

A BOLD MULTI-RACIAL EXPERIMENT

The last major engagement of Princess Margaret's second Colonial tour was to open the Royal Technical College of East Africa at Nairobi. This she did in the afternoon of Wednesday, 24th October, after returning from the National Game Reserve. If she was tired (as several of the attendant newspaper reporters said she was) after five weeks of almost continual travel she did not show it. Perhaps the pleasure of her task fortified her, for the College is a tangible symbol of the growing unity of the diverse peoples of East Africa. All races are represented in the students—the first enrolled was a Hindu girl—and all East African territories have contributed to the cost of this bold, multi-racial experiment. There are six faculties—science, engineering, arts, architecture, commerce and domestic science. After cutting a ribbon and declaring the College open the Princess planted a commemorative tree and toured the workshops and laboratories where students from Kenya, Tanganyika, Uganda and Zanzibar will gain the skill and knowledge needed for the further development of their countries. At 11 a.m. next morning, Thursday, 25th October, Her Royal Highness said good-bye to the capital of the fair colony of Kenya and flew to Kisumu before beginning her long homeward journey

