

'Thank you' for dockers



IN contemplative mood members of Lynn Docks at their dinner on Thursday listen to their manager (Mr. S. M. Sewell) as he thanks them for their co-operation during his 14

months of office. The dinner, first of its kind, was attended by Mr. G. E. Staves (assistant secretary, Docks Executive), sitting opposite Mr. Sewell and next to Mr. J. Rutherford (assistant manager).

FIRST DINNER OF THE LYNN DOCKS

"KING'S LYNN was the first port taken over as such by the Docks Executive. We are all watching its progress with keen interest and belief in its future." This was part of a message from Sir Reginald Hill, chairman of Docks and Inland Waterways Executive, to the Lynn Docks on Thursday evening—the occasion of the Docks' first dinner, held at Ely's Restaurant.

Reader of the message was Mr. G. E. Staves (Assistant Secretary, Docks Executive), who was the guest of honour.

Mr. Staves said that when he became concerned with the transfer of Lynn Docks Company to the Docks Executive he found it was a very important port.

"I think we should realise," he continued, "that we are all partners in an important new endeavour . . . The Transport Commission administers a very large portion of the docks in the country and we are all trying to find the best way of administering docks generally."

Mr. S. M. Sewell (Docks Manager) said he was pleased to see a function of that sort. He was told it was the first dinner of the kind to be held by the Docks and he hoped to see it develop.

He thanked the staff for the

co-operation they had given him in his 14 months of office.

During the evening entertainment was provided by the Dock Songsters (Messrs. S. Halford, E. J. N. White, C. Iles, E. Miles, S. M. Sewell and K. Clark), Miss Jean Iles (piano), Mr. J. Woods (comic songs) and Mr. G. A. Neal (accordionist).