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Tuesday, February 12, 1952.

Canada Plans Friday Rites: Ottawa, February 12 (CP) -- Canadians, each in his own way, will pay tribute to the late King on Friday when funeral services are held in London.

The federal Government proclaimed the day "as a public holiday to be observed as a day of general mourning" for the monarch who died February 6. But only the courts, banks and federal offices are required to close.

The Provinces were left free to issue their own proclamations, and only in British Columbia and Newfoundland will the day be observed as if it were a statutory holiday with all non-essential industries closing. Provincial Secretary W. T. Straith said of British Columbia's plans: "Everything will be closed--just like a Sunday."

A Canadian Press survey yesterday found:

Schools in all Provinces will be closed.

Leading department stores in most cities will not open.

The Motion Picture Industry Council requested its 2,000 member theatres across Canada to remain closed until 6 p.m.

The Montreal and Toronto stock exchanges, the Winnipeg Grain Exchange and commodity markets will suspend operations for the day.

The CBC will observe long periods of silence during the day, confining broadcasts to funeral events.

Canada's Population 14,009,429 In June, 1951: Ottawa, February 11 (CP) -- Canada's population passed the 14,000,000 mark in time for the June, 1951, decennial census with Ontario, Quebec and a surging British Columbia contributing 75 per cent of a record increase over 1941.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics said final tabulations of the census show there were 14,009,429 Canadians as of June, 1951, an increase of 2,502,774 or 21.8 per cent over the figure at the time of the 1941 census.

Of the 10-year increase -- a record numerically but not in the percentage field -- Newfoundland contributed 361,416 new Canadians, but the big increases came mainly from the two big central provinces backed by B.C.

B.C. far outstripped the other Provinces in the percentage columns, adding 42.47 per cent to its 1941 population of 817,861 to become the third Province to go beyond the million-mark with 1,165,210 people.

In sheer numbers, Ontario topped the lists. She grew by 809,887 or 21.38 per cent in reaching a population of 4,597,542, compared to 3,787,655 in 1951.

Quebec reached 4,055,611 compared to 3,331,882, an increase of 723,729 or 21.72 per cent.

Among them, Ontario, Quebec and B.C. accounted for an increase of roughly 1,880,000 or three-quarters of the national increase.

Oil-rich Alberta was well down the lists with an 18 per cent increase that took her to 939,501 from 796,169. The indications were, however, that she would be the fourth Province to shoot past the 1,000,000 mark and that she might do it easily within the next few years.

And Alberta fared much better than her sister Prairie Provinces. Saskatchewan was the only Province to lose people, dropping 7.17 per cent to 831,728 from 895,992. Manitoba increased by only 6.41 per cent to 776,541 from 729,744.