



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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HOMES FOR ANOTHER 37,000 AT KWAI SHING

The second and third stages of the Kwai Shing Low Cost Housing Estate in Kwai Chung will involve the construction of 10 multi-storey blocks housing some 37,000 people.

The domestic units will be built to the scale of 35 square feet per adult, each with its individual kitchen and toilet facilities.

The estate will have its own commercial centre, complete with department stores, a separate two-storey restaurant building, modular market and cooked food stalls, accommodation for welfare agencies and group activities, recreational spaces and bus and public light bus terminals.

Due to the nature of the site, the estate is planned on three different levels. The commercial centre, situated in mid-level, is connected to the other levels by high capacity lifts.

With the implementation of the new post-primary education policy, two secondary school sites have been provided in the second and third stages. This, together with three estate schools and the four schools in Stage One, will provide for the educational needs of the residents.

Covered car parking spaces will be provided at the ratio of one space to 10 families on a chargeable basis.

Stage One of the Kwai Shing estate is due for completion at the end of this year, and work on the other stages is expected to begin in 1973. The estimated cost of the second and third stages is \$82 million.

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NEW WELFARE PROJECT TO HELP IN THE HOME

The Hong Kong Family Welfare Society proposes to carry out a one-year experimental project on home-help service.

The pilot-project has the strong support of the Social Welfare Advisory Committee and a recurrent grant of \$57,600 from the Lotteries Fund has been approved for the purpose.

The service is designed to provide domestic help such as cooking, washing and house-cleaning for the aged, the physically handicapped, the mentally-ill and the chronically-ill housewives.

It also takes care of children where mothers have to be away from home for short periods of time.

Assistance is provide in escorting the aged, handicapped or infirm to clinics and in visiting lonely people in hospitals and homes for the aged.

Help in the home enables needy individuals and families to live normal lives and may possibly reduce the demand for care in residential institutions, which is expensive to provide.

With further improvements in the Government's Public Assistance Scheme, the Family Welfare Society is now beginning to move away from the field of relief services. The home-help service experiment could enable the Society to review its future activities and aims.

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CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY ENGLISH EXAMINATIONS

The University of Cambridge will be holding the Lower Certificate in English Examination 1972 on December 12 and the Certificate of Proficiency in English Examination 1972 on December 13 and 14.

These examinations are open only to candidates above the age of 16 and whose mother tongue is not English.

Entry forms must be submitted on or before September 13.

Candidates attending courses in schools should register their entries through their respective schools.

Private candidates can obtain entry forms from September 8 from the Examination Division, Canton Road Government Offices, 393, Canton Road, 10th floor, Kowloon.

They are advised that all fees must be paid within three days of the submission of entry to the Accounts Office, Education Department, Lee Gardens, 4th floor, Hysan Avenue, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong.

The Fee for the Lower Certificate in English Examination is \$60. The Certificate of Proficiency in English Examination is \$85, plus \$35 if and when re-examination is required.

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VAUGHAN WILLIAMS CENTENARY CONCERT

The Urban Council will present a concert on Thursday (September 7) to mark the centenary of the British composer Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), when a number of his works in recorded music will be played.

Vaughan Williams was born at Down Ampney, Gloucestershire. He studied at the Royal College of Music in 1890, and two years later went to Cambridge University.

He began his extensive study and collection of English folk songs at around 1901, and turned back to the polyphonic music of the English Tudors.

He pointed out that music in England was not revealed in the numerous musical events and festivals, but rather it was latent in the people, as expressed in the fine folk-melodies that existed.

Vaughan Williams' principal works include nine symphonies, the first published in 1910 and the last in 1958; a number of orchestral suites; chamber music; and a book called "National Music".

The concert will be held in the City Hall Concert Hall at 8 p.m. Tickets at \$1 each are available daily at the City Hall Box Office.

The recorded music will be played through sophisticated equipment supplied by Marantz of the U.S.A.

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WATER INTERRUPTION IN WONG TAI SIN

Water supply to a number of premises in Wong Tai Sin will be interrupted for five hours starting from 1 a.m. on September 7 (Thursday).

This temporary stoppage is to enable the Waterworks Office to carry out a leakage test in the area.

The area affected is bounded by Tung Tau Tsuen Road, Tung Lung Road, Tung Fat Road and Tai Shing Street, including Blocks 6 to 13 of the Tung Tau Tsuen Resettlement Estate.

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Mr. P.G. Williams, has been appointed temporarily to the Executive Council with effect from 30th August 1972 during the absence of Sir Douglas Clague.

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Release time: 6.30 p.m.