

KING FEISAL II ASSUMES ROYAL PREOGATIVES

It was a Royal day in Iraq. To Baghdad came representatives of Western Nations and the whole Arab world. There on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen was the Duke of Gloucester.

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The 18-year-old King Feisal II was educated *at Harrow* and friends from the school were invited to witness the ceremony at which he was to assume full responsibility as Monarch.

Near the Palace there were ~~many~~ ^{enough} medals on view to satisfy

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an army. [With his Uncle, Abdul Ellah, who was regent during the King's minority, ~~the King~~ ^{H.M.} ~~drove~~ to the Senate.

(2 out) Awaiting the young King at the Parliament Building were the elected representatives of Iraq, the Diplomatic Corps and a host of distinguished persons from many countries. The oath was administered. The period of Regency was over. When the ceremony ended and King Feisal returned to his carriage he carried a gold Field Marshal's baton which bears texts from the Koran. At the age of 18 Feisal II becomes the Reigning King of Iraq. The good wishes of the free world go with him.