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The ROYAL VISIT

By S. J. DORNAN, C.W.N.A. Representative on the Press Pilot Train

Second Release Covering Visit of Their Majesties to Ottawa, Toronto and Winnipeg

On Board the Royal Train.

Like a burst of thunder, 100,000 people massed on Dominion Square, Montreal, greeted the King and Queen when Their Majesties appeared on the balcony of the Windsor Hotel prior to entering the banquet room; again after repeated calls were made by the crowd, both the King and Queen left the banquet table to appear on the balcony. Undoubtedly the people of the largest city in Canada took the Royal visitors to their hearts.

Having to leave Windsor Hotel during the time of the banquet, the press party was escorted by a number of the mounted police; no person could move through the immense throngs without the aid of these manly officers of the law. On arrival at the pilot train there was time to file a number of telegraphic messages before the signal, to go, was given.

Late that night the both trains halted at Caledonia Springs for the rest period. Bright and early this writer was around and had a first hand view of the elaborate plans made for the safety and protection of the Royal party; there were members of the R.C.M.P. and a large number of railway officials, attending to every detail; it is at such stops as this that the locomotives of both trains are serviced and cleaned, ready for the trip of the following day.

All along the route to Ottawa, there were numerous small communities and each had its full quota of citizens lined along the railway line. I happened to notice one impressive thing, an aged man was standing in the midst of a field of about twenty acres and he was at the salute. I sincerely hope he was there when the Royal party passed; it was noticeable that many children were trained to bow and salute as the train passed.

Arrival in Ottawa the capital city of Canada was a stirring event. There were miles of bunting and loyal decorations with the usual cheering crowds. The press party was escorted to the Chateau Laurier, the hotel de luxe of Canadian people, where we made our headquarters during our stay in the city.

[Editor's Note — The visit of the King and Queen to Ottawa is covered in this issue by Miss A. C. Macphail, M.P., and we have eliminated Mr. Dornan's account in this article.]

For many miles out of Ottawa there were crowds along the railway right-of-way and all had a cheer for the train. The Royal Train, I am informed, was given a splendid send-off. Arrival at Kingston, we had five minutes to view the arrival of Their Majesties before the Pilot train had to move on. This old and charming city had most elaborate arrangements made for the reception but owing to the unavoidable delay on the Atlantic. Kingston had to have its program revised. The restricted plans called for thirty-five minutes' drive following the presentation of certain citizens. Here, by the way, there was an amusing situation, amusing to me but not to those who were affected; whoever was to make the presentations after His Worship the Mayor and his wife had been presented, failed to do their job and my, oh my, there were some red faces. Kingston stole a march on all the rest of Canada for they detained Their Majesties one hour longer than had been planned, with the result the Pilot train was halted in order to keep "the block." On the outskirts of Cobourg the both trains were side-tracked for the night and one minute after the pilot train was stopped, I tested the train telephone and called my good friend, Clarence Charters, at Brampton, to consult with him.

Arriving in Toronto, the Queen City, the reception was yet another triumphal entry of Canada's King and Queen, to one of the principal cities of the Dominion, and the welcome was a real emotional affair. The press separated on arrival, some going to the City Hall. I was assigned to the Parliament Buildings, there to a reserved seat over but to the right of the two Throne chair. I had a splendid view of this historic occasion and enjoyed having many distinguished citizens of the province pointed out to me, as they occupied reserved seats on the floor of the Chamber. The proceedings in the Chamber were very dignified but loyal Ontario citizens, for there were many from out of the city of Toronto, cast dignity aside and a wild burst of applause greeted their beloved Sovereigns.

The Dionne Quintuplets, who had enjoying a private presentation to Their Majesties, were brought through the Legislative Chamber and all those present enjoyed a very lovely sight. I do not care to enlarge on this story of the Quints as it will be played up by the daily writers. Hart Housse luncheon was another glorious function. This writer was honored with an invitation to this event, also to Woodbine Park for the running of the King's Plate race. H. E. Rice, Vice-President of the C.W.N.A., and Mrs. Rice, also represented the Ontario weeklies at the Hart House luncheon.

Another history-making day is about to end. Shortly Their Majesties will be given a loyal send-off by Toronto, the city of beauty with a grand future.

By the way I am in pullman car "Bowmanville" which daily reminds me of my dear friend, George James, our Immediate Past President.

After leaving Toronto we were all deeply impressed with a huge crowd gathered at Midhurst; here it was estimated that 5,000 autos could be seen and the people went wild with delight; there was a profusion of decorations.

Regarding the Woodbine function where a very disappointing crowd as far as size, saw the horse of George McCullagh win; there was much regret and decided expression given by the crowd that the jockey was not presented to His Majesty. The crowd yelled "take the jockey up, take the jockey up" but the gallant jockey was not presented and it was certainly his handling of the horse which brought it in first.

Personal tit-bits. His Majesty attends to matters of state while on the Royal train between stops; Her Majesty spends much time reading and in conversation with her ladies in waiting; presumably on matters of dress, etc. Their Majesties have expressed a command that the Royal train be slowed up at every place where the engineer of the locomotive sees a large gathering of citizens; this is communicated to the King by a bell in his car which is attached to a button in the locomotive.

There is a tremendous demand upon the occupants of the Pilot train for letters from the train; this is due to the fact that all letters bear the postmark which is composed of the Royal Standard with the words "Royal Train;" I have mailed about a dozen each day, so far.

We are in daily contact with the outside world by means of the radio.

Winnipeg citizens augmented by 200,000 from outside the city, many of them from the United States, gave Their Majesties a real western ac-claim; the rain which had been falling all morning did not appear to dampen the enthusiasm. It was noticeable that His Worship Mayor Queen was the only one of the city fathers to wear a silk hat, the rest of the Aldermen wore the regular head gear. The singing of several massed choirs of children in this city left a deep impression on Their Majesties. In fact the first western city to greet the Sovereign did it in a manner which was colossal.

Have just returned to train after driving in Royal procession for 2½ hours amid wild display of loyalty. All records of cheering have been broken in Winnipeg.

SOUTH GREY MEMBERS, G. & S. FORESTERS ON VISIT OF KING AND QUEEN AT TORONTO

The above picture is that of the troops from South Grey who took part in lining the route over which the King and Queen passed during their visit to Toronto last week. The officers are: left, Lieut. F. J. Thurston; centre, Major W. Turney, O. C. of "A" Company; right, Lieut. S. J. Steeds of Durham. Front Rank—C.Q.M.S. A. Turney, Pte. George Colgan of Markdale; Pte. J. Price, Durham; Sergt. A. Lawlor, Feversham; Pte. W. Noble, Durham; Pte. W. Henry, Flesherton; Corp. F. Gorrell, Flesherton; Corp. W. Walton, Flesherton; Pte. B. Leavell, Flesherton; Corp. S. McMullen, Feversham; Pte. J. Watson, Durham; Pte. B. Howell, Durham; Sergt. G. Lorenz, Hanover; Corp. S. Schalatman, Hanover; Pte. J. Watson, Durham; Pte. S. Jamieson, Durham; Corp. R. Rogers, Hanover; Pte J. Schalatman, Hanover; Pte. E. Litt, Hanover. Rear Rank, left to right — Corp. H. Johnson, Flesherton; Pte. T. R. McKenzie, Feversham; Corp. R. Goldsborough, Flesherton; Pte. L. Russell, Flesherton; Pte. L. Thompson, Flesherton; Pte. L. Piper, Markdale; Pte. D. Morgan, Flesherton; Pte. A. McKillop, Flesherton; Pte. R. Reis, Durham; Pte. D. McClean, Flesherton; Pte. G. Teeter, Flesherton; Pte. R. McClean, Flesherton; Pte. F. Patton, Durham; Pte. E. Lipskie, Hanover; Pte. H. McCaslin, Durham; Pte C. Kerr, Hanover; Pte. F. Tilker, Hanover; Pte. L. Halsall, Hanover; Pte. D. Deible, Hanover; Pte. H. Cartlidge, Hanover. —Photo by W. A. Hawken.

Display Tea Held

The W.M.S. held their "display tea" on Thursday last, presided over by Mrs. W. I. Henry. A program was given, consisting of a reading by Miss V. Nicholsosn which was well given, followed by a hymn. Mrs. H. Down then gave a reading "Keep Smiling" in her usual happy manner. Mrs. Thurston then spoke briefly and the program was ended with the singing of the National Anthem.

The display for the bale was very fine, valued at 51. The donation tea was served, the offering amounting to $14. Among the gifts was one for Mrs. F. G. Stevens, who has been at Fisher River, Man., in company with her husband who has served over 30 years as missionary to the Indians at that point. In her girlhood Mrs. Stevens lived at Flesherton, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Pickell.

TURNER — CARRUTHERS

A pretty wedding took place on Thursday, May 25th, 1939, at Chalmer's Presbyterian church, Toronto, when Evelyn Patricia, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Carruthers of Toronto, was united in marriage to Mr. Harold Oliver Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Turner of Eugenia. Rev. G. D. Little officiated.

HOWISON — LOVE

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized at the United church parsonage, Brockville, recently by Rev. F. E. Malott, D.D., when Helen Marguerite, younger daughter of Mrs. M. V. Love of Flesherton, and the late Wesley W. Love of Brockville, became the bride of Mr. Gordon Howison, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Howison of Brockville.

The bride looked charming in a tailor-made suit of grey, with japonica blouse, hat, shoes and gloves to match and was attended by her sister, Mrs. Geo. A. Mathewson, Flesherton, who wore a suez ensemble. Mr. Geo. Mathewson supported the groom.

After the ceremony dinner was served at the New York Cafe, attended by the immediate relatives of the bride and groom. The young couple take up residence at 40 Charles St., Brockville, where the best wishes of a host of friends follow them.

THROWN IN MEAFORD BAY, PICKED UP AT OSHAWA

On February 25th last Robert Franklin threw an empty bottle, containing his name and address into Georgian Bay just east of the Meaford breakwater and forgot all about it. This week he received a letter from a girl residing in Forest Hill, Toronto, stating that she had picked up the bottle at Oshawa on Sunday last, thus the correspondence.

Bobbie advises us that he slipped the bottle in a crack in the ice east of the breakwater, and to be picked up at Oshawa, it must have drifted into Lake Huron and floated through the chain of lakes to Lake Ontario, taking an all-Canadian route in making the trip. The wind and waters do some funny capers sometimes, and this appears to be one of them. — Meaford Express.

61 Years Choir Leader

When the choir of St. Columba church, Priceville, specially augmented for the occasion, completed its rendition of a special setting of "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" as their anthem at the morning service, it marked for the choirmaster, Mr. W. W. Ramage, the completion of 61 years of continuous service in this district, first of Amos church, Dromore, and latterly in St. Columba. The minister, Rev. A. R. Muir, spoke fittingly of the special nature of the occasion for Mr. Ramage, and complimented him on his efforts during the past week to have the Sunday well-observed by a special number. At the conclusion of the service Mr. F. G. Karstedt, on behalf of the congregation, presented Mr. Ramage with a bouquet of forget-me-nots. Mr. Ramage fittingly replied.

A Position of Honor

A signal honor was given to Mrs. Wm. Patton (nee Denelda McDonald) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald of town, to act as waitress at Hart House, Toronto, when the King and Queen were given a banquet on their visit to Toronto. Donelda was chosen from several hundred waitresses and it was considered to be a privilege to serve at such a gathering. She had an excellent opportunity to view the Royal visitors at close quarters and was greatly impressed with their simplicity and ability to feel at home wherever they were.

Presented Altar Bible

An interesting dedicatory service was held in St. John's United church Sunday morning when an altar Bible was presented by the Young People's Union of the church, in memory of one of their members, William Parker, whose death occurred one year ago. Miss Kathleen Bannon presented the Bible to Mr. Earl Best, an Elder of the church who in turn handed it to Rev. Service, followed by dedicating the volume to the service of the church. This volume replaces the one used since union in 1925, presented by the late Mrs. A. S. VanDusen to Chalmer's Presbyterian church, of which she was a valued member. The old Bible is being presented to Mr. J. F. VanDusen of Toronto, as a memento of his mother's work in the church in Flesherton.

BORN

NEATH—In Owen Sound on Fri., May 19, 1939, to Mr. and Mrs. Earle Neath (nee Rita Shaw) a son.

WILSON — At St. Catharines on Monday, May 22nd, 1939, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilson, a son.

BADJEROS LEAGUE STANDING

Dunedin	1	0	0	2
McIntyre	1	0	0	2
Singhampton	1	1	0	2
Redickville	0	0	1	1
Badjeros	0	0	1	1
Feversham	0	1	0	0
Maxwell	0	1	0	0

Last Week's Scores:
Singhampton 13, Maxwell 4
Redickville 13, Badjeros 13
McIntyre 13, Feversham 12
Dunedin 7, Singhampton 3

Future Games:
May 31—Badjeros at McIntyre.
June 1—Feversham at Dunedin.
June 2—Singhampton at Badjeros.
June 2—McIntyre at Maxwell.
June 5—Redickville at Singhampton.
June 6—Feversham at McIntyre.
June 7—Maxwell at Dunedin.

Doctors are studying the possibility of human hibernation. No doubt plenty of Europeans would be willing to try it.

C. H. SMITH DIED IN A REGINA HOSPITAL

Charles Herman Smith, 52, died in the Regina, Sask., hospital recently, after an illness of only a short time. He was taken ill at his home at Cupar, Sask., and when his condition did not improve he was rushed to Regina by ambulance.

Deceased was born in Ontario in 1887 and homesteaded in the southwestern part of Saskatchewan, coming to the Cupar district in 1927, where he had since resided He was a trustee of the Cupar Consolidated school district. He leaves his wife, formerly Margaret Reid, daughter of the late T. J. Reid and Mrs. Reid formerly of Kimberley, and four sons, Garnet, Alvin, Norman and Harold. He also leaves three brothers, Eddie and Goldie of Saskatchewan and Fred of Flesherton, and two sisters, Clara (Mrs. Wallace Graham) of Eugenia, and Bertha (Mrs. P. McConnell) of Epping.

The funeral service was held at the Cupar United Church and was conducted by Rev. Jas. McMurtry, interment being made in Cupar cemetery.

The floral tributes were beautiful and abundant, showing the esteem in which he was held by a large circle of friends.

Prizes In Music

The following pupils from Flesherton district placed in events at the recent musical festival at Owen Sound:

Piano Class—Under 12 years, 3rd Genevieve Milne, 84, bronze medal, a very keen competition, 1st and 2nd having 86 and 85.

Under 9 years, Blanche Walker, R. R. 4, Flesherton, 4th standing, 80.

Singing—Girl's Solo, 8 years and under, Marion Stauffer 1st, 80, gold medal.

10 years and under, Genevieve Milne 2nd, 79, silver medal, Elma Talbot, Flesherton, 3rd, 77, bronze medal.

Boy's Solo, 13 and under, Jack McDonald, Flesherton, 3rd, 79, bronze medal.

Henry Brown Won

Mr. Henry Brown of R. R. No. 1, Flesherton, was the fortunate winner of the first prize of $500 from the Community Chest, last week. Mr. H. H. Mercer of Markdale received $2.00 as second prize, while prizes of $1.00 were given to Mrs. J. C. Styles and Mrs. J. A. Kernahan of Flesherton and Mrs. Chas. Hanley of R. R. No. 1, Eugenia. Mrs. Hanley's ticket was the sixth one drawn from the chest, as the name on the fifth ticket was very poorly written and could not be deciphered. Mr. F. H. W. Hickling gave an extra prize of a five pound bag of flour to each winner. The Flesherton creamery was not called upon to double any cream checks as none of the winners had cream in that day. Shop in Flesherton and demand coupons on every 25 cent purchase. You may be the lucky winner. Be in town Wednesday nights to receive your prize at once.

Masonic Church Service In Flesherton Sunday

Rev. S. L. W. Harton of Niagara Falls, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, A.F.&A.M., will preach in St. John's United church on Sunday, June 4th, to the Masonic brethren in Grey District, the service to commence at 2 o'clock p.m. Rev. Harton will also preach at the morning service in St. John's church in the interest of the W.M.S. It is hoped that a large congregation will be present.

If you were unable to see blossom time in the fruit belt, you can now see it in your own district, and minus the big crowds, too.

Reception of Royal Party At Ottawa Was A Brilliant Affair

(By Agnes C. Macphail, M.P.)

For three magic days the King and Queen lived in our midst. Their coming lifted the people out of their everyday, humdrum lives to a pinnacle of rapture, which had to be seen and sensed to be believed. Before Their Majesties came one would not have thought that prosaic Canadians, and particularly the cold and critical Ottawans, could lose their self-consciousness in a unity of acclaim, but so it was. It looks as though the King's wish, that his visit may give Canadians a deeper sense of unity as a nation, would be realized.

Knowing that I was to have a close-up of the King and Queen later, I made no attempt to get near them during their 8 mile drive from Island Park Station to Government House, but with a friend drove on the other side of the canal along the beautiful driveway, where again and again we got a clear view of the cavalcade. First came the red coated, brass helmeted dragoons on their spirited and beautiful horses, then the open coach, drawn by four horses, in which Their Majesties rode, followed by more dragoons and eight automobiles carrying high official dignitaries.

As they passed between densely packed lines of people, a cheer rippled along, following rather than preceding the Royal carriage. It was as though the people were too intent on gazing on the radiant Queen and the dignified King to cheer until they had passed.

That was Friday morning, May 19.

Royal Assent to Seven Bills

At three o'clock of the same day, the King came to meet his Canadian Parliament for the purpose of giving Royal Assent to seven Bills. After the dignitaries of state and church, the judiciary, senators and wives of parliamentarians, in formal attire, were seated 'on the floor' of the Senate Chamber and the galleries filled, the King entered, dressed as a Field Marshall of his Empire, holding high the hand of his lovely Queen, as he escorted her to the throne dais. Then the King commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to call the Commoners to his presence. We had been asked to be in our places a half hour early to await the call, and at length we heard, for the first time, the words: "His Majesty commands the Commoners . . ." On the heels of the King's messenger, the Commoners eagerly left their Chamber, headed by Mr. Speaker, and, with more quiet and decorum than we have ever exhibited before, made our way to the Senate Chamber, where, standing behind the bar — the brass rail which separates the rabble, the Commoners, from the seated assembly— we heard the King's speech.

It was a good speech, clearly spoken, containing these three significant statements:

". . . the unity of the British Empire is no longer expressed by the supremacy of the time-honored Parliament that sits at Westminster. It finds expression today in the free association of nations enjoying common principles of government, a common attachment to ideals of peace and freedom, and bound together by a common allegiance to the Crown . . .

"It is my earnest hope that my present visit may give my Canadian people a deeper conception of their unity as a nation . . .

"I hope also that my visit to the United States will help to maintain the very friendly relations between that great country and the nations of the Commonwealth."

The arrival of Their Majesties, and their departure was accompanied by a great deal of military fanfare.

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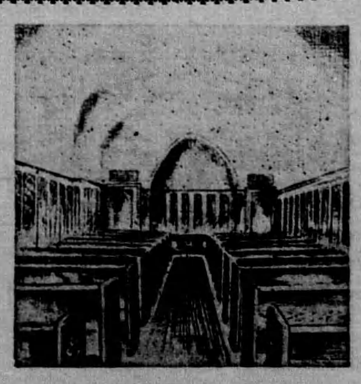

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