

Queen Mother Hears Steel Band

LONDON, July 8—A record number of women from the Colonies shook hands with the Queen Mother at a garden party held in brilliant sunshine a few days before Her Majesty left for South Africa, on the lawns of Lambeth Palace, the home of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The party was given by the Women's Corona Club and more than 350 members and guests were presented to the Queen Mother, who had a gracious smile for all and a chat with some of them.

Standing in the shade of one of the magnificent trees lining the lawn, Her Majesty looked delightfully cool, and elegant, too, in her summer dress of white tulle with tiny dark blue polka dots. She wore a white picture hat, with matching shoes and gloves.

Perhaps the youngest Colonial visitor ever presented to the



QUEEN MOTHER

Queen Mother was Zetha, the five-month old daughter of Mrs. Florence Coffe, wife of a dental surgeon in the Gold Coast. Most colourful visitor was Lady Marraia Sukuna, the wife of the Secretary of Native Affairs for Fiji. Lady Sukuna's dress was of a dark brown material, made from the dried bark of the Masi tree and hand-painted. Around her waist was a belt made from sea-shells and coconut shells; her necklace was a gold chain adorned with porpoise teeth.

The sunshine highlighted many elegant dresses and picturesque

national costumes as the guests, each with a tag bearing her name and the name of her country moved across the green grass.

During tea in a huge marquee, the Queen Mother showed great interest in Trinidad-born Russell Henderson's steel band quartet as they moved among the guests playing soft music.

Practically every colony and protectorate was represented. Among those who accepted invitations were Lady Gurney, Mrs. M. C. Compton and Mrs. Chan Stirling of Malaya; Mrs. E. N. Elliott, Tanganyika; Mrs. Doherty, liaison officer at the Colonial Office for Overseas Nigerian women students; the Hon. Audrey Jeffers, Trinidad; Lady Woolley and Miss Mavis Pollard of British Guiana; Miss Groves of Jamaica; Lady Seel and Mrs. C. E. P. Weatherhead, Barbados; Lady Murphy and Mrs. E. Jay, Bahamas; Lady Stubbs, Ceylon; Mrs. R. E. Alford and Mrs. J. Lloyd, Zanzibar; Mrs. B. M. Griffin and Mrs. Crabbe, Kenya; Miss S. Wong and Miss G. Young, Hong Kong.

Lady Graeme Thomson, president of the Women's Corona Club, who welcomed the Queen Mother, is the wife of a former Governor of British Guiana.

The club is an organisation consisting of women in the Colonial Service and the wives of Colonial Service officers. It is an independent and non-official body which brings together women of various races and interests.

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