

Attendance at His Majesty's Garden Party this year ranked as presentation at court, and though for the debutante it may have lacked the prewar thrill, it was a glittering function. Noses disconcertingly grew shiny in that heat, otherwise the weather was simply perfect. So was the light for the long-range photographers. In fact the sun almost developed X-Rays.

The King and Queen, to whom the weather must have seemed almost South African, walked with the Princesses among their five-thousand guests. Queen Mary received hundreds of congratulations and good wishes on her birthday, celebrated earlier in the week.

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YM A royal function, on a perfect day, in a delightful setting.