OUEEN ELIZABETH AT EXPO '67

On July 3, Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip arrived in Montreal from Kingston, Ontario, aboard the royal yacht *Britannia* to visit Expo '67. The royal couple had driven to Kingston from Ottawa where, since June 29, they had been taking part in combined centennial and Dominion Day celebrations.

At Expo, the Queen and Prince Philip toured the British pavilion and several of the Canadian pavilions.

PM'S ADDRESS

At a lunch in the "Canada" pavilion, Prime Minister Pearson welcomed the royal couple in the following words:

"I should like to welcome you, Your Majesty and Prince Philip, to Expo, in the presence of some of those who made it possible: the Prime Minister of Quebec, whose government is going to pay part of the cost; the Mayor of Montreal, whose irresistible imagination and dynamic energy made the whole thing possible in the first place; the Commissioner-General, His Excellency Pierre Dupuy, and his chief associates who have faced and overcome every obstacle in the conversion of a dream into reality. I wish *all* those who planned and worked beyond the call of duty, so that Expo might be finished on time – I wish they could all be here today to receive our thanks.

"I read the other day that Expo was an achievement in human excellence perhaps unmatched in history. The writer then went on to leap verbally from superlative to hyperbole, without exaggerating anything. We Canadians are famous for our modesty and restraint — a factual people, given to sombre and sometimes satirical self-analysis. No wonder we get a little unbalanced by exposure to this psychedelic experience of Expo and other exciting centennial achievements.

A-POWER BOOSTS ECONOMY

Major contracts awarded in May by Ontario Hydro for its nuclear power station at Pickering included a fuel order worth more than \$9 million.

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Canadian General Electric Company Limited will manufacture the estimated 420 tons of natural uranium for the initial loading of Pickering's four reactors. Deliveries begin next May. Atomic Energy of Canada Limited is acting as consulting engineer on this giant station, which is being built 20 miles from Toronto.

Chase Brass and Copper Company will provide coolant tubes for the first two reactors at a cost of nearly \$2.5 million, while General Gear Limited of Toronto will provide nearly \$2-million worth of endfitting assemblies. A contract to Bingham Pump Company of British Columbia for pumps and motor assemblies is worth nearly \$900,000, while Crane Canada Limited of Rexdale, Ontario, has received a \$500,000-order for 16 headers for the first two units. The headers collect coolant from or distribute it to the reactors. "One of the most welcome features of our centennial year is the friendly interest being shown in Canada by observers from abroad. It is becoming apparent to the world – at last – that we are not merely an arctic extension of the United States. It has been most refreshing to have *outsiders* analyzing us for a change, instead of subjecting ourselves to introspective self-examination of our national psyche. A London journalist even went so far as to admit that Canada now existed not merely as a fact but also as an idea and an ideal.

"Certainly, there could be no more dramatic and impressive expression of the idea and the ideal of the Canadianism we celebrate today, than here at Expo...."

CANADA'S EXAMPLE

In her reply, the Queen called Expo "a fantastic creation", a fitting climax to 100 years of progress. "Today," she said, "so many nations, and the whole of the international society, seek to create a cohesiveness which both respects and unites the multiplicity of their internal divergencies. This transformation is sometimes painful. Canadians have discovered how much of generosity and political imagination it requires. They have learned that the greatness of any country or group is to be found in what it gives the world. It seems to me that it is in that direction that Canada will be great — not by its power, but by its giving, by its radiance, by its example...."

After lunch, in brilliant sunshine, the royal couple took an unscheduled ride on the mini-rail round the site, to the delight of thousands of Expo visitors who were able to get a closer view of Her Majesty.

Pickering's four reactors are scheduled to go into service, one a year, from 1970 to 1973 inclusive, at 540,000 kilowatts each. The total capital cost of the station is estimated at \$528 million.

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GIFT OF MOBILE CLASSROOMS

Under "Project 100", a programme launched last year by the Centennial Committee of British Columbia, students in the province will give mobile education units to the developing countries of the Commonwealth. Voluntary contributions will be used to equip mobile classrooms with books, filmstrips, audiovisual aids and laboratory equipment, at a cost of \$15,000 each.

The first unit will tour British Columbia in September before being shipped to Guyana aboard a bauxite-ore carrier; other units are destined for Tanzania, India, Pakistan, Zambia and Hong Kong,