

ROYAL VISIT - TORONTO, OTTAWA
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The morning of Wednesday, July 1, will be devoted to preparation for a national Radio and TV appearance by the Queen at 12:00 noon.

Early on Wednesday afternoon Her Majesty will officiate at the unveiling of the Commonwealth Air Forces Memorial at Green Island. This memorial is to commemorate Commonwealth members of air forces who lost their lives while stationed in Canada during the war and who have no known graves.

Her Majesty will return to Rideau Hall following this ceremony and, at 4:30 p.m., will drive in the State Carriage with a mounted escort from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to Parliament Hill where she will present Colours to a number of Canadian Regiments. Also taking part in this ceremony will be The Governor General's Foot Guards of Ottawa and the 1st Battalion, Canadian Guards of Petawawa.

At the conclusion of the presentation of Colours the Queen will return to Government House where Her Majesty will receive the Commonwealth High Commissioners and heads of foreign missions. This will be followed by an investiture at which some ten civilian and service personnel will be presented with awards for bravery.

Following a dinner at Rideau Hall, Her Majesty and Prince Philip will drive to the Union Station for departure by rail for Hamilton, Ontario.

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OIL TO U.S.

The Prime Minister announced in the House of Commons on April 30 that the United States Government has removed the import restrictions on crude oil, unfinished oils, and petroleum products which enter the United States by pipeline, motor carrier or rail from the country of production, the exemption to become effective on June 1, 1959.

Mr. Diefenbaker expressed the Government's satisfaction at the decision which had been taken by the United States.

The Prime Minister went on to say:

"I am glad to recognize that it is the consequence of a desire on the part of the United States administration to reach agreement with Canada in the solution of a difficult problem.

"The exemption will be of direct benefit to the export sales of Canadian crude oil and products. As important, if not more, is the benefit which will follow in terms of a normal healthy development of the Canadian petroleum

industry, which is thus restored to its appropriate place as an important and natural supplier of the North American markets.

"In addition to its intrinsic importance for the future of the Canadian oil industry, the decision is also of significance in terms of our general relations with the United States in that it removes a distressing source of irritation, and reflects a degree of co-operation and sensible development of resources which is so necessary for the economic prosperity and mutual defence of our two countries."

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NEW INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE

Premier Frost of Ontario has announced that on May 1 construction was started on a new \$20 million international bridge which will link Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, with Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

The new St. Mary's Bridge, with its approaches, will be 12,000 feet long. It will have a total river span of just under 5,000 feet and a 124-foot clearance of the canals.

Although the bridge will be located within the boundaries of the Canadian and American cities, it is expected that it will help to develop not only Sault Ste. Marie but the whole of Northern Ontario, linking, as it will, a populous section of the United States with the great Ontario hinterland.

Construction of the bridge is expected to take about one and a half years.

The two "Soos" are now served by a ferry system.

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DIPLOMAT RESIGNS

The Prime Minister, Mr. John G. Diefenbaker, has announced that he has accepted with regret the resignation of Mr. Thomas Archibald Stone from the Department of External Affairs. In making this announcement, the Prime Minister expressed his appreciation for the contributions which Mr. Stone had made to the development of Canadian foreign policy during his more than thirty years association with the foreign service of Canada.

Mr. Stone joined the Department of External Affairs as third secretary on the original staff of the Canadian Legation in Washington when it was opened in 1927, and subsequently served in Paris, Ottawa and London.

Mr. Stone was appointed Canadian Minister to Sweden and Finland in 1949 and Ambassador to the Netherlands in 1952. In 1958 he was appointed Ambassador to Mexico but because of illness he could not take up this assignment.

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