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EDITORIAL COMMENT

God Save the King!

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Grey County children will be better citizens because they have "seen the King." He will always be real and genuine in their memory—and not merely a distant, impersonal power.

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Some of the news pictures of the good ladies curtesying, look like "candid camera" masterpieces. In fact many of the earlier press pictures of the Royal visit were of an extremely poor quality.

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Much credit is due the local businessmen who secured a creamery for Flesherton. Many farmers are taking advantage of their market for their cream, and every day heavy deliveries of cream are received. It is a genuine asset to the community.

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Atmospheric conditions created a peculiar phenomenon one day last week. The cold air blowing in from Georgian Bay met heat waves ascending from the plowed ground, moist from the previous evening's rain. The result was an uprising of great clouds of steam—as though a thousand volcanoes were spewing their breath up from subterranean fires.

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Last week G. H. O. Thomas, editor of the Bracebridge Gazette, crossed the Great Divide. He was one of the outstanding rural editors of Canada, and conducted an outstanding column of a unique "folksy" nature. The Fourth Estate in Ontario is the poorer for his passing.

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In this issue we have an article from the pen of S. J. Dornan, editor of the Alameda (Sask.) Dispatch, who is riding on the pilot train on the Royal tour across Canada and back. Each week he will give the readers of The Advance his personal views of the triumphant trip of the King and Queen. We are sure that our readers will appreciate this weekly letter.

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When the Tariff Board recommended a higher tariff on vegetable oils, which compete with butterfat and lard—it made a finding to the advantage of the Canadian farmers. The packing interests, however, who are the heavy users of vegetable oils in their products, continue to wage a campaign in the public press to try to convince public opinion that the Tariff Board's findings are not based on fact, and are not in the interest of the producers.

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The tour of the King and Queen in Toronto on Monday was crowned with the greatest success. Everybody had a good view of the Royal party, not only once, but many of them three and four times. This was in comparison to the many thousands of citizens who gathered at Alliston, Midhurst and other points, expecting to have a view of Their Majesties as they passed through at a slow rate of speed. Many from here went to these places but were disappointed when the train went through at a high rate of speed with the curtains on the last two cars in which the King and Queen were dining, drawn and the only thing they saw were the coaches as they flew past. We believe that the Toronto police department kept thousands of people going to Toronto that day due to their traffic warnings and published reports of the expected crowds by the newspapers—just as they did for the Shriners' parade a few years ago. Their Majesties seemed perfectly free and easy in their greetings and perfectly happy in going out of their way to bring greetings and joy to many unfortunates. His longer visit at Christie St. hospital was a most gracious act and bespoke the debt they felt to these defenders of the Empire who are still suffering from the effects of their service.

Blackburn Garage Has Sixth Anniversary

The following article appeared in a recent edition of the Port Credit Weekly and refers to Hartley Blackburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Blackburn of Springhill.

Celebrating his sixth anniversary in Port Credit, Hart. Blackburn, owner of Balckburn's garage, says Port Credit is a good place to live in.

Hart, as he is known by his many friends, came to Port Credit six years ago from Lakeview, where he operated a garage for three years. He at that time purchased a frame building on the corner of Toronto and Helen Sts. Last fall he built a new modern garage with living quarters on the second floor.

The garage as it is, holds three cars at a time with complete wash rack in the basement. He also carries a full line of Goodrich tires, Willard batteries. Sunoco gasoline and oil are sold, and in a few days two new meter pumps are being installed. In the greasing line the garage boasts of new greasing equipment.

In conversation with Hart this morning, he said, "I believe now as I believed six years ago that the public demands service, and in accord with this we keep open every night except Sunday until midnight." Mr. Blackburn has faith in Port Credit and he shown his faith when he built a garage which is a credit to the corner on which it stands. The Port Credit Weekly takes this opportunity to congratulate him on his enterprise.

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Eavesdropping

By I. H. P.

This spy would have had the daylights scared out of him if he had been caught red handed. The shuddering might have wrecked the ramshackle building. It was in one of those eerie districts you find almost down town in the City and, the fact is, he was just waiting, among the cobwebs in the corridor, to ask directions. The spying was accidental.

The meeting of the "Workers" had been called to order. The door was closed, the members having all assembled. Now, in some confusion, came reports and resolutions. Then relief vouchers seemed to be the subject—complaints about beef being low grade—the limited variety of foods, they maintained, was a disgrace to any country—how best to keep every adherent on the relief rolls as a means of breaking down a too old-fashioned society foolishly content to work for people who had saved. Thus they would promote the new social order. The incentive for private gain was all wrong. All employers were bad and their businesses should be taken over by the "Workers."Then the next time they got into a jam. No. This eavesdropper is anticipating. They did not come to that.

Membership qualifications seemed to demand, mainly, an urge to covet something that was not needed—particularly. So the idea of emerging from the cobwebs to submit an application was suppressed.

Then he allowed his mind to wander back to a town line in Osprey—back to a tiny, frame-log house which sat peeking out of the side of a hill like a ground hog in April—back to the healthiest and happiest family he had ever seen, or ever expects to see—now that things are all haywire. A farm family disqualified for membership in the "Workers" because they had been taught not to covet osmebody else's things.

His thoughts wandered back to the time long ago when he was an unimportant guest there at that well-scrubbed pine table—back in that family of eight where the shortage of chairs was made up by a pine bench and a painted and lidded bunk—back where in the mother's gray eyes was something, like what you imagine keeps this old world going in spite of all the hate—back where the clean faces of the children beamed and glowed like fresh roses as they waited for the Blessing to be asked—back where their proud and happy dad, who so hilariously and often played "big bear eat up all 'e little bears," sat at the other end of the pine boards.

This exile thought of several other shrines and cathedrals he had visited since then—g o l d—vestments—priceless treasures—beauty—holiness—but none other where there was more Love—that which as so often been called the "Greatest Thing in the World". He had never before been capable of much worshipping. Put times have changed—changed since he had been eavesdropping.

The boiled potatoes, generously piled on a large plate, farm butter, a large earthen crock brimful of fresh butter milk, and a supply of salt constituted the spread upon that clean, pine table. Never before or since have potatoes or butter milk tasted as good.

The little milk house, which backed into the hill even more shyly than the dwelling, contained some eggs. But it would soon be Easter now, and lots of eggs—warm places in the sunny side of the straw stack—hens cackling—a calf—bare ground for boys' bare feet—maple syrup—a colt. But before that the vegetable pit on the other side of the milk house, would be opened and then again there would be cabbages and turnips galore.

He might add to Alice Carey's simple words: "Among the beautiful pictures that hang on Memory's wall." He might add that it was the most valuable too. For if it could be faithfully produced by Hollywood, it would surey make this old world a better place to live in. But it is doubtful if it could be reproduced now. There is so much Anxiety and Fear and Insecurity.

If such a happy farm family was to be accidently discovered in some out of the way place, they would soon be taxed for relief deficits that they, themselves, would become unhappy reliefees. That is unless such a big family, with farm payments to meet, used salt sparingly enough.

This absent-minded visitor, now remembering his errand, tip-toed farther along the corridor and up the rickety stairs to the room of poor, sick young Bill. Following him was a well dressed stranger. The stranger brought a lot of nice things for Bill and moved in heating equipment and connected a radio at the head of the bed.

Poor Billy was grateful—so grateful. It seemed as though a patch of Morning Glorys had suddenly sprung up in the darkened window at the head of the bed. Nothing else could have given the stranger such a thrill either. The Age of Chivalry may be dead, but it seemed now as if its soul went marching on. Thank Heaven! It is to be hoped that the stranger does not be cheated out of all such thrills by paternal governments, who by tax collecting, like to steal the show.

Badjeros Dist. Softball

A meeting which was well represented by the various clubs in the League was held at Badjeros Thursday evening, May 11, for the purpose of reorganization. The officers elected for the season are: Hon. Pres., Jack Oates; President, Garnet McKenzie; Vice-President, Jack Russell; Sec.-Treas., Norman Stewart.

The League will consist of the same seven teams as last year. The club representatives on the Executive Committee are: Dunedin, R. Royal, O. Young; McIntyre, R. McInnis, H. McDonald; Badjeros, I. Inglis, J. Taylor; Redickville, H. McLean, H. Ferguson; Feversham, B. McQuay, R. Springgay; Maxwell, L. Seeley, M. Sled; Singhampton, H. Hammill, A. Taylor.

It was decided to enter the O.R.S.A. playdowns this season and teams will be entered in both the A and B series. Dundalk Softball Club had representatives at the meeting and asked to be admitted into the League, and after some discussion a vote was taken which was unanimous that the League would take in no more territory.

On Monday evening at Badjeros the executive committee met for the purpose of appointing umpires and to draw up the schedule. A. Taylor and D. A. Neff, also the President and Secretary-Treasurer of the League, were appointed to represent the League at the annual meeting of the O.R.S.A. to be held at Galt.

The following schedule for the summer's play has been drawn up:

May 25 Singhampton at Maxwell.
May 26—Redickville at Badjeros.
May 26—McIntyre at Feversham.
May 29—Dunedin at Singhampton.
May 30—Maxwell at Redickville.
May 31—Badjeros at McIntyre.
June 1—Feversham at Dunedin.
June 2—McIntyre at Maxwell.
June 5—Redickville at Singhampton
June 6—Feversham at McIntyre.
June 7—Maxwell at Dunedin.
June 8—Badjeros at Feversham.
June 8—Singhampton at Redickville
June 9—McIntyre at Badjeros.
June 12—Redickville at Dunedin.
June 12—Maxwell at Feversham.
June 13—Badjeros at Singhampton.
June 14—Dunedin at McIntyre.
June 14—Redickville at Maxwell.
June 15—McIntyre at Redickville.
June 16—Badjeros at Dunedin.
June 19—Feversham at Badjeros.
June 19—Redickville at McIntyre.
June 20—Maxwell at Singhampton.
June 21—Badjeros at Redickville.
June 22—Singhamp'n at Feversham
June 23—Maxwell at McIntyre.
June 23—Dunedin at Badjeros.
June 26—Feversham at Maxwell.
June 27—Maxwell at Badjeros.
June 27—Singhampton at Dunedin.
June 28—Redickville at Feversham.
June 29—Dunedin at Maxwell.
June 29—McIntyre at Singhampton.
July 3—Dunedin at Redickville.
July 3—Feversham at Singhampton
July 4——Singhampton at McIntyre
July 5—Feversham at Redickville.
July 5—Badjeros at Maxwell.
July 6—McIntyre at Dunedin.
July 10—Dunedin at Feversham.

At the close of the schedule, 4th place team plays 3rd, winners meet 2nd in the semi-final. Winners of this game meet 1st place team for the championship of league at annual field day to be held the latter part of July. All sudden death games.

There was a gathering in Detroit attended by 71 men, all of them named Fred Smith. Rather nice to attend a gathering like that where every one present would know who the other fellow was.

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