

# CHUNNEL 'EM!

## MP's plan for the wild ones

By Daily Mail Reporter

AN M.P. called yesterday for convicted Mods and Rockers to be given "some very tough work" rather than being jailed or fined.

Sir William Teeling, M.P. for Brighton Pavilion, who watched much of the weekend riots in the town, said :

"These boys and girls should be given some form of national work, as happened during the war, when people were directed to the mines and became known as Bevin Boys.

### The cost

"They could become something like an equivalent of the Foreign Legion, where it is tough. If necessary they could be used for the Channel Tunnel."

*Last night towns along the South and East Coasts added up the cost of the Mods and Rockers battles. The actual damage is believed to be far below first estimates.*

At Bournemouth, where 54 were arrested, damage is estimated at £100—mainly windows and deckchairs at Brighton (76 arrests) it is believed to be £400; and at Margate (64 arrests) £250.

Eight other seaside towns reported no trouble or damage.

They are Littlehampton, Bognor Regis, Hastings, Southend, Clacton, Worthing, Dover and Eastbourne.

*Alderman Reginald Freebairn-Smith, who retires as Mayor of Margate tomorrow, said yesterday of the Whitsun troubles:*

"I consider that this whole matter has been badly mis-handled, in that nation-wide publicity has been given to the activities of comparatively few witless hooligans,

"Had they been ignored, and even if they are ignored from now on, these louts will be cut down to size, and their minor disturbances will be dealt with locally in a proper manner.

"We in seaside resorts have a difficult enough job to make a living in the short English summer, and the sort of publicity they get from the activities of these morons as glamorised in the national Press and on TV does us no good at all.

"Can it not now be agreed to let local people deal with local events?"

And General Sir Richard O'Connor, Lord High Commissioner of the General Assembly Church of Scotland, spoke of the disturbances at the assembly's meeting in Edinburgh yesterday.

He said that young people involved in acts of hooliganism were done a grave disservice by publicity through TV and many sections of the Press. "They are not mature enough to stand this sort of thing, which can only have the result of giving them distorted ideas of their own importance."

## `Dregs of vermin must pay penalty'

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TWO more youths were sentenced yesterday by Dr. George Simpson, chairman of Margate Court, who said : "You are part of the dregs of the vermin who infested this town, and you must pay the penalty."

Peter Hutchings, 18, of Godwin-road, Thanington, Canterbury, and William Gawler, 18, of Tennyson-avenue, Canterbury, were sent to a detention centre for three months for using threatening behaviour.

Hutchings admitted the charge, but Gawler pleaded not guilty, and said : "We come to see what was going on."

After hearing police evidence of a mob of youths

jostling people on the sands Dr. Simpson said : "This charge has been adequately proved."

At BRIGHTON 26 youths appeared in court. Eight were sent to detention centres. Nine were fined £5, with no time to pay, or one month's jail. Others were remanded in custody.

The chairman, Mr. Herbert Cushnie, said: "We would like to congratulate the police for the *very* tough task they undertook, and the very able way they carried it out."

At BOURNEMOUTH 54 people appeared in court, eight of them girls. All of them were remanded.

One 15-year-old girl was accused of carrying offensive weapons- a sheath knife and a pocket knife.