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A number of people in Lindsay and Port Hope areas were interested in reading about the experiences of Dr. John F. Puddicombe of Ottawa and his son Paul in connection with a recent trip to England and to the Netherlands. Mrs. Paul Puddicombe (Valarie) referred to is a granddaughter of T. R. Price, of Regent Street, Lindsay.

Twenty-five years ago, when an invading German army overran The Netherlands, members of the Royal Family escaped across the sea to England. Queen Juliana, then a princess, came to Ottawa with her two daughters, the princesses Beatrix and Irena, at the invitation of the Queen's aunt, Princess Alice, wife of the then Governor - General, the Earl of Athlone.

On January 19, 1943, in a suite of four rooms at the Ottawa Civic Hospital, declared "extra-territorial" by the Dominion Government, the third Dutch princess Margriet Francisca was born.

Dr. John F. Puddicombe, chief of obstetrics at Civic hospital, delivered the baby.

A few weeks ago, Dr. and Mrs. Puddicombe saw and talked with Princess Margriet for the first time since she left Ottawa in 1945. They were flown to Amsterdam for five days as guests of Canadian Pacific Airlines to commemorate their new flight to that city.

The audience was the highlight of their five day visit to

Holland. Dr. and Mrs. Puddicombe spent the rest of their time sightseeing at Rotterdam, Amsterdam, The Hague, the Zuider Zee, and on the canals. One of their four children, Paul, flew with his wife Valerie from London, England, where he is studying, to meet his parents at Amsterdam.