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SCHOOLS IN THE NEWS:

The Bishop's Bridge Road School in Paddington makes a startling contrast to the grim barrack-like buildings most of us suffered when children. Contemporary in design, it provides every amenity for a child whether at work or play.

Big, easy-to-clean kitchens cope with the dinners for about 700 children. The school, which cost about £120,000 was built in a year and a half. It was planned to give the pupils plenty of space, air and sunshine in the modern manner. The same idea is behind the new Kidbrooke school built by the L.C.C. in East London. More than fifteen hundred girls can be seated in the vast assembly hall. Kidbrooke, which caters only for girls, is a comprehensive secondary school.

On the curricula, is hat making. But don't get the impression this is just a school of hobbies; they've got 56 classrooms to cope with the other sort of lessons. On top of that, there are five gymnasiums, a library, reading rooms, laboratories, housecraft flats, rooms for cookery and needlework in fact everything to equip a girl for the time when school-days are over. Educationalists believe that, with schools like this, the pupils will want to learn - and that, they say, is half the battle!

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