



## New Monarch Proclaimed Under the Title of King George the Fifth

### PROMISES TO PROMOTE THE BEST INTERESTS OF BRITISH PEOPLE

**George V. Announces His Determination, Under the Guidance of God, to Maintain the High Traditions of the British Court and to Fulfil to the Best of His Ability the Great Trust Reposed in Him.**

LONDON, May 7.—King George V. was proclaimed this afternoon. The proclamation was approved by the privy council at 4 o'clock. The council met in the room at St. James' Palace under the presidency of the Earl of Crewe, who officiated in the absence of Viscount Waverley. The new monarch was given the title of King George V. The King, who had driven over from Marlborough House, waited in a room adjoining the council chamber while the lengthy formalities leading up to the actual proclamation were proceeding.

With to-day's ceremony, and in his forty-fifth years, the second son born to King Edward VII. and Queen Alexandra becomes the ruler of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of the British Dominions beyond the seas, King, Defender of the Faith, and Emperor of India. The text of the proclamation follows:

"Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to call to His mercy our late Sovereign Edward VII., of blessed and glorious memory, by whose decease the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland is solely and rightfully come to the high and mighty Prince George Frederick Ernest Albert, we therefore, the lords spiritual and temporal of this realm, being here assembled with these of his late Majesty's privy council, with members of other principal gentlemen of quality, with the lord mayor, aldermen and citizens of London, do now hereby with one voice, consent of tongue and heart, publish and proclaim, that the high and mighty Prince George Frederick Ernest Albert is now by the death of our late Majesty, King Edward VII., by the grace of God, lawful and rightful liege Lord George V., by the grace of God, King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the faith, Emperor of India, to whom we do acknowledge all faith and constant obedience with all hearty and humble affection, beseeching God, by whom all kings and queens do reign, to bless the Royal Prince George V. with long and happy years to reign over us."

**BRILLIANT FUNCTION.**  
The meeting of the privy council was a brilliant function. The King wore the uniform of an admiral and was surrounded by a large gathering of councillors, all in levee-dress and wearing the ribbons of their orders. The lord mayor of the corporation was in his robes of office.

The councillors, having acquainted the King with the completion of the proclamation, His Majesty entered the council chamber and signed the proclamation, after which he confirmed in their offices those who had held appointments under his father at the time of the King's death.

**KING GEORGE'S SPEECH.**  
King George delivered a brief but earnest address. He exhibited deep emotion as he announced his determination to endeavor, under the guidance of God, to maintain the high traditions of the British Court and to fulfil to the best of his abilities the great trust reposed in him.

The lord chancellor, Lord Loreburn, administered the oath to the King and, following the custom, the cabinet ministers swore allegiance to the new sovereign at the same time tendering their seals of office, which His Majesty returned. The ministers kissed the King's hand. The councillors, upon being reappointed, in turn took the oath of allegiance and kissed the King's hand. This concluded the business of the council, and His Majesty retired.

**LACK OF DISPLAY.**  
The King left St. James' Palace on his return to Marlborough House at 5 o'clock, having been absent for the ceremony just one hour. The marked lack of display in the conduct of the new monarch was striking.

A single carriage, occupied by the Sovereign, and attended by two royal equerries, was driven to and from St. James' Palace. There was no military escort and the only decoration which the monarch wore was the Order of the Garter.

In fact, the lord mayor and the city aldermen furnished the most spectacular element of the ceremony. While his father was signing the proclamation the young Prince of Wales stood on a temporary scaffolding behind the wall at Marlborough House and eagerly watched such of the proceedings as came into his view.

Owing to the late hour at which the formalities were completed by the privy council and the impossibility of distributing the proclamation to the various centres in time to permit simultaneous proclaiming ceremonies, the proclamation of King George's accession by heralds and pursuivants was postponed until Monday.

In addressing the privy council, King George said that his emotion was too deep to permit him to say more than a few words. He recalled the declaration by his father on the similar occasion, to the effect that so long as there was breath in his body he would strive to promote the best interests of his people.

The new monarch declared that his father's promise had been amply fulfilled and that it would be his own earnest endeavor, under God, to pursue the same high aim. He referred gratefully to the evidences of deep sympathy from all parts of the empire, and said that he was thankful to feel that at all times he would have the assistance of the Queen in the discharge of the duties of his office.

His Majesty declared that he would, to the best of his ability, strive to fully maintain the constitution.

**KING GEORGE'S TASK.**  
The King of England must be an aid, a help, toward working out the political ideals of the people; and if King George were to fall in this, monarchy would not long survive in England.

The new king cannot take the side of privilege as exemplified in the present house of lords. Then both king and lords would have to go.

The constitutional struggle now on in England must therefore go on notwithstanding the despatches that a change in the king suggests a truce.

**THE PASSING OF THE KING.**  
The experience that the present generation of Britons have had on the death of the late Queen Victoria had prepared them for a similar experience in the case of King Edward.

So that the most significant thing in the King's death in the bigger sense is the insignificance of it: everything goes on the same; no dislocation, no disturbance; the political situation in its wider or narrower sense quickly adjusts itself; the money markets will recover any changes sustained; only the personal and the national grief and sorrow remain, and these come forth only to dissipate themselves with the turn of the weeks, if not of days.

A king dies, a new king reigns, and the world does not stop for that.

for a time. To us it means that the struggle must grow more acute, and that Asquith must fight ahead with more persistence than ever.

**WAGE TROUBLE NOT SETTLED.**  
NEW YORK, May 7.—After negotiations for the greater part of the week between J. C. Stuart, vice-president of the Erie Railroad, and Vice-President Sines of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, Vice-President Sheppard of the Order of Railway Conductors, and chairman of the grievance committees of the Erie conductors, and trainmen, it was announced to-day that no agreement could be reached on the wage question.

### MOURNED BY THE TEARS OF A WORLD

Nations and Rulers Unite in Paying Tribute to the Memory of a Great Monarch  
—Paris Flies Crepe—Entwined Flags.

PARIS, May 7.—Nowhere in Europe has the passing of King Edward created deeper emotion than in France, where he was gratefully acknowledged as the principal artisan in the present diplomatic combinations for the preservation of the peace of Europe. The French government intends to express its grief in a most marked fashion.

Premier Briand and others of the cabinet personally called upon British Ambassador Bertie early to-day to express their condolences, and as soon as Foreign Minister Pichon, who is absent from the city, reaches Paris, an extraordinary mission will be appointed to attend the funeral. Former President Loubet, whose exchange of visits with King Edward in 1905 resulted in the Anglo-French entente, probably will head the mission.

Most of the French papers appear with black borders to-day, and their editorials sound a common note of grief which may be summed up in the words of The Martin, which says: "England has lost a great king, the world a great figure and France a great friend."

M. Pichon, in a telegram to Sir Edward Grey, expressing his condolences referred feelingly to King Edward's reign for peace, to the maintenance of which both countries are laboring in common accord.

By order of the government the flags over the Elysee Palace and other public buildings are at half-mast. The houses and shops in the boulevards in the Rue De La Paix, the Place Concord and the Champs Elysees, are flying the French and British flags entwined with crepe.

The diplomatic consequences of a change of rulers are dealt with prominently, but there is no doubt that there is a popular feeling of anxiety. While the present basis of peace is regarded as secure, it is realized that Edward's personal influence so powerfully exercised in all the recent crisis regarding the Balkan situation, is regarded as a loss which will be difficult to replace.

The report that the Liberals have already agreed to postpone the issue regarding the British House of Lords until next year, in order to avoid confronting the new reign with a grave internal question, creates great satisfaction here, where the decision is regarded not only as a fine exhibition of national dignity, but as the best guarantee against a rupture of the continuity of Great Britain's foreign policy, with which France is now closely associated.

**Emperor William Changes His Plans**  
BERLIN, May 7.—Following the announcement of the death of King Edward, all of the engagements of Emperor William for the next two days were cancelled. The Emperor, who was at Wiesbaden to-day, determined to start for Berlin to-night, and will arrive here to-morrow morning.

The death of the Emperor's uncle leaves everything connected with the visit of Theodore Roosevelt in a state of uncertainty, which will continue until the Emperor makes known his wishes. As yet his plans are not known.

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**Roosevelt as United States Representative?**  
WASHINGTON, May 7.—The question of appointing a special Representative of the United States to attend the funeral of the King is being discussed here. It is suggested in official circles that Theodore Roosevelt may be named as the representative in case the state funeral is held before he leaves England for the United States.

If Mr. Roosevelt is not named, Ambassador Reid will probably be delegated to attend the funeral as the representative of the United States.

No selection will be made until the state department is informed officially of the date of the funeral.

King Edward's death called forth numerous expressions of sympathy from various members of the diplomatic corps, cabinet officials, congressmen and prominent government officials here.

President Taft immediately cabled his condolences to Queen Alexandra, declaring therein his appreciation of those high qualities which made the life of the late King so potent an influence toward peace and justice among the nations.

Secretary of State Knox, in a cablegram to the U. S. Embassy at London, conveyed to the British Government the sympathy of the president, the government and the people of the United States, and in speaking of the King, said: "The people of the United States are sure to feel for their British kinsmen deep sympathy in the loss of their great monarch."

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KING GEORGE V. AND QUEEN VICTORIA MARY

### CITY'S MOURNING CONVEYED BY CABLE

"Irreparable Loss," Says Message to Royal Family—How State and Church Will Observe Passing of His Majesty.

**Toronto's Sympathy**  
Toronto, May 7, 1910.  
Hon. Charles Murphy, K.C., Secretary of State, Ottawa.

Please convey to the royal family the heartfelt sympathy of the citizens of Toronto in their irreparable loss, and assurances of regard and affection for the memory of a much-beloved Sovereign, whose death occasioned deep and abiding grief in the hearts of a devoted people.

G. R. GEARY, Mayor.

At a special meeting of the board of control Saturday morning, the following message to the royal family conveying the city's condolences was prepared and despatched to the secretary of state.

No word has been received from Stanley Geary, who is in Washington, but the board had no doubt of his full concurrence in their action.

It was agreed that the city council should meet on Monday and pass a resolution of regret at the King's death, after which adjournment will be made until the royal funeral has taken place. The city will not be officially represented at the opening of the baseball season on Monday.

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### Crowned Heads Who Will Attend Funeral

Emperor William of Germany, King Manuel of Portugal, King Albert of Belgium, King Hakan and Queen Maud of Sweden, Dowager Empress Marie of Russia.

Major Brown of the Toronto Field Battery stated to The Sunday World that it was probable a royal salute in commemoration of the accession of King George V. would be fired by the artillery through the Dominion early next week. The salute would be in accordance with orders from the federal authorities at Ottawa, which would fix the date and hour.

A notice was posted at the armories by Capt. Miller that the rifle ranges would be closed yesterday.

**Painters Show Sympathy.**  
The meeting of painters at the Labor Temple yesterday morning, after dealing with their daily reports, passed a resolution cancelling the meeting which had been arranged for this morning, out of respect to the memory of the late King. The painters will instead meet at 10 o'clock on Monday morning.

**Will Wear Black.**  
All members of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire are requested to wear black and purple ribbon attached to their badges for six weeks, as mourning for his late majesty, E. B. Nordheimer, president.

**Involves Much Detail.**  
The removal of Britain's sovereign involves the making of a host of changes. All court papers and documents which bear the name of Edward VII. will have to be altered so as to read George V. This applies to seals and stamps. The mail wagons, which now bear the letters "E. R.," must be altered to have them read "G. R.," signifying George Rex.

All employees of the civil service, from the highest to the lowest, must take a new oath of allegiance. This ceremony will be conducted by an official from Ottawa.

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### CANADA UNITES IN TRIBUTE TO DEAD

"Typified the Finest Characteristic Qualities of His Nation's Manhood," Says Premier  
McBride — Montreal Sends Message.

VICTORIA, B. C., May 6.—(Special.)—"British Columbians, always truly loyal to the throne, will mourn the common with millions of his late majesty's subjects throughout the empire his deplorable demise," said Premier McBride a few minutes after the first intimation reached this province, "that 'The peacemaker of Europe' has passed away. We in this western province, the premier continues, 'have always been more or less directly under the eye of the sovereign and it seems only the other day that we were rejoicing over the kindly personal interest his majesty manifested in our affairs in going out of his way to enquire as to location of our fruit exhibit, paying it a visit and subsequently expressing his much appreciated favorable opinion of that display and his good wishes for our development and prosperity. The incident, so typical of the monarch's kindness and broad sympathies with the life and well-being of his people, brought very directly to us the feeling that we possessed, as we undoubtedly did, the friendly and sympathetic interest of our King."

"Those of us who may have some brief experience in the motherland know how very near to the hearts of his people his majesty was. As man as well as monarch, King Edward typified the finest characteristics of the nation's manhood."

"What more can be said of his majesty, now that he has laid aside the sceptre and is at rest, than has already been said of him by all the world? That he was the first gentleman and best beloved monarch of his time. Always patient and infinitely tactful, his relations with foreign powers were especially distinguished by the great confidence that alien nations invariably placed in his every word and act."

**Late King's Tutor**  
Dr. Goldwin Smith declined to say anything on the death of King Edward except that "silence is best and I can only lay one flower on his grave."

When the history of our empire is brought down to date, King Edward will be given his rightful place as an unusually gifted ruler and great constitutionalist, who presided unostentatiously and with inspired dignity over the making of British history.

**Montreal Will Hold Memorial Service**  
MONTREAL, May 7.—(Special.)—Comparatively few people in the city knew that King Edward had passed away before reading the morning papers. The interest and sorrow was very general. The city hall, the court house, the various schools, today all fly at half-mast the Union Jack on hotels, stations, stores and private houses, the ensigns are displayed, and shop windows are being draped with black and royal purple. By order of his grace the archbishop, the bells of the city's Roman Catholic churches tolled this morning.

To-morrow special services are to be held in many of the city churches, where fitting decorations are now being made. On the day of the funeral a service will be held in St. James Cathedral, at which his grace will officiate, in person, and at which prayers will be made for the new sovereign.

There is a likelihood that a military parade in honor of the royal dead will be ordered from Ottawa, but no definite word of this has as yet been received.

A great many of the social and public functions have been cancelled, amongst others being the horse show, which is off permanently.

The following wire has been sent out by the mayor of Montreal:

"To the secretary of His Majesty King George, London.—Your loyal and devoted subjects, the citizens of Montreal, respectfully tender to your gracious majesty their heartfelt grief and deepest sympathy at the overwhelming loss they all suffer by the death of our well beloved sovereign, your illustrious father, and humbly pray you to accept their assurance of unwavering loyalty to your throne and person."

(Signed) James J. Guerin, Mayor.

**SUNDAY WEATHER**  
Easterly winds, followed by rain.

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