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Queen Mother's Triumph

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London's ancient Guildhall echoed a great personal triumph, when the City Corporation welcomed home Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, after her world tour. Looking radiant in a crinoline gown, and wearing the Garter ribbon, Her Majesty was greeted by 800 guests and later talked to many of them. During her round-the-world flight to Australia and New Zealand, she ~~had covered~~ ~~35,000 miles~~; made thirty-one separate flights; and spent 132 hours in the air. (BRING UP). The Queen Mother (who was accompanied by Princess Margaret) had asked that the occasion should take the form of an evening reception. And in her reply to the Lord Mayor's speech of welcome, she spoke of the joy of homecoming. (BRING UP).
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~~Her Majesty~~ went on to ^{Speaking} talk of the delays on her journey home, ^{Her Majesty} ~~and~~ compared the disappointment of the Australian Aircrew with her own, when her horse Deven Loch fell in the Grand National two years ago.