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EDWARD VII LAID TO REST

Nine Kings Followed the Body in Funeral.

ROOSEVELT REPRESENTED US

Royalty of All the World in Great Cortege That Marched Through Dense Crowds in London.

London, May 20.—The funeral of King Edward VII. at Windsor was one of the most gorgeous and mournful pageants of recent times, and in many respects surpassed that of Queen Victoria nine years ago. Edward VII. now rests near his mother, Queen Victoria, and his father, who died forty years ago.

From Westminster hall, where the body of the sovereign had lain in state three days, to Paddington station and thence through the pleasant Middlesex country to Windsor, the route of the funeral procession passed through rows of somberly clad Englishmen, attesting by their solemn demeanor the genuine sorrow they felt for the final passing of their king. It was a day of official mourning, to be sure, formally ordered by the dignitaries of the realm, but it was also a day of genuine heartfelt sorrow among the populace. In that respect it resembled more the February day of nine years ago when the last scene in the long drama of the life of Victoria the good was acted than those earlier days, of unhappy memory for England, when the people rejoiced almost openly over the death of some particularly scapegrace royalty. As Victoria was mourned, so is her son. The twenty miles from London to Windsor seemed to give forth an almost audible sigh as the train conveying Edward's body moved slowly to its destination.

Edward's Charger in Procession.

The funeral was headed by a multitude of men prominent in the British and foreign military and naval services. Immediately behind the gun carriage came Prince Louis of Battenberg. King Edward's charger came next, led, and then the royal standard. Behind came a cavalcade of royal personages, King George leading. The Kaiser rode on his right and the Duke of Connaught on his left, a few paces to the rear.

In ranks of three rode the kings of Norway, Greece, Spain, Bulgaria, Denmark, Portugal and Belgium, the Austrian heir apparent, the Ottoman heir apparent, Prince Fushimi, of Japan; Grand Duke Michael, representing the czar; the Duke of Aosta, representing the king of Italy; Prince Ruprecht, of Bavaria; the Duke of Sparta, the



QUEEN MARY.

crown prince of Roumania, Prince Henry of the Netherlands, Duke Albert of Wurtemberg, the crown prince of Serbia, Prince Henry of Russia, the Grand Duke of Hesse, the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, the crown prince of Saxony, the Grand Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, the Prince of Waldeck-Pyrmont, Prince Mohamed Ali of Egypt, Prince Tsai Tao, uncle of the emperor of China; Prince Charles of Sweden, Prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein, Prince Arthur of Connaught, Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, the Duke of Fife, Prince George of Cumberland, Prince Alexander of Battenberg, the Duke of Teck, Prince Alexander of Teck, Prince Francis of Teck, Prince Maximilian of Baden, Prince Andrew of Greece, Prince Philip of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Prince Dunilo of Montenegro, Prince Christopher of Greece, the Duc d'Alencon, Comte d'Eu and three other Orleans princes, the crown prince of Siam, Prince Leopold of Coburg and Prince Wolrad of Waldeck-Pyrmont.

The crown querry, General Ewart, rode along behind this company of mounted royalties. Then came a glass paneled coach and pair, in which the queen mother, the dowager czarina and Princess Louise and Princess Victoria rode. A similar coach followed,

occupied by Queen Mary, the queen of Norway, the Duke of Cornwall and his sister, Princess Mary. Then there were four coaches filled with princesses belonging to or immediately related to the British royal family, and another carrying the Chinese prince and the members of the Chinese mission, all the foregoing being royal.

Mr. Roosevelt, the special ambassador from the United States, and M. Pichon, the French foreign minister, rode side by side in the eighth carriage of twelve near the end of the procession. Lord Strathcona, Sir G. Reid and Mr. Hall-Jones, representing Canada, Australia and New Zealand respectively, rode together in the ninth carriage. Other carriages were filled with members of the royal suites.

After these came detachments of English, Scottish and Irish police as delegations from those forces, followed by a detachment of the London fire brigade.

The arrival of the funeral train at Windsor was announced by the firing of minute guns. The roadway from the railroad station to St. George's chapel was lined with soldiers, who presented arms as the body of the king passed on its gun carriage. With solemn dirges the procession moved up the road, accompanied and followed by the officials whose hereditary and personal right it is to attend at the very last honors to be paid to a deceased British sovereign. There were the kings at arms, the heralds and the pursuivants, the lords in waiting, the lord chamberlain and the lord steward and a host of others.

The last touch of mediaevalism came when Sir Alfred Scott Scott-Gatty, as Garter king of arms and therefore chief heraldic officer of Great Britain, under the earl marshal, announced in solemn ringing tones that the last earthly scene dealing with "his most excellent majesty Edward VII. by the grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British dominions beyond the seas king, defender of the faith, emperor of India," was closed.

RECOVERS HIS VOICE

Speech Restored by Violent Attack of Coughing.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., May 25.—Nelson Keller, a hotelkeeper of this city who, after being speechless for the past three weeks, went to Philadelphia on Monday to consult a specialist, recovered his voice in a peculiar manner before he saw the physician. He had just alighted from the train at the Reading Terminal when he had a severe attack of coughing, and when it ended he found he had recovered his voice and that it was as strong and clear as ever. It was so good that he went to the base ball game and yelled for Hughey Jennings' Tigers and returned home Tuesday.

LIGHTNING KILLS TWO MEN

Dozen Others Stunned as They Come Out of Mine.

Mount Carmel, Pa., May 25.—A bolt of lightning struck and killed two men, William Bednarski and Joseph Schlaminski. A dozen men had just reached the surface from the Sloum mines on their way home from work when the bolt fell. All were severely shocked.

Two of the men lay unconscious on the ground, and the other men hurried for physicians. Two doctors responded, and found that both men had been killed. Bednarski's body showed no marks whatever, but Schlaminski's legs were burned to a crisp.

GREAT DRYDOCK SINKS

The Dewey Reported to Have Gone Down in Manila Harbor.

Washington, May 25.—A report was received here from Manila, Philippine Islands, that the floating dry dock Dewey, which was towed from the Atlantic seaboard to Manila, a wonderful feat, was sunk there in seventy feet of water.

According to the account the valves had been opened and for some unaccountable reason could not be closed in time to prevent the mammoth dry dock from sinking.

It is believed that the Dewey can be raised, but that her intricate machinery may be ruined.

Senator Has Whooping Cough.

Washington, May 25.—Senator John Walter Smith, of Maryland, returned to Washington for the first time in more than a month. He had been absent on account of Mrs. Smith's death and his own illness. The senator has the whooping cough. He contracted it a few days ago and thinks he caught it from some of his grandchildren.

Washerwomen Organize Union.

East Orange, N. J., May 25.—A union of washerwomen, just formed here, has raised the rate of pay from \$1.25 to \$1.75 and \$2 a day, and cut down the hours from nine to eight, beginning June 1.

Huge Mob Witnessed Executions.

Paris, May 25.—Three men were guillotined in France and at Algeria. Huge mobs witnessed the exhibitions, and as each head was held aloft it was greeted with cheers.

MYSTERIOUS GAS KILLS BANKER

Lethal Fumes, Following Chem- ical Explosion, Fatal.

TWO OTHERS OVERCOME

Nature of Experiment a Secret and Action of Noxious Vapors Puzzle Best Medical Skill.

New York, May 25.—A lethal gas, emanating from the mixture of chemicals that exploded in a laboratory in Scranton, Pa., and which caused a congestion of the lungs, as in pneumonia, caused the death here of Charles Coulter Dickinson, founder of the Carnegie Trust company, and one of the most prominent figures in New York's financial world.

Mr. Dickinson inhaled the noxious and deadly fumes last Monday. Much mystery still surrounds the cause of the explosion of the chemicals. Immediately after the accident Mr. Dickinson was brought here, but he grew steadily worse. Physicians were mystified by the action of the noxious vapor, and their work to overcome the congestion that followed the inhalation of the gas was futile.

The chemical experiment that Mr. Dickinson went to Scranton to witness had to do with an investment he intended making. Its nature is still being kept a secret.

Brother Tells of Accident.

S. C. Dickinson, a brother, said that some time ago he and his brother were invited to go to Scranton to witness an experiment with a new chemical. They left New York on Monday of last week and went to the laboratory of their friend. There they met the chemist who was to perform the experiment.

"I lingered in the main room of the laboratory," he said, "after my brother and our friend went into the small room where the chemicals were being prepared. The chemist called out for me to come, as they were ready. I started for the other room, and just then there was an explosion.

"I rushed in and found all three men gasping for breath and almost unconscious. The room was filled with a strange, stifling gas. My brother was taken to a hospital and kept there over night. As he did not improve he was brought to a hospital in this city the next day.

Baffled the Physicians.

"The case was a strange one. My brother's lungs became congested just as though he were suffering from pneumonia, and his condition baffled every treatment which the physicians could devise.

"Dr. James R. English, my brother's physician, found himself helpless and he called into consultation Drs. Jane-way and DeLafield, who were completely puzzled by the features of the case. We even sent to the chemist who performed the experiment, and who had suffered only slightly, in the hope that he could suggest an antidote, but he could do nothing.

"My brother grew steadily worse until he died."

Mr. Dickinson said that he attributed his own escape to the fact that he was in the main room of the laboratory, which was only partly filled with the gas. He said that the condition of the man who had accompanied them was serious. His reason for concealing his name is that he fears some blame will attach to him for having induced them to go to Scranton.

PRODUCE QUOTATIONS.

The Latest Closing Prices For Produce and Live Stock.

PHILADELPHIA — FLOUR dull; winter low grades, \$3.50@3.70; winter clear, \$4.40@4.75; city mills, fancy, \$6.75@8.

RYE FLOUR steady; per barrel, \$4.25@4.40.

WHEAT quiet; No. 2 red, \$1.07@1.10.

CORN quiet; No. 2 yellow, local, \$0.70@70c.

OATS steady; No. 2 white, 48¢@48½c.; lower grades, 47c.

POULTRY: Live steady; hens, 18¢@18½c.; old roosters, 14c. Dressed firm; choice fowls, 18c.; old roosters, 14½c.

BUTTER quiet; extra creamery, 29½c. per lb.

EGGS steady; selected, 25¢@27c.; nearby, 22c.; western, 22c.

POTATOES quiet, at 28¢@30c. bush.

Live Stock Markets.

PITTSBURG (Union Stock Yards)—CATTLE firm; choice, \$8@8.10; prime, \$7.75@8.

SHEEP steady; prime wethers, \$5.00@5.75; culls and common, \$2.50@4; lambs, \$4.50@8.50; veal calves, \$8.50@9.

HOGS steady; prime heavies, medium and heavy Yorkers, \$9.85; light Yorkers and pigs, \$9.85@9.90; roughs, \$8@8.75.

TAFT AS SPEAKER

He Will Attend Five College Com- mencements.

Washington, May 25.—President Taft was graduated from Yale thirty-two years ago, but he is to be one of the leading commencement orators this summer. Already Mr. Taft has accepted invitations to attend commencements at five institutions of learning outside of the District of Columbia, and it is possible that he will also be asked to participate in several of the local affairs, in addition to one he has accepted to date.

The first commencement on the presidential schedule is that of Bryn Mawr, where Miss Helen Taft goes to school. On June 3 the president will be at Ada, O., where the exercises of Ohio Northern university are to be held. On June 18 the president will attend two commencements, one at Villa Nova, where he is to be made a doctor of jurisprudence, and the other at Lincoln college, a negro institution. These two colleges are in eastern Pennsylvania, not far apart, and the president can easily make the distance between them, going possibly by automobile.

On June 22 the president will go back to Yale to hear his son Robert orate at the commencement exercises.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS.

Friday, May 20.

Councilman F. S. Fernstrom startled the Salt Lake, Utah, city council by asserting that he had been offered a bribe, and charging Mayor J. S. Bransford with collusion with a contractor in changing the terms of a sewer pipe contract.

Complete returns from Tuesday's election in Denver, Colo., show that Miss Ellis Meredith, a well known club woman, has been chosen election commissioner, her total of 20,997 exceeding the combined vote of her seven men competitors. She is the first woman elected to office in Denver.

Saturday, May 21.

Trade between the United States and Panama in the fiscal year ending next month will exceed \$22,000,000.

With the jail guarded by three companies of state militia, Howard Harris, a negro, convicted of assaulting a white woman, was hanged at Thomasville, Ga.

After unsuccessful efforts to take her life with a razor and an axe, Mrs. J. H. Deal, twenty-seven years old, of Malden, N. C., saturated her clothes with oil and set fire to herself. She leaves two young children.

Traveling alone one-third the way around the world, ten-year-old Lois Reed McClure arrived at New Castle, Pa., from Bombay, India. The girl is a daughter of the late Rev. Reed McClure, of New Wilmington, Pa., a United Presbyterian missionary, who died two years ago.

Monday, May 23.

As the result of a fall against an iron bed during a scuffle at his boarding house in Berwick, Pa., Steven Barshun has died.

While Mrs. W. H. French, of Craleyville, was preparing coal oil to apply to an injured hog she was burned almost to death.

Grieving over the death of her son from ptomaine poisoning, Mrs. John Holland died at Tiffin, O., and was buried with her boy.

Previous smoking records were smashed by Walter W. Soergel, at Chicago, who smoked an ordinary cigar for 115 minutes and thirty seconds without relighting.

Tuesday, May 24.

A fire destroyed the dwelling of James Alexander, in Hazleton, Pa., and one of the inmates, Mrs. Kate Incern, was burned to death.

Canaries constituted 80 per cent of the birds imported into the United States during the past year, nearly 375,000 of these pets singing their way into American ports in 1909.

The department of justice is investigating the subject of the price of lumber in the United States to determine whether or not the lumber trust may be reached by the Sherman anti-trust law.

Porter, a twenty-six-year-old horse, has been given recognition by the Chicago commissioners, who have formally passed resolutions congratulating him on his sixteen years of service and retired him, pensioned for life, to spend the remainder of his days in luxury.

Wednesday, May 25.

Two thousand coal miners in St. Clair county, Ill., returned to work, having been out for two months. The miners got 3 cents a ton increase.

Governor Sanders, of Louisiana, has signed a constitutional amendment submitting the proposal of a \$4,000,000 tax in support of the proposed World's Panama exposition at New Orleans in 1915.

A resolution requesting the authorities to prohibit railroads from using wooden mail cars was passed by the eighteenth annual convention of the Railway Mail Clerks Association of America at Kansas City, Mo.

The Grand Army post at Bethel, Mo., having dwindled from 100 members to ten, sold its property, consisting of muskets, cartridge belts, swords, flags, rifle and drum, at auction, terminating the existence of a body organized over thirty years ago.