

Coronation of King George To Cost Around \$2,770,000

London.—The coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth in May will be the costliest affair of its kind in the history of Great Britain. It will take approximately \$2,770,000 out of public funds, according to treasury estimates.

In reality the government will spend about \$2,620,000, but \$350,000 will be returned in the form of revenue from procession grandstand seats.

This is a far greater sum than has been spent on any previous coronation.

The expenses of the royal household in connection with the coronation, including the entertainment of royal and foreign dignitaries are estimated at \$500,000.

The costs of previous coronations, in round figures, were as follows:

George IV in 1821	\$1,200,000
William IV in 1831	211,000
Victoria, in 1838	350,000
Edward VII in 1902	965,000
George V in 1911	1,000,000

A million dollars is now being spent in the construction of stands along the coronation procession route, in preparation of Westminster Abbey for the coronation of an annex to the abbey.

Various government departments are being allotted a total of \$260,000 for entertainment of guests and visiting contingents; the India office is getting \$100,000 and the admiralty \$115,000 to include the cost of the coronation naval review.

What the public will get for this

money, it is now evident, is a public show and pageantry of almost stupendous proportions.

The political significance of the crowning of King George VI is not denied, both as concerns Britain and the empire. The coronation is to be the most vital step so far in the campaign to strengthen the "link" of empire provided by the royal family and to popularize the new king and queen throughout the empire.

Far different, by example, were the admitted motives of King George IV, who made his coronation a grand show to attract attention away from his marital difficulties. The furor caused by his Queen Caroline, who, estranged and living on the continent, returned to Britain and tried to "gate-crash" the coronation, only to be refused admittance to the Abbey, still rings loud in the British history.

Parts of London already have a changed appearance in preparation for the coronation.

Statues, trees and even buildings are being blocked out by tiers of grandstand seats along the route to be followed by the coronation procession.

Parliament square is now hardly to be recognized. The grass plot in the center of the square is hidden behind a trellis of scaffolding for what is to be a covered stand.

Old palace yard likewise is being covered with stands while the entire front of Westminster hospital, opposite the Abbey, is being

converted into tiered accommodations for paying spectators.

The transformation of Westminster Abbey for the coronation ceremony proper also nears completion.

Tombs within the Abbey have been boarded over and will be decorated with crimson and gold draperies; the only exception being the tomb of the unknown warrior. To permit this tomb to stand revealed a hole will be cut in the blue carpet, 173 feet long and 17 feet wide, and made in one piece without any seam, which will cover the processional way within the Abbey.

So crowded will be the Abbey, where the favored thousands will watch the actual placing of the crown on the king's head, that some of those attending will have to enter the Abbey through the windows. A plate glass window has been removed from behind poets' corner and a staircase is being constructed to the window from the street outside.

The FAMILY DOCTOR

(By John Joseph Gaines, M. D.)

THE DOCTOR'S PROBLEM

Nobody knows more the effects of a national depression than the family doctor. He gets the full force of it. His customers fall down in their ability to meet his moderate charges; his own table and wardrobe dwindle. Even his savings depart, as mine have. But he does not complain of misfortune to himself—he sees future effects of famine on those he serves—and gives his life. The ill-

nourished children and mothers of today, will be the weaklings of tomorrow—of next year and the next! The real results of the "depression" have not yet commenced.

The very well-to-do will not suffer. But there are so many of the thousands who are not in that case; and these for the most part, fall under the care of the family doctor.

I, myself, see children all about me, that will never attain the state of vigorous manhood and womanhood—because of this awful depression—if you are content to dismiss it with a benign name.

What to do? Well here is an instance where I must answer, "I don't know." Relief from this thing cannot come in a day—nor in a year—nor two years, in all probability. The fangs of the thing have penetrated our very nation's heart. It is the great mass of "common people" that constitutes our America. Without them our land would perish from the very weight of its gold! There is no more helpless body than that of what is termed the "idle rich." We must educate. It seems to me, the World War was a most effective

lesson to establish peace. Nobody but an inhuman devil could lay plans for a future war! I base my statement on the lesson learned from the last outbreak of hell. We must educate.

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