

Group trade review

WELLINGTON HOSPITAL:

Topping-out ceremony

■ B&C's new Wellington Hospital, St. John's Wood, London, is making rapid progress. In August B&C joined contractors John Laing and Son for the traditional ceremony of topping-out—when the final pour of concrete was added to the dramatic stepped structure next to Lord's cricket ground. At right: giving the last concrete a really professional finish is Sarah Johnson, nursing sister from the Union-Castle mailship *Pendennis Castle*. With her are (left to right) Dr. Arthur Levin, medical director, deputy chairman Bernard Cayzer, and L. J. Holliday, assistant managing director of Laing's building division.

■ Below left: a quick lift to roof level for the topping-out party, on board a Simons platform. Sarah Johnson, Bernard Cayzer and L. J. Holliday are driven by Paul Adorian (far left), general manager of Elstree Plant Ltd. The truck-based Simons platform has a remarkable 30-metre reach. Below right: this is how the Wellington Hospital looked on topping-out day, with groups of guests being lifted to the ceremony on the roof (top left corner). Pictures on this page by Mark Gerson. A foundation stone for the hospital has since been laid by Sir Nicholas Cayzer. Pictures in CLANSMAN No. 17.

