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“None of us knows what terror holds in store for Europe, but plainly it is an hour to subdue differences that may stand in the way of effective resistance. That, as The Queen’s words made plain, is now our overriding interest. Although without a throne of their own, the French love the style that monarchy brings with it. Yes, just as some were calling out to Edward VII “*Vive les Boers*,” much of Paris has been cursing the traffic jams necessitated by this week’s visit. It did not invalidate what The Queen sought to convey. We need just now to dwell on what unites us.” *Leader in The Daily Telegraph, April 7, 2004.*

“It’s not easy to reconcile the genial, unconventionally open man who has been The Queen’s representative in Ontario for more than two years with someone



Ontario Lieutenant Governor James Bartleman – frank about his struggle with depression – here shown with HRH Princess Royal at Monarchist League Reception

who periodically sinks into deep depths of emotional despair. ...Yet he has *chosen to write and speak openly about his continuing internal battle...* ‘It’s like the whiff of death,’ Mr Bartleman, 64, said of the days depression takes hold, ‘*you just feeling in invading your body and pulling it down into a pit.*’... He feels a social responsibility to come forward because so many people suffer without getting treated. ‘*Maybe the treatment will bring only partial relief, but people’s lives can be improved immensely,*’ he said. His has. And on those days when the darkness takes over, he simply goes on. *Margaret Wente, writing in The Globe and Mail, May 15, 2004.*

“Franco’s most remarkable legacy is the restoration of the House of Bourbon to the Throne of Spain. ...the wedding [of Felipe and Letizia] the... monarchy a chance to strengthen its hold on the pop-



Spanish Crown Prince nuptials at Almudena Cathedral, Madrid

ular imagination... Prince Felipe has chosen a bride whose face is familiar from her having presented the main evening television news programme. She is also the first commoner to marry an heir to the Spanish throne, and is also a divorcée, a fact that liberal, post-Franco Spain has taken in its stride. Most of the old dictator’s legacy was swiftly abandoned after his death in 1975. But he would be pleased to see the degree of affection that the restored Bourbons have won in Spanish hearts.” *Leader in The Daily Telegraph, May 22, 2004.*

“In short, no easy road lies ahead. Whatever course this couple decide to take will arouse controversy. There is a silent minority who loved and admired Diana, Princess of Wales. Some of them, not altogether fairly, would choose to regard marriage between Charles and Camilla as a betrayal. And even if this couple decided to put duty above all and to part for ever, there would, as we learnt from Princess Margaret’s experience, be bitter recriminations against the heartlessness of the Court. Yet, as the Prince of Wales is no doubt fully aware, this impasse is not compatible with the position of one who is heir to the throne. The easy course is to let things go along as they are, and rest content. Ultimately, though, a resolution will have to be reached.” *Leader in The Daily Telegraph, June 4, 2004*

“Soon the initials ER began to appear on signs and light standards along the [Queen Elizabeth Way] highway. Many American visitors, not realizing the letters actually stood for “Elizabeth Regina,” were surprised and impressed, believing they were a tribute to their president’s wife, Eleanor Roosevelt.” *Mike Filey, writing in the Toronto Sun, June 7, 2004*