

LORD TRENCHARD'S FUNERAL.

After lying in state at the Air Ministry, Lord Trenchard, father of the Royal Air Force and its first Marshal, is taken to his last resting-place in Westminster Abbey. Early in World War One, he took command of the Royal Flying Corps in France. He headed the young R.A.F. until 1930, and in that decade he laid the foundations of its greatness. Covering his coffin is the historic flag used at the unveiling of the Cenotaph.

Bearing the insignia are Air Chief Marshal Sir Ralph Cochrane, Major-General Mackill-Smith, and Sir Henry Dalton. The Duke of Edinburgh in airforce uniform represents the Queen. Twelve foreign governments are represented.

Earl Mountbatten leads the Admiralty representatives.

The Air Force which Lord Trenchard created once stood alone between Britain and disaster; he has earned his place among the great men of his country.