

IMPERIAL ASPECT WAS GREAT FEATURE OF THE CORONATION

Events of the Day Were Marked by Splendor Unsurpassed in Previous Ceremonies 'No Hitch in the Day's Events at Westminster Abbey—Every Village in the Land Gave Evidence of Devotion and Loyalty to the Throne—Weather less Favorable Than Expected but Cold Day Lessened the Number of Cases of Illness.

London, June 22—On this day of the crowning of George V., King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the Dominions beyond the seas nothing has been wanting to make the solemn and impressive ceremony one long to be remembered, not only throughout the country but in every corner of the great empire.

Never before in history has the imperial note been struck in such a magnificent manner. Its imperial aspect undoubtedly has been the most remarkable feature of coronation.

George V., more than any sovereign of the past, represents the embodiment of the imperial idea. He only, of all his predecessors on the throne, travelled through his vast dominions and thus acquainted himself at first hand with the needs and aspirations of all the various people of his empire.

Then, by happy coincidence, the imperial conference sitting at the time of the coronation enabled all the representatives of the King's overseas dominions to participate in the significant ceremonies at the opening of the new reign, which if the hopes of those attending the conference bear fruit, will bring all parts of the empire into closer and more intimate relations.

The great state pageant was carried through with dignity and impressiveness and made a deep impression upon all those privileged to witness it, and it was accompanied by an outburst of loyalty throughout the kingdom that might appear surprising at a period in the world's history when thrones no longer appear to be established on the surest foundations.

The remotest suburbs of the great city and every village in the land tonight gave evidence of devotion and loyalty to the throne. Not the humblest cottage but displayed a flag or illuminated device, portrait of the King and Queen and a loyal motto. The stirring events of the day were carried through without hitch or serious accident of any kind.

The weather was less favorable than had been hoped for, but even that had its compensating advantages since there was practically no need of the services of ambulances for cases of fainting, etc., which are generally frequent on such occasions. On the other hand the rain was not sufficient to detract seriously from the splendor of the pageant.

The attendance of the general public in the streets while large did not approach that at King Edward's coronation. This probably was due to fears engendered by the unusually severe police regulations and the barricades erected to protect the line of the procession route which under the circumstances, therefore proved to be useless. Gloomy prognostic with smoothness and in perfect order which excited universal admiration.

London, June 22.—Perhaps never in history, certainly never in the experience of any person whose senses it has been an historic witness to so magnificent as the ancient abbey of Westminster presented, when George V. and Queen Mary were seated in state upon their thrones. All who attended the crowning of Edward VII. agreed that to-day's ceremony surpassed that spectacle every circumstance—regal, stage, setting, solemn ritual, imposing music, the host of royal and eminent personages, the wonderful display of rich uniforms, bright bows, marvelous jewels, which combined to create an impression of awe and admiration.

Their majesties with gleaming crowns on their heads and gorgeous robes outspread behind them, the great Culliden diamond flashing from the imperial crown, all the nobles of throne in quaint costumes of ancient times with a few modern uniforms, the four peeresses attending the Queen in shimmering gowns, pages in light blue and white gowns behind them, an array of church dignitaries robed in scarlet and gold formed the centre of the picture.

The Prince of Wales Below the King and Queen were the young Prince of Wales, almost smothered in the dark blue robes of the order of the garter, with the peers, a crimson mantle around his shoulders and the Duke of Connaught in the uniform of a field marshal. Yeomen of the Guard with halberds lined the aisles throughout the space of the abbey, and in the great boxes rising high against the walls an illing the transepts and galleries were 7,000 spectators forming blocks of quivering variegated colors. In one group were the future rulers of most of the kingdoms of Europe with their aces. In another were the diplomatic corps, competing with the royalties in the splendor of their uniforms and decorations. Two blocks facing across the nave were composed of peers and peeresses wearing red robes and ermine capes, holding in their laps their coronets until the King should be crowned.

CORONATION DAY IN LONDON, HOUR BY HOUR

London, June 22.—Following was the coronation program in London hour by hour. 4.30 a.m. royal salutes from heavy artillery at the tower and Hyde Park; 5.55 a.m., police began to close streets in preparation for the procession; 6.30 a.m., entrance into Westminster Abbey opened; 10.30 a.m., royal procession started from Buckingham Palace; 11.15 a.m., coronation ceremony within abbey began; 1.40 p.m., departure of King George and Queen Mary, crowned, from the abbey for Buckingham Palace; 2.50 p.m., royal party arrived in palace; 7.30 p.m., night fireworks display begins.

Some Came Down River A large contingent of peers and peeresses came down the river by steamers in a larger number made their way on foot, the peers with their coronets on their hands and their robes in many cases dragging in the mud. As the morning grew, occasional heavy showers sweeping into the stands drove the people to their seats, but only temporarily. At last the guests have arrived, the troops were drawn up and the Duke of Norfolk, the commanding general and the chief of police before 9.30 o'clock. There was a shout of greeting which was continued till they were lost to view and then repeated as King George and Queen Mary were recognized.

No End of Enthusiasm. There seemed no end to the enthusiasm of Londoners. They hardly had time to get their suppers between the conclusion of the procession and the National Anthem. Instantly the lights were turned on for the illumination. In spite of heavy showers the streets were crowded from curb to curb, the roads, as well as the sidewalks being given up to the merry-makers. By common consent the people converged in front of Buckingham Palace until the throng reached such dimensions that it was impossible to move. A group of boys struck up the National Anthem. Instantly the strains were taken up by thousands.

A wonderful display of uniforms preceded the royal coach. After this in still another portion. A scarlet block represented the army, a blue one the navy; a third, scarlet and white, indicated where the judges wore uniforms, but the majority were in black street dress. Indian attendants with gaudy turbans and marvelous jewels formed a striking group. A hour about the coronation of Edward VII. agreed that to-day's ceremony surpassed that spectacle every circumstance—regal, stage, setting, solemn ritual, imposing music, the host of royal and eminent personages, the wonderful display of rich uniforms, bright bows, marvelous jewels, which combined to create an impression of awe and admiration.

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Ceremony Three Hours The ceremony consumed more than three hours. The spately ritual of the established church, combined with the coronation rites, surcharged with the traditions of fabled centuries, and Sir Walter Parratt's impetuous music which continued throughout, now a soft accompaniment, then the majestic hymn, and the culminating point, the roll of drums and the blast of trumpets, all united to make every moment one of intense interest.

The Archbishop of York's sermon had as its text: "I am among you as he that seeth." He said: "Pray we for our King, that he may be crowned."

THE CROWNED KING OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE



THE UNITED STATES JOINS IN CELEBRATION OF CORONATION

New York, June 22—America joined with the British Empire today in celebrating the coronation of King George V. and Queen Mary in Westminster Abbey. In this city there were services in Trinity Church on Lower Broadway. Many residences were decorated in honor of the occasion and on the north and east river in the anchorages of the harbor and at the Brooklyn docks were seen many flags and bunting. In other cities on the New England seaboard coronation day had fitting observance.

Proceedings Today. All the illuminations were extinguished by order of the police at midnight and the tired crowds retired early in comparison with various nights. It was quiet tomorrow a procession of police and others, who had been assigned a place in the parade, might be seen marching from points north, south, east and west, towards the foot of Kingsway Avenue, whence the procession was to move upon its way.

Kept All Night Vigil. Thousands anxious for a sight of the procession kept an all night vigil. At dawn they presented a bedraggled appearance, some worn out had retired to the parks to sleep and a few required the attention of the ambulance corps. Those remaining on the line kept up their good nature and no incident was too trivial to start them waving flags or playing music ball songs. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Premier of Canada, and others of the Canadian party were recognized by the crowds and greeted with familiar calls as they drove from their hotel to the Abbey.

Official announcement was made from Buckingham Palace that their majesties stood well the physically trying ordeal and were but little fatigued. After luncheon for which all the members of their suites remained, their majesties spent the hours quietly in the evening they dined on formal, the only guests being the royal representatives residing in the palace. The queen mother, Alexandra Princess Victoria, and the Dowager Empress of Russia spent the day at Sandringham Palace, they attended coronation services at the parish church and an entertainment given to the workers on the Sandringham estate.

Washington June 22.—President Taft today sent the following cable to King George: "On this auspicious occasion I take sincere pleasure in extending to your majesty cordial felicitations in the name of the people of the United States and in my own and in expressing the cherished hope that under your guiding influence the British dominion may flourish and prosper."

LADIES IN WAITING ON QUEEN MARY. The ladies of the Queen's household were seen in the procession, dressed in rich, colorful gowns and carrying their coronets. They were walking in a line, some holding umbrellas to shield themselves from the rain.

EDMONTON'S CELEBRATION WAS MOST IMPRESSIVE

Residents of Capital City Realized Significance of Great Event of National History—Imposing Parade With Patriotic Ceremony at Diamond Park—Immense Crowd at Afternoon Sports and Rink Thronged at Patriotic Concert in Evening.

Marked by one of the most imposing demonstrations ever witnessed in Western Canada the occasion of the coronation of Their Majesties King George V. and Queen Mary will be long remembered by the thousands of loyal citizens of Edmonton who participated in the program of events by which the day was observed in this city. Few cities within the Empire date the beginning of their growth from a point so recent in the which the day was marked by the birth of Capital City of the province of Alberta, yet it is safe to say that nowhere was the significance of this great occasion realized more fully or observed with greater enthusiasm.

Elaborate preparations had been made and overcome by patient effort on the part of those who with commendable sacrifice undertook the labor which alone could ensure the success of the celebrations. The result was such that they can have no reason to feel that their efforts were wasted.

Discipline in the early morning, with the first of the day, the sky remained overcast throughout the whole of the day, but by good fortune no rain fell until after the coronation, when the programs of events which might have fallen short of success in reason of inclement weather had been practically completed.

City Gay with Decorations. With public buildings and stores gaily decorated with flags and bunting, the streets presented a festive appearance, and long before the time for the first of the events in the day, many took advantage of the opportunity offered by the special service held in All Saints' church to mark the religious significance of the day with fitting observance, and the honor of the occasion.

Next in order were the Citizens' band and behind these two thousand of the pupils of the Edmonton school. Students of the high school, the establishment of the schools, the pupils of the seven other schools in the city. Queen's avenue pupils were followed by Cadets of the second educational institution in the city, the pupils of the separate school, and those of the Alexander Taylor, Norwood and Oliver schools.

Two ambulances, the Strathcona Citizens band came next, and then the carriages provided for the occasion in their order. In the first heard in Mayor Armstrong and Mayor Davies. The other carriages were in the following order: Carriages No. 2—Aldermen McInnis, Tipton, Lundy and Richards. Carriage No. 3—Ald. Hyndman, Rankin, Mond and Ratford. Carriage No. 4—Ald. Grindley, Calder, McKinley and Vogel. Carriage No. 5—Ald. Millar, Loughlin, Gowen and Pollard. Carriage No. 6—Commissioners Agar, Butcher, Bouillon and Candy.

Patriotic Societies. Patriotic societies in full regalia and the numerous flags which came next presented a brilliant spectacle. The greatest skill and taste had been displayed by the organizations in the preparation of the floats. The societies marched in the following order, the order having been determined by drawing of lots: French, Irish, Scotch, Welsh, English.

Many Bands. Marching north on Kingsway to Boyle to the strains of the 101st band, the Citizens' band, the Strathcona band, and band of the Salvation Army and the pipers' band, the procession turned westward on Boyle, proceeding thence to McDonald, north to Rice street, thence to Second street, south to Jasper, east to McDougall and thence to Diamond Park. Along every part of the route the sidewalks were thronged, the major part of the crowd proceeding to the park, where they filled the grandstand and bleachers, and overflowed onto the grounds. The improvised platform was occupied by Mayor Armstrong and Mayor Davies and the aldermen of the sister cities. The bands were massed, and the 101st regiment, under the command of Colonel Edwards, was drawn up facing the grandstand, while in front of them were the cadets and boy scouts, who throughout won high commendation for their fine appearance and splendid discipline.

His Honor Lieutenant Governor Buvey was escorted on to the grounds by the detachment of Royal North West Mounted Police under the command of Inspector Worcester, while the mounted band played the national hymn of the National anthem and the Canadian flag was hoisted above the platform. The school children, who had been accommodated with seats in the grandstand, then rendered the chorus "O Canada." The proclamation and address was then read by Mayor Armstrong, at the conclusion of which

Erin was represented by the tastefully decorated car of the Irish society, while the Canadian society, who had been accompanied by the children, the achievements in war and literature of the Scottish race. Each in its turn was greeted with rapturous applause, in which the Welsh society, led by two ladies clad in the quaint costume of their native country, shared.

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