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Like any devoted daughter, Princess Elizabeth, who appears on LIFE's cover, changed her travel plans because of her father's illness. In order to remain at King George VI's side as long as possible, the heiress presumptive and her husband, Prince Philip, (pp. 82-96), canceled their sailing to Canada aboard the *Empress of France* and, the King's health permitting, planned instead to fly to Canada to begin their tour, as scheduled, on Oct. 2. Their itinerary was to take them to 71 cities of the Dominion and, on a quick side trip, to Washington, D.C. on Oct. 25, the date when the people at home vote on continuing Britain's Labor government in office.

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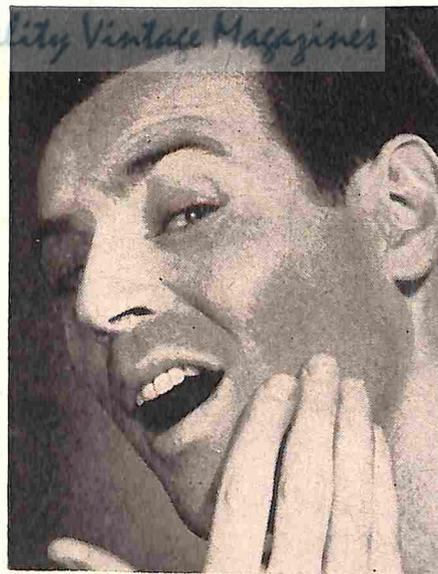
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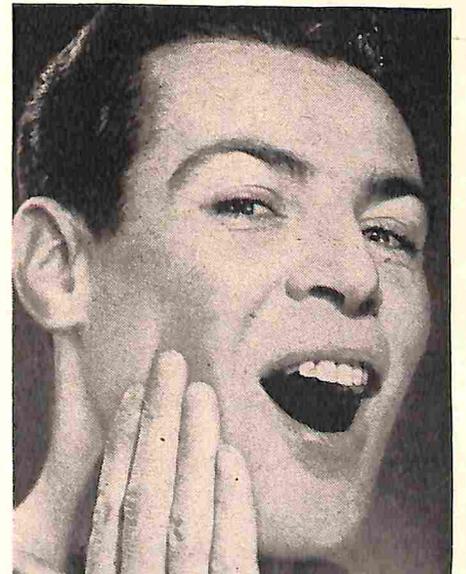
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