

Land-rover first.

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ment and challenged Mr Smith to produce evidence to back his accusation.

Mr Smith had made the claim in his New Year address and warned that the Government was on guard against "thuggery and intimidation" by African extremists.

Earlier today, 37 African Methodist Ministers announced their rejection of the settlement terms as "designed to entrench European privilege while the advantage to Africans was so slight as to be worthless."

ger was involved in a nose-to-tail shunt in the city today.

Mrs M. H. Dunlop, Havelock North, was treated by a doctor following the accident which happened shortly after 10 a.m. at the intersection of Hobson and Devon Sts.

The three cars were all turning into Hobson St from Devon St. All received moderate damage. The drivers were Mr Graeme Matui Nuku, Ngamotu Rd, New Plymouth, Mr Edward Frederick Shaw, Smart Rd, New Plymouth, and Mr Hugh Baird Dunlop, Havelock North.

Traffic was slowed for a short time while one of the cars was towed from the scene.

## New shopping facilities

Development of shopping facilities on the Devon St flat will follow from the purchase by a New Plymouth company of two commercial properties.

One of the properties is a building containing three shops on the south side of Devon St near Gover St. Two of the shops are vacant and the third will be vacated this month.

The building will be demolished and it is expected that construction of a new, two-storey building will begin in a few weeks. The new block will include shops on the

ground floor and other commercial space on the second floor.

Completion is expected before the end of the year.

The second property to be purchased by the company is the building on the corner of Devon and Gover Sts at present housing Tasman Motors Ltd and two shops.

This building, which has a 90ft 6in frontage on to Devon St and a 136ft frontage on to Gover St, is expected to be developed into a shopping complex; but no immediate plans are in hand for the work.

Tasman Motors are expected to shift to new premises in a few months.

THESE two properties have been purchased by a New Plymouth company with the object of developing Devon St shopping facilities near Gover St. LEFT: These three shops are shortly to be replaced by a two-storey structure containing shops and commercial space. Construction is expected to begin in a few weeks. BELOW: The corner premises occupied by Tasman Motors Ltd and two shops.



## London bus fares up

(NZPA-Reuter—Copyright) LONDON, Monday. — A sudden fare increase hit bus and tube travellers all over London today and involved hundreds of conductors in furious argument.

"We almost had a riot," said one hapless conductor. "People complained that advance publicity had only talked about an increase of eight per cent, but in fact many of the fares went up 100 per cent."

The increases are designed to bring in a further \$22 million to London's currently unprofitable transport system.

