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*His Majesty King Faisal II of Iraq.*

## Foreword . . .

*On the occasion of the Coronation of His Majesty King Faisal II of Iraq, we are publishing this book with the object of helping people outside Iraq to know this country better. It is hoped that these articles will prove informative and, at the same time, act as an impetus to further study of the country. The purpose of this book is not, therefore, propaganda : rather, it has been our intention throughout to furnish a factual account of the various phases of life in Iraq to-day, and of the various phases of development now taking place in this modern kingdom that stands on such ancient foundations.*

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*His Majesty, accompanied by His Royal Highness Prince Abdul Ilah, the Crown Prince, turns the valve releasing the flow of oil from the Kirkuk Oilfield to the Mediterranean coast along the new 30-inch pipeline, in November, 1952.*

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