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COMMONWEALTH MOURNS DEATH OF BELOVED SOVEREIGN PRINCESS EN ROUTE FROM KENYA AS QUEEN ELIZABETH

WORLD MOURNS HIS DEATH



Canadians Feel Deeply Death Of Beloved King

In a Canadian city early in the morning a woman called a friend about the death of a man she had seen once in her life and who lived thousands of miles away. She was crying.

Coming Events

- Unloading Old Sydney Coal at Milton Station, Norris Kitson.
- Unloading car Old Sydney Coal Wednesday and Thursday, Ralph MacCaull, Carleton.
- Farmers, ask about the Shurkin Feed Finance Plan. For particulars contact your local feed mill.
- Cake Sale at Holman's, Saturday, February 9th, at 2 P. M. Mt. Herbert Ladies' Aid.
- Hockey Wiltshire rink tonight, Wiltshire Juveniles vs. Fredericton Juveniles.
- Card party and dance in St. Theresa's Hall, Friday night, Feb. 8th. Games start at 8 p.m.
- Whist and Dance, Belfast Hall, Friday, February 8th. Sponsored by Eidon Legion.
- Attend the Dance in St. George's School on Friday, February 8th.
- Hockey tonight at Long Creek rink, St. Catherine's School vs. Long Creek School. Skate after.
- Come in and talk over our Purina Finance Plan, for your Hogs and Poultry. Dillon and Spillet.
- For Snapshots that will not fade, mail your films and negatives to Garnham Photo Studios Charlottetown.
- Valentine Party, Crapaud Hall, Thursday, February 14th. Auspices L. O. B. A. If stormy, come Friday night.
- Hockey North River tonight, Thursday, Feb. 7th. Cornwall Meteors vs. Covehead Red Wings. Game time 8:15. Skate after.
- Booking orders for car of asphalt shingles and sidings delivery in spring. Call now and get our prices. We have in stock a limited supply of register Laurantian Turnip Seed. This seed originated from Macdonald College. There will be shortage of register seed. You are well advised to get yours now. Consult us about your feeding problem. All poultry feeds are in new jute bags. E. J. MacDougall, Vernon.

Royal Plane Due In London At 12:30 P.M.

LONDON, Feb. 7 — (Thursday — AP) — The four-engine silver and blue Argonaut flying Queen Elizabeth II back to Britain today has an escort of Lancaster planes carrying land and sea rescue gear. The royal plane is due in London at 4:30 P.M. today (12:30 P.M. A.S.T.). British Overseas Airways Corporation logged the plane's progress across Africa from Kenya Colony where Elizabeth learned she had become Queen on the death of King George VI. The plane was delayed on the ground at Entebbe, Uganda, a British African colony, by a thunderstorm. An hour after midnight London time the plane had covered 921 miles and was 315 miles west of Khartoum, the Sudan capital.

Valet Discovers King George Dead In Bed

By R. B. MacLurkin
SANDRINGHAM, England, Feb. 6 — (Reuters) — King George VI was discovered dead in his bed this morning by his valet. Court officials were called from their beds and news was broken to the Queen. She went immediately to his bedside. She did not weep, according to local reports. Though her face was racked with misery, she kept control of her emotions. She kissed the forehead of the dead King. Then, straightening up, she said, "We must tell Elizabeth. We must tell..." she hesitated then added, "We must tell... the Queen."

Tonight inside the red-brick house itself, Elizabeth, now Queen Mother, and her daughter Princess Margaret mourned. Villagers here kept their sadness pent up inside. Most of the older ones knew King George VI when he was a shy child who used to come here on vacation with his father, King George V. One old villager said the King had known for months past that he was under sentence of death.

Flags Today

OTTAWA, Feb. 6 — (CP) — Flags, lowered to half-staff in mourning for the King, will be raised to full staff at noon tomorrow across Canada to mark the proclamation of Queen Elizabeth II as the new monarch. It will be accession day in Canada. Flags will fly at half-staff until noon and at full staff until sundown. They will return to half-staff Friday and remain there until sunset of the day of the King's funeral.

Proclaim Elizabeth Queen Of Canada

(By George Kitchen)
OTTAWA, Feb. 6 — (CP) — A saddened Canada, plunged into deep mourning by the death of its beloved King George VI, today proclaimed Princess Elizabeth as Queen Elizabeth II. The capital was shaken and shocked this morning by the news that the King this country had come to know better than any previous sovereign had died during the night. The Federal Cabinet, members wearing black ties of mourning, went into emergency session at noon (EST) to adopt a proclamation formally announcing the death of the King and declaring the accession of his youthful daughter as Queen Elizabeth II. The proclamation was adopted about 12:10 p.m. EST and became effective between 3:15 and 3:30 p.m. when it was signed by Chief Justice Thibaucaud Rinfret, Administrator in the absence of a Governor-General. As the sad news spread across the land, flags came down to half-staff in the capital and through the country in tribute to the 56-year-old monarch who led Canada and the Commonwealth through 16 years of war and uneasy peace. In the streets, black-bordered

newspapers reported the King's death and the 25-year-old Queen's accession. On the air, the CBC banned all commercials until midnight tomorrow night and broadcast only news bulletins and appropriate music. Messages of sympathy were cabled to the Royal Family and tributes to the greatness, the dignity and the nobility of the King began to flood news service wires from across the country. The United Church of Canada proclaimed next Sunday a memorial day and other churches were expected to follow suit. The official word of the King's death came to Canada in a cable to Mr. Justice Rinfret, as Administrator, from the King's private secretary in London. "Profoundly regret to state that His Majesty King George the Sixth passed away peacefully in his sleep early this morning." The cabinet dealt only with two proclamations in its brief sitting — the one proclaiming Princess Elizabeth as Queen and another directing government officials holding commissions from the

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Queen Elizabeth II



By GEORGE KINNEAR

NAIROBI, Kenya, Feb. 6 — (AP) — The slight young Princess who has trained since childhood for the responsibilities of the British crown headed home sorrowfully as a Queen tonight to take up the royal duties left her by her father's sudden death.

Princess Elizabeth burst into tears when her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, broke the news from London of the death of the King. But she soon regained her composure. "She was every inch a Queen," a source at the royal lodge at Nyeri told reporters. Cutting short a projected five-month, 30,000-mile royal tour that was to have taken them to Ceylon, Australia, New Zealand and other British regions, Elizabeth and the Duke are going home by plane. The couple flew tonight from Nairobi to Entebbe, Uganda. There they transferred to a four-engine Argonaut airliner for the flight home. The 25-year-old Queen, Britain's first woman ruler since Victoria reigned 51 years ago, only last Thursday left London. There she bade goodbye to the King after earnestly scanning his tired, lined face. She and the Duke were substituted for him on the tour because of the ill health that had plagued him in recent years. Elizabeth and her husband left their two children, Charles and Anne, at home. Prince Charles, 3, becomes heir apparent to the throne.

Dedicated Life

Since she was 10, Elizabeth has been specially schooled to take the throne some day if necessary. On her 21st birthday, as heiress presumptive, she dedicated her life to the Empire and its 500,000,000 persons. Speaking by radio from Capetown, South Africa, she said: "I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great imperial family to which we all belong." Only a few hours before news of the King's death was radioed from London, Elizabeth and her husband had returned to the royal lodge from a thrilling night in big-game country. Her greatest thrill came when an elephant, one in a herd of 46, roved to within 12 yards of the Princess, screened from her only face. She and the Duke were substituted for him on the tour because of the ill health that had plagued him in recent years. Elizabeth and her husband left their two children, Charles and Anne, at home. Prince Charles, 3, becomes heir apparent to the throne.

Civic Contests Pending In Four Wards On February 13

Mayor J. David Stewart was re-elected by acclamation yesterday when he was the only nomination filed of Nomination Day, one week prior to the Bi-ennial civic election for mayor and councillors. The only other nominee to receive an acclamation was Councillor J. Arthur Gormley who has represented Ward 1 in the City Council for the past two years. Contests will be waged in Wards 2, 3, 4 and 5 with the only surprise coming in Ward 2 where Mr. M. Alban Farmer, former Councillor who was expected to be a candidate for the Mayoralty, will oppose present Councillor Lester P. O'Donnell in a two-way battle for the Council seat. In Ward 3 Councillor Wendell H. Beaton will be opposed by Mr. Frank J. Storey, well known businessman of this city. Each of the first three wards in the city is represented by a single Councillor. Ward 4, represented by two Councillors will have four men in the field next Wednesday. They are present Councillors G.R. Keefe and C.M. Cox, and two new entrants into the Council field, Mr.

W.J. Brown, manager of the Forum, and Mr. Elmer MacDonnell, well known grocer of this city. The biggest of the city's wards, Ward 5, which elects three representatives to the Council, will see five men seeking election. They are Dr. L.E. Prowse and Coun. Edwin C. Johnston, members of the past Council and Mr. T. Roy Gudmore, proprietor of a men's wear store here, Mr. P.R. McGormac, operator of a laundry, and Mr. Charles E. Worth, barber. Because of the lack of a contest for the Mayoralty observers of past civic elections believe that only a small vote will be polled. Although the main interest in the city centres on the election of the Mayor and members of the Council, there will also be a contest for the offices of Water Commissioners who are elected separately and independent of the City Council. Named to contest the three posts as Commissioners are present members Mr. W.D. Gillis and H. Roy Bevan, and Mr. Ernest Clawson and Mr. Stewart Ives. There are three Commissioners to be elected.

The Last Emperor

(An Editorial)

The King is dead; long live the Queen. His Majesty's reign was anything but an untroubled one. Called suddenly to the throne by the constitutional crisis resulting in his brother's abdication, George VI accepted the heavy task of reigning over the many lands and peoples in almost as many stages of political development, which constituted the British Commonwealth and Empire.

The new Queen, his daughter, is not Empress of India but the Crown has a hold on the affections of the Indian and Pakistan people, as on those of every nation of the Commonwealth. We are in a very real sense a band of brothers and it is profoundly due to the complete dedication of his late Majesty to his duty that this supremely important fact has not been lost sight of in the excitement of lively political developments

Death Occurred At Sandringham Country Estate

(By Alan Harvey, Canadian Press Staff Writer)
LONDON, Feb. 6 — (CP) — Princess Elizabeth, a serious girl with a tremulous smile, became Britain's seventh ruling Queen today as a sorrowing people mourned the death of her father, King George VI.

The King died in his sleep early today. Hours later his elder daughter, sobbing with grief, cut short a visit to Africa and started the long journey to assume responsibilities for which she has been groomed since childhood.

As she headed home from Kenya, an Accession Council held a special meeting at St. James' Palace to proclaim the Princess Queen Elizabeth II — sovereign in her 26th year of Great Britain, Ireland and the Dominions overseas.

DEATH CAME AS SHOCK

The King, in the 16th year of a popular reign, died peacefully at his country estate in Sandringham, near the cottage where he was born 56 years ago. His passing followed a long illness, including a major operation last September for a cancerous lung, but news of his death caught Britain and the Commonwealth unprepared.

When the word came this morning it seemed for a moment as though the heartbeat of a nation stopped, too. People could not believe their beloved King was dead. Then, as the realization sank in, high and low gave vent to their grief.

Traditional British reserve melted. Some women wept openly. Frivolous day-to-day activity ceased and official functions were interrupted. Parliament met briefly and adjourned, courts closed and the stock exchange called an early halt.

FUNERAL DATE NOT DECIDED

The King's body will probably lie in state all next week in Westminster—the great hall of the Houses of Parliament. The funeral is not expected until the following week. Burial probably will be at Windsor. Final date of the funeral cannot be fixed until Elizabeth returns.

Vincent Massey, Governor-General of Canada, cancelled plans to sail for Canada this week. Massey, a personal friend of the Royal Family, had an audience with the King 13 days ago and is expected to be "commanded"—in the words of Buckingham Palace—to attend the funeral. Massey attended today's Accession Council meeting as a member of the United Kingdom Privy Council.

Accession Council Meets

The Accession Council met at 5 p.m. (noon EST). It had drafted the proclamation by the time the meeting ended 20 minutes later but it was not to become official until its publication some hours after the meeting. Canada's proclamation of Elizabeth as Queen became official between 2:15 and 3:30 p.m. EST with the signature of Chief Justice Thibaucaud Rinfret, administrator in the absence of a Governor-General. The cabinet adopted the proclamation at about 12:10 p.m., first Commonwealth body to do this. Canadians had acclaimed the King 13 years before when he

toured the Dominion with the Maritimes before the outbreak of war. They had also seen their new Queen when as Princess Elizabeth she toured the Dominion with the Duke of Edinburgh last fall.

Thus Elizabeth became Britain's first woman ruler since Victoria's reign which ended 51 years ago. She sobbed when she heard the unexpected news in Kenya, but set out at once for home and the responsibilities of the throne. The King's death plunged Britain and the Commonwealth into mourning. Flags all over the world dipped to half staff. Even the Russians made this gesture of respect in Berlin.

The King's reign spanned 15 years of turbulent history. He saw Britain lose much of the Empire upon which, it once was said, the sun never set. He saw it come to austerity, privation and near bankruptcy. He saw his countrymen stand against and help to conquer the bloody thrusts of Hitler and Hirohito. For his own part, he refused to leave embattled Britain with his gracious Queen and their two daughters. The King's valet, John MacDon-

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Potato Shipments Realize 1 1-2 Million Dollars To Date

Potato shipments to date have realized one and one-half million dollars, compared with approximately one-half million dollars last year, for the same period, stated Mr. C. E. Shaw, district fruit and vegetable inspector, in his report on the activities of his department at the Provincial Agricultural Conference here yesterday.

In contrast with this large increase in value, Mr. Shaw noted that potato shipments by water and rail from Aug. 4 to Dec. 31, 1951, totalled 906,750 bushels compared with the similar period in 1950 of 1,278,375 bushels. The heavy potato surplus at the commencement of 1951 was in part relieved by the Dominion Government starch programme. Mr. Shaw noted, inspectors had to certify that 75 per cent was

Canada No. 1 grade. Three starch factories operated and manufactured 313,000 bushels into starch, the price paid being 44 cents per bushel. While this was below cost of production, it had a stabilizing effect. The surplus and low prices resulted in a general loss to all growers.

Provincial Inspection

"Our staff of inspectors also administer the Provincial inspection of fruit and vegetables in Charlottetown and incorporated towns in this Province," Mr. Shaw said. "We have had good co-operation from the grocers in this work and court cases were not necessary. We note an improvement in grade and quality in stock offered. "We have recommended to the

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God Save The Queen

LONDON, Feb. 6 — (CP) — For the first time since 1901, the British salute to the Sovereign will be: "God Save The Queen." In official proclamations and in the national anthem the new Queen Elizabeth II will be hailed as was her great-great grandmother, Victoria, who died 51 years ago. The Queen's birthday, April 21, may become a public holiday.

Churchill Gov't Retains Seat

SOUTHPORT, England, Feb. 6 — (CP) — The Conservatives today retained the parliamentary seat of Southport in the first by-election since Winston Churchill ousted the Labor Government in the October general election.

Roger Fleetwood-Hesketh was elected to replace Conservative R. S. Hudson, who was made a peer. Voting was: Fleetwood-Hesketh 24,589; Alan Tillotson, Labor, 11,310; Hubert Bentliff, Liberal, 3,776. The Conservative majority dropped from 17,853 to 13,279. In the Oct. 26 voting Hudson polled 30,388 votes to 12,555 for Labor and 7,576 for the Liberal candidate. Standing in the 625-seat House of Commons: Conservatives and allies 319, Labor 204, Liberals 6, Irish Nationalists 2, Independent (Irish Labor) 1, Speaker 1, Vacant 2.



HALIFAX, Feb. 6 — (CP) — Official forecasts issued tonight by the Dominion Public Weather Office here and valid until midnight Thursday:

Fresh cold air streamed into the Maritimes tonight, and skies were clear in all regions except Cape Breton. Early morning readings between 20 and 25 are forecast for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, while New Brunswick will be about 10 degrees colder. Thursday will be sunny with normal February temperatures, but another disturbance is expected to bring cloud to Western Nova Scotia in the evening.

Regional forecasts: Prince Edward Island — Clear and colder. Light winds. Low and high Thursday at Charlottetown 20 and 25.

High tide today at Charlottetown at 9:09 A. M. and 7:21 P. M. High tide on the North Shore at 4:34 A. M. and 3:15 P. M. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. Sun rises today at 7:27 A. M. and sets at 5:28 P. M.

MCA AIR SERVICE DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY

Leave Charlottetown for Moncton 5:30 A.M.; 11:20 A.M.; 4:50 P.M. Ar. Charlottetown from Moncton 7:25 A.M.; 1:35 P.M.; 6:55 P.M. Leave Charlottetown for New Glasgow — Halifax 7:40 A.M. New Glasgow 1:50 P.M. New Glasgow & Halifax Arrive Charlottetown from New Glasgow and Halifax 11:00 A.M. from New Glasgow 4:35 P.M. from New Glasgow and Halifax.

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY ONLY
9:10 A.M. Arrive Sydney from New Glasgow
10:25 A.M. Arrive New Glasgow from Sydney.

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Arrive Charlottetown from Moncton 5:55 P.M.

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