

The Royal Train arriving at Paragon Station and an official welcome by the Lord Lieutenant of the East Riding began a day-long royal tour of Kingston Upon Hull. It included the inspection by the Duke of Edinburgh of a trawler just returned from the Arctic Seas --- while the Queen remained on the dock to watch the processing of the fish.

The day continued with a visit by the Queen to the Royal Infirmary.

And then --- drive past the excited ranks of Youth Organisations in East Park.

It was from Hull that Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip took the royal barge out to the yacht Britannia which lay at anchor in the River Humber --- waiting to take them on their State Visit to Denmark --- the first State Visit of British Royalty to Denmark since the days of James I.

From Hull --- across the North Sea --- through the Skaggerak and the Kattegat to Denmark's capital, Copenhagen.....

First came the greeting of warships as the Royal Yacht came majestically in to her anchorage with the escorting Destroyer of the Royal Navy; and from Hamlet's castle at Elsinore, guns boomed out their royal salute.

King Frederik and Queen Ingrid of Denmark went out in their own royal barge to Britannia, while other members of the royal family waited on the quay; and all Copenhagen was ready to bid their visitors --- "Welcome to Denmark!"

As the Queen stepped ashore, she received from King Frederik a bouquet of white orchids.

Next came the meeting with the other members of the royal family, INCLUDING

~~The meeting with~~ Princess Margarethe, ^{The} heir to the throne, whose first State occasion this was.....and the Ministers of the crown and service chiefs.

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ROYAL JOURNEY TO DENMARK.

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Then the Queen stepped into the open carriage for the drive through the streets of Copenhagen, with the king by her side and an escort of Danish Royal Hussars.

In the second coach, Prince Philip drove with Queen Ingrid and the Princess.

~~The streets were lined with happy people, and the~~
~~to the royal visitors from across the North Sea.~~

So they drove to the square and into the royal palace of Amalienborg, where the Queen and the Duke were to stay during their three days in Copenhagen.

The crowds in the square called repeatedly for the Queen to come out on to the balcony; and when she appeared with Prince Philip and their host and hostess --- it was another of those triumphs that we now take almost for granted.....the friendly smile and the wave that convey the spirit of good neighbourliness, among the good neighbours of Europe.