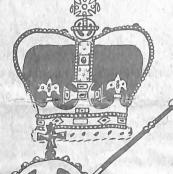
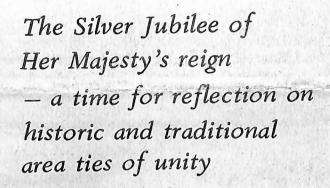
Commemorative Jubilee







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At a time when unity is a matter of concern to most Canadians, it is gratifying that historic ties which have existed between the counties of Lennox and Addington and Prince Edward should be strengthened in this Silver Jubilee year.

The change in ownership of The Picton Gazette, which is being published today for the first time by J. Earl Morrison, publisher of The Napanee Beaver since 1953, formally took place on Canada's 110th anniversary, July 1, 1977. While there have been other newspapers in the long history of both counties, The Beaver and The Gazette have for many years been the only newspapers owned and published in their respective counties.

• On this occasion, the official recognition of the 25th anniversary of the beginning of the reign of Queen Elizabeth II, residents of Lennox and Addington County and Prince Edward, as well as Hastings County, particularly Deseronto and the Tyendinaga Mohawk Indian Reserve, in this Quinte-Loyalist area, merit special attention. In both geography and interests the people of these communities have always been a part of the heritage, tradition and development of this cradle of Confederation.

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Everyone has a personal view, opinior or nostalgic recollection associated with the present Queen or members of the Royal Family.

During the 25-year reign of Oueen Elizabeth, the Queen as a person and the traditions of the monarchy and the concept of the Commonwealth have come to have a greater meaning among more Canadians than in perhaps any other time since the early days of Loyalist settlement. The reason is the frequency of Royal visits. The Queen and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, are considered by most Canadians to be very much a part of the traditions and heritage that are a part of our inheritance of responsible government and parliamentary democracy.

Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, enjoys a place in the thinking of many Canadians with whom he has been associated as head of the Duke of Edinburgh's Conference, which he founded and favored with his personal patronage and interest.