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Position of constitutional and democratic monarch
requires increasing devotion to public duties - constant
service of people to whom he is the symbol of the nation -

- same degree of duty and obligation attaches to consort.
- duties are onerous in the extreme.
- sense of constant public gaze.
- knowledge that their conduct and deportment of vital importance to inspire and to influence people.
- King and Queen have discharged their public duties
 with constant zeal and complete devotion to a degree
 and in a manner that could not be exceeded at a most
 trying and difficult time in the history of the world.
 - particularly <u>during the war</u> their devotion to duty was of outstanding value to the peoples of all the countries of the Commonwealth
 - by visits to bombed areas and by sharing of dangers of life in war-ravaged London.
 - were source of constant inspiration to men of the armed forces.

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