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FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 1952

The Right Honourable Robert Gordon Menzies, Prime Minister of Australia, and Mrs. Menzies will arrive in Ottawa on Sunday, June 22, at 5.30 p.m. EDT for a visit of four days. They will be accompanied by the Secretary, Australian Department of External Affairs, Mr. A.S. Watt; the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, Dr. Roland Wilson; the Deputy Secretary, Department of Defence, Mr. F. Chilton; and the Secretary to the Prime Minister's Department, Mr. A.S. Brown. While in Ottawa, Mr. and Mrs. Menzies will stay at Government House.

This will be Mr. Menzies' fourth visit to Ottawa. His previous visits were in May 1941 and August 1950 when he was Prime Minister, and in October 1948 when he was the Leader of the Opposition. Mr. Menzies left Australia on May 14, spent a week in Washington, left for London on May 21 and returned to Washington on June 17. He will leave Ottawa at 9.30 a.m. Thursday, June 26, for New York, and will then fly back to Australia.

Following is the programme of his visit to Ottawa (all times Eastern Daylight):

Sunday, June 22

- 3.30 p.m. - Leave Washington by plane
- 5.30 p.m. - Arrive at Rockcliffe Airport
Inspect Guard of Honour
- 5.55 p.m. - Arrive at Government House

Monday, June 23

- 10.00 a.m. - Lay wreath at National War Memorial
Inspect Guard
- 10.15 a.m. - Press Conference at Parliamentary
Press Gallery
- 11.30 a.m. - 4p.m. Calls on the Prime Minister, Minister
of National Defence, Minister of
Finance, and Secretary of State for
External Affairs
- 5.30 p.m. - Reception at residence of High Com-
missioner for Australia
- 8.00 p.m. - Dinner at Government House

Tuesday, June 24

- 10.00 a.m. - Further conversations with Canadian
Cabinet Ministers
- 1.00 p.m. - Lunch with the Leader of the Oppo-
sition
- 7.45 p.m. - Dinner at residence of High Com-
missioner for Australia

Wednesday, June 25

- 1.00 p.m. - Luncheon - Canadian Club of
Ottawa
- 8.00 p.m. - Dinner at residence of the Prime
Minister

Thursday, June 26

- 9.30 a.m. - Inspect Guard of Honour at Rock-
cliffe Airport
Departure for New York
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