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Government Notifications

IT is announced with the deepest sorrow that HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL has received news that HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE VI passed away peacefully in his sleep early yesterday morning. The Government of Ceylon hopes that all officers of the Public Service and other persons will observe mourning, as far as they are able to do so, until His late Majesty's funeral.

It is ordered that, as a mark of respect to His late Majesty, all public offices be closed today. It is hoped that private establishments will also close as far as circumstances permit.

It is further ordered that flags be flown at half-mast daily until the day of the funeral, except on the day of Proclamation of Accession when they should be flown at mast-head all day.

The dates of the Proclamation of Accession and of the funeral will be notified in due course.

Ministry of Home Affairs and Rural Development,
Colombo, February 7, 1952.

O. E. GOONETILLEKE,
Minister of Home Affairs and Rural Development.

IT is hereby notified for general information that the correct mourning attire is as follows—

Gentlemen :

In Uniform .. Mourning bands, crepe or black cloth, on left arm.

Plain clothes .. Tropical dress (or dark suits) with a black tie but without a mourning band.

Ladies .. Black dresses, white dresses, or black and white dresses.

Ministry of Home Affairs and Rural Development,
Colombo, February 7, 1952.

B. F. PERERA,
Permanent Secretary.