

QUEEN AT BALLATER

The Royal Family are greeted on their arrival at Ballater Station by the Marquis of Aberdeen before continuing on the ten mile journey to Balmoral by car. Princess Anne may be shy with strangers but, to the delight of all the onlookers, Prince Charles proves himself more daring. Other members of the Royal Family, including the Queen Mother, joined the party later in the day at Balmoral Castle where they will spend the rest of the summer on holiday.

Not until a few weeks after the Coronation next year will the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh be visiting Balmoral again. Ballater took advantage of this last chance before the Coronation and turned out in hundreds, despite the pouring rain.

The 2nd Battalion, the Black Watch, whose officers Her Majesty now greets, mount the Guard of Honour. But it's time for the Queen to drive on to Balmoral and the crowd presses forward for a closer glimpse of their Royal visitors - and to wish them a very happy holiday North of the Border!