

SORROW'S VOICED

Taft Cables Condolences to Queen Alexandra.

KING WISE DIPLOMAT

Expressions of Sympathy Over Loss Come From Official Washington and All Praise Character of Dead King Edward.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—King Edward's death called forth numerous expressions of sympathy and appreciation of his ability as a ruler from members of the diplomatic corps, Cabinet officers, Congressmen and prominent Government officials here. President Taft immediately cabled his condolences to Queen Alexandra, declaring therein his appreciation of those high qualities which in the life of the late King were full of influence toward peace and justice among the nations.

Secretary of State Knox, in a cablegram to the American Embassy at London, conveyed to the British government the sympathy of the President, Government and the people of the United States and in speaking of the King said: "The people of the United States are sure to feel for their kinsmen deep sympathy in the loss of their wise, tactful and kindly ruler. King Edward had qualities which made his fine influence to be felt in many international affairs and thus was always found on the side of peace and justice."

Influence Was for Peace.
Secretary Meyer of the Navy Department, said: "The sudden death of King Edward comes as a great shock to the world. His diplomatic influence for peace, as a ruler of a great empire, has always been in favor of peace and progress."

Secretary of War Dickinson said: "The death of King Edward will evoke the deepest regret in America, whose people since he came here as Crown Prince, have always cherished for him the most cordial good will and admiration. His uniform friendly attitude maintained by him toward the United States has always given assurance of amity between them and the people over whom he ruled with such moderation and wisdom."

Senator Cullom, chairman of the Senate committee on foreign affairs, expressed his sorrow to learn of the death of King Edward. "I think," he said, "there will be more or less confusion in Great Britain as a result of his sudden death. I believe the people have been taken by surprise. I believe, of course, that his son, Prince George, is a very competent man. The King has been a great source of satisfaction to the English people because he has been a discreet and kindly man and suited the people of Great Britain perfectly."

"Before his mother's death the people, I think, feared the time when she should pass away, as they had serious doubts whether the King would conduct himself with that great propriety and consideration for the rights and welfare of the country he has shown."

America Loses Friend.
"Although King Edward has been a great friend of the American Nation, and I believe the British people generally share that friendliness, I think there will be any serious disturbance between Great Britain and the United States on account of the King's death."
Baron Uchida, Japanese Ambassador to the United States, said that King Edward was the "foremost friend of the world's peace, not only to England, but to the United States and Japan and the whole world," he said.

"The wisest and shrewdest statesman and diplomatist I have ever known," was the judgment pronounced upon King Edward by the late John Hay. And Mr. Hay was no had judge, being himself in the front rank of scholars of statecraft and diplomacy. He was at the time not far from the Court of St. James, where he had been American Ambassador, and enjoyed the advantage of a close personal intimacy with King Edward, who was never weary of learning at first hand of the wonderful development of the Anglo-Saxon world. Then Mr. Hay pointed out what the achievements of King Edward, not only as sovereign, but as Prince of Wales during the long life of his mother, Queen Victoria, had accomplished, not by devious ways, but straightforwardly by means of the common sense and a regard for the common good. He believed in plain heart-to-heart talks with his brother sovereigns on the court and relations, to the disgust of the trained diplomatists who headed the various foreign blocks, he succeeded in reaching a most amicable understanding when the time seemed most inauspicious. Yet he never allowed any sign of exultation to escape him; there was complete self-effacement when it came to a record of the negotiations. It was sufficient for him that the result had been attained and that his own country and the world at large had been benefited. Such was John Hay's estimate of the character of King Edward.

TAFT CABLES CONDOLENCES

Good Wishes Also Sent by President to New King.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—President Taft has sent the following message to George V, the new King of Great Britain: "The White House, May 7, 1910.—His Majesty, King George V, London: In renewing to Your Majesty the condolences of the American Government and people on the death of His Late Majesty, I convey to you the heartfelt good wishes for the prosperity of your reign."
The Secretary of State has sent the following message: "The Right Hon. Sir Edward Grey, Bart., Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, London: I offer to your excellency the expression of my personal sympathy and sorrow at the great loss which has been sustained by the Government of Great Britain in the death of His Majesty, King Edward."

The first communication from England's new King to the President of the United States was a cable message received this evening as follows: "I am deeply grateful to you, your Government and people for condolences on the death of my beloved father and for your good wishes for my future prosperity."
"GEORGE, R. AND I."

NO EFFECT SEEN ON 'CHANGE

Large Financial Interests Prepared to Foreclose Liquidations.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The stock market opened irregularly, with prices vary-

ing from a quarter above to a quarter point below the closing figures of last night. There were no evidences of any heavy selling pressure, and the general belief on the floor of the exchange was that the large financial interests were prepared to take care of any possible liquidation.
The governors decided to close at 11 o'clock, out of respect to the memory of King Edward.
The Cotton Exchange was closed.

LONDON, May 7.—The Stock Exchange is closed today on account of the death of King Edward VII. All the exchanges of Liverpool are also closed.

CHICAGO, May 7.—The Chicago Stock Exchange was in session today just long enough to vote on an adjournment out of respect to the late King Edward of England. The Board of Trade will close at noon the day of the funeral.

T. R. VOICES HIS SORROW

King Mourned as Friend of International Peace and Justice.

STOCKHOLM, May 7.—Ex-President Roosevelt issued the following statement today: "I am deeply grieved, and know that all Americans will be deeply grieved, at the death of his majesty, King Edward VII."

"We feel most profound sympathy for the British people in their loss. We in America, keenly appreciated King Edward's personal good-will toward us, which he so frequently and so markedly showed, and we are well aware of the devotion felt for him by his subjects throughout the British Empire, while foreign nations have learned to see in the King a ruler whose great abilities and especially his tact, his judgment and his unfailing kindness of nature rendered him peculiarly fit to work for international peace and justice."

"Let me repeat that I am sure that all American people feel at this time the deepest and most sincere sympathy for his family and his nation."
Mr. Roosevelt also sent a personal telegram to the Dowager Queen.

QUEEN VICTORIA IS RECALLED

Bailiff of County Court Describes Her Appearance.

Discussion of the death of King Edward VII started Samuel Bullock, bailiff of the County Court, into a chain of reminiscences yesterday, in which the veteran court attaché related how he saw the mother of the late King, Queen Victoria, when she was scarcely a young woman. It was on the occasion of a visit she made with the Duchess of Kent to Malvern Hills, near Worcester, of which city Mr. Bullock is a native.

"I can remember her as distinctly as if it were yesterday," said Mr. Bullock. "She was just a young girl, and I recall that she wore great flaring pantaloons, as was the custom then. She rode a donkey up into the hills and passed close to where I was. I also marched in procession at Worcester to celebrate her coronation, and again at the time of her marriage to Prince Albert."
Mr. Bullock is 54 years of age and has been in this country since 1848, landing in New York the day that Zachary Taylor was elected President.

J. LAIDLAW AWAITS NOTICE

British Consul Not Yet Planning Memorial Services to Late King.

Until he has received an official announcement from the British Foreign Office that King Edward VII is dead and the date of his funeral, H. E. M. Consul James Laidlaw will not make any attempt to arrange for memorial services to be held in Portland.

The death of the late Queen Victoria largely attended service was held in the Armory, with local clergy officiating. It is believed some similar service will be held on the present occasion.
The consulate flag was half-masted yesterday as were the flags on a number of city buildings. The Arctic Stream, the only British ship in port, had her ensign at half-mast.

ROOSEVELT'S NAME SUGGESTED

Ex-President May Be Special Envoy to Funeral of King.

NEW YORK, May 7.—That Theodore Roosevelt be named as the special representative of the United States to attend the funeral of King Edward is the suggestion which will be put before President Taft by members of the Roosevelt Welcoming Committee here. The appointment of Colonel Roosevelt, however, would depend on the date set for the funeral, as it is possible that the obsequies may not be held until after he leaves for the United States. If Mr. Roosevelt is not named, Ambassador Reid will probably be delegated.

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LONDON, May 7.—(Special.)—Although no plans have yet been announced, and will not be made public until after the burial of the King, it is considered extremely probable that Queen Alexandra will choose Sandringham Palace for her residence. This magnificent property was owned by King Edward, the state having no voice in its disposition.

Alexandra has always shown a preference for Sandringham, and close friends say she will make that her residence. As dowager, the first English had had since Queen Adelaide, relict of William IV, she will be entitled to an annuity of \$200,000. It is considered highly probable that the government will provide for the upkeep of Sandringham, or any other palace she may choose as her own, and may also increase her yearly allowance, for she is

very popular with English people and will be accorded liberal treatment.
"She will likely spend considerable time in Denmark. She was Princess of Denmark, her father being the late King Christian IX. Many of the priceless personal belongings of King Edward, gifts from individuals and societies, will pass to Queen Alexandra and eventually, through her children, to the empire. Gifts made to him by other states and potentates, in his capacity as ruler of Great Britain, become the property of the empire."

British Columbia in Sombre Hue.

VICTORIA, B. C., May 7.—Though the provincial government has not been officially notified yet of the death of King Edward, arrangements have been made to drape the government buildings in purple and black, and the flags on all buildings have been lowered to half-mast. All the theaters in the province were closed last night, and all public events have been cancelled.

Oregon Flags at Half Mast.

SALEM, Or., May 7.—(Special.)—Flags on the Statehouse and other public buildings are at half mast today out of respect to the late King Edward VII, of England.

Japan Suspends Public Functions.

TOKIO, May 7.—Japan, as Great

Britain's ally, has received the news of King Edward's death with profound sorrow. The ball of Prince Asaka, planned for this evening, has been postponed and all public functions have been suspended.

Albany Plants Inspected.

ALBANY, Or., May 7.—(Special.)—Elmer Dover, ex-private secretary of Mark Hanna and ex-secretary and acting chairman of the Republican National committee, was in Albany today with a party of other representatives of H. M. Byllesby & Co. of Chicago, which recently purchased the holdings of the Northwestern Corporation. Today they inspected the local electric light plant and water system, which is a part of the company's extensive public service corporation holdings in the Northwest. It was reported by

some members of the party that Mr. Dover will make his home in Portland hereafter.

Tom Richardson Speaks at Redmond

REDMOND, Or., May 7.—(Sp. cial.)—

Tom Richardson of Portland addressed the Redmond Commercial Club and citizens at a large and enthusiastic mass meeting this week. He left here for

Prineville.

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SNAPSHOT OF THE DEAD KING TAKEN NEAR BUCKINGHAM PALACE IN 1904 BY GEORGE SHEPHERD, PORTLAND MAN.

When Attorney George Shepherd returned from a trip around the world in 1904, he brought with him a large collection of photographs, and among them one of the late Edward VII, secured under circumstances which make a most valuable memento of the democratic ruler.
"In return from Africa I arrived at London in April, 1904," said Mr. Shepherd last night. "During my stay two opportunities were afforded for securing a glimpse of the King. The first time I saw him, Edward VII was starting for the race course and drove along the street in an open carriage, dressed as any ordinary citizen and unattended."
"The next day King Edward, Queen Alexandra and Princess Victoria were to start for Ireland on an official visit. I walked over toward Buckingham Palace and watched the preparations for the journey. My camera was slung to my shoulder, and when I saw that the carriage would pass where I was standing I got the machine ready for use. As the carriage arrived opposite my station, attended by the palace guards, King Edward observed me making the picture, but instead of showing any anger or turning away, he raised his cap and smiled.
"Well, it was not the outcome in courtesy, and, as an American gentleman, I immediately uncovered and bowed to the First Gentleman of England."
Mr. Shepherd left Portland in 1903 on a windjammer and traveled around the Horn, to the coast of Africa and northward.