped that the harmony and goodwill among the people would be strengthened.

New Departments

The Deputy Prime Minister disclosed that two new departments would be formed to strengthen the administration: they would be a separate Drainage and Irrigation Department and Fisheries.

Discussing communication problems in Sarawak, Tun Razak said that the Government was giving priority to the construction of roads.

Finally, commenting on the present Indonesian political situation, Tun Razak said that one would have to wait and see what happened in the next few days or weeks.

He added: "Whatever happens in Indonesia, we will continue with the expansion of our Armed Forces".

The speed of the expansion would depend entirely on the amount of aid Malaysia got from the Commonwealth countries, said Tun Razak.

Tun Razak was seen off at the airport by the Chief Minister, Dato Stephen Kalong Ningkan; the Federal Minister for Sarawak Affairs, Dato Temenggong Jugah, Cabinet Ministers and senior government officials.

....WARNS COMMUNISTS AND SYMPATHISERS

At Marudi on Sunday, October 3, Tun Razak was met by community leaders, Tuai Rumahs, Penghulus and Councillors.

Discussing internal security problems, he declared that it was not fair for some people in Malaysia to support the communists or our enemies, while at the same enjoying the facilities and partaking in the prosperity of the country.

"If they choose to be disloyal to our country, they are welcome to go to any country they like," said the Tun as he urged the people to co-operate with the Government, "so that we could live in peace and harmony".

The Tim also pointed out that Bank Negara and MARA were formed to help the Natives who were still backward. He urged Penghulus and Tuai Rumahs to tell their people about Government's policy and appealed to them to seize the opportunity given by the Government to help develop the country.

Finally, Tim Razak said that he was proud of the high morale of the people here who, he said, were ever ready to defend the Nation.

Earlier, Dato Mohamad Zain Galau, a community leader pledged undivided loyalty to the King and Nation on behalf of the people.

He said that only by joining Malaysia, Sarawak had achieved progress. On arrival at Marudi, Tun Razak was met by the District Officer, Wan Hashim and Penghulu Baya Malang.

The Tun and party then drove to town, and visited Malay kampongs to meet community leaders, Tuai Rumahs and Penghulus at the District Officer's bungalow.

RECEIVES ASSURANCES OF LOYAL SUPPORT AT MUKAH

Tun Razak received assurance of people's support for the Government when he visited Mukah District in the Third Division on Sunday, October 3.

This assurance was given on behalf of the people of all communities by Mr. Sim Boon Liang MP.

Welcoming Tun Razak, Mr. Sim said that the people were all solidly and firmly behind the Government against Indonesian confrontation.

He added that the people were grateful that the Deputy Prime Minister had come to see for himself the problems of the peoples of Sarawak.

In reply, Tun Razak praised the people for their continued support and loyalty and assured them that the Government would bring peace, happiness and prosperity for this people.

The Tun said though Malaysia was only two years old, much progress had been made.

However, development was still at its planning stage, said the Tun who added that by next year full scale development in all sectors would be carried out.

"Though we are short of money, we will find ways and means to carry out our development projects," Tun Razak declared.

Touching on internal security, Tun Razak said he was aware of subversive activities by some people, and warned them that strict measures were being taken to eliminate all subversive elements.

Tun Razak then praised the border peoples of Sarawak "for their firm faith in the Government and their high morale despite constant attacks by Indonesian terrorists".

Donate \$5,000 For Mukah Mosque

At a reception held later the Tun also announced that he had donated \$5,000 for the Mukah mosque.

Before leaving for Sibu, Tim Razak visited St. Patrick's School and the Three Rivers School which was at that time holding an Art and Craft Exhibition.

Earlier, at the Mukah airfield, the Tun was welcomed on arrival by the Resident, Third Division, Mr. A.R. Meikle; the District Officer, Mukah, Abang Abdul Karim; Mr. Sim Boon Liang MP and Councillor Mohamad Fauzi Hamdani while school boys and girls lined up along the route from the airfield to Mukah Town.

TUN GETS ROUSING WELCOME AT LIMBANG

On Saturday, October 2 at Limbang, Tim Razak praised the people in the rural areas and others in more remote places for their loyalty, courage and strong determination in facing the enemy and ensuring the success of our Nation, Malaysia.

Tun Razak said: "The co-operation that the people have rendered to the Government, together with the courage and valour of our Armed Forces, helped by our Commonwealth friends - Britain, Australia and New Zealand - we have successfully defended our country.

"Every time our enemy infiltrated our country, we have chased them back without fail. The confrontation Indonesia has launched against us has not weakened us, but on the contrary has brought about successes for us in the defence of our country.

"Therefore I wish to take this opportunity to wish everyone of you who are standing firm behind the Government to face the emergency situation."

Tun Razak was speaking at a reception at the Residency in Limbang in his honour.

About 300 people, including community leaders and heads of departments attended the function.

The Deputy Prime Minister said that the Government was determined to speed up the progress of the country despite the emergency on which large sums of money were being spent.

Within the last two years development projects have been implemented in Sarawak including some in Limbang. Tim Razak said that sums of money have been approved for construction of a new mosque in Limbang. He pointed out that next year the First Malaysian Development Plan would begin, and hoped that more ambitious projects would then be launched in Sarawak and Sabah.

The Central Government would give every possible assistance to Sarawak and Sabah, for it is realised that the people of these States genuinely need more help than those in mainland Malaysia. Implementation of development projects were necessary in order to make our country progressive and prosperous, he added.

He said that the Central Government was aware that Sarawak and Sabah wanted Malaysia and have always co-operated. The Central Government, would therefore, defend the two States and will sink or swim them.

On the question of privileges for Natives, Tun Razak said that it was necessary because of their economic backwardness.

In conclusion, the Tun urged everyone to further strengthen the solidarity and racial harmony; there was no cause for quarrels, he said, for there was enough place for everyone of us in Malaysia.

Visit Pandaruan Development Scheme

In their welcoming speeches, the Acting Resident, Inche Ami Haji Lampam and the Deputy Chief Minister, Dato James Wong both thanked the Deputy Premier for visiting Limbang for the first time.

Tun Razak, accompanied by the Deputy Chief Minister and the Commissioner of Sarawak Constabulary, Dato R.T.M. Henry, arrived at Limbang airstrip earlier in the afternoon and was met on arrival by the Acting Resident and the District Officer, Inche Adenan Aman.

After being introduced to members of the Limbang District Council, Tun Razak proceeded to Pandaruan Land Development Scheme.

Here urging the people to rally behind the Government, Tun Razak said that we must not indulge in doing anything which would jeopardise the security of the Nation.

He said there were people who were either communists or communist influenced subverting our country: these are our enemy he said and Government would take every measure against them.

Pandaruan is about eight miles from Limbang Town. More than 20 former TNKU members are participating in the Scheme.

Approaching the Residency in Kubu Road, the Tun alighted from his car and walked for more

than 300 yards between the ranks of school children and Iban girls who had lined the street. The Iban maidens, walked with the Tim while Ngajat music greeted his arrival.

AT LAWAS: TUN PROMISES 'NEW FRONTIERS OF MATERIAL PROGRESS'

Speaking at Lawas (Fifth Division) the same day (Saturday, October 2) Tun Abdul Razak said that recent events had proved that the separation of Singapore from Malaysia was right.

Tun Razak who cut short his visit to the interior because of bad weather spoke to a large gathering shortly after arriving. He said that the separation was to save Malaysia.

The Tun thanked the people of Sarawak for taking the separation calmly. He also said that Malaysia was created to help everybody and reiterated that in the concept those who had less in life would get more from Government.

Apart from this there would be no discrimination, he assured the people.

He also said that the development projects would be carried out in both rural and urban areas of Malaysia but emphasis would be on the rural areas.

Tun Razak promised new frontiers of material progress with the ultimate aim of modern life and affluent living as enjoyed by the bulk of the people in the Mainland.

He also thanked the people in the Borneo States on behalf of the Tunku and the Central Government for facing the confrontation bravely.

On Saturday morning, Tun Razak flew from Limbang to Long Tumah where he watched a physical display of children. From there he went to Lawas where 2,000 flag-waving school children welcomed him.

Mr. Racha Umong, Council Negri Member, in a brief address pledged loyalty to the Nation and country and said that Sarawak people were hungry for material progress and promised full support to Government provided this and religious freedom was guaranteed.

Tun Razak promised this to 200 community leaders and others present at the ceremony, including Filipinos there.

In the afternoon, the Tun flew to Brunei and paid a courtesy call on the Sultan. He spent 45 minutes at the Astana.

AT MIRI: 'BE LOYAL OR QUIT MALAYSIA' WARNING

At Miri, on Sunday, October, Tun Razak warned the people that if they chose to stay in Malaysia they must be loyal to the King and the Nation otherwise they were free to leave the country.

Tim Razak stressed this to political and community leaders in Miri.

He said it was not fair for some of the people, especially those influenced by the communists to enjoy the facilities and prosperity provided by the Government in Malaysia while at the same time they attacked the Government.

However, Tim Razak said that he was satisfied that on the whole the people in the Borneo States were supporting Malaysia.

AT SIBU: 'CENTRAL GOVT. WILL STAND BY SARAWAK'

The Central Government would stand by the people of Sarawak through thick and thin, not only to defend them but also to do everything possible to carry out social and economic development.

Tun Abdul Razak, said this at a press conference at the airport soon after his arrival in Sibu on Sunday afternoon.

At the airport to welcome Tun Razak was Senator Dato Tuanku Bujang; Dato Ling Beng Siew, MP; Lieut-Col Ismail Ibrahim; Lieut-Col Stoner; Brigadier D.W. Fraser; Mr. Ling Beng Siong; Divisional Superintendent of Constabulary, Mr. B.R.P. Edwards; the District Officer, Mr. Peter Huang, and the Asst. Information Officer, Mr. Chih Chia Kwei.

At the airport, the Deputy Prime Minister inspected a Guard of Honour mounted by the Quarter Guard from the 3rd Bn. Royal Malay Regiment.

Tun Razak told the press that he has had the opportunity of meeting the people and leaders of the various communities and had explained to them the position of Malaysia. He also took the opportunity of thanking the people of Sarawak for the way in which they had stood against the enemy over the two years. Such spirit was laudable, he said. But the Deputy Prime Minister regretted that he was unable to visit Bario and the border areas because of the bad weather.

Touching on development, Tun Razak said that for the past two years the Government had not been able to do very much because of a number of factors including the present emergency, but he added that the government machinery had been geared to the First Malaysian Plan which would be implemented in Sarawak next year with speed and efficiency. He hoped that the Government would be able to carry out the development projects in Sarawak and Sabah in the same way as those carried out in Malaya over the last five years.

During his visit, he was very much impressed with the high spirit and morale of the people who had pledged loyalty and support for Malaysia.

UNIVERSAL CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATED, THERE ARE WICKED PERSONS ... DATO ABG. OTHMAN TOLD CHILDREN

ABOUT 1,000 school children from schools throughout Kuching participated in a rally at the former Happy World Stadium in Kuching to celebrate the Universal Children's Day on Monday, October 4.

The Minister for Welfare, Youth and Culture, Dato Abang Othman bin Abang Haji Moasili, addressed the rally. The Minister warned the children of the existence of wicked persons who would like to see conditions of chaos brought to this country to hinder our present development progress. Sukarno and the people who supported him are trying to destroy the harmony for which Sarawak is well-known.

"Fortunately, our friends in the Security Forces - both Malaysian and from other countries in the Commonwealth - stand guard on our frontiers to defend us from attack by the enemy. Most of you children are too young to know what war is like; I hope that in your life-time, you will not have to experience this terrible thing. You must be grateful to those brave men in the Security Forces who safeguard our country from war," said the Minister.

The Minister urged the schoolchildren to study diligently and participate in games so as to become healthy in both body and mind.

The purpose of education, the Dato pointed out, was to equip us with a set of values to carry us through life.

To the secondary schoolchildren the Minister said it was important that they acquaint themselves with the Development Plan the basis of people's prosperity in the future.

Our Success Is Envy Of Our Neighbours

Dato Abang Othman continued: "The United Nations Declaration of the Rights of the Children clearly indicates that a child shall be brought up "in a spirit of understanding, tolerance, friendship amongst people, peace and universal brotherhood." This has special significance for us in Malaysia is itself a challenge in multi-racialism and our success is the envy of our neighbours. There can be few examples of communities of different race, religion and cultures living alongside each other in harmony.

"Although we each speak our own language and celebrate our own festivals, we shall retain our unity as family only if we are each able to communicate and express ourselves in a common tongue. This is called a National Language. Learning the National Language does not mean forgetting one's own values; it is a means by which we can learn to understand each other better and to appreciate each other's way of life.

"Each racial community has its own contribution to make towards maintaining Sarawak's rich cultural heritage within Malaysia. If you laugh at another person's way of life, it is you who

are foolish, because it shows that you do not understand the finer points of the other person's point of view. To appreciate the other person's outlook is called tolerance and is the proper way to learn how to become good citizens of the future. This is the correct way to prepare for a successful adult life in the true service of one's own country. This is really the beginning of patriotism," he concluded.

Cultural items depicting the way of life of our multi-racial society were presented before the Minister.

SIMANGGANG CELEBRATES UNIVERSAL CHILDREN'S DAY

THE Universal Children's Day was celebrated in Simanggang, Second Division, with a Children's Rally on the Government Padang.

Speaking on behalf of all the communities in Simanggang, Penghulu Tawie Sli, Member of Council Negri and Chairman of Batang Lupar District Council, strongly urged the people to be united against the enemies from within and without.

He appealed to all the people to co-operate with the Government in its effort to implement the Five-Year Development Plan which was being carried out in the State.

At the Children's Rally, Penghulu Tawie Sli warned all pupils to be on guard against subversive elements who might try to influence them to achieve their own aims.

He told them not to become interested in politics and ideologies but to study hard so that they could pass their examination which was of far more importance to them.

Stressing the importance of Children's Day Penghulu Tawie Sli said that on this day children of all races joined together in affirming their common loyalty to the King and country and other high officers in the State as well as to parents and teachers.

He concluded: "On this special occasion let us pray to God Almighty that our children are properly guided, nurtured and freed from all evil.

Following is a message from our Prime Minister, Turtku Abdul Rahman:

I am glad that we all take time off at least once a year to think about our most valuable assets - our children who will succeed us in the world of tomorrow. While our country is rapidly developing in every sphere we must take care that our children are not just swept along the swift currents of accelerated changes but are helped to negotiate the rapids and falls with skill, courage, steadfastness, faith and hope.

At any time, economic, social and historical development- the expansion of industries, the increasing emphasis on education and professional training, the transition from dependency and foreign domination to independence and nationhood- bring in their wake the kind of social changes which challenges training concepts, ideas and values.

More so, when development is accelerated as in Malaysia. How we are to preserve and safeguard wherever possible all that is good and viable in our society, and how we are to secure

for our children, and change and upheaval, a happy, sane climate congenial to the development of their greatest potential, poses a great challenge.

We do well therefore to examine all the areas of stress that exist, to try and reduce these or eliminate them if possible. Our determination will, I have no doubt, lead us to a critical appraisal of the services we provide for the child and youth. Are we, for instance, all too prone to make it easy, with the provision of creches, for mothers of young children to go out to work or do we prefer services that will encourage and enable the mother to stay at home with her children at that stage in their growth when they need her most. Are we, for instance, expecting too much from the child in school, force feeding and cramming and bewildering him with masses of facts and knowledge or do we put greater emphasis on the kind of personal development and social relationships which will better equip him for life "in the round" than education based more narrowly on academic attainment?

We do well also to acquaint ourselves with knowledge of what are the periods of normal growth and development when the child is most vulnerable to stress - is it adolescence when the child is fast developing into a young adult and has to face the additional strain of final examinations, the stresses of physical and sexual maturation, the demands of his parents to make a choice of career and employment, etc.

I will therefore enter this plea that all of you today who have responsibility for planning for our children have the willingness to learn, to study the child's need, and to better understand him. In an era of rapid change and uncertainty if the child is to be provided with guidance and support he needs, parents, teachers, youth leaders, social workers and others in positions of authority must set out to understand the child and young person's own problems and viewpoint and so enter into a relationship with him from which assurance, mutual respect and positive guidance may emerge together. Co-operation based on mutual understanding is today the essential principle of leadership.

'STAND SHOULDERS TO SHOULDER' - KING

It is the duty of every Malaysian citizen to make whatever sacrifice and to stand shoulder to protect the security and integrity of the nation from all forms of aggression.

This was stated by His Majesty the Yang di-Pertuan Agung, at the Berjaya Rally at Stadium Negara on Monday, November 1, 1965.

His Majesty said: "The rally, which are being held or are to be held throughout Malaysia, will go down in history as an important event in our efforts to unite the people into one solid united nation. This occasion will be a pride to all true Malaysians possessed of undivided loyalty. Despite the many different religions, beliefs and ideologies we follow, we are all one. We are all Malaysians. We are one nation and have one loyalty - that is to Malaysia.



"When we have this sense of loyalty and oneness firmly embedded in all our hearts, no power from within or without, however big or strong, will be able to divide us or to prevent us from reaching our goal for national unity."

Unifying Cultural Traditions

Describing the Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman as "the man who plays the major role in uniting the people and Nation," the King said: "It is, therefore, the duty of all my people to realise and appreciate the significance of national solidarity, and to play our part to promote and strengthen it. Ours is a nation practising a parliamentary system of democracy. We have succeeded in unifying the cultural traditions of various races and creeds. As a result, a nation of multi-cultural elements has emerged. This is a challenge for us in bringing together the people of different races into one solid unity, and the most important element in meeting the challenge is solidarity.

"I and the Rajah Permaisuri Agung feel very happy indeed to see the loyalty of our people, and I am proud to be entrusted with the task of guiding the future of our beloved nation, especially at this hour of strain. With the wise leadership in our government, our country will continue to progress and prosper in the years to come.

"I now officially launch the National Solidarity Week 1965 and I pray that it will achieve even more glorious success in strengthening the solidarity of our nation.

BERJAYA!"

BERJAYA RALLIES SHOW PEOPLES PRIDE AND PATRIOTISM - TUNKU



The Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman, said in his Berjaya Week message that the Berjaya Rallies gave the people the opportunity to show their pride and patriotism in their country, "to emphasise once again that as loyal citizens we share a common determination and purpose - to overcome any external threat to our security and to counter the efforts of any disruptive elements who seek to mar our harmonious relationship and happiness."

The Prime Minister said: " National Solidarity Week was celebrated for the first time just one year ago, and proved to be a resounding success in every State in the nation. Malaysians everywhere responded readily to the call and showed their loyalty. In fact they turned up in such great numbers that the organisers were surprised, and very naturally delighted.

"The spirit that moved the people to come forward then has remained as a strong undercurrent in our daily life. Nothing has given me greater pleasure during the past years then to receive sums of money great and small wherever I go as contributions to the National Defence Fund, with the result that now the Fund has reached the total of no less then \$6,000,000.

'One At Heart'

"This is our people's way of showing in a practical and personal manner that, irrespective of community or party, they stand solidly behind the Government in resisting any attempts, outside or inside, aimed against our survival or progress.

"The National Solidarity Week aims to draw attention once again to our faith in our country and to our confidence in our future. Unlike our brave brothers in the Security Forces, the average Malaysians cannot be in the front line, but he welcomes the chance to play a role in defence of our country.

"This he knows he can do best by ensuring that the national sense of unity and purpose behind the lines remains staunch and unbroken. This sense of unity is our greatest moral asset, for through our undiminished determination to protect our right to live our own way of life we show all who may be hostile that our people are one at heart and mind.

"Even if events appear to be shaping in our favour, even if danger does not immediately threaten us, we must not allow ourselves to be complacent or to fall easy victim to the illusion that the times are no longer critical and that we may sit back and do nothing. The enemy may not continue confrontation for long who knows that the future holds - but the need for solidarity and unity remains.

"As long as confrontation exists our unity will enable us to defend our country better. For the future happiness, peace and prosperity of our country, our unity must continue for all time. If it has served as well in trials and tribulations, it will be of even greater value and benefit to us all in the happier days ahead.

"Therefore, I urge all Malaysians during this National Solidarity Week to renew our sense of resolution and reinforce our faith in ourselves and our cause. Support the Flag Days, attend the rallies, see the Exhibitions, help the Defence Funds grow, and in every way you possibly can ensure the brightest success for National Solidarity Week. Berjaya Malaysia!"



An imposing view of Malaysia's Parliament House

'VISIBLE PROOF OF OUR BELIEF IN PARLIAMENTARY DEMOCRACY' - HIS MAJESTY

THE Yang di-Pertuan Agong on Saturday, November 2, 1965 opened Malaysia's new Parliament House at the Lake Garden, Kuala Lumpur.

The 18-storey high building contains chambers for a House of Representatives and a Senate, along with libraries, banquet rooms, dining halls, committee rooms, and offices for all members. Work began in 1960, and cost \$16 million.

Attending the ceremony were the Members of Parliament from Singapore, Sabah and Sarawak, who with the old Parliament of Malaya will make up the new Parliament of the Malaysian Federation.

The Yang di-Pertuan Agong told guests: "This building is visible proof of our belief in the parliamentary system of Government.

"This system we have found from our experience is the most suitable form of democracy for Malaysia. Not only is the parliamentary system capable of voicing and exerting the public will, but it can also produce stability and order in administration, as well as effective results in progress and prosperity for our nation and people."

Later new members of the House of Representatives and Senate were sworn in. Among those in the Lower House were the Prime Minister of Singapore, Mr. Lee Kuan Yew, and the Chief Minister of Sabah, Mr. Donald Stephens and Temenggong Jugah anak Barieng, Federal Minister for Sarawak Affairs.

The Lower House has 159 members; 104 of them from Malaysia, 24 from Sarawak, 16 from Sabah, and 15 from Singapore.

The House of Representatives was also presented with a Speaker's Chair by the British House of Commons, represented by a mixed delegation of parliamentarians. A British coat-of-arms in carved stone occupies a place of honour in a central open courtyard within the building. The courtyard has a series of reflecting pools, set in a garden.

'Unique and memorable occasion'

IN his speech His Majesty said: "When I recall that I had the honour of laying the foundation stone of this noble edifice only fourteen months, ago, and when I consider that less than seven weeks have passed since all our people were rejoicing everywhere and celebrating the birth of Malaysia, the inauguration of this building today will truly be remembered not only as an unique and memorable occasion but also as a remarkable achievement by the nation and people of Malaysia so early in their history.

"Standing as it does in the heart of the nation's capital, rising majestically above the beautiful landscape of the Lake Gardens, there can be no grander witness than this great structure itself of the ideals and hopes the peoples of Malaysia share, no finer gesture to the future of the faith and confidence they have in the unity, peace and happiness of Malaysia.

"The deep and lasting significance of this fine building does not lie in the fact that it is an architectural harmony of concrete and glass, steels and stone, beautiful and impressive as these are, but in the reason, the function and the purpose for which it was conceived, created and constructed. What is profoundly important here is that this building symbolises our highest ideals of democracy.

"This building is an enduring monument to the principles of democracy we in Malaysia stand for and uphold. These principles are the right and responsibility of the people to rule themselves, the freedom of the individual to express his opinion and to follow his own creed, the fairness and impartiality of justice, the equality of citizens before the law, the principles of respect and tolerance among men, and the right to property. All these principles of democracy are written into our Constitution firmly and irrevocably.

"This building is also visible proof of our belief in the Parliamentary system of Government. This system we have found from our experience is the most suitable form of democracy for Malaysia. Not only is the Parliamentary system capable of voicing and exerting the public will but it can also produce stability and order in administration as well as effective results in progress and prosperity for our nation and people.

"It is in a spirit of tribute both to these fundamental principles of democracy and to our firm resolve to maintain the finest traditions of the Parliamentary system that the people of Malaysia have erected these Houses of Parliament - a worthy setting indeed for the expression and achievement of our ideals.

"In these Houses of Parliament all matters affecting the administration of Malaysia and her policy, both in internal affairs and external relations, will be fairly and freely discussed and openly decided by the representatives of the people, just as they have been done in the past in the

Parliament of Malaya."

His Majesty continued: "The establishment of Parliament, like the creation of our nation itself, is fairly new. In fact, it was only a little more than four years ago that my distinguished and beloved predecessor, His majesty Tuanku Abdul Rahman, the first Yang di-Pertuan Agong, inaugurated the Parliament of the Federation of Malaya under the Constitution.

"In doing so he described the Constitution and Parliament as twin dynamos of democracy. We know that these dynamos served the old Malaya well.

"Today in a short while after this ceremony the Parliament of the new Malaysia operating under a new Constitution will be newer and larger dynamos of democracy, and I have every confidence that these will generate even greater power and influence for good throughout Malaysia.

"In the past there were times when the debates in Parliament were inclined to descend into recrimination and to become either personal or aggressive in tone and temper, but on the whole during the four years of Parliament the members of both Houses have always kept in close touch with the principles and traditions of Parliamentary democracy.

"It has been said that all people learn by experience, and I do not doubt that this is as true of Parliament as of any other human institution. What is important is that we should draw benefit from our own experience, and so proceed on the right lines that experience indicates. That we have done so in the past is proven by the fact that from time to time the Standing Orders have been changed to suit our own conditions.

"I am sure that if any changes should be made in future these will be carried out in the same manner, for the Parliament of Malaysia must not only speak and act for the nation and people of Malaysia but in doing so must reflect the spirit of Malaysia.

'May it be lasting tribute to spirit of loyalty

"When I laid the foundation stone of this building last year I did so in the name of God and in the name of equity, justice, temperance and fortitude, and I am proud to say that these qualities of character have been staunchly upheld.

"Now this noble building for our Houses of Parliament is completed. May it stand forever as a token of the great and abiding respect the nation and people of Malaysia have for the institution of Parliament. May it always be a lasting tribute to the spirit of loyalty and duty in the service of the nation not only from all those members of both Houses who will debate and consult within these walls but also from all the people of Malaysia.

"May it be a lasting shrine for the fulfilment of all the aspirations of Malaysia and her people. Now in due humility and devotion I ask the blessing of Almighty God that these Houses of Parliament and all who work therein will serve the nation and people of Malaysia ably and well, not only as the fount of authority and law but as a source of peace, happiness and prosperity, both in this generation and for many generations to come."

'Workshop of this dynamic nation'

EARLIER in his speech of welcome the Minister of Works, Posts and Telecommunications, Dato V.T. Sambanthan, described the planning and construction of the building and paid tribute to those responsible.

He then said: "here we have the workshop of this dynamic Nation, and it is here that we will sometimes engage ourselves in moments of hilarity or bitter argument and moments of easy and cordial unanimity. It is here that the Members of the Parliament of Malaysia will undertake the historic responsibility of making Democracy work. It is here that they will have to take on themselves the mantle of responsible leadership and it is here that they will have to rise above daily trifles of the call to narrow provincialism or linguistic religious or sectarian chauvinism."

'Truly historic moment' - Tunku

THE Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman, at the first session of the House of Representatives (Dewan Ra'ayat) next moved motion of "thank you" to the Yang di-Pertuan Agong "for this most magnificent building."

He said: "Today the members of the old Dewan Ra'ayat have observed the swearing in of 56 new members, 15 from Singapore, 24 from Sarawak and 16 from Sabah, and together we sit for the first time as members of the Lower House of the new Parliament of Malaysia.

"The victory of the Alliance in Sabah and Sarawak and of the people's Action Party in Singapore showed very clearly that the people of these territories wanted Malaysia. In Singapore when the danger of anti-Malaysia appeared likely to succeed all the people threw their lot in with the PAP.

"Together we will start to plan and work for a happy Malaysia. This is indeed a truly historic moment in the history of Malaysia, and I take this opportunity of extending the warmest possible welcome to all the new members. In doing so I am sure that we will carry on all the fine traditions of Parliament already established in a spirit of loyal and devoted service to the nation and people of Malaysia, for we are their elected representatives and as such this is the only reason why each and all of us is a member of this House.

"As members of the Parliament of Malaysia we hold positions of great responsibility and trust particularly in these difficult days when Malaysia has become a target for unearned and unmerited rebukes as the result of a hostile policy of confrontation from one close neighbour.

"To counter and face this hostility and to uphold the integrity and honour of our country we must show in every way that throughout Malaysia there is a strong and abiding spirit of national unity. The debates and discussions that will be heard in this House will express the views and the feelings of the members with regard to the affairs of the nation.

"Composed as it is of many parties, this House will undoubtedly hear many arguments and differences of opinion, for that after all is the way of democracy, but combined together this Parliament speaks and acts for the whole nation of Malaysia. As members of this House, let us never fail to forget this fact, for this is the reason for the responsibility, the trust and the confidence the people of Malaysia have delegated to us."

Turning to the Speaker (Dato Haji Noah bin Omar) he said: "I have every confidence that the sessions of this House over which you have the distinguished duty to preside will be conducted in such a way as strengthen always the spirit of national unity, to justify constantly the leadership and counsel we are called upon to give, and to fulfil to the best of our ability the earnest aspirations of our people that the nation of Malaysia will be an example to the world of peace and happiness, progress and prosperity.

"Whatever difference of party there may be, these are the aims and objects which must guide and unite us in the interests of our new nation. I said earlier on in my speech that the splendour of this House indicates our pride and faith in democracy.

'Demonstration of national unity' - Senator

A similar motion of thanks was introduced in the Senate (Dewan Negara) by Senator Khaw Kai Boh, who said: "As members of the Parliament of Malaysia we hold positions of great responsibility and trust particularly in these difficult days when Malaysia has become a target for an unearned and hostile policy of confrontation from our close neighbour.

"To counter this hostility and to uphold the dignity and honour of our country we must show in every way that throughout Malaysia there is a strong and abiding spirit of national unity."

"We must have faith, unwavering faith, faith in freedom, faith in our ideals, and faith in God. It is essential to show our unmistakable determination to stand firm.

"In fact, the meeting of our Parliament for the first time today, Parliament with representatives from all the States of Malaysia, is in itself an exemplary demonstration of our national unity, our unwavering faith and sense of destiny and mission about Malaysia.

Speaker's Chair presented

Following the motion of thanks being passed in the House of Representatives the Speaker's Chair was presented by Sir John Barlow (Conservative) leader of the delegation from the United Kingdom House of Commons.

He said: "We bring to you today a present from the British Parliament. We do not regard it as of wood, leather and nails, but as an emblem of the spirit and tradition of the British Parliament.

"To people unfamiliar with our Parliamentary procedure the ceremonial may seem at times archaic and quaint, but it has grown during centuries of Democratic Government, and everything connected with it has been put there for a good reason.

"The Speaker's Chair is the most important symbol of Parliamentary Government. The Speaker, for whose occupation it exist, presides unflinchingly over the struggle of Party warfare and resolves its contentions. He is scrupulously impartial, and safeguards and protects minority opinions, but having done that, allows the majority opinion to prevail.

"The occupant of this chair should always have a sense of humour. Sometimes when feeling runs high a jocular word, an unnecessarily slow response, or even a deaf ear, may well control

a heated House.

"Great Britain and Malaysia have much in common for fundamentally our wealth in past ages was derived from Agriculture and Fishing, and subsequently through the addition of Commerce and Industry.

"This young Parliament with an optimistic and wealthy country behind it, will have many problems to face, and we hope that our form of Democratic Government which has survived the centuries with suitable change and evolution, may be of use to you now."

'We shall never forget you'

Referring to Malaysia Sir John said that it was the result of statesmanship of the highest order, and created a new State in the Commonwealth.

He added: "You will be greatly welcomed by the Commonwealth. We have had close associations for more than a century to our mutual benefit. Our presentation today is an important symbol of Democratic Government, and a milestone in the history of our nations.

"From the foundations laid in the past a new State is now emerging, and we assure you that although you are 8,000 miles from Britain we shall never forget you.

"Responsibility remains with us to help you in your years of maturity, and we hope that the chair which we bring today symbolises the authority of Democratic Government. This system of Government has served Great Britain for centuries in the past. May it serve you for centuries to come."

PICTURES AT OPENING CEREMONY

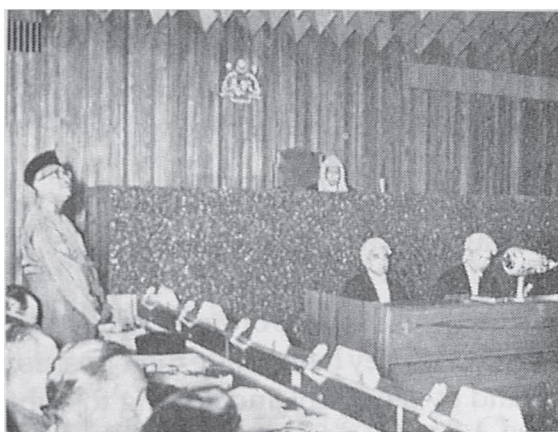


The Yang di-Pertuan Agong declaring the new Parliament building open.



Sir John Barlow, leader of the delegation of British MPs, unveiling the gift of the Speaker's Chair from the House of Commons.

Centre: The Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman, addressing the Dewan Ra'ayat.



Sarawak's only woman Member of Parliament, Che Ajibah binte Abol (left) and the Minister for Sarawak Affairs, Temenggong Jugah anak barieng, taking the oath at the Swearing in of new members of the Dewan Ra'ayat.

Another member of the delegation, Mr. T. Fraser (Labour) then spoke and said: "The opening of your magnificent new Parliament Building and the first proceedings we have witnessed mark the beginning of a new partnership. We are especially honoured in presenting a Speaker's Chair for your new House of Representatives. And all of us hope that the Parliament of Malaysia will bring great social and economic benefit to all the people you seek to serve."

Tribute to Britain

IN his speech of thanks for the gift of the Speaker's Chair, the Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman, said that it "provides a significant testimony of the long association our two countries and peoples have had with one another."

"In the older time before our independence," he added, "this association was between the Rulers and the ruled. With our independence the Rulers departed and they returned to us as friends.

"The severance of ties implicit in sovereignty was carried out from beginning to end through peaceful and amicable consultations, and it has always been a great source of pride to us that we won our independence without the shedding of blood. History will say that the credit for this peaceful evolution is shared equally by Britain and Malays."

The Tunku went on to dwell on the "personal association with the British people we have experienced in our country since independence."

These, he said, had helped to create a happy climate of co-operation and friendship, which seems to grow and to increase in strength as time went on.

He then said: "Now, once again, in times of stress and strain the British have shown the people of Malaysia that they are with us. They have made their position clear and unequivocal, they have declared that they will stand by us, ready and willing to fight alongside us, if that need should ever arise.

"It was in the same spirit of friendships and goodwill that the British surrendered their sovereignty over Singapore, Sabah and Sarawak so that these territories could merge with us freely and willingly, and so that these people could enjoy with the people of Malaya unity and freedom. The British have done this because of their confidence and faith in our ability to lead new compatriots towards happiness.

"As for the peoples of these territories, it will only be a matter of a little time for them to feel at home and as one with us and to regard it as their duty to see that this nation of Malaysia lives and flourishes, just as we have seen in the past the old Federation of Malaya flourish and prosper in her days of independence.

"The British will live to congratulate themselves for having carried out this renunciation gradually and well, and not a moment too soon. I have declared in the past that we in this country are linked with the Commonwealth, that we float or sink with the Commonwealth, and I would like to stress this declaration of ours firmly here once again."

Turning to the Speaker's Chair he said: "This Chair they have presented is a symbol not only

of the friendship that links this newest of Commonwealth Parliament with the Mother of Parliaments, but it is also the actual seat of authority of our respected and distinguished Speaker.

"From this Chair he will issue his orders, control the House and stop members from overstepping the bounds of propriety or otherwise infringing the Standing Orders. And I would like to remind the House that these Standing Orders are a direct import from the House of Commons in Westminster.

"These are Standing Orders evolved and tested by long experience over many centuries. That is an experience from which we profit in the Commonwealth, and we in Malaysia, in this House, are not likely to change one jot of these Standing Orders without very good reasons of our own.

"Our Parliament in Malaysia is young in years, in fact only four years old, but already in that short time a process of evolution and change has taken place, and the adaptability of the Parliamentary system is already proven from our own experience. Our Parliament was originally established to serve the needs of the Federation of Malaya; today our Parliament speaks and acts for the nation and people of Malaysia.

"In fact, this session of the Dewan Ra'ayat is the very first in the Malaysian Parliament, today we see representatives from the former British territories of Singapore, Sarawak and Sabah taking their places in this House Of Parliament for the first time.

"Of these new members, Singapore has fifteen who have had long experience of Parliamentary procedure - but from the experience they have had I think they will find greater comfort in the atmosphere of this House.

"The members from Sarawak and Sabah have had little experience of the Parliamentary system, but knowing them outside the House already I have no doubt at all that if they have anything to learn they will take very little time in doing so. Who know? Perhaps they will be teaching us how to run this Parliament.

"It seems to me, therefore, that the presentation of the Speaker's Chair in this first session of the Malaysian Parliament comes most opportunely at an historic moment, reinforcing and strengthening the spirit and tradition of the Parliamentary ideal."

HIGH COMMISSIONER IN AUSTRALIA DIES

MALAYSIA'S High Commissioner in Australia, Dato Suleiman bin Dato Abdul Rahman, has died in a Melbourne hospital after apparently suffering from a heart attack.

Dato Suleiman collapsed on Wednesday at a city luncheon organised by the Australian-Asian Association of Victoria. He had been speaking for about three minutes when he broke off and fell to the floor. His subject was to have included Malaysia's foreign policy.

'NATIONAL UNITY MUST BE WORKED FOR'

THE Lord President of the Federal Court of Malaysia, Dato Sir James Thomson, said in Kuching on Monday that the building up of Malaysia would not be an easy task. National unity, he added, was something which had to be worked for and won.

The Lord President was replying to speeches of welcome by the State Attorney-General, Mr. P.E.H. Pike, and Mr. S.K. Reddi, the deputy leader of the local Bar, at a ceremony before the first sitting of the Federal Court in Kuching.

Dato Thomson stressed that one of the essential requisities for national unity was mutual understanding. He said the presence in the Courthouse (today) of members of the legal profession gave grounds for confidence that in the Federal Court in future they would be able to establish a mutual understanding between judges and the profession throughout Malaysia that would prove an important contribution to national unity.

Earlier, Dato Thomson gave the people of Sarawak an assurance that in future insofar as the Federal Court was concerned they would receive the same measure of esteem and consideration as the other States in Malaysia.

He said: "Several hundreds of miles of sea may separate us, but I can assure you that there will be no question of Sabah or Sarawak being neglected in any way."

Dato Thomson also referred to the new rules of Court which were being introduced in Sarawak and gave the assurance that these rules had been operatives for many years in the old Federation of Malays and that they had worked successfully.

He added: "I am conscious, as the Chief Justice of Borneo is conscious, that they are capable of improvement, and they will be improved as we gain experience."

"From practical; experience in the past, I can assure the Bar that in the past the rules of Court have worked and I am sure that they will give no cause for regret."

The State Attorney-General, Mr. P.E.H. Pike, in his address, welcomed the judges of the Federal Court, saying that it was a particular pleasure for him to do so having played some part in the creation of Malaysia.

He expressed satisfaction that a separation Court of Appeal had been created which would make it unnecessary for judges of first instance to hear appeals and hoped that in the years to come when the judges of the Court had become familiar with conditions in the Borneo States it should become unnecessary to fulfil one of the recommendations of the Inter-Governmental Committee Report, that normally one of the judges should be a judge with Bornean experience when the Court was hearing cases from a Borneo State.

The high Court in Borneo, he went to say, was also a new creation, legislatively speaking, and could not by any standards be described as an old established court. However, it could be said that Sarawak was proud of its steady, sound growth to what might be described as an early maturity.

Mr. Pike then said: "We look forward my lords, to the creation under the guidance of your Lordships' Court of an ever growing body of Malaysian case law, which will in time come to be regarded as the Common Law of Malaysia."

He ended by saying that Sarawak had long enjoyed a reputation for friendliness and good relationships and that this had been the state of affairs between the Bench and Bar. He assured the judges of whole hearted co-operation.

Happy understanding between Bench and Bar

Mr. S.K. Reddi, on behalf of the local Bar, then rose to address the Court and said that there had always been a happy understanding between the Bench and Bar and assured the Court of his and his colleagues' most loyal co-operation.

Mr. Reddi said that new legislation had been introduced to adopt the Civil Procedure Code of the High Court of the Federation of Malaya.

Members of the Bar, he added, welcomed this as it would so greatly improve the standard of the statement of claims which they would have to put forward.

The Federal Court of Malaysia consists of the Lord President, Dato Sir James Thomson; the Chief Justice of Malays, Mr. Justice Syed Sheh Barakbah; the Chief Justice of Singapore, Mr. Justice Wee Chong Jin; and the Chief Justice of Sarawak and Sabah, Mr. Justice Campbell Wyllie. They left Kuching on Wednesday for Jesselton to hold the first sitting of the Court in Sabah.

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