

Fredericton Paid Impressive Tributes Day of Sovereign's Funeral

Largely Attended Civic Ceremony at Wilmot United Church Yesterday Was Significant of Sentiment of This City for Late Sovereign, King George V — Church Jammed to Doors — Rev. Geo. Telford Delivered Impressive Address — Other Ceremonies in the City.

The mourning period for King George V came to a fitting close yesterday when Fredericton, in common with all parts of the Empire, paid its last tribute of respect to our beloved monarch who has passed to his reward. All public offices and private business establishments were closed, the theatres suspended business and the radio was silent except for broadcasting of the funeral services of His Majesty. Flags continued to fly at half mast; bells on the different city churches were tolled; a Royal salute of seventy guns, marking each year of the late King's life, were fired from the Canadian Legion at three o'clock. The Parliament Buildings, the City Hall, and other public buildings were draped and many of the merchants had their show windows appropriately decorated with mourning colours and pictures of King George.

In the early morning the funeral services which were broadcasted from Windsor, England, over CFNB, were listened to with mournful attention by many citizens.

At eleven o'clock special memorial services were held at Christchurch Cathedral and at St. Dunstan's church. At three o'clock the principal memorial service of the day was held. It was a civil service arranged by the Ministerial Association and attended by His Worship Mayor Kitchen, the Aldermen, the Canadian Legion, the I.O.E., the R.C.M.P., and by various fraternal organizations. This service was a most appropriate one. The music of the choir from Wilmot, Brunswick Street and George Street Baptist churches, the Reformed Baptist church, St. Andrew's and St. Paul's churches was considered one of the best presentations ever heard in this city. The choir which composed over one hundred and fifty voices, under the direction of F. W. Harrison, organist of the Wilmot church, and reflected great credit on both the director and on themselves. The splendid new organ was heard to advantage. E. C. Atkinson and Randolph Crocker ushered the congregation into the church which was filled to overflowing, many being turned away. A broadcast of the service was given to an overflow gathering at the Capitol Theatre and in the basement of the church. Many about the city heard the service over the radio.

The clergymen taking part in the service included Rev. Geo. Telford, who preached the eloquent sermon found in The Daily Mail today, Rev. J. H. Bartlett, who presided; Venerable Archdeacon A. F. Bate, Rev. Geo. E. Ross, Rev. John Linton, Rev. F. A. Watson, Rev. D. L. Kennedy of Devon and Major Kimmins of the Salvation Army.

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Musical Service Splendid
The musical part of the service was outstanding and a mixed choir from all the churches in the city were present. So large was the choir that it was necessary to have a part of it seated in the balcony on each side. Prof. J. Harrison Wade presided at the console and the musical service included two anthems by the augmented choir, and the hymns, "Before Jehovah's Awful Throne," "Nearer My God to Thee," "Abide With Me," the last a favorite of the late King, and "Recessional" was sung. The musical service also included "Dead March in Saul," with the congregation standing.

While hundreds sat engrossed in the service at Wilmot Church the booming of the cannon from the Canadian Legion grounds, booming out a royal salute of seventy guns—one for every year of the late King's age—could be distinctly heard. The salute commenced at the identical time of the service.

Rev. J. W. Bartlett president of the Ministerial Association of Fredericton, Devon and Marysville, which sponsored the service, presided at the civic ceremonial. Other ministers present and who took part in the service were Ven. Archdeacon A. F. Bate, Rev. D. L. Kennedy, Rev. F. A. Watson, Rev. John Linton, Rev. Dr. G. E. Ross and Major Kimmins of the Salvation Army.

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First Monarch
One reason for this universal grief is not far to seek. It fell to King George to be the first Monarch to speak to all the peoples of his Empire at the same moment. A wonder-working science enabled him to speak to us all from his home to our homes. We still thrill to the memory of his voice. "If," the King said "I may be regarded as in some true sense the head of this great and wide-spread family, sharing its life and sustained by its affection, this will be a full reward for the long and sometimes anxious labours of my reign." That self-subordinating "if" won his people to him more than ever.

A further and deeper reason for our devotion is our admiration for the wise fulfillment of his kingly duties during a changeful and troubled period of years. In all the history of the British throne it would be hard to find another reign in which so many important and far reaching events took place. That quarter of century has been a period of conflict and unrest. New forces have been emerging and a new empire and new world have been born. These years have never been free from anxiety and the King had shared that anxiety to the full. At times his own burden of responsibility was of crushing weight. Yet amidst all the strain and uncertainty of the care-filled years King George walked wisely and securely.

Many tides and cross-currents were running in the world into which George the Fifth came as King. The skeptical influence, which the belief in the omnipotence of science had produced, was evident. There was a disquieting loosening of the cement of civilization, in a waning reverence for law order and good will. Science had greatly increased human wealth and everywhere there was a feverish hunt for riches and a craze for luxury. In social life a plutocracy was winning the place of the ancient aristocracy. Many nations were moving towards a self-contained nationalism. Materialism had wide away but accompanying it there was discontent, and too often, hunger, keen observers, noted a dawn of insecurity in men's minds. The world seemed to be lacking in any strong common faith or purpose. The fear of God was neither a national nor a common mood.

Marked Divisions
King George's reign had three clearly marked divisions, four pre-war years, and seventeen uneasy years of peace separated by four black years of war. The King had hardly ascended the throne before he was called upon to decide upon the limitation of the power of the House of Lords. With the sentiment of the nation strongly expressed, the King did not hesitate to give the royal assent to a measure which seemed to deprive the throne itself of hereditary support. Then came labour troubles, born in agitation, grumbling and discontent and breaking out in nation-wide strikes. The King met the situation with broad sympathy and understanding. The feminist movement gathered momentum till it stormed parliament and even the gates of Buckingham Palace. Here too the King's sound sense and unflinching good humor were a steady influence for moderation and reasonableness.

Home Rule
A more serious threat to the peace of the realm came with the impending establishment of Home Rule in Ireland. Irreconcilable differences between the two parties in the country brought two armies into being. Arms were imported and the troubled Isle became the scene of marching and drilling for war. Civil strife seemed inevitable. Men's minds turned to the Throne itself for a situation. Faced with a problem of much gravity the King laboured assiduously for peace. It was on his initiative and at his approval that the leaders gathered at Buckingham Palace for conference on the issue. The outlook for peace was very dark and statesmen were in despair when suddenly this domestic dispute was overwhelmed by a far greater catastrophe, the approach of the World War.

Horrible War
In August, 1914, the British Empire was plunged into a war which it did not expect and assuredly did not want. For four terrible years the British peoples braved their part in the grim world conflict. During all that time of bitter trial the King was the centre of devotion and loyalty that deepened as the months passed. On the fateful evening when Britain waited for the hour of war to strike great throngs gathered before Buckingham Palace silently expressing the unanimous loyalty of the people. The King carried on unostentatiously and faithfully the hard duties of the time, sharing gladly every burden and impressing the nation continually with the deep sympathy of himself and Queen Mary in this nation's sorrows and sufferings.

When the Armistice was signed on Nov. 11th, 1918, another vast throng assembled at the Palace and the tremendous acclamation which greeted the appearance of the King and Queen testified again to a nation's affection. Their Majesties that evening drove through the streets in an open carriage almost unattended while crowds ran shouting beside them in fervent loyalty.

The next seventeen years have proved to be as full of trials as those that preceded. The Empire, left with its burden of debts and unsolved problems still found the Throne a stable point amidst the shifting currents. Through all these trying years people regarded with growing trust George the Fifth, King by Royal Birth and King also by right of achievement. He had won his enduring place by his own Kingliness demonstrated and confirmed by a noble character and bearing through many trials. His high seriousness, his genuine faith and piety, his courage in meeting crises, his spirit of simplicity and charity have founded the throne more securely than ever in his people's affections. He has been a leader of that high sort that impels his people to be great. He has made the British people feel that the value of the throne is beyond price and that it can be a firm and stable centre of affection and allegiance when uncertainty and conflict bring fear and dismay.

King George is dead but his labours do follow him.

At St. Dunstan's Church
At eleven o'clock yesterday a solemn memorial service for King George and a service of tribute to our new King Edward VIII took place at St. Dunstan's Catholic Church, Rt. Rev. Msgr. F. L. Carney administrator of the diocese, conducted the service, assisted by Rev. Father Joseph Daley of the Sunbury Relief Project. Msgr. Carney paid an appropriate tribute to the dead King, both as a ruler and as a man. He referred to the ideal home of the Royal Family and stated that the domestic Royal circle was an example to all. He referred to the British Empire and to our ideal form of government and the liberties which all British subjects enjoy. He pointed out the ideal dignified way in which our present King, the Queen Mother and other members of the Royal Family had carried themselves during the trying period of mourning. Msgr. Carney then offered prayers for the late King and for strength and comfort for the bereaved Queen Mother, Mary, and for the members of the Royal household.

Rev. Father Daley conducted the service of The Way of the Cross, one of the most solemn services in the ritual of the church.

Fredericton in Deep Mourning As Late King is Laid to Rest

In line with all the other parts of the British Empire Fredericton yesterday observed fittingly the funeral day of His Late Majesty King George V, when hundreds of citizens crowded into the churches to pay their respects to the beloved Monarch. With flags on all buildings, flying at half mast, and purple and black bunting adorning the fronts of buildings and store windows, Fredericton plunged itself into deep mourning, the silence being broken only by the mournful booming of the seventy-gun salute by the 90th Howitzer Battery during the afternoon. As

The second part of the service consisted of prayers for our new King Edward VIII. Msgr. Carney spoke of the duties and responsibilities which have now fallen upon the shoulders of the new monarch. He said that all divinely constituted authority comes from God and that it was the duty of all British subjects to pledge their loyalty and devotion to the new Sovereign whom God in His Wisdom had placed over our Empire. Father Carney then offered prayers for the King asking that God would watch over him and protect him and, that He would give the new ruler wisdom and counsel. Prayers were also read for Parliament and for all our State leaders and for all the people of the Empire and that true peace and concord may reign amongst all Christian peoples. He prayed that the Divine blessing might rest upon our Empire, upon our young King, upon Queen Mary and the members of the Royal Family. The choir then sang "Come Holy Ghost," after which the congregation stood as the choir rendered God Save The King.

The church was crowded for the impressive service. The Fredericton Corp No. 2 of Girl Guides under Captain Martha O'Neill and Lieutenant Helen Burns were present in full uniform and occupied seats in the centre aisle. During the service St. Dunstan's church bell tolled out seventy slow and solemn strokes in respect to the departed King.

At St. Anthony's Church

The memorial services at St. Anthony's Church, Devon, were conducted by Rev. Father Gillis and the order of services was the same as that ordered to be used in all Catholic churches throughout the diocese. Rev. Father Gillis preached an eloquent sermon in which he paid an appropriate tribute to the late King, and to our new ruler. Appropriate music was rendered by the choir.

St. Mary's Parish Church
At the St. Mary's Parish Church, Devon, Rev. Lerol Mooers the rector conducted the memorial, following the lines outlined by the Archbishop for use in the different churches of the Archdiocese. Whitman Haines presided at the organ and the choir rendered appropriate music. Rev. Mr. Mooers preached the sermon, which dealt eloquently with the life and character of the late monarch, both as a ruler and as a Christian gentleman, and was heard with interest. A tribute was paid also to our new ruler, His Majesty King Edward VIII.

ENGLAND'S NEW KING SCION OF CONQUEROR

Edward, Prince of Wales, now King Edward VIII., traces his ancestry to William I, the Conqueror, crowned King of England in 1066.

Edward's father King George V, was the second son of:

the echo of the last gun died away flags on all buildings throughout the Empire were raised to mastheads.

As a mark of respect the merchants of Fredericton had their store windows draped in the royal mourning colors of purple and black surrounding a picture or painting of His Late Majesty. The stores were closed as well as offices and public buildings, while during the afternoon services were held in Wilmot United Church, St. Dunstan's Church, Sgoool Israel Synagogue, St. Mary's Parish Church, St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church and the Pentecostal Tabernacle in Devon.

The salute by the 90th Howitzer Battery, under the command of Maj. T. C. Barker, commenced at 3.00 p.m. and finished seventy minutes later after a gun had been fired for each year of the late King's age. At 1.30 p.m. two minutes silence were observed throughout the Empire.

All entertainments during the day were suspended and the business section of the city was in deep mourning throughout the entire day.

The following merchants had exceptionally good displays in their store windows: James S. Neill & Sons, Ltd.; Colwell and Jennings, Ltd.; Mavor Bros., Ltd.; J. H. Fleming; Shute and Co.; McMurray's; Hall's Book Store; Karl Walker; Harvey Studio; Lawlor and Cain; and A. E. Eardley.

King Edward VII, a son of: Queen Victoria, the daughter of: Edward, Duke of Kent, fourth son of King George III, first son of: Frederick Lewis, Prince of Wales, in turn first son of: King George I, the first son of Sophia, who was daughter of: Queen Elizabeth of Bohemia, daughter of: James I, King of England, Ireland and Scotland, a son of: Mary, Queen of Scots, the daughter of: King James V of Scotland, the son of: King James IV of Scotland, fourth son of: King Henry VIII of England, who married Elizabeth, daughter of: King Edward IV of England, first son of: Richard, Duke of York, the son of: Lady Philippa Plantagenet, daughter of: Lionel, Duke of Clarence, third son of: King Edward III of England, the first son of: King Edward II, of England, third son of: King Edward I, of England, first son of: King John of England, fifth son of: King Henry II, of England, first son of: Geoffrey Plantagenet, who married Matilda, daughter of: King Henry I, of England, fourth son of: William the Conqueror.

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Ode On The Death of King George

Why all the stir, what moves a world to mourn?
What binds each soul to be so sad and lorn?

What sorrowing note has touched each tender heart?

What link is snapped that causes tears to start?

'Tis the strong cords of love that firmly bind,

One people's voice, one mighty nation's mind.

And which in loyalty has bound us to our King

Who now sleeps cold in death. Let the bells ring.

And this heart-broken throng gather to weep.

God giveth not such rich jewels for to keep.

Perhaps because He has left him with us for so long,

That when He takes His own it seems a wrong.

Thou England mourn, and let all nations know.

The greatest ruler of our time is low,

Let all his people grieve, throughout the world,

Where'er the blazing flag has been unfurled.

This is he that held the torch of peace,

And set a standard that all quarrels should cease,

No tyrant hand he ever raised, nor ever drew

The flaming sword to make his word go through.

He spoke the word, it swayed from shore to shore,

But ah, that voice is silent now for ever more.

At last he's laid the sceptre from his hand.

And left his cares to join a fairer land.

He wears a richer wreath than England's crown,

Where joy and bliss and everlasting peace abounds.

Upon the face of Britain blaze his name,

And through the long corridor of time well sound his fame,

Lay our great King to rest this one we love,

Oh Christ our Lord receive him up above.

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