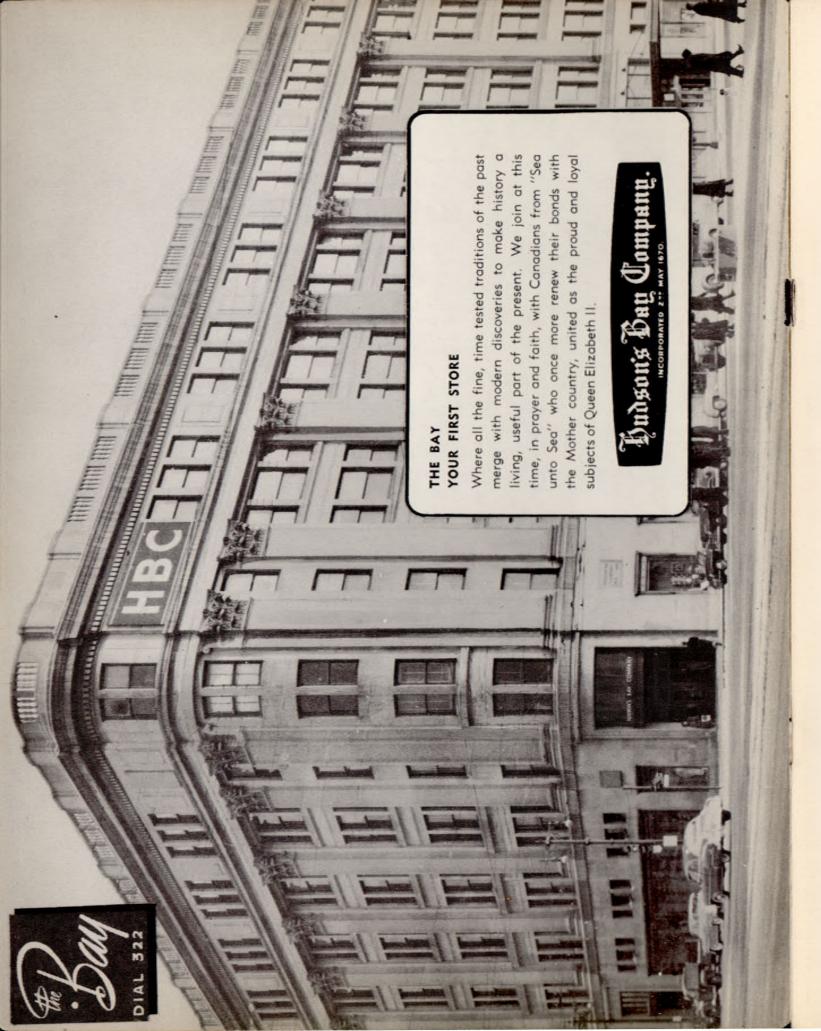








SPECIAL CORONATION ISSUE



WHO IS FOR ENGLAND?

ON A LONG distant day, when the first Elizabeth was Queen of England, grim tidings arrived: the great Spanish Armada was fast approaching the shores of England. It is reputed that the Queen arose from her chair, faced the court with blazing eyes and with upstretched arm cried, "Who is for England?"

The answer came all too soon, for the admirals of that mighty Spanish fleet, with their shameful defeat at the hands of wily Englishmen and wild

England was saved and rapidly developed into the "Empress of the Seas", fostering an empire upon which "the sun never sets".

Today, a second Queen Elizabeth graces the throne of England. Today, as in the time of the first Elizabeth, England is fighting for her very existence.

This time it is not the threat of approaching fleets but the more intangible threat of economic disaster that stalks her shadow.

The people of England have proved their mettle time and again. War brings with it travail; expected and tolerated. However, when those wartime hardships must be endured when the war is won, that is a true test of a nation's temper.

England has stood the test well.

The coming coronation is a deeply dignified and refined religious ceremony. Among other things, it signifies the unity of the Commonwealth. This unity of our Commonwealth of Nations is not so much endured as endeared by each and every member.

Elizabeth the Second on her accession to the throne decreed her life's work in this simple statement: "I declare before you all, that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service."

Who is for England?



Cover Story

Our cover, this issue, portrays the profile of our Queen as it appears on newly minted "Coin of the

On the pages that follow we have endeavoured to present, pictorially, events in the life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, which highlight her association with Canada.

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WE LOVE OUR QUEEN

pageantry, with pomp and majesty, faults, we love our Queen". and yet with great dignity and deep humility, our Queen, Elizabeth II. will receive her coronation on June second.

the Royal Family is very dear to them, of destiny. and their Queen in particular has an endeared spot in every beating definite position of influence among heart. The words of W. S. Gilbert, the nations of the world. A position who wrote "Pirates of Penzance" in which they have inherited; an influ-

WITH COLORFUL ceremony and well applied today—"With all our

The placing of the crown on her head is not only ceremony, but symbol. The symbol of a deep and lasting affection that exists between As she rides in procession through Sovereign and subject; of loyalty the streets of a great city, thousands unshakable on her part and theirs, of of her subjects will acclaim her. They a rule of justice and equity and of will line the route of the procession, freedom and brotherhood; of trust and not simply because of the splendor of acceptance of responsibility; of of the occasion, but mainly because unity and harmony; of tradition and

Queen and people together have a the days of Queen Victoria, may be ence which they shall use for good.

The name "British" is a name that stands for integrity and honor. It has been so established by rulers and peoples of former years, and is upheld by Britishers with a great deal of pride. Deep in the heart of every subject who lives beneath the Union Jack with its three crosses, there is that feeling, conscious or unconscious, of a fortunate citizenship.

This greatness is no accident. It has been well earned through generations of God-fearing people. It will never lose its lustre as long as there are those who are filled with faith and foresight. There may be times of struggle and hardship; times when it will be difficult to see a clear path or a fair horizon, but to quote the words of Byron:

. nought shall make us rue If England to herself do rest but true."

Today the word England must be interpreted to mean all members of the Commonwealth of Nations.

It will be well if, as at this time the Queen dedicates herself to her people and her country, that the millions of loyal subjects will re-dedicate their lives to similar service. Nothing tends to maintain an empire's greatness more than a living expression of those finer Christian principles upon which British law and British action are based. There may be a strength of military power in men and arms, and a richness of physical resources. but more, far more is needful. Remembering that "righteousness exalteth a nation", there must be a spiritual quality to serve as an undergirding. This Coronation time can well be a period of re-examination, revaluing and remoulding, with the resolve to combine spiritual resources

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- Elizabeth as a charming child taken in 1926.
- Pictured with her mother and her sister Margaret Rose.
- Studio study of the young Princess.
- Sea Ranger Princess Elizabeth does her share of the washing up after an outdoor meal she helped prepare while visiting a Girl Guide camp in the summer of 1944.
- Elizabeth as a smiling student undergoing instruction in engine maintenance. The Queen served during the Second World War as a subaltern in the A.T.S.



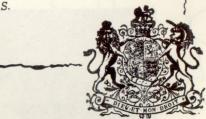
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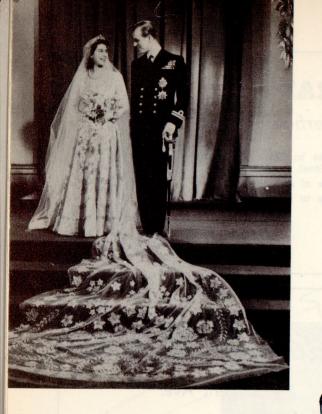


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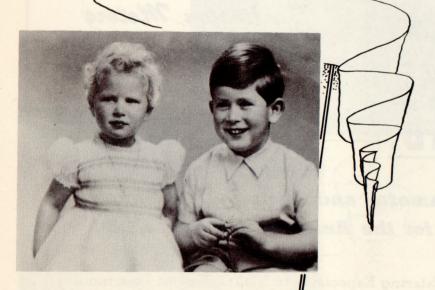
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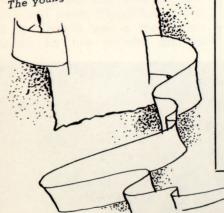


Elizabeth the bride.

Like any other young mother, Her Majesty enjoys a moment's relaxation with her son.

Family portrait.

The young Prince and Princess.



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- The Royal Couple leave Dorval Airport after their arrival by air, from England.
- The Royal Couple are greeted on their arrival at Ottawa by Defence Minister Brooke Claxton, left, and Prime Minister St. Laurent.
- The pilot and Captain of the Royal Tour aircraft, S/L Stuart Cowan, places the Princess's Standard in its holder on the C-S.



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Although beset by fears of this, her first appearance as sole Royal Representative and with the knowledge of the illness of her father, King George VI, Princess Elizabeth won the hearts of all whom she met with her simplicity and warm friendliness. Her visit to Canada was a memorable occasion for this country and its people.

During the visit of the Royal Couple, the Royal Canadian Air Force was honoured with the opportunity to escort and entertain Their Royal Highnesses at many points across Canada. Much of their travelling was done aboard the C-5, while at Trenton, a colourful military ceremony marked the flying services homage to a truly Royal Couple.



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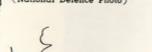


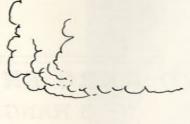




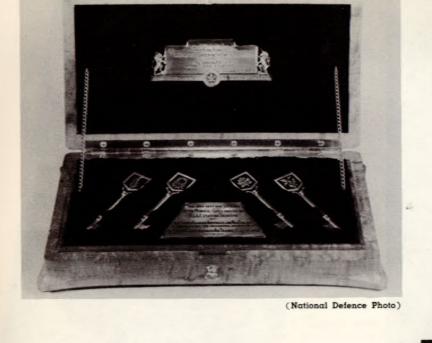
IN COMMEMORATION







- Over four hundred and fifty officers and men, drawn from air stations throughout Training Command, form up in "V" formation during the Royal Couple's visit to Trenton.
- Her Majesty reviews the Royal Honour Guard in company with the Royal Guard Commander, Flight Lieutenant
- · Air Vice Marshal C. R. Slemon, Air-
- Officer Commanding Training Command, presents the Princess with the RCAF's Royal Gift.
- Princess Elizabeth and Group Captain G. P. Dunlop, Parade Commander lead the Royal Party through the Memorial
- A/V/M Slemon shares a light moment with the Princess during her inspection of the Gates.



THE GIFT ...

The RCAF's gift to the Royal Couple: Four silver keys which unlock the Memorial Gates at RCAF Station Trenton. Each of the keys bears the floral emblem of either Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand or Canada. The keys are contained in a handsome case of Canadian bird'seye Maple, lined with fur from seal caught in northern British Columbian









- At the Winnipeg Ballet.
- Air Commodore Bryans, Air Officer Commanding 14 Training Group greets the Princess on her arrival at RCAF Station Winnipeg.
- Winnipeg welcomes the Royal Couple at the Air Station.

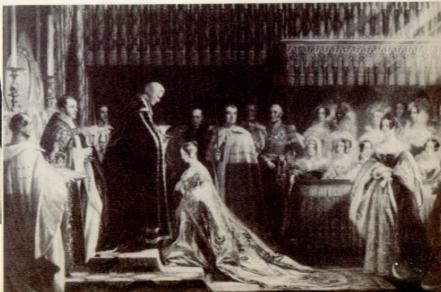
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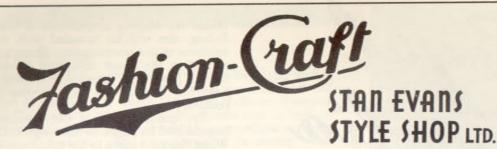




- Coronation of King George VI
- Imperial State Crown
- St. Edward's Crown-This is known as the Crown of England and is the Crown with which all our Monarchs have normally been crowned.
- Queen Victoria taking the Sacrament at het Coronation at Westminster Abbey in London on June 28, 1838. The Queen is wearing the Robe Royal of cloth of gold.







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Coronation Rites

The Coronation, amid all its pomp Epistle and Gospel are used. and pageantry is essentially a religious service.

The Preparation

The Ampulla is filled and conse-

The Entrance

The Oueen is received at the West Door of the Abbey by the Archbishop and the Abbey Choir.

The Recognition

The Queen is presented to those assembled at each corner of the dais, which is called "the Theatre", by the Archbishop. At each presentation he asks, "Are you willing to do your homage?" Four times comes the answer, "God Save Queen Elizabeth".

The Litany

The Litany is sung by two Bishops.

The Communion

The Communion Service, in shortened form, is introduced by a Psalm Sovereign's Authority. Upon it are

of Entrance. A special Collect,

The Oath

The Queen now approaches the Altar, preceded by the State Sword. Placing her hand upon the Bible she "makes her solemn oath":

The things which I have here before promised, I will perform and keep. So help me God."

The Anointing

The Queen sits in the Coronation Chair during the Anointing, while four Knights of the Garter hold a pall of gold cloth over her head.

Presenting the Spurs and Sword

The Lord Great Chamberlain touches the heels of the Oueen with the spurs, emblems of chivalry. The jewelled Sword of State is removed from the Altar and is presented to the

The Vesting

The Royal Robe is symbolic of the

worked eagles in gold thread. The Oueen is vested with the Robe, then in her right hand is placed the Orb.

The Ring and Royal Sceptres

The Archbishop places the Ring on the fourth finger of the Queen's right hand. Then she is presented with the two Royal Sceptres, the Royal Sceptre with the Cross, "the ensign of kingly power and justice," and the Sceptre with the Dove, denoting 'equity and mercy".

The Crowning

The Dean delivers the Crown to the Archbishop who reverently places it upon the Queen's head. The assemblage cry "God Save the Oueen", the trumpets sound and the great guns of the Tower of London fire a salute. To the Oueen, now anointed and crowned, a copy of the Holy Bible is presented.

The Enthronement

The Oueen goes to the throne, accompanied by the Archbishop, (Continued on Page 22)

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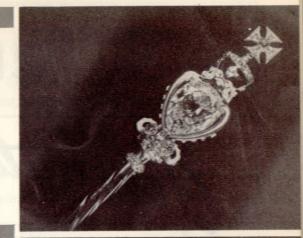
Royal Regalia

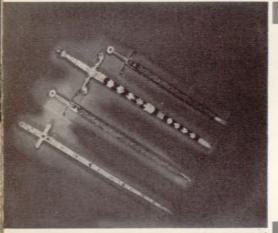
When her Majesty is crowned at Westminster Abbey, she will be invested with the formal emblems of her sovereignty. These are included within the great collection known as the Crown Jewels or Regalia. Between Coronations the Regalia are kept in the Tower of London.

The greater part of the present English Regalia had its origin in the reign of Charles II. When this king came to his inheritance in 1660, after more than a decade of wandering, he found that the government of Cromwell, in addition to beheading his father, had disposed of the ancient Royal Ornaments as well.

THE ROYAL SCEPTRE

The Sceptre with the cross is about three feet long and is heavily jewelled. The finest jewel of all is the largest of the four "Stars of Africa" into which the great Cullinan diamond was cut. This massive gem weighs 516 carats and is held in place by four gold clasps, while above it is an amethyst supporting a cross of diamonds with an emerald at its center. The Sceptre with the Dove is also a thing of great beauty, heavily gilded and covered with diamonds. The Dove, of white enamel, is symbolic of the Holy Ghost and stands perched with outstretched wings on a golden cross.





THE STATE SWORDS

There are five principal Swords. First in magnificence is the Jewelled Sword of State, made for the Coronation of George IV in 1820. It is reputed to be the world's most beautiful and valuable sword. One emerald in the hilt alone, is worth \$10,000. This is the Sword the Sovereign will hand to the Archbishop during her Coronation, showing that it is at the service of the Church. Other swords are the two handed Sword of State, the sharp pointed sword of Temporal Justice, the blunt pointed Sword of Spiritual Justice (not pictured) and the Curtana, or Sword of Mercy. The blade of the Curtana is broken about six inches from the point, to symbolize Mercy.



The Ring is a sapphire set with rubies in the form of a cross, the whole surrounded by diamonds. It has been worn by William IV, Edward VII, George V and the late George VI. Oueen Victoria had a special replica made for her smaller finger and this will probably be used by the Queen.





CORONATION CHAIR

Often called "St. Edward's Chair" the Coronation Chair was made in 1300 by order of Edward I. It is of oak and was designed to accommodate the historic Stone of Scone. On this stone the Kings of Scotland had been crowned since time immemorial, as well as all the Sovereigns of England since Edward the First.



The Golden Spurs were made for the Coronation of Charles the Second, but are patterened after those worn before the Norman Conquest, with a single point instead of a rowel. It is no longer the custom to buckle them on the monarch's foot when he is crowned. The sovereign's foot is merely touched with them symbolically and then they are replaced on the Abbey Altar.





THE ORB

The Orb, with the surmounting cross is an emblem of Christianity dominating the world. It is a ball of pure gold about six inches in diameter, decorated with a gold band around the circumference set with pearls and with diamonds around large rubies, sapphires and emeralds. A similarly iewelled arch passes over the top.

THE AMPULLA AND SPOON

The Ampulla and Spoon are probably the most ancient objects in the whole Regalia. Symbolic of dominion, the Ampulla stands about nine inches high and the solid gold of which it is made has been hollowed out to hold six ounces of Holy Oil. The head is unscrewed for filling and the oil is afterwards poured out through the beak. The Spoon is of silver, heavily gilded. The bowl is marked with a floreate device and four pearls adorn the handle. The oil is poured from the Ampulla into the Spoon for the actual Anointing.



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in its final stages of training at RCAF "God's chosen few". If one was to pause but a brief moment and consider this statement, we would realize how much truth there was to be found in these three words. To the many officers and airmen who have remained behind, and the many more who gave unsparingly of their time and efforts that "God's chosen few" may represent them, and the RCAF in the Coronation Parade on June 2nd we are truly grateful, and you will be with us in mind throughout our training, and on the second of June when we will endeavour to uphold the good name and prestige of all RCAF personnel whether they beserving in Canada or abroad.

During the week of April 20th, 1953, officers and airmen were busy in last minute details from Newfoundland to Vancouver in preparedness for their assembly at RCAF Station Rockcliffe where they reported on April 22nd as a Coronation Contingent. As trains pulled away from

stations across Canada many of their passengers were RCAF personnel, Station Rockcliffe was referred to as and all with one thing in common, they were headed for the Coronation.

> Excitement ran high as all personnel were anxious to arrive at their destination. Arriving at Ottawa presented the usual sight that anyone might see at a railway station. Meet-

ing friends, struggling with baggage, Joe shouting to his buddy, and the odd stray eluding the Sat.-Major for the last quick refreshment. Finally the forty passenger bus arrives from Rockcliffe, baggage and bodies fly in all directions, and before we know it we are entering Station Rockcliffe. The bus stops in front of the Ad-

Wing Commander F. Gaffney, Cad O at RCAF Station Winnipeg, brings happy smiles to the faces of Cpl. Stoen, LAC Grace and Cpl. Dumoyne, as he presents each with a check for \$45.00. The money was donated by the station fund and the Sergeant and Officer's messes to give the men a little extra "pin money" while overseas. Haggerty also received a like amount, but was not present when the above photo was taken.



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ministration Building, the first word gently uttered was the "SWO"; however, he disappointed us as he did not show up, apparently he had enough troubles of his own. It is here that the mad rush begins, completing "Report-in" forms, marching to barrack stores for bedding, back to the SWO's office for meal cards, parades at 0830 hours in the morninas, etc., etc.

Wednesday morning at 0830 hours, 23 April, a voice yells "Marker" Mercilessness has a way of persisting, and we realized that here and now we were embarking upon a period of PT and drill that would see no end for the next two months. At this, our first parade, we meet our capable drill instructor who is the OC of training for the contingent, he is F/O J. Cooper, MBE, from Ottawa, who will be handling our training and drill for the 13 mile route march on June 2nd. It is not the intention of this article to pin bouquets on any one individual in, or connected with the Coronation Contingent, but it is felt that it would be incomplete if some mention was not made of our instructor, for without his wise coun-



tingent are inspected at RCAF Station Rockcliffe by A/V/M F. G. Wait, Air Member for Personnel, left, and Wing Commander Jack Watts, officer commanding the contingent.

sel, and instructions the Coronation On the afternoon of April 27th, our Contingent would fall short of stanfirst ceremonial parade was held at dards required of them. After a brief RCAF Station Rockcliffe, where we drill period by F/O Cooper, we paraded in review order in full cereparaded to the theatre and officially monial dress and inspected by A/V/M welcomed to Station Rockcliffe, and F. G. Wait, OBE, AMP, AFHO, On Ottawa by the CO, and G/C McNab, this parade the contingent posed for OBE. DFC from AFHO, after which television cameras, movie and press we met our Commanding Officer of photographers. the contingent, W/C Watts, DSO,

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DFC, also from AFHO.

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Royal Route



Route Decoration

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Poromation Poute



Admiralty Arch



Coronation Coach



Royal Coach



Coronation Route . . .

Royal Route

The Coronation Cavalcade will swing through London, between lines of poker-stiff soldiers, sailors and airmen, amid the cheering throngs for better than thirteen miles.

Admiralty Arch

From the stately Admiralty Arch, the broad Mall stretches up through St. James' Park towards Buckingham Palace, providing an imposing route for the Royal carriages and the remainder of the Royal cavalcade.

Royal Coach

The Coronation Coach passing through Admiralty Arch on its way to Westminster Abbey during the Coronation of Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, in 1937.

Route Decoration

A view looking up the Mall through one of the conical arches that the procession will pass under.

Coronation Coach

The body of the Gold State Coach is supported by four large Triton figures. The two figures at the rear of the coach carry the Imperial Fasces topped with Tridents. The panel between them bears the Royal Arms, beautifully ornamented.

Buckingham Palace

Buckingham Palace is the London home of the reigning monarch. Begin originally a mansion built by the Duke of Buckingham in 1703, it was bought by George III and remodelled by George IV. When the flag is flying it indicates that the monarch is in residence.

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with the material with which Commonwealth countries have been so rule and govern. In the Name of the richly blessed.

There is one sincere request that Holy Ghost". was made by the Queen herself. In asked for the prayers of her people during the months preceding the fying that rule should be under the She recognizes the weight of responsibility that lies in the consecra- its arms spread over the world. "A tion of herself, and also the power sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre that prayer affords. May she find of thy Kingdom" could well be the her request granted in very large theme of the first, while for the

a Christian ceremony, taking place in the Cross He has overcome the world. historic Westminster Abbey. During ment of Holy Communion.

content and symbolism. Surely the and to emphasize this the more crown must lead to thoughts of One strongly, the Bible is also presented cession through the streets of another told that it is "the most valuable thing great city, and who then received a this world affords". Crown of Thorns which He wove into a Crown of Everlasting Life.

The anointing points back to the days of antiquity of the Old Testament and the anointing of the Israelitish Kings as they were set apart to rule over God's people. Reference to this is made by the Archbishop of Canterbury who says, "And as Solo-

priest, and Nathan the prophet, so be poral Kingdom wisely, justly and the Lord your God hath given you to dom." God Save the Queen. Father, and of the Son, and of the

The sceptre and the orb, which are her last Christmas broadcast she placed in her hands, are each adorned by the cross; the one signi-Coronation, and on the day itself. authority of the King of Kings, and the other resembling the Cross with second there is the significance of The ceremony of the Coronation is Christ's own statement that through

The sword, with which the Quene it, the Queen partakes of the Sacra- is girded, is a reminder of the Pauline simile, "the Sword of the There is a vast amount of religious Spirit which is the Word of God". who Himself rode in triumphal pro- to her. In the presentation she is

With all this in mind, could there have been anything more appropriate than that Her Majesty should have sought the prayerful influence of her people? Let every heart utter silent prayer for her that God may help and counsel and strengthen her, and, as St. Dunstan prayed for King Edgar, that "after a long and mon was anointed king by Zadok the glorious course of ruling this tem-

you anointed, blessed and conse-religiously," she "may at last be crated Queen over the peoples whom made partaker of an Eternal King-





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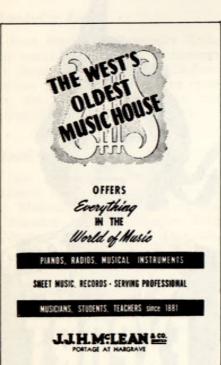
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CORONATION RITES

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Bishops and Peers, a custom stemming from the days when the Sovereign was raised on a shield by the

The Homage

Princes, Bishops and Peers now offer their homage to the newly crowned monarch.

The Communion

With the Coronation ended, the Communion Service is now resumed.

The Recess

The Queen now passes into St. Edward's Chapel where the Royal Robe of State is replaced by a robe of purple velvet. The Queen wears her Imperial Crown and carries the Orb in her left hand. In her right hand she bears the Royal Sceptre with the Cross and proceeds to the West Door of the Abbey.

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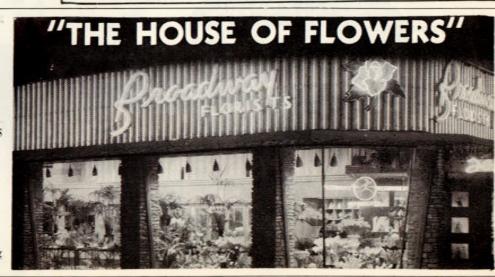
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CAS'S VISIT

THE CAS, Air Marshal C. R. Slemon, C.B., C.B.E., C.D., returned to his alma mater on Wednesday, May 20, to be conferred with an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. The Air Marshal received his honorary degree from Doctor A. H. S. Gillson, president and vice-chancellor of the uni-

The CAS arrived in Winnipeg from Ottawa early Tuesday afternoon. He left the city to return to Ottawa on Friday morning. During his short stay here he not only attended the convocation but inspected the air force establishments at Portage la Prairie, Gimli and MacDonald, as well as touring both old and new sites in Winnipeg. Thursday evening he was an honoured guest at the officer's mess, where officers and their wives from the station and from 14 Training Group gathered to meet the Air Marshal.









- Air Marshal C. R. Slemon, Chief of the Air Staff smilingly returns the greetings of Air Commodore Bryans, AOC 14 Training Group and Wing Commander F. Y. Craig, acting CO of Station Winnipeg, upon his arrival here Tuesday afternoon.
- Air Marshal Slemon mounts the ros-trum in the University Gymnasium just prior to being presented with an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Manitoba.
- The Chief of the Air Staff, Air Marshal Slemon receives a hearty handshake from Doctor A. H. S. Gillson, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Manitoba after A/M Slemon had been conferred with the degree.
- A view of the University gymnasium shows members of the faculty, the University senate and guests of honor on the stage before graduates and







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THE COURSE THAT NEARLY WASN'T

"Tub" Byford—From Chingford, London. The only Nav. to have gone to Dafoe-Bulyea and back using a light and variable wind. He never used the computor to alter heading! Frequently disappears in the direction of Wellington Crescent.

Ambition: Bigger and better meals, activities, eating.

"Ginge" Dickie—A red headed Scotsman from Aberdeenshire. He managed to steer 090T on a gyro grid trip to Dafoe—Lac du Bonnet looks quite nice from the Air! While on leave in New York was mistaken for a doorman at the Astoria.

"Herb" Fenwick—A Londoner who is always broke. Because of this he managed to get away with five days extra leave in Vancouver. Hence the record mess bill of \$74 for train fares. Has a flair for writing poems, songs and plays—few being printable.

"Buck" Foster—Alias the Bank of England. Always has at least \$50 when the rest of the course is penniless. A fervent supporter of Len Hutton. From this you can gather he's a Yorkshireman; Leeds, actually.

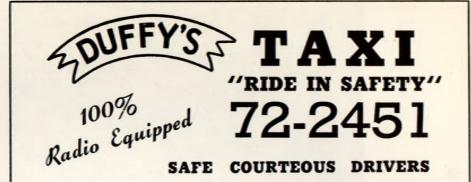
"Jock" Gardner — A Glaswegian, (Glasgow-ite for the ignorant!) Has a neat line selling "Coke" and sandwiches to those who like to stay in bed on Sunday — charge, 10 cents. Profits are fabulous. Has never been known to throw away anything that might make money.

"Pop" Hudson — An outcast from the U.K., now residing at Kitchener, Ont. Originally a ground crew type (get some service in!). Can be relied upon to give the most obscure answer to any obvious question.

Example: In the canteen—"Is that chair taken?" "No, it belongs to the Air Force!"

"Uncle Sam" Kimball — From the 49th State—Nova Scotia. Aspires to be the U.S. President. He is B. & A's headache; will argue indefinitely over one mark. Actually wanted the "Star Spangled Banner" played at the Graduation Parade.

"Jingle Bells" Lavender — Another Londoner, from Wimbledon. Will



argue with anyone about anything (including S/L Ogilvie!). Never sits down during an air trip, and is a bad fit between floor and astro dome. He left a 35-hour week job for the RAF. Ambition: To get back to it! Was in Deer Lodge for two weeks rest—(Discovery—nurses aren't there just to help in curing people!).

"Neo" Leslie—The caveman type; a black headed Scotsman from Fifeshire. Frequently broke, but has friends. He has successfully conquered the language barrier—can now speak English (his reading is not bad!).

"Sioux" Longstaff — From Canada, Saskatchewan (in that order!). Fort qu'Appelle, to be exact; a well-known pin-point (that's about the size of it!). Prefers smoke signals to morse, and couldn't live without weekends.

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"Yawn" Madsen — The only Dane in the course, but enough of him for two more. When asleep his snore is guaranteed to wake those in the next room. When under the influence of alcohol usually walks on tables and cackles like a hen. Has been known to walk through doors—closed ones!

"Hazel" Nutt — — Wing Discip with moustache for atmosphere. One of the 40,000 starving Ayrabs from Portsmouth. During mid-term leave he disappeared for two mysterious

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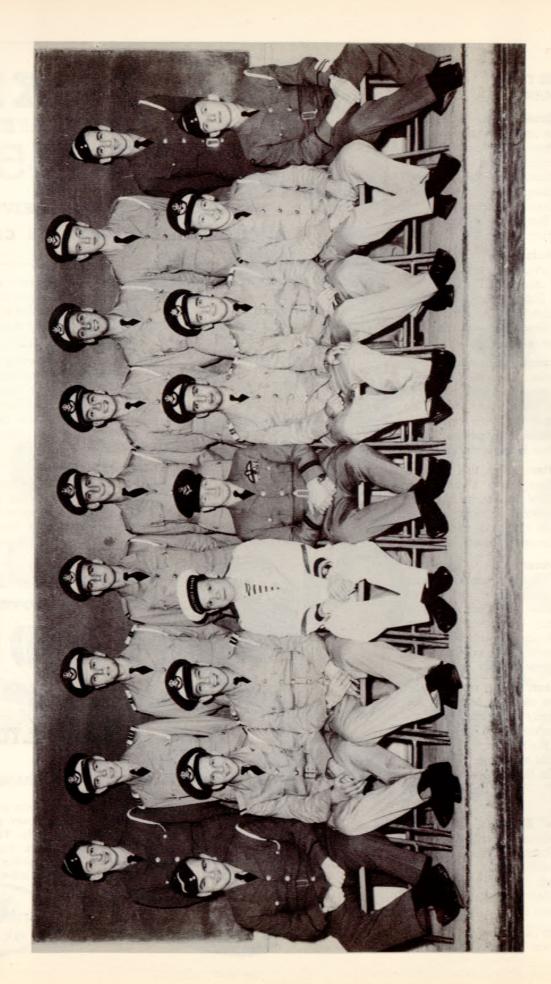
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COURSE NOTES 37WB

Course 37WB arrived in Winnipeg just in time to encounter the full blast of a Canadian winter, and is now prepared to leave for various parts of the country and Europe, just as the weather becomes almost bearable, although so far there is little sign of

It is not our intent to bore the reader with advice to new courses or detailed accounts of the more unfortunate happenings to members of 37B, we would rather try to write a few comments on the course and life in Winnipeg, as we saw it.





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We arrived to find accommodation somewhat more crowded than we had expected, but this did not deter us, especially since visions were held out of the splendid new quarters now being rushed to completion across the way. We did actually make an expedition across the frozen wastes to see these new buildings, and were busily dividing up amongst ourselves the rooms with the best view, but alas it must have been only a mirage since June finds us still in B.B. No. 13.

Course 37B worked hard, perhaps not as hard as we should have done, but still our intentions were good. We arranged various diversions for ourselves as a relaxation from the course and numerous stags were held in the lounge, to the consterna-

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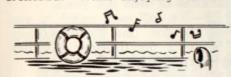
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On Wednesday morning at 0430 hours in Barrack Block 132 any SWO would have gloated with pride in what he would have witnessed. Shoes being polished to give that last minute gloss, webbing being adjusted, barracks being swept-and everybody happy, and at this hour in the morning! Yes, this was the morning that would finally send us on our way.

Leaving Ottawa at 0630 hours, 29th April, we arrived in Quebec at 1400 hours with a short stop-over at Montreal where we again posed for photographers and newsmen. On arrival at Ouebec we immediately boarded the TSS Columbia for another interview and photographers. It is worthy of mention here that Air Force Public Relation Officers, and RCAF photographers deserve much credit, for, through their efforts, the public was always in the picture, and the

Coronation Contingent in the news.

Spectators who dotted the pier at Ouebec City waved bon-voyage as the sleek SS Columbia slid from her berth and out into the St. Lawrence. On deck a combo of the ship's orchestra plays martial music that reminds us of the popular John Phillip Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever". A final blast of the ship's whistle tells us that we are on our way. Service personnel saunter about the ship, some wearing their gaily colored uniforms they will be wearing on Coronation day, others are taking pictures, and still others standing along the rails waving to friends on shore. The shoreline grows fainter now, the wind is cold and we proceed to the dining salon for dinner. We are greeted by the sound of dinner music as rendered by the ship's orchestra. While enjoying our first





Manitoba, who are part of the RCAF's Coronation Contingent. They are Right to Left: Lac C. E. Grace, of Cornerbrook, Nfld.; Cpl. A. Dumayne,, of Lachine, Quebec; Cpl L. L. Haggerty, of Centreville, N.S.; Cpl. G. L. Steen, of Winnipeg, Manitoba.

meal on board to the soft strains of when Jacques Cartier sailed across the expansive Atlantic. What finer changed. way could one wish to start a voyage We have now been on board the across the ocean.

pause to reminisce of the days their efforts.

'Voices of Spring' by Strauss, the SS this same body of water we marvel at Columbia proceeds slowly down the how the mode of transportation from picturesque St. Lawrence, and into those days to the present time have

SS Columbia for eight days, the The proverbial "Slow Boat to voyage to this date has been excep-China" had nothing on us. Nine tionally quiet, and the crossing very days from Ouebec to Southampton, smooth. The stewards have spared via Cherbourg, France. A deep nothing in helping to make our trip, contrast to the words of a recent to some their first, a pleasant and hit-parader "Fly the Ocean in a comfortable one, and certainly the Silver Plane", and yet when we ship's company deserve mention for

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While on board, the RCAF contingent parades every morning at 0915 hours on the promenade deck. This parade is usually called to give any last minute details or instructions, of course drill here is strictly out of the question. Imagine if you are doing a right wheel, the ship gives a guick lurch to starboard, and half of the Coronation Contingent find themselves swimming the remainder of the voyage. Open order march on these parades would make any Sqt.-Major scream; a pace and a half forward here usually means a leap forward (not over the rail) and a ritual dance by the centre file on the heels of the front rank.

Did I hear someone ask about our sleeping accommodation? We have four to a cabin, with upper and lower berths. Last night, when walking past a cabin I saw an airman trying to get into his upper berth, he went sailing across the room and landed in the lower, after a brief pause he attempted again, this time he made it and settled down with a self-satisfied look that he had accomplished a great feat. Our cabins are small but comfortable, equipped with washbasins, closets, etc.



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usually forward too, since they are lunch, 4 o'clock tea and dinner. meal usually takes an hour and is the little fishing boats and smaller served to the soft strains of the ship's orchestra, as they render suitable dinner music for these occasions. Many of you have sat in a theatre and watched the introduction where a sinewy character approaches from the side of the screen, lifts a mallet and swings, hitting a bronze gong, while at the same moment the letters

Entertainment on board includes a read: "J. Arthur Rank Presents". show every night, and a bar which is This is the sound that rings daily open from 1600 hours to 2359 hours throughout the ship when meals are to all personnel. Meal hours are served, which includes breakfast,

served with all the pride and dignity Tomorrow we will be entering the of long experienced stewards, each English Channel. Already we see



craft, as we pass them by. Many airmen will gaze with awe when they see, for the first time, the famed White Cliffs of Dover, made famous by books and song some eight years ago, and to others it will bring back memories of their war years.

PS-We will next report to you from London, the subject being: "Arrival in the U.K. and our Stay at Pirbright Military Camp."



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weeks in Atlanta City and all points south.

"Bowsprings" Parkin or "Sell me five cigarettes" gets the nick-name from the fact that he tried to find the frequency of Bowsprings when the 1st Nav. wanted to make an MPP. He is seen only at noon; his haunts unknown, but shrewdly guessed at.

"Pogo" Pokotylo — His latest claim to fame is being the owner of a German sheep dog, won in a raffle. Here he is on home ground, as he comes from Dauphin, which one frequently crosses going north west! Is of great value at stags. Chief homing cadet—responsible for many of the course reaching base (bed!).

"Count" Roberts - From Bath, Somerset, which, perhaps, gave him

the idea he could sing . However, at the end of April. Last we heard we were tormented for several weeks with his voice (and others). Ambition: To head for sunny California. He nearly stayed there over a mid-term. Was one of the four who stayed in Vancouver for an extra five days.

"Toni" Stark - From Bournemouth. The other leave taker and a member of the infamous Rolestic Choir (Roberts Leslie Stark and Fenwick). A friend in Kansas City made some recordings of them. Since then, we are proud to say, they have never sung again.

"Stampede" Stemmler - A Mancunian with accent to match. Was originally at Calgary F.T.S. and never lets us forget it! Has the habit of talking in his sleep and even answers questions! (D. R. Happy!).

Last, but by no means least, there are our two Course Directors-

F/O "Vince" Cruickshank, Who left for the peace and quiet of Texas

was that there had been a tornado' snow and gallons of rain down there. In his place came F/L "Merv" Reid who was brave enough to withstand the onslaught of both halves of the Course. Our thanks and sympathy to them both for all the hard work they put in to drag us through the

Also, we would like to thank all those of RCAF Station Winnipeg, known and unknown, who helped and guided us for nine months to a successful completion of the Course at 2 ANS.-I.B.L.

NAV and SUPER NAV

Dramatis Personae

A/P/O Isaac Hooker lst Nav F/C Toujours Cuisant ... 2nd Nav F/L "Doc" Marx Assessor Chorus of C/T's (Victims of Marx)

Scene I-B & A

As the scene opens, Hooker, now assisted by 2nd Nav Cuisant, are battling to save the remaining mark of one hundred per cent requirements, ruthlessly slashed by the sadistic Marx.

Marx (Triumphantly brandishing his bloodstained protractor) "Ah! guessed as much-only 59-780 cut on this fix . . . '

Hooker (Interrupting appealingly) "But Zir, one eighth of a degree is hardly worth . . .

Marx (Exasperated). "Hardly worth! Laddie, why, when I was in Coastal Command . . .

Cuisant (Brightly, after remeasuring angle) "But, Zir, I zees angle make zixty an' an' arf degreze!"



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Marx (Glances swiftly about him, then turns gleefully upon the smiling Cuisant) "You, my perceptive one, seem to have omitted to sign your fuel log—minus S log and chart!"

Motal: He who Marks trips laughs longest **or** more Marx less marks.

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COURSE 37 WB

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tion of local restaurants and the other inhabitants of our billet. Members of the course explored thoroughly the bright lights and dark alleys of Winnipeg and could be found at the weekend in their favorite haunts, the

"Y" coming a narrow first over other local institutions.

Mid-term leave was welcomed eagerly as a chance to get away from the 20 below weather at Winnipeg, and for most people the exodus to the States began. Two weeks later we were back at A.N.S. pleasantly relaxed but all broke.

These course notes would not be complete without mention of the fact that one of our happy band has taken the plunge and married a local girl. The rest of us received this news with mixed feelings but as Oscar Wilde says "Marriage is an admirable institution and no family should be without one." We wish them both the best of luck.

To close we should like to thank our instructor, F/L Reid, who has been an inspiration to us throughout the course. No one could have been more considerate or helpful and we wish to record here our appreciation.

Those of us from overseas leave Canada in general and Winnipeg in particular with regret—we have enjoyed our stay here and perhaps some day we shall be back!



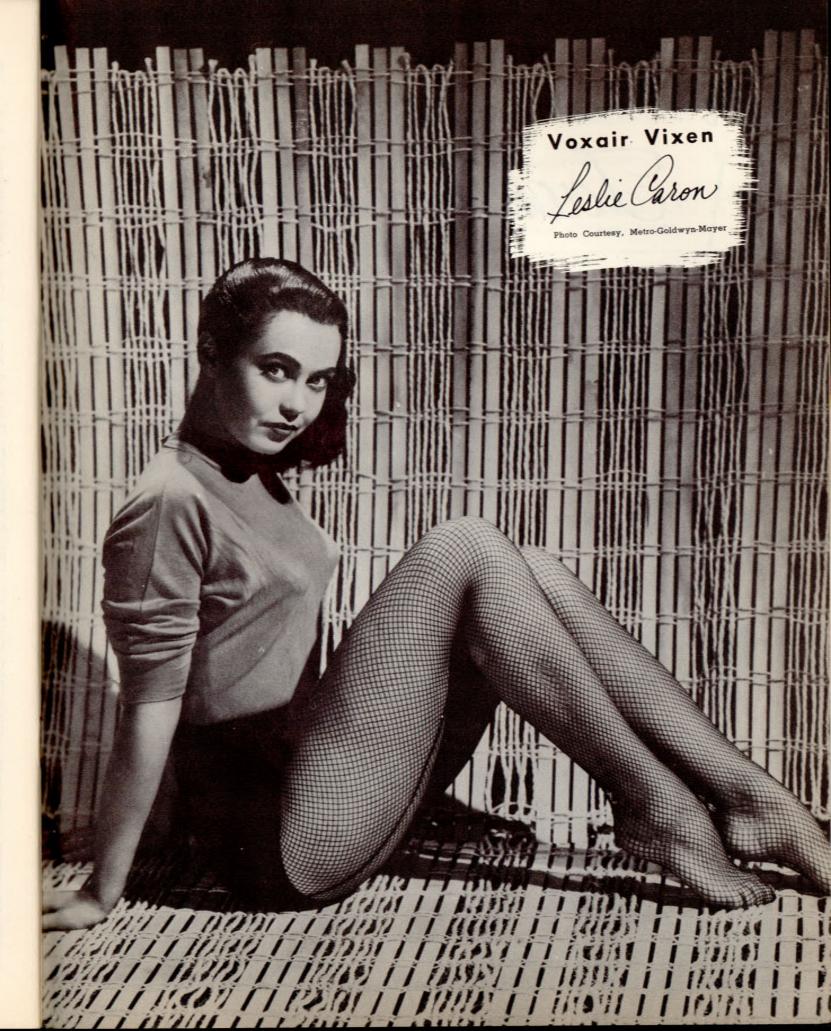
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