

## Royal Journey - Closing events of the Tour

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During the three-day visit, came a breath-taking moment in African history when Her Majesty temporarily stopped the flow of the Nile to inaugurate the owen Falls Dam. First envisaged by Sir Winston Churchill, fifty years ago, the dame transforms Lake Victoria (the size of Scotland) into the world's largest reservoir, bringing cheap and plentiful power to Kanyaxana Uganda, and Kenya.

From Uganda, the tour moves on, to North Africa - and a greeting at El Adem Airfield, sixteen miles from Tobruk.

Yes, those names revive memories, and the queen drove down that same sand-swept road towards Tobruk.

To-day, silent-footed patrols have replaced the clattering tank-tracks of

Even Tobruk, has been rebuilt; hiding the honourable scars etched during people months of siege.

Desert Rats passed this way.

A reminder, too, that many fell - to find a hallowed resting place in the Cenetery, that overlooks the Town they defended, even unto death

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MEN OF the immortal Eighth Army; through their deeds they will be remembered.

"Through their deeds" memories come flooding to hose eight months of siege - a lone garrison pounded, night and day, by dive-bomber and artillery.

Occasionally, they left the perimeter on offensive patrols to show their claws.

A grim situation - yet their cheerful courage saw them through, even when

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