

QUEEN OPENS PARLIAMENT

Her Majesty and the Duke of Edinburgh appeared in the final pageantry of this unforgettable royal year. In state the Queen drove from Buckingham Palace to Westminster. The Sovereign riding in the Irish State Coach, escorted by the Household cavalry made a scene which, familiar though it is, unfailingly impresses all who are fortunate enough to see it. From palace windows the Duke of Cornwall and little Princess Anne saw their parents drive away.

By car travelled the (Queen Mother) and Princess Margaret. Meanwhile the royal coach crossed Horseguards Parade. It was to be the second time Her Majesty had opened Parliament, but the first occasion when she should perform the ceremony before her legislators as a crowned queen.

(GTU) Outside the House of Lords the guard of honour was furnished by the 2nd Battalion, Grenadier Guards.

140 This old and stately ceremony is in keeping with the enduring relationship between the constitutional Sovereign and democratic government, here at the birthplace of modern freedom.

found no sign of Yeomen in the cellars
Yeomen of the Guard took up their day's duties at the ~~House of Lords~~. The Earl Marshal arrived with the Duchess of Norfolk and their children.