

Queen To Ride in Limousine Instead of Golden Coach

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London — (U.P.) — Queen Elizabeth rides to open the first new Parliament of her reign Thursday not in a golden coach out of fairyland but in a black limousine out of an assembly line.

It's a blow to the record throng of tourists here.

For the state opening of Parliament is the pageantry high spot of the year. Tens of thousands pack the ancient route from Buckingham Palace to Westminster to marvel at the gilded coach so like a storybook chariot and to stare at the Queen and her handsome prince.

They'll still be able to see both of them Thursday through the high plate glass windows of the royal limousine. But automobiles on great days like this are for ordinary people, not for beautiful queens.

The decision to use the car instead of the state coach with its prancing pairs of Windsor greys was taken deliberately because of the railroad strike. It will keep down the size of the crowd and that is important with so few trains running.

Trooping of Colors Cancelled
Elizabeth already had canceled another historic ceremony—trooping of the color by the brigade of guards—because of the strike.

Calling it off has made the spring even more drab. The Queen is in her 30th year and only for a few more will she ride from her palace, sidesaddle on a charger, at the head of the glittering and clattering household cavalry. It is a moving and memorable moment and those who have come a long way to witness it are understandably disappointed.

Very few tourists, either, will be lucky enough to get a seat in the packed House of Lords to witness the magnificent ceremony there and hear the surprisingly high voice of the Queen reading the speech pre-

pared by Prime Minister Anthony Eden's government. That's too bad for it is one of the great royal spectacles.

Heralds Lead Party
Heralds in gold-braided tabards will lead the royal party to the lords robing room where the Queen will don her crown of diamonds and mantle of velvet and ermine. Her personal bodyguards, the corps of gentlemen-at-arms with their ceremonial axes and plumed helmets, will take up stations on her path to the House of Lords.

Two delightful bits of play acting will have taken place by this time. The yeomen in their Tudor uniforms will poke around in the cellars of Parliament with spears as they have done ever since Guy Fawkes tried to blow up the palace in 1605.

And a messenger of the Queen called Black Rod will have the door of the House of Commons slammed in his face. The triumphant commoners, having proved they can assert such independence, then flock to the Chamber of Lords in time to see the splendid arrival of the Duke of Edinburgh.

There is a moment of silence. Then, as many kings and queens have said over the past 600 years or so, the Queen will say: "My lords, pray be seated."

Medford Altrusans Plan Installation

Installation of officers for the year 1955-56 will take place at an evening social meeting of Medford Altrusa club Thursday, June 9 at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Betty Flannery on North Crater Lake avenue.

Mrs. Bertha Haskins, retiring president, will conduct the ceremony, assisted by Mrs. Flannery at the organ. Hostesses for the occasion are Mrs. Helen Wilson and Mrs. Judy Stoll. The dinner meeting usually scheduled on this date has been postponed until the next meeting June 23.

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Society

Delegates Report For Stamp Club; Winners Named

Delegates from the Southern Oregon Stamp club who attended the fifteenth annual exhibition of the Northwest Federation of Stamp clubs reported on the show at the monthly meeting of the Southern Oregon club June 2.

Several members besides the official delegates attended the exhibition. Delegates were Mrs. Edward Leach, who exhibited her "Boy Scouts on Stamps," and Clyde Smith who exhibited "Foreign Air Mail Covers." Mr. Smith also represented the local club as judge. Also attending were Frank Applegate, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Herbert, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carley. The Carleys also represented the Veterans' Stamp club of Camp White and Mr. Carley served as judge from that club.

Mrs. Carley exhibited several collections and received a silver medal for her "Hunting Stamps Complete," and a bronze medal for her "Bible Story on Stamps." She exhibited in the novice class as she had never won in any major stamp exhibition.

Mr. Smith, exhibiting in the general open class, won a silver medal for his "Pioneer Foreign Air Mail Covers." It is reported that the judges had a hard time deciding between his collection and the winner.

There were 96 exhibitors and 375 frames entered in the show. In 1956 the show will be held in Yakima, Wash., June 1-3. The next meeting of the Southern Oregon Stamp club will be a picnic July 7 at Hawthorne park.

Jackson County Auxiliaries Aid Annual Institute for Blind

Members of every Lions club auxiliary in Jackson county contributed to the support of the annual summer institute for parents of blind children now being held in Salem according to Mrs. L. L. Hickock, The Dalles, president of the Oregon Lions Club auxiliary. The institute, conducted in cooperation with the Oregon School for the Blind, opened June 3 and will close June 9.

The institute was adopted as the state auxiliary project in 1950, and receives its entire support from local clubs. This year a budget of \$3,125 was provided.

In addition to providing funds for the institute, Lions' auxiliary members participate in another way. In order for parents to spend a week in Salem, it is necessary for most of them to take their children. Over 250 women from more than 30 clubs throughout the state are acting as baby sitters for the children while the parents attend classes.

Recognizing the need for helping the visually handicapped child very early in life, Walter Dry, superintendent of the Oregon School for the Blind, organized the first institute for parents in 1949 when the growing need for such help became overwhelmingly apparent.

Parents attending the lectures and discussions are helped to recognize the problems facing them and their handicapped children. An insight into the medical and psychiatric problems attending a visual handicap is given by medical experts, and the parents learn what help is available to them in these fields. Trained staff members from blind schools in Oregon, Washington and California are guest speakers at this year's institute.

Adult blind speak on their successful adaptation in college, home making and the business

world. Of particular interest is a panel entitled "We have a handicapped child" led by parents of a blind child, a deaf child and a child with cerebral palsy.

Throughout the year, a follow-up of the child's progress is given by the home pre-school counseling service throughout the state. Mrs. Laura Zetsche is the counselor in the Portland area, while Miss Mollie Vlasnik maintains offices in Salem and Portland and works throughout the rest of the state.

With the assistance, when necessary, of an educational fund set up by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, 31 visually handicapped children are now entered in play groups and nursery schools in Oregon. This number is double that of previous years, according to Mrs. Hickock, and it is particularly encouraging to staff workers in Oregon who have been among the pioneers in helping blind children become active members of their own communities. The Elks have also provided specialized equipment used in the pre-school eye clinic at the University of Oregon Medical school in Portland, and they give assistance where necessary to bring children to the clinic.

Mrs. Hickock states that every auxiliary member contributes 25 cents per year to the institute fund by way of her dues, and that in addition, the various auxiliaries raise large sums of money through benefit projects. Some Jackson county auxiliaries contributed more than \$100, and Crater Lions' auxiliary in Medford contributed \$300. Layette items are also contributed by auxiliaries.

U NU IN ISRAEL
Bedgrade, Yugoslavia — (U.P.) — Burmese Premier U Nu arrived from Israel today for a 10-day state visit.

Amaranth Group Attends Meeting Of Douglas Court

Mrs. George Rehart, royal matron of Roxy Ann court, Order of the Amaranth, and Carl Oestreich, royal patron, together with Mrs. Carl Oestreich, Mr. and Mrs. Ira D. Canfield, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Turpin and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Day, attended friendship night at Douglas court in Roseburg last Friday evening.

Mrs. Hans Madsen, Portland, grand royal matron, and Raymond Howell, Portland, grand royal patron, were present also, together with Mrs. Charles E. Hunt, Eugene, junior past grand royal matron, Mrs. Raymond Howell, grand marshal, Mrs. Gideon Zimmerman, grand conductress, Earl Beeson, past grand royal patron, and Mrs. Beeson. Mrs. Paul Sipple, Eugene, a former resident of Medford, was also present.

Members of Willamette court, Eugene, assisted with the opening and closing ceremonies.

Rosebud Council To Meet Thursday

Rosebud council of Sunshine Girls will hold initiation Thursday, June 9, in the KP hall. The meeting is set for 7 p.m. and members are to wear formal dress.

Miss Banra Miller heads this girls' fraternal group.

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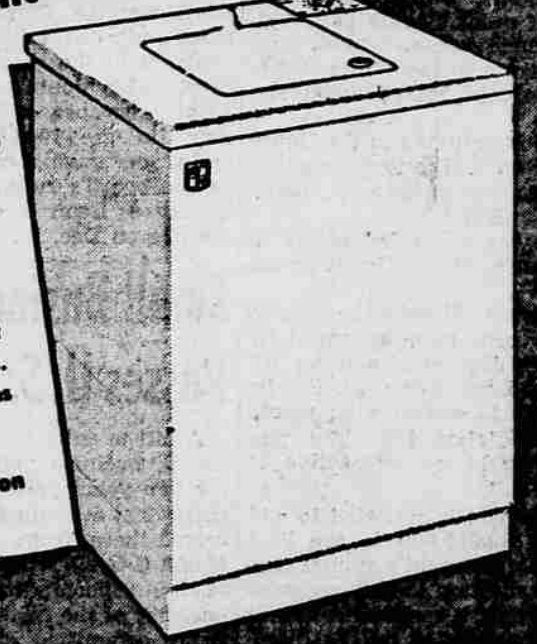
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