

EARL WAVELL BECOMES TOWER CONSTABLE

Within the shadow of the Tower of London and only a stone's throw from the bustle of the City is enacted a ceremony, first performed a thousand years ago. Field Marshal Earl Wavell is installed as Constable of the Tower.

Earl Wavell follows into office men like the Duke of Wellington and Lord Milne. In old English phrasing, his appointment is read from the Royal letters patent by the Major of the Tower.

## SPEECH

The Lord Chamberlain, representing the King, hands keys and custody of the Tower to its new Constable. Symbol and tradition of Britain's armed might, the golden keys are the Field Marshal's for five years.

Preceded by the Chief Warden, Earl Wavell inspects the Yeoman guard. The duties of the Tower's custodian are few - the honour and dignity which surrounds it are great indeed.