

IMPRESSIVE MEMORIAL SERVICES HELD IN CITY YESTERDAY

Large Attendance At Trinity Church Service

A large number of citizens joined last evening in paying tribute to their late sovereign King George VI, at an impressive memorial service held in Trinity United Church.

The service was conducted by the Charlottetown Ministerial Association, with the president Rev. Henry Barber, pastor of North River Baptist Church, presiding. Before the pulpit draped in purple and black, the Scripture readings and Invocation were offered by Senior Capt. Leslie Titcombe, of the Salvation Army, followed by the combined choirs of the Zion Presbyterian Church, the Kirk of St. James, St. Peter's Cathedral, Central Christian, Baptist and Trinity churches, which joined voices with the congregation in the hymn, "O God Our Help In Ages Past."

From the Old Testament Rev. M. D. Dunbar, of the Central Christian Church, chose for his lesson the 46th Psalm, after which the Thanksgiving for the King's life and reign was offered by Rev. J. T. Irwin, Trinity Church, followed by the Trinity Choir singing an appropriate selection.

Rev. J. T. Davison of the Baptist Church, selected his passage from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

During the Intercession for the Queen and Royal Family, Rev. J. T. Irwin, of St. Paul's Church, called upon Almighty God to comfort the Royal Family in their darkest hours of need. Afterwards the united choirs again linked their voices with the congregation in singing the King's favorite hymn, "The King of Love My Shepherd Is."

The address of tribute, given by Rev. T. H. B. Somers, of the Kirk of St. James, portrayed the late monarch as a man who took willingly upon his shoulders the burden of a great nation, and as one who at all times displayed the fondest affection for his family and subjects.

Near the close of the service the hymn, "Abide With Me" was sung, followed by the National Anthem.

The Rev. H. E. D. Ashford, of Trinity Church, closed the service with the "Benediction."

Present amongst the congregation were His Honour Lieutenant Governor T. W. L. Prowse and Mrs. Prowse, Premier J. Walter

Memorial Tribute

Following is the text of the memorial address by Rev. Mr. Somers:

It would be difficult to find a parallel to that widespread sense of loss which today fills the heart of every son and daughter of our nation and binds our far-flung Commonwealth in an act of reverent homage. At this hour there is something deeper in our thoughts than that wistful sadness and melancholy recognition of the transitoriness of human pomp and power which accompany the passing of the great ones of earth. There is common to each one of us a very real and unaffected sense of profound and personal sorrow.

"We have gathered to this memorial service not as remote and dissociated spectators of a sovereign's obsequies. We are those who stand by the death-bed of a loved and honoured friend. That spiritually-minded gentleman, whose earthly career of high service has in the mysterious providence of God been brought to so sudden a close, possessed in a unique degree the affection of all his people. From us he seemed divided by no artificial barriers of station or renown. He was in a peculiar sense our very own.

"George the Sixth was more than the monarch of a mighty people, more than the sovereign of a far-flung commonwealth of nations. He was to Britons everywhere the example of a nobility of character and idealism which exerted a profound influence for good upon us all. Unaffected goodness cannot be hid, and we exalted him in our hearts not only as our liege lord and king, but because we saw revealed in him a wealth of moral and spiritual qualities which cast a spell upon the nation's soul. Our Empire mourns his loss with a universal sorrow, remembering as well as the greatness of his station, the inward greatness of the man himself. Stainless in his honour, unimpeachable in his integrity, selfless in his devotion, he walked among us with a perfect heart, a pattern of the knights of God.

Humility of Heart

"Though shy and of retiring nature, when called so unexpectedly to assume the panoply of majesty and the burdens of kingship, George the Sixth soon won the love and acclaim of his people. This, however, served only to deepen the extraordinary humility of his heart. Those intimately associated with him declare with unanimous testimony that our late Sovereign never put himself forward, nor sought his own ends. With single-minded earnestness he pursued the path of duty and consecrated what strength he had and all his gifts to the disinterested service of his country and his people.

"At an hour like this, men and women, how the wells of memory are stirred!

"We are transported back to those hazy days of war in which, following so soon upon the glories of his coronation and the dedication of himself to the service of God and man, he stood erect, a strong, undaunted figure, upon the world's disorderly stage. Into any appreciation of the burden of weariness and anxiety he bore with level eyes and unflinching courage no one of us can dimly enter. Yet here and now we humbly own our gratitude for all that he was to us, and all that he did, who endured so soon upon the field, and with us, what we are now powerless to estimate or comprehend. Nor do we forget how the cessation of hostilities found him an earnest advocate of peace and goodwill among the nations, calling upon all with whom his voice had influence "to withhold the 'Truce of God' to the whole world forever."

"Following the dark days of strife and the unsettled aftermath of war His Majesty's life was brightened somewhat by the sincere and joyous welcome accorded him and his beloved Consort when they visited their people in South Africa. There they were made to realize afresh the depth of the devotion they had so nobly carried for themselves from the varied ranks of divers races. It must have brought to mind the happy days of His Majesty's visit with Queen Elizabeth to our shores some eight years previously.

"During the South African tour their elder daughter, now Elizabeth II, our Gracious Queen, reached her majority, and, in a birthday broadcast to the Commonwealth, pledged herself to the ideals of honour and service which

Military Forces Pay Tribute At Armouries

"The Throne was never more stable than when he occupied it. The Crown was never more lustre than when he wore it." In a brief but moving talk Rev. Capt. H. E. D. Ashford yesterday captivated the large military gathering at the armouries during the memorial service to His Late Majesty King George Sixth.

One of the greatest service representations to be held in peace-time in many years crowded the Armouries to pay tribute to the former head of state who died last week and was buried yesterday.

The impressive service opened when Lieut. Col. A. W. Rogers, officer commanding the parade, called the group to attention and Rev. J. T. Irwin gave the Invocation. "I am the Resurrection and the Life," the three Protestant padres stood just in back of the flag-draped drums as the parade was turned over to them.

Behind them were high ranking representatives led by His Honour Lieutenant Governor T. W. L. Prowse. With him were his aides, Capt. J. J. Connolly and Sqdn. Leader A. Macmillan. Others in the party were Senators George H. Barbour, James P. McIntyre and Thomas V. Grant, Brig. W. W. Reid, Brig. G. G. K. Peake, Mayor J. D. Stewart, City Clerk James A. Fullerton, Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan, O.B.E., Col. J. H. Shaw.

Former New Dominion Man Dies In The U.S.A.

Mr. R. B. Currie of Charlottetown has just received the sad news that his nephew, Wilmoit Currie MacNeill passed away in Hartford, Conn. on Feb. 14. Mr. MacNeill was born at New Dominion, P.E.I. and was in his fifty-fifth year. He was a veteran of World War I, and at the age of 18 went overseas with the Second Siege Battery under the command of Col. Walter Prowse. He saw much active service during the first two years and was hospitalized in England in 1917. In 1918 he was again in active service and spent several months with the army of occupation in Germany, returning to P.E.I. in July, 1919.

He later spent several years in Western Canada, and went to the U.S.A. about 25 years ago. He leaves to mourn his wife, May and his fourteen-year-old daughter, Gail; also two brothers, Ernest, Cumberland, P.E.I., John, Saugus, Mass., and one sister, Marion, of Vancouver, B.C.

Heads Model Aircraft Group

TELEGRAPH-JOURN — J. Arthur Covey, Saint John, has been re-elected eastern zone director of the Model Aeronautics Association of Canada for 1952, according to word received from Lavalle J. Walker, Windsor, Ont., president of the M.A.A.C. Mr. Covey's territory will include the provinces of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.

As the official governing body of model aviation in the Dominion, the M.A.A.C. guides and promotes the growth of the hobby wherever possible, in cooperation with the Royal Canadian Flying Clubs Association. Official rules and regulations for model competitions are set up by the board of directors of the M.A.A.C. and revised each year when necessary. Official records may only be set by members of the M.A.A.C. during an official contest or record trials.

During the coming year Mr. Covey will direct his efforts to the organizing of clubs and groups in various centres of the two provinces and to the promotion of contests, wherever possible. At the present time there are clubs at Fredericton, Campbellton, St. Stephen, Chatham, Moncton, Fredericton Junction and Saint John in New Brunswick and in Summerside and Charlottetown in Prince Edward Island.

In Square Formation

In the Armouries the entire parade was drawn up in the form of a square. Navy men led by Lieut. Commander J. J. Trainor, captain H. M. C. Queen Charlotte, were on the left with officers and men of the P.E.I. Regiment (17th Recce) under Major E. K. Kennedy beside them. Facing the Governor's party were the 28th L.A.A. Regiment, under command of Lieut. Col. H. Gordon Williams, and 5 Signals Regiment, under command of Lieut. Col. K. M. Johnston.

On the right side of the square were the members of the 21st Field Ambulance, commanded by Capt. J. McCarville with members of the R.C.M.P., headed by Inspector N. W. Churchill beside them. Joining the Mounties was Chief of Police Charles MacArthur. To the left of the Police were members of the Canadian Legion. Large numbers ranging from Colonels to privates turned out to pay their respects to their late Sovereign. In charge of the parade was Sgt. Maj. Allison MacLeod, while leading them to the Armouries was the flag party of Percy Senter, Harry Morrison, Stanley Ward and Percy Carr.

Standing in the front row with the Legionnaires were six representatives of the Overseas Nursing Association. All were nurses who

Services By Salvation Army

Salvationists and friends gathered in the Citadel here yesterday to pay their last respects in their own way to a King not only acknowledged as such, but loved by his people. "The Admiral had been piped aboard for the last time—they had taken away our King but we knew where they laid him; may his fine characteristics of courage and faith in a living God be the mantle handed down to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the 2nd." So prayed Corps Officer L. Titcombe, leading the congregation.

The Scripture portion was read from Revelation, chapter 21. The Corps Officer followed the same words as those read by the Archbishop of Canterbury at the committal service of his late Majesty. "Behold the tabernacle of God is with men, He shall dwell with them, they shall be his people; and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death etc."

The hymns sung were, "O God Our Help In Ages Past" and "Abide With Me" accompanied by the Citadel Band.

The Last Post was played by Bandsman Stanley James, and was followed by two minutes of silence.

Following the committal, prayers were made that God would bless the Commonwealth of Nations under the rule of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the 2nd and that His grace and presence would attend Her Majesty daily.

At 2:00 p.m. the Citadel band, small but efficient in the playing of the old hymn tunes that bless, gathered at the Veteran's wing of the P.E.I. Hospital to remember those who gave willingly of their service to His Majesty the King when the very bulwarks of Democracy were threatened. Favourable comments were received as the Band gave a half hour musical program.

At 3:00 p.m. a Children's memorial service was held in the Citadel. The large crowd attested to how the youngsters of this generation felt about the passing of His Majesty. They heartily sang the words of "Onward Christian Soldiers," then bowed their young hearts and heads as they observed a moment of silence before being led in prayer.

Through the courtesy of the National Film Board the film was shown entitled "The House of Windsor"; this was very appropriate and well received. The young people pledged their young hearts to walk in the footsteps of their beloved monarch after the reading of the Scripture, also they received with enthusiasm an oral challenge to serve under Queen Elizabeth the 2nd. Prayer was offered for the Royal Family, the Queen Mother being especially remembered.

The memorial service ended with the singing of the National Anthem.

Island Phone System 'Marginal Company' Says Gen. Manager

HALIFAX, Feb. 15 (CP) — A Murray MacKay, general manager of Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company, told the Public Utilities Board yesterday why the firm is seeking higher rates across the board.

He outlined increasing costs—already described by other officials in the hearing that began two days ago along with reasons for higher estimates. The hearing adjourned until Monday.

Mr. MacKay said Eastern Electric and Supply Company, an affiliate of Tel and Tel, handles all motor vehicle maintenance, printing and equipment installation for the firm more efficiently and at less cost than otherwise possible.

Answering a question city solicitor G. P. Ashburn, Mr. MacKay said he is general manager of the Island Telephone Company as well as Tel and Tel. The Prince Edward Island outfit, however, has its own staff and management.

Tel and Tel handles all billing to Island consumers, and receives in return 35 per cent of the system's gross revenue. The Island system is a "marginal company," Mr. MacKay said.

"Tel held a 'paternal' view toward the smaller company, and this was justified since the firms handle many calls to and from P. E. I."

Answering a question, Mr. MacKay said "over a number of years the cost of the dial system—as compared to manual—may be less; but the original cost, you must remember, is greater."

In the afternoon session, John F. Hart, inspector of rural telephone companies in Cape Breton, Pictou, Guysborough, and Antigonish, asked on behalf of the smaller telephone companies that the proposed increases be denied. He held the new rates would put many small companies in an "awkward" position, and would mean "oblivion" to many. His protest was filed with the board.

Mr. MacKay said the company, in setting out its estimates for the proposed schedule, did not discriminate.

CANADA MOURNS

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ent mourning for two minutes.

India: Premier Nehru headed mourners at a memorial service at the Church of England Cathedral of the Redemption in New Delhi. Offices, schools and banks were closed. The Last Post was sounded on bugles at midday and a 21-gun salute was fired.

Ceylon: Communion was held in all Ceylon churches and Buddhist ceremonies followed in the evening.

Pakistan: A day of national mourning was observed throughout the country.

Crowds of Europeans and natives attended services throughout Northern and Southern Rhodesia, the Gold Coast and Kenya. From Kenya, where the Queen first heard of her father's death, an official wreath was sent to Windsor.

ning for two minutes at 9 A.M.

In the Atlantic Provinces, the people paused to pray or meditate, some at their daily tasks and some on holiday, as the King was laid to rest.

Far in the depths of Cape Breton's collieries, coal-blackened men straightened their backs and put aside their tools to observe the two-minute silence.

On the Grand Banks, fishermen became part of the mourning with only the moaning wind to sound a requiem.

The big steel plant at Sydney—a scene of constant, 24-hour sound—became silent as 4,000 men joined in the mourning.

All four provinces had proclamations of a holiday, as well as some of their cities. Schools, government offices and practically all businesses were closed.

LONDON —(CP) —In an effort to increase continental sales British Automobile Manufacturers organized their largest European display in history for the International Motor exhibition at Brussels.

Service At St. Paul's Held Yesterday Morning

A large congregation filling his-story St. Paul's Anglican Church yesterday morning heard Canon E. M. Malone deliver an eloquent sermon in tribute to His Majesty King George VI. "His subjects," stated the Canon, "discerned in their Sovereign a man whom they could understand, respect and trust. . . . a Christian King to whom religion was real and meant a reverent sense of duty to God."

Taking part in the Church of England Memorial Service was the Rector, the Rev. J. T. Abbott, Rev. W. G. Hogg and the Rev. A. Piercey and a combined choir of St. Peter's and St. Paul's under the direction of Royston F. Muford, Organist and Choir Master.

The order of service included a professional hymn, "Let Saints on Earth in Concert Sing," responsive readings 39th Psalm led by the Rev. Mr. Hogg; the Lesson, Wisdom 3:1-6, 9-13, 16, read by the Rev. A. Piercey, the anthem, "The Souls of the Righteous," the favourite hymn of His late Majesty, "The King of Love My Shepherd Is," the Burial Service Sentences and Prayers were delivered by the Rev. J. T. Abbott, and the Choir rendered the Kontakion which was sung at the funeral service of the late Prime of Canada in Toronto. Grace was pronounced by the Rector, and the "Nunc Dimittis" rendered as the Requiem.

The moving and impressive service was brought to a close with the congregation standing while Mr. Muford played "The Dead March In Saul."

Girl Guides, Brownies, Boy Scouts and Cubs from St. Peter's Cathedral, Zion Church and St. Paul's attended in a body. A section of the choir from the front of the Church were reserved for them.

Immediately following the sermon by Canon Malone, the text of which appears below, the congregation rose to sing "God Save The Queen."

Milton On Sovereignty

"None knew better than he what sovereignty entailed. As Milton says: 'A crown, golden in show, is but a wreath of thorns, brings dangers, troubles, cares and sleepless nights to him who wears the regal diadem, when on his shoulders each man's burden lies, for therein stands the office of a King—his honour, virtue, merit and chief praise—that for the public all the weight he bears.'

"But, with the devoted and loving help of his gracious Queen he never failed to meet the heavy demands of his high office."

"In the anxious and disheartening years of war King George proved himself to be exactly the type of monarch whom it was good to have on the bridge of the ship of State, when it was being battered by storms, to have standing in the citadel when the enemy was battering at the gates. His subjects discerned in their Sovereign a man whom they could understand, respect and trust. As Stanley Fielding said of his royal father, so too it might be said of him: He was not only the first gentleman of the land by virtue of his position, but by virtue of his person. Respect yielded to reverence, and reverence to love."

Funeral Sermon

Rev. Canon Malone took for his sermon text the passage in Revelations XIV, 13: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord. From henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours." He said:

"The news that King George had died quietly in his sleep in the early hours of Wednesday last week (Feb. 6) came with the startling suddenness of a sharp shock

Christmas Broadcasts

"No one could listen to his Christmas broadcast messages to his people without being con-

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS
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BIRTHS
JOHNSTON—At the P. E. I. Hospital, Feb. 14th, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Johnston, Fortune Bridge, a daughter.

DEATHS
CONNOLLY—Suddenly in Somerville, Mass., U.S.A., Feb. 13th, 1952, Mrs. Walter Connolly, nee Mary Rossiter, age 51 years, formerly of Morell.

REYNOLDS—At her home in Montague on February 15th, 1952, Mrs. Marshall Reynolds, Funeral at 2 P. M. today from the Montague United Church. Please omit flowers.

GALLANT—At the Prince County Hospital on Friday, February 15th, Ernest J. Gallant, in his 38th year. Remains will be forwarded from the Compton Funeral Home to his late residence today. Funeral on Monday at 9:00 o'clock to St. Paul's Church and cemetery.

HUCHINSON—At the Prince County Hospital on February 14th, Agnes E. Hutchinson, widow of the late William James Hutchinson of Central Lot 16 in her 67th year. Resting at the Bowness Funeral Home from where a short service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 16th then to Central Lot 16 United Church for service at 2:00 p.m. Interment church cemetery.

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(Sgd.)
G. ARTHUR OUDMORE,
Grand Master.

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