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NEW YORK - QUEEN MOTHER'S CROWDED

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At the New York Cathedral of St. John the Divine, the Queen Mother and Dr. Adenauer, the Federal German Chancellor, are conferred with honorary degrees of Doctor of Law. This ceremony forms part of the bicentenary celebrations of Columbia University. Later at a dinner, the Queen Mother is the guest of honour.

The guests, who number 2,500 include a lady with obvious Churchillian tendencies.

In her speech, the Queen Mother refers to the University's ancient charter:

On the following day, the Queen Mother attends another function in her honour, a Commonwealth Ball. The United States 7th Regiment forms a guard of honour, for the ball is held in their drill-hall on Park Avenue. Sir Roger Makins, the British Ambassador in Washington, attends Her Majesty.

The Guard of Honour, like a box of toy soldiers comes to life and marches forward to be inspected by the Queen Mother. Across her magnificent gown, which is richly embroidered with jewels, Her Majesty wears the blue riband and star of the Order of the Garter. The Commonwealth Ball is the most colourful event attended by the Queen Mother during her triumphant nine-day visit to New York.