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BRITISH EMPIRE MOURNS

King Edward VIII Is New Ruler Of The British Empire

As Prince of Wales He
Has Won Universal
Popularity.

By the death of His Majesty King George V, his eldest son, Edward Albert Christian George Andrew Patrick David, K.G., P.C., K.T., K.P., G.C.S.I., G.M.M.G., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., G.M.B.E., M.C., Prince of Wales and Earl of Chester, Duke of Cornwall, Duke of Rothesay, Earl of Carrick, Baron of Renfrew, Lord of the Isles and Great Steward of Scotland, becomes the new King of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Dominions Beyond the Seas and Emperor of India.

He is 41 years of age and unmarried. The heir apparent to the throne now is his younger brother the Duke of York, second son of the late King.

No British ruler has travelled so extensively as he has, and there are very few places in the British Empire that he has not visited. His youth, pleasing personality and democratic manner have made him a popular figure wherever he has been. He is an ardent sportsman, his particular delight being riding to hounds and steeplechase riding. Numerous accidents suffered on the hunting field and on the race course have caused some apprehension in official circles in the past but he has paid little attention to the protests.

His knowledge of affairs of the British Empire is very wide and many times on official visits to industries both in Great Britain and in other parts of the Empire he has astonished his hosts with his technical knowledge. Because of his numerous visits to different parts of the world he has frequently been called the "traveling salesman of the British Empire," and it is no secret that these visits have helped greatly in binding closer the many different races of people and also in cementing the friendship of his own and foreign nations.

He was educated by private tutors and in 1907 he entered Osborn for preparation for admission to the Royal Naval College at Dartmouth. He left Dartmouth in 1911 and in June of that year was invested with the Order of the Garter. He served as a midshipman on board H.M.S. Hindustan and in 1912 he entered Magdalen College, Oxford. While at the university he lived the life of the average undergraduate, resided in college rooms and mixed freely with his fellow students.

The Prince of Wales, now King of Great Britain, was 20 years old when war broke out. He immediately left his round of social

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BELOVED MONARCH'S LIFE COMES TO PEACEFUL CLOSE

KING GEORGE the Fifth, the beloved sovereign of more than 450,000,000 subjects within the British Empire, passed away just before midnight on January 20, at Sandringham, England. The Prince of Wales succeeds to the throne as King Edward the Eighth.

The seventy-year-old monarch had been seriously ill for four days. He had suffered an attack of bronchial catarrh with heart weakness. Members of the royal family were present at his bedside when the end came.

The funeral will be held Tuesday, January 28, in St. George's Chapel of Windsor Castle. Interment will take place at Windsor, just west of London on the Thames and seat of one of the royal residences, beside the bodies of his father, King Edward VII., Charles I. and Henry VIII.

The Sovereign died, as he had always wished, in the quiet of his Norfolk country estate, with his family at his bedside.

The Court transferred His Majesty's body to St. Mary of Magdalene's Church at Sandringham, to rest temporarily before the altar, as did the bodies of his mother, Queen Alexandra; his brother, the Duke of Clarence, and his youngest son, John.

The Sovereign, declining gradually for days, passed to a peaceful end, unconscious in his last moments. The royal family remained close to the sick room throughout the evening. Just before midnight physicians called the family to His Majesty's side. In the chamber were Queen Mary, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York, the Duke and Duchess of Kent and Princess Mary—the Princess Royal and wife of the Earl of Harewood. The King's third son, the Duke of Gloucester, was kept at Buckingham Palace, London, because of a severe cold.

The traditional rituals and ceremonies with which Britain installs her Sovereigns called the new King to London to meet the Privy Council for its oath of allegiance. Parliament was summoned on Tuesday afternoon under the act requiring it to assemble after a monarch's death.

Although the former Prince of Wales immediately became King, it was assumed that he would not be crowned formally until after nine months of mourning had been observed. He is the first bachelor King since 1760.

King Edward VIII One Of Long Line of Kings

King Edward the Eighth is Britain's sixtieth Sovereign in direct descent from Egbert, the Saxon, who ruled in the British Isles in the year 827.

The new King belongs to the House of Windsor, the dynasty name taken by the British royalty as a result of the World War, when the German titles coming from Queen Victoria's husband, Prince Albert, were discarded. Edward is the second king of the house, his father King George V. having been the first.

Edward traces his line back to Alfred the Great, William the Conqueror, the Emperor Charlemagne, Rodrigo the Cid, the Emperor Barbossa and St. Louis, the King of France in the 13th century. Many races have contributed to his heritage—Saxons, Danes, Normans, Germans. Traditions behind his throne descend from the House of Normandy, the House of Plantagenet, the House of Lancaster, the House of York, the House of Tudor, the House of Stuart, the House of Hanover and the House of Saxe-Coburg.

The Dominion Will Observe Mourning Period For George

All Amusements and Official
Functions Stopped When
Death Was Announced.

The people in all the Provinces of the Dominion heard with deepest regret news of the death of King George V. In all classes went into mourning. Almost as soon as the death was announced radio stations in Canada became silent. Amusement closed and functions were cancelled. Ontario Legislature postponed opening because of the death of the King.

News of the death of His Majesty was spread throughout New Brunswick chiefly by means of the different radio stations, which were at the time on Commission programs. Word that death was imminent was broadcast from England and picked up at the Ottawa short wave station and re-broadcast through the Radio Commission network. This was followed almost immediately by the announcement of his death.

A day of mourning is to be proclaimed on the day of the funeral, when Federal Parliament Buildings, Provincial Legislatures and the residence of the Governor General will be draped.