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Otterville's Business Section

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Otterville is closely integrated with the farming economy surrounding it in prosperous Oxford County, particularly the tobacco growing activity. An Otterville resident has developed a new curing process, considered safer than earlier methods.



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Otterville, a scenic little village in the centre of a rich dairy district, has raised its status among Western Ontario communities during the post-war period.

Although this community's progress has been slow, it has been steady, based on a sound agriculturally-allied economy.

Otterville has left its mark on the tobacco growing industry. Thanks to the efforts of an Otterville man, R. C. Pettigrew, a new system of tobacco curing has been introduced in the area.

Operated by an oil burner, the unit Mr. Pettigrew devised recently is designed to cut fire peril during tobacco curing operations.

The unit consists of a combustion chamber and a dozen distributing pipes which carry hot air to every point in the kiln. Also included in the unit are thermostatic controls and a photo-electric cell to limit the temperature range.

The new system greatly reduces the possibilities of fire and also tends to cure green tobacco better than older methods. The temperature range of the unit is from 90 to 190 degrees—a range of exactly 100 degrees.

Most curing systems circle distributing pipes around the walls of the kiln. These pipes often become red hot before sufficient heat escapes to cure the tobacco. The new system combats this with "breathing holes" in the pipes and an electric fan.

But besides Otterville's contribution to the tobacco farmers of the region, this town has in recent years staged a local improvement program which serves as a criterion of better things to come for local villagers.

A fire protection agreement is well under way and it will be only a matter of time before final arrangements are made. Formation of a volunteer fire brigade for the village should result from the talks between officials of the police village of Otterville and members of South Norwich Township Council.

Tentative plans call for the village to supply the volunteer staff to man the \$8,000 pumper purchased a year ago jointly by the village and township on fires in the area. Division of costs, officials report, will probably be split 75 per cent by the township and 25 per cent by the village.

Still another improvement chalked up recently and already functioning smoothly are new educational facilities in the village proper.

A new \$80,000 four-room addition was constructed and officially opened in 1952 because of overcrowded conditions in the original Otterville Public School. In all, more than 300 pupils from the village and district are enrolled.

The new classrooms are modern in every detail, with indirect lighting, no draft ventilation, air-conditioning and tile floors.

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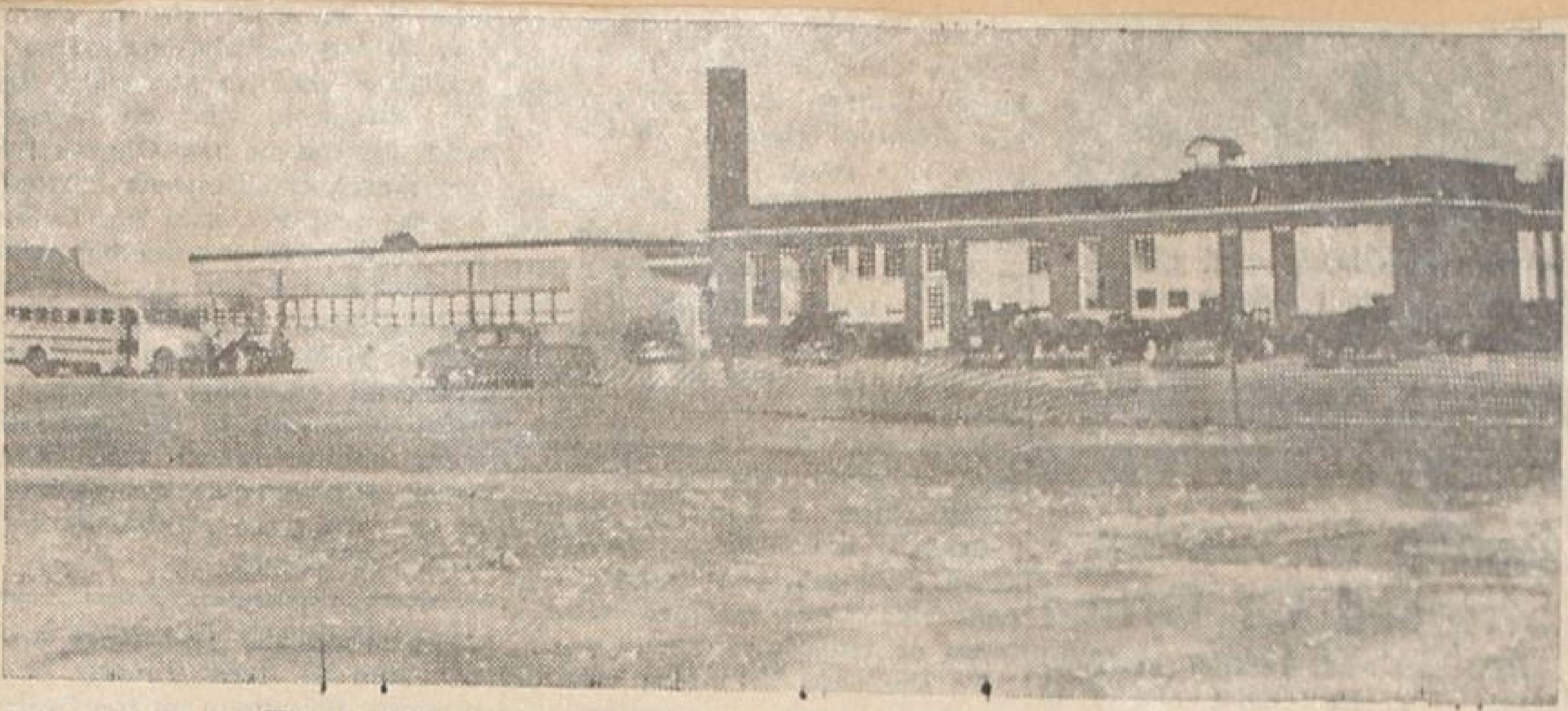
PHONE 21

I should like to thank our relatives, friends and neighbours for flowers, candy, cigarettes, cards and visits while I was a patient in Tillsonburg Hospital. Also thanks to all those who made it possible for Myrtle to visit me in hospital. Grateful thanks to Drs. G. M. Downing, Knight, West and Evans, and Nurse, Mrs. Edwards, also Rev. James for his visits, the nurses, orderlies and nurses' aides on the second floor. The many kindnesses were very much appreciated.

Jack Riste.

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SLAGHT BROS. LUMBER



The addition to Otterville's Public School is on the left

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1954—

"Pupils" Enjoys Night Classes at Norwich



One of the groups which is finding enjoyment and relaxation among the Adult Education Classes at the Norwich District High School is the choral singing group. It is led by William Wallace, a member of the teaching staff at the NDHS and instructor of music there. The group includes members of choirs at Otterville, Burgessville, Kelvin, Newark, Norwich, Beaconsfield, and several others who do not belong to any other singing organization. (Photo by Lowe.)

Otterville Odd Fellow Honored On 70th Year As Lodge Member

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville — Ninety - year - old George Parker, LaSalette, who is observing his 70th year in Odd Fellowship, was honored by Tecumseh Lodge, I.O.O.F., at Otterville. Only one other person in Ontario is known to have a longer record. Tecumseh Lodge was instituted February 10, 1876, and Mr. Parker joined September 1, 1884.

Mr. Parker, who will be 91 in July, rarely misses a lodge meeting and drives his own car about six miles to attend. He also attends nearly every Odd Fellows' church service, stepping jauntily out in the parade.

Every lodge in the district was represented at the gathering. Guests included Grand Master Art Williamson and 10 past D.D.G.M.'s, Harvey Beemer, Simcoe; Charles Mannell and Max Avey, Otterville; Robert Marshall, grand sentinel of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, Woodstock; Lloyd House, Courtland; Oscar Overbaugh, Simcoe; C. A. Terhune, Port Rowan; E. Fairbairn, Tillsonburg; E. W. Smith, Delhi, and Basil Howey, Port Rowan.

Oyster Supper

Accordion music was provided by Bob Baguley and Don Murray Hopkins. The latter also accompanied Douglas Collver in song. Yvonne Collver was pianist.

An oyster supper was served by Violet Rebekah Lodge. In proposing a toast to Mr. Parker, Dr. H. H. Batson also paid tribute to another energetic nonagenarian of the district, J. Wesley Fish, 92, Otter-

ville. He also declared that while Brother Parker was the oldest in the lodge, he was more like one of the youngest in his activity. Hard work and high ideals had strengthened him.

Offers Congratulations

The grand master, Mr. Williamson, said that few Odd Fellows had staked up records of 70 or more years of membership. He was proud to be associated with Mr. Parker and congratulated him on behalf of Grand Lodge. He said Odd Fellowship was what it is today because of men like Brother Parker. He had the right to expect younger members to carry on the ideals the older ones had fostered.

In responding, Mr. Parker said he hoped to meet those at the lodge again often.

The grand master also presented W. Pavely with his 25-year jewel. E. W. Smith, Delhi, thanked Tecumseh Lodge and the grand master. Appreciation was also expressed by Max Avey and the noble grand of Tecumseh, Charles Hopkins.

Late John E. Segner

Former reeve of South Norwich John Edward Segner, died at his home on Dover street, Otterville, township and lifelong resident, in his 79th year. *Jan 24/54*

Born on the 7th concession, South Norwich, he resided at the same place until his retirement four years ago when he moved into the village.

He served the township faithfully as councillor for many years and also as reeve for two years. He was also a member of the South Norwich Park Board for several years. He was a member of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, South Norwich. He had been in poor health for some time before his retirement and was confined to his home most of the winter, but was able to be up and around the house until the time of his death.

Surviving are his wife, formerly Florence Durkee, and one sister, Mrs. Margaret Kerwin at home.

The late Mr. Segner rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville where prayers were offered Tuesday evening. Requiem High Mass was celebrated at St. Peter's R.C. Church, South Norwich on Wednesday, January 27 at 10.00 a.m. Interment was made in St. Peter's cemetery.

James Burtch

OTTERVILLE, Jan. 27—James Albert Burtch, 70, a veteran of World War I, died at his home in Otterville. He had been ill for some time.

Mr. Burtch was born at Otterville and served overseas with the 38th Canadian Infantry Battalion.

His wife died some years ago. Surviving are three sisters, Mrs.

Herbert Wade, North Norwich; Mrs. Leonard Fitch, Aylmer, and Mrs. Mary Howland, Beachville, and two brothers, Arthur, of Simcoe, and William, of Straffordville.

Service will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m. at the Addison funeral home by the Rev. W. G. Wylie, of Otterville United Church. Burial will be in Otter Cemetery.

Word was received last week by William and Gordon McMullen of the death of Clarence Hansell in Oshawa. Mr. Hansell had been ill for some time with heart trouble, and was buried at Oshawa. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Hansell of Otterville, and is survived by his wife and son and daughter in Oshawa. He also leaves a brother and sister in Oshawa and a brother in Thamesville.

Harvey Sinden Dies At Age 91

OTTERVILLE, Jan. 31—Harvey Sinden, 91, one of the oldest and best known residents of this district, died here today at the home of his sister, Mrs. James Johnston.

He was born in South Norwich Township, and ever since he was a young man followed his trade as a barber until retiring four years ago. He had worked in Simcoe, Tillsonburg and in the west, and here after returning 20 years ago. He was an adherent of the Baptist Church, and had been a member of Tillsonburg IOOF lodge for 68 years. His wife, the former Dorothy E. Armstrong, died in 1919.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. James Johnston and Mrs. John Barnard, Otterville, and several nephews and nieces.

Resting at the Addison funeral home, where services will be conducted Tuesday, 2 p.m., by the Rev. Bruce Hisey, and the Rev. C. F. Lyons, Norwich. Interment will be made in Tillsonburg Cemetery. Fraternal services will be conducted here Monday evening at 8.45, in the Addison funeral home, by members of the Odd Fellows lodge.



Lodge, No. 396, I.O.O.F., of Walter Healey, district deputy; Cudney, district deputy; deputy marshal; Basil Howey

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Late Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Hussey

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Hussey, wife of the late Luther D. Hussey, were held Tues-

day, February 9th, exactly fourteen years to the day that her husband was buried. Mrs. Hussey has been in poor health for some time and confined to her bed much of the time for the past several weeks.

Born at Stoney Creek 86 years ago, she came with her parents to Hawtrey district as a little girl and lived there until her marriage, and then at Summerville, and has lived in Otterville for more than forty years.

She is survived by two sons and two daughters, Cecil Hussey, Otterville and William F. Hussey, Port Credit, Mrs. Eva Lawrence, Guelph and Miss Maude Hussey, chief operator of the Bell Telephone office at Otterville. She also leaves fourteen grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren. One son Lloyd died in Feb. 1951 and one daughter, Marie died also in February, 27 years ago.

Resting at her late residence until Tuesday noon, then at the Addison Funeral Home, where funeral service was conducted at 2:00 p.m. by Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church of which she was a member. Interment was made in the Otter Cemetery.

Appreciation

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to relative, friends and neighbors for the many acts of kindness shown us during our recent sad bereavement, also for the lovely floral tributes and other expressions of sympathy. Special thanks to the nurses and staff at the Tillsonburg Hospital, the doctors and to Rev. W. G. Wylie, Mr. George H. Davis, Mrs. Nate McMullen and all other who helped us in our sorrow.

William Jury, Jr.

R.R. 2, LaSalette.

Late Mrs. William Jury Jr.

The death occurred early Friday morning, February 5th, at the District Memorial Hospital, Tillsonburg, of Mrs. William Jury Jr., in her 26th year. Mrs. Jury was the former June Colleen Barnim and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barnim, Otterville, and lived in this district until last year when she moved to LaSalette district. She has been ill since Christmas and had been in hospital nearly two weeks.

She is survived by her husband, and two sons, Robert Lawrence and William David at home. She also leaves her parents and five brothers, Clifford Barnim of Springford, Allen, George, Donald and Murray, Otterville, and her grandfather, James Willett, Otterville.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, February 7th at the Addison Funeral home and was conducted by Rev. W. G. Wylie, Otterville, minister of the Otterville United Church.

During the service, Mr. George H. Davis, Otterville sang "One Sweetly Solemn Thought" and Mrs. Nate McMullen, Otterville was the pianist, and also played a number of favorite hymns before and after the service.

The funeral home was filled to capacity, and many remained standing throughout the service, and relatives and friends were present from London, Springford, Pontiac, LaSalette, Delhi, Tillsonburg, Norwich, Bookton, Toronto, Hamilton, Detroit, Simcoe, Woodstock, Mt. Elgin, Oshawa, Agincourt, Mt. Elgin, Nixon and many other places. The casket was surrounded by beautiful floral tributes which also filled the room from sympathetic neighbors, relatives, friends and workers with the Jury and Barnim families. The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Steve Sabo, Woodrow Richardson, James Arthur, Clare Arthur, Oswald Nold and Ted Hutchinson. Interment was in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

**Mrs. Anna B. Forman
Passes In 96th Year**

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville — Otterville's oldest resident, Mrs. Anna Bella Forman, died at her home early Monday morning in her 96th year, following a long illness.

Mrs. Forman was born in South Norwich Township, May 9th, 1858, and except for a few months in Stratford has lived all her life in South Norwich Township. For the past 58 years she has lived in the house built by her father and mother, the late William and Mary Lees, over 100 years ago.

On her birthday, 78 years ago, she married Thomas Gordon Forman, who died in 1919, and she is survived by two sons, Charles M. Forman, who resided with his mother, and Maurice Forman, Windsor. She also leaves 14 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. A great-niece, Miss Beatrice Lees, has been with her for 24 years, and a grandson, Jack Cornell of Chino, Alta., has been with her the past three weeks. One daughter, Emmaretta Cornell, and one son, John Forman predeceased her.

Mrs. Forman possessed a cheerful disposition which she has carried through her long illness in which she has been confined to her bed for the past four and a half years, and she maintained a keen interest in her many friends to the last. Until very recently she spent her time crocheting little gifts for relatives and friends.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where funeral service was held Thursday, February 18th, conducted by Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church of which she was a member. Interment in the family plot in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Funeral of The**Late Mrs. Anna Bella Forman**

Funeral services for Mrs. Anna Bella Forman, the oldest resident of Otterville and South Norwich township, were held Thursday afternoon at the Addison Funeral

Home and were conducted by Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church.

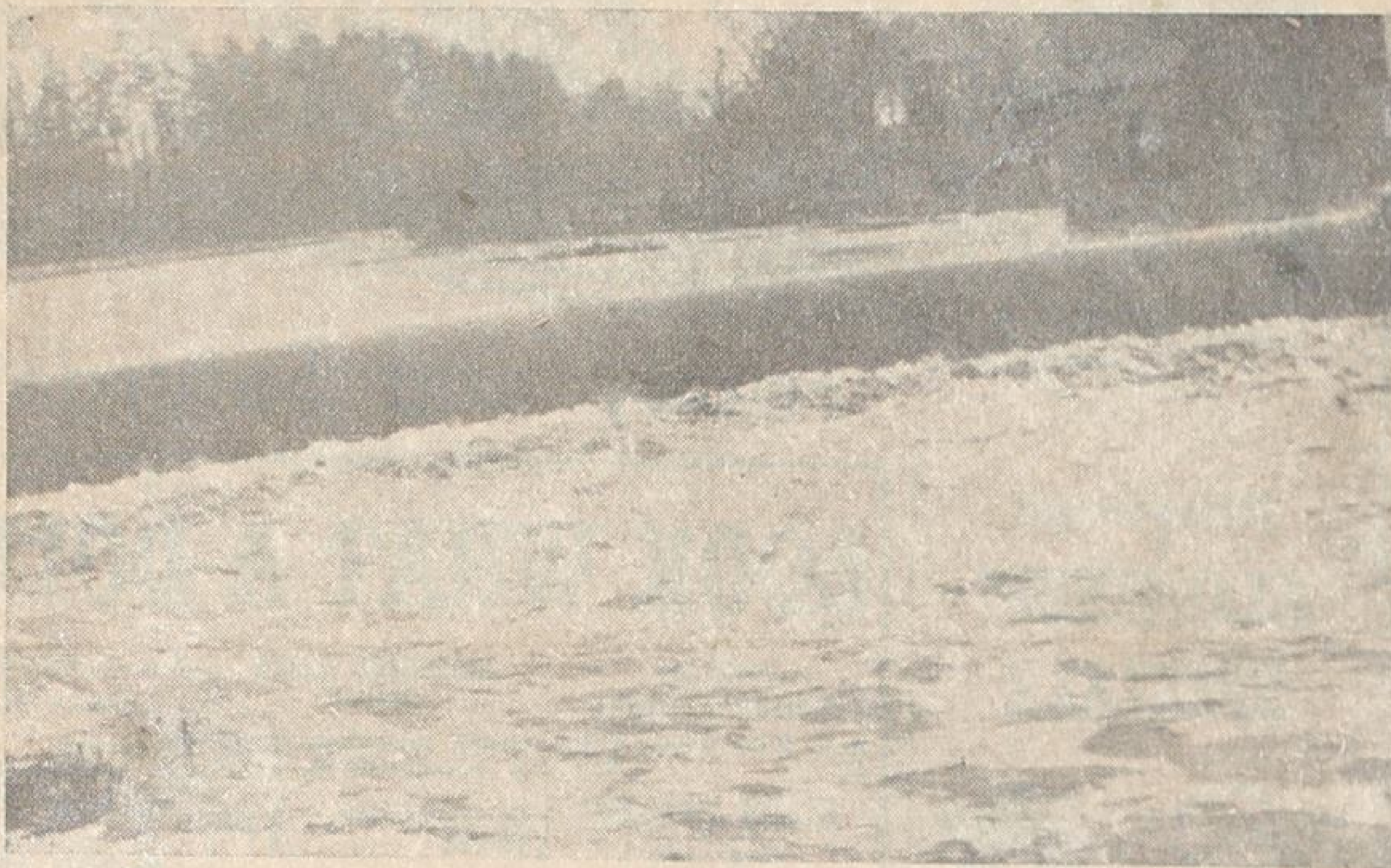
Mrs. Forman who would have been 96 in May, died on Monday, which was the 100th anniversary of her husband's birthday, the late T. Gordon Forman, who predeceased her 35 years ago. Mr. Wylie paid tribute to the kindly personality of Mrs. Forman, and the many lovely floral tributes and large attendance at the funeral were indicative of the high esteem in which she was held.

During the service Mrs. Ronald Collver sang the solo "Beyond the Sunset." Mrs. Nate McMullen was the accompanist, and also played a number of favorite hymns before and after the service.

Among the many beautiful floral tributes from relatives and friends, there were also those from the Otterville United Church, The Sunshine Club, the Adult Fellowship Group, the Neighbors, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Div. 309, Windsor of which Maurice Forman is a member. Relatives and friends were present from Highland Park, Mich., Windsor, Hamilton, Waterloo, N.Y., Woodstock, Cobourg, Niagara Falls, N. Y. and Niagara Falls, Ont., Burlington, Simcoe, Tillsonburg, Port Stanley, Burgessville, Norwich and other points.

The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Dee Scott, Vivian Rachar, Nate McMullen, Edward Arthur, Alfred Ash and David Kennedy. Interment was made in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Water Spills Over Ends of Dam



A wide ribbon of water poured over the dam at Otterville all day yesterday, giving rise to fears that the dam would give away and let water pile up against a near-by road bridge. So great was the rush of water that it spilled around each end of the dam. (Photo by Lowe).

Receive Books At Otterville



Starting their book-learning early with the aid of Oxford County's traveling library are these pre-school age children from Otterville. With their teacher, Mrs. David Kennedy, they are shown receiving their books in front of the township hall from Mrs. S. L. Krompart. (Photo by Addison).

Rebekah Birthday

The Violet Rebekah Lodge, Otterville, is eight years old and a birthday party was held in the I.O.O.F. Hall on Monday night with over 70 members and visitors present in honor of this organization. MAR 15/54

The noble grand, Jean Marshall, presided for the meeting and welcomed the visitors from Tillsonburg, St. Thomas, Belmont, Springfield and Delhi. Among the many visitors was the district deputy president, Mrs. Bernice Taylor of Belmont.

Representatives were appointed for Grand Lodge to be held in Toronto in June and will be Mrs. Ruth Collyer and Mrs. Lena Young. Named district representatives for the district meeting at Belmont in April were Mrs. Lena Young and Mrs. Ethel Arthur.

Owing to Miss Lees leaving the village shortly for the Canadian West, her resignation as recording secretary was accepted with regret and Mrs. Anna Trefiry was appointed for this vacancy.

Birthday greetings were extended by the visiting branches and a lovely bouquet was given to the local lodge by the St. Thomas group. Mrs. Mabel Norman, who appointed the officers when the lodge was first organized, made the presentation. The district deputy also extended greetings.

In appreciation for the faithful service that Miss Lees has given the lodge, a presentation of a beautiful purse was given her on behalf of the members by Mrs. Emma Strudwick.

A penny sale was conducted by Mrs. Emma Strudwick, and Mrs. Betty Slaght was convener for the social hour which was enjoyed by all.

Honor Bank Manager

About 40 businessmen and friends of D. C. V. Morrison, genial bank manager here for the past 12 years, met at his home and surprised him and his family with a gift of a television set before their departure to Port Dover, where he has been transferred by the Royal Bank.

On behalf of those who had contributed toward the gift R. M.

Holmes expressed the appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Morrison and their family for their splendid co-operation in the community, and wished them well in their new home.

Mr. Holmes also expressed the hope that the citizens would give the new manager, Harold McDougall, the same support they had given Mr. Morrison at the bank.

The Morrison family came to Otterville 13 years ago. Previous to that he had been at Schomberg for four and one-half years. While here the family has made a host of friends and has been active in all affairs of the community.

The evening was pleasantly spent in euchre, bridge, crokinole, checkers and other games, and following the presentation, for which both Mr. and Mrs. Morrison expressed appreciation, the ladies served refreshments.

Car

MONDAY, MARCH 29, 1954—

Plunges Into Water, Four Escape



Four young people escaped when their car plunged off the pier at Turkey Point into 14 feet of water. The auto slid over the side when its driver applied the

brakes to take a bend on the pier. The car is being lifted from Lake Erie here. (Photo by Durrant.)



JIM WILCOX



MARILYN GEHRING



OLIE VAN MAANEN



FRANK REID

Four Escape Car Plunge Into Bay

Two district girls and two Simcoe boys narrowly escaped death by drowning last Friday night, when the car in which they were riding skidded and plunged off the government dock at Turkey Point, and into 13 feet of icy Long Point Bay water.

Marilyn Gehring, 18, of Otterville and Ollie VanMaanen, 16, of Norwich, with two Simcoe youths, Frank Reid, 19, and Jim Wilcox, 18, escaped from the frigid waters by swimming back to the dock and clambering to safety.

Reid, driver of the car, is a life guard at the Simcoe Kinsmen swimming pool during the summer months. He said the car skidded on the wooden dock as he attempted to turn around. He said he applied the brakes, but the car skidded and went over the edge.

Reid said he forced the front left door open and pulled his companion to safety, while Wilcox and his companion escaped through the right rear door.

Covered Door

Water completely covered the front door, but the back door was only partly covered at the time, said Reid.

All four were good swimmers and it was only a few feet back to the pier.

They were none the worse for their icy ducking, but if they had been unable to get out of the car, no one would have known they were there, since it was so late at night, and the muddy water completely hid the submerged car from view.

Diver Harry Gamble of Port Dover was called to place a hook on the back of the car so a large wrecker from Delhi could pull it out of the water.

A great deal of damage was done to the motor and other parts of the car.

County Traffic Officers Earl M. Dickson, Delhi, and Alex. Robb, Simcoe, investigated.

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Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Armstrong and daughter Sharon of Hamilton spent Good Friday and the weekend with the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Armstrong.

Mr. and Mrs. Nate McMullen and daughter Miss Catherine McMullen spent part of Sunday with the former's mother Mrs. Emily McMullen and Mr. and Mrs. Nean McMullen, Norwich. Ann and Ross McMullen accompanied them on their return to Otterville to spend a few days. *APRIL*

St. John's Church Club

The St. John's Church Club held their final euchre party until after Lent in the Parish Hall when the special prizes for the season were presented to Mrs. Nate McMullen and Stuart Godby. The prizes for the evening were won by Mrs. D. Spicer, George Wavell and Mrs. Phillips.

Ladies Guild

The Ladies Guild of St. John's Anglican Church held a very largely attended meeting at the home of Mrs. Nate McMullen with the president, Miss Lena Young in charge.

Mrs. Wellington Armstrong read the Scripture lesson and final plans were made for the Day of Prayer which will be held in the Parish Hall, Friday, March 5th. Cards were signed by those present to be sent to a number of the sick in the community, and dues were received. The Buying committee were authorized to purchase print for making aprons.

Mrs. McMullen served dainty refreshments after the meeting and a social time was enjoyed.

Ladies Guild

The Ladies Guild of St. John's Anglican Church met at the home of Mrs. Roy Rachar with the president Mrs. Lena Young in charge and conducted the opening devotional part of the program. The Scripture lesson was read by Mrs. Nate McMullen, and plans were made for a novelty demonstration on May 5th in the Parish Hall and an invitation extended to the W. A. of the United Church.

Mrs. D. Spicer invited the Guild to meet at her home for the next meeting and the following week the meeting will be held at the rectory at Norwich.

Members remembered with daffodils at Easter were Mrs. Douglas Collver, Mrs. Stanley Leach, Mrs. Wm. Walters, Mrs. Emily McMullen, Mrs. Himmelsback, Mrs. W. Harford and Mrs. A. Wood. *April 5/54*

At the close of the meeting Mrs. Rachar was assisted by her daughter Judith and Mrs. D. Spicer in serving tea.

At St. John's Anglican church Sunday, Rev. C. H. Wright gave a special Easter message and stressed the need of church attendance not only at Easter and Christmas but each Sunday throughout the year. Lilies in the altar had been sent airmail from Bermuda by Mrs. Holder, and other lilies were there also in memory of the late Mrs. Leith Howse and Errol, Mrs. W. Pavey and Sam Harris.

MONDAY, APRIL 26, 1954

Last Passenger Run Made At Norwich



The end of an era was marked Saturday at Norwich when the last passenger car made the run on the mixed train on the Brantford-Tillsonburg CNR line. Discussing the discontinuation of the little-used service are, left to right: Al Stone, station master; Larry McIntyre, final passenger, and G. Harold Poldon, postmaster and president of the Norwich Historical Society. (Photo by Lowe.)

Falling Boulder Kills Fisherman In Freak Accident At Otterville

May 6/54

Otterville—A freak accident took the life of a middle-aged widower, Ernest Jarvis, 47, of Burford when he was instantly killed by a huge, basket-ball sized boulder that hit him as he was trout fishing near the Otter bridge at 3:30 p.m. Thursday.

The boulders were being dumped by Oxford County workmen to reinforce the concrete abutment on the bridge which was being undermined by water. Fifteen loads of stone had already been dumped previously.

The workmen, truck driver Alva S. Blackmore, R.R. 2, Norwich, and Robert Turnbull, R.R. 2, Mount Elgin, had backed their truck beside the bridge and started to dump the load.

Only one or two of the big stones had rolled off the truck when someone shouted and the driver held back the remainder of the load.

Narrow Miss

Philip Krieger, Ava road, Brantford, escaped by a few minutes from being hit by the rocks.

He had been fishing upstream and had started down to the spot where Mr. Jarvis had caught two fish.

Mr. Jarvis called to Mr. Krieger to come down where the fish were biting.

Mr. Krieger climbed the bank to get a shorter fishing pole and some lunch from his car. It was while he

was getting the pole that the rocks were dumped.

Mrs. Donald Addison, an eye-witness to the incident, stated that evidently Mr. Jarvis was unable to hear the truck backing up to the embankment because of the roar of the water coming over the dam 50 feet upstream. She said that she was unable to warn the fisherman for the same reason.

Just as the rocks started tumbling down the slope, she reported, the man turned about and saw the danger. Attempting to retreat to safety beneath the bridge he was struck by the second boulder, narrowly missing being hit by the first stone.

Planned in Hospital

The two men had planned the fishing trip while they were both in hospital at Brantford.

"When you get well we'll go after some trout," Mr. Jarvis had told Mr. Krieger.

Thursday morning they started out from Burford, and, at Mr. Jarvis' suggestion, went to Otterville.

The fatality was investigated by Sergeant Bert Moore of the Provincial Police detachment at Woodstock, and Provincial Constable D. A. Scott, Tillsonburg.

Mr. Jarvis had been a resident of Burford for the last 28 years, and had worked for a number of years for Canada Packers Limited, Brantford. He was predeceased by his wife in February, 1951. He is

survived by one sister, Mrs. Philip Krieger, Brantford, and several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Jarvis rested at the Robinson Funeral Home, Burford, for service on Monday. Interment was in Mount Hope Cemetery.

I. O. O. F. AND REBEKAH CHURCH SERVICE WAS VERY WELL ATTENDED

May 9,

Commemorating the 135th anniversary of the founding of their Order, members of Hayden Lodge, No. 152, I. O. O. F. paraded for divine service in Holy Trinity church last Sunday evening. They were joined by the members of Vigilant Rebekah Lodge, quite a large group of Cantons, and several members of the Rebekah Assembly. Out of town members came from: London, Woodstock, Otterville, Delhi, Pt. Rowan, St. Thomas, Tillsonburg and Simcoe.

The parade was so large that the band of the Norwich Musical Society, which led them so well with excellent music, could not gain admittance to the church.

Rev. C. H. Wright was in charge and was assisted by Wm. Colchester, lay reader. The choir sang Sir John Stainer's well known anthem: "God So Loved the World."

Mr. Wright began his address by referring to the hymns which were used in the service, "Unto the Hills," "Jesus Lover of My Soul," "Lord of the Lands," and "The Day Thou gavest Lord is ended," and the words of the psalm, "O let me have understanding in the way of godliness."

He asked the congregation,

"You sang these hymns so lustily, do they really have meaning for you? Do you really lift up your eyes to the hills, not just now in church, but every day and in all circumstances of life. Then is Jesus really the Lover of your soul, do you look to Him as your Saviour? You have sung Lord of the Lands, make Canada thine own. (Then he made a statement which many christians would question) "God cannot alone make Canada His own. He must have your help and mine. He has no other hands than your hands and mine and no feet but ours to do His will. We must contribute our little bit if Canada is to belong to God." You will sing "The voice of prayer is never silent," is your voice heard in the praying? Then you read, "O let me have understanding in the way of Godliness," is that really your desire? The world will never change until we mean these things. It's our indifference and coldness that is the matter, we need to take the things of God more seriously."

Mr. Wright based his sermon on the subject "The laws of God."

Bride Showered

Upwards of fifty neighbors and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ward King on Friday evening to honor Miss Jean King, bride-elect of this week with a miscellaneous shower. The evening was spent in playing bingo. Miss King expressed her appreciation for all the lovely gifts and the ladies served a bountiful lunch.

On Thursday evening the members of the St. John's Church Club as well as the church members were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rachar and Miss King, who was the honored guest, was presented with a linen shower for which she expressed her appreciation. Mrs. Derwood Spicer assisted Mrs. Rachar with the evening's entertainment in which contests were heartily enjoyed. There were upwards of 20 present. Delicious refreshments were served by the ladies.

Mrs. Lillian DeVoogdt and daughter Marie entertained a number of friends on Monday evening in honor of Miss Jean King bride-elect of next week. Among the guests were Mrs. B. Adlington of Scotland, Misses Carol Broad, Jean King, Barbara Furlong, and Catharine McMullen. After a lovely supper prepared by Mrs. DeVoogdt the girls presented Jean with a hostess chair and a bride's book, for which Jean expressed her appreciation. The girls later went to the theatre.

Mrs. Annie Smith

OTTERVILLE, May 25 — Mrs. Annie Maude Smith, widow of George C. Smith, Otterville, died in the Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital early today. Mrs. Smith suffered a stroke Friday night in her home and never regained consciousness.

Prior to her marriage Mrs. Smith was the former Maude Whiteside, and spent most of her married life in Otterville.

She is survived by one son, the Rev. Clarkson Smith, of Arthur, one grandson, George Smith, who lived with her, and two granddaughters.

She was a member of the Otterville United Church, and was a past president of the Women's Missionary Society. She was also a member of the Otterville Women's Institute, and the Woman's Association of the United Church.

Resting at the Addison funeral home here, where services will be conducted Thursday at 2 p.m. by the Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church. Burial will be in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.



Mr. and Mrs. Francis

Youth at the Console



Lurene Treffry, 15-year-old organist of the Otterville United Church, handles the console like a veteran. In addition to music studies and other school work she has been an active alto horn player. She is president of the Young People's Union in the Otterville United Church.

Otterville Organist To Get Silver Medal

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville—Miss Lurene Treffry of Otterville, the 15-year-old organist of the Otterville United Church, received a letter Saturday from the Royal Conservatory of Music, University of Toronto, that the mark she had received at her recent examination for Grade VI organ was the highest in the Province of Ontario. They informed her that this entitles her to the Conservatory silver medal, which she will receive in October. Miss Treffry has been taking lessons from Miss Gladys Luke of Tillsonburg. 1954

Church Club Tea

A "Mother's Day" Tea was held in the Community Hall on Saturday afternoon by the members of the St. John's Church Club and the proceeds were very gratifying.

Assisting at the bake table were Mrs. Frank Finch and Miss Eva Deveney and Miss Catharine McMullen waited on the guests at the work table which was comprised of knitting and fancy work goods. Mrs. Al Jardine and Mrs. Harry Pickersgill had charge of the tea tables and Mrs. A. Deveney and Mrs. Nate McMullen prepared the tea in the kitchen.

Each mother present was presented with a rose corsage and the hall was decorated nicely with snapdragons and roses.

Mrs. W. L. Addison made the draw at five o'clock for a luncheon cloth and serviettes which was made by Mrs. A. Deveney, and Katharine Mann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivor Mann of Tillsonburg was the winner.

Guild Meeting

The members of the St. John's Anglican Guild held a demonstration in the Parish Hall on Wednesday afternoon and was largely attended. Mrs. H. Haney of Glen Meyer showed a fine assortment of novelty goods. Prior to the demonstration a brief business meeting was held when there was a discussion in regard to purchasing a power lawn mower. The members have received the hymn and prayer books and the next meeting will be held in the Parish Hall on Thursday afternoon. The ladies served refreshments and a social time was spent. Appreciation was expressed to Miss Edna Furlong for the gift of organdy goods which was given for the making of aprons.

Anglican Service

Monther's Day was fittingly observed in St. John's Anglican Church on Sunday morning. The Rector Rev. C. H. Wright chose as his text St. Luke 2:19 "But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart." During the offertory the junior choir sang "Fairest Lord Jesus". Flowers were placed on the altar in memory of Mrs. Leith Howse and Mrs. M. Furlong and former mothers.

The May meeting of the Otterville Women's Missionary Society was held at the home of Mrs. George Daiken on Friday afternoon with a good attendance.



Mr. and Mrs. Mason

Mason-Hawley Vows

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville—A pretty wedding took place at the United Church parsonage, when Donna Gwendolyn Hawley, eldest daughter of Mrs. Meta Hawley of Tillsonburg, and John William Mason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Mason of Otterville, were united in marriage. Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of Otterville United Church, officiated.

The bride looked pretty in a street-length dress of pale blue nylon over net, and wore a pale blue hat, white gloves and navy shoes, and carried a nosegay of pink and white Sweetheart roses. The bride was attended by the groom's sister, Miss Marlene Mason of Otterville, who wore a street-length dress of pale pink nylon over net with a pink hat, white gloves and navy shoes. She carried yellow roses with white hyacinths.

William Hawley of Norwich, brother of the bride, attended the groom.

For a wedding trip to Northern Ontario the bride wore a gray linen suit with red accessories, and wore a corsage of yellow roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason are making their home in Otterville. 1954

Nonagenarian and Grandchildren



When Mrs. Emily McMullen, of North Norwich, marked her 90th birthday this week, she was surrounded by her grandchildren. Pictured are Miss Catherine McMullen, Otterville (back left), and Mrs. Bruce Pettit, Sarnia, with the youngest grandchild, Norman Ross McMullen, and his sister Elizabeth Anne. (Photo by Lowe).



Mrs. Emily McMullen, North Norwich Township, who celebrated her 90th birthday yesterday, posed for the above picture with her youngest grandson, Norman

Ross, and her granddaughter, Elizabeth Anne, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nean McMullen.

MRS. EMILY McMULLEN

OTTERVILLE — Funeral Services for Mrs. Emily McMullen were held Thursday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, and were very largely attended by relatives, neighbors and friends. Rev. L. H. Crawford of Parkhill, a former rector of St. John's Anglican Church, had charge of the services and was assisted by Rev. N. H. MacKenzie of Burgessville.

Mr. Crawford paid tribute to the life which Mrs. McMullen had lived, and of her faithful work in the church and community during her 90 years. During the service, George H. Davis sang the solo "Be Thou Nigh" accompanied by Miss Ivy Pennington who also played several favorite selections before and after the service.

The casket was surrounded by many beautiful floral tributes, among them being a white cross from St. John's Anglican Church, Sunday School, Ladies Guild and St. John's Church Club. There were also tributes from her former neighbors, and from the neighbors around her son's home.

Relatives and friends were present from Beachville, Woodstock, Sarnia, Etonia, Toronto, Norwich, Burgessville, Teeterville, Summer-ville and many other places.

The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Herschell Hussey, George Ryder, Henry Ash, Jack Furlong, Jack Riste and Carman Scott. Interment was in the Milldale Cemetery.

90th Birthday Celebrated By Mrs. Emily McMullen

NORWICH — Mr. and Mrs. Nean McMullen, North Norwich township were host and hostess at a birthday party Sunday afternoon in honor of Mr. McMullen's mother, Mrs. Emily McMullen, who celebrated her 90th birthday yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. McMullen were assisted by the other members of the family and Mrs. Stanley McClellan, Mrs. Keith Dymont and Mrs. George Ryder.

The guests were welcomed by Mrs. N. McMullen, in charge of the guest book. Serving was done by Miss Catherine McMullen, Otterville, Mrs. Bruce Pettitt, Sarnia, Mrs. William Crosken, Toronto, Mrs. J. Graves and Mrs. B. Kendrick, Norwich, and Miss

Anne McMullen. The home where the reception was held was trimmed with bouquets of roses.

The family presented their mother with 90 roses and the Guild of St. John's Church, Otterville, of which Mrs. McMullen has been a long time member, also presented her with roses. Mrs. D. Spicer, president of the Guild, read a complimentary address. Despite her 90 years, Mrs. McMullen was spry as she welcomed the 125 guests. Several came from distant points. She wore a black and white figured dress and had an orchid corsage, the gift of her granddaughter, Miss Catherine McMullen, Otterville, who was celebrating her 19th birthday on Sunday.

Mrs. McMullen is a native of England, but has lived in Canada and South Norwich for 80 years. For the past eight years she has been in North Norwich township with her son.

She has three daughters and three sons. The youngest, Nean and Nate are twins. The daughters are: Mrs. G. W. Hillier, Racine, Wis.; Mrs. J. Graves and Mrs. B. Kendrick, Norwich, Lester McMullen, Beachville, Nate, Otterville, and Nean, North Norwich. There are several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Guests attended from: Detroit, Toronto, Sarnia, London, Beachville, Woodstock, Otterville and the surrounding community. In addition to the callers Mrs. McMullen received many pretty cards and lovely birthday gifts. These continued to come until after her birthday on Wednesday.

Mrs. Emily McMullen

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTERVILLE—Mrs. Emily McMullen, who celebrated her 90th birthday two weeks ago, died at the home of her son, Nean McMullen, in North Norwich Township on Monday afternoon, after a few days' illness.

Born in England, she travelled to Vancouver, B.C., as a young woman and lived there for several years. While there her first husband, John McMullen, died, and she and her two children moved to Flesherton, and about 60 years ago to South Norwich Township. For the past eight years she had lived with her son and family on the 5th Concession of North Norwich. When her second husband, William McMullen, died, she was left on a farm with a family of seven children, the oldest 12 years, and the youngest six-month-old twins. Her resourcefulness and a strong faith carried her over many a rough time, and she successfully managed the farm and raised a fine family.

She is survived by three sons and three daughters, Mrs. Burwell Kendrick (Edith) of Norwich, Mrs. G. W. Hillier (Mabel), Racine, Wisconsin, Mrs. J. R. Graves (Agnes), Norwich, Lester of Beachville, Nate of Otterville and Nean of Norwich. Her eldest son, Edwin, died nine years ago. She also leaves 13 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville, and the Ladies' Guild of that church. She was also one of the first members of the Patriotic Society, and later active in the Red Cross.

Resting at the Addison Funeral Home here, where service will be held today (Thursday) at 2 p.m. Interment in Milldale Cemetery.

Bride Of Late June



At Avondale United Church last Wednesday, Eleanor Orpha Lorraine Tait, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Tait of Tillsonburg, became the bride of William George Briggs, only son of Mr. George Briggs of Otterville and the late Mrs. Briggs. They will live in Otterville (Photo by Seldon).

Elmer Chambers Dies Suddenly

NORWICH, June 8 — Elmer Chambers, 65, died at his home on Stover street today, following a heart attack while he was using a scythe yesterday to cut long grass.

He was born in Norfolk County, and farmed there until coming to South Norwich Township 15 years ago. He bought a farm at Norwich Junction 13 years ago, and lived there until coming here last March. He was an adherent of the United Church.

Surviving are four sons, Ross, South Norwich; Gerald, Edmonton; Delbert, Norwich; Gordon, Simcoe; two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Hamilton, Hamilton; Mrs. M. Langton, Brantford; and one sister, Mrs. Foster Freeland, Walsh.

Resting at the Arn funeral home, where services will be conducted Friday, 2 p.m. (DST), by the Rev. R. A. Passmore, and interment made in Norwich Cemetery.

Brought to Mind by Free Press Picture

Early Otterville Businesses Recalled

By William R. Parson

The interesting picture of Otterville in the last century, published last week in The London Free Press on Looking Over Western Ontario, suggested the considerable industrial activity carried on there in the 1850's. At least two important industries were not suggested in the picture.

One was the Otterville Manufacturing Company originated by the Bullock family and operated by Henry, Fred and James Bullock. It was a woodworking concern and played an important part in the village economy for more than 50 years.

On the west end of the village

was the Parson Wagon Works established by my grandfather, William Parson, and his two brothers in 1860. It was a prominent industry in the village for 40 years until it was completely destroyed by fire.

William Parson was a wheelwright by trade having learned his craft in St. Marys and Woodstock. His brother, Cornelius, was the blacksmith and Augustus was the painter and trimmer.

It was an eight-bench factory employing 18 or 20 men. Alex and John McFarlane both learned their trade there and later established a similar business across the street. The Parson wagons were widely used and well known in South Norwich. Originally heavy wagons and sleighs for teaming

produce out of the area were made and, later, fine carriages. Because of abundant water power and the good agricultural and timber resources, numerous grist, flouring and saw mills were established in this district and an extensive lumber trade was carried on. Grain, lumber and flour were teamed out in vast quantities. The township was then traversed by the Brantford and Norwich plank road, the Woodstock and Otterville plank and gravel road and the Otterville and Port Dover plank and gravel road. A road connecting Otterville and Delhi is still known as the coal road—so named because of the charcoal bed made from burning vast quantities of timber, brush and stumps after the original survey.

Old Picture Points Up Changes in Otterville



Occasional pictures turn up of today's communities as they looked during the last century. This is such a picture—Otterville in the 1870s. The picture, now in the possession of Miss Ivy Pennington, Otterville, was sketched about 80 years ago by W. Moore, an amateur. He took his view from the home of W. Watts, now the home of Miss Ida McFarlane, on a

hill facing east, overlooking the village. Only three buildings which show plainly here still exist. In the left background is George Davis' house and on the opposite side of the road is the Addison funeral home. At that time it was a store with lodge rooms upstairs. Down a steep hill at that time, and shown in the left foreground, is a house, and, back of it, a

sawmill, tannery and casket factory, all gone. In the centre background is the match factory and, in the extreme right background, a shingle mill, all long since departed. In the right foreground stands the grist mill which appears as it does at present, now owned by Lorne Treffery. Otterville was not new even then. It is 147 years old.

Mrs. William H. Law

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville — Funeral service for Mrs. May Isabel Law, who passed away at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital last Thursday, were held Saturday afternoon in St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville, and were largely attended.

Members of Violet Rebekah Lodge, of which Mrs. Law was a member, attended the service in a body.

Rev. C. H. Wright conducted the service, and Mrs. Nate McMullen was the organist.

Relatives and friends were present from Wallaceburg, Beamsville, Ingersoll, Guelph, Ridgeway, Victoria and other points. Among the many lovely floral tributes were those from the Wallaceburg Kinsmen Club, J. L. Thompson Supply Co., the staff of the Wallaceburg Royal Bank of which Mrs. Law's only son, Herbert, is a member, the Otterville Women's Institute, Violet Rebekah Lodge, the St. John's Ladies Guild and St. John's Church, and neighbors.

Interment was made in the family plot in St. John's Cemetery at Woodhouse. The casket bearers were Naté McMullen, Stanley Gehring, Derry Spicer, David Kennedy, Fred Walther and Ernest Pettigrew.

Body of the deceased rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, until time for service in St. John's Church.

Mrs. Law had attended church as usual last Sunday and had visited with friends late in the afternoon. Early in the evening she was found in her living room unconscious, with a paper she was reading still in her lap. She was taken to hospital Monday morning, but never regained consciousness.

Born at Vittoria she spent her early years in Hamilton and Montreal, and after her marriage lived at Wapella, Saskatchewan for 11 years, returning to Vittoria for a few months before moving to Otterville where she had lived for the past 25 years.

Her husband, the late William Henry Law predeceased her nine years ago, and she is survived by one son, Herbert Law, accountant at the Royal Bank at Wallaceburg, and one granddaughter, Brenda Law. She also leaves a sister, Mrs. Jemmett, Beamsville and a brother H. R. Taylor, Woodstock. She was a member of St. John's Anglican church, Otterville, and had been the church treasurer for a number of years. She was also active in the Ladies Guild, and was a member of Violet Rebekah Lodge, and the Otterville Women's Institute.

Charter Members On 25th Anniversary



Pictured are charter members of the Summerville Women's Institute, organized 25 years ago. Four have been members ever since, but the others returned for the quarter-century celebration. Front: Mrs. Stanley Arthur, Mrs. Kenneth Wardell, Mrs. Richard Brayley,

president; Mrs. George Singer, oldest past president; Mrs. Hershall Hussey. Middle row: Mrs. Clayton Arthur, Mrs. Stanley Gehring, Mrs. Roy Gehring, Mrs. Ida Graham, Mrs. Earnest Pettigrew. At back: Mrs. Joe Ash, whose mother started the Institute, Mrs. L. Lynch. (Photo by Lowe.)

TO GRADUATE SOON



TWO OTTERVILLE girls will graduate from Hamilton General Hospital on June 2, at McMaster University Drill Hall. **Naureen Elizabeth Petch**, left, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earle Petch, Otterville, was born at Trenton, received her early education at Mandaumin and Otterville, and high school at Norwich. She commenced training in February, 1951, and since completion of



her course she has been employed at the Mountain San at Hamilton. **Elinore Joan Leitch**, right, was born at Otterville, and is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Leitch. She received her education in the Otterville school to grade 10, and then at the Norwich High School. She commenced her training in September 1951. (Photos by Carey Studios)

Silver Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis L. Groat (nee Myrtle Clinton) celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, June 19, 1954 at their home 358 Highbury Ave., London. The rooms were lovely with roses, peonies and delphiniums. Many friends and neighbours called during the afternoon and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Clinton and Mr. and Mrs. Morley Clinton welcomed the guests. Miss Donna Groat answered the door and also invited the guests to the dining room, where tea was served from a beautifully appointed table.

Mrs. W. M. Herron and Miss Sheila Wainwright poured tea and Miss Margaret Gillett served.

During the afternoon and evening Mr. Groat played several selections on the Minshall Organ. Mrs. H. S. Long sang "God Bless This Home," and Miss Gillett played piano solos.

Many lovely gifts were presented to the happy couple.

Otterville News

Late Mrs. Leila Bell

Mrs. Leila Bell, 90 year old Otterville resident, died at her home on Dover Street, Otterville Sunday morning after two weeks illness.

Born at Belleville, in Hastings County, December 31st, 1863, daughter of the late J. W. McMullen and Sylvia Anne Goldsmith, she married the late William Robert Bell seventy years ago, and they spent their early married life near Zimmerman. They also lived at Medicine Hat, Alta. for a short time, and nine years on a farm east of Otterville and built their present home 40 years ago.

Mrs. Bell loved gardening and spent much of her time there among the flowers which flourished under her care until she was taken ill on May 22nd. Mr. Bell predeceased her in 1948 and their only child Gerald died at 12 years. She is survived by a number of nieces and one nephew. Mrs. Bell has been a

member of the Otterville Women's Institute for over 30 years.

Resting at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville where funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. George Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church, Tuesday, June 8th at 2 p.m. Interment was in the Otter Cemetery, Otter.

Late Mrs. Minnie Earla Taft

The death occurred early Friday morning of Mrs. Minnie Earla Taft, wife of the late George E. Taft. Otterville, in her 75th year. Mrs. Taft has been in poor health for several years, and has been at Mrs. Layman's Nursing Home at Tillsonburg for the past five months.

She was born at Lymington, Hampshire, England, and came to Canada when she was 16, living first in Hamilton and later at Charlotteville in Norfolk County, and the past 38 years in Otterville. Her husband predeceased her in 1948 and she is survived by two sons, George Taft, Hamilton and Oliver J. Taft who resided with his mother at home. She also leaves one grandson.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, June 6th at

the Addison Funeral Home, and were conducted by Rev. W. George Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church.

Relatives were present from Hamilton, Buffalo, Cheektowaga New York, Kilbride, and other places. Among the floral tributes from relatives and friends there was also a basket from the Employees of the Canadian Meter Co. at Hamilton where Mrs. Taft's son is employed.

The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Fred Walther, R. Murray Holmes Cecil Finch, Frank Duffy, Art Picknell and Henry Leach. Interment was in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Mrs. Leila Bell

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville — Funeral service for Mrs. Leila Bell was held Tuesday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home, and was conducted by Rev. W. G. Wylie of the Otterville United Church.

A solo, "Ivory Palaces," was sung by Mrs. Donald Colver, accompanied by Miss Ivy Pennington, who also played a number of favorite hymns before and after the service. Among the lovely floral tributes was a "Gates Ajar" from the neighbors, and sprays from the Otterville United Church and the Otterville Women's Institute. Relatives were present from Toronto, Marine City, Mich., and Stayner.

Interment was made in the Otter Cemetery, and the casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Clarence Silverthorne, Fred Walther, Stanley Riches, Stanley Leach, R. Murray Holmes and J. Kenneth Wardell.

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St. John's Club

The St. John's Church Club held its regular meeting at the home of the president, Mrs. Frank Finch, who conducted the opening devotional period.

The secretary, Mrs. Fred Thompson, gave her report and thank-you cards were read. Miss Catharine McMullen gave a detailed report on flowers sent to sick or shut-ins, also the report of the Mother's Day tea and bake sale. A plant was sent to Mrs. Emily McMullen, who recently celebrated her 90th birthday, and many of the members visited her on the happy occasion.

Work was handed out to be done for the bazaar and plans for the next meeting to be held at the home of Miss Catharine McMullen. This will be the last regular meeting of the season and it was decided that the club would have a theatre party on June 24th, planning to leave early and have supper out also. Arrangements were made to have a penny sale for the program at the next meeting.

Card bingo was enjoyed with prizes being won by Miss Catharine McMullen, Miss Eva Deveney, Mrs. Joe Ash, Mrs. Fred Thompson and Miss Jane Furlong. Mrs. Finch was assisted by Mrs. Fred Thompson and Miss Jane Furlong in serving a delicious lunch.

I.O.O.F. Church Parade

Commemorating the 135th anniversary of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the annual church service was held in St. John's Anglican Church on Sunday evening. The service was conducted by the rector, Rev. C. H. Wright, who was ably assisted by Jack Riste.

Visitors at the service were present from Simcoe, Delhi, Norwich, Tillsonburg and Port Rowan. Among the visitors was the eldest member of the local lodge, George Parker of La Salette, who has never missed a service of this kind, and who has reached his 90th birthday and has been an Odd Fellow for 69 years.

In the parade, which gathered at the I.O.O.F. Hall, were the Cantons from the district, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the members of the Rebekah Lodge, the Lt. Col. John McCrae Chapter of the I.O. D.E., and the Otterville Community Band which was led by the band leader, William Pavely.

Fred Howse and H. Smoke, marshals of the lodge, were the ushers, and Charles Mann and William Pavely received the offering. The choir sang for their anthem "Temple of God's Holy Spirit," with Mrs. John Foster of Norwich at the organ. Fern Picknell carried the flag for the Lt. Col. John McCrae Chapter, and Sister Marjorie Hopkins and Bro. Charles Hopkins were the flag bearers for the lodges.

The theme of the message was the "Parable of the Prodigal Son." The church was decorated with spring flowers. Following the service the members of the visiting lodges were served dainty refreshments in the I.O.O.F. Hall.

Died

BELL—At her home, Dover St., Otterville, Sunday, June 6, 1954, Mrs. Leila (McMullen) Bell, wife of the late William Robert Bell, Otterville, in her 91st year.

Funeral service was held at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, Tuesday, June 8th, at 2 p.m. Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Newark Bible Class Social

The Bible Class held their June meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nean McMullen.

The president, Mrs. Hopkins opened with hymn 29, after which Mrs. Campbell led in prayer. Mrs. Chambers read the scripture, St. John, 13th chapter. Mrs. Williams gave an amusing reading "Aunt Doleful's Visit." Mrs. Wade then favoured with a piano solo. Mrs. McKenzie read a story entitled "Odour of Sanctity," which was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Campbell and Mr. Watson sang a duet accompanied by Mrs. Carrow.

The minutes were read and adopted, followed by hymn 52.

Norwich Couple Honored



Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jull, Norwich, received congratulations from 350 friends and relatives on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. The couple received guests at a reception held on the lawn at Maple Lodge farm. (Photo by George Lowe.)

St. John's Anglican Sunday School Picnic ¹⁹⁵⁴

S. John's Anglican Sunday School, Otterville held a well attended picnic in the Otterville Park, with about 60 persons enjoying the outdoor supper and sports program.

The rector Rev. C. H. Wright, Norwich, received a gift for being the oldest person present and Richard Picknell won the one for the youngest.

Prizes for the running races were won by Katherine Jardine, Wanda Spicer, Karen Thmopson, Bobby Rachar, Wayne Spicer, Sandra Wavell, Susan Jardine, Robert Hudson, Gary Thompson, Lois Durkee, Lianne Wavell, Sharon Furlong, Judith Rachar, Barbara Briggs.

The prize winners for the three-legged race were won by Wenda Spicer, Katherine Jardine, Karen Thompson, Bobby Rachar, Merlin Howse, Wayne Spicer, David Downing, Lois Wavell, Sandra Wavell, Evelyn Wavell, Lianne Wavell, Patsy Durkee, Lois Durkee, Gary Thompson, Robert Hudson, Judith Rachar, Leona Savill, Sharon Furlong and Doreen Howse. Percy Walters and Bob Rachar won the boys' race and Sharon Furlong, Fern Picknell and Leona Sacill won the girls' race. For the shoe scramble, Katherine Jardine, Karen Thompson, Wenda Spicer, Percy Walters, Murray Walters, Dianne Wavell, Patsy Durkee, Doreen Howse and Sharon Furlong were prize winner. In the peanut scramble, Billie Walters, Merlin Howse, Babby Picknell and Wayne Spicer were the winners.

Those assisting with the sports program were Mrs. Harold Durkee, Miss Catherine McMullen, Miss Marie DeVoogdt, Mrs. D. Specer and Mrs. Carl Howse.

Mrs. John Murray

PRESTON, July 8 — Services for Mrs. John G. Murray, 69, who died at her home here, were conducted this afternoon, and interment made in Preston Cemetery.

She was the former Myrtle L. Hammett, of Seaforth, and had lived at Otterville before coming here 25 years ago.

Surviving besides her husband, are one son, Gregg H., of New Liskeard. ¹⁹⁵⁴

June 10, 1954

OTTERVILLE GIRL WED SATURDAY

A pretty wedding took place at St. John's Anglican Church, St. Thomas, on Saturday, at 3 p.m., when Betty Jean Hudson, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Hudson of Otterville, became the bride of Donald Emerson Moody of Kitchener.

The bride was given away by her father, and she wore a ballerina-length gown with lace and net over satin, and lace bolero, redgnote and fingertip veil, and Juliet cap. She carried a bouquet of Baby American roses, and lily of the valley.

Maid of honor was Bernice Padon, cousin of the bride, and she wore a shrimp net over satin ballerina-length gown and matching bolero and accordion-pleated head-dress with pearl trim.

Best man was Dale Swift of St. Thomas.

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The bride was attended by Mrs. Stanley Williams, her only sister, who wore a gown of pale blue net over satin with a lace bolero and accordion-pleated headdress and pearl trim, and carried a bouquet of mums and roses; and Miss Marie Devooght, cousin of the bride, who wore light blue net over satin with lace bolero and accordion-pleated headdress with pearl trim, and carried a bouquet of pink roses and mums.

The ushers were Harold Hudson, brother of the bride, and Stanley Williams, brother-in-law of the bride of Aylmer.

The church was decorated with sweetpeas and ferns and lighted candles. Rev. R. W. Lane, minister of the church, officiated at the pretty double-ring ceremony.

Margaret Ann McKormick sang "Perfect Love" and "I Love You Truly".

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Reception followed at the Old Chelsea with 50 guests present. The bride's table was decorated with a three-tier wedding cake and lighted candles and roses. Out-of-town guests were from Detroit, London, Thorndale, Aylmer, Norwich, St. Thomas and Otterville.

Groom's gift to the bride was a three-strand pearl necklace and cuff links and ties for the best man and ushers.

The bride's mother wore a navy taffeta dress with pink accessories and a corsage of white roses. The groom's mother wore a navy taffeta dress with pink accessories and a corsage of white roses.

For going away, the bride wore a red linen dress with white accessories and grey shortie coat.

After a wedding trip to the United States, the young couple will make their home at Kitchener.

Club Executives Confer at Otterville Fete



More than 100 visitors and club members attended the combined Otter Valley Pals Club and Happy Bluebirds Club, of Otterville, annual Mary Hastings picnic yesterday. Shown at the outing are, left to right: Mrs. Lillian Oatman, president of the Bluebirds; Mrs. Joseph Ash, past president of the Pals; Mrs. Edward

Dinen, Mary Hastings executive, London; Mrs. J. Finch, president of the Pals; Mrs. Earl Sullivan, central executive, London; and Mrs. Ross Chambers, vice-president of the Bluebirds. (Photo by Free Press Woodstock Bureau).

Mary Hastings Group Holds Otterville Outing

Free Press Woodstock Bureau

OTTERVILLE, July 15 — The combined Mary Hastings groups of the Otterville Valley Pals Club and the Happy Bluebirds held a successful annual picnic for the area today.

Guests from Simcoe, London, Woodstock, Ingersoll, Otterville, Delhi and Springford attended. More than 100 were present, including children.

Mrs. Jerry Finch, president of the Otter Valley group, secretary Mrs. Evelyn Duffy and Miss Lillian Oatman, president of the Happy Bluebirds and Mrs. Raymond DeMontmorency, secretary, ushered the picnic along.

Children's Program

Following are the results of the children's program: Linda Broad, Otterville; J. Durkee, Tillsonburg; Lois Durkee, Tillsonburg; Nancy Pollard, Ingersoll; Eddy Stronger, Ingersoll; Marie Duffy, Otterville; Karen Ash, Otterville; Luella Duffy, Otterville.

Contest winners were: Mrs. H. Pollard, Ingersoll; Mrs. R. Jasper, Woodstock; Mrs. H. Harris, Woodstock; Mrs. A. Payne, Woodstock; Mrs. Dorothy Hyde, Simcoe; George Broad, Otterville; Mrs. Ellen J. Buckle, Woodstock; Mrs. Joe Duffy, Otterville and Mrs. J. Hartford, London.

Visitors At Outing

Visitors attending were: Mrs. Earl Sullivan, London; Mrs. Ed. Vinen, London; Mrs. C. Fleming, Springford; Mrs. R. Milmine, Springford; Mrs. H. Harris, Woodstock; Mrs. R. Jasper, Woodstock; Helen, Pollard, Ingersoll; Mrs. Senton, Ingersoll; Mrs. B. Moss, Delhi; Ruby Hooker, Delhi; Edna Burgess, Delhi; Sarah MacMullen, Delhi; Dorothy Durkee, Otterville; Kathleen Saunders, Otterville; Mrs. J. Hartford, London; Mrs. J. Mitchell, Norwich; Mrs. Hoyt, Norwich; Mrs. H. Showers, Woodstock; Betty Saunders, Otterville; Mrs. B. Walters, Otterville; Marilyn Swanton, Norwich; S. Hall, Norwich; Lillian Oatman, Otterville; Irene Entwistle, Norwich; June Ash, Otterville; Karen and Michael Ash, Otterville;

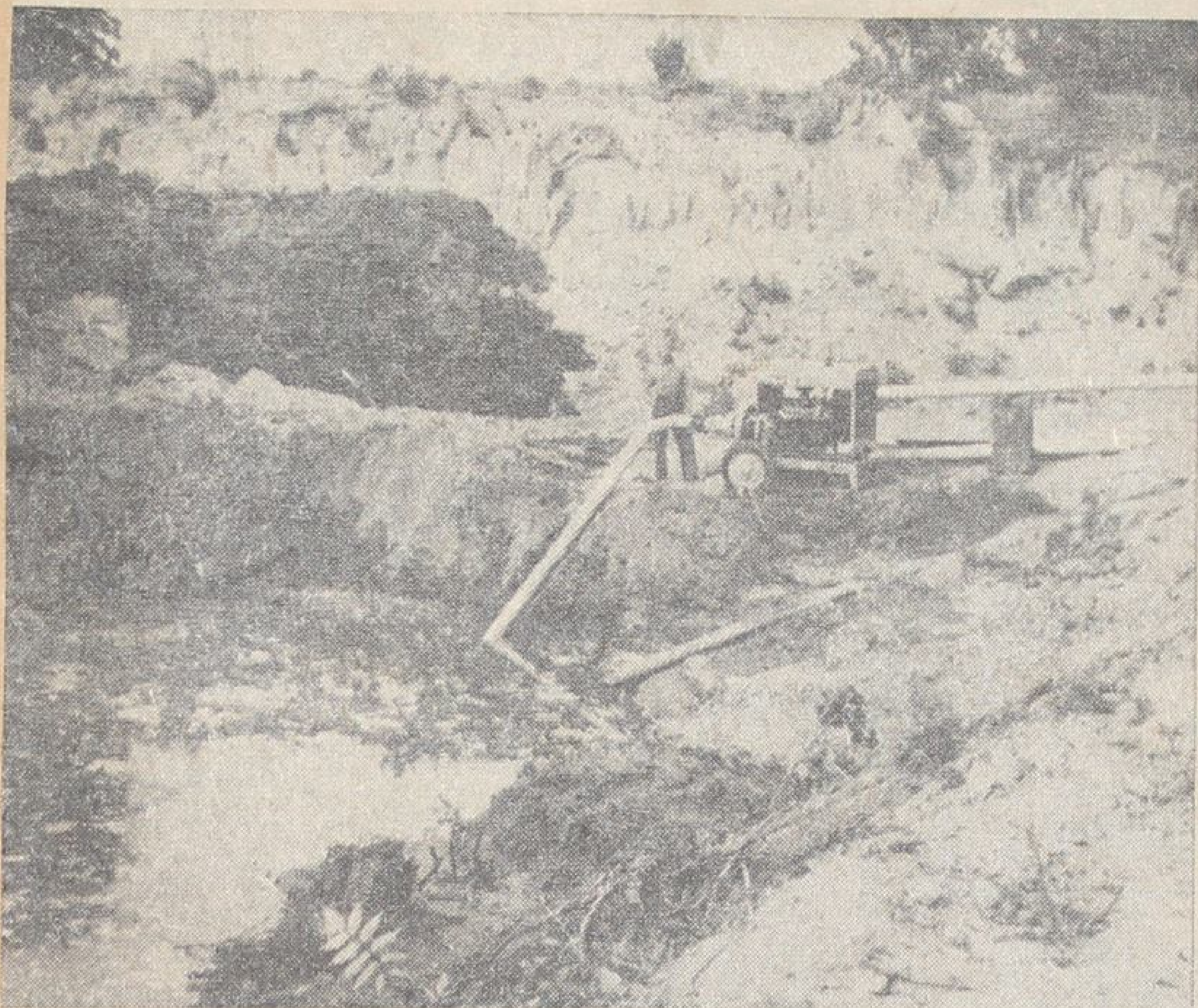
Mrs. Olive Woodall, Woodstock; Mrs. L. Ramsay, Woodstock; Mrs. K. Miller, Woodstock; Mrs. A. Payne, Woodstock; Mrs. A. Houlgate, London; Mrs. George Barber, Simcoe; Miss Alice Cook, Norwich; Ellen J. Buckle, Woodstock; Madelyn G. Clark, Woodstock; Mrs. L. Pike, Woodstock; Susie Woodall, Woodstock; J. Woodall, Woodstock; Mrs. S. J. Panther, London; Mrs. Robert Grand, London; Mrs. John Livermore, London; Mrs. Hilda Chambers, Simcoe; Mrs. Dorothy Hyde, Simcoe; Mrs. Pearl Parson, Otterville; Mrs. David Pollard,

Woodstock; Helen, Nancy and Lewis Pollard, Ingersoll; Mrs. Rosalee Wilson, Otterville; Mrs. E. M. Chown, London.

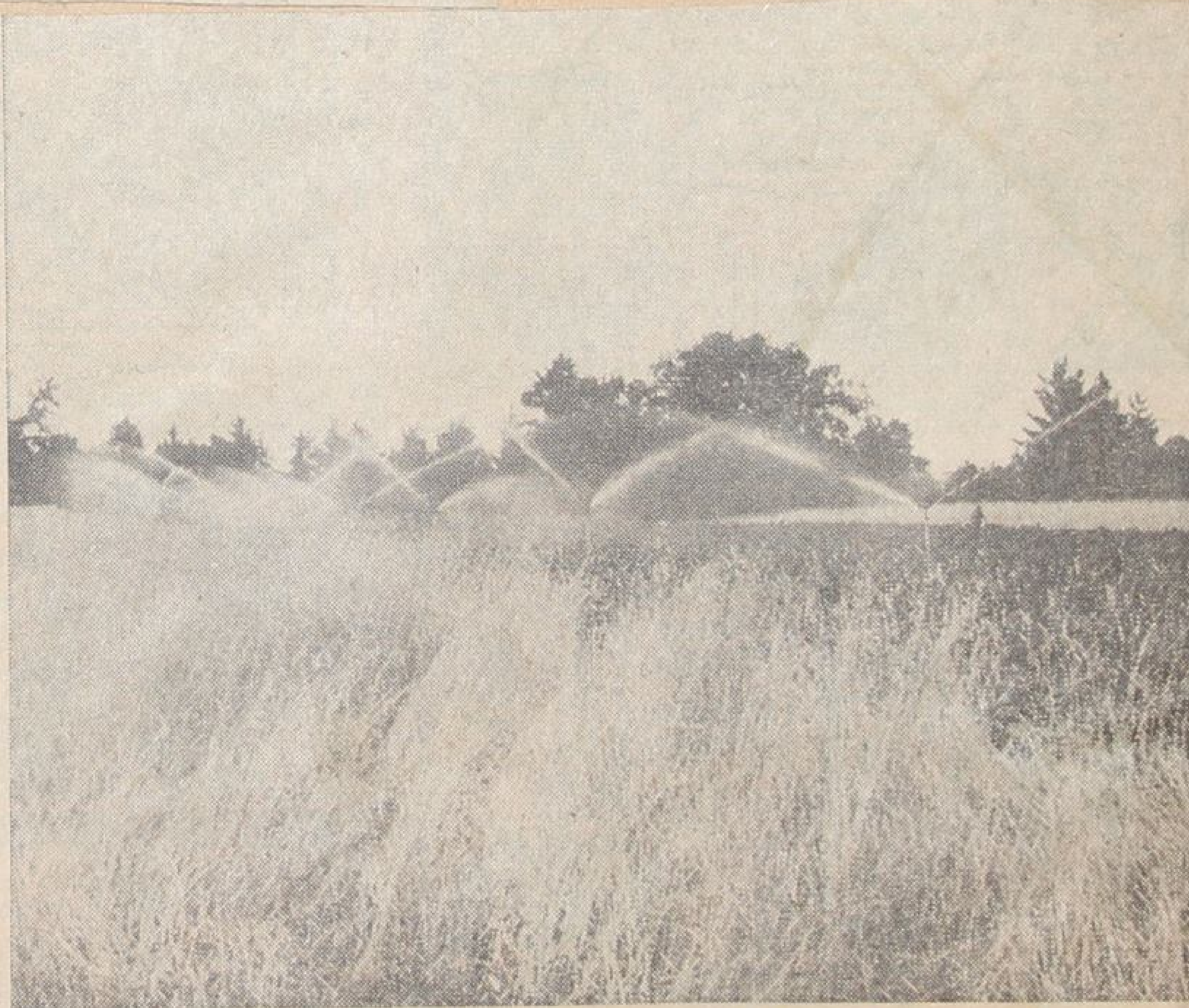
Mrs. Patrick Barry, Simcoe; Mrs. Alfred Ash, Otterville; Mrs. Frank Finch, Otterville; Barbara and Marlene Finch, Otterville; Mrs. Marion Broad, and George and Linda, Otterville; Mrs. Winnifred McMullen, Otterville; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Clinton, London; Mr. and Mrs. Dennis L. Groat, London; Florence Segner, Otterville; Lottie Armstrong, Otterville; Dawn Pettigrew, Otterville; Mrs. Evelyn Duffy and Teresa Duffy, Otterville; Mary Fryde, Tillsonburg; Clara Griffin, Tillsonburg; Mrs. Doreen Hansford; Mrs. Rose Chambers and Dean and David, Otterville; Mrs. Evelyn Waring, Otterville;

Mrs. Nellie Hussey, Otterville; Mrs. Mabel Bowman, Norwich; Mrs. Jessie Thompson, Norwich; Edith Kendrick, Norwich; Martha Mills and David, Norwich; Miss Marion Leach, Otterville; Mrs. Lottie Gilbert, RR 4, Simcoe; Daisy Ash, Otterville; Henry Ash Jr., Otterville; Mrs. Mary Young, Delhi; Mrs. Ethel Marlatt, Delhi; Mrs. Fred Pearce, Otterville; Mrs. Edna Pearce, Otterville; Mrs. Ida Wrigglesworth, and Ronald and David, Otterville; Mrs. Myrtle Addison, Otterville.

Irrigation Schemes Aid Tobacco Fields



Norwich tobacco growers are hoping for rain within the next few days to save what has promised to be a record crop in the area. Many growers, whose farms border Otter Creek, have improvised dams like the one above, and are pumping water along miles of movable pipe into their fields.



Here the thirsty land is sprayed with the creek water. The fields so irrigated will give an abundant yield and will pay well for the necessary outlay of several thousands of dollars in equipment. Harvesting operations will be commencing in from two to three weeks time.

Water Flows Over Dam Again 1954



Water is running over the Otterville dam again, after more than two weeks when not even a trickle passed over it. There have been rare occasions before which found the Otterville dam dry, or nearly so, but never for such a long period. The owner of the 100-year-old grist mill, Lorne Treffry, said that the mill was still running, but it depended entirely on the water wheel to keep it going. The long dry spell, coupled with scores of irrigation systems in this district, used for the tobacco crops, helped to deplete the supply.

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Enjoyed Trip

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A trip to New York City is an event in itself, but the added thrill of attending the Lions International Convention with their parents was the treat for the four children of Dr. and Mrs. G. Murray Downing, Otterville. Dr. Downing is the newly elected president of the Norwich-Otterville Lions Club, and they used part of their vacation time for the trip.

Mrs. Downing had made each of the four children a gold and purple satin jacket and hat, just like the big Lions and their ladies wore, and the six created quite a sensation in the hotel where they stayed. One big Texan in the hotel elevator, remarked "I thought we did things big in Texas."

The youngest, Joan, was especially winsome in her complete ensemble, and she and her brothers, David, 5, Kendrick, 7, and Wynn, 12 had their greatest thrill watching "the wee, wee cars" looking down from atop the Empire State building. Other highlights were a trip around Manhattan, and watching the Howdy Doody performers from the sound stage. Wynn, who just had his 12th birthday in June and passed his entrance examinations, also had a holiday from his paper route.

Aug. 29/54 Decoration Service

At Otter Cemetery

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville—The annual Decoration Day service was held in the Otter Cemetery Sunday afternoon with perfect weather permitting about 200 persons to attend the impressive service arranged by Tecumseh Lodge, I.O.O.F. and Violet Rebekah Lodge. After brief appropriate remarks by the chairman, George H. Davis, and Scripture and prayers by Rev. C. H. Wright, the Noble Grand of Tecumseh Lodge introduced the guest speaker, Rev. W. D. Stenlake, Niagara Falls, a former minister of the Otterville United Church. Mr. Stenlake gave an inspiring message of "Fellowship and Goodwill," urging his listeners to be true to themselves; be true to others; and be true to God.

He told of interesting experiences he had in Palestine, Egypt and other far-off places, relating to friendship and goodwill, and said that every lodge meeting, every church service, every hymn, and every kindly deed, should be a bridge by which we can reach one another. The grave of each person who had been a lodge member was marked with a spray and flag, and the cemetery was beautiful with flowers and decorated graves.

Otterville News

Late Mrs. F. A. Broad

Mrs. Frederick A. Broad, a lifelong resident of the Springford district died at the District Memorial Hospital at Tillsonburg early Monday Morning, July 26th.

Born in Springford 56 years ago, she was the former Alice Lorena Bell, daughter of the late William Bell and Clara Anstice. She was in poor health for sometime and confined to her home or hospital for the past several months. She was a member of the Springford United Church and the Springford Women's Institute and was active in these organizations as long as health permitted.

She is survived by her husband and one son and three daughters, William Broad, Tillsonburg, Mrs. Norman Fleming (Margaret), Springford; Mrs. Scotty Carroll (Shirley) Delhi; Mrs. Murray Haley (Doris) Springford. She also leaves five grandchildren and one brother, Charlie Bell of Springford.

Funeral services were held at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville Wednesday afternoon and were conducted by Rev. W. George Wylie, Otterville, minister of the Springford United Church of which she had been a member. More than 200 relatives, neighbors and friends gathered to pay tribute to her memory, from Springford, Tillsonburg, Delhi, Cornell, Stratford, Norwich, London, Simcoe, Rock's Mills, Strathroy, Hamilton, Burgessville and many other places.

During the service a solo "God Understands" was sung by Mrs. Edgar Pearce, playing her own accompaniment, also a number of favorite hymns before and after the service. Included

among the many beautiful floral tributes were Gates Ajar and basket from the neighbors and friends of the sixth and seventh concessions, baskets from Dry Milk Dept. of the Borden Co. Ltd., Toronto, wreath from Springford Bowling League, sprays from Staff of Dominion Experimental Farm, Delhi, the Norwich Girls Softball team, the Springford United Church and Sunday School, the Delhi Boy Scouts, basket from the Springford Neighbors and Friends, red roses from the Young People's class of the Springford Baptist Church.

The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Lloyd Stroud, Merle Stroud, Blaine Oatman, Ira Fox, Leigh Wilcox, and Earl Rachar. Interment was in the Springford Cemetery.

Mrs. Frederick Broad

OTTERVILLE, July 26 — Mrs. Frederick A. Broad, lifelong resident of Springford district, who died in Memorial Hospital at Tillsonburg today, was the former Alice L. Bell.

She had been an active member of the United Church and Women's Institute.

Surviving besides her husband, are one son, William, Tillsonburg; and three daughters, Mrs. Norman Fleming and Mrs. Murray Haley, Springford; Mrs. Scotty Carroll, Delhi, and one brother, Charles Bell, Springford.

Resting at the Addison funeral home, Otterville, where services will be held Wednesday by Rev. W. G. Wylie, Springford United Church. Interment will be in Springford Cemetery.

Honored on Birthday

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville—Edward Turner, Otterville, who served as plant manager of the Tip Top Cannery for about 25 years was honored on the occasion of his 70th birthday by a group of the employees and a few friends. The surprise party was held at the home of Ken Klinck and Mr. Turner was presented with a clock radio. An address was given by W. Pavely and the presentation was made by John Cole, two of the long term employees of the factory.

Mrs. I. Steinhoff, 92 Dies Following Fall

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville—The fifth nonagenarian to die in Otterville during the past 10 months, Mrs. Isabelle Ann Steinhoff, 92, a resident of South Norwich Township all her life, died in the Brantford General Hospital on Sunday morning. She had been in failing health for several months, and after having a fall in her home last Tuesday morning, she was taken to Brantford Hospital with a fractured hip.

She was an active member of the Baptist Mission Circle and the Springford Baptist Church. She attended the services regularly until the past few weeks. She was also a faithful member of the Otterville Women's Missionary Society and the Women's Institute.

She was born in April, 1862, and lived on the 11th Concession until 1917, when she came to Otterville, where she had since resided. She was the daughter of the late John Singer and Lorena Taylor, and is survived by one brother, George Singer of Otterville; one sister, Mrs. Rose Griffin of Woodstock; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Service

Funeral service was conducted on Tuesday afternoon from the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, Rev. G. L. Stebner of Springford officiating. Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the United Church, assisted.

The funeral was largely attended by relatives and friends from Font-hill, Beamsville, Woodstock, Embro, Sarnia, Hanover, Brantford, Toronto, Tillsonburg, Aylmer, Norwich, Burgessville, London, Hatchley and Cornell.

George H. Davis sang a solo, "Jesus' Lover of My Soul," and Mr. and Mrs. Stebner sang a duet, "The Pearly Gates Will Open," accompanied by Edgar Pearce, who also played a number of favorite hymns before and after the service.

Among the many beautiful floral tributes were wreaths from the Springford Baptist Church, the Otterville Women's Institute, the Otterville Neighbors and Friends, and Gideon Bibles from the Park Baptist and Mission Circle in Brantford, also a number of Bibles placed in her memory by individual friends.

Pallbearers were Charles Almost, Will Patterson, Clarence Singer, Kenneth Griffin, Harold Singer and Charles Singer.

Flower bearers were Elmer Almost, Raymond Patterson, Morgan Williams, Howard Butler, Neil and Lloyd Patterson.

Interment was in Otter Cemetery.

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Arlene Jean Godby Weds Robert Noels

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville — Tall standards of white gladioli, ferns, palms and white candelabra formed the setting for the marriage of Arlene Jean Godby to Robert Beecher Noels, both of Otterville, Saturday afternoon at the Otterville United Church. The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. W. G. Wylie, Otterville.

The wedding music was played by Miss Lurene Treffry, Otterville, and before the ceremony the soloist, Mrs. Harry Kelly, Tillsonburg, sang "I Love You Truly." Later she sang "A Wedding Prayer" and during the signing of the register she sang "Because."

The bride wore a floor-length gown of white net over satin with lace bodice and bolero, and the small round collar was outlined in pearls. Her veil of white net had an embroidered border, and extended from a frilled cap. She carried a bouquet of white roses centred with a red rose with white satin streamers. Her only ornament was a single strand of pearls.

The bridesmaid, Miss Janet Leitch, Otterville, was gowned in a turquoise blue net strapless gown with matching stole, and fitted net cap. Her bouquet was of pink roses and pink satin streamers.

Douglas Swick of Tillsonburg was best man, and the ushers were Wilfred Noels of Straffordville and Bill Noels of Otterville.

A reception was held for 47 guests from Buffalo, Aylmer, Tillsonburg, St. Marys, Newark, Norwich, Springfield, Windsor and Decker-ville, Mich., at Mrs. Summers at Tillsonburg.

Later the bride and groom left for Niagara Falls, Buffalo, Toledo and Windsor, the bride travelling in a powder blue bengaline dress with pink hat and accessories.

On their return Mr. and Mrs. Noels will reside in Norwich.



MARRIED AT ST. JAMES CHURCH

Members of the wedding party who took part in the lovely service at St. James Anglican Church last Saturday afternoon when Leona Swartz and James McKee

were united in marriage, are shown in the photo. Left to right are Ronald Sage, usher; Howard Fortner, best man; James Mc-

Kee, bridegroom, Mrs. McKee; Mrs. Ronald Sage, matron of honor; Tom McKee, usher. (Photo by Engle Studio)

Guest of Honor

Miss Leona Swartz, Ingersoll, was the guest of honor at a shower at the home of Miss Catherine McMullen Monday evening, when 25 of her friends and members of the St. John's Church Club of which she was the first president, met prior to her marriage.

A number of interesting contests were conducted by Mrs. Carl Howse, and prizes were won by Miss Swartz, Mrs. A. Deveney and Mrs. Wellington Armstrong. The living room was prettily decorated with pink and white streamers, and the bride-elect was assisted by Miss Marilyn Gehring in opening the gifts. She was also presented with a salad and cake set by St. John's Church Club and an address by Miss Eva Deveney and Miss Swartz graciously thanked her friends for the gifts and good wishes.

Afterward the hostess was assisted by her mother Mrs. Nate McMullen and Mrs. Jack Riste and Mrs. Jack Furlong in serving dainty refreshments, including a beautifully decorated shower cake decorated in pink and green, with a solid pink umbrella atop the cake.

Mrs. Alma Deveney won the prize for the lucky plate.

Golden Wedding Celebrated

Tuesday evening, September 14th, was a very happy occasion for Mr. and Mrs. John Oddy, at their home, Woodlawn at Milldale.

Many friends and relatives gathered to help them celebrate their golden wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Oddy were married in Niagara Falls, N. Y., on Sept. 14th, 1904, by the Rev. Albert S. Bacon. Their attendants were Chas. R. Bill and Mable Stover (McVittie).

In their spacious home a delightful social evening was spent. The table was centred with the traditional cake, and they received many lovely and useful gifts.

One of the highlights of the occasion for Mr. and Mrs. Oddy was the presence of their son and only child Joe Oddy from Farmington, Mich. There were other guests present from Sudbury, Woodstock, Otterville and Norwich. Mrs. Oddy will be remembered by many in Norwich as she was the former Ida Stover, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ephriam Stover.

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Celebrate 60th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. George Singer, lifelong residents of this district celebrated the 60th anniversary of their marriage, Sunday, surrounded by gifts, plants, flowers and messages of congratulation. Mr. Singer, a sprightly 88, had the grounds of their lovely home, just south of the Anglican Church, in perfect order for the happy event. The neatly boxed hedge backed by tall cannas and a border of blue blooms vied with the spacious garden at the back where Mr. Singer pointed with pride to the dahlias some of which measured ten inches across.

Mr. Singer was born on the 11th concession of South Norwich township on land his father obtained from the Crown, and farmed there until moving to Otterville 16 years ago.

Mrs. Singer was born near Delhi, and they were married at the Baptist Parsonage, Delhi, September 19th, 1894. Mr. Singer was secretary treasurer of the Summerville School for about 16 years, and was a deacon of the Otterville Baptist Church for 32 years, and then appointed honorary deacon for life, having been a member of the church for more than 60 years, and they are the oldest couple to be members of the church, and probably the oldest married couple in the community.

Mrs. Singer, who is 80, helped to organize the Summerville Women's Institute and was president for many years, and after moving to Otterville she joined the Otterville branch and attends the meetings regularly.

Mrs. Singer wore a pretty grey crepe jacket dress to receive the guests during the afternoon and her corsage of white mums and red roses came from her own garden.

They were assisted by their only son Clarence and his wife from Norwich who presented them with 60 red roses. Their two daughters Mrs. Clara Stassin and Mrs. Irene Goodman of Detroit were unable to be present as the latter underwent an operation last week. There is on grandson Jimmie Goodman and Mr. and Mrs. Singer each have two sisters, Mrs. Steinhoff, 92, of Otterville, Mrs. Rose Griffin, 85 of Woodstock, Mrs. Hattie Easton, Detroit and Mrs. Jennie Wardle, Springford, who spent the day with them.

Pretty Otterville Ceremony



Wed in Otterville United Church on Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Ross Charles Dow. The bride is the former Juanita Jean McMullen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. McMullen of Otterville, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Dow of Hamilton. The couple will reside in Otterville. (Photo by Seldon).

A miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Jean McMullen, whose wedding will take place on Saturday, was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Marshall and arranged by Misses Elaine Mashall, Lenora Slaght and Dorothy Davis. There were about 25 guests from Tillsonburg, Teeterville, Norwich and Otterville and the evening was spent in playing court whist. Miss McMullen received many lovely gifts for which she thanked her friends. Later Mrs. Marshall was assisted by Mrs. George Daiken, Mrs. George Slaght and Mrs. Donald Baguley in serving refreshments.

A miscellaneous shower in honor of the recent marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Noels of Norwich was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Godby and was attended by about 30 of their Otterville friends. Card bingo was enjoyed during the evening after which they were assisted by Misses Mary Lou Hatton, Carol Pennington and Norma Jean Clifford in opening the many useful gifts for which they thanked their friends. Afterwards refreshments were served by Mrs. Derry Spicer, Mrs. Charles Hopkins, Misses Jane Furlong and Annie Godby.

ROSS DOW WEDS

JEAN McMULLEN

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville—A pretty Autumn wedding was solemnized at the Otterville United Church on Saturday, October 9th, at 2 p.m., when Juanita Jean McMullen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. McMullen of Otterville, exchanged marriage vows with Ross Charles Dow of Tillsonburg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Dow of Hamilton.

Rev. W. George Wylie performed the pretty ceremony before an attractive, all-white setting of chrysanthemums, surrounded by ferns and palms. The wedding music was played by Miss Lurene Treffry of Otterville, and the soloist, Miss Dorothy Boyes of Stratford, cousin of the groom, sang "Wedding Prayer" and "Through the Years."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was lovely in a white gown of floral lace over satin, fashioned with a full gathered skirt which extended into a short train. The front panel of net was outlined with rows of velvet daisies and pearls. Over the strapless bodice she wore a lace jacket with long sleeves. Her finger-tip veil of French illusion had a double floral border and was held by a halo of tiny white flowers. She carried a bouquet of white mums and stephanotis, centred with a mauve orchid.

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Attending the bride was Miss Elaine Marshall of Brantford, as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Dorothy Davis of Otterville and Miss Lenora Slaght of Brantford. They wore identical strapless waltz-length gowns of Romance blue net over taffeta, and matching lace boleros. The bodices were trimmed with pearls and skirts were fashioned with layers of net. They wore matching blue pumps and feather bandeaux, and carried nosegays of bronze chrysanthemums.

The groom's young sister, Sharon Dow of Hamilton, was the flower girl. She wore a floor-length frilled gown of yellow net and matching cap. She carried a nosegay of tiny mums.

Best man was Mervin Wallace of Tillsonburg. The groom's brother, Lyle Dow of Hamilton and the bride's brother, William McMullen, Jr., of Otterville ushered.

Reception was held in the church parlor for 75 guests. The bride's table was centred by a three-tier wedding cake and flanked by tall white tapers.

The bride's mother received the guests wearing a navy blue lace dress with grey accessories. She wore a corsage of yellow roses. The groom's mother was dressed in a light blue lace dress with navy accessories, with a corsage of pink mums.

For a wedding trip to New York State, the bride chose a charcoal grey suit with turquoise and black accessories. On their return, Mr. and Mrs. Dow will make their home in Otterville.

Late William W. W. Morgan

William Watkin Wynne (Watt) Morgan, for 44 years a resident of Norwich village, died early Monday morning at his home in his 72nd year. Mr. Morgan was ill for little more than a day.

Born in Delhi, he was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Morgan. He was brought up and educated in Delhi and came to Norwich to purchase the hardware business of the Batty Brothers in January, 1910. He continued a popular hardware merchant here for 40 years, selling the business in 1950 to Morgan Bilger, a nephew, and had since lived retired.

During his long residence in Norwich Mr. Morgan had taken an active part in many organizations. For several years he served in the village Council and for many years more he was a public school trustee. He was a member of St. John's Masonic Lodge, Hayden Lodge, I. O. O. F., the Norwich-Otterville Lions' Club, the Pasttime Club and Holy Trinity church. In all these he pulled his share of the load and carried many responsibilities. He was chairman of the C. P. and T. fund in the Oddfellows Lodge and appealed to the Village Council at its last meeting for the privilege of holding a pencil tag in town next Saturday to raise funds for that important work. Since then he had been busy organizing for that event. In the Lion's Club he was responsible for the Pee Wee hardball team which the Lions sponsor. He planned games with out of town points and trained the boys the art of playing for several years. Mr. Morgan had been convenor of the Lion's Club Halloween party for boys and girls. He attended meeting of the Pasttime Club often and enjoyed games of cards with pals there. For many years he was the Peoples Warden in Holy Trinity church and was regular in attendance at church services. In addition to all this he loved his home in which he was a kindly husband and good father.

Mr. Morgan was twice married. The first time to Gertrude Lawrason, who died nearly 16 years ago; and then to Mrs. Lulu Eutler, who survives. Surviving also are three sons: George, Niagara Falls; William, Essex; Jack, San Francisco; two step-children, six grandchildren, three sisters: Mrs. Gertrude Forsyth, Mrs. Theodore Bilger and Mrs. E. Sutherland, all of Delhi and a brother, Harry Morgan, Delhi.

Holy Trinity Church was filled to the doors on Wednesday afternoon as members of many organizations joined with the family and out of town friends in paying a last, sincere tribute of respect to a well known citizen and good friend W. W. W. (Watt) Morgan. Besides the expression of esteem shown by the largely attended funeral, the floral tributes were many and especially beautiful and were token of much comfort to the family.

Rev. C. H. Wright, the rector, conducted the service and he paid glowing tribute to Mr. Morgan, who had served loyally, devotedly and well as the Rector's Warden for almost 30 years. The minister mentioned Mr. Morgan's loyalty to him and the church during his years as Rector. Wm. Colchester, lay reader, a close friend of Mr. Morgan, and the Rev. Mr. J. H. Wheallen, rector of the Anglican church at Essex, who came as a token of friendship to Bill Morgan, one of his members. During the impressive Anglican service, favorite hymns of the deceased were sung.

Bearers were: N. C. Macwhirter, N. C. Hern, Samuel Croker, Basil Pick, C. H. Helsdon and G. Harold Poldon. The many floral tributes were carried by members of the Norwich-Otterville Lion's Club. Interment was made in the Norwich cemetery.

Mr. Fred Gimmett and Mr. Freeland and friends of St. Charles Anglican Church, Dereham attended the funeral service. Messrs. Gimmett and Freeland are Church Wardens at St. Charles.

Blanche McFarlane

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville—Miss Blanche McFarlane, a resident of Otterville until about 1920, was found dead in her apartment at Toronto Sunday afternoon.

Born in Otterville 58 years ago, she was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John McFarlane and spent her early life in Otterville where she learned the millinery business, and has been engaged in that work in Toronto. She had been seen by friends Saturday noon, and it is believed that her death occurred soon after that time as she did not answer her phone after that time. The coroner attributed her death to coronary thrombosis.

She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Edwin Pennington (Clara) of Hamilton and one nephew, Edwin Pennington Jr.

The body was brought to the Addison Funeral Home at Otterville where funeral service was conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m. by Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church. Interment in the Otter Cemetery.

Blanche McFarlane

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville—Funeral services for Miss Blanche McFarlane who died suddenly at her home in Toronto on Saturday, were held in Otterville, Wednesday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home, and were conducted by Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church.

Miss McFarlane spent her early life in Otterville, and also lived in Woodstock and Hamilton before going to Toronto 27 years ago, where she was a millinery designer at the Newton Hat Company. There were many of her friends and relatives from Hamilton, Toronto, Grimsby, Galt, Otterville, Tillsonburg and other places at the funeral, and many lovely floral tributes from business associates and relatives and friends.

The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Cecil Hooker, Murray Holmes, Jack Furlong, Ernest Treffry, Ira Pearce and Kenneth Wardell. Interment was in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Late Mrs. M. C. Gabbert

Mrs. Mary Celestine (Moore) Gabbert, a native of Springford Ont., died in the Brantford General Hospital on Friday following a stroke. She had come from Tuscon, Arizona in July and had planned to return home this week, but was stricken on Thanksgiving day while visiting at the home of Mrs. Hazel Haylock at Norwich and was taken to the Brantford Hospital where her death occurred Friday morning.

Born at Springford, daughter of the late Daniel Moore and Charity Ellen Silverthorn, she also lived at Tillsonburg and Brantford before going to Columbus, Ohio where she lived for twenty years. For the past seven years she has lived near the Pacific Coast.

She is survived by her husband, Howard C. Gabbert, one sister Mrs. H. J. Lawson, Toronto and four brothers, Guy Moore, Stratford, Frank Moore, Columbus, Ohio, John Moore, Dayton, Ohio and Earl Moore, Long Beach, California.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville. Rev. J. Clarke Hood, minister of the Norwich Presbyterian Church, had charge of the services, and two solos "No Night There" and "Some Time We'll Understand" were sung by Mr. George Lowe, Norwich, accompanied by Mrs. Nate McMullen, Otterville who also played a number of favorite hymns before and after the service.

Relatives including deceased's only sister and four brothers, and friends were present from Toronto, Stratford, Columbus, Ohio; Dayton, Ohio; Long Beach California, Tillsonburg, Springford, Norwich, Findlay, Ohio, Ingersoll, Brantford and other places.

There were many beautiful floral tributes from relatives and friends, and these were carried by the casket bearers who were three of her brothers Guy Moore, Stratford, Frank Moore, Columbus, Ohio, Earl Moore, Long Beach, California, Tom Kelly, Stratford, Ray Moore Tillsonburg and William Patterson, Brantford. Interment was in the Springford Cemetery.

Died

CUDNEY—In Port Burwell on Sunday, October 10, 1954, Mary Cudney, widow of William Henry Cudney, in her 96th year.

Rested at her residence, where a private funeral service was held on Wednesday at 2:30 p.m., conducted by the H. A. Ostrander & Son Funeral Home. Rev. John Graham, assisted by Rev. Canon James, officiated. Interment in St. Luke's Cemetery, Vienna.

Mr. and Mrs. Nate McMullen and daughter, Miss Catherine McMullen, visited at the homes of Misses Annie and Maude Cudney and Mr. and Mrs. Norris Prong and family at Port Burwell on Sunday. Their cousin, Miss Effie Nelson of Tillsonburg, accompanied them.

Oldest Port Resident, Mrs. Cudney, 95, Dies

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Port Burwell—The death of Port Burwell's oldest citizen, Mrs. Mary Cudney, occurred Sunday at her home in the village.

Mrs. Cudney, who was 95 years of age, was the oldest member of Trinity Anglican Church, having been a member of the church for 82 years. The deceased was the last of 10 daughters of the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. Fred Knevel of Houghton Township. Her husband, William H. Cudney, predeceased her several years ago.

Survivors are two daughters, Maud and Annie, at home.

Mrs. Cudney rested at her late residence until Wednesday, when a private funeral service was held at her residence at 2:30 p.m., in charge of the H. A. Ostrander & Son Funeral Home. Rev. John Graham, rector of Trinity Anglican Church, assisted by Canon R. W. James, officiated.

Pallbearers were the six nephews, Lawrence Tomson, Norris Prong, John Burger, George Horley, Francis Dark and Ed. Moffatt.

Interment in St. Luke's Cemetery, Vienna.

Tenth Daughter Of Family Dies

TILLSONBURG, Oct. 10—Mrs. Mary Cudney, 95, last of the 10 daughters, who comprised the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. Fred Knevel, of Houghton Township, died this afternoon at her home at Port Burwell.

She was the oldest member of Trinity Anglican Church, Port Burwell, having a record for this district of 82 years. Her husband,

William H. Cudney, died several years ago.

Surviving are two daughters, Maud and Annie, at home.

Resting at the family residence, where private funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, 2:30 p.m., by the Rev. John Graham and Canon James. Interment in St. Lukes Cemetery, at Vienna.

Voters' List Printed

J. Wesley Fish, Otterville printer, who is nearing his 93rd birthday has just completed the printing of the South Norwich township Voter's List for the 67th consecutive year and is probably the only person in Canada to have accomplished such a remarkable record.

Mr. Fish, whose numerous activities are no indication of his years, spends most of the day in his print shop, and while his hearing has failed somewhat, he is a brilliant and witty conversationalist.

Attends Class Reunion

Dr. H. G. Downing, Otterville, attended his class re-union at Toronto recently, and out of the original class which graduated in 1900 there are only six living out of the 52 that graduated. Five of them are still very active and were present at the reunion and Dr. Downing entertained them and 25 of the immediate families at the Old Mill, and afterward they enjoyed a social evening at the home of Dr. Flath at Toronto.

The other doctors came from Niagara Falls and Hamilton. With Dr. Downing at the reunion were his son Dr. G. M. Downing and Mrs. Downing, Otterville and his daughter Mrs. Kendrick Moles and Mr. Moles of Hamilton. Dr. Downing also attended the Gift Show while he was in Toronto.

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Around Our Village

Mr. and Mrs. Nate McMullen and daughter Miss Catherine McMullen and Mrs. J. W. Riste returned home Sunday after spending two weeks on a motor trip to Moosejaw and Lawson, Saskatchewan, going by way of the Northern States and returning through Northern Ontario. Mrs. Wellington Armstrong accompanied them as far as Regina, and going on to Glenevis Alberta to visit her son Vernon Armstrong and family, and also visit her father and other relatives in the west for several weeks.



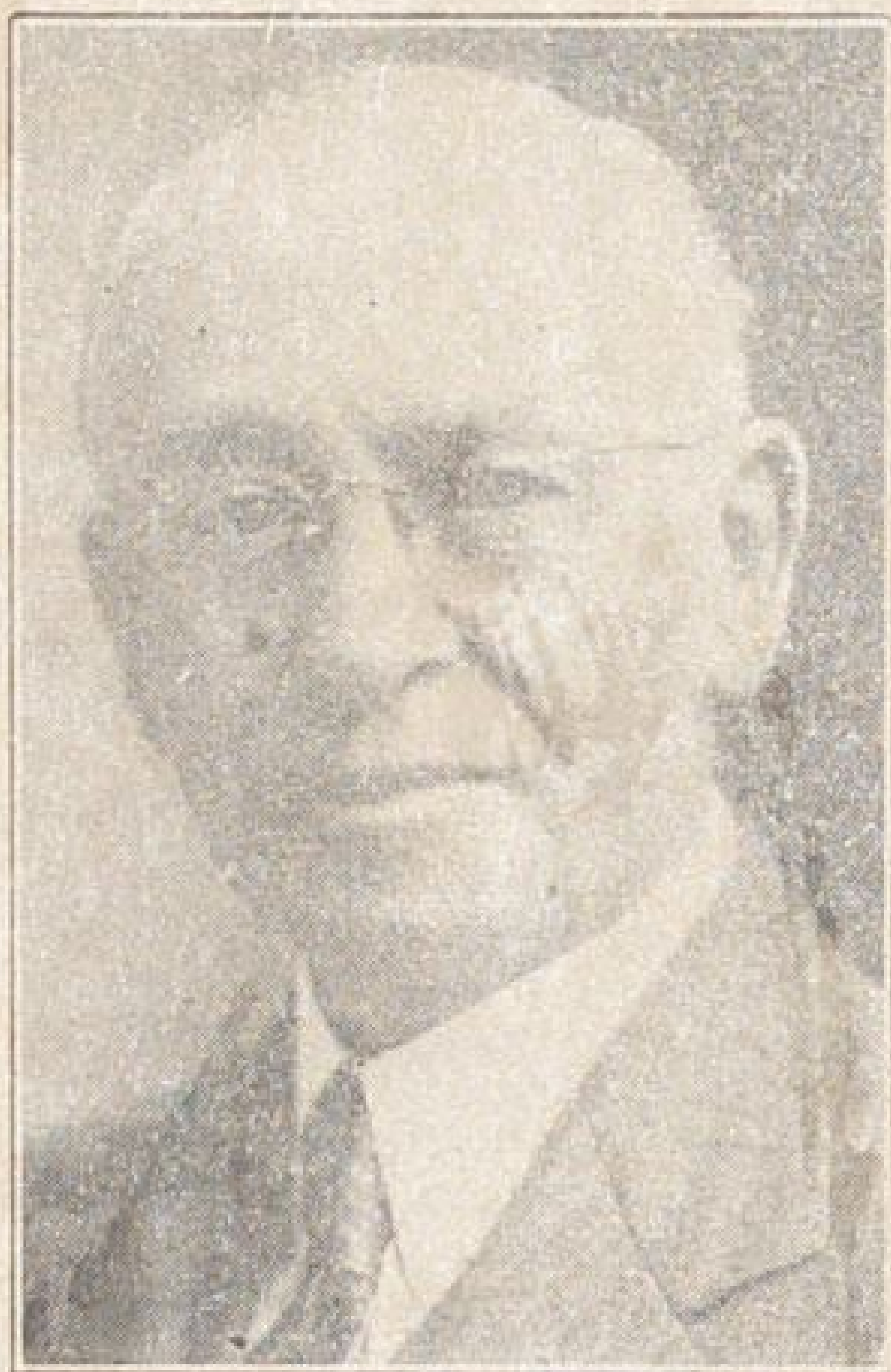
OSCAR GARE

Oscar Gare, General Motors \$28,000. Mr. Gare stated this morning that no doubt it would take some time for the money to be paid and he hoped that he would be able to help worthwhile charities in the district from time to time.

Mr. Gare is quite pleased and wouldn't we all be to have a winning ticket. It is estimated that his share of winning will be in the neighbourhood of However right now Mr. Gare and his staff are more interested in the new 1955 chevrolets and Pontiacs which will be displayed at his garage tomorrow.

Nov. 25/24
**Prominent In Town,
Percival Vair Dies**

A prominent local businessman, J. Percival Vair, passed away suddenly at his home, 52 Washington Grand Avenue last Thursday evening. He was in his 73rd year.



J. Percival Vair

Born in England, he came to Canada in 1906, he was general manager of the Otterville Manufacturing Company and treasurer of Tip Top Cannery.

He came to Tillsonburg 22 years ago to assume the position of secretary-treasurer of the Southern Ontario Flue-Cured Tobacco Growers' Association. He was an official of St. Pauls United Church and sang in the choir for many years.

He was past president of Tillsonburg Lions Club, a former mayor, a member of King Hiram Lodge, No. 78, A.F. & A.M., a member of Tillsonburg Golf and Country Club and a member of the Library board in 1942.

Survivors are his wife, the former Agnes Lyon; one daughter, Phyllis of Hamilton; one son, Wallace of Port Credit and one sister, Mrs. Ethel Bayley in England and two grandchildren.

Rested at the H. A. Ostrander and Son Funeral Home where service was held on Monday at 2 p.m. Rev. W. E. Aldworth officiated, assisted by Rev. W. D. Stenlake.

Pallbearers were Donald Gibson, W. E. Lambden, H. I. G. Fraser, T. E. E. Buckingham and two nephews, J. P. Vair and Robert Vair. Honorary pallbearers were W. G. Pow and G. H. Hollier.

Interment in Tillsonburg Cemetery.

Funeral Late Leith O. Howse

Funeral services for Leith O. Howse, who died at the District Memorial Hospital on Wednesday were held Saturday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home at Otterville and were conducted by Rev. C. H. Wright, Norwich, rector of St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville of which Mr. Howse was a member.

A number of favorite hymns were played by Mrs. Nate McMullen, organist of the church, before and after the service. The service was very largely attended by relatives, friends and neighbors from Burlington, Niagara Falls, Bronte, Woodstock Delhi, Norwich, Tillsonburg Toronto Aylmer London, and many other places. Many beautiful floral tributes filled the room expressing sympathy to his family and the esteem in which he was held.

Among them was a cross from St. John's Anglican Church, Ladies Guild, St. John's Club and the Sunday School, also sprays from the staff of the Experimental Sub Station, Delhi, the Neighbors, Elliott Bros, and Employees of Woodstock, Witts Fertilizer Co., Norwich, Violet Rebekah Lodge, and a number of Gideon Bibles were also placed in memory.

The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Max Avey, Dee Scott, Edward Moore, Ward King, Andrew Childs and Murray Holmes. Interment was in Otter Cemetery.

Card of Thanks

Mrs. J. P. Vair and family wish to extend their heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness, messages of sympathy, and beautiful floral offerings received from neighbors, relatives and friends on the loss of a loving husband and father. Especially we thank Dr. Alexander for his friendly and professional concern for him over many years; Rev. Mr. Aldworth and Rev. Mr. Stenlake for their messages of comfort; Mr. Ostrander for the kind and sympathetic management of the services, and those who so kindly acted as pallbearers.

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Mrs. Wellington Armstrong returned home last week after a few weeks visit with relatives in Alberta, with her son Vern Armstrong and Mrs. Armstrong and family at Glenvis, and also visiting her father Fred Cotton and her sister Mrs. Millen at Waskatenau.

Charels Forman has moved into the house which he recently purchased on Mill Street. His cousins Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lees and daughter Ollie who came from Norwich sometime ago and have been living with him, also moved with him.

Rev. Ridley Parson of Dutton spent a day recently with his brother Herbert Parson and Mrs. Parson. Nov 15/24

Ladies Guild

The Ladies Guild of St. John's Anglican Church held a very successful bazaar and tea in the Community Hall Saturday afternoon. The tea tables were attractive with Christmas decorations and cloths, and work which the ladies have done throughout the year was held, also quantities of home baking, homemade candy, and donated articles. A beautifully crocheted bib apron made by an 85-year-old member, Mrs. Himmelsbach, brought a nice sum from tickets, and was won by Mrs. Carl Howse. The ticket was drawn by Mrs. Nellie Carswell of Detroit, a visitor.

Mrs. W. Marshall, Mrs. Gertrude Huggins and Mrs. Ira Pearce had charge of the fancy work and novelty table; Mrs. Geo. Wavell, Mrs. Wellington Armstrong and Mrs. Nate McMullen, the bake table; Miss Catherine McMullen, Miss Eva Deveney and Mrs. A. Jardine, the St. John's Church Club table! and Mrs. Jack Furlong, Mrs. Herbert Parson, Mrs. Mabel Kerr and Mrs. Lena Young were the kitchen committee. The guests were received by Mrs. C. H. Wright and Mrs. Douglas Collver and the tickets were sold by Miss Edna Furlong. Mrs. D. R. Spicer and Mrs. Fred Howse served at the tea tables.

Mrs. Nellie Carswell of Detroit has been spending a week with her niece Mrs. Nate McMullen and visiting other relatives here.



The above group had an active few weeks installing Rebekah Lodge officers in East St. Thomas District. Shown in the picture are, left to right, back row, Olive McKoy, noble grand of Myrtle Rebekah Lodge; Aletta Sherman, deputy inside guardian; Theresa Rouse, deputy outside guardian; Mabel Porter, deputy chaplain; June Hurley, deputy musician; Violet House, deputy warden; Mary Oldridge, deputy marshal; Mary Pryde, vice-grand of Myrtle Rebekah Lodge; middle row, Evelyn VanRietvelde, Marion Simmons, guards or honor; Helen Weeks, deputy treasurer; Gertrude McLennan, district deputy president; Nancie Dean, deputy recording secretary; Frances Williams, Margaret Bamford, guards of honor; front row, Jean Knott, Margaret Goatley, Elizabeth Howes, Gladys Maloney, Marie Sherman, Doreen Clark, guards of honor. Ann Rogers is deputy financial secretary. (Photo by Seldon.)



These are the officers of Vigilant Rebekah Lodge, Norwich, installed at a recent meeting. Left to right in front: Mrs. M. Swanton, Mrs. J. McNally, Mrs. J. Henry, Mrs. M. Hastings, Mrs. V. Newton, Noble Grand; Mrs. A. Edmonds, Mrs. H. Haylock, Mrs. L. E. Force, secretary; Mrs. H. Thorne. Behind: Mrs. P. Armour, Mrs. M. McMillen, Mrs. A. Morris, Mrs. J. Waud and Mrs. H. Hewitt. (Photo by G. Lowe, S. R. Engraving).



Pictured above are the head table guests at the annual Christmas party of the H.M.S. Courageous Chapter, I.O.D.E., held last week at the Orange Hall. Miss Marjorie McIntosh, on the T.D.H.S. staff, was guest speaker, speaking on the topic "Aspects of Religion and Education in France."

Left to right in the above photo are: Mrs. Edwin Shearing, Mrs. Jean Hillier, Mrs. Victor Noble, Regent Mrs. L. S. Millman, Mrs. M. B. Kent, Miss McIntosh, Miss Mary Travis, and Mrs. Ivor Mann. (Photo by Seldon).

CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD BY CHAPTER

Lighted candles, miniature Christmas trees and attractive red bells that served as place cards, decorated the tables for the annual Christmas party of the H.M.S. Courageous Chapter, I.O.D.E., at the Orange Hall on Tuesday evening. Green and red streamers and a huge lighted Christmas tree also added a festive note to the occasion.

A turkey potluck supper was served at 7 p.m., convened by Mrs. Bob Snell. Members of her committee were Mrs. Bert Newman, Mrs. M. B. Kent, Mrs. J. Millidge, Mrs. Edwin Shearing and Mrs. Kingston Ashbaugh. Mrs. Morley Carson arranged the place cards, and Regent Mrs. L. S. Millman cooked the turkey.

The supper, served in buffet style, offered a variety of attractive and tasty dishes with "help-yourself-to-dessert too," at the close of the meal. Grace was repeated in unison, and a nice turn out of members sat down to a bountiful supper.

Miss Mary Travis, charter member of the Order, played "Santa Claus" minus the beard and red suit, but in genial manner distributed gifts that were exchanged by those present. She was assisted by Miss Catherine McMullen of Otterville.

The prayer of the Order was repeated, and the business period opened with Regent Mrs. L. S. Millman in charge. She gave welcome to Miss Marjorie McIntosh, guest speaker, and to the two guests, Mrs. C. H. James and Miss Ellen Fribicer of The Tillsonburg News.

Mrs. Victor Noble read the secretary's report, and a "thank you" note from Mrs. M. B. Kent. Also a letter from Shirley Scruton, thanking the chapter for the scholarship award. The treasurer, Mrs. M. B. Kent, gave the financial report. Mrs. W. Hoyle read a letter from the adopted school. Mrs. Ivor Mann gave an interesting report on "Empire Study."

Mrs. Kingston Ashbaugh introduced the guest speaker of the evening, Miss M. McIntosh, English teacher at Tillsonburg District High School, who gave a delightful talk on the topic "Aspects of Religion and Education in France." Mrs. Lila Carroll thanked the speaker.

At the conclusion of the evening, an "alphabet game" was played. The winner was Miss Doris Sanderson.

Serve Dinner Dec 17/54

A bountiful dinner was served to 70 persons in St. John's Anglican Parish Hall by members of the Ladies' Guild prior to the Christmas concert. They were thanked by the chairman, Carl Howse.

Recitations by children of Miss Catherine McMullen's class were given by Wenda Spicer, Barbara Finch, Lois Wavell, Karen Thompson, Marlene Finch, Kathryn Jardine and Robert Sage. Two Christmas numbers were sung by pupils of Mrs. Carl Howse's class, Bill and Percy Walters, Doreen Howse, Barbara Briggs, Judith Rachar and Sharon Furlong. Mrs. Nate McMullen was accompanist.

Recitations were said by Mrs. Harold Durkee's class, Merlin Howse, Gary Thompson, Susan Jardine, Barbara Walters, Wayne Spicer, Peter Pickersgill, Jay Durkee and Barry Wavell. Recitations were also given by Marie DeVoogdt, Robert Picknell, Dianne Wavell, and Murray Walters. Two plays were also presented by Miss Marie DeVoogdt's class, with Robert Hudson, Lois Hyndman, Bob Picknell, Gladys Pickersgill, Dianne Wavell and David Walters taking part. A play "Carrying the Light" was presented by the Junior W.A.

Best attendance prizes were won by Kathryn and Susan Jardine, Doreen and Merlin Howse.

After the program Santa was helped by teachers, Mrs. Harold Durkee, Miss Marie DeVoogdt, Miss Catherine McMullen and Mrs. Carl Howse in distributing gifts. Before his departure Santa gave everyone a bag filled with candy, popcorn, nuts and oranges.

Church—Elliott

A quiet wedding was solemnized in the Otterville United Church Monday afternoon, December 20th at four o'clock, when Miss Lillian Joyce Elliott, younger daughter of Mrs. N. C. Motley, Glenevis, Alberta, became the bride of John Ross Church, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Church, Otterville. Rev. W. G. Wylie, Otterville, performed the ceremony before the altar decorated with white chrysanthemums. Miss Lurene Treffry, Otterville, played the wedding music.

Given in marriage by her uncle, Donald Baguley, Otterville, the bride was gowned in a ballerina length gown of white lace and net, over satin. Over the strapless bodice she wore a matching lace bolero, and her shoulder length veil was held by woven bands of satin and pearl matching the bands which encircled the full net skirt. She carried a white Bible and pink rosebuds.

Mrs. Fred A. Church was matron of honor wearing aqua bengaline with rose feather bandeau and matching gloves. She carried a nosegay of Briarcliff roses. The best man was the groom's brother Fred A. Church.

A reception was held at Mil-Mar Manor, Tillsonburg after the bride and groom visited the latter's grandmother Mrs. Thomas Church who was unable to be present, and presented her with a bouquet of pink and white carnations. Later they left on a motor trip to New Orleans, Louisiana, the bride wearing a suit of black and wine with white blouse and black topcoat and accessories, and corsage of white rosebuds. On their return they will reside in Tillsonburg.

Well Underway

The new extension to the Otterville Church Schoolroom is well underway, and it is hoped that the addition will be completed and in use early in the New Year. The cement block foundation is in, ready for the brick to be laid. The interior will be of fancy plywood, and should provide adequate classroom space, as the average attendance exceeds 100 at present.

Otterville Man 93 On Friday

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville—A family gathering was held at the home of J. Wesley Fish on his 93rd birthday, the day before Christmas. He was the recipient of many gifts, flowers, cards, long distance telephone messages and telegrams.

With him during part of the Christmas vacation were Mr. and Mrs. Allan Fish of Oakville, Mrs. Paul Fish of Dundas, Mr. and Mrs. William McDowell and daughters, Joan and Anne, of Toronto. Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Fish and sons, Robert and Paul, of Jarvis spent Monday with them, and Mr. Fish talked with his daughter and son and family of Park Ridge, Ill., on his birthday. At the Sunday morning service in the United Church, Rev. W. G. Wylie extended greetings to Mr. Fish.

Active Worker

Mr. Fish was busy helping with decorations and plans for Christmas whenever he could spare time from his "Hobby Print Shop" or in his office in his home where he spends a lot of time keeping a well-kept set of books for the Otterville United Church of which he has been treasurer for many years, or busy with the books of the Otter Cemetery, of which he is the only member of the original board.

Mr. Fish divides his working time, giving generously of his time to the church, and makes many trips up and down stairs each day, as his office is upstairs in the front of his large home, and his print shop is some distance from the house and also upstairs.

His kindly humour is a constant delight to his family and a large circle of friends.

Received Word

Word was received at Otterville last week of the death of a former resident, Mrs. Elizabeth MacDonald at Provost, Alberta. Mrs. Mac Donald was the former Elizabeth (Lizzie) Harford, and spent her early life in Otterville. Shortly before Christmas she suffered a fall, and sustained a broken hip, and died a few days later.

Slowly Improving

Word has been received from Miss Betrice Lees who plans to spend the winter in Cereal, Alberta, that she is slowly improving after spending three weeks in Hospital at Cereal, following an attack of jaundice. Miss Lees appreciated the many greetings that she received from friends in this district.

Mrs. Ainsley Slaght

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville — Funeral service for Mrs. Ainsley Slaght was held at the Addison Funeral Home Saturday afternoon and was conducted by Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church of which Mrs. Slaght was a member.

During the service Mr. George Lowe of Norwich sang "Beyond the Sunset." Mrs. Nate McMullen, Otterville, was accompanist and also played a number of favorite hymns before and after the service. Relatives and friends were present from Toronto, Little Lake, Springfield, Port Dalhousie, New York City, Brantford, Windham Centre, Delhi Norwich Burford, Curries, Woodstock, Burgessville and other places. Mrs. Slaght's three sons and five daughters were all present as well as her grandchildren, except one from Alberta and two from New York. Among the many beautiful floral tributes were those from the Springfield neighbors and friends, the Otterville neighbors the Springfield United Church and Sunday school, Club 13, Port Dalhousie, the office staff of W. S. Tyler Co. Port Dalhousie, St. Andrew's Church choir, the W. S. Tyler C., St. Andrews Sunday school, all of Port Dalhousie, Norwich Chapter O.E.S., staff of the Otterville school, the South Norwich Township school Area Board, the Otterville United Church, the employees of Slaght Bros., and the Norwich-Otterville Lions Club. There were also several Gideon Bibles placed in her memory.

Interment was made in the Windham Centre Cemetery and the casket bearers were, Wilfred Slaght and Richard Neale of Toronto, William Mowat of Springfield, Bob Slaght, Art Davies and Gordon Pennington of Otterville.

Funeral of Late Harry

Dec 30/54 Roy McBride
Funeral services for the late Harry Roy McBride, who died at his home at 511 1/2 14th Ave. C., St. Petersburg, Florida on Dec. 23rd, were held Tuesday, December 29th at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, with Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church in charge. During the service Mrs. Edgar Pearce of Cornell sang a solo "He Will Pilot Thee." She was accompanied by her daughter Miss Marion Jean Pearce. A number of hymns were played before and after the service by Mrs. Nate McMullen, Otterville.

Late James T. Arthur

The funeral of the late James T. Arthur, lifelong resident of the Otterville district, was held Wednesday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home, and was conducted by Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the United Church of which Mr. Arthur was an elder, and assisted by Rev. J. C. Hood, Norwich, minister of the Bookton Presbyterian Church. Mr. Wylie gave a comforting message based on the Twenty-Third Psalm, and he also spoke of the loss which the church had sustained in the death of two of its elders, Thomas Pearce, having passed just eight days previous. During the service Mrs. Jack Walther sang the solo "No Night There." She was accompanied by Miss Lurene Treffry who also played a number of hymns before and after the service.

Among the many beautiful floral tributes were those from the Neighbors around the Arthur home on 59 Highway, also one from the Neighbors in the East end of the village, and one from the John street area, also from the Otterville United Church and the South Norwich twp. Council. The flower bearers were Don Soper, Earl Lee, Cliff Nicholls, Joe Arthur, Goldie Carruthers, Alex Hanson, Glen Soper, Stanley Arthur, Bill Austin Lloyd Lee, George Zimmer and William Arthur. The

Mr. McBride was born in Indiana 79 years ago, and was with the Pullman Standard Co. in Chicago, for more than 30 years. He was a member of the Garfield Blvd. Methodist Church, Chicago, and a member and past Knight of the Knight of Pythias in Chicago. He has spent the past five years in St. Petersburg, and has been confined to his bed for most of that time.

He is survived by his widow, the former Helena Durkee. There were many beautiful floral tributes and these were carried by Nate McMullen, Ira Hooker, Cecil Hooker, Murray Holmes, Clare Durkee and Earnest Treffry, who also were the casket bearers. Interment was in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

TOWNSHIP of SOUTH NORWICH

TAX BILL FOR 1954

Date of demand, October 1st, 1954

Roll No. 288 Lot N Main Con. 8

Mr. Winnie McMullen

Town

P. V. OTTERVILLE

County	12.32		
Park and Hall	1.		
Library	1.056		
Village General	20.294	34.67	- 22.54
Street Lights	5.		
Water Debenture	2.	7.	- 4.55

The Province of Ontario reduces the 1954 levy against the Rate-payers of the Township of South Norwich by contributing the following amounts:

Education Grants,	\$53,236.28
Highway Grants,	30,804.50
Welfare Grants,	984.96
Per Capita Grants,	4,166.40
Other Grants,	1,713.36

Total Provincial Assistance, \$90,905.50

Education Levy,	48,150.81
Municipal Levy,	61,807.53

Total amount of Assessment, \$ 650.00

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH NORWICH

County	12.32		
Park and Hall	1.		
Township General	16.63	29.95	
South Norwich School Area:			
Municipal Grant	2,299		
Debentures	4,538		
Trustee Levy	7,763	14.6	- 9.49
North Norwich School Area		10.75	
School Section No. 15:			
Debentures	3,1975		
Trustee Levy	17,8425	21.04	
School Section No. 12		14.27	
Tillsonburg Separate School		14.6	
Delhi Separate School		6.	
LaSalette Separate		10.	
Municipal Drains			
High School Areas:			
Tillsonburg		8.4	
Norwich		12.24	- 7.96
Delhi		3.8527	
Total amount of Taxes for 1954			- 44.54
Penalty and Interest			
Total amount due			

NOTICE

A penalty of 2% will be added to all unpaid taxes after the 15th day of December, 1954, and interest at the rate of 1/2 of 1% per calendar month will be added after the 31st day of December, 1954

Taxes may be paid at the Royal Bank, Otterville, or at the Collector's Office, Otterville. They will also be received at the Royal Bank, Tillsonburg, at an extra charge of ten cents.

Cheques drawn on banks outside of Otterville must include exchange.

H. K. PARSON, Collector, Otterville.

TOWNSHIP of SOUTH NORWICH

TAX BILL FOR YEAR 1955

Date of demand, October 1st, 1955

Roll No. 282 Assessment, \$ 650.00

Lot PYO N.Main Concession 8

Mr Mrs. Winifred McMullen

Otterville, Ont.

The Province of Ontario reduces the 1955 levy against the Rate-payers of the Township of South Norwich, by contributing the following amounts:

Education Grants, \$51,801.43
 Highway Grants, 32,699.08
 Welfare Grants, 913.58
 Per Capita Grants, 6,427.25
 Other Grants, 2,576.75

Total Provincial Assistance, \$94,418.09

Education Levy, 42,600.23
 Municipal Levy, 61,340.08

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H. K. PARSON, Collector, Otterville.

POLICE VILLAGE OF OTTERVILLE

County.....	12.322	
Park and Hall.....	1.	
Library.....	1.05	
Village General.....	18.828.....	33.2
		21.58
Street Lights.....	5.	
Water Debenture.....	2.....	7.
		4.55

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH NORWICH

County.....	12.322	
Park and Hall.....	1.	
Township, general.....	15.89.....	29.212
South Norwich School Area:		
Municipal Grant.....	2.36	
Debentures.....	3.46	
Trustee Levy.....	5.47.....	11.29
		7.34
North Norwich School Area.....		17.225
School Section No. 15:		
Debentures.....	5.2835	
Trustee Levy.....	20.8133.....	26.0968
School Section No. 12.....		27.8
Tillsonburg Separate School.....		26.2
Delhi Separate School.....		7.6
LaSalette Separate School.....		9.35
High School Areas:		
Tillsonburg.....		8.86
Norwich.....		9.733
Delhi.....		4.43
		6.33
Total amount of Taxes for year 1955.....		39.80

ALL CHEQUES MUST BE PAYABLE AT PAR

Howse — Furlong

A very pretty wedding was solemnized in St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville, Wednesday afternoon, January 12th, at three o'clock, when Jane Edna K. Furlong, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Furlong, Otterville, was united in marriage to Charlie Naisbitt Howse, Woodstock, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Leith O. Howse, Otterville. Rev. C. H. Wright, Norwich, performed the ceremony, and the wedding music was played by Mrs. Nate McMullen, Otterville. Before the ceremony, the bride's cousin William Hanley sang "The Lord's Prayer" and "Because" during the signing of the register. The church was attractively decorated with ferns and roses.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was lovely in a gown of white chantilly lace over satin, made with fitted bodice and round collar and lily point sleeves. The full gored skirt extended into a short train, and her veil of French illusion was held by a Mary Queen of Scots headdress edged with pearls, and she carried a Colonial bouquet of red roses and white hyacinthes.

Mrs. Stuart Campbell of Brantford was matron of honor, wearing a ballerina length gown of chartreuse crystalline, made with pleated bodice, and full circular skirt. She wore matching mitts and her headdress was trimmed with rhinestones, and she carried a cascade of chrysanthemums and hyacinths. The bridesmaids were the bride's sister Mrs. Fred A. Church, Mrs. Carl Howse and Miss Ila King. They wore gowns of shrimp crystalline, matching that of the matron of honor, and also carried cascade bouquets.

The bride's nieces, Karen and Janet Church were dainty little flower girls wearing floorlength dresses of green nylon with pink floral bandeau, and carried pink nosekeys.

The groom's brother Paul Howse, Otterville, was the best man, and the ushers were the bride's brother William Furlong, the groom's brother Carl Howse and Stuart Campbell.

Travel to U.S.A.



Signing the register following their wedding in St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville, are Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Howse. The bride is the former Jane Edna K. Furlong, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Furlong, Otterville. Mr. and Mrs. Leith Howse, also of Otterville, are parents of the groom. When they return from a wedding trip to the United States the couple will reside in Woodstock. (Photo by Pettifer)

A reception was held in the Community hall for 125 guests from Brantford, St. Thomas, Norwich, Delhi, Greenville, Windsor, Detroit, Fonthill, Woodstock, Tillsonburg, Otterville and other places. The bride's mother received wearing a skipper blue orlon dress with matching bolero and navy hat and accessories, and corsage of red roses.

The bride donned a grey taffeta dress with black trimming and black hat and accessories and powder blue coat, for a motor trip to the United States. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Howse will reside in Woodstock.

JAN. 12 - 1955.

Howse - King

OTTERVILLE — The wedding was solemnized at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Norwich, when Ila May King, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ward King, Otterville, became the bride of Paul Stafford Howse, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Leith Howse, Otterville.

The Rev. C. H. Wright officiated.

The bride wore a light blue suit with navy accessories, and corsage of pink carnations.

The bridesmaid, Mrs. Frederick Howse, chose a grey suit with red accessories and white carnation corsage.

Best man was Frederick Howse, Otterville, brother of the groom.

Keith Howse, brother of the groom, gave the bride in marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Howse left on a trip to Niagara Falls and points east, and will reside in Otterville.

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Cole — DeVoogdt

A quiet wedding was solemnized at Trinity Anglican church, Norwich, Saturday afternoon, January fifteenth, when Mrs. Lillian Isabel DeVoogdt, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hudson, Otterville, was united in marriage to Andrew Cole, Teeterville, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cole. Rev. C. H. Wright, Norwich, performed the ceremony.

The bride wore a dress of navy crepe, trimmed with white and accessories of white and a corsage of red roses, and for travelling she donned a rosewood topcoat. The maid of honor was the bride's daughter Miss Marie DeVoogdt of Otterville, wearing a flamingo knitted suit, with black accessories and corsage of yellow roses. Robert Carpenter of Simcoe was the best man.

Mr. and Mrs. Cole left on a trip to Toronto and on their return they will reside on Washington Street in Waterford.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cole returned home last week from their wedding trip and have moved to their new home in Waterford. Mrs. Cole's daughter Miss Marie DeVoogdt is remaining in Otterville at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nate McMullen. JAN - 1955

Minor Injuries

An Otterville woman was shaken and received minor cuts and bruises, in an accident on No. 59 Highway, 2.4 miles north of Norwich on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Jean Baguley of Otterville came up behind a farm tractor travelling in the same direction. With a car approaching from the opposite direction, Mrs. Baguley steered her vehicle into the ditch, rather than crash into the tractor, which was owned and driven by Roy Deer of Burgessville. About \$500 damage was caused the car. Provincial Constable Ken Holmes investigated.

Annual Vestry Meeting

The annual Vestry meeting of St. John's Anglican Church was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nate McMullen with a good attendance. The rector Rev. C. H. Wright, presided and gave the opening prayer after which the vestry clerk, Mrs. Mabel Avey gave her report.

Officers elected were Rector's Warden, Carl Howse; People's Warden, J. W. Riste; Lay delegate to Synod, Carl Howse; substitute delegate, J. W. Riste; Vestry Clrk, Mrs. Mabel Avey; Treasurer, Mrs. Carl Howse; Chancel Guild, Mrs. J. W. Riste and Mrs. Mabel Avey.

Mrs. Carl Howse gave the financial report, Missionary budget and rectory account. Mrs. Fred Howse read Miss Catherine McMullen's report of St. John's Church club and spoke of the new gas stove which the club had purchased for the Parish Hall; Mrs. Nate McMullen reported for the Ladies Guild, Carl Howse for the Sunday School and Cemetery fund. All organizations showed substantial balances, and had contributed toward the purchase of a power mower for the cemetery. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Howse who looked after the Anglican cemetery, supervising the work and doing much of it themselves. Tribute was paid to two members who had passed on, Mrs. Emily McMullen and Leith Howse. Rev. C. H. Wright thanked the members for their splendid reports and work done throughout the year, and there was a discussion on more necessary repairs. Mrs. McMullen was assisted by other members of the Guild in serving lunch, and appreciation was expressed to Mr. and Mrs. McMullen for the use of their home for the meeting. *JAN 23-1955*

Assembly President At Otterville Lodge

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville — Violet Rebekah Lodge, Otterville, entertained the Assembly resident of Ontario, Mrs. Meta Priestly of Toronto, at their meeting in the I.O.O.F. Hall with visitors from Tillsonburg, Norwich, Delhi and Toronto present.

District Deputy President, Mrs. Gertrude McLennan of Tillsonburg was also a special guest for the evening.

During the evening the degree team conferred the degree and roses were presented to the Assembly President and also to the District Deputy President. A gift was also presented to Mrs. Priestly. The Noble Grand, Mrs. Josephine Mountain of Otterville, presided and welcomed the visitors and addresses were given by the distinguished guests.

Plans were made for the degree team to go to Port Rowan to confer the degree. After lodge a banquet lunch was served by Mrs. Lena Young and her committee to 94 members. *Jan 15/55*

Charles F. Reavely

St. Thomas—Charles F. Reavely, father of Mrs. Benjamin (Hazel) Garside, 71 Hincks street, and Clyde C. Reavely, 41 Alma street, died on Saturday afternoon at the Craigview Nursing Home on Chester street after a long illness. He was one of this city's oldest residents. He would have been 98 next April.

Born in Windham Township, Mr. Reavely spent most of his life in and near Otterville, but he came to this district 30 years ago and resided in Yarmouth Heights and in the city during the rest of his life. He was a member of St. Luke's Anglican Church, Yarmouth Heights.

Most of his life Mr. Reavely spent in general farming in the Otterville district, though he also was a miller, thresher and operator of a cider mill there. In later years he also made cider in Yarmouth Heights and at Union.

Mr. Reavely was the last of seven sons of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Reavely. He was predeceased 37 years ago by his wife, Emma, and by one daughter, Mrs. F. W. (Crystal) Sutherland, in 1950.

Rested at the P. R. Williams and Son Funeral Home where service was held on Tuesday. Rev. R. W. Lane of St. John's Anglican Church officiated. Interment in Otterville Cemetery. *Jan 1/55?*

Mrs. James Willetts

Otterville — Word was received at Otterville Tuesday night of the sudden eath of a former resident, Mrs. James Willetts, at the Owen Sound hospital. Mrs. Willetts underwent an operation for cataracts three weeks ago and expected to return to the home of her daughter at Markdale this week.

Mrs. Willetts was the former Elizabeth Newell and came to Otterville about 40 years ago, residing here until last July when they sold their home, west of Otterville and moved to Markdale to be with her daughter, Mrs. R. J. McMann and Mr. McMann. Two husbands predeceased her, the late Orville Smith and the late William Schooley and she is survived by her husband, James Willetts and her daughter, both of Markdale. The funeral was held at Markdale on Thursday. *Feb 15/55*

Spencer John Maunder

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Otterville—Spencer John Maunder, 81-year-old resident of Springford, died suddenly in the doctor's office shortly after noon Tuesday while waiting to see Dr. Downing. Mr. Maunder had driven to Otterville during the forenoon to get feed for his chickens, and had returned home and after dinner had driven again to Otterville, and was waiting in the doctor's office when he fell from his chair and died immediately.

Born in Peterborough County, he went to South Middleton as a child and farmed in that district in Norfolk County, until he moved to the Cornell district about 48 years ago. For the past twelve years he has lived in Springford, and the day before his death had been a casket bearer for his next door neighbor.

He was a member of the official board of the Springford United Church and for many years sang in the choir. He had been a school trustee at Cornell and for many years had acted as secretary for the school at South Middleton.

His wife predeceased him in 1948, and he is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Horton Brearley (Thelma) of Ingersoll; Mrs. David Chambers (Evelyn) of R.R. 1, Norwich; Mrs. Lorne Trefry (Anna) of Otterville; Miss Myrtle Lurena Maunder of Woodstock, and Mrs. Kenneth Scott (Olive) of R.R. 5, Tillsonburg. His only son, Brancil, predeceased him 40 years ago. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Albert Clark of Tillsonburg, two half brothers, Alfred Creek of Port Dover, and Stewart Armstrong of Manitoba, one stepson, Fairman McQueen of Culloiden, and 15 grandchildren. Resting at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where funeral service will be held Friday at 2 p.m. Interment will be in Springford Cemetery.

Honor J. W. Fish

J. Wesley Fish, who recently retired as treasurer of the Otterville United Church, was presented with a handsome reclining chair from the congregation, and the Board of Stewards expressed appreciation to Mr. Fish who has served faithfully for 26 continuous years as treasurer, was Sunday school superintendent for more than 50 years, and also filled many other offices capably.

Mr. Fish, who recently celebrated his 93rd birthday, was present as usual at the morning service Sunday, and delighted the large congregation with his choice words of appreciation. He said his leisure hours are still few as it takes him longer to complete his work in his print shop, but he was hoping to spend what spare time he had in the easy chair. He congratulated the congregation on their choice of successor for treasurer, Miss Ida McFarlane.

The minister, Rev. W. G. Wylie, paid tribute to Mr. Fish's life of service, and chose for his sermon "Loyalty to the Highest," based on the parable of the talents in Matthew 25:21, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." The choir sang the anthem "Travelling with Jesus," with Mrs. Jack Walther taking the solo part, and Miss Lurene Trefry at the organ. *FEB 1/55*

'A Happy Occasion'



Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brown

NORWICH — Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brown, who were married 50 years ago, expected to pass the anniversary quietly. However many of their friends remembered and they were showered with cards and gifts. Their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Brown, Milldale, brought a delicious anniversary dinner and to make the day complete, Miss Joan Brown, nurse-in-training at St. Joseph's Hospital, London, was home to celebrate the anniversary with her parents and grandparents. The anniversary gift to Mr. and Mrs. Brown from their son and his family was a television set.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown were married February 19, 1905, at Pelham, North Carolina. Mr. Brown is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brown; Mrs. Brown is the former Edmonia Slaughter, daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Slaughter. Until March, 1931,

when they came to Canada, the couple lived in Carolina.

When Mr. and Mrs. Brown came to Canada, it was their intention to remain for only five or six years, but Canada and Canadians so impressed them that they decided to remain here. Although they have resided in Canada for 24 years, Mr. and Mrs. Brown retain their southern accent and their natures are brimming over with southern hospitality.

When they came to Canada, they grew tobacco near McKnight's School here. Later they moved to Teeterville, Bookton and Little Lake before purchasing a farm west of Milldale, from which they moved to Norwich to retire two years ago.

Their relatives, except their son, live in the United States. Mr. Brown is a member of the Past-time Club; Mrs. Brown of the Order of the Eastern Star.

East St. Thomas District Meeting Of Rebekahs Held At Lodge Here

The district meeting of East St. Thomas District, No. 17, was held in the I.O.O.F. Lodge Tuesday afternoon, with 14 representatives and 25 Past Noble Grands present. Mrs. Gertrude McLennan, D.D. President, presided. The meeting opened with "The Lord's Prayer", repeated in unison. Good reports were given by each Lodge in the district, showing their activities for the year.

Mrs. Pearl Rohrer, P.N.G. of Fidelity Lodge, Delhi, was recommended for the incoming D. D. President. Mrs. Rohrer thanked the district for the recommendation.

Mrs. Jennie Newell, president of the Past Noble Grands Club, spoke briefly on the work rendered by the D.D.P., Mrs. Gertrude McLennan. Mrs. Mary Oldridge presented her with a bowl of pink roses and white carnations. The meeting closed with "God Save The Queen."

Following Lodge, a program was enjoyed. Mrs. Pearce of Otterville Lodge gave a reading. A solo, "The Stranger of Galilee," was sung by Mrs. R. Collver of Otterville, accompanied by Mrs. N. McMullin.

Cards were played with Mrs. Walker of St. Thomas and Mrs. Barons of Belmont as winners.

Have Banquet

The members retired to the banquet room where the table was decorated with spring flowers and candles in silver holders. Guests at the head table were D.D.P., Mrs. Gertrude McLennan; Mrs. Bernice Taylor, P.D.D.P.; Mrs. Pearl Rohrer, P.N.G., of Delhi; Mrs. Mary Oldridge, P.N.G.; Mrs. Nancie Dean, P.N.G.

Noble Grand Mrs. Olive McKoy presented Mrs. McLennan, D.D.P., with a lovely corsage of pink carnations. A delicious banquet was served under the convener'ship of Noble Grand Mrs. Olive McKoy and Vice-Grand Mrs. Mary Pryde. On the committee were Mrs. Louise Weeks, Mrs. Eva Wallace, Mrs. Merle Payne, Mrs. Clara Markham and Mrs. Edith Hamilton.

Mrs. Gertrude McLennan gave a wonderful paper on "Fraternity," and thanked the Lodge for the kind support they had bestowed on her during her term. Mrs. Alletta Sherman, J.P.N.G., presented Mrs. McLennan with a gift. Mrs. McLennan replied.

The lodge is holding a card party and penny sale at the close of lodge on Tuesday evening, April 26th, with lunch being served.

Musical Numbers

A tribute in song was given to the Past Noble Grand by Mrs. Olive McKoy, Noble Grand, Mrs. Margaret Ronson, Mrs. Eva Wallace, Mrs. Isabel Gilbert and Mrs. Doris McKoy accompanied at the piano by Mrs. June Hurley. Mrs. E. Glover played two piano selections, and Mrs. Ida Louch read a poem.

A delicious lunch was served by the April committee.

Late G. Kendrick

Mr. and Mrs. Burwell Kendrick and Mrs. Stella Kendrick attended the funeral of the late Glenford Kendrick in Thorold last Saturday. The funeral services were in charge of the pastor of the Thorold Baptist church and interment was made in the Thorold cemetery.

The late Mr. Kendrick was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kendrick of Norwich.

He was born in Charlotteville township, Norfolk County, 54 years ago, but came to Norwich with the family when he was about five years of age. He attended the Norwich schools and learned telegraphy under the guidance of A. L. Stone, at the West Station. Afterwards he served as a C. N. R. telegrapher at several Ontario points before he settled in Thorold a few years ago.

He is survived by his widow, in Thorold, three sons, Allan, Port Colborne; Douglas, Ridgeway; and Lorne at Clinton. His brother, Burwell Kendrick, Norwich, and five grandchildren also survive.

David and Marie Mayros returned to their home at Culhoden after spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nate McMullen.

Celebrated 90th Birthday

John Tichbourne, Otterville, was 90 on Saturday, April 9th, and proudly proclaims "If it weren't for my legs, I could go out and get a job, as I'm just as good as I ever was." He has lived all of his 90 years in Otterville, right on the same street. When asked where he was born, he grinned, and replied "Right down there, in the middle of the road!" He explained that there was no surveying when he was born, and the house in which he was born was at that time on the road in front of John Cole's present home. He has lived in his present home for 60 years, and his only son Clarence lives with him, and between them they manage their tobacco farm and house. He has a keen memory, and says he

hasn't an ache nor a pain, and remembers when there were three or four saw mills close-by, also woollen mills and a distillery near the ravine where you could pick up a dipper, pay ten cents, and drink all you want. He said some would take a bushel of wheat, and bring back a gallon of liquor. His hound dog keeps him company when he is alone in the house. He spent a week in Toronto in March with his only sister Susan, Mrs. Arthur Heywood, and motored home with his son during the terrific windstorm on March 22nd.

Special Service

Rec. C. H. Wright, Rector of St. John's Anglican Church conducted a special service along with the regular morning service at Otterville Sunday morning, April 24th, when two lovely stained glass windows showing the picture of the Crucifixion and the inscription "To the Glory of God in memory of Kerenhappuch Furlong, Died Nov. 5th, 1947" were dedicated and unveiled by Miss Edna Furlong.

In his message Mr. Wright quoted John 19: 26-27 "When Jesus therefore saw his mother and the disciple standing by whom he loved He saith unto his mother 'Woman behold thy son'. Then saith he to the disciple 'Behold thy mother' and from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home."

The rector added "This congregation and through the coming years, will look at this beautiful work of art, portraying one of the most sacred moments of Christian history. We shall all see it from different angles and viewpoints, and it will convey a different angle and speak a different message to each individual. Such may be said of any great work of art. Through the ages the Jews have presented a home-life of unrivalled sanctity and purity. As a youth Jesus went down to Nazareth—He went home. The influence of home colors all of life for better or worse. To countless souls the memories of home have been an anchor in times of trial and stress. While in comparison from an unsatisfactory home life one hears "He or she never had a chance in life." The first lesson this window speaks about is to parents—Let your efforts be spent towards a definite, healthy and Godlike home life and to young people, live to make home a place you can love at all times, not just a place to eat and sleep. A house needs a good foundation, and a community is as good as the homes it contains, and so beyond to our country.

This window will speak to mothers, in a way also to fathers—It was once said 'A broken bone awakens a father's concern, a little thorn in the skin awakens a mother's concern'. Christ's sympathy was with the mothers when the disciples would have sent them away. He said 'Suffer the little children to come unto me for of such is the kingdom of God.' When a small child is sick and feverish, its mother's cool hand on its forehead soothes the child and it isn't afraid of the dark when the mother's voice

is heard, or in later years, when the young man or woman is venturing into the turmoil and battle of life, a mother's heart can read secrets and speak as no other voice. Even when failure comes a mother can sympathize and her mother love never falters. Kipling so well wrote 'If I were hanged on the highest hill Mother O Mine, I know whose prayers would follow me still Mother O Mine.'

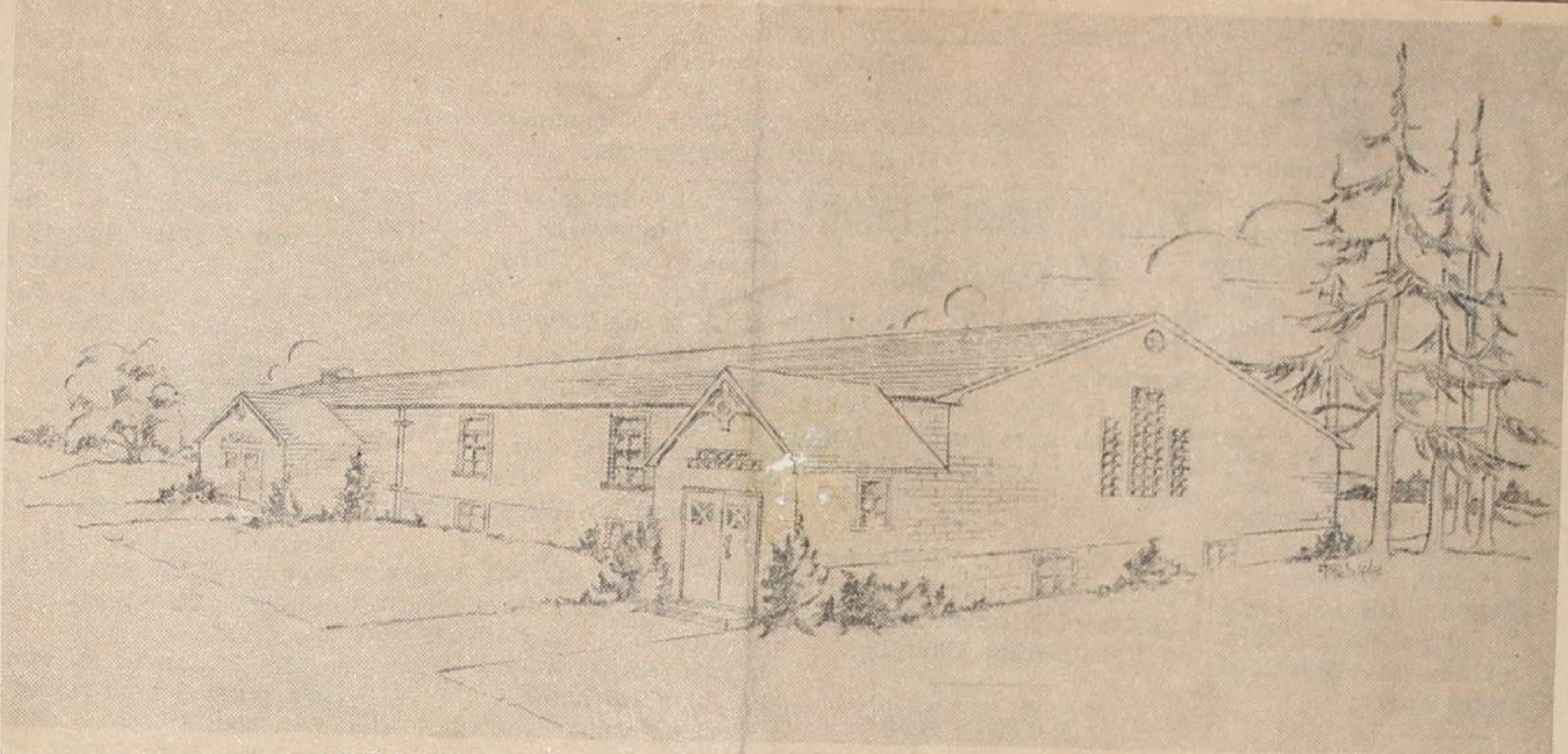
The window will be a constant sermon then. As their broken hearts can be restored by love and care of parents, so to all of us can be God's care and love for us his family. This world with all its woes and cares is bound by golden chains about the feet of God.

This window speaks—Come in alone and be quiet and listen, leaving the world outside. Give more time to prayer—read more about God in your Bibles, give more thought to God, and put more trust in Him. Until we can say, the Lord is my helper, I will not

fear what man can do."

During the service J. W. Riste sang a solo "Open the Gates of the Temple," with Mrs. Nate McMullen as the accompanist. Spring flowers were used effectively at the altar. Those from a distance attending the service included Fred Furlong Greensville; Mrs. Smith and Dr. MacDonald, Toronto; Mrs. Edwin Pennington, Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Howse, Woodstock. Others calling throughout the day were Mr. and Mrs. Erickson and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kelly, of Port Dover.

Miss Edna Furlong of Detroit has been spending a week at her home here. Her brother Charles Furlong of Windsor also spent the weekend here.



DRAWING OF THE PROPOSED UNITED CHURCH AT NEWARK

The excavation of the new Church at Newark has been made and the footings poured. The contract for the building has been awarded to W. E. Lambden and Son Ltd., of Tillsonburg. It is expected the work will be finished sometime in August.

The building will be 51 feet by 26 feet, with full basement and with two 11' 6" porches on the East side, and a 20' x 20' kitchen on the West side. The building will run north and south.

The members of the Finance

Committee are Wilton Carrow, Chairman; Alex Doan, Bruce Williams, Mrs. G. Burrill and Fred Watson Treasurer.

The Committee is pleased to report that \$7,000 in cash has been raised and that gifts are now being received. It is hoped that by the generous cooperation of the many friends the church may be opened debt free. The cost will be between \$13,000 and \$14,000. For the first year or so the furnishings of the old church will be used.

Mrs. Donald E. Treffry

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTERVILLE — Mrs. Donald Treffry, 35, a resident of Otterville for the past 10 years, died very suddenly at her home just after midnight Sunday morning. She was the former Ivy Elsie Turner, daughter of Mrs. Bessie Turner and the late Chauncey Turner, and spent her early life in the Tillsonburg district, and also lived at Aylmer and Norwich Gore, and attended school at New Road. After her marriage she lived near Ingersoll for a couple of years.

She had suffered with a heart condition for most of her life, but had attended the wedding of her nephew at Simcoe on Saturday. On the way home her condition became critical, and she died shortly after reaching Otterville. She was a member of the Summerville Women's Institute, and attended the Otterville United Church, and prior to coming here, the New Road United Church.

She is survived by her husband, Donald Earl Treffry, and one daughter, Betty, at home. She also leaves her mother, Mrs. Bessie Turner of Tillsonburg, and one sister, Mrs. Russel Gunton (Ethel) of Simcoe.

The funeral was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, Tuesday, May 24th, at 2 p.m., by Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church. Interment was in the Otter Cemetery.

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Murray Andrew Empey

OTTERVILLE—The funeral of the late Murray Andrew Empey, who died suddenly at his home north of Otterville Thursday morning, was held Saturday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home, and was conducted by Rev. R. L. Whan, minister of the Norwich Baptist Church.

During the service George H. Davis sang the solo "Some Day He'll Make It Plain," accompanied by Mrs. Nate McMullen, who also played a number of favorite hymns before and after the service.

There was a large attendance of relatives and friends including many former neighbors from Springfield, Aylmer, St. Thomas, London, Komoka Galt, Ingersoll, Brownsville, Putnam, Woodstock, Burford, Dorchester, Tillsonburg, East Oxford, Burgessville, Thamesford, Norwich, Otterville, Innerkip, Eastwood Curries and other places.

There were also many beautiful floral tributes from neighbors, relatives and friends and these were carried by six nephews, who also acted as casket bearers, Harry, Howard and Kenneth Empey, Earl Wright, William and Hugh Breen. Interment was in Putnam Cemetery.

Mr. Empey, who farmed on the 7th Concession of South Norwich township for the past eleven years, had been in poor health for the past three years but had breakfast with his family as usual.

Born near Springfield nearly 66 years ago, he moved to the Otterville district from East Oxford 11 years ago.

He is survived by his wife, the former Ethel Couch, and three sons and one daughter, Wilmur, Gordon, Marjorie and Andrew, all at home. He leaves four grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. S. H. Binding at Aylmer. His only brother, Roy Empey, died at Springfield two years ago.

St. Joseph's Hospital 1955 Graduating Class



Pictured above are members of this year's graduating class of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing. From left to right, front row: Barbara Joan Boyd, Toronto; Patricia Elizabeth Poole, London; Marie Audrey Walch, Lambeth; Joanne Theresa Bedard, Zurich; Willa-Jean Morrison, Thamesford; Ruth Evelyn Sigsworth, Lucan; Margaret June Merritt, London. Second row: Irene Anna Ghesquiere, Detroit, Mich.; Mary Ann Balyk, London; Barbara Joan Kelly, Guelph; Margaret Leone Kelly, Guelph; Eileen Frances Davenport, Stratford; Mary Margaret Yuhas, Fort Erie; Shirley Marilyn Young, Goderich; Jessie Rae Green, Embro; Rosemarie Chisholm, Goderich. Third row: Dorothy Lorraine Robinson, Woodstock; Beverley Carol Payne, London; Mary Catherine Robert, Windsor; Joanne Monica Regan, St. Thomas; Fern Doreen Graves, Ingersoll; Betty Isabelle Gammon, West Lorne; Elvira Astred Reinapu, London; Shirley Ann Lockridge, Wingham; Jane Elizabeth Wylie, London; Victoria Esther Moore, Detroit, Mich. Fourth row: Mary Theresa Zimmer, Dashwood; Joan Elaine Fitzpatrick, Goderich; Bernadette Marie Ryan, Guelph; Patricia Anne Brophy, Wingham; Stella Rose Hunchurick, London; Anita Joan Brown, Otterville; Glenda Marie Cloet, Delhi; Mary Magdalene McCaffrey, Point Edward; Ruby May McGill, Wallacetown; Jeanne Estelle Gervais, Sparta. Fifth row: Marion Ruth Foster, London; Patricia Anne Lee, London; Patricia Claire Kennedy, Windsor; Paula Marie Bradley, Sarnia; Mary Jude Greiner, Strathroy; Marianne Hutzul, Windsor; Ida Anne Packham, Stratford; June Valerie O'Leary, Stratford; Anne Lenore Mahoney, London; Maxine Genevieve O'Connor, Shedden. Sixth row: Janet Elinor Rourke, Montreal; Marie Noella Lecluyse, Aylmer; Mary Isabel Watson, London; Doris Jane Woods, St. Marys; Phyllis Elaine King, Norwich; Loretto Mary Barry, Dublin; Mary Jane McLandress, West Lorne; Margaret Mirian Ferguson, New Jersey; Joan Dolores Robinson, Woodstock; Helen Mae Martyn, Mitchell. Seventh row: Betty Ann Asling, Parkhill; Donna Marie Tuttle, Granton; Elizabeth Anne Pettypiece, Windsor; Elizabeth Mary Birtch, Woodstock; Patricia Glover, London; Katharine Jean Ross, Ailsa Craig; Betty Ethel Gibson, Dorchester; Eleanor Joan Lyle, St. Thomas; Sally Louise Billingham, St. Thomas; Johanne Gertrude Parsons, Woodstock. Eighth row: Elsie Irene Peilow, Woodstock; Maxine Clasina Bontje, London; Della Jean Baird, Parkhill; Carol Ann Newell, St. Thomas; Barbara Anne Rodgers, London; Dorothy Ellen Hurley, Sarnia; Doris Marjorie Redden, Sarnia; Judith Anderson Wainwright, London; Patricia Ann Moore, London; Mildred Beryl Campbell, Ilderton.

Record Class Graduates In Impressive Ceremony

The largest class of nurses ever to graduate from St. Joseph's School of Nursing received diplomas Wednesday evening in a colorful ceremony at Thames Hall. The class includes 76 nurses from London, and many Western Ontario centres.

The Most Rev. J. C. Cody, Bishop of London, was the main speaker at the graduation exercises. Valedictorian was Miss Bernadette Marie Ryan, Guelph.

Greetings were brought from Mayor George E. Beedle, from the City of London, and from the University of Western Ontario by Miss Edith McDowell, Dean of the School of Nursing. Dr. V. A. Callaghan brought greetings from the medical staff of St. Joseph's Hospital.

J. O. Hughes, of the hospital's advisory board, was chairman of the evening. Sister St. Elizabeth is director of nurses at St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing.

The Rt. Rev. W. S. Morrison presented pins to the graduates, and the Rt. Rev. L. M. Forristal made the presentation of diplomas. Scholarships were awarded by Mrs. L. A. Lavoie, president of St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary.

In the afternoon, the graduating class was entertained at the tea hour by St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary at the nurses' residence.

Nursing Grad



Anita Joan Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown, Otterville, graduated from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, London, on May 25th, in ceremonies held at Thames Hall, University of Western Ontario. Miss Brown attended Otterville Public School and is a 1952 graduate of Norwich District High School. (Bill Barrett). 1955.

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COULTER - YOUNG VOWS SATURDAY

In a pretty ceremony Saturday, Rev. C. H. James of St. John's Anglican Church, Tillsonburg, united in marriage Vivian Young, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ross of Tillsonburg, and George Coulter, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Coulter of Winnipeg, Man., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Art Gray, 97 Broadway, the latter being a cousin of the bride.

The ceremony was performed beneath a pink and white trellis trimmed with red roses and banked with ferns.

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The bride, given in marriage by her father, looked lovely in a ballerina-length gown of flowered nylon net over satin. The three-tiered skirt was fashioned with a fitted bodice, and featured a matching jacket with long pointed sleeves. She wore a finger-tip veil of nylon tulle that was held in place by a headdress of seed pearls forming a crown. She carried a bouquet of red roses and white carnations.

Maid of honor was Miss Olga Kitt. She wore a pale green gown of net over taffeta, with matching jacket and headdress. She carried a bouquet of yellow roses.

Best man was the brother of the bride, Freddie Young.

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Following the ceremony, a reception for 45 guests was held in the I.O.O.F. banquet hall. The bride's table was decorated with pink and white streamers and baskets of roses, and centred with a three-tier wedding cake.

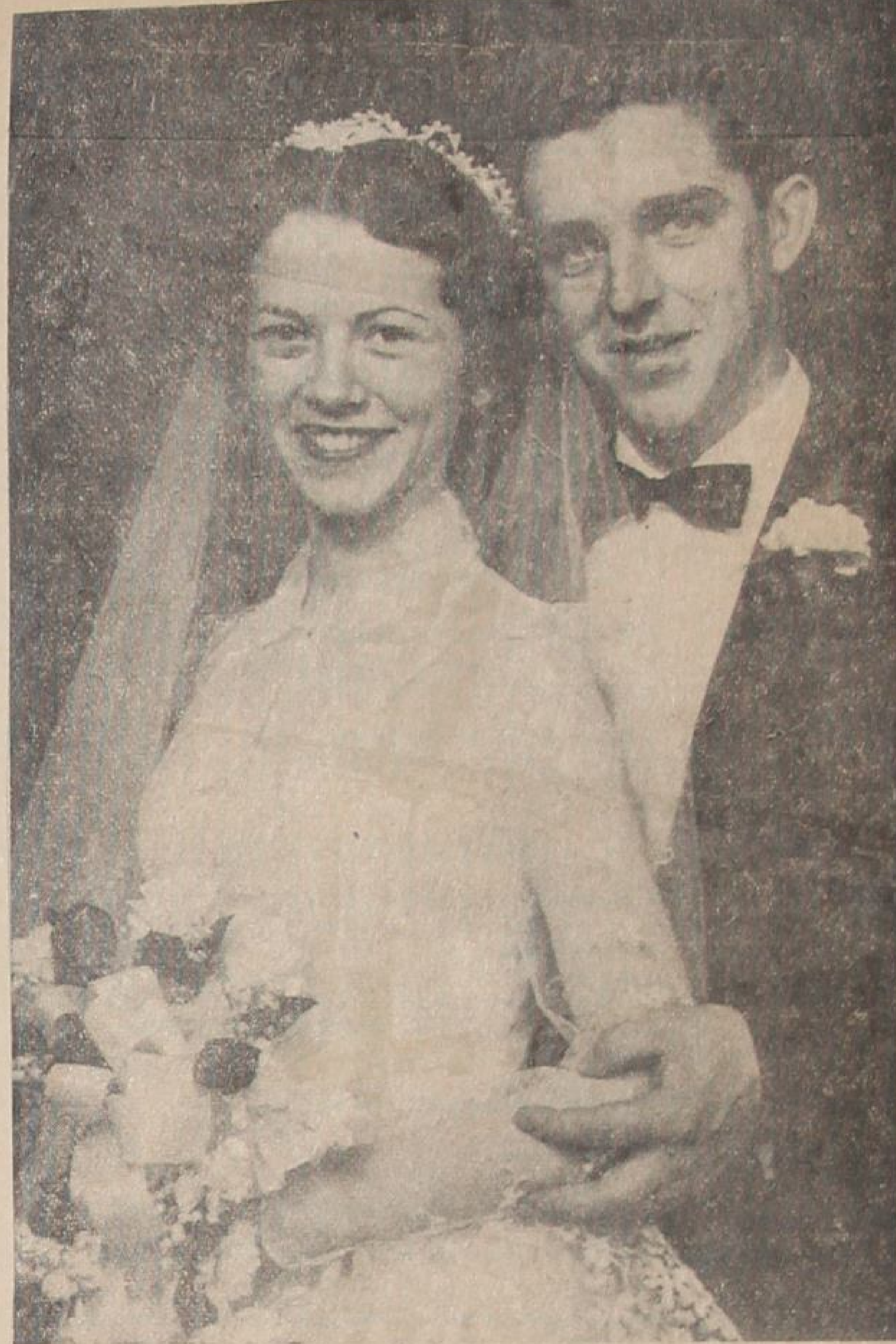
Guests were present from Aylmer, St. Thomas, Welland, Ingersoll, Simcoe, Brantford, Detroit, Mich., and Windsor.

For receiving, the bride's mother wore a navy blue silk dress with a navy hat and white gloves. She wore a corsage of red roses. The groom's parents were unable to attend.

For going away, the bride changed into a navy blue dress, trimmed with white. She wore white accessories and a corsage of red roses and white carnations.

Mr. and Mrs. Coulter left on a wedding trip to Eastern Ontario, and on their return will reside at 291 Broadway, Tillsonburg.

The groom is a member of the Tillsonburg Pan-Drieds.



United in marriage Saturday in a pretty home ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. George Coulter. The bride is the former Vivian Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ross of Tillsonburg, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Coulter of Winnipeg, Man. The groom is a popular member of the champion Tillsonburg Pan-Drieds. They are residing in Tillsonburg. (Photo by Seldon).

Among those from this district who attended the nurses' graduation and reception for Miss Joan Brown at London last Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Clifford and Miss Norma Jean Clifford, Reginald Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Nate McMullen, Miss Catherine McMullen, Miss Barbara Morrison, Mrs. Margaret Alward, Miss Lenora Slaght, Mr. and Mrs. George Daiken, Mrs. Muriel Utter and Miss Marion Utter of Otterville, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brown of Norwich and Mrs. Birdie Payne of Simcoe.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Horley of Port Rowan visited their cousins Mr. and Mrs. Nate McMullen on Sunday.



A wedding trip to New York followed the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald H. Clark, who were married in Otterville United Church. Formerly Nellie Carol Broad, the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burton F. Broad, Otterville, and her husband is the son of Mrs. Clark, Ingersoll, and the late H. N. Clark. The couple will live in Ingersoll. (Photo by Seldon)

The Employees of the Royal Bank presented two of their members Miss Dorothy Davis and Miss Carol Broad, each with a torchiere floor lamp prior to their marriages. The new accountant D. J. Swinton who was married on Saturday was also presented with a gift from the staff.

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LADIES' GUILD

The Ladies' Guild of the St. John's Anglican Church held their meeting in the Parish Hall to make plans for their strawberry tea on Thursday for reopening the hall.

The president, Mrs. Wellington Armstrong, presided for the meeting and Mrs. Stanley Riches gave the Scripture reading. Plans were also made for the picnic to be held in the Community Park on Wednesday, July 29th. Pillow cases were purchased ready to be worked.

After the meeting Mrs. Jack Riste served a birthday cake and ice cream in honor of her sister, Mrs. Nate McMullen.

Miss Barbara Briggs is attending the Summer Ice Skating School at Stratford for a month.

Clark—Broad Wedding

A pretty double-ring ceremony was solemnized at the Otterville United Church Wednesday, June 22nd, at 2 o'clock, when Nellie Carol Broad, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burton F. Broad, Otterville, exchanged marriage vows with Gerald H. Clark, son of Mrs. Ida Clark and the late H. N. Clark, Ingersoll. Rev. W. George Wylie performed the ceremony before an attractive setting of white shasta mums surrounded by ferns and palms. The wedding music was played by Earl Clark, brother of the groom, and the soloist, Mrs. Jack Walther, sang "Wedding Prayer" and "Lord's Prayer."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was lovely in a floor-length gown of white nylon tulle over satin, fashioned with a full gathered skirt and short lace peplum, outlined with rhinestone trimmed pleating. Over the strapless bodice which had rows of crescent-shaped frills, she wore a lace jacket with long lily-point sleeves. Her finger-tip veil of French illusion was held by a band of tiny white leaves in mohair loops, and she carried a bouquet of white stephanotis, centred with two mauve orchids.

The matron of honor was the bride's sister, Mrs. William Bell of Springford, wearing a waltz length dress of yellow net over taffeta, and matching lace jacket and she carried a nosegay of shasta mums and talisman roses. Miss Barbara Furlong, Tillsonburg, was bridesmaid wearing a mauve gown identical with that of the matron of honor, and carried a nosegay of shasta mums with yellow roses. Barbara Bell, niece of the bride, was junior bridesmaid, wearing a gown of aqua net over taffeta with lace bodice, and she carried a nose gay of shasta mums and talisman roses. All the attendants wore contrasting net

Hugh Harford of Miami, Florida, spent a few days recently with his mother, Mrs. Wm. J. Harford, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Howse.

coronets with talisman rosebuds.

Bill Miller, Tillsonburg, was best man, and the ushers were Don Broad, brother of the bride, and Gord Bowman of Ingersoll.

A reception was held in the church parlor for 45 guests. The bride's table was centred by a three-tier wedding cake, and white candles in silver candelabra. The bride's mother received wearing navy nylon mesh, made with rhinestone and bead trimming on the white vestee, and white accessories and corsage of white gardenias. The groom's mother assisted wearing a pink and grey checked jacket dress with navy accessories, and corsage of white gardenias.

For a wedding trip to New York, the bride chose a pink dress with matching navy duster coat, pink accessories and orchid corsage. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Clark will reside in Ingersoll.

Mr. and Mrs. Nate McMullen and daughter attended the first Knevel family reunion at the Port Burwell Memorial Park. Their cousin Miss Effie Nelson of Tillsonburg accompanied them. *June 11/55*

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Leach moved last week into the Addison house which they recently purchased, and have rented their home on Dover Street.

Wellington Armstrong spent a couple of days this week in the Tillsonburg Hospital. During his absence his son Eugene Armstrong of Hamilton took charge at the Butcher Shop.

Eugene Armstrong returned to his home in Hamilton Saturday after spending most of two weeks assisting his parents at the Butcher Shop while his father, Wellington Armstrong, has been ill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Riste spent the week-end in Waterford with the former's mother, Mrs. Fred Riste, and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Marchand.



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June 10/55.
**STANFORD - DAVIS
VOWS SATURDAY**

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTERVILLE—Palms, ferns and baskets of roses and peonies were used to form a pretty setting in the Otterville United Church for the marriage of Dorothy Evelyn Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Davis of Otterville, to Jack Marvin Stanford, son of James Stanford of Teeterville, and the late Mrs. Stanford, on Saturday, June 18th, at 2:30 p.m.

Rev. W. G. Wylie performed the pretty double-ring ceremony. The wedding music was played by Miss Lurene Treffry of Otterville. Soloist Mrs. Muriel Albright of Tillsonburg sang "Wedding Prayer" and "Because" during the signing of the register.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a floor-length gown of white nylon over satin. The strapless bodice was fitted with diagonal pleating, fashioned with matching folds over the shoulders, forming a V neckline in front and back. The long fitted torso extended into the full gathered skirt. Her waist-length veil of French illusion, with its flower banded border, was held by a bandeau of tiny net petals dotted with rhinestones. She wore long matching mitts and carried a colonial bouquet of white flowers, centred with a mauve orchid.

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Matron of honor was Mrs. Leonard Neale of Tillsonburg, sister of the bride. She wore a yellow nylon waltz-length gown styled like that of the bride, and carried a bouquet of orange Delight roses. Matching gowns were also worn by the bridesmaids, Mrs. George W. Davis, who wore blue nylon and carried pink roses, and Miss Carolyn Davis, who wore pink nylon and carried yellow roses. All wore bandeaux of double rows of petals, and long gloves matching their gowns.

The groom's brother, Edward Stanford of Brantford, was best man, and ushers were the bride's brothers, John Davis and George W. Davis.

A reception was held in the new extension of the church parlor for 50 guests from Brantford, London, Toronto, Tillsonburg, Teeterville, Windham Centre and Lion's Head.

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The bride's mother received wearing a powder blue sheer gown trimmed with bands of matching lace. The V-neck was outlined with a band of lace studded with rhinestones and beads. She wore matching gloves and a white hat, and a corsage of yellow roses. She was assisted by the groom's aunt, Mrs. Percy Grant of Teeterville, who wore a jacket dress of white and navy with white accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

The bride and groom left on a motor trip to Virginia and other southern state points, the bride travelling in gold silk cotton, frosted in white, with white hat and accessories, and an orchid corsage.

On their return, Mr. and Mrs. Stanford will reside in their new home at Teeterville.



Lenora Kathleen Slaght
Lenora Kathleen Slaght, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Slaght, Otterville, who graduated from the Brantford General Hospital on Wednesday. Miss Slaght has won the Women's Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship three years in succession. She was born at Delhi and attended school there and in Otterville, and graduated from the Norwich District High School in 1952.

Miss Slaght also ranked first for three other scholarships, but could only accept one, and the others were awarded to the nurse who ranked second. These were The Perley Memorial Scholarship, for highest standing in Examinations; The Edward P. Park Scholarship, for excellent practical and executive work and the Dr. James A Phillips Memorial Scholarship for proficiency in Medical Nursing.

June 1955

Pea canning was in full swing at the Tip Top Cannery at Otterville on Monday and it was the earliest that many of the old-timers remember. Several loads of the early peas

Over 100 Attend Farewell Program For Rev. W. G. Wylie At Otterville

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTERVILLE — More than 100 persons gathered in the schoolroom of the Otterville United Church on Sunday evening, with members of the New Road and Springford United Churches also in attendance, to bid farewell to their minister, Rev. W. G. Wylie, and Mrs. Wylie and son, John, who are moving this week to Wallaceburg to their new charge after having served seven years here.

Clarence Stover of Springford was the chairman for the evening, and after a few remarks a sing-song opened the program, with Miss Lurene Treffry at the piano. Each appointment supplied a number for the program. Marianne Moore of New Road gave a piano solo and a quartet from Otterville sang "When My Soul Reaches Home." Mr. and Mrs. Scott Carroll of Springford contributed a vocal duet, "Benlah Land."

On behalf of the three churches, Miss Ida McFarlane expressed appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Wylie for their loyal support, and a purse of money was presented to them by Robert Lee, with which they may purchase something for their new home. Mrs. W. Beamen presented

a gift to John and also one from the New Road Woman's Association to Mr. and Mrs. Wylie. Mrs. Lorne Treffry presented one from the Otterville Adult Fellowship Group; Mrs. Fred Kniffen one from the Springford and New Road Friendship Group, and Mrs. Elmer Smith one from the Springford Woman's Association. Other remembrances had been given previously from the Woman's Association at Otterville and from the Otterville Sunday school class.

Mr. Wylie expressed appreciation for all the lovely gifts and kindnesses which had been shown them while here. He spoke of co-operation as a two-way street in which each of the congregations had done its part.

Mrs. Wylie and John each added their thanks and invited the folks of the community to their house at 321 Duncan St., Wallaceburg.

A number of amusing incidents were revealed by Mr. Wylie, Mrs. Moore and others.

Mr. Wylie announced that services would be held as usual next Sunday, with Clarence Stover of Springford conducting the services.

The gifts were unwrapped and the ladies of the three churches served refreshments.

1955.
Otterville Cleric Resigns Charge

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTERVILLE—Rev. W. George Wylie of Otterville, who has been the minister of the United Churches at Otterville, Springford and New Road for the past seven years, has resigned and accepted a call to Trinity United Church at Wallaceburg. He leaves to take over his duties there on July 1st.

He has also resigned his position as chairman-elect of the Oxford Presbytery, a position to which he was elected last month, and would have commenced at the beginning of the conference year.

Mr. and Mrs. Wylie have an eight-year-old son, John, and Mr. Wylie's mother lives at Gorrie. Mr. Wylie's first charge was at Benmiller, where he served from 1935-38. He then served on the Oakdale charge for 10 years, during which time he spent four years as chaplain in Canada and overseas, being in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany for 16 months.

June 16-19
Mrs. Thomas Church 1955

OTTERVILLE—A resident of Otterville most of her life, Mrs. Thomas Church, 87, passed away at her home east of Otterville on Thursday morning last, after being in poor health for some time. She suffered from a fall in her home last month.

Born in Windham Township in Norfolk county, she was the former Martha Anne Boone, daughter of John Boone and Mary Townsend, and spent her early life there, before coming to Otterville. Her husband predeceased her 13 years ago.

The deceased was unable to hear and seldom attended the meetings, but was a member of the Ladies' Aid for many years, and later the Woman's Association, and an associate member of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church.

Survivors are one daughter, Miss Bertha Church, at home; one son, Fred C. Church of Otterville; two sisters, Mrs. Katie Atkinson of Windham Centre and Mrs. Lily Boone of Stroudsburg, N.Y.; five grand-children and six great-grand-children. A son, Howard, predeceased her.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where funeral service was conducted on Saturday at 3:30 p.m., by Rev. W. G. Wylie, minister of the Otterville United Church.

Pallbearers were Alfred E. Moore, Dee Scott, Nate McMullen, Nean McMullen, William McMullen and Edwin Marchand. They also acted as flower bearers.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist for the service which was largely attended by relatives and friends from East Stroudsburg, Pa., Tillsonburg, Waterford, Ingersoll, Simcoe, Nixon, Hamilton, Aylmer, St. Thomas, Kitchener and other places.

There was a profusion of lovely flowers with their message of sympathy and among them were tributes from the Tip Top Cannery, Otterville, the Otterville United Church, and the employees of the Tip Top Cannery. Gideon Bibles were also placed in her memory.

Interment in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville. 1955.

ASH — At the District Memorial Hospital, Tillsonburg, Saturday, July 2, 1955, Mrs. Frances Ash, wife of Alfred Ash, Otterville, in her 99th year. Resting at the Addison funeral home, Otterville, where prayers will be offered Sunday evening at 8:30. Requiem mass at St. Mary's Church, LaSalette, Monday, July 4, at 10 a.m. Interment in the LaSalette Cemetery.

Late Mrs. Alfred Ash

Mrs. Alfred Ash, 78, a resident of South Norwich township for 58 years died in the District Memorial Hospital, Tillsonburg Saturday morning after three weeks illness. She had been taken to the hospital Friday night. Born at Palermo, Italy, she was the former Frances Bolone and came with her husband to Detroit in 1895 and lived there for two years before moving to the 11th concession where they farmed for

40 years, moving to their home in the village in 1938. She was a member of St. Marys Roman Catholic Church, LaSalette, also a member of the Catholic Women's League. During the war years she was an ardent worker in the Red Cross, and also worked for the Ladies Guild at Otterville for many years.

She is survived by her husband, two sons and four daughters, Henry Ash, and Joseph Ash of Otterville, Mrs. Harvey Brown (Mary), and Mrs. William Stapleton (Elizabeth) both of Detroit, Mrs. Henry DeBlock, (Gertrude) Vienna, and Mrs. Jack McCready (Emma) Burgessville. She also leaves 16 grandchildren and five great grandchildren, and two brothers John and Tom Bolone of Detroit.

Funeral services were held Monday morning at St. Marys Catholic Church at LaSalette and were very largely attended by relatives and friends from Detroit, Windsor, Vienna, Norwich, Milldale, Delhi, Tillsonburg, Burgessville, LaSalette, Woodstock, Syracuse, N. Y., St. Thomas and many other places.

Requiem High Mass was sung by Rev. Father E. Veitenheimer, who also conducted the graveside service, and led in the recitation of the Rosary at the Addison Funeral Home, Sunday evening, which was also very largely attended. There were

many lovely floral tributes and many mass cards, and among the floral tributes were baskets from the neighbors, and also from the former neighbors in the Milldale district, also from employees of Slight Bros., and Livernois and Tireman Floral Co.

The casket bearers were Nate McMullen, Earnest Treffry, J. W. Riste, J. K. Wardell, M. A. Murphy and B. Dertinger, who also acted as flower bearers, and were assisted by Earle Petch. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery, LaSalette.

Purchased Butcher Shop And

July Cold Storage 11/55

Fred Pinnoy of Simcoe has purchased the Butcher Shop and Cold Storage plant and buildng from Wellington Armstrong and took possession last week. Mr. Armstrong has been in poor health for some time, and has been confined to his home for the past several weeks. Mr. Pinnoy lived in Otterville during his teen-age years, and attended school here, living with his parents on the Ern. Addison farm later purchased by Achiel DeGroot. Mrs. Pinnoy and their young son will Join Mr. Pinnoy here soon, and they will reside in the apartment over the butcher shop.

**BARNIM-WALTER
WEDDING VOWS**

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTERVILLE — A quiet wedding took place at St. Paul's United Church, Tillsonburg, Saturday afternoon, July 16th, when Margaret Loraine Walter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Walter, Otterville, was united in marriage to Donald Nelson Barnim, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Barnim, Otterville.

Rev. W. E. Aldworth performed the ceremony, and mauve and white gladiolus were used to decorate the church.

The bride wore a street-length dress of pink nylon, with button trimmed sleeves and pleated bodice and full skirt. She wore a white hat and accessories, and corsage of red roses.

The maid of honor was Miss Norma Jean Clifford, wearing pale blue taffeta with navy accessories, and corsage of pink roses. The groomsman was Floyd Hussey.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the bride's home for about 60 guests, and the bride's mother received wearing floral nylon with corsage of red rosebuds. She was assisted by the groom's mother wearing blue and white nylon and corsage of red rosebuds.

For travelling the bride chose a suit of navy blue. Guests were present from Durham, Toronto, DeKalb, Ill., Tillsonburg, Norwich and other places. Mr. and Mrs. Barnim will reside in Otterville. 1955

McIntyre-Hussey

OTTERVILLE (C) — A quiet wedding was solemnized Saturday, July 28, at the United Church Parsonage, Otterville, by Rev. Donald R. Morrison, when Mrs. Nellie Betty Hussey of Otterville was united in marriage to Lewis McIntyre of Carleton Place. The attendants were Miss Shirley Wineholt, London, and the bride's brother, Murray Pucula, Thorndale. The bride was gowned in a dress of aqua silk crepe, with navy hat and accessories and a corsage of pink rosebuds. After a trip to Windsor and Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre will reside at Carleton Place.

Early Arrivals Relax Under Shade Trees



Some of the Otterville Happy Bluebirds Mary Hastings members are shown relaxing under the shade trees prior to the start of their annual picnic. The Otterville Club plans to have a big delegation attend the Central Picnic at Springbank Park on

Otterville Housewives Model Novel Aprons July 7/55



Despite 90 degree temperatures the Mary Hastings Otterville Happy Bluebirds Club held a successful picnic recently with a fine attendance of members and visitors. Pictured above are some of the finalists in the Apron Parade. The aprons were fashioned from newspaper pages and offered a variety of interesting designs. The Otterville Club, organized six years ago, has steadily flourished.



1955 VAN PARYS-LEITCH VOWS WEDNESDAY

OTTERVILLE—Otterville United Church was the scene of a pretty wedding on Wednesday, July 13th, at 2:30 p.m., when Elinore Joan Leitch, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan J. Leitch of Otterville, became the bride of H. Robert Van Parys, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Van Parys of Otterville.

Rev. J. C. Hood of Knox Presbyterian Church, Norwich, officiated before a setting of pink gladioli and white hydrangeas. Organist, Miss Lurene Treffry of Otterville, accompanied the soloist, Mrs. Glen Cracknell of Delhi, aunt of the groom, who rendered "I'll Walk Beside You" and "Souvenir of Love."

The bride, given in marriage by her father, looked lovely in a white strapless gown of nylon tulle and Swiss embroidered net over slipper satin. The bodice of embroidered tulle was fashioned with a full crinolined skirt, styled with tiers of tulle on the sides. The bridal coat featured a stand-up collar and long lily-point sleeves. She wore a silk illusion finger-tip veil, with lily-of-the-valley trim, which was held in place by a tiara of seed pearls. She carried a cascade arrangement of white carnations, stephanotis and green ivy.

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Attending the bride as maid of honor was her sister, Miss Janet Leitch, who was attired in a pink strapless waltz-length gown of embroidered net over taffeta, topped with a bolero. She wore a matching braided bandeau of rhinestones, and carried a cascade arrangement of yellow roses.

Best man was Maurice McLaughlin of London. John Leitch, brother of the bride, and Daniel Van Parys, cousin of the groom, both of Otterville, ushered.

A reception for 90 guests was held. Out-of-town guests were present from Hamilton, Ingersoll, Stratfordville, Delhi, Tillsonburg, Norwich, London, Toronto, Kingsville and Port Dover.

The bride's table was decorated with pink roses, and the tables reserved for guests were decorated with rosebuds.

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The bride's mother wore a coral linen dress with navy accessories and a corsage of yellow roses, as she received the guests. She was assisted by the groom's mother, who was attired in a navy and white dress with pink accessories. She wore a corsage of pink roses.

The bride, for travelling, changed into a black and white printed cotton dress with white accessories, and a corsage of red roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Parys left on a wedding trip to northern Ontario, and on their return will make their home in Otterville.

The bride is a graduate of Hamilton General Hospital School of Nursing.

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came the bride of H. Robert Van Parys, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Van Parys, Otterville. The couple left on a honeymoon to Northern Ontario. (Photo by Seldon)

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Rotting Fish, Pollution Among Otter Creek Problems



A Department of Lands and Forests investigator, Jim Gage, of Hespeler, holds a handkerchief over his nose as he pokes into the oozy slime at the base of Otterville dam where hundreds of fish lie rotting and smelling. Standing is Herb Clarke, Woodstock, also of the department.



This is one of the reasons the fish died, the officials said. Pumps like this one are going night and day drawing irrigation water from the creek for dried up tobacco farms in the district. 55

Odor From Otter Creek Angers Area Residents

OTTERVILLE, July 15 — A man walked down the street of this little village today holding a handkerchief over his face. The smell almost sickened him.

He crossed the bridge over the Otter Creek and looked down at hundreds of dead and rotting fish. The sight was also sickening. "A shame," he said.

That's the way the 600 residents of the village feel about the biggest problem they have had in years. Tobacco farmers, alarmed by dry weather, have been pumping hundreds of gallons of water a minute from the creek above the dam. At the same time, Tip Top Cannery have been processing peas, and waste from the plant is claimed to have polluted the water.

Mill Power Cut

Lorne Teffry, owner of a water-powered grist mill just east of the dam, has property rights along several hundred yards of the creek to assure his water supply. Yesterday he had to shut down because irrigation pumps had drained so much water that water power was almost nil. He has threatened to bring a lawsuit against tobacco farmers pumping within his leased area.

The farmers don't like the situation either, but they believe the creek water belongs to everyone and with no rain for days and days — and with tobacco being such a delicate crop — they have no alternative but to go on pumping until rain takes over. Some are piping creek water over half a mile.

Said Tobacco Grower Joe

Ladosz: "I'll quit pumping if everybody else does. But if I stop and the others don't, it won't help a bit. Besides, if it wasn't for the cannery, there wouldn't be the smell and the fish maybe wouldn't have died. I like fishing."

Said Borden Roberts, manager Ladosz: "I'll quit pumping if of Tip Top Cannery Otterville factory: "I'm not so sure anything from here is causing the smell. It's down below the dam too where there is no water. But I'm sure our head office will be only too willing to co-operate on any scheme that will help matters."

He added that only wash water was drained into the creek from the factory.

"But if the farmers weren't draining so much out of the creek, the water would still be flowing. It would be kept fresh, the odor would disappear and the fish would live. They're disturbing the balance of nature."

Stagnant Pool

When water ceased to flow over the dam a few days ago, a stagnant pool was formed. Farmers continued to pump out more water for irrigation and the cannery waste continued to pour in. Oxygen became scarce in the water and fish died by the hundreds. Unless today's rain raises the water level and washes the slimy waste down, the situation will get worse.

Department of Lands and Forests officials are up in arms about the thing — they recently stocked the creek with fish.

Health inspectors have come in and it was reported they would order the dam opened and the pond drained if something wasn't done quickly.



Among scores of complaints, the strongest one comes from Lorne Teffry, left, who operates a water-powered grist mill near the dam. Here he points to the gooey slime blocking the water cut-off to his mill. He may bring a lawsuit against farmers pumping water from the creek. Yesterday he had to shut down his mill for lack of water power.

Lands and Forests officers claim this is another reason for the situation. This flow of waste pours from a nearby canning factory into the creek polluting the water, creating a smell, and killing the fish.

Settling Pond

Lands and Forest officials suggested the cannery might try building a large settling pond some distance away and pump waste into that. Their only concern, they said, was to keep the creek free from pollution.

Residents near the dammed-up pond said the smell was so bad some evenings that they had to leave home and go out for a drive. At the edge of the dam, dozens of large fish lie dead and maggot-ridden while hundreds are scattered over the rocks below.

One farmer estimated 11,000 gallons are being taken from the creek every minute by close to 20 pumps. A week ago, when pumps were shut down part of the day, the water level rose and dipped accordingly but lately the pumps have been running almost continuously.

Fear for Wells

Some town officials fear an-

other problem: Farmers who are not close enough to the creek to pump water from that source are drilling deep wells on their own land. This, they say, may lower the water table and the village's own spring wells may drop or dry up.

Otterville has a problem. The situation is urgent and there must be a way to clean it up, but there seems to be no one to take the lead.

Begin Draining Otterville Pond

OTTERVILLE, July 17 — The Otterville pond is being drained tonight in order to rid the district of offensive odors from fish in stagnant pools.

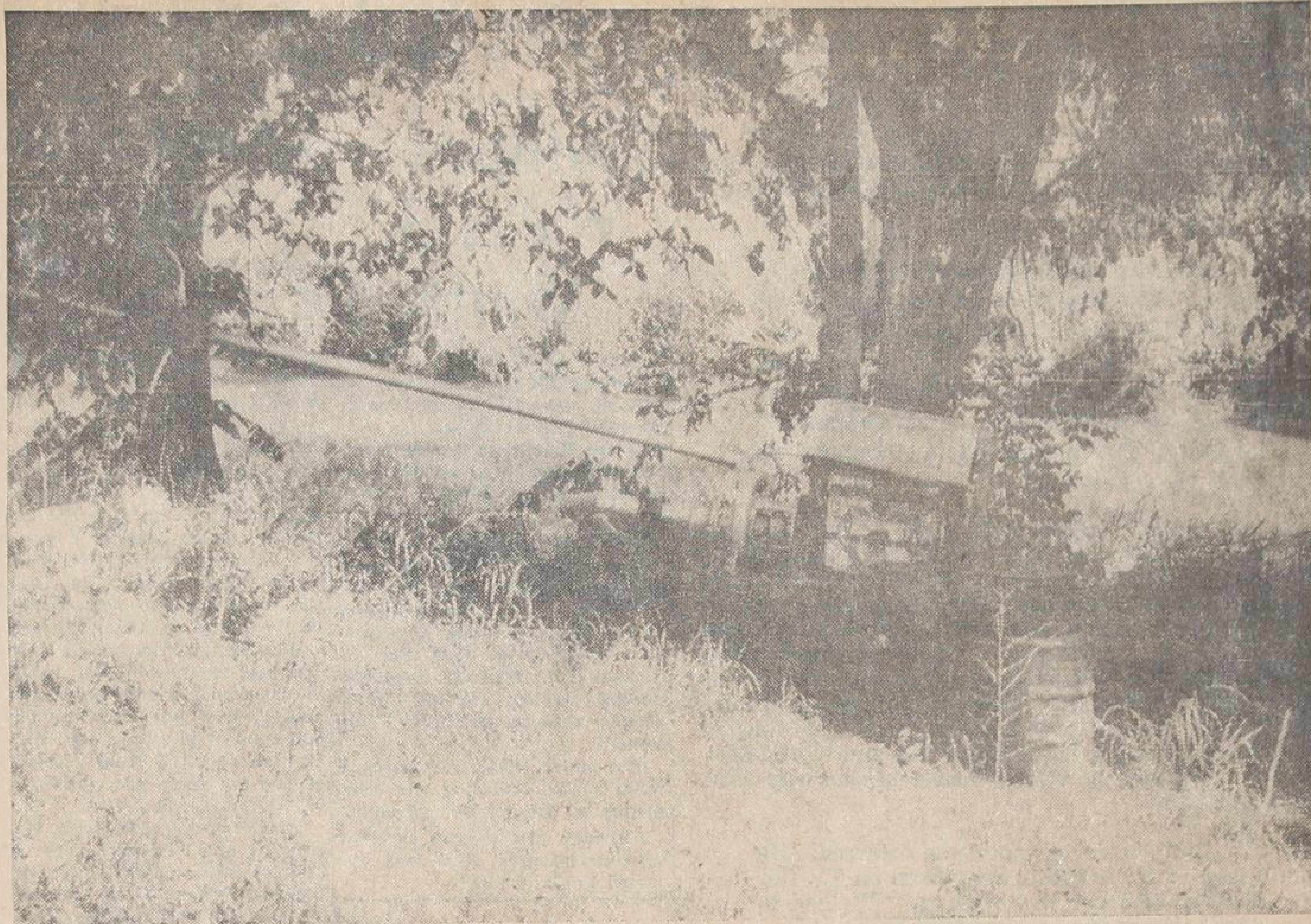
This evening in an effort to reduce a health hazard as quickly as possible, Lorne Treffry, owner of a water-powered grist mill, opened the gates to release water from the mill race.

When the level is sufficiently lowered, probably by morning, Mr. Treffry will open the gate under the dam and the pond will be reduced to a small stream of clean water.

As soon as the pond bed has dried sufficiently it will be filled with clean water. This will prevent the use of numerous irrigation systems, which draw supplies of water for tobacco crops, for a few days.

The district was favored with a heavy rain this afternoon which greatly assisted farmers.

Mr. Treffry ran through a small amount of grist today to hold him over the several days until the pond is filled again.



Hundreds of irrigation pumps such as the one in this photo are blamed for reducing the flow of water in the Otter Creek which passes through Tillsonburg. The Creek is at the lowest point in years. Residents of the

Village of Otterville are now signing a petition calling for more rigid laws in the withdrawing of water from the streams. (Photo by Seldon.)

Otter Creek Odor Passing

BY MEL HOWEY

Free Press Staff Reporter

OTTERVILLE, July 19 — In one short week, residents of this small village have gone through smell and low water. But the smell is nearly gone, fresh water is running over the dry creek bed, and everyone is happy again — nearly everyone.

That's the picture Dr. O. C. Powers, director of the Oxford County Health Unit, gave tonight after disclosing that a canning factory here had agreed to build a large catch basin for its refuse instead of using the Otter Creek.

Refuse Blamed

Last week hundreds of fish died in the polluted, stagnant water of a pond formed above the Otterville dam. Dry weather and night and day pumping for irrigation by tobacco farmers had lowered the creek so that it could not flow.

"The cause of the whole trouble was the refuse put into the creek by the canning factory," Dr. Powers said. "It wasn't the low water.

"The factory is now directing its refuse into a lagoon instead of the creek and I don't think there will be any more trouble."

Some Not Satisfied

With the pea season over in another couple of days, the factory will have a rest until corn starts coming in and during that period bulldozers will get busy on the settling pond for refuse. Today there was a little fluid going into the creek from the factory, but it was being strained.

Some residents, however, are still not satisfied. Headed by Stan Riches and George Davis, they're getting a petition together to take to Gordon Innis, Oxford MLA, for presentation to the minister of health with a double-barreled aim; to put a stop to pollution and to regulate "the indiscriminate withdrawal of water from streams for irrigation."

Association to Act

At the same time, the South Norwich Fish and Game Association, which has been fighting tooth and nail against pollution for years, has jumped into the ring and intends "to do something."

Meanwhile, Lorne Teffry, owner of a water-powered grist mill just below the dam, has shut down operations but hopes he has enough milled grain on hand to last out the month. He feels the water rights he held on the pond have been trespassed upon.

Mr. Riches said he expected about 200 signatures on the petition by Wednesday night. There are about 600 residents in the village.

Race for Water

"Trouble is," he lamented, "it's one mad race for water among these tobacco farmers. And I hear it's worse north of No. 2 Highway where they're running short of water for cattle.

"Nobody is picking on the tobacco farmers. They needed water. But there's no reason for them to have exclusive rights to it and it's only a matter of time before they have a worse problem — when the stream is all used up and the wells dry.

Mr. Riches said he had been in touch with Mr. Innis and that he "hopes something will be done by next season about unrestricted use of water."

Meanwhile, he said, "the public has come to the end of their patience and something has to be done."

Advice Offered

Meanwhile last night the Thames Valley Anti-Pollution Committee, a private organization of sportsmen and other interested citizens, at their monthly meeting in London discussed the Otter Creek fish kill and decided to advise Otterville residents and the Oxford County Sportsmen's Club of the method of attack used by the committee in getting public recognition and action about pollution situations.

The committee expressed the opinion that hot and humid summer weather causes a menace to public health, and great discomfort to people living along the Thames River, and to Londoners in general, because of the odor of the polluted river.

Water samples from the south branch of the Thames are regularly being sent by the committee to the Ontario Department of Health at Toronto.

BANDIT OR CAR

OTTERVILLE MAN CHASED GUNMAN IN BREAD TRUCK, BUT THUG FLED WITH \$4,000

(By Staff Reporters)

Although provincial, county and municipal police throughout the area were alerted within minutes, an armed bandit, who held up the Royal Bank of Canada at Otterville about 12.30 p.m. Monday, escaped with about \$4,000 in bills.

Provincial Sergeant Jack Fulton, Tillsonburg, who is in charge of the investigation, said this morning that no trace of the car or robber had been found, but that several leads were being "followed up" at the present time. He said a 1954 Buick, like the one driven by the bandit, was stolen in Brantford, and the license plates on the thug's car were stolen in Brantford.

Durwood Spicer, owner of Spicer's Bakery, Otterville, and brother of Wilfred, Delhi, chased the robber's car in a 1955 Chevrolet bakery truck at speeds up to 85 miles per hour, but the thug escaped.

It was the fourth time in 20 years that Otterville's only bank had been held up by armed thugs.

Mr. Spicer, returning to work at his bakery about 12.25, was driving east on the main street and had just turned north onto William Street (the bank is situated on the northeast corner of the intersection).

"As I was going around the corner," said Mr. Spicer, "I saw this suspicious-looking character run from the front door of the bank. He was holding a large bag in one hand and a gun, I think, in the other — but I'm not positive.

(At this point, Mr. Spicer said he didn't know that the bank had just been robbed, but for some reason he took particular notice of the gunman.)

'Type of Person'

"I don't know why, but he (the bandit) looked just like the type of person you would associate with a bank robbery.

"Just as I was coming by his car, the bank manager came tearing around the corner of the bank, shouting: 'stop that man!' I immediately stopped my truck beside the man, but he ran around behind it, got into his car and took off. I turned my truck around quickly and followed him east out of Otterville. I blew my horn for a few minutes, trying to attract attention, but nobody seemed to hear it.

"I followed him at speeds up to 85 miles per hour. He crossed No. 59 Highway without slowing down. I lost him after he went over a hill in the road east of 59 Highway."

Acting teller, Mrs. Jack (Do-

rothy) Stanford, 20, Teeterville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Davis, Otterville, and Mrs. William (Wilma) Butler, acting accountant, were the only two persons in the bank when the gunman entered.

"As he came through the door," said Mrs. Butler, "he slipped a handkerchief which he had tied around his neck, up over his face and drew his gun.

"He walked right up to the teller's cage, thrust the gun between the bars and said: 'Give me all the money and don't make a sound.' He then reached into his suitcoat pocket, drew out a large paper bag and threw it over the top of the wicket."

"I asked him if he wanted the silver — there was about \$40 to \$50 — but he replied: 'No! No silver, just the bills!'" said Mrs. Stanford.

"During the actual holdup," said Mrs. Butler, "I think he was more frightened than we were. He appeared to be very nervous and was shaking.

'Don't Make A Sound'

Mrs. Stanford said: "As he said 'Give me all the money and don't make a sound,' he dropped what looked to be two bullets on the floor. As he picked them up he said: 'Keep quiet! Don't make a sound!'"

The two women said he then asked them if there was any money in the other teller's cash drawer and the vault.

"We told him there was but that

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Lone Gunman

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robber walked out the door of the bank, she and Mrs. Stanford left the vault and looked out the window in time to see a car speeding away around the corner.

"I didn't get a chance to see the license number," said Mrs. Butler. "Then I grabbed a telephone and got the local Bell Telephone operator to call the Provincial Police in Tillsonburg."

Earlier Robbery

Mrs. Butler was a teller in the bank in September, 1946, when three men, brandishing guns, entered the building and demanded money. However, they were frightened off and escaped without any loot. They were never captured.

Derwood Spicer owner of a bakery shop, pursued the bandit's car as it turned the corner at the bank and headed east out of town. Spicers was driving his own panel truck.

"I had just turned the corner to park near the bank when the manager, Mr. McDougall came running around in front of the place and yelled at me to stop this guy. I knew right away that something had happened, probably a robbery, and I turned my truck around and took after the car."

Chased 3 Miles

Mr. Spicer said he pursued the car for three miles along the eighth concession of South Norwich Township.

"But I lost him," he said. "I think the guy made a left turn at the third concession, because when I got over the brow of a hill, which he had already passed, I couldn't see him anymore. But I continued on along the eighth concession for about another mile or so and asked some people on the road if they had seen a car go speeding by. None of them saw it."

Three young cyclists narrowly missed being struck down by the bandit's car as it sped around the corner of the bank. The three boys — Bill Kennedy, 12, Brent Pennington, 13, and Vernon Daiken, 13, were riding west along the main street directly in front of the bank. They swerved their bicycles to avoid a head-on collision with the car and ran onto

the sidewalk in front of the bank. Seen Leaving

Brent Pennington said that he saw the robber come out of the bank and get into his car.

"We were riding our bikes just a few feet east of the bank when I saw this man come out. His car's engine was running and the driver's door was wide open.

"The next thing I knew, he jumped into the vehicle and took off, speeding around the corner on the wrong side of the street and nearly plowed into us.

"He was coming straight at us and would have run us down for sure." The boys were not injured.

The bank manager, H. W. McDougall, said he was sitting on his veranda at his home immediately west of the bank and got suspicious.

Felt Something Wrong

"I could see into the bank through the window, and saw this man standing there. I don't know what the reason was, but I felt sure that something had gone wrong. When I left the veranda and walked around the front of the bank, this man came out of the front door of the bank and jumped into his car. Then I yelled to Spicer that something had gone wrong and asked him to block the car with his truck."

Mr. Spicer said the bandit was dressed in a worn gray suit and was wearing a fedora.

"The man had a sallow complexion, was a little bit on the thin side and stood about 5 feet eight inches in height."

Aid Investigation

Provincial Corporal Jack Fulton, of Tillsonburg, and Constable Harold Howting, of London, a fingerprint expert, immediately took charge of the investigation. Constable Howting refused to say whether he found fingerprints around the teller's cage.

Otterville Bank Staff Tells Of Daylight Robbery

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The search was continuing today for the lone gunman who escaped with slightly over \$4,000 from the Royal Bank at Otterville at noon on Monday. Left, Manager H. W. McDougall discusses the robbery with

Cpl. J. G. Fulton of the Tillsonburg O.P.P. detachment. Right, Mrs. Dorothy Stanford, teller, and Mrs. Wilma Butler, stenographer who were in the bank when the armed bandit entered. (London Free Press Photos).

Heavily Armed

By Staff Reporter

OTTERVILLE, August 17 — The masked gunman who took \$4,000 from the Royal Bank here Monday may be heavily armed and willing to shoot it out with anyone trying to capture him, it was disclosed today.

Police were still hunting the countryside and checking barns and old buildings, ravines, side-roads and bush for the stolen car used by the bandit.

Bullet on Counter

Mrs. Dorothy Stanford, teller, who was first confronted by the masked desperado, revealed today that he dropped a loose bullet on the counter before the teller's cage as he pushed forward a brown paper shopping bag and said: "Don't make a sound and put the money in the bag."

"I didn't think the bullet very important until now," said Mrs. Stanford. "But he had this gun, and I think a lot more ammunition in his pockets."

She said the bullet fell from the paper bag as it was placed be-

fore her. The bullet apparently was caught in the bag when the bandit pulled it from his pocket.

"He picked up the bullet and put it back in his pocket," said Mrs. Stanford.

Comb District For Hungry Gunman

A concentrated search of the Delhi-Otterville-Norwich area was touched off this morning, when a lone gunman pointed a revolver at a housewife in the Otterville district and demanded food. More than 10 provincial police cars from Tillsonburg, London, Woodstock, Brantford and Sarnia are taking part in the search, said Provincial Sergeant Jack Fulton, Tillsonburg. Police feel it might have been the same bandit, who robbed the Otterville Branch of the Royal Bank of Canada on Monday.

Mrs. Clarence (Fern) Douglas, who resides in the first house south of the Michigan Central Railway on No. 59 Highway on the west side of the road, said she made a loaf of tomato sandwiches for the stranger, while he pointed a gun at her.

TWO WOMEN ALONE IN SMALL BANK

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MRS. JACK STANFORD



H. W. McDougall, (above) manager of Royal Bank of Canada, Otterville, was out for lunch when a lone bandit grabbed \$4,000 in bills at the small branch on Monday. This amount of money was in the drawer of one teller's cage. This is the height of the tobacco harvesting season, and there was more money than usual in the bank.



MRS. WILLIAM BUTLER



DURWOOD SPICER

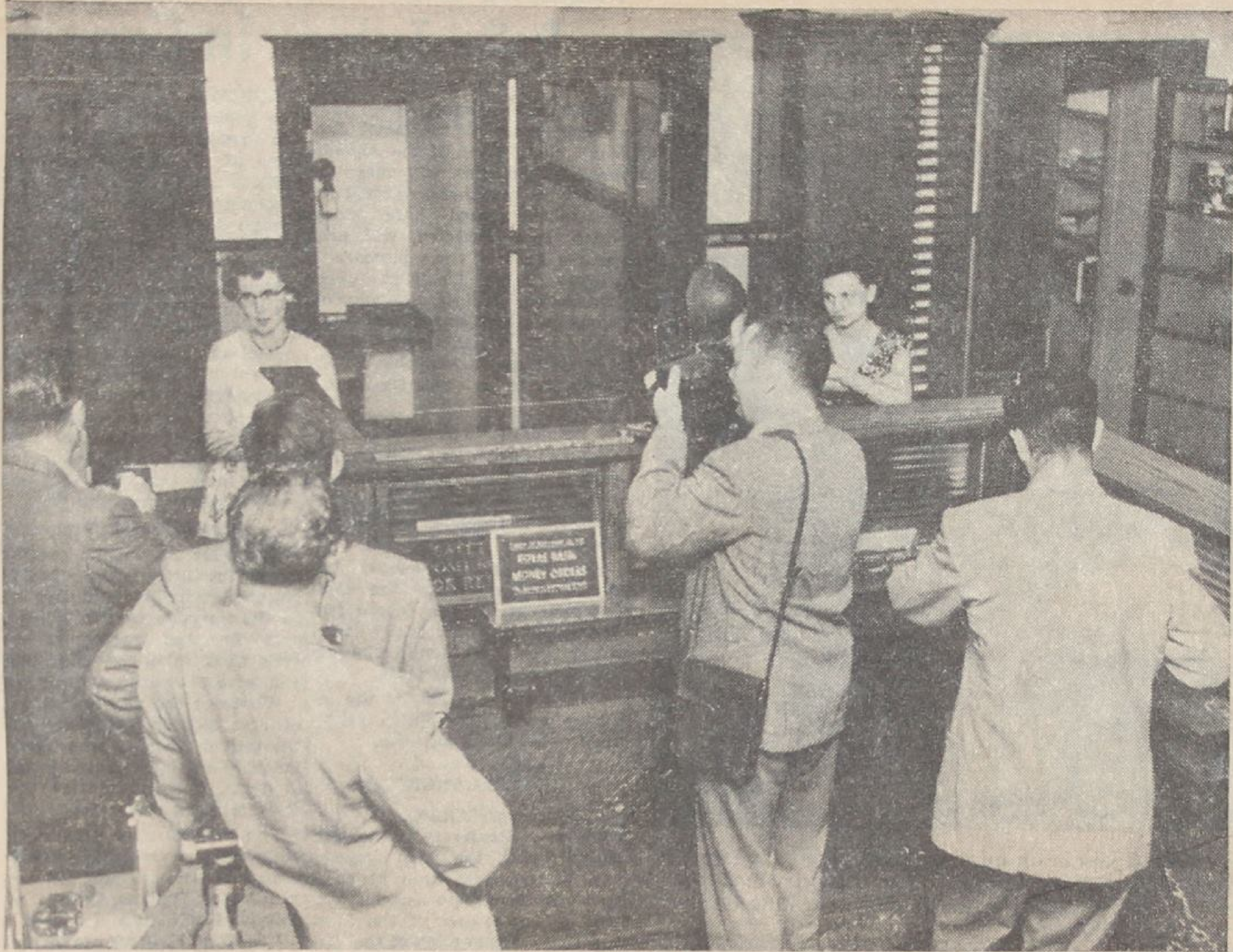


This is a photo of the outside of the Otterville branch of the Royal Bank of Canada, which was robbed at 12.30 p.m. Monday. It is the only bank in the small tobacco centre.

(News-Record Photos by Mesaros)

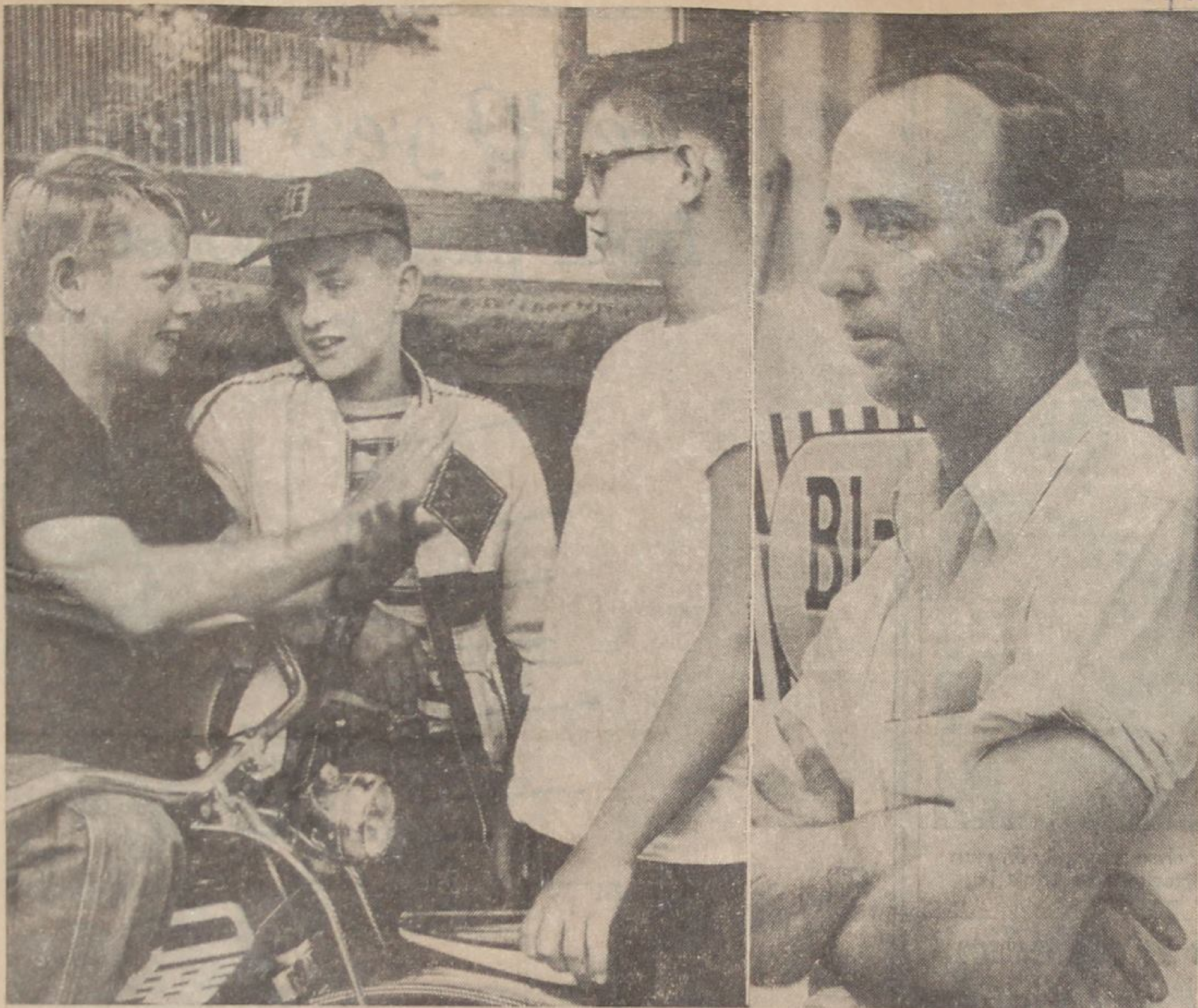
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Otterville Robbery Draws Newsmen



Newsmen swarmed through the Royal Bank branch at Otterville yesterday shortly after a lone armed bandit escaped with about \$4,000 cash. Shown being photographed are the only two employees present when the holdup took place—from left, Mrs. Wilma Butler, a stenographer, and Mrs. Dorothy Stanford, teller.

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Also concerned in the daring noon robbery were these four Otterville residents. On the right is Derwood Spicer, bakery store owner, who, in his panel truck, gave chase to the bandit's car until he lost it three miles along the eighth concession of S. Norwich. Pictured left are three young cyclists who were almost struck by the bandits car—from left, Vernon Daiken, 13, Brent Pennington, 13, and Bill Kennedy, 12.

Bystander Takes Gun From Thug

Free Press Woodstock Bureau
WOODSTOCK, August 28
 —The sixth in a series of holdups or attempted holdups in the Oxford area occurred here during the weekend but was foiled by the daring action of Charles Harford, 451 Spencer street, who wrested a revolver from a hooded man who was holding the local Canadian National Railways ticket agent at gunpoint Saturday night.

Demanded Money

In last night's incident at Woodstock, Jack Church, local ticket agent for Canadian National Railways, was held up at gunpoint shortly after 10 o'clock as he stood talking to Gene Wardell of the express department. A hooded man who entered through the operator's door off the platform, demanded that Church hand over the cash. Harford had come into the waiting room and approached the wicket for information. Immediately grasping the situation, he ran around through the operator's door, grabbed the gunman from the rear and pinned him against the wall. During the ensuing struggle, Wardell called police and a cruiser in charge of

Bank Raided

The search was the fourth in this district in half as many weeks. First was organized following the theft of \$4,000 from an Otterville bank branch, August 15. The same day an armed man forced a Delhi district woman to give him food at gunpoint. Three days later another woman was forced to give a masked bandit food while he stood over her with a gun.

MARCH 1956 Seven-Year Term In Bank Robbery

Reginald Harvey, 38, was sentenced to seven years in Kingston Penitentiary for the armed robbery of the Royal Bank of Canada branch at Otterville on August 15, 1955. Harvey appeared yesterday in Woodstock before Magistrate R. G. Groom. The sentence is to run concurrent with two and five-year concurrent terms presently being served by Harvey at Kingston, meaning an additional two years. The accused pleaded guilty at a previous court to robbing the Otterville branch of \$4,150 which resulted in a concentrated search of the area and the accused's escape.

Wed at Otterville



Married in Otterville United Church Saturday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Don Edward Brodie, above. The bride is the former Naureen Elizabeth Petch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earle Petch of Otterville, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brodie of Bracebridge. (Photo

Mr. and Mrs. Wendel Hillier of Racine, Wisconsin, and their son Floyd who has recently returned from spending two years in Formosa, have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Hillier's brother Nate McMullen and other relatives in this vicinity. *AUG. 1955.*

NAUREEN PETCH WEDS D. E. BRODIE

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTERVILLE—Pure white gladioli in white containers with a background of palms and ferns formed a beautiful setting in the Otterville United Church, Saturday afternoon when marriage vows were exchanged by Naureen Elizabeth Petch, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earle Petch, Otterville, and Don Edward Brodie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brodie, Bracebridge. Rev. Alfred Yeoman, Ingersoll, performed the double ring ceremony, and the wedding music was played by Miss Lurene Treffry. Mr. Jack Walther, of Otterville, was the soloist, and sang "Wedding Prayer" and "Because".

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was lovely in a floor-length gown of white lace over satin, with a short train. The fitted bodice had long lily-point sleeves edged with pearls, and her fingertip veil of French illusion fell from a lace and satin head-dress trimmed with seed pearls. Her only ornament was a double strand of pearls, and she carried an all-white cascade of roses and carnations.

Miss Marion Percival, of North Bay, was the maid of honor, and Miss Eva Schlichter of Hamilton was bridesmaid. They wore floor-length gowns of blended shades of blue crystalline, with matching headdresses and gloves, and each carried a basket bouquet of yellow daisy mums around pink carnations in blended shades.

Neil Brodie was the groomsman, and the ushers were Donald Petch and Philip Eastman.

A reception for eighty guests was held in the church parlor, which was nicely decorated with summer flowers, and the tables had crystal vases of pink rosebuds, and white lighted tapers in silver candelabra. The bride's mother received wearing pale blue net and lace over taffeta with coral hat and accessories and a corsage of coral rosebuds. The bridegroom's mother assisted wearing navy blue crepe with matching hat and accessories, and corsage of pink rosebuds. The waitresses Mrs. George Heaslip, Misses Dorothy Wardell, Frances Batson, Margaret Hillier and Catherine McMullen were assisted by members of the Women's Association in serving the guests.

Later the guests were entertained at the home of the bride's parents after which the bride and groom left on a motor trip to Northern Ontario.

For travelling the bride donned a pale blue suit, with box jacket, black velvet picture hat with rose velvet on the inside brim, black shoes and corde bag, and rose corsage. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Brodie will reside in Hamilton.

The bride is a graduate of Hamilton General Hospital, and the groom is a graduate of McMaster University. *Aug. 27/55*

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OTTERVILLE—The attendance at the Otterville Central School is nearing the 400 mark, an all time high, with 390 registered as against 376 in September of last year.

Some of the lower grades have more than 40 in each room, and four buses are required to transport the country children to school, with one of the buses making two trips.

The only change in the teaching staff is that of Mrs. Orris Beecroft who is taking Mrs. Alice Lees place in grade six. Other teachers are Miss Irene Scidmore and Miss Lorna Clement in grade one, Mrs. Marion Cameron and Mrs. Beth Ottewell in grade two, Mrs. Jean McClintock in grade three, Miss Florence Smith grade four, Mrs. Violet Cole, grade five, Donald Neale in grade seven and the principal Boyd Little in grade eight.

For the first few days many of the small children are confused as to which bus to take after school, so to eliminate mistakes, each child on a bus has a colored ribbon pinned on, and in a short time they soon become familiar with their bus and this is then no longer necessary. Donald Treffry has been engaged as assistant caretaker, to help Max Avey the superintendent of buildings.

Otterville Man's Hurts Critical In Auto Crash

An Otterville district man is in hospital in critical condition; a tobacco laborer from Wallaceburg was killed by an auto four miles south of Delhi; three persons were hospitalized in a two-car crash four miles south-east of Tillsonburg and hundreds of dollars damage has been caused in accidents during the past week.

Harvey Leach, R.R. 1, Otterville, is in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital in "critical" condition from injuries received when his car went out of control and crashed some 1,000 feet north of the intersection of No. 59 Highway, and the Otterville road, at 4 p.m. Wednesday afternoon. His car left the highway, turned over three times, and came to rest in a tobacco field a complete wreck.

Complete Wreck

Mr. Leach was southbound on the highway, when a car westbound on the Otterville sideroad stopped and pulled onto the highway. The Otterville district man swerved his vehicle to pass, and skidded on the west shoulder, across the highway, and when the car struck the east shoulder it began to roll over.

The injured man was treated by Dr. Murray Downing, and removed to hospital by the W. L. Addison ambulance.

Provincial Constable W. A. Petrachuk, who investigated, said the 1939 model car was completely wrecked. *Sept 7/55*

Funeral Late Harvey Ray Leach

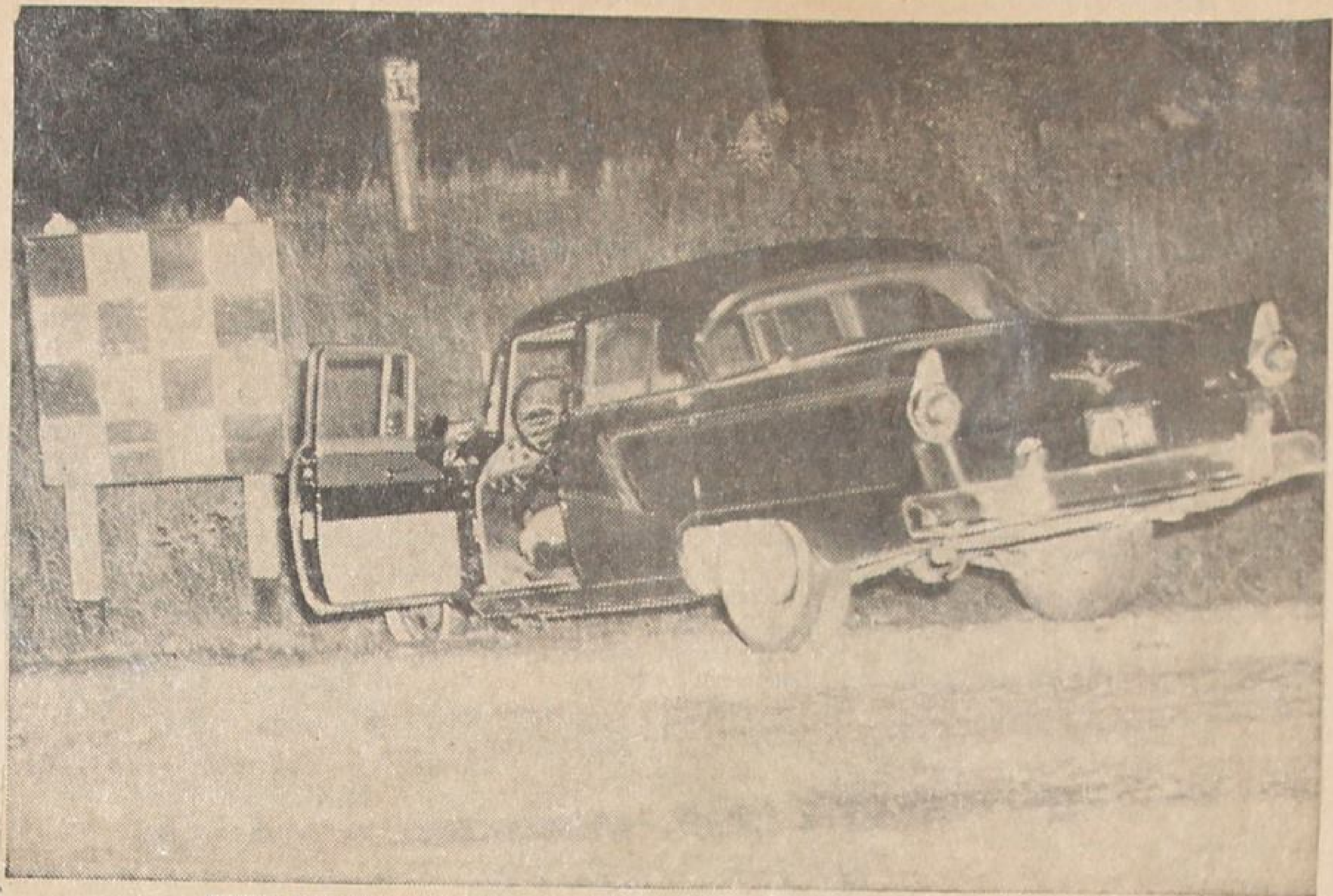
Funeral services for Harvey Ray Leach, of Milldale, were held at the Addison Funeral Home at Otterville Saturday afternoon and were largely attended by relatives, neighbors and friends. Lieut. Jessie Mayo and Lieut. Lillian Pyke of the Salvation Army, Tillsonburg conducted the services and the latter also sang the solo "Saved By Grace" accompanied by Mrs. Nate McMullen who also played before and after the service. Many beautiful floral tributes surrounded the casket in sympathy to the family who were so suddenly bereaved.

Mr. Leach was born in Norfolk County 33 years ago, and moved to his present home on No. 59 Highway eight years ago. While serving in the army from 1942 to 1945 he was stationed at Newfoundland and there married Lucy Stride who survives him. He also leaves his mother Mrs. Grace (Miles) Leach, Milldale, three brothers, Stanley Leach, Otterville, George, Brantford and Larry, Milldale; and one sister Mrs. Iva McKierman, Norwich. Mr. Leach had been in hospital at Tillsonburg for one day after suffering severe head injuries sustained when his car turned over after leaving the highway and striking a soft shoulder.

The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Harry Robinson, Harry Penny, Bart Finucan, Wally Marr, Lloyd Marr and Stan Preszcat- or. Interment was made in the Eden Cemetery.

Funeral Late Earl Lorne Douglas

Funeral services for Earl Lorne Douglas, 17 year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Douglas, R.R. 2, Otterville, were held at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville Sunday afternoon and were conducted by Rev. Gordon Chaffé, Tillsonburg, and were very largely attended, by relatives, friends and neighbors, and there were many floral tributes from rel-



TWO IN HOSPITAL AFTER SWEABURG ROAD ACCIDENT

City and Provincial Police Report 15 Accidents During Holiday Weekend

Both city police and Ontario Provincial Police had a comparatively light weekend as far as accidents were concerned. The Labor Day weekend traffic throughout the county was termed very heavy but accidents were kept down to 15.

Provincial Police investigated 13 while the city police had two on the books this morning. An all out drive to cut accidents was made over the weekend as patrol cars were out on the roads most of the time.

SATURDAY

Two men were admitted to Alexandra Hospital Ingersoll, Saturday night after a car driven by Gordon Gehring, Otterville, struck an embankment on No. 19 highway at Sweaburg road. A passenger, Gordon Pennington of Otterville sustained lacerations and bruises while Gehring had chest injuries and facial bruises.

Damage to the car was estimated at \$800. Provincial Constable W. Madill investigated.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services

Harvest Thanksgiving services were held at St. John's Anglican Church Sunday morning and evening and were well attended. The Rector, Rev. C. H. Wright, had charge of the

morning service and Holy Communion, and based his sermon on "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof." J. W. Riste sang a solo "Morning, Noon and Night," unaccompanied, and Mrs. Nate McMullen was the organist at both services, and accompanied Mr. Riste at the evening service when he sang "I Come to Thee." Owing to the illness of Canon Appleyard, the guest speaker at the evening service was Rev. J. C. Cole of Brantford, who gave an appropriate message dealing with the Harvest and Thanksgiving. The church was nicely decorated with flowers, fruits, vegetables and foliage.

Followin gthe evening service

all present were invited to the Parish Hall where the Ladies Guild had attractive tables set for refreshments, after which Rev. C. H. Wright and Mrs. Wright were asked to come to the platform, where J. W. Riste read an address and presented them with a gift of money from the congregation, in a lovely monogrammed handmade leather billfold, which had been given by Mrs. G. M. Downing for Mr. Wright. Mr. Wright who has been rector at Norwich, Otterville, and St. Charles, Dereham, for nearly five years, is retiring owing to poor health, and has purchased a home in Norwich. He warmly thanked the congregation for their kindness and co-operation. Rev. J. C. Coles also spoke briefly, and said there is always something for all of us to do whether old or young, and whole after retirement, one cannot do all he would like, but he can get closer to God.

DOUBLE WEDDING CEREMONY HELD

(From Our Own Correspondent)

CLEAR CREEK—Rev. P. D. Augustine performed his first double wedding at the Baptist Church parsonage, Eden, on Wednesday, September 28th, when Dorothy Peggy Ann Moore, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moore of Clear Creek, exchanged vows with John Allan Horley, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. George Horley of Clear Creek, and Betty Morris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Malcom Morris of St. Williams, with Gordon Lawrence Moore, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Moore of Clear Creek.

A double-ring ceremony was performed when Peggy Moore and John Horley exchanged marriage vows. The bride was attired in a powder blue suit. She wore white and navy accessories and a red rose bud corsage enhanced with white carnation. For something borrowed, she wore a rhinestone necklace and earrings.

The bridal pair were attended by Miss Betty Morris and Gordon Moore.

The bride's mother, for her daughter's wedding, wore a teal blue suit with pink accessories and a pink carnation corsage. The groom's mother was attired in a navy suit with navy accessories. She wore a pink carnation corsage.

Reception was held at the home of the bride's parents for the immediate family.

The rooms were decorated with autumn flowers and white wedding bells. The bride's table was centred with a three-tier wedding cake decorated with rosebud trim and topped with a miniature bride and groom, flanked by tall white candles in crystal holders.

The couple left on a wedding trip to Eastern Ontario. On their return, Mr. and Mrs. Horley will make their home at Clear Creek.

The bride and groom attended Tillsonburg District High School.

The groom is employed as a mechanic at Hunter's Garage, Port Rowan.

Mrs. Elizabeth Horley

A resident of the Vienna district of Bayham Township most of her life, Mrs. Elizabeth Horley, 90, passed away at St. Thomas on Friday. She was the daughter of the late James Olsen and Catherine Langdon. Her husband, Richard Horley, predeceased her 19 years ago.

She was one of the oldest members of the Free Methodist Church.

Survivors are three sons, George of Port Rowan, Carl of Putnam and Crossley of Manitoulin Island; two brothers, Arthur Olson of St. Thomas, O. Olson of Aylmer; two sisters, Mrs. Sam Palmer of Springford and Mrs. Louise Vallans of Windsor.

Rested at the H. A. Ostrander & Son Funeral Home where service was conducted on Monday at 2 p.m. by Rev. John Winslow.

A solo, "Beyond The Sunset," was sung by Mrs. Winslow.

Pallbearers were Donald Horley, Ralph Horley, Stanley Palmer, Harold Palmer, Frank Butcher and James Olson.

Interment in the Otter Valley Cemetery.



These are graduates of the Norwich District High School, graduates of Grade 12, who have gone out, either into business or further training. Back row, left to right: Marilyn Kirkpatrick, St. Joseph's Hospital, London; Shirley Caldwell,

teaching at Hatchley; Violet Knox, La France Co., Woodstock; Eleanor Frew, Experimental Farm, Delhi; Darlene Sherman, Brantford General Hospital; Ellen Hopkins, Woodstock Hospital; Joan Storey, London Life Co., London.

Front row. Alice Storey, Woodstock General Hospital; Aletha Bertrand, Stratford Hospital; Laverne Caley, farming; Gordon Cayley, Teachers College, Hamilton; Barbara Palmer, Ryerson Institute, Toronto; Caroline Carroll, Witts' Fertilizer Co., (Photo by Lowe.



This is the class of Honour Graduation students of 1955 at the Norwich District High School. Left to right, at the back, are Bill Chimbers, Western University; Maida Winegarden, Teachers' College, London; Jim Chambers, O. A. C.,

Guelph; Carolyn Davis, Teachers' College, London; Jack George, business, Tillsonburg; Lloyd Banbury, O. A. C., Guelph; Donna Cole, Teachers College, London; David Gil-mour, O. A. C., Guelph; Dolores Hooker, Teachers College, Lon-

don; Jack Parker, Western University, London; Beverley Lees, Teachers College, London. In front Mary Manore, Toronto University; Janet Leitch, Shirley Stevens, Betty-Jean Jaques, Ruth Fidlín and Agnes Burill, all at Teachers College, London.

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Rev. C. Wright Says Farewell

NORWICH — Rev. C. H. Wright preached his farewell sermon in Holy Trinity Anglican Church Sunday. The new rector, Rev. T. H. Masson, his wife and two children, will move into the rectory. At the evening service, the special preacher was Rev. J. S. Sharples, Delhi. The choir, led by Mrs. J. Foster, sang an anthem. Following the service, a gathering was held in the Parish Hall. After lunch, Robert Barham read a farewell address to Mr. and Mrs. Wright and Sam Croker presented them with a purse of gold. The congregation is also paying for a fireplace in their new home.

Mr. Wright urged the members to support the new minister and to give him their whole-hearted friendship.

Anglican Rector Plans Retirement

NORWICH—Rev. C. H. Wright, rector of Holy Trinity Church, Norwich, St. John's Otterville, and St. Charles, Dereham, since February, 1951, has submitted his resignation to the Bishop of Huron and preached his closing sermon in Norwich at harvest thanksgiving services Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright have purchased a house on Stover street, south, to which they have already moved and they will be living in retirement there.

Rev. Mr. Wright came to Norwich from Carberry, Manitoba, where he had been rector the three years before. Before that time he had been a church organist and was for many years organist and choir master in the Anglican church at Barrie. Since coming to Norwich he has taken a great interest in the work of the choir and has given organ recitals in the various churches.

Because of his widely separated parish and the fact that he had no car, his extra activities were limited, but he did take a keen interest in the work of the ministerial association and in the teaching of religion at the public school. Oct 21/55

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Harvest Home Services Trinity Anglican Church

Harvest Home services were held morning and evening in Holy Trinity Church on Sunday and in the morning the rector, Rev. C. H. Wright, who preached his first sermon in Norwich on Sunday, February 1, 1951, preached his closing sermon as rector. The newly appointed rector is the Rev. T. H. Masson, for the past two years curate of St. Andrew's and St. Stephen's churches in Sarnia. Mr. and Mrs. Masson and their two children are moving into the rectory today and he will preach his first sermon in Norwich on Sunday morning, Oct. 16. In addition to being the rector of Norwich, Otterville and Dereham he will be taking a special course in psychology at Western University, London. Mr. Wright officially closes his ministry next Sunday at St. Charles, Dereham when he presents several candidates for confirmation by Bishop Luxton. There will be several candidates from Delhi as well.

Mr. Wright based his closing sermon on the text, 'It is a good thing to give thanks.' He was speaking to the children of the Sunday School as well as to the senior congregation as he stressed the need to be courteous and thankful at all times. Especially, he stressed, it is necessary to thank Almighty God for all his blessings. The evening preacher was the Rev. J. S. Sharples of Delhi. Mrs. Jack Foster led the choir in an anthem at each service.

The ladies had arranged lovely decorations, using products of the garden, orchard and field. Holy communion was dispensed at the morning service.

Following the evening service a social gathering to which all were invited was held in the Parish Hall. After all had enjoyed refreshments, Robert Barham, rector warden read an address of appreciation and farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Wright and Sam Croker, peoples warden, presented them with a purse of money. In addition the congregation is purchasing them a new fireplace for their home.

In thanking the people for the gift, Mr. Wright reminded them that his first sermon in Norwich had been entitled roads and he said: "It seems we have come to the end of our road in the active ministry." He thanked them all for their kindness and he appealed for loyal co-operation for the new Rector. "Don't break his heart by having two or three or six people out to church. Be there yourself and support him and the officers, not alone with your memory but with your presence and help."

It is rather a coincidence that the Rev. Percy H. Streeter, rector in Norwich from about 1929 to 1934, but for the past five years rector at Clarksburg, preached farewell sermons there on Sunday and will be moving to Beaverton to retire. His daughter, Jean, Mrs. Earl Windatt, lives in Beaverton.

Funeral Late James S. Willitts

The funeral of James S. Willitts, who died at the home of his stepdaughter Mrs. R. J. McMann at Markdale on Sunday of last week, was held at the Addison Funeral Home at Otterville Tuesday afternoon, October 11th, and was conducted by Rev. Donald Morrison, Otterville. During the service a solo "One Sweetly Solemn Thought" was sung by George H. Davis, accompanied by Mrs. Nate McMullen, who also played a number of favor-

ite hymns before and after the service. Relatives and friends were present from Drayton Plains, Mich., Pontiac, Mich., LaSalette, Hawtrey, Lucan, Springford, Ingersoll, Markdale and many other places. There were many lovely floral tributes, and Gideon Bibles. The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers were Don Russell of Markdale, Oliver Clifford, George Jull, Earl Ritenburg, Joe McElhone and Harold Durkee.



© A Norwich woman was killed and two other persons were injured Thursday night in this multiple crash near the City northern limits. (Expositor Photo).

Otterville Lodge Has Installation

(From Our Own Correspondent)
OTTERVILLE—Violet Rebekah Lodge held their installation of officers in the I.O.O.F. hall at Otterville with District Deputy President Sister Pearl Rohrer and other members of Fidelity Lodge, Delhi, as well as visitors from Myrtle Rebekah Lodge, Tillsonburg, Vigilant Lodge, Norwich, and Rose Lodge, Woodstock, present.

Elected officers installed were the Noble Grand, Mrs. Marjorie Hopkins; Vice-Grand, Mrs. Anna Treffry; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Emma Strudwick; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Winnifred McMullen; Treasurer, Mrs. Daisy Mannell. Appointed officers installed were Warder, Mrs. Gwen Williams; Conductor, Mrs. Thelma Garnett; Chaplain, Mrs. Eva McMullen; Musician, Mrs. Wilma Butler; Color Bearer, Mrs. Rebecca Maloney; Right Supporter Noble Grand, Mrs. Jean Marshall; L.S.N.G., Mrs. Florence Lawrence; R.S.V.G., Mrs. Ethel Arthur; L.S.V.G., Mrs. Betty Adlington; Inside Guardian, Mrs. Helen Thompson; Outside Guardian, Mrs. Josephine Howse.

The winning captains in the attendance contest for the past year, Mrs. Florence Lawrence and Mrs. Gwen Williams, were each presented with a gift by Mrs. Josephine Howse.

The immediate Past Noble Grand, Mrs. Josephine Mountain, presented a gift to the District Deputy President, and Mrs. Jean Marshall presented a gift to Mrs. Mountain. The cushion donated by Mrs. Winnifred McMullen was won by Mrs. Helen Thompson.

A delicious salad plate lunch was served to more than 90 members and guests by Miss Vera Welsh and her committee.

Crash In Brant Kills Woman

Special to The Free Press
BRANTFORD, Oct. 6 — One woman was killed and two other persons injured in a multiple motor crash late tonight on No. 24 Highway, one mile north of Brantford.

Dead is Mrs. Marilyn Swanton, 37, of RR 1, Norwich. Injured were: Mrs. Jennie Waud, 61, of RR 2, Harley, and Rodney Downs, 46, of RR 3, Guelph. Both have been admitted to Brantford General Hospital with undetermined injuries.

Police investigation showed both Mrs. Swanton and Mrs. Waud were occupants of a motor car in initial collision with a truck driven by Downs. Second motor car involved was said driven by Donald C. Rock, of 255 Erb street east, Waterloo.

Rock and a passenger, Kenneth Lasso, of 391 Guelph street, Kitchener, escaped injury.

It was believed Mrs. Waud was driving the car at the time of the crash, police said, and were returning home from a Rebekah meeting held tonight in St. George. Their car was traveling south and the truck, driven by Downs, proceeding north.



Mrs. Annie Clark - Otter

Late Mrs. Frank Swanton

The village and the community for miles around was deeply shocked and stunned last Friday morning when the news came that Mrs. Frank (Marilyn) Swanton had been killed in an auto-truck accident near Brantford at a late hour on Thursday night. Mrs. Swanton, riding with Mrs. Robert (Jennie) Waud of New Durham, was returning home after attending installation ceremonies at the Rebekah lodge at Lynden. This year, because in previous years the crowds had been so large, only the two top officers of any lodge are invited to installation ceremonies and thus it was that only the two were in the car when the accident happened.

Mrs. Swanton was always vivacious and a leader in any circle in which she moved, making her sudden passing a more terrible blow. She was a member of the United church formerly sang in the choir, taught in the Sunday School, was a leader in the C. G. I. T. and always assisted on the staff of the Dairy Vacation Bible School in the summer months. In the Rebekah Lodge she took an active part from the night she became a member. For a number of years she had been a valued officer and a few weeks ago she was elected vice-grand and was to have been installed in that office on Tuesday evening, October 18. She was also a member of the Bluebirds, a group of women who write letters to a London daily, and she was active there too. Usually the Bluebirds put on a play or several skits each year and in these her dramatic ability was evidenced. In her daily association with people she always left them happier than when she met them and in all these circles she will be much missed.

As a wife she was kindly and affectionate and her interest in her children was intense. Mrs. Swanton was always interested in their school activities and showed that interest by attending most extra-curricular activities at the High School. She always had time to lend

a helping hand to her neighbours and was loved by them all.

Born near Hagersville, she was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Beck and was in her 38th year. Eighteen years ago she came as a bride to her late home and had lived there since.

She is survived by her husband, a daughter Laura Lee, two sons, Wayns and Richard, all at home; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Beck, a sister, Mrs. W. Mitchell and a brother, Blair Beck, all of Hagersville.

A Rebekah memorial service was held at the Arn Son funeral residence on Saturday evening and upwards of 100 Rebekahs and Oddfellows from all the lodges of the district attended. The service was led by Mrs. Vivian Newton, N. G. and she was assisted by Mrs. R. Moodie, as vice-grand, and Mrs. C. H. Helsdon, as chaplain. Mrs. Alfred Lossing, accompanied by Mrs. C. F. Bishop, sang.

The public funeral service was held in the United Church on Monday afternoon and the church was filled to capacity. The funeral home was filled with a profusion of beautiful floral tributes which typified the wholehearted sympathy which is felt for the sorely stricken family. Rev. J. G. Cruikshank was in charge of the service and he spoke feelingly of the great part Mrs. Swanton had taken in the various activities in the church. Miss Winnegene Seaton was at the organ and the choir led in the singing of an anthem. The members of the C. G. I. T. of which Mrs. Swanton was a leader attended the service in a body and six of their number, Verna Moore, Kathy Carnaghan, Mary Watkins, Barbara and Betty Hallam and Maureen Wenn acted as honorary pall bearers.

Active bearers were Floyd Entwistle, Raymond DeMontmorency, Charles Taylor, Bruce Alexander, George Barnard and Buryl Kendrick. Interment was made in the Waterford cemetery.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Sirs:—

I have tried to make this express some modern way of living. On Monday, October 10th, such a gloriously beautiful day, I looked out to see our six-months old kitten, the only one that we were able to raise out of a family of 5, laying battered on the pavement.

The other 4 kittens at the age of 7 weeks and the mother all died within 5 days.

OUR MODERN WAY OR THE CAR A KILLER

We had a pet, a lovely pet,
We watched her sleep and grow and play,

We loved her happy playful moods,
We treasured her each passing day.

In play she'd tear from room to room,

She'd frolic up the cellar stairs,

She'd hide among the garden shrubs,

That kitten seemed just everywhere.

When on our laps, She'd curl herself

Into a cuddly furry ball,
Or quickly come while at her play

When we to her would give the call.

We had her trained in habits clean,

We wanted her, we need our cats,

Without our cats we fight the fight

Against the swarming hordes of rats.

One evil night she asked to go
To the beyond outside the door,

We let her out, we did not know

Her lovely self we'd see no more.

For as she flitted to and fro,
A killer of the road whizzed near,

She could not move beyond its reach

It left her dead beyond its rear.

In the morn to her we called,
She did not hear, death had its fling,

On the pavement there she lay
A battered, ugly, lifeless thing.

Since then o'er her grim death holds sway,

No more she runs up cellar stair,

Nor in the garden does she play
For in the soil she's buried there.

Fate hath decreed that we shall live

In motorized and modern way,

Some call it "Progress" so hear,

To me it seems a slaughterous day.

All victims are not only pets,
Each day as we the pages scan

Oft with a thoughtless unconcern,

We read of death of child and man.

Thus on the road the killers speed,

They speed afar they speed right nigh,

They rage they race with torches bright,

They Jostle hard and pile up high.

Oft times the killers crash headon,

They take the life of Mom or Dad,

They wreck the home for loved one left,

That lovely girl that sturdy lad.

And oft that very shapely car
Is junk as shapeless as before,

The shapely car it did become
From the shapless mass of ore.

So while we live this modern way,

Many in their graves are laid
While devastating death holds sway,

Adjustments many must be made.

A gasping, reeling, broken home,

Must try to gain a steady tread,

But is can never be the same,
Since one so loved lies with the dead.

I think that the very, very said incident or accident of the past week in this community is most predominate in the minds of all.

Marilyn Swanton
Sincerely,

Mary Otis Boomer



Members of the installing board, which installed the officers of Norwich Chapter, OES, are shown in the above photo. Left to right they are: Mrs. Eva McClintock, Toronto, grand organist; Mrs. Evelyn Thompson, Parkhill; Mrs. Minnie Shelton, Innerkip; Mrs. Iva Stringer, Ingersoll; Lloyd Peat, newly installed patron; Mrs. Petch, newly installed matron; Mrs. Florenve Andrews, Oakland, installing patron; Sydney Thompson, Parkhill, installing patron; Mrs. Mary King, Brantford, installing marshall and Mrs. Florence Poole, secretary. (Photo by Lowe).

Successful Tea and Bazaar

The ladies of St. John's Anglican Church held a very successful Christmas tea and bazaar in the Community Hall Saturday afternoon. The tables were attractive with Christmas novelties, and a Christmas atmosphere prevailed throughout the room. Mrs. T. Masson, wife of the rector, was assisted by Mrs. Stanley Riches in receiving the guests and the waitresses were Mrs. Stanley Leach, Mrs. Fred Howse and Mrs. D. R. Spicer. Mrs. W. Marshall, Mrs. Lena Young, Mrs. Mabel Kerr and Mrs. Herbert Parson were the kitchen committee, while Mrs. Gertrude Huggins and Mrs. George Wavell had charge of the bake table, and Mrs W. Armstrong, Miss Edna Furlong and Mrs. Nate McMullen had the fancy work and knitted articles. Considerable work has been sold throughout the year, and the unsold articles and Christmas cards were taken to the home of Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Nate McMullen after the bazaar. *Nov 5/55*

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Plate Glass Window Smashed by Truck

OTTERVILLE — Cold weather and slippery roads were contributing causes in three accident at Otterville in one day.

The plate glass window of Mannell's grocery store was smashed when the brakes failed on a light truck driven by Mrs. J. Ash. No one was hurt.

Earlier in the day Mrs. David Kennedy backed into a telephone pole.

The third accident occurred when a car driven by Mrs. Clayton Arthur was in collision with a school bus driven by Arthur Kilpatrick. In an attempt to avert the collision, Mr. Kilpatrick took to the ditch with the load of school children. Damage was slight to both vehicles.

YULE PARTY 1955

The annual Christmas supper and program at St. John's Anglican Sunday School was held in the Parish Hall with the rector, Rev. T. Masson, presiding at the supper table where 80 persons enjoyed the repast provided by the Ladies' Guild and St. John's Church Club.

The Sunday School superintendent, Carl Howse, presided over the program, when recitations were given by Wenda Spicer, Kathy Jardine, Paul Wavell, Brenda Pickersgill, Michael Mountain, Marlene Finch, Barbara Finch, Olive Lees Ricky Picknell, Pat Durkee and Gladys Pickersgill.

Christmas songs were sung by Pat and Lois Durkee, guitar selections were given by Juanita McMullen, and accordion selections by Gladys Pickersgill.

A play was presented by Bob Rachar, Merlin Howse, Susan Jardine, Wayne Spicer, Barbara Walthers and Lois Wavell, members of Mrs. Harold Durkee's class.

Mrs. Carl Howse's class and Ferne Picknell's class of Peter Pickersgill, Jay Durkee, Bill Walthers, Percy Walthers, Bob Picknell, Diane Wavell, Leona Saville Barbara Briggs, Pat and Lois Durkee also presented a play, the Nativity. J. W. Riste, Mrs. Roy Rachar and Mrs. D. R. Spicer sang "Good King Wenceslas."

Awards were made for the highest number of Sundays in classes. Winners were Barbara Finch and Marlene Finch in C. McMullen's class; Susan Jardine and Merline Howse in Mrs. H. Durkee's class.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was pianist for the evening. After the program Santa appeared and distributed gifts and candy from the tree.

Will Give Way to Chain Store

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William R. Winskel

(From Our Own Correspondent)

OTTERVILLE—Funeral service for the late William Richard Winskel, who died at his home recently, was held at the Addison Funeral Home, and was largely attended by relatives, neighbors and friends. Rev. Donald R. Morrison, minister of the Otterville United Church, officiated.

A solo, "Jesus Knows and Understands," was sung by George J. Lowe of Norwich, accompanied by Mrs. Nate McMullen at the piano.

The deceased had lived at Little Lake all his life, except the past several months, and was highly respected in the community. There were many lovely floral tributes and Gideon Bibles, and among the tributes were baskets from the Little Lake neighbors, the Otterville neighbors, Little Lake United Church and employees of Slight Brothers.

Relatives were present from Lambeth, Norwich, Cathcart, Little Lake, Welland, Port Dalhousie, Toronto, Windham Centre, Springfield, Brantford and other places.

Pallbearers were Earl Ritenburg, Delos Hyndman, James McKnight, Ken Winskel, Donald Jull and Jack Frew. They also acted as flower bearers.

Interment was in the family plot in the Otter Cemetery.



The old post office building on the Broadway-Ridout St. corner along with the P.U.C. building next to it will be torn down and a modern building, to be rented to an as yet undisclosed chain store, will rise on the site. John Gyulveszi, owner of the post office building, has purchased the P.U.C. building, subject to approval of the Hydro Electric Power Commission and Ontario Municipal Board. (Photo by Seldon).

Celebrated 94th Birthday

J. Wesley Fish celebrated his 94th birthday at his home on Saturday and as usual spent part of the day in his print shop working. Sunday morning he was in his accustomed place at the Otterville United Church, and on Monday attended the funeral of a friend of many years, also a printer, Frank Mustard. Members of Mr. Fish's family who spent part of the Christmas holidays with him and his daughter Marion, included Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. McDowell and daughters of Toronto, Mrs. Paul Fish, Dundas, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Fish and sons, Jarvis. Mr. Fish also received many warm greetings from friends far and near.

Funeral of Last Frank Ernest Mustard

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home for Frank Ernest Mustard who died at Ingersoll Thursday following a long illness. Mr. Mustard was born at Norwich 77 years ago, and spent most of his life as an all round printer, and lived in Brantford for 35 years before coming to Otterville.

Nearly six years ago he suffered a stroke, and has been confined to hospitals and nursing homes at Brantford and Ingersoll since that time, and while he was unable to talk, he enjoyed the visits of his many friends. Rev. Donald Morrison, minister of the Otterville United Church, conducted the service, and a solo "The Old Rugged Cross" was sung by George H. Davis, accompanied

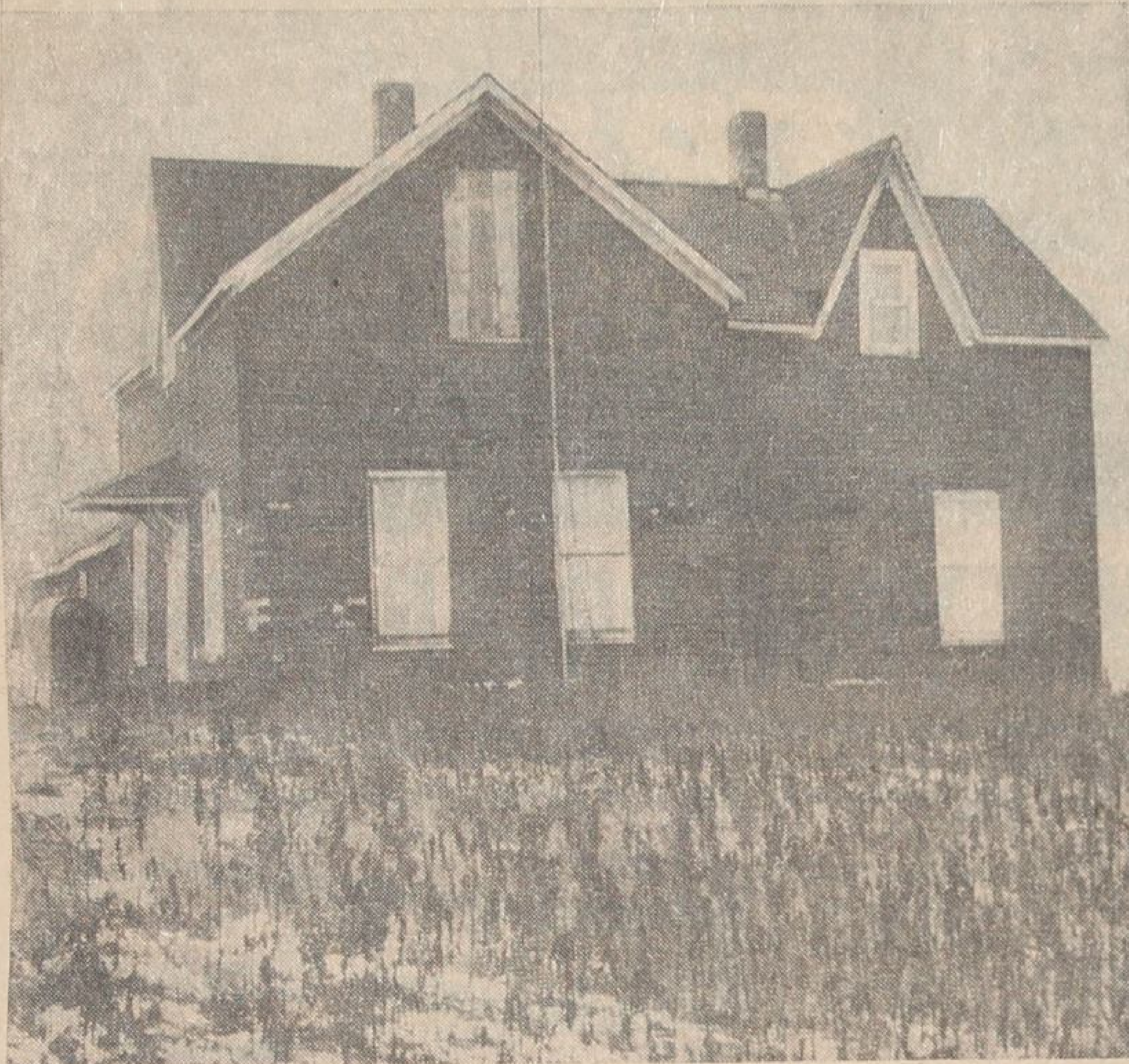
by Mrs. Norman McClintock who also played favorite hymns before and after the service. Among the many lovely floral tributes were baskets from the Otterville Neighbors and from the Otterville United Church. Mr. Mustard is survived by his wife, the former Helena Secord. Their only son Jack Secord Mustard died when he was ten years old. Mr. Mustard also leaves a brother David R. Mustard of Brantford who attended the funeral, also a sister Mrs. Henry Pettit of Detroit. Mrs. J. M. Furlong, Otterville is a niece. Other relatives were present from Toronto, Ingersoll, Woodstock, St. Thomas, Burford.

Casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Ira Hooker, Charlie Howse, Jack Furlong, Robert Pettigrew, Murray Holmes and Jack Riste. Interment was in the Otter Cemetery.

TWO SHOT TO DEATH HUSBAND BEING HELD

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Oxford Couple Shot To Death



In this house four miles east of Tillsonburg a farmer's wife and hired man were shot to death. The farmer, Gerrard Raes, 58, was charged today with murder. (Free Press Photo by Jack Schenck.)



Provincial Constable Harold Howting, of London, seized a rifle from the Raes home and brought it to London for inspection. Here he checks the gun. (Free Press Photo

A 36-year-old farm wife and a 23-year-old New Canadian farmhand died in a storm of bullets on a living room sofa near Tillsonburg last Friday night.

Gerrard Raes, the woman's 58-year-old husband, a prosperous Tillsonburg tobacco farmer, has been arrested and charged with murder.

The dead are Mrs. Edna Raes and Hendrick Werkbrouck, who worked on the Raes' farm.

The woman and the farmhand were both shot at least four times through the head and body with a .22 calibre repeating rifle.

Corporal John G. Fulton, of the Ontario Provincial Police at Tillsonburg, said Raes had been watching from his bedroom and had seen the hired man "making advances" towards his wife.

Raes called Tillsonburg police. P. C. Ray Nunn took him into custody.

Nunn said the bodies of the man and woman were sprawled across the living room floor.

Daniel Murray Raes, the couple's eight-year-old adopted son, returned from playing outside in time to see the bodies of his mother and "Uncle" Hendrick.

Before the shooting the boy had been in the house practising writing his name.

On Thursday, Danny had celebrated his eighth birthday.

The Raes have been known as a deeply religious family. Their home is ornamented with many crosses and holy pictures.

Mrs. Rae's home was described by neighbors as "leaving nothing to be desired." She had two new gas ranges, two modern sinks with running hot and cold water and a large television set.

Werbrouck came to Canada in February from his native Belgium.

Principals In Oxford Slayings



Gerrard Raes, 58, is seen here with his wife, Edna, 36, whose slaying Friday night in their Tillsonburg district farm home led to a charge of murder being laid against Raes.



Hendrick Werbrouck, 23, recent immigrant from Belgium, who was shot on the same Tillsonburg area tobacco farm.



Daniel Murray Raes, eight-year-old son of the dead woman, was outside the house when the shooting occurred.

FUNERAL OF MRS. EDNA MARY RAES, HELD

Funeral services for Mrs. Edna Mary Raes, whose death occurred at her home near Rock's Mills, under tragic circumstances Friday night, were held Monday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville. Rev. Donald Morrison, minister of the Otterville United Church, conducted the services, and the pianist was Mrs. Nate McMullen. Relatives and friends were present from Hamilton, Norwich, Tillsonburg, Springford, Cornell, New Road, Otterville and other places. Among the many floral tributes were those from the Cornell Women's institute, of which Mrs. Raes was a member, the Otterville Neighbors, Pupils and teacher of Grade 3 and 4 of which Danny Raes was a student, the Tobacco Factory Hand Stemmers, and others from relatives and friends.

Mrs. Raes was born at Norwich 37 years ago, and spent her early life there and at Otterville, until her marriage thirteen years ago. Since then she had lived at Tillsonburg, and on the 10th concession of South Norwich township. She is survived by her husband Gerrard Raes and one son

Danny, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burney Exelby, Otterville, two brothers and three sisters, Roy and Robert Exelby, Otterville, Mrs. George Taft, Hamilton, Mrs. Fred Zaharchuk, and Miss Shirley Exelby, Otterville.

Interment was made in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville. The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Achiel DeWachter, Jesse Gray, Bruce Stover, Melbourne Wilson, Val Polchert and Frank Park.

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown, Otterville wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Anita Joan to Grant Keith Neale, son of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Neale, Tillsonburg. The weddings to take place in the Otterville United Church, Saturday, January 21st at 2.00 pm. 1956



Mr. and Mrs. Grant Keith Neale will make their home in Norwich when they return from a wedding trip to Buffalo. The couple exchanged marriage vows in a ceremony at Otterville United Church. The former A. Joan Brown, the bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown, Otterville. Mr. and Mrs. Burt Neale, Tillsonburg, are parents of the groom. The bride is a graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, London.

PRETTY WEDDING AT OTTERVILLE

OTTERVILLE (C)—The Otterville United Church was the scene of a lovely midwinter wedding Saturday at two o'clock when Anita Joan Brown, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown, R.R. 1, Otterville, was united in marriage to Grant Keith Neale, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Neale of Tillsonburg.

Rev. Donald Morrison performed the double-ring ceremony before the altar, around which were palms, ferns and tall white standards of white mums, snapdragon and daffodils. The guest pews were marked by red roses in white satin bows, and the traditional wedding music was played by Mrs. Nate McMullen, Otterville, who also played "Because" during the signing of the register.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a princess style gown of white peu de soie, made with long tapered sleeves, V-shaped neckline and full gored skirt. Her veil of silk net was appliqued with tiny butterflies, and extended from a close fitting white satin cap, and she carried a cascade bouquet of red roses. Her only ornament was a single strand of pearls.

Miss Barbara Morrison of Otterville was the maid of honor, and she wore a gown of Royal blue velvet, styled similar to that of the bride, but with short sleeves and matching velvet mitts, and she carried a cascade bouquet of pink roses centred with pink camellias.

The bridesmaids were Miss June Brown of Reidsville, North Carolina, Miss Norma Jean Clifford of Otterville, both cousins of the bride, and Miss Shirley Young of Goderich. They wore ballerina-length gowns maturing that of the maid of honor, in a lighter shade of blue velvet, with matching mitts, and the bridesmaids and maid of honor each wore caps of feathers to match their gowns.

Donald Neale, Otterville, brother of the groom, was best man, and the ushers were Leonard Neale, Tillsonburg, brother of the groom, N. L. Brown, Reidsville, N.C., and Robert Scott, Tillsonburg.

A reception was held in the church parlor, and the bride's mother received wearing a beige lace dress with hat in a deeper shade and corsage of yellow roses. The groom's mother wore navy taffeta with pale blue hat and accessories, and corsage of pink roses.

There were 60 guests, and among those from out-of-town were those from Toronto, Guelph, Goderich, London, Brantford, Tillsonburg, Reidsville, N.C., Danville, Virginia, Ingersoll.

The tables were attractive with vases of red roses and a three-tier wedding cake.

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After the reception, the bride and groom visited the bride's grandfather, C. L. Brown, Norwich, who was unable to attend the wedding of his only grandchild owing to illness. Pictures were also taken, including the bridegroom and his six brothers, also pictures of the seven men with their wives.

For the wedding trip to Buffalo, the bride chose a brown printed silk dress with matching bolero, and over it a beige Borgi short coat, with brown hat and accessories and corsage of pink camellias.

On their return Mr. and Mrs. Neale will reside in Norwich. The bride is a graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital, London, and at present on the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital, Brantford. Jan 21/56

Church Holds Vestry Meeting

OTTERVILLE (C)—The annual Vestry meeting of St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville, was held in the Parish Hall and was well attended. The rector, Rev. T. Masson, opened the meeting with prayer, and the vestry clerk, Mrs. Mabel Avey, gave her report.

The church and missionary budget was given by Mrs. Carl Howse, followed by the reports of the Ladies' Guild and organ fund by Mrs. Nate McMullen; St. John's Church Club by Mrs. Harry Pickersgill; the Junior W.A. by Worcester Howse; the Sunday School and rectory account by Carl Howse and the Chancel Guild by Mrs. J. W. Riste.

The people's warden, J. W. Riste, and the rector both congratulated all the organizations for the splendid reports and also for the repairs which have been made to the church. Mr. Masson also asked the members to consider the celebration of Holy Communion twice each month.

Officers elected were: vestry clerk, Mrs. Mabel Avey; rector's warden, Carl Howse; people's warden, J. W. Riste; church treasurer and budget secretary, Mrs. Carl Howse; lay delegate to Synod, J. W. Riste with Carl Howse as substitute; Chancel Guild, Mrs. J. W. Riste and Mrs. Mabel Avey; organist, Mrs. Nate McMullen; Sunday school superintendent, Carl Howse; auditors, Mrs. D. R. Spicer and Mrs. Nate McMullen. A delicious lunch was served by the Ladies' Guild after the meeting. Jan 19 56

Mrs. Agnes J. Vair

TILLSONBURG, Jan. 6 — Services for Mrs. Agnes J. Vair, 73, of 52 Washington Grand avenue, who died in Memorial Hospital last night, will be conducted Monday 2 p.m., in the Ostrander funeral home, by the Rev. W. E. Aldworth. Interment will be made in Tillsonburg Cemetery. Her husband, J. Percival Vair, died several years ago.

Born in Scotland, she came to Canada in 1914, and lived at Otterville from 1915 to 1933, and then moved to Tillsonburg. She was a member of St. Paul's United Church and sang in the choir.

Surviving are one daughter, Phyllis, Hamilton; one son, Wallace, Port Credit; two sisters, Mrs. William Smyth, of Noank, Conn.; Mrs. D. B. Carswell, Vancouver, and one brother, William Lyon, Manchester, England. 1956

Funeral Late Herbert Richard

Feb 11 / Taylor '56
The funeral of the late Herbert Richard (Bert) Taylor, who died at the Woodstock General Hospital, following a brief illness, was held Saturday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, and was conducted by Rev. T. Masson, rector of St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville. Music was provided by Mrs. Nate McMullen, organist of St. John's Church. Among the floral tributes were those from St. John's Anglican Church, Guild and St. John's Church Club.

Interment was made in St. John's Cemetery, Woodhouse township, near Simcoe. The casket bearers were D. R. Spicer, Nate McMullen, J. W. Riste, Carl Howse, Stanley Leach and David Kennedy.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sherman who have lived east of the village have moved to the farm of Nate McMullen on No. 59 Highway. Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Vanderberg of Norwich have moved onto the farm vacated by the Shermans.

Funeral Late Mrs. Mary Ann

FEB Addison 10/56
The funeral of the last Mrs. Mary Ann Addison who died at Brantford on Tuesday, was held Friday afternoon from the home of her son Wilfrid L. Addison at Otterville, and was largely attended. Rev. Donald Morrison, minister of the United Church conducted the service, and George H. Davis sang the solo "One Sweetly

Solemn Thought" accompanied by Mrs. Nate McMullen who also played a number of favorite hymns before and after the service. Relatives and friends were present from Simcoe, Dorchester, Brantford, Hamilton, Port Burwell, Mount Morris, Mich., Teeterville, Vanessa, Tillsonburg, Ingersoll, Woodstock and other places. There were many lovely floral tributes and numerous Gideon Bibles. Among the floral tributes were baskets from the Official Board of Wesley United Church, Brantford, the Norwich Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Western Ontario Funeral Directors' Association, the Otterville United Church, the Birthday Group, the Women's Association of the United Church, Mrs. James' neighbors from Dorchester, neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Addison, Simcoe, the Norwich-Otterville Lions Club, the Otterville Neighbors and friends and friends who also placed several Gideon Bibles in her memory.

Interment was in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville, and the casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were three grandsons, Stanley Addison, Brock Addison, Richard Addison; a great-grandson, William Addison; Bruce Addison, and N. E. Lawrence.

Dr. D. E. Taylor Dies Suddenly

Dr. Deans E. Taylor, Tillsonburg dentist for 40 years, died suddenly on Wednesday at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital. Sixty-eight years of age, Dr. Taylor has been extremely active in public life since opening his dental practice here in 1912.

Born in Port Dover, where he received his early education, he came to Tillsonburg after graduating from the Ontario Dental College. He retired from his dental practice four years ago.

In an extremely active career, he served as president of Tillsonburg Branch 153, Canadian Legion, and was chairman of the Legion Poppy drive for the past several years. He



Dr. D. E. Taylor

is a past president of Tillsonburg Golf and Country Club and the Tillsonburg Chamber of Commerce. He served as chairman of the Tillsonburg Public School Board, served as councillor for the Town of Tillsonburg, and last December was defeated in a close mayoralty race. He was a charter member of the Tillsonburg Lions Club and on the original Southern Ontario Tobacco Board. The deceased was also an original member of the Tillsonburg Lawn Bowling Club and the Tillsonburg and District Curling Club. He served in the Canadian Army in World War II.

Hockey Executive

Dr. Taylor was a director on the Ontario Hockey Association, and was instrumental in forming the Juvenile division as it is known today. He also sponsored and coached a Tillsonburg Juvenile team in the 1920's. In 1950-51, he managed the local Junior "C" team, sponsored by the Tillsonburg Branch, Canadian Legion.

Property Owners Fight Assessment

OTTERVILLE — Spurred by dissatisfaction with the way assessment under the county equalization plan has been carried out, The Property Owners' Association of South Norwich has organized to do something about it.

Over 100 were out at the first general meeting in the community hall Thursday night, elected a permanent board of directors and discussed the re-assessment.

Nine directors were elected, three from each of the major divisions of property owners: Harold Pearce, Harold Singer, Clarence Stover, general purpose farms; Stanley Gehring, Ted Cooper, Henry Ash, tobacco farms; George Davis, Jack Furlong, Stanley Riches, businesses and dwellings.

Stanley Gehring was elected president of the new organization with Harold Pearce as vice-president and Jack Furlong as secretary-treasurer.

Criticize Assessment

In the open discussion at the meeting there was severe criticism for the manner in which re-assessment had been handled. The township assessor was criticised for refusal to release appraisal cards for inspection and comparison by rate-payers, although advised of the opinion of the municipal board that they did not constitute confidential information.

At a meeting of South Norwich Council Monday a committee of Ted Cooper, Clarence Stover and Fred Walther, all ex-reeves of the township, was named to investigate and report back on the re-assessment program.

Also present at the council meeting were two representatives of the Department of Municipal Affairs, who outlined generally the purposes and application of the manual of assessment values, issued by the province as a basis for equalizing assessment.

The matter of appraisal cards was taken up and the township assessor is to make them available for inspection. March 1956

Card of Thanks

The wife and family of the late John Barnim wish to express their sincere thanks to those who sent flowers and cards, and to Rev. D. Morrison, Dr. Batson and pallbearers, the flower bearers and the Addison Funeral Home, kind neighbors and friends, and all those who helped and offered to help in any way, also to Mr. George Davis and Mrs. Winnie McMullen. Your thoughtfulness in our bereavement is much appreciated.—Mrs. Blanche Barnim and family. Mar 1956

Tenth Birthday Party

The tenth birthday party of Violet Rebekah Lodge was celebrated in the I. O. O. F. hall at their regular meeting Monday evening with 150 Rebekahs present from Otterville, Delhi, Belmont, Aylmer, Tillsonburg, Springfield, Norwich, Woodstock, Princeton, Port Rowan, Barrie, Milton and Parkhill. The Noble Grand Mrs. Marjorie Hopkins presided and welcomed Sister Pearl Rohrer, Delhi, District Deputy President and the other visitors. The lodge was congratulated on being on the honor roll with all dues paid for ten consecutive years. The past noble grands presented the Lodge with a white Bible, and there was a dedication service for it, and the new white altar was also used for the first time. The past grands filled the officers' chairs, and also lit the candles on the birthday cake during the lunch hour. Sister Alice Arthur was recommended for District Deputy President for District 17, and Sister Jean Marshall was elected to Rebekah Assembly as representative of Violet Rebekah Lodge, and Sister Josephine Mountain was elected as scholar to the Rebekah Assembly. The Noble Grand announced that there would be initiation on the April 2nd meeting with Fern Rebekah Lodge, Simcoe, conferring the degree on three candidates, and also announced that the draping of the charter for the late Sister Betty Dundas would also take place at that meeting. Sister Vera Welsh won the Rebekah cup and saucer that had been donated, and on which tickets had been sold. Musical entertainment was proved by Sisters Ruth Colver and Jean McClintock, and Sister Pearl Rohrer gave a reading, and Sisters Ethel Arthur and Alice Arthur gave a skit. After lodge had been closed a delicious salad lunch was served by Sister Elzina Mann and her committee.

Mothers Presented with Flowers At Otterville Anglican Service

OTTERVILLE (C) — Rev. Donald Morrison conducted anniversary services at North Bayham United Church on Sunday, and their minister, Rev. Mr. Manson, conducted the services on the Otterville charge. The choir sang the anthem "On Wings of Praise."

The fourth Sunday in Lent was Mothering Sunday, and at St. John's Anglican Church each mother was presented with a flower. Rev. T. Manson gave an interesting address based on sympathy, faith, energy and reverence. He announced that the Communion service will be held Sunday, March 18th.

The St. John's Church Club met at the home of Miss Maude Hussey with the president, Miss Eva Deveney, in charge of the meeting. Two types of bingo games were played, directed by Mrs. Frank Finch and Mrs. Gordon McMullen, and small prizes were won by all playing. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. F. Finch, Mrs. G. McMullen and Miss Eva Deveney in serving lunch afterward.

Spring Bazaar Report To Otterville Guild

OTTERVILLE (C) The ladies Guild of St. John's Anglican Church met at the home of Mrs. Herbert Parson with a large attendance. The president Mrs. Wellington Armstrong presided and the roll call was responded to by naming a favorite recipe. Mrs. Harry Pickersgill gave the secretary's report and Mrs. Harold Durkee read the chapter from the study book. A report on the St. Patrick's tea and Spring bazaar was presented by Mrs. Nate McMullen who also turned in aprons, a sweater and socks which had been completed. Other members also handed in finished goods. An invitation was accepted to attend the Easter thankoffering meeting of Women's Missionary Auxiliary at the Otterville United Church on Friday, April 6th. Mrs. Lena Young invited the Guild to meet at her home for the next meeting. Mrs. Parson was assisted by Mrs. Fred Howse and Mrs. Lena Young in serving tea after the meeting.

PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday was observed in St. John's Anglican Church Sunday and the service was conducted by the rector Rev. T. Masson. After the opening hymn, there was the blessing of the palms and they were distributed to the congregation after the service. Mr. Masson also conducted an adult baptismal service for three members prior to their being confirmed at the confirmation service which will be held on April 8th, when Bishop Hallam of London will conduct the service.

Housewives' Club Has Anniversary

OTTERVILLE (C) —Upwards of 125 members and visitors of the Mary Hastings group attended the eighth birthday party of the Happy Bluebirds in the Otterville United church Hall on Thursday evening.

The guests were warmly welcomed into the hall by the president, Mrs. Zuella Hicks, who looked lovely in a navy blue silk dress with white polka dots and wore a lovely corsage of red roses.

Also at the door greeting the guests were the secretary, Miss Lillian Oatman, who was assisted by Miss Helen Mitchell requesting the guests to register. Mrs. Evelyn Waring ushered the ladies.

A splendid program, arranged by the committee, was much enjoyed. The president welcomed all after opening with the Housewives Creed and Lord's Prayer, and giving interesting highlights of the work of the club through the years.

Present Program

Mrs. Daisy Ash, the first president of the club, presided for the program, which opened with a duet by Brenda and Glenda Adlington. Accordion numbers by Henry Ash Jr. and Bobby Baguley were enjoyed.

Saxophone numbers were played by Dennis McSpadden, accompanied at the piano by his mother. A vocal solo was presented by Dianne Chambers; a reading, by Douglas McSpadden, vocal duet, Mrs. Ronald Colver and Mrs. Norman McClintock. Mrs. Evelyn Waring contributed several whistling selections, accompanied at the piano by Miss Lila Jull. George Lowe of Norwich sang two solos and was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Merla DeMontmorency. Two skits were presented by the club members. This part of the program concluded with the singing of "Blest Be the Tie that Bind."

The five hostesses who took their part in the kitchen were assisted by many of the members. These were Mrs. Dorothy Durkee, Spadden, Mrs. Doris Oatman and Mrs. Evelyn Waring.

During the social period several of the visitors received prizes: lucky registration, Mrs. Lena Young, Otterville; luck cup, Mrs. Anger, Aylmer; wedding anniversary, Mrs. Ruth Mitchell, Tillsonburg; largest family, Mrs. Vera Eden, Ingersoll; visitor from farthest, Mrs. Snyder, Rodney.

DIED

Turner—At Buffalo, New York, Sunday, April 29, 1956, Edward Turner of Otterville, Ont., in his 72nd year.

Funeral service was held from the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, Tuesday, May 1st, at 2 p.m. Interment in Aylmer Cemetery.

Scidmore—On Wednesday, May 2nd, 1956 at her home, R.R. 1 Otterville, Miss Bernice Scidmore in her 81st year.

Friends will be received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where the funeral service will be held Saturday, May 5th at 2 p.m. Interment in the Springford Cemetery.

Edward Turner

OTTERVILLE (C) —The funeral of Edward Turner, who died at Buffalo on Sunday, was held at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, Tuesday afternoon and was conducted by Rev. D. R. Morrison, minister of the Otterville United Church.

During the service George H. Davis sang a solo, "Beneath the Cross of Jesus," and was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Nate McMullen.

Relatives and friends were present from Buffalo, N. Y., Elwood City, Pennsylvania, London, Burford, Woodstock, Toronto, Greenville, Hamilton, and there were representatives from the American Can Company, the Tip Top Canners from Greenville and Burlington plants, as well as many of the employees from the local plant.

There were many lovely floral tributes, including wreaths from the Tip Top Canners, the Norwich-Otterville Lions Club and the employees of the Tip Top Canners.

The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were William and Gordon McMullen, R. M. Holmes, W. Pavely, Clare Durkee and Fred C. Church. Interment was in the Aylmer Cemetery.

Mr. Turner lived at Aylmer and Hamburg, New York, before coming to Otterville in 1927. He has been in poor health for some time and at Christmas time he went to Buffalo with his daughter, Mrs. Jean Ferrari and Dr. Ferrari. His son, Gordon Turner, lives at Elwood City, Pa. Mr. Turner is also survived by his wife in Florida and three grandchildren, and one brother, James Turner, Toronto, and three sisters, Mrs. Alice Jackson, London, Mrs. Agnes Gilbert, Adrian, Mich., and Mrs. Jennie Phelps, Aylmer. Two brothers also predeceased him.

Mr. Turner was a charter member of the Norwich-Otterville Lions Club and one of the four presidents and a member of the Masonic Order, and was active in these organizations when health permitted.

Died

DEVENEY—At Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, on Tuesday, April 10, 1956, Mrs. Alma May Deveney, age 69 years, widow of Arthur Deveney and mother of Eva Deveney, Otterville.

Resting at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville. Funeral service at St. John's Anglican Church, Friday, April 13th, at 2 p.m. Interment in Holy Trinity Anglican Cemetery, Burford.

Late Mrs. Alma May Deveney

Mrs. Alma May Deveney, a resident of Otterville for nearly 33 years died at the District Memorial Hospital at Tillsonburg Tuesday morning after a one weeks illness. Born at Hatchley 68 years ago, she also lived at Burford and Brantford before moving to Otterville. She was a communicant of St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville, and taught in the Sunday School for many years, and was a life member of the Guild and was also a member of St. John's Church Club, and the leader of the Junior Girls Auxiliary at the time of her death. Her husband, the late Arthur Deveney, predeceased her 33 years ago, and she is survived by one daughter Miss Eva Deveney with whom she resided. She also leaves two sisters Mrs. John Ryder of Norwich and Mrs. James McClelland of Brantford.

Mrs. Deveney is resting at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville and the funeral service will be conducted by Rev. T. Masson at St. John's Anglican Church, Friday, April 13th at 2 p.m. Interment will be in Holy Trinity Anglican Cemetery at Burford.

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

Trinity VI
TRINITY CHURCH, NORWICH
Parish Eucharist & Sermon 10.00 a.m.
ST. JOHN'S, OTTERVILLE
Matins & Sermon 11.30 a.m.

"O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises which exceed all that we can desire. . . "Collect

Mrs. Alma M. Deveney

OTTERVILLE (C)—The funeral of Mrs. Alma M. Deveney was held at St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville and was conducted by the rector, Rev. T. Masson, Norwich. The service was largely attended with relatives and friends from Norwich, Brantford, Burford, Burgessville, Waterloo, Port Dover, Simcoe, Newmarket, Burlington, London, Guelph, Fergus, Hamilton, Waterford, Bookton and other places.

During the service, J. W. Riste sang the solo, "The Resurrection Morn," and the choir sang "The Day Thou Gavest Lord Is Ended." Mrs. Nate McMullen was the organist.

There were many beautiful floral tributes and also several Gideon Bibles were placed in her memory. Included among them were flowers from St. John's Church, Guild, Sunday School and St. John's Church Club, the neighbors, the Sunshine Club, the Birthday group, the staff at the Bell Telephone Office, the Junior Auxiliary of St. John's Church.

The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Carl Howse, Fred Howse, Nate McMullen, Charlie Howse, Derry Spicer and Paul Howse.

Interment was in Holy Trinity Anglican Cemetery at Burford.

F. W. Grimmett

A prominent dairy farmer, Frederick William Grimmett passed away on Thursday last at his residence on 10th Concession of Dereham, in his 74th year. Born in London, England, where he was educated as an analytical chemist. He came to Canada in 1906.

The deceased formerly farmed on the 8th Concession before moving to the present farm where he resided for the past 24 years. He was a member and warden of St. Charles Anglican Church, Dereham.

Survivors are his wife, the former Evelyn Monk; one sister, Mrs. Katherine Shephard of St. Leonards-on-Sea, England; a brother-in-law, Beverly F. Monk of Springford; and several nieces and nephews, both here and in England.

Rested at the H. A. Ostrander and Son Funeral Home until Saturday noon, thence to St. Charles Anglican church where service was conducted at 2 p.m. by Rev. Thomas Masson and Rev. C. H. Wright of Norwich.

Pallbearers were Fred Brown, Jim Butler, John Cattell, Bill Martin, Merl Stroud and Ira Fox.

Interment in the St. Charles Anglican Cemetery.



CHARLES REAVELY, native of the Delhi area and a former resident of Otterville, who marked his 98th birthday yesterday at a quiet party in Craigview Nursing Home, St. Thomas.

Guild Members Make Articles for Bazaar

OTTERVILLE (C) —The Ladies' Guild of St. John's Anglican Church met at the home of Mrs. Nate McMullen with a good attendance.

The president, Mrs. W. Armstrong, presided and the secretary, Mrs. Harry Pickersgill, gave her report and also two chapters from the study book. Mrs. Harold Durkee gave the Scripture lesson and the roll call was responded to by giving a household hint. The roll call for the next meeting will be Current events.

The visiting committee reported that they had made several calls on sick members, and Mrs. Nate McMullen reported that goods had been purchased for the bazaar and another donation was made toward it. A minute of silence was observed in memory of the late Mrs. Alma Deveney.

Several completed pot holders and pillow cases were turned in toward the bazaar. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. Gertrude Huggins, Mrs. Fred Howse and Mrs. Harold Durkee in serving afternoon tea.

Native of Oxford Marks 98 Years

Free Press St. Thomas Bureau

ST. THOMAS, April 26 — Last

surviving member of a family of seven boys, Charles Reavely, native of the Delhi area and for many years a resident of Otterville, today marked his 98th birthday with his son and daughter in this city.

In failing health, Mr. Reavely has for several months been a resident of Craigview Nursing Home, 10 Chester street, where many friends called today to present felicitations on his milestone.

A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Reavely, he went with his parents to Otterville when three years old, and after a brief schooling began work for his father.

He clearly recalls his operation of a horse-drawn pile driver for the old Canada Southern Railway when the Cornell bridge, east of Tillsonburg, was built, and his operation of a stone-hoisting winch.

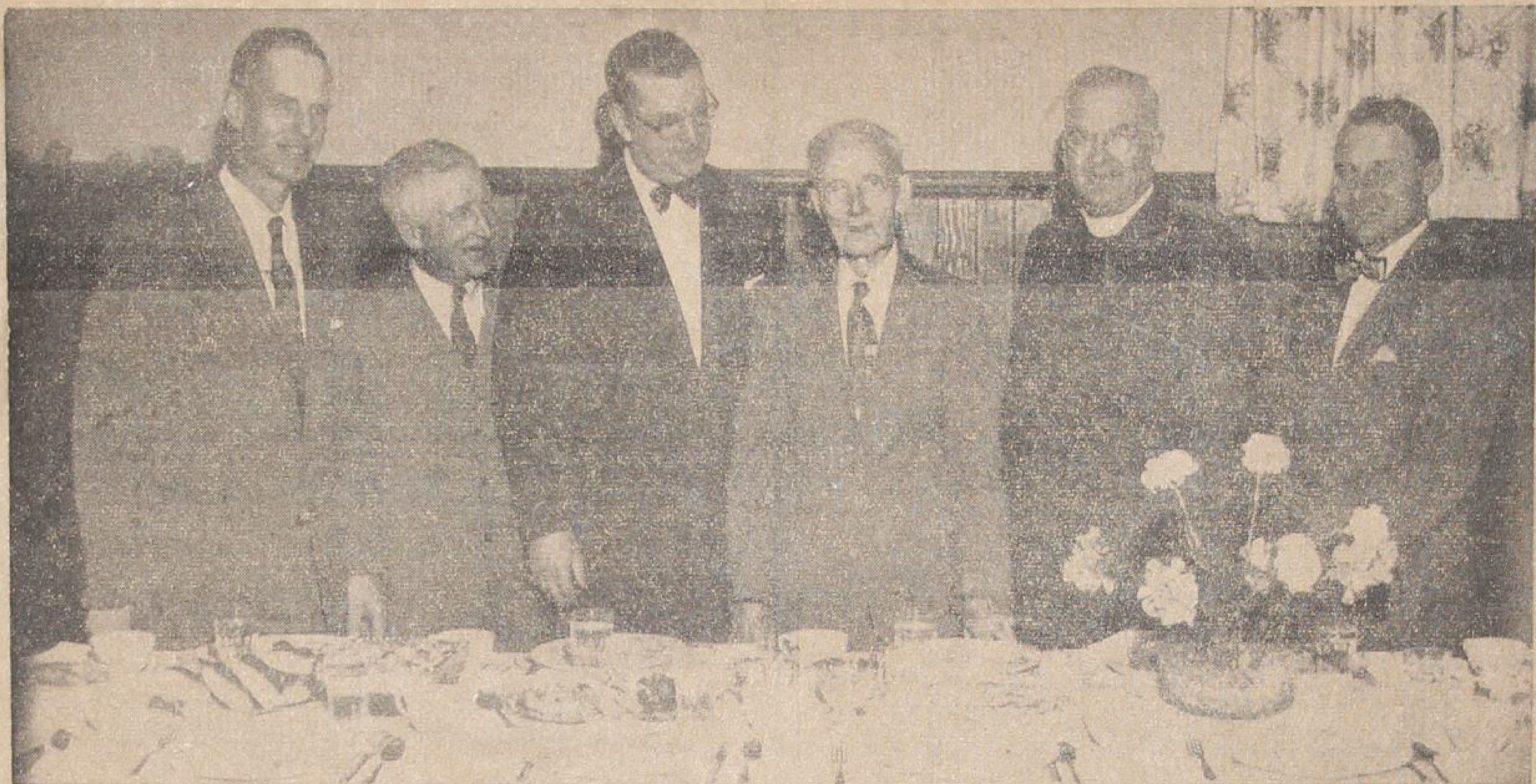
Former Logger

Among his several occupations he has driven a team for logging, a horse-powered threshing machine and gardening.

Coming to this district in 1920, he operated a cider mill on Talbot street east, then in the old broom factory now housing Victor Gasket and Manufacturing Company, and finally established a mill at Union. In this work he was confined chiefly to custom jobbing.

He points with pride to the fact that at one time he was the youngest thresher working in the Southwestern Ontario area, and before he retired from this type of work, was the oldest thresher.

His wife, the former Emma Hutchinson, of Springford, near Otterville, died in 1917, and a daughter, Mrs. James Wise, Yarmouth Heights, died several years ago. Surviving are a daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ben T. Garside, 71 Hincks street, and Clyde Reavely, 41 Alma street, both of St. Thomas.



Guest of honor at the father and son banquet Tuesday evening at Otterville United Church was 94-year-old J. Wesley Fish, the village's oldest resident, who has been very active in church work in the village. Shown at the head table are, left to right, Reeve Robert Lee, Clarence

Stover, Magistrate R. G. Groom, speaker for the evening, Mr. Fish, Rev. D. M. Morrison, minister of the church, and Harold Arthur. (Photo by Seldon).

Over 200 Attend Father and Son Banquet at Otterville Church

Father and Son Banquet

J. Wesley Fish, Otterville's oldest resident, took time out from his print shop Tuesday evening, April 10th to be the guest of honor at a Father and

Son banquet held in the Otterville United Church school room, and attended by more than 200 dads and lads. Rev. Donald Morrison was the toastmaster and the guest speaker was Magistrate R. G. Groom, Tillsburg.

The entire program was interspersed with jokes and humorous stories, and there was also a good program of accordion selections by Bob Baguley and Don Murray Hopkins, recitations by Douglas McSpadden, and a solo by Wm. Lambourn accompanied by Bob Baguley.

In his opening remarks Mr. Morrison spoke particularly to the fathers and reminded them that while they might put their property in their wife's name, he shouldn't hand over his boy and say "you teach him." That's a job for the fathers.

The toast to the church was proposed by Wynn Downing,

who described it as the greatest institution in the world. Clarence Stover responded, and said that the church is only as strong as its spiritual fervor, and as strong as the service it renders. He commended Mr. Morrison for his splendid work among the Sigma C boys and the Tyro boys. The toast to the Fathers was proposed by Murray Kniffen and responded to by Sam McSpadden.

The toast to the honored guest Mr. Fish was proposed to by Mervyn Howse who paid tribute to him as one of the pioneers of this community. Mr. Fish in his usual sprightly manner thanked the boys for their invitation to be their guest, and did a bit of reminiscing. He said he remembers Mervyn's great-great-grandfather when the Fish family lived opposite the School, now Fred Cole's home. He added "One can't live for 94 years without knowing a lot of people, nor you cannot live for 94 years without forgetting a lot of things, especially names."

Magistrate Groom was introduced by Adam Oliver. Mr. Groom delighted the boys with an informal detective quizz, and said that there are no two fingerprints alike, and no two boys alike, every boy and every dad, has some ability which is a little special. He urged them to depend on God for success, and to the boys he added "If you are in the habit of ripping off your prayers, just pause and think that you are talking to God, the God on whom we depend for our success." He also gave several stories of athletes who had recognized the source of their success. To the fathers he emphasized the importance of "playing with our sons more, staying with our sons more and praying with our sons more." He told the boys never to be afraid, that wherever they may be, the person prepared to stand behind them is their father, and beyond them both is the Heavenly Father.

Appreciation to Mr. Groom was expressed by Warren Rock. Others who also spoke briefly were Reeve Robert Lee, Edward Arthur, James Oatman and Harold Arthur.

The tables were attractive with pink and white carnations and a delicious meal was served by the members of the Woman's Association and their helpers.

VIMY DAY

There was a large turnout of members of the Norwich branch of the Canadian Legion at the Vimy Memorial Service in Holy Trinity Church on Sunday morning, April 15th. Parading with the comrades of the Legion were Reeve Howard McCombs and members of the village council and Reeve Carl Bertrand, members of the North Norwich Council and township officials. The parade was headed by the Norwich Musical Society Band, led by Wilfred Manning. Comrade Max Camp was parade commander and the standard bearers were Comrades John Woods Jr. and Donald Thompson.

The impressive service was in charge of the rector, who is also the legion padre, the Rev. Thomas Masson. The lessons were read by Comrades Rettie Palmer and James Rennie, president and vice-president of the legion, respectively.

Following the service the parade re-formed for the march to the memorial on the District High School grounds. There was a brief service conducted by the padre and a memorial wreath was placed by Comrade Charles Clarke, a veteran of World War I. Last Post and Reveille were sounded by Mr. Manning.

In his sermon Mr. Masson said most people today profess that they are christians because we live in a day when it is fashionable to be a christian. He went on to say that many, so confessing, lack very firm convictions in the matter and are not certain that Christ died for their sins, and rose again that they might have victory and everlasting life in Him. There were early saints, he said, who were willing to risk their lives to be christians because they had firm convictions about Him and recognized in Him the Way, the Truth and the Life.

In that early time, too, there were those who lived by the philosophy of eat, drink and be merry and, he said, there are many who hold that philosophy still. That is a philosophy of the beasts, live and do as you please, me first and others afterwards and never think seriously about anything for very long. Take care of self first and always.

Those early saints who were ready to risk their lives for

Christ adopted the philosophy of love God and love your neighbour. This took real bravery because it was foreign to all Roman teaching. It was the kind of love which might mean bearing the cross, yet they were willing to adopt it and they thought hard and seriously about heavenly things. They thought the best of other men and tried to make their lives add up to something. It is hard to live that way. It is hard to turn the other cheek when you have been socked on it, it would be so much easier to sock back. Yet love is the power we must adopt if we are ever to have peace in the world.

In these days we are much concerned about power, but behind all power is the power of God and compared to it all other power is puny. The earthly powers we worship will not take us one inch beyond death, but the power of the love of God will and it will raise us up at the last day. True humility exalts a man and it takes even the power to love to make a man humble before God and men.

Cadet Service MAY At Otterville

OTTERVILLE (C)—The cadet service was held in St. John's Anglican Church Sunday morning, and the church was filled with members and visitors. Rev. T. Masson conducted the service and Scripture passages were read by two of the cadets. Others also acted as standard bearers, and the church was nicely decorated with flowers. Owing to the rain, the parade, which had been planned, was not held.

Robert VanParys has completed his exams in his first year in Business Administration at Western University, London, and he and Mrs. VanParys have been visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Leitch, and are spending the summer at the home of Mr. VanParys' grandmother, Mrs. Cracknell.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Rev. T. Masson conducted a christening service at St. John's Anglican Church Sunday morning when David Laverne Finch, and Murray Allan Jardine were christened.

Miss Lenora Slaght, Reg. N., who has been on the staff at the Brantford General Hospital, has accepted a position on the staff at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, and commenced duties there on Monday.

Miss Lenora Slaght Reg. N., underwent an emergency appendectomy at the District Memorial Hospital at Tillsonburg Saturday night.

Mrs. Cecil Hussey has been very ill and was taken to the District Memorial Hospital on Monday. *May 14 - 1956*

Mrs. Wm. J. Harford has been ill and was taken to the Layman Nursing Home at Tillsonburg last week. *May 10/56*



The colorful parade and presentation of a cheque for over \$13,200 by the Tillsonburg Shrine Club for the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children featured the Mocha Temple Spring Ceremonial held here Friday. Left Dr. D. G. Leatherdale, treasurer of the "Ladder of Baby Smiles" fund, presents the cheque to Illustrious Potentate C. S. Williams and Past Potentate Frank Butcher, Mocha Temple chairman of the hospital fund, while W. H. Gibson, Potentate's Aid, of the local club, who made the presentation address, looks on. Above is a general view of the parade, which filled downtown Broadway. (Photos by Seldon).

DIED

Kennedy—At his home, Otterville, Monday, May 14th, 1956, William Kennedy, in his 79th year.

Friends were received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where funeral service was held Wednesday, May 16th at 2.30 p.m. Interment in the Rosanna Cemetery. Masonic service at the Funeral Home, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Late William Kennedy

William Kennedy, 78 years, a lifelong resident of South Norwich township died at his home on Bond Street, Otterville Monday afternoon. He has been in poor health for some time, but had been able to be around until shortly before his death. Born at Rosanna, he farmed there until 1922 when he came to Otterville where he purchased a partnership with the late E. M. Pennington in the lumber business. Later he purchased the Feed and Coal business from the late R. H. Kent, and last year retired from active business. He was a member of the Springford Baptist Church, and a member of King Hiram Masonic Lodge at Tillsonburg and of Tecumseh Lodge, I. O. O. F., Otterville. He is survived by his wife, the former Ida Foss, two sons and one daughter, David Kennedy, Otterville, Warren Kennedy of Hamilton, and Miss Greta Kennedy of Toronto. He also leaves five grandchildren and one brother Frank W. Kennedy, Oxford Centre and 1 sister Mrs. Mabel Addison, Tillsonburg.

Funeral service was at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, Wednesday, May 16th at 2.30 p.m. Interment in the Rosanna Cemetery.

Masonic service was held in the Funeral Home Tuesday evening at 8 p.m.

William Kennedy

OTTERVILLE (C)—The funeral of the late William Kennedy, who died at his home at Otterville on May 14, was held at the Addison Funeral Home last Wednesday afternoon and was very largely attended.

Rev. G. L. Stebner, pastor of the Springford Baptist Church, of which Mr. Kennedy was a member, conducted the services, and Mrs. Edgar Pearce, Springford, was the pianist, and also sang a solo, "The Old Rugged Cross."

On Tuesday evening about 60 members of the Masonic lodges from Tillsonburg and Norwich conducted their service with Wor. Bro. R. B. Moulton, master, in charge. Wor. Bro. Colin E. Brown had the service, and Rt. Wor. Bro. Donald Gibson was the master of ceremonies.

The room was filled with beautiful floral tributes, indicating the high esteem in which Mr. Kennedy was held, and among them were those from King Hiram Lodge 78 of Tillsonburg, Tecumseh Lodge 82 of Otterville, staff of Jacksons Industries, Hamilton, Otterville Women's Institute, Tillsonburg Welfare of Livingstons, Tillsonburg, Otter Lumber Co., Norwich Chapter Order of the Eastern Star, Springford Baptist church, Norwich-Otterville Lions Club, Norfolk Shriners Association, Livingston Wood Mfg. Co., the Birthday Group, and the Otterville Neighbors.

Relatives and friends were present from Toronto, Hamilton, Tillsonburg, Oxford Centre, Sarnia, Shelburne, London, Woodstock, Embro, Greensville, Dundas, Kitchener and other places. The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Bert Hill, Ken Maloney, Ira Pearce, Charlie Hopkins, Carl Howse and Albert Lawrence. Interment was in the Rosanna Cemetery.

Telephone Pole Broken Off

A telephone pole was broken completely off early Tuesday morning in front of E. S. Moore's driveway on the western entrance to Otterville when a late model car driven by William Chanyi, R. R. 1, Ostrander, crashed into it. Mr. Chanyi told Township Constable Arthur Kilpatrick who investigated the accident, that he believed he must have momentarily fallen asleep. The damage to the car was estimated at \$200.

Jeanne Kennedy was quite ill last week after she had suffered from contact with poison oak while on a trip to the woods accompanied by her mother and the pupils of Mrs. Kennedy's school.

Late William Washington Hill

The funeral of William Washington Hill, 74, who died suddenly Saturday night following a car accident near his home at Teeterville, was held Wednesday afternoon at 2 p.m. at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville. Mr. Hill was born in Missouri, but spent most of his life in Montana and Canada. He came to the Teeterville district 20 years ago, and lived on the farm of his brother-in-law Edward Gillis where he lived until the past year when he and Mrs. Hill moved into Teeterville. He was an adherent of the Baptist Church and is survived by his wife the former Lillian May Ives and two brothers Claude G. Hill, LaGrand, Oregon and Otis Hill, Edgemont, South Dakota, and a number of nephews and nieces.

Mrs. Hill was taken to the District Memorial Hospital at Tillsonburg following the accident, suffering from shock and injuries to both knees.

Interment was made in the Bookton Cemetery.

Funeral of William W. Hill

The funeral of William W. Hill, Teeterville, who was killed instantly near his home Saturday night, May 19th in an automobile accident, was held Wednesday afternoon, May 23 at the Addison Funeral Home, and was attended by many neighbors and friends, also by nephews from Flint, Mich., and friends from Detroit. Rev. A. J. Fieldus, Delhi, pastor of the Teeterville Baptist Church conducted the service and was assisted by Rev. Albert Kime of Oakland. During the service Mrs. William Cowie sang the solo "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" accompanied by Mrs. Nate McMullen at the piano. There were many beautiful floral tributes and Gideon Bibles placed in Mr. Hill's memory, and among the flowers were wreaths from the Neighbors and from the Teeterville Baptist Church. The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were George Elliott, William Elliott, Jr., John Rosse, Bruce Addison, Barry Ellington and Manzor Kennedy. Interment was in the Bookton Cemetery.

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Hussey—At the Tillsonburg Memorial Hospital, on Thursday, May 17, 1956, Lillian Adella Hussey, beloved wife of Cecil L. Hussey, Otterville and Mrs. Macklin Hussey, Curries, in her 68th year.

Friends will be received at the Addison Funeral Home Otterville where the funeral will be held Saturday, May 19, at 2 p.m. Interment in St. John's Cemetery, Otterville.

Mrs. Cecil L. Hussey

OTTERVILLE (C) — The funeral of Mrs. Cecil L. Hussey, who died Wednesday, was held at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, Saturday afternoon, and was very largely attended. Rev. C. H. Wright, Norwich, a former rector of St. John's Anglican Church, had charge of the services, and a number of favorite hymns were played by Mrs. Norman McClintock before and after the service.

Relatives and friends were present from Port Credit, Toronto, Guelph, London, Hamilton, Windsor, Williamsville, New York, St. Thomas, Newark, Northfield Centre, and other places.

There were many beautiful floral tributes, also several Gideon Bibles were placed in her memory. Among the tributes were those from St. John's Anglican Church, the Ladies' Guild, the Sunday School and St. John's Church Club. The Otterville staff of the Bell Telephone Co., the boys from the Barber Shop, the management and staff of the Tip Top Cleaners, and the Otterville neighbors and friends.

The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Howard Chilton, Steve Tarr, Fred Howse, Art Moore, Nate McMullen and J. K. Wardell. Interment was in the Anglican Cemetery, Otterville.

Mrs. Hussey died following a long illness. Before her marriage, she was the former Lillian Ardella Heywood, only child of the late Richard Heywood and Isadora Cutler. Born at Bookton 67 years ago, she came to Otterville when she was nine years old, and has resided here since that time.

She was a member of St. John's Anglican Church, and a number of years ago she belonged to the Otterville Women's Institute, and also to the Ladies' Guild of St. John's Church.

She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Frances, Mrs. Macklin Hussey of R. R. 2, Burgesville, and three granddaughters.

DIED

Jull—At his home, R.R. 1, Norwich, Thursday, May 24, 1956, William Ernest Jull, in his 82nd year.

Friends were received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville where the funeral service was held Saturday, May 26th, at 2 p.m. Interment in Bookton Cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness, messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes received from neighbours, relatives and many friends in our sad bereavement of a loving husband and father.

Mrs. Annie Jull
and family.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Owing to the death of Mr. Ernest Jull, the wedding of Miss Lila Jull, to Mr. Sidney Freeland, will take place privately at Otterville United Church, June 16, 1956.

Late William Ernest Jull

William Ernest Jull, 81 years, died at his home at R.R. 1, Norwich suddenly Thursday following a heart attack. Born in Windham township, Norfolk county, he was the son of the late George Jull and Sarah Simley, and he has lived on the fifth concession of North Norwich township for the past 51 years.

The late Mr. Jull was interested in township and community affairs, and for 25 years he was chairman of the North Norwich Conservative Association, and served on the township council, and was



Provincial Representative of the Board of Health for Oxford County for six years. He also served for 15 years on the North Norwich Fair Board and was a member of the Newark United Church.

He is survived by his wife, the former Anna King, two sons and four daughters, Archie Jull, Norwich, R.R. 1, Fred Jull, Mt. Elgin, Mrs. Robert English Helen), Toronto; Mrs. Harold Waring (Evelyn) Otterville; Mrs. Jack P. Heatley (Marion) of Sarnia, and Miss Lila Jull, Otterville. He also leaves five grandchildren, one brother, Albert S. Jull, Teeterville and two sisters Mrs. Harry Whaley, Alberta and Mrs. Frank Peacock, Windham Centre.

Funeral services were held at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, Saturday, May 26th at 2 p.m. and was attended by

more than 250 persons from all walks of life. Rev. Harold Watts, Burgessville, minister of the Newark United Church of which Mr. Jull was a valued member, conducted the services and was assisted by Rev. Donald R. Morrison, minister of the Otterville United church. Favorite hymns were played by Mrs. Norman McClintock before and after the service.

Relatives and friends were present from Toronto, Sarnia, Brantford, Mount Elgin, Armand, Mich., Windsor, Woodstock, St. Thomas, Norwich, Teeterville, Waterford, Tillsonburg, Simcoe, Kitchener, Delhi, Bookton, and many other places. The large attendance and the many beautiful floral tributes and Gideon Bibles, were indicative of the high esteem in which deceased and his family are held. Included among the tributes were those from the Newark Neighbors, The Otterville Church Choir, the Otterville neighbors of Mrs. H. A. Waring and Miss Lila Jull, the Mt. Elgin neighbors of Fred Jull, Sarnia neighbors of Mrs. Heatley, the Instrument Dept. of Imperial Oil Ltd., Sarnia, the Norwich-Otterville Lions Club, the Newark Bible Class, Friends at Confederate Life, Toronto of which Mrs. English is a member. The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Jim Jull, Teeterville, Frank Jull, Waterford, George Jull, Bookton, Fred Peacock, Windham Centre, Don Jull and Clifford Fiddin, Norwich. Interment was in Bookton Cemetery.

LODGE MEMBER FOR 72 YEARS GEORGE PARKER, 93, HONORED

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OTTERVILLE (C)—A meeting of special interest was held in the IOOF hall at Otterville when a 72nd year member was honored. George Parker who is in his 93rd year, and believed to be the oldest in membership in the province of Ontario, was the honored brother. He joined the Lodge in 1884.

Harold Pearce, past grand, gave a toast to Mr. Parker, and Ernest Pettigrew, past grand, made a presentation of a billfold to him, and he was invited to a seat of honor by Noble Grand William Holman. Charles Mannell, PDDGM, gave the life history of the honored guest, to which Mr. Parker replied, and thanked the brothers for honoring him.

The guest speaker, Deputy Grand Master William Jeffery of Kitchener-Waterloo, was introduced by Max Avey, PDDGM. Mr. Jeffery gave an inspiring message, and in appreciation of his presence, he was presented with a billfold by the DDGM Fred Howse. Max Avey also presented a gift of two dress shirts to Fred Howse from Tecumseh Lodge, in recognition of his last year's work.

R. M. Holmes was presented with his 45-year jewel by DDGM Fred Howse. In thanking the Lodge for his jewel, Mr. Holmes expressed his pleasure in being present on the

occasion of the honoring of such a grand old man as George Parker.

Grand Lodge officers who were present were Basil Howey of Port Rowan, Grand Guardian, and Henry Elliott, DDGM of Long Point District, also visiting brothers from Tillsonburg, Waterford, Belmont, Norwich and Port Rowan.

Stanley Gehring, PG, showed moving pictures, after which an enjoyable evening was brought to a close by a sumptuous lunch served by the committee.

An unusual Experience

Township Constable Arthur Kilpatrick had an unusual experience while travelling in Michigan with his wife on Victoria Day. While passing through Weberville, Mich. he was stopped just at noon by Police Chief Nelson of that place and asked if they were in a hurry. He was asked to pull in beside a nearby restaurant, and then was informed that it was Courtesy Wtek, and they were invited to be guests of Chief Nelson at dinner. When the chief found out that Mr. Kilpatrick was also a policeman, he was invited to remain to a banquet they were having that evening. During the holiday weekend Mr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick visited his sister Mrs. Hostler at Milan, Mich. and Mrs. Kilpatrick's sister Mrs. Charlene Hamilton at East Lansing.

Charles Forman was taken to the Brantford General Hospital last Thursday where he has been quite ill. His brother Morris Forman of Windsor and Joe Lees visited him on Tuesday.

W. Pavely was taken by ambulance to the District Memorial Hospital on Sunday following a heart attack. His daughter Mrs. Harry Pickersgill and Mr. Pickersgill visited him on Monday.

Flower Demonstration Presented by Guild

OTTERVILLE (C)—Upwards of 50 ladies of the village from the United Church and the Baptist Church spent a delightful afternoon in the Parish Hall as guests of the St. John's Anglican Guild, who had also invited Mr. and Mrs. Veit of the Fernlea Flower Shop, Tillsonburg. The artists made many fine exhibits of floral arrangements and also passed along many suggestions to the ladies in caring for cut flowers and other hints.

Each lady was given a number upon her arrival and following the demonstrations the 11 finished pieces were drawn for. Those receiving them were Mrs. Nate McMullen, Mrs. D. A. Collver, Mrs. J. K. Wardell, Mrs. Lena Young, Mrs. George Daiken, Mrs. T. Masson, Mrs. George Wavell, Miss Barbara Pettigrew and Miss Ollie Lees.

Mrs. Veit pinned a lovely corsage on the president, Mrs. Wellington Armstrong, who graciously welcomed all the ladies present, and a corsage was also pinned on Mrs. Bruce Stover of the Otterville Baptist Church for coming the farthest.

Rev. Mr. Wright opened and closed the meeting of the afternoon. The Scripture lesson was read by Miss Eva Deveney. The ladies of the Guild served delicious refreshments and Mrs. Stover of the Baptist Church and Mrs. George Daiken of the United Church expressed appreciation to the ladies for the lovely afternoon. *May 31/56*

In Memoriam

McMULLEN—In loving memory of our grandmother, Mrs. Emily McMullen, who passed away two years ago, June 7, 1954.

Please God forgive a silent tear,
A silent wish that you were here.
There are others, yes, we know,
But she was "our grandmother" and
we loved her so.

Two years ago we had to part
With one we loved with all our
hearts.

The wound is deep, it will not heal,
Only those who have lost know how
we feel.

If we could speak with her today,
Laugh with her in the same old
way,

And to hear her voice and to see
her smile,
Then life "indeed" would be worth
while.

—Ever remembered by the
Grandchildren.

Picnic Season Opens At Otterville Park

OTTERVILLE (C) — The first picnic to be held in the Otterville park this summer was held on chilly Saturday, by the Maisley-McWilliam families, and about 100 persons braved the elements, and reported a good time.

Last year the first Saturday in June was a cold day too, with rain along with it, when they held their picnic in the park for the first time, and they immediately registered afterward for the same date this year, and already have registered for the first Saturday in 1957.

JUNE 78 YEARS AS A PRINTER



Believed to be Canada's oldest printer, J. Wesley Fish, 94, will celebrate his 78th anniversary in the trade this month.

At the end of the Otterville school term, just 11 years after Confederation, Mr. Fish started into his life's work.

"Yet it doesn't seem so long ago," he said. "It doesn't seem long at all."

Mr. Fish weighs 120 pounds. He never did weight more than 140, and says he is five feet eight inches in height.

"I retired once when I was 65," he said, "but it didn't take. So I got back into it again. I had a stationery business along with the printing and I thought when I was 65 I didn't have long to go so I should have a little leisure. I don't think I'll retire again until it's permanent."

Mr. Fish was one of 16 leading citizens who organized Otter Cemetery. The other 15 are dead and most of them are in it. He has his spot picked out too. As last of the founders, he is still secretary-treasurer and handles the disposition of lots and collects for them. For this, he receives \$20 per year.

"I would like the town to take the cemetery off my hands," he said. "I am ready to let someone else do the job."

It's just one of the many

community services he has rendered. Mr. Fish was on the parks board, the board of education and was 54 years United Church Sunday school superintendent.

To what does he attribute his health?

"I put my rest periods in between my work periods. I find this is a good formula for good health. I sleep a couple of hours before I start something and I never fail to lie down after meals. Yet I seldom go to bed before 1 a.m. I don't eat very much and this, too, I believe, is an aid to health. Careful eating and careful rest are important to good living."

Mr. Fish does not smoke or drink, and no one can recall hearing him swear. He whistles while he works—a light, wispy wistle, as he picks faces from his type case. His eyes are sharp and he handles even the finest type.

"I'm not what you could really call a printer," he said. "I never learned by trade." Otterville would disagree with him. He has not a dissatisfied customer and he been printing the local voters' lists for 68 consecutive years.

Mr. Fish got into the printing business accidentally. The drug store in which he started work had a print shop attached. He studied to be a drugg-

Does Jobs At Farm Fifty Years Apart

OTTERVILLE (C) — "Looking back over the past 50 years is a long time" said A. E. Moore, who is nearing his 86th birthday.

Mr. Moore has just completed two lovely stone posts at the gateway of Alex Doan, R.R. 1, Norwich. When the posts were finished, Mr. Doan, Sr., drew Mr. Moore's attention to some printing and figures carved in the well-built foundation of the barn and there was inscribed "A.E.M. — 1906." In 1934 Mr. and Mrs. Doan, Sr., who now live in Norwich, built the house on the farm and Mr. Moore built the foundation for this too, and now the posts are finished.

Helping Mr. Moore for the barn was the late Mr. Kate, for the house the late Mr. Taylor and for the posts Ernest Trefry.

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ist but became fascinated with printing. When the store was sold, he bought the print shop.

His wife died eight years ago. They had raised four sons and three daughters. One daughter, Marion lives with him in the house that has been the Fish family for 65 years.

A son Paul died in 1953. A son Carman is editor of the National Safety Magazine in Chicago, while another, Alan, is principal of public schools in Oakville, and another, Fred, has a hardware store in Jarvis.

Mr. Fish's other two daughters are Mrs. Norman Swift of Chicago and Mrs. W. J. McDowell of Toronto.

Born in Linwood, six years before Confederation, he has lived in Otterville since a child. He still puts in a four-hour day in the shop.

Gutenberg or Goudy never had a follower who loved the printing trade more than Mr. Fish.

"I have always enjoyed it," he says. "It is a peaceful, satisfying trade."

Lodges Parade At Otterville

OTTERVILLE (C) — The 137th anniversary of Tecumseh Lodge, No. 182, Otterville, was observed Sunday evening with a parade and church service at St. John's Church, when they were joined by members of Violet Rebekah Lodge 330 and the I.O.D.E.

Led by band music by members from Norwich, Delhi and Otterville, about 70 persons paraded through a light mist to attend the service. The flags were presented by Charles Hopkins, Mrs. Emma Strudwick and Miss Doreen Howse, and the church was nicely decorated with flowers for the occasion.

The rector, Rev. T. Masson, opened the service and was assisted by J. W. Riste and R. E. Pettigrew. Mrs. Nate McMullen was the organist.

Rev. W. Ridley Parson, B.A., Ph.D., of Dutton, who spent his early life in Otterville, was the guest speaker, and based his sermon on James 2:8, "If you really fulfil the royal law, according to the scripture, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself', you do well." Throughout his message he stressed the importance of being a good neighbor.

C. Lee Brown

OTTERVILLE (C)—The funeral of the late Cabell Lee Brown, 74, who died at his home at Norwich Sunday evening, was conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home, by Rev. R. L. Whan, pastor of the Norwich Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. J. G. Cruikshank, minister of the Norwich United Church.

During the service George Lowe of Norwich sang a solo, "Beautiful Garden of Prayer," and Mrs. Grant Smith of Burgessville sang a solo at the close of the service, "Beyond the Sunset." Mrs. Nate McMullen of Otterville was the accompanist, and also played a number of favourite hymns before and after the service.

Relatives and friends were present from Washington, Alexandria, Virginia, Danville, Va., Teeterville, Princeton, Norwich, Woodstock, Brantford, Tillsonburg, Bookton, Scotland, Burgessville, Little Lake and other places. There were many lovely floral tributes, and among them were baskets from the Norwich neighbours, the Boys at Dakens Sand and Gravel Pit, Norwich Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Milldale Neighbours. Several Gideon Bibles were placed in his memory.

The flower bearers were Henry Ash, George Daiken, Nate McMullen, Mac Frew, Howard Butler, Clarence Silverthorne, and Percy Grant. Interment was in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville, and the casket bearers were James Floyd, William Collie, Reginald Payne, George Leach, Dick Westcott and Ernest Morley.

JOAN'S SON ON 14/56

J. E. Spencer Passes, Wrote Bible Longhand

J. E. (Edwin) Spencer of Norwich passed away on Sunday, in his 81st year. Born at New Welland, near Niagara Falls, he came to Bayham Township as a child with his parents, the late James and Caroline (Reavely) Spencer, and other members of the family, and settled on what is now the Thurston farm on the 5th Concession. Later, they bought the farm west of Straffordville, now known as the Julian Coucke farm.

The deceased received his early education at Straffordville Public School and Vienna High School, and attended Teachers' College in St. Thomas, where he received his teacher's certificate. In the winter of 1898, during the illness of the teacher, Miss Ethel B. Cubbin (now Mrs. John Appleton, 3rd Concession, Bayham), he taught for several weeks in the Straffordville school, and later taught for five years near Chatsworth.

While working at carpentry at Sault Ste. Marie, he had the misfortune to fall from a roof and received a broken hip from which he never fully recovered. He then took up telegraphing and served with the C.N.R. in this province, Alberta and in British Columbia.

For more than 30 years he had resided at Norwich, where he did light carpentry work. He was a lover of the Bible, and in keeping with the injunction given to the kings of Israel: Deuteronomy 17:18-20, that they should write a copy of the words of the law, etc., and thus have it better impressed on their minds, he wrote out, in longhand, the entire Bible, and was well on the way to doing this the second time.

Survivors are his widow, the former Mabel Hampton of Chatsworth; two sons, J. Hampton of Chatsworth and Gordon of Owen Sound; three daughters, Mrs. Clarence (Olive) Noble of Durham; Mrs. Milton (Theta) Sinclair of London, and Mrs. A. (Kathleen) Ellis of St. Catharines; two brothers, Herbert of Jamesville, Wisconsin, who was visiting here at the time of his death, and Gordon of Vancouver, B.C.; 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Rested at the Arn Funeral Home, Norwich, where service was conducted on Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Interment in the family plot at Port Robinson.

Knevel Reunion Held at Port

A bouquet of purple lilacs from "grandmother's bush" in Houghton, brought by Louise Horley, made a fitting table decoration and remembrance for the Knevel family reunion at Port Burwell on Saturday, June 9th.

Twenty-two members enjoyed a good dinner and caught up on family happenings. Seven more arrived later. The latest member to be added to the family is Peggy Moore, who last September became Mrs. John Horley. "Happy Birthday" was sung for Winnie McMullen and she was presented with a gift for having a birthday nearest that date.

Officers and committees for the coming year are: President, Maude Iden; vice-president, Eileen Lawrence; treasurer, Winnie McMullen; secretary, Effie Nelson; table committee, Maud and Annie Cudney, Beatrice Austin and Louise Horley; sports, Catherine McMullen, Evelyn Prong, Pat Iden.

Races, running and relay, were held. Prizes went to Kathleen Iden, David Mayos and Marie Mayos. A kiss scramble and a peanut scramble were also enjoyed by the children.

Prize for parents with the largest family went to Ilene and William Mayos. The seed-guessing contest was won by Nora Berger; threading the needle (men) by Jack Iden; dropping clothespins in bottle, Annie Cudney. The jellybean contest was won by Evelyn Prong and the Scotch mint by Barbara Thomson, and they carried off jars and contents.

Harry Mayos left all other contestants far behind and won first prize for person with most freckles. Prize for person coming shortest distance went to Maud and Annie Cudney, Port Burwell. Eve Austin won the prize for lady having most articles in her purse, and George Horley, the man having most articles in his pocket.

Evelyn Prong came first in the balloon contest, with George Horley second. Evelyn also pounded a nail with fewest strokes (7). She was presented with the hammer (woman's size) as a prize. In the toothpick scramble prizes were won by Kathleen Iden, Eva Austin, Winnie McMullen. Deborah Ann Austin, 16 months old, was youngest member present.

The 1957 reunion will be at Port Burwell on the second Saturday in June.

Mrs. Nate McMullen and daughter, Catherine, attended the second annual Knevel family reunion at Port Burwell on Saturday. They were accompanied by Miss Effie Nelson and Miss Jennie Sharpe of Tillsonburg. 1956 - June 9th



Elaine Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Marshall of Otterville, graduated last week from the Brantford General Hospital School of Nursing. She attended public school at Otterville and high school at Norwich. June 1/56.

Hugh John Tichbourne

OTTERVILLE (C)—Hugh John (Jack) Tichbourne, 91, died in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital Thursday night. Mr. Tichbourne was found by his son Wednesday evening, having fallen by the stable door. Dr. H. H. Batson was called and had him taken by ambulance to hospital, where it was found that he had suffered a fractured hip. He died the following night.

Mr. Tichbourne was born on the same street in Otterville where he spent his life, and in his earlier years he worked as a baker, also as a barber, and did carpenter work. For the past 20 years he has grown tobacco on his farm.

He was a member of St. John's Anglican Church, and was an Orangeman, and had been active in the lodge when it was in Otterville.

His wife predeceased him several years ago. He is survived by one son, Clarence, who resided with him. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Susan Heywood of Toronto.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home until Monday when funeral service was conducted in St. John's Anglican Church by Rev. T. Masson, rector of the church.

Neighbours and relatives from Toronto, London, Mount Elgin, Detroit and other places attended.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was organist for the service, and hymns sung were "Unto the Hills" and "Abide with Me." Among the lovely floral tributes were baskets from the Otterville Neighbors, St. John's Anglican Church, Ladies' Guild and St. John's Church Club, and from the planting gang.

The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Dee Scott, Clifford Rachar, Nate McMullen, William McMullen, Alex McIntosh and Ernest Treffry.

Interment was in St. John's Anglican Cemetery, Otterville.



Otterville United Church was the setting for the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Albert (Jack) Freeland. The bride, formerly Lila Marie Jull, of Otterville, is the daughter of Mrs. Ernest Jull, Newark, and the late Mr. Jull. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Ernest Freeland, Mount Elgin. They will make their home in Tillsonburg. (Photo by Seldon)



Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Graham Davis are pictured cutting the wedding cake following their wedding at Norwich United Church. The former Helen Elizabeth Mitchell, the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Mitchell, Norwich. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis, North Norwich Township, are parents of the groom. The couple will reside in North Norwich Township.

OTTERVILLE (C) — A pretty wedding of interest took place on Saturday June 16th at the Otterville United Church at 2.30 p.m. when Lila Marie Jull of Otterville youngest daughter of Mrs. Ernest Jull of Newark and the late Mr. Jull, and Sydney Albert (Jack) Freeland of Mount Elgin, only son of Mr. and Mrs. William Ernest Freeland of Mount Elgin, exchanged marriage vows. Rev. Donald Morrison, minister of the church, officiated.

The bride looked lovely in a street-length pale blue cotton lace dress over taffeta and net and navy accessories, and wore a corsage of sweetheart roses.

The bridesmaid, Mrs. J. P. Heatley of Sarnia, sister of the bride, wore a two-piece pink linen dress with navy accessories and a corsage of yellow carnations. Fred Jull of Mount Elgin, brother of the bride, acted as best man.

A reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jull of Mount Elgin for 30 guests. The bride's mother received wearing a navy blue mesh dress and navy accessories, and a corsage of sweetheart roses.

The groom's mother assisted wearing a beige printed silk dress and black accessories. She wore a corsage of bronze rosebuds.

For going away the bride donned a dress of printed taffetized everglazed cotton with navy and white accessories and a corsage of red roses.

Guests for the occasion were from Sarnia, Mount Elgin, Newark, Toronto, Brantford, Dundas, Otterville and other places.

On their return from a wedding trip to points east, Mr. and Mrs. Freeland will make their home in Otterville.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Mitchell wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen Elizabeth to Mr. Stanley Graham Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis, Norwich. The marriage will take place June 16th, 1956 at 2.30 o'clock in Norwich United Church.

Newlyweds Honored At Otterville Party

OTTERVILLE (C) — In honour of their recent marriage, about 125 friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Freeland gathered in the Parish Hall of St. Charles Anglican Church, of which Mr. Freeland is a member.

Herb Austin was the Master of Ceremonies and on behalf of their friends H. Pettman presented them with a walnut coffee table and an oak card table. At the same time their friends from Mount Elgin also showered them with miscellaneous gifts, for which the bride and groom both expressed their appreciation.

The evening was spent socially, and there were musical numbers, after which lunch was served.

They were given a rousing charivari in the early hours Tuesday morning by a group of the young people.

Youths Get Things Too Easily, Develop Poor Sense of Values

The last regular meeting of H.M.S. Courageous Chapter, I.O. D.E., held at the Orange Hall on Tuesday evening in the form of a potluck supper, featured as speaker L. B. Hyde, master of Teachers College, London, who was introduced to the gathering by Mrs. Ivor Mann, chairman of the evening.

Mr. Hyde preceded his address on "A New Sense of Values" with an amusing commentary on his association through the years with I.O. D.E. activities, and then went on to refer to the youths of today. He stated that a warped sense of values is developing among them because they have too much and are not placing value on things because they get them too easily.

The speaker pointed out that a new sense of values should be developed to bring back old sense values because nothing equals the joy of achievement.

Thanks Speaker

Mrs. William Hoyle, on behalf of those present, thanked Mr. Hyde for his highly interesting and informative talk.

Miss Doreen Hopper, a member of Mary Churchill Chapter, I.O. D.E., guest soloist, rendered "Walk Hand in Hand" and "Smilin' Through." A duet, that included two numbers, was sung by Teddy Winter and Edwin Davis. Mrs. Charles Fotheringham acted as accompanist. A mother-and-daughter combination, Miss Catherine Mc-

Mullen and Mrs. McMullen favored with an enjoyable piano duet, "King of the Forest."

The Prayer of the Order was repeated and a nice turnout of members and visitors sat down to a delicious potluck supper, convened by Mrs. Stuart Lambden and Mrs. John Nagy.

The table was attractively decorated with lighted candles, and a floral arrangement of white and red carnations centred the head table.

Give Reports

Following the toast to the Queen, a short business session was conducted, with Regent Mrs. Wallace Caswell in charge.

Minutes and correspondence were dealt with by the secretary, Mrs. Charles Swatridge. Treasurer Mrs. Harry Lipsit gave the financial report. Miss Catherine McMullen, sewing convener, gave her report, and stated that three and a half dozen diapers, 14 nightgowns and six quilts are ready to be sent. Mrs. M. B. Kent gave a report on the knitting, and Mrs. Robert Snell, flower convener, gave her report.

The draw for the cake was made by the guest speaker, Mr. Hyde, and won by Mrs. M. B. Kent. The Flowers were won by Regent Mrs. W. Caswell and drawn by Mrs. C. Swatridge. Miss Mary Travis was winner of the chair prize.

The next meeting, September 4th, will be in the form of a potluck supper.

Funeral of Mrs. Charles Holman

The funeral of Mrs. Charles Holman who died at the home of her son Ernest Holman, R.R. 1, Brownsville, on Tuesday, was held from the Addison Funeral Home Friday and was conducted by Douglas Hancock, Woodstock and was very largely attended. During the service Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Buchner, Brownsville sang a duet "I Shall See Him As He Is." Mrs. Nate McMullen, Otterville, was the accompanist. Relatives and friends were present from Detroit, Niagara Falls, Guelph, St. George, Simcoe, Woodstock, Straffordville, Tillsonburg, Cornell, Brownsville, Springford, Norwich, Waterford, Port Dover, Corinth, London and other places. There were many lovely floral tributes and among them were wreaths from the Brownsville neighbors, and also from the Cornell neighbors. The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were six grandsons, Alvin Hopkins,

Charlie Hopkins, Donald Hopkins, Richard Holman, Lorne Holman and Clarence Holman. Interment was in the Springford Cemetery. *JULY*

Otterville Horseman's \$250 Fine Refunded

OTTERVILLE (C). — Mr. and Mrs. Arthur, who have spent the past ten weeks at Hamburg, New York, spent the week-end at their home here and plan to leave during the latter part of the week for Saratoga to continue the harness racing season.

Seven of the horses from their stable have been racing at Hamburg, and will be taken to Saratoga.

The following article dated July 6th from a New York paper, was read with interest by Mr. Arthur's friends.

"Harness racing commissioner George P. Monaghan today upheld the appeal of James Edward Arthur, and ordered the refund of \$250 fine levied by the judges at Batavia Raceway last Oct. 28th. Arthur had appealed from the decision of the judges, who fined him \$250 on the grounds he had failed to race his horse, Ambassador Pick, to the best of his ability.

The commission held its hearing at Buffalo Raceway June 29th. Monaghan said he felt the undisputed reputation of Arthur for honesty and racing integrity as testified by all 14 witnesses, including the judges who levied the fine, coupled with the past performance of Ambassador Pick, indicated that the driver was entitled to the benefit of any doubt that existed."

Wed at Rhineland *Aug/56*

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Shown following their recent wedding at Rhineland Lutheran Church are Mr. and Mrs. Gordon F. Shearer. The bride, the former Margaret June Alward, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hooker of Otterville. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shearer of R.R. 3, Delhi. They are residing at Otterville.

Shearer-Alward *Aug 4/56*

A wedding of interest was solemnized at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Rhineland, when Margaret Alward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hooker of Otterville, became the bride of Gordon Shearer of R.R. 3, Delhi.

Rev. H. Burkart of Simcoe performed the ceremony, assisted by the pastor of the church, Rev. M. Kentel.

Maid of honor was the sister of the bride, Miss Delores Hooker of Otterville.

Best man was James Willis of Tillsonburg.

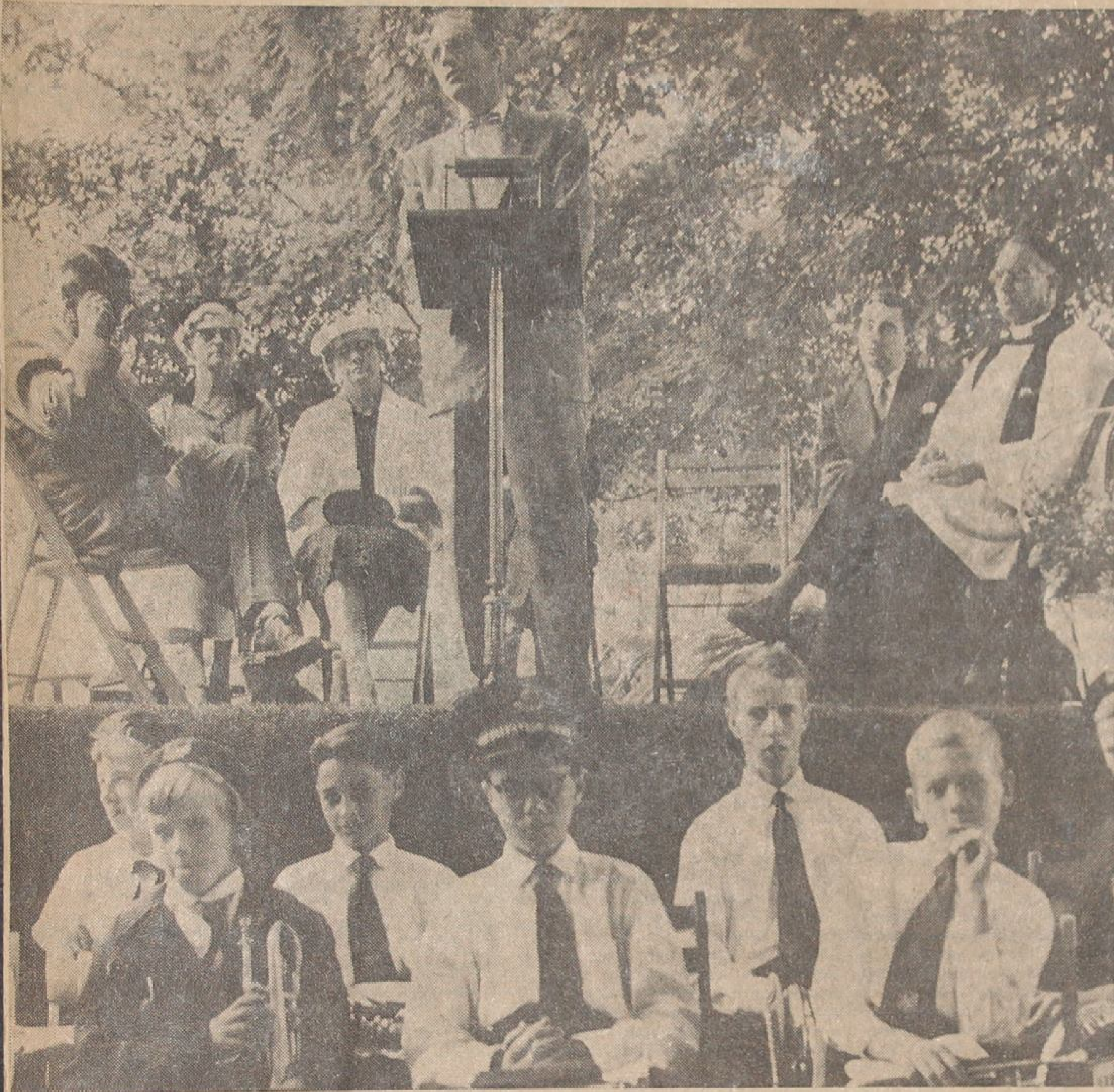
Following a reception at Mil-Mar Manor, Mr. and Mrs. Shearer left on a wedding trip to points in Northern Ontario.

REV. E. C. GREY, NEWLY APPOINTED RECTOR COMMENCES DUTIES HERE *Aug/56*

Rev. E. C. Grey, the new rector of Holy Trinity Church, Norwich; St. John's, Otterville and St. Charles, Dereham, commenced his new duties in the three churches on Sunday morning, August 5. Good sized congregations greeted the new minister and his family and they were favorably impressed by his splendid sermons. The date for his induc-

tion has not been arranged, but is in the hand of the Bishop and will be announced before too long. Mr. Grey plans to carry on the arrangements as made for the month of August. His first service on Sunday mornings will be at St. Charles at 8.45 a.m. Services in Norwich will commence at 10 o'clock, and at Otterville at 11:30 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Masson, the former rector, left for his new home Grosse Point, near Detroit, last week.

Lodge Head Speaks At Decoration Rites



IOOF Perform Otterville Rites

NORWICH, August 27 — The presence as guest speaker of Bro. William O. Jeffrey, Kitchener, Grand Master of the Oddfellows Lodge in Ontario, was a highlight at the annual decoration day service in the Otterville Cemetery on Sunday afternoon.

Bro. Jeffrey, introduced by Bro. Roy Arn, of Norwich, district deputy grand master, urged his hearers to be willing to be Oddfellows in order to enhance the standards by which people live.

With him on the platform, were George Davis, chairman; Mrs. Clayton Arthur, district deputy president, East St. Thomas district; Mrs. Mabel Maybee, Tillsonburg, grand warden; Rev. Gordon Chaffe, Tillsonburg, who offered prayer; Mr. Jeffrey, Roy Arn and Rev. E. C. Gray, rector of the Norwich and Otterville Anglican churches, who took part in the service.

Guest Speaker William Jeffrey, of Kitchener, grand master of the Odd Fellows Lodge in Ontario, addresses the crowd at the annual decoration day service in the Otterville Cemetery. On the platform are, left to right: George Davis, chairman; Mrs. Clayton Arthur, district deputy president, East St. Thomas District; Mrs. Mabel Maybee, Tillsonburg, grand warden; the Rev. Gordon Chaffe, Tillsonburg, who offered the prayer; Mr. Jeffrey; Roy Arn, and the Rev. E. C. Gray, rector of the Norwich and Otterville Anglican churches who took part. In the foreground are members of the boys and girls Salvation Army Band from Tillsonburg which led the music part of the service. (Photo by Lowe).

Nearly ¹⁹⁵⁶ 400 Enrolled
At Otterville School

OTTERVILLE (C)—School re-opened at the Otterville Central School on Tuesday with an enrollment close to 400. Two new teachers have been engaged, Mrs. Joyce Cooper, Concession eleven of South Norwich township and Miss Maida Winegarden, of the 6th concession, also of South Norwich township. A former supply room is being used for an extra classroom. The room had been a classroom before the new addition was built at the school a few years ago.

There were 49 beginners at the school on Monday, and due to the illness of Max Avey, his bus is being driven by one of the teachers, Donald Neale. The eleven teachers at the school are Miss Irene Scidmore and Miss Maida Winegarden, grade 1; Mrs. Cameron and Mrs. Cooper, Grade 11; Mrs. Beth Otte-well, grade III; Mrs. McClintock, parts of grade III and 4; Miss Florence Smith, grade 4; Mrs. Violet Cole, grade 5; Mrs. Orris Beecroft, grade 6; Donald Neale, grade 7; Boyd Little, the school principal teaches grade 8.

^{Sept 29/56}
Albert Smith

OTTERVILLE (C)—The funeral of Albert Smith, former Milldale resident, was held at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, Saturday afternoon and was largely attended by relatives and friends.

Rev. Walter Nicholls, Mount Brydges, conducted the service, and George H. Davis sang a solo, "Only Believe," accompanied by Mrs. Norman McClintock at the piano. There were many lovely floral tributes including a spray from the Milldale neighbors.

Mr. Smith was born at South Middleton in Norfolk County 54 years ago, son of the late Edward A. Smith and Marilla (Buck), and lived there until his marriage. He lived on 59 Highway about two miles north of Otterville for 26 years, and a year at Norwich before moving to Mount Brydges a year ago where he grew tobacco.

He and his wife had gone to Syracuse, N. Y., on Tuesday to the home of relatives, and he suffered a heart attack early Wednesday morning.

He is survived by his wife, Grace Ann; two sons, Clifford and Edward of Mount Brydges; seven daughters, Mrs. Arthur Streng (Marjorie) London, Mrs. Lee Goings (Ethel), Tampa, Florida, Mrs. George Amey (Betty), and Mrs. Harold Amey (Mildred) both of Norwich, Mrs. Wray Swears (Evelyn), Mount Brydges, Mrs. David Palmer (Edith) Tillsonburg; and Miss Grace Ann Smith of Mount Brydges. He also leaves eleven grandchildren; two brothers, Virgil and Glenwood, both of Syracuse, N. Y., and one sister, Mrs. Bessie Silverthorn of Port Huron.

The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers were Nate McMullen, Nean McMullen, Harold Amey, Henry Ash, Ross Chambers and Ben Strudwick. Interment was in Milldale Cemetery.

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**REVEREND E. C. GREY
INDUCTED AT TRINITY**

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Rev. Edwin Charles Grey, who came to Norwich early in August, was inducted as the rector of Holy Trinity Church, Norwich; St. John's Church, Otterville, and St. Charles Church, Dereham, in an impressive and largely attended service in Holy Trinity Church, Wednesday evening. Canon H. F. Appleyadr, rector of Grace Church, Brantford, represented Bishop Luxton and conducted the service.

Other ministers present, who had small parts in the service, included: Canon J. H. Geoghegan, New St. Paul's, Woodstock, Rev. E. O. Lancaster, All Saints, Woodstock. Rev. E. J. B. Harrison, Church of the Good Shepherd, Woodstock; Rev. John Davies, former rector of Old St. Paul's, Woodstock; Rec. C. H. Wright, Rev. L. W. Owen, Simcoe, and Canon H. H. Judd, secretary of Social Service work for the Anglican Church in Canada, who preached the sermon.

During the induction service the keys of the Norwich church

were presented to Mr. Grey by Roland Harrison, peoples warden, and Robert Barham, rector's warden; keys to the Otterville church were presented by Carl Howse and John Riste; to the St. Charles Church, by Wm. Freeland and Robert Pettman.

Canon Judd expressed his great pleasure at being present at the service. "It was so lovely driving up from Toronto this afternoon and arriving in your beautiful, little village just when the sun was going down over the horizon and to see this historic church so beautiful nestled beneath the magnificent trees. I certainly wish you and your new rector every success." Canon Judd told of his long and happy associations with Mr. Grey since the latter became a member of All Saints in Hamilton more than 21 years ago. "He made himself known to the rector and congregation and entered heartily into his work. I urge all newcomers to the parish to do likewise if they wish to get the most out of their church relationships."

Cannon Judd based his sermon on the words of St. Paul to the Phillipians: "But our citizenship is in heaven." "Worldliness is so dominant today is all our thinking that Christians have a terrible responsibility to keep alive the tings of the Spirit and to tell the world we have a higher destiny," he said. Members of churches have a particular responsibility to live as the children of God, councilled the preacher. We can be true to our new citizenship in Christ by witnessing to the greatness of the gospel, by being regular in worship and by working for His kingdom. Cannon Judd urged the three congregations to go forward as a worshipping, witnessing and working community for God.

The choir, with Mrs. Jack Foster, sang verses of the hymn "Spirit of God."

Following the service the congregation went to the parish hall for a brief social period, refreshments and a cup of tea served by the Ladies Guild.

Robert Barham was chairman and called on Canon Geoghegan and the Rev. John Davies to address the meeting briefly. Both expressed congratulations to the new rector and Mrs. Gray and to the congregation.

An interesting part of the social hour was the presentation of a television chair to Mrs. Jack Foster, who recently resigned as the church organist. Roland Harrison read the address and Bob Barham made the presentation. Mrs. Foster replied to tell of the joy she had had working as organist and choir leader in Holy Trinity church.

Mrs. Foster recalled that she came to Holy Trinity Church as temporary organist in 1954 and had continued in that capacity until now to the great satisfaction of the various rectors and the delight of the congregation. The presentation address complimented her and wished her all happiness in the future.

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In Memoriam

The purpose of life of Rev. Albert Carr.

To be a little kindlier
With the passing of each day.
To leave but happy memories
As I go along my way;
To use possessions that are mine
In service full and free;
To sacrifice the trivial things
For larger good to be.
To give of love in lavish way,
That friendships true may live.
To be less quick to criticize,
More ready to forgive.
To use such talents as I have
That happiness may grow,
To take the bitter with the sweet,
Assured 'tis better so.
To be quite free from self-intent
Whate'er the task I do.
To help the world's faith stronger
grow
In all that's good and true.
To keep my faith in God and right,
No matter how things run,
To work and play and pray and
trust
Until the journey's done;
God grant to me the strength of
heart,
Of motive and of will,
To do my part and falter not,
This purpose to fulfil.
—From one of his spiritual children.

Otterville Ceremony



Mr. and Mrs. Max Bowman Hart exchanged vows in St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville, and following a wedding trip to New York will reside in Tillsonburg. The bride is the former Barbara Lorraine Furlong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Furlong, and the groom is the son of Mrs. and Mrs. William Hart, all of Tillsonburg. (Photo by Seldon).

MAX HART WEDS BARBARA FURLONG

OTTERVILLE (C)—St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville, was the scene of a lovely Autumn wedding when Barbara Lorraine Furlong of Tillsonburg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Furlong of Otterville, was united in marriage to Max Bowman Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hart of Tillsonburg, on Friday, Oct. 5th, at seven o'clock, 1956.

The church was beautifully decorated with palms, ferns and standards of pink and white mums, and each guest pew was marked by a lighted white taper tied with a satin bow. Rev. E. C. Grey, rector of the church, performed the double-ring ceremony, and the wedding music was played by Mrs. Nate McMullen. Mrs. Ronald Collier sang "The Lord's Prayer" and during the signing of the register, she sang "Because."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was lovely in a floor-length gown of nylon lace and tulle over satin. The strapless bodice was topped with a fold of tulle caught at intervals with pearls. Similar folds outlined each gore of the full lace skirt bordered with plain net. With it she wore a brief lace jacket, buttoned down from the Peter Pan collar, and the long sleeves extended into a lily point. Her fingertip veil of silk illusion fell from a cap studded with iridescent sequins and pearls, encircled by a braided band of tulle, and she carried a white Bible covered by a mauve orchid surrounded by tiny white mums and streamers.

The bride's sister, Mrs. Harry Jones of St. Thomas, was the matron of honor, wearing a ballerina-length gown of blue net over taffeta, made with a strapless bodice with a lace bolero. A lace peplum fell over the full net skirt, and the tiny net veil was held by a blue velvet bandeau with matching velvet roses on the side. She carried a cascade of blue carnations and yellow mums.

Mrs. William Furlong of Tillsonburg, sister-in-law of the bride, was bridesmaid, wearing a gown and accessories matching those of the matron of honor. The other bridesmaids, Miss Marie DeVoogdt of Watertford, and the bride's youngest sister, Miss Sharon Furlong, each wore matching gowns in yellow, and carried cascades of yellow carnations and blue mums.

Janet Church, niece of the bride, was the winsome flower girl, wearing blue net over taffeta. The long full skirt was caught up to form scallops around the bottom and her satin-brimmed headdress was tied with a satin bow. She carried blue and yellow flowers.

Tommy Jones, nephew of the bride, carried the rings on a white satin pillow.

The groom's brother, William Hart, Jr., of Tillsonburg, was the best man, and the ushers were William Furlong of Tillsonburg and Robert Furlong, brothers of the bride, and Robert Hart of Tillsonburg, brother of the groom. Each wore matching ties and cufflinks, the gift of the groom. The bride's gifts to her attendants were brooch and earring sets.

Bride - Elect



Joan M. H. Arthur, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Arthur, Otterville, will become the bride of Joseph Moses, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moses, Norwich. Miss Arthur is a Graduate of the Brantford General Hospital School of Nursing. The marriage will take place at two-thirty o'clock, October 6 in the United Church, Otterville.

A reception was held at Mrs. Ruth Sommers, Tillsonburg, for 112 guests from Detroit, Windsor, Greensville, London, St. Thomas, Toronto, Hamilton, Picton, Norwich, Tillsonburg, Woodstock, Watertford and other points, and the bride's table was centered by the three-tier wedding cake flanked by lighted tapers and floral decorations.

The bride's mother received wearing an avocado green sheath dress with beige accessories and corsage of yellow mums. The groom's mother wore a sheath dress in a copper shade with accessories in gold shades, and corsage of yellow mums.

The waitresses were Misses Yvonne Collier, Ruth Esseltine, Betty Ann Swatridge and Catharine McMullen.

For a wedding trip to New York and other points in the States, the bride donned a silver mauve suit with navy accessories, and orchid corsage.

On their return Mr. and Mrs. Hart will reside in Tillsonburg.

HAWTREY (C)—Vows were exchanged at the United Church, Otterville, on Saturday, October 6th, at 2:30 p.m., by Joan Mary Helen Arthur, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Arthur of Otterville, and Joseph Moses of Woodstock, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moses of Norwich, in a pretty ceremony conducted by the minister of the church, Rev. Donald Morrison.

The church was prettily decorated with baskets of yellow and bronze pom pom 'mums and ferns and green oak leaves, flanked by lighted candelabra. Mrs. Jack Walters sang "The Wedding Prayer," "O Perfect Love" and "O Promise Me." Miss Leone Turnbull of Brantford presided at the organ.

The bride wore a white floor-length gown of nylon tulle and French lace over satin. The strapless bodice was topped with a lace jacket, styled with a collar trimmed with pearls and sequins and featured lily-point sleeves. The tiered skirt was fashioned with lace panels enhanced with ribbons of pearls and iridescent sequins. A matching crown band headdress studded with sequins and pearls held her fingertip veil of flowered illusion. She carried a semi-cascade arrangement of white pom pom 'mums, centered with red Better Time roses. She was given in marriage by her father.

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Miss Marina McKie, a cousin of the bride, was maid of honor. She wore a champagne color ballerina-length gown of net over taffeta, fashioned with rust trimmings and gold leaves, with matching gauntlet gloves. She wore a rust head band and carried a cascade arrangement of yellow pom pom 'mums.

Miss Dianne Cook acted as junior bridesmaid and wore a dark green

ballerina-length gown of taffeta, styled with a full skirt, with a green head band and gloves to match. She carried a cascade arrangement of yellow pom pom 'mums.

Brenda Young, cousin of the bride, wore a yellow floor-length gown of taffeta, with matching head band and gauntlet gloves. She carried a small cascade bouquet of rust pom pom 'mums.

The groom was attended by his brother, Ernest Moses of Sarnia, and Clare Arthur of Toronto, brother of the bride, and Bruce Maedel of Norwich were ushers. Nephew of the groom, David Aziz, was ring bearer.

Sixty-five guests were present at the reception from Norwich, Brantford, Woodstock, St. Marys, St. Jacobs, Orangeville, Toronto, Straffordville, Sarnia and Otterville. Red roses decorated the bride's table.

For receiving, the bride's mother wore a cocoa brown street-length dress of satin with cedar tan accessories and a corsage of yellow roses. A navy blue dress of rayon crepe with matching accessories and a corsage of Better Time roses was worn by the groom's mother.

The groom's gift to the bride was a pearl earring set.

For travelling, the bride changed into a panama tweed suit with nut brown trim. She wore nut brown accessories and a corsage of

The couple left on a wedding trip to Ottawa and points North, and will reside in Woodstock.

PRETTY WEDDING AT OTTERVILLE

OTTERVILLE (C) — Thanksgiving Day was chosen for the wedding of Lurene Mae Treffry, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne E. Treffry, Otterville, and William Arthur McMullen, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. William McMullen, also of Otterville.

Rev. Donald R. Morrison performed the ceremony in the Otterville United Church before a double setting of yellow and gold mums and lighted white tapers, flanked on either side by ferns, tall candelabra and standards of large yellow chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was the organist, and the soloist was Mrs. Glenn Lymburner, Dunnville, who sang "The Lord's Prayer", "I'll Walk Beside You" and "O Perfect Love."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an original gown of white bridal satin, with Alencon lace over the bodice and the long fitted sleeves which came to a point over the hands, and were outlined with pearls. The lace-covered bodice had a sweetheart neckline which was accented with rhinestones and pearls. Alencon lace also formed a peplum effect across the skirt front and cascaded down the back in a deep V accented with a low bow flowing into a chapel train. Her veil of French silk illusion was held by a pearl Queen's crown with rhinestones, and she carried a white Bible on which rested pink sweetheart roses, centred by a white orchid. Her only ornament was a strand of pearls with matching earrings, the gift of the groom.

Miss Marianna Hanson was the maid of honor, wearing a floor-length gown of mint green crystelle with cross folds above the Empire waist. She wore a matching bandeau with leaf effect and a cascade bouquet of bronze mums with croton leaves.

The bridesmaids were Mrs. Ross Dow, sister of the groom, and Miss Elaine Butler, each in copper crystelle, both made the same as that of the maid of honor, and they carried cascade bouquets of yellow mums, backed by croton leaves. Each of the attendants wore pearl chokers and matching earrings, the gift of the bride, and long crystelle mitts.

Joyce Scott, cousin of the bride, was the flower girl in floor-length gold crystelle with velvet sash. She carried yellow and bronze mums.

John Davis was the best man, and the ushers were Ross Dow and Murray Treffry, brother of the bride. Each wore matching ties and belts, the gift of the groom. John McMullen, the groom's youngest brother, was the ring bearer.

To Live In Otterville



The former Lurene Mae Treffry became the bride of William Arthur McMullen in a ceremony at Otterville United Church. Mr. and Mrs. Lorne E. Treffry, Otterville, are parents of the bride and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William McMullen. The couple will live in Otterville. (Photo by George Lowe).

A reception was held in the church parlor for 65 guests where the bride's mother received wearing flowered copper crystelle with beige and copper accessories and corsage of yellow roses. The groom's mother was gowned in blue silver with matching accessories, and corsage of pink roses.

For the wedding trip to Northern points the bride chose a copen blue suit with blue and beige accessories and beige top-coat, and orchid corsage. On their return Mr. and Mrs. McMullen will move into the new home which they have built west of the park entrance.

Trousseau Tea Held For Otterville Bride

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. Lorne Treffry entertained a large number of friends at a trousseau tea in honor of her daughter, Miss Lurene Treffry, whose marriage took place on Thanksgiving Day. *Oct.*

The dining room was attractive with autumn flowers and white bells, and during the afternoon, tea was poured by Mrs. Ernest Treffry and Mrs. Donald Morrison.

During the evening Mrs. David Chambers of Norwich, Mrs. Horton Brearley of Ingersoll and Mrs. Fairman McQueen of Culloden poured tea. Juanita McMullen attended the door in the afternoon and Marie and Barbara Ann Scott during the evening, while Mrs. Gordon McMullen was at the guest register in the afternoon and Mrs. Kenneth Scott during the evening.

Those who showed the many lovely gifts and trousseau were Mrs. Ray McQueen, Miss Marianna Hanson and Miss Betty Treffry. Those who served the guests were Misses Cheryl and Linda Hicks, Miss Marianna Hanson, Mrs. Ross Dow, Miss Jean Diamond and Miss Elaine Butler. They were assisted by Mrs. William McMullen, Miss Marion Fish and Mrs. Lorne Cooper.

MINIMUM AVERAGE PRICE OF 45 CENTS

SIMCOE, Oct. 22—A minimum average price of 45 cents per pound for the 1956 flue-cured tobacco crop was set Monday by the Ontario Flue-Cured Tobacco Marketing Board.

The market will open for all members Oct. 30.

The price is three-quarters of a cent more than last year. The board said growers felt the increase still was insufficient to cover cost of production which soared this year.

The growers finally agreed on the 45-cent figure "as a contribution to attempts to halt inflation." Also the board said, a desire was shown by all directors to keep the price of Canadian tobacco competitive in world markets.

The market will open October 30 and close March 1.

DAVIS-MORRISON VOWS SAID IN PORT DOVER CEREMONY

Amid a candlelight setting and autumn flowers, at Grace United Church, Port Dover, in a pretty double-ring ceremony, on Wednesday, October 24, at 4 p.m., Barbara Gail Morrison of Tillsonburg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Claude Morrison, 114 Chapman Street, Port Dover, became the bride of John Edwin Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Davis of Otterville. Rev. George E. Morley performed the ceremony. Mrs. Morley played the wedding music and the soloist, Brock Mountain of Otterville, sang "Through the Years" and "I'll Walk Beside Thee."

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white floor-length gown of crystal charm over taffeta, princess style, with empire waist-line, V-neckline front and back, long lily-point sleeves, hooped skirt over a crinoline and she wore her grandmother's diamond and earrings.

Her fingertip veil of nylon net was held by a half cap of nylon net and lace trimmed with seed pearls and rhinestones. She carried a cascade of white carnations and Orange Delight roses.

Mrs. Robert Scott, Tillsonburg, was matron of honor for her sister, wearing a princess line ballerina-length gown of bronze crystalette over taffeta, off-shoulder bodice forming a V at the front and back, offset with a bow and streamers to the hemline. She carried a cascade of yellow 'mums and Orange Delight roses.

Miss Catharine McMullen of Teeterville and Miss Frances Batson of Toronto, friends of the bride, were bridesmaids wearing Kelly green crystalette gowns styled identical to that of the matron of honor and carrying yellow roses and bronze 'mums. They wore feathered headdresses and gauntlets to match their gowns.

Joan Downing of Otterville, was flower-girl, wearing a floor-length gown of Kelly green crystalette neckline and full skirt over crinoline with matching headdress and mitts, and carrying a basket of yellow and bronze 'mums.

George Davis of Otterville was best man, and the ushers were Robert Morrison of Port Dover and Jack Stanford of Teeterville.

The reception for 85 guests was held at the Cove Room, the bride's mother receiving in a grey Paisley designed taffeta dress, winter white hat, elbow-length gloves and corsage of white carnations and red roses. The groom's mother chose a periwinkle blue crepe dress with matching accessories and a corsage of pink roses and white carnations.

Among the guests were the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.

D. Morrison of Sault Ste. Marie, and grandfather, George Loucks of Meaford. Rev. George Morley proposed a toast to the bride, with the groom responding and Dr. Murray Downing of Otterville proposed the toast to the bridesmaids with the best man responding.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis left by motor for a wedding trip in the New England States. The bride changed into a brown wool serge tailored suit with burnt orange accessories, grey orlon shortie coat and white gardenia corsage. They will reside in Otterville.

Out-of-town guests were present from Cooksville, Sault Ste. Marie, Meaford, Summerside, P. E. I., Otterville, Tillsonburg, Teeterville, Toronto, Norwich and Port Dover.

Prior to her marriage the bride was guest of honor at a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Wardell, Otterville, with Dorothy Wardell and Catherine McMullen as hostesses.

Wed In Port Dover



Mr. and Mrs. John Edwin Davis, who exchanged marriage vows in Grace United Church, Port Dover, will make their home in Otterville. The bride is the former Barbara Gail Morrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Claude Morrison, Port Dover. Mr. and Mrs. George H. Davis, Otterville, are parents of the groom. (Photo by Stan Morris).



REV. W. R. PARSON

- - - to Petrolia

Bishop Names New Rector For Petrolia

The Rev. William Ridley Parson, rector of Church of the Nativity, Dutton and Grace Church, West Lorne, has been appointed rector of Christ Church, Petrolia.

Appointment was announced yesterday by the Rt. Rev. George N. Luxton, Bishop of Huron.

He succeeds the Rev. George Arnold Ruskell who was named rector of All Saints', Windsor, second largest church in the diocese, about two months ago.

Mr. Parson was born at Otterville and is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario. He was ordained priest in 1925 by the Rt. Rev. David Williams. His first appointment was in 1923 as curate at Bishop Cronyn Memorial Church, London. Two years later he went to Huntingford, Zorra and Innerkip.

From there he entered Harvard University and the University of Chicago to do post-graduate work and he served for short periods in the Diocese of Illinois as rector at Elmhurst and at Freeport.

He is married and has three children, John, David and Mark. He takes up his new duties January 1, 1957.

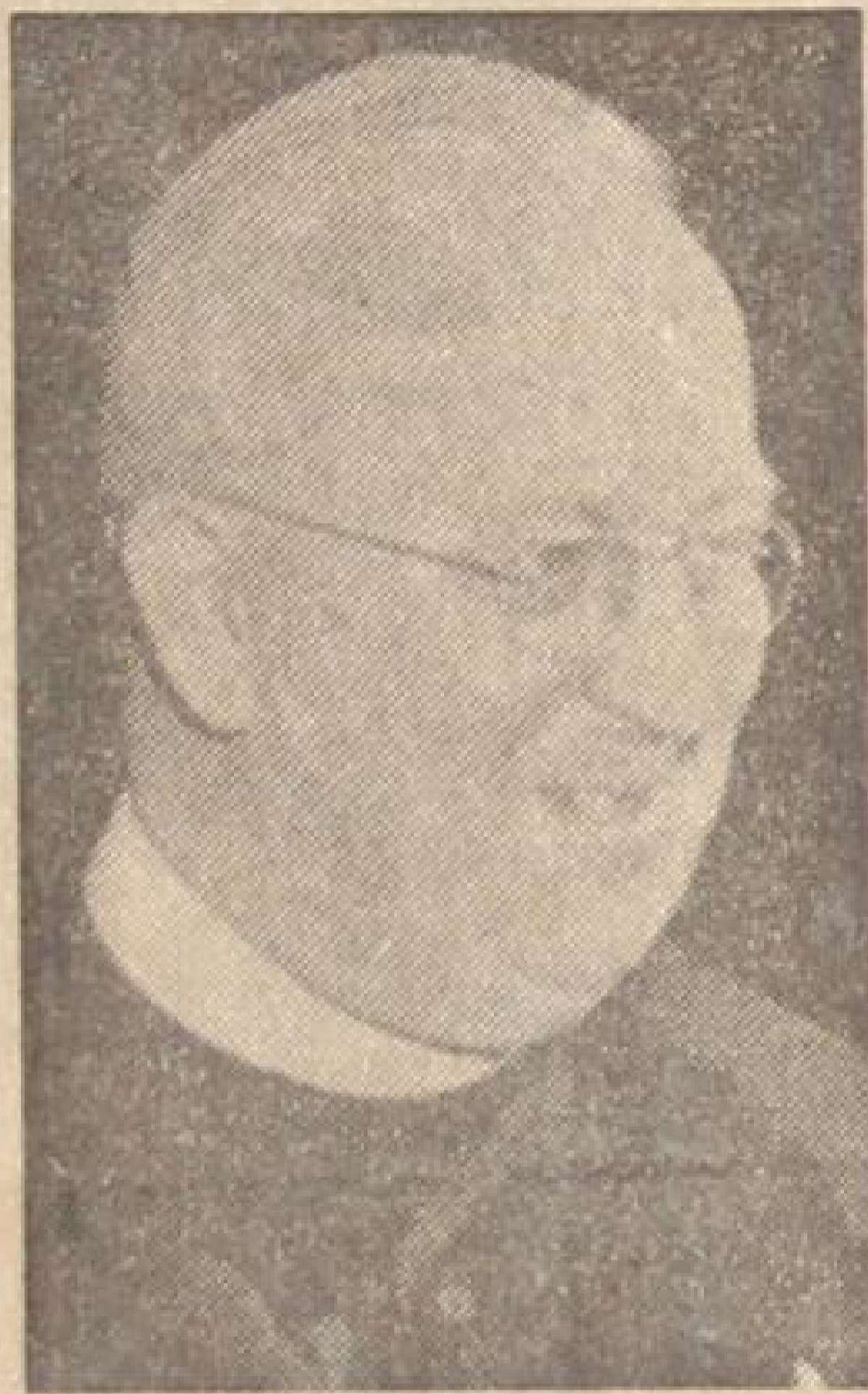
LOSSING — As the result of a sudden heart attack Friday, Nov. 9, 1956, Louis L. Lossing, 8 Cypress St. St. Thomas, husband of Mrs. Lillian (Theobald) Lossing, and brother of Mrs. Jean Nobbs, Mrs. Ross Carroll, Norwich, and Reginald Lossing, Woodstock, in his 51st year. Resting at the L. B. Sifton funeral home, St. Thomas, where the funeral service will be conducted Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment to be made in Elmdale Memorial Park, St. Thomas.

J. H. Geoghegan Minister Dies

WOODSTOCK, Nov. 7.—Canon John H. Geoghegan, 58, who died in Woodstock General Hospital this afternoon, came here 13 years ago from Strathroy, as rector of New St. Paul's Anglican Church.

Born In Philadelphia

Before that he had held charges at Millbank, Owen Sound, Lucknow and Ridgetown. He was born in Philadelphia, and was a



CANON GEOGHEGAN
... dies at Woodstock

son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Geoghegan, and came to Listowel when a child with his parents. He graduated from Wycliffe College. He was made a canon in 1952, and was rural dean of Oxford, and an executive of the Synod of Huron. He organized the Anglican Church summer camp at Bayfield, was a former chairman of Woodstock Board of Education, and of the Ministerial Association.

Surviving besides his wife, the former Margery Hamilton, who he married 33 years ago at Listowel, are two sons, Robert E., Brantford; John H., at home; two daughters, Mrs. Bev. Whitehead, Woodstock; Mrs. W. A. Simpson, Stratford; two brothers, Robert E., Detroit; S. H. Geoghegan, at Listowel, and one sister, Mrs. P. V. Smith, Lakeworth, Florida.

The remains are at the rectory, 19 Wellington street south, until 10 a.m. Saturday. Then the body will lie in state in New St. Paul's Anglican Church. Funeral services will be conducted at 2.30 p.m. Interment will be made in the Anglican Cemetery.

Mrs. Cora Brandes

Mrs. Cora Brandes, who spent her early life in Otterville, passed away on Sunday, December 2, at the hospital at Monroe, Mich., after a lengthy illness, in her 52nd year.

The deceased was born in South Norwich on October 2, 1904, the daughter of the late Elmer Hicks and Carrie Parks. She moved to the United States and taught school at Flat Rock and Waltz, Mich. She was a valued member of St. John Lutheran Church, Waltz, Mich.

Survivors are her husband, John Brandes; two daughters, Mrs. Donald (Marlene) Klingensmith and Janet, at home; one sister, Mrs. Edward Gokenback; two grandchildren, Sandra and Jeffrey Lee; and numerous cousins who reside in the district.

Rested at the Bobcean Funeral Home, Monroe, Mich., where a short service was conducted on Thursday, December 6, at 2 p.m., by Rev. Donald Ortner and Rev. Frank Schultz.

Pallbearers were nephews of the deceased, Edward Gokenback, Lester Spiecker, John Rocherig, Elwood Krzyske, Lyle Krzyske and Emil Krzyske.

There were many floral tributes and also many memorials that will go to the church building fund.

Interment was in Michigan Memorial Park.

Explorer Group

The Explorer group held their regular meeting in the schoolroom of the United Church with 21 members present. Seven new girls were welcomed, Susan Jardine, Bonnie Hanson, Sandra Arthur, Arlene Clifford, Sharon Williams, Linda Addison and Barbara Walters. A candlelight ceremony conducted by Councillor Mrs. Jack Freeland took place when several of the members received their stars which were presented by Mrs. Donald Morrison. The meeting concluded in the usual form. Hand-work was completed by the members who were divided into three groups and led by Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. J. Freeland and Mrs. Donald Morrison.

Sunday School Supper and Program

St. John's Anglican Sunday School held their annual Christmas supper and program in the Parish Hall with a good attendance. Following the supper Carl Howse and Jack Riste had charge of the program which consisted of a girls' chorus "Away in a Manger." "If I were Mrs. Santa Claus," by Miss Fern Picknells class of girls and "I'd Like to be a Santa Claus" by her class of boys. The Beginners' Class gave "A Surprise for Santa Claus" and the Finch girls, Marlene and Barbara, gave a tap dance. Juanita McMullen gave a guitar solo and Gladys Pickersgill gave an accordian solo. Rev. E. C. Grey played the cello accompanied by Mrs. Grey on the violin, and there were carols and a chorus which included Gladys Pickersgill, Juanita McMullen, Lois Wavell, Susan Jardine, Barbara Walters, Marlene Finch, Barbara Finch and Ollie Lees. After the program Santa appeared to delight the children with gifts and treats from a prettily decorated tree.

Those with the Highest Attendance records for the various classes were Doreen Howse, Merlin Howse, Susan Jardine, Kathryn Jardine, Lois Durkee and Patsy Durkee.

OTTERVILLE

CECIL GODBYS CELEBRATE 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

OTTERVILLE (C)—Many friends and neighbors called on Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Godby Wednesday to extend congratulations on their Golden Wedding day, and to enjoy a visit with them. During the afternoon Mrs. A. Bachelord poured tea, and in the evening Mrs. Albert Lawrence poured tea. Two daughters, Mrs. Emerson Ryckman and Mrs. William Howard served during the afternoon and during the evening Mrs. Elmer Pritchard and Miss Annie Godby served the guests. Two granddaughters Carol Hopkins and Marie Pritchard attended the door.

Among the treasured gifts they

received was a horse and buggy arrangement of yellow rosebuds from the neighbors on the hill who also provided Mrs. Godby with a corsage of yellow roses and Mr. Godby with a flower for his lapel, and each with a cup and saucer. Mr. and Mrs. Godby recalled that the first part of their wedding trip was by horse and buggy to the train at Tillsonburg fifty years ago as the roads were muddy at the time. They both enjoy the hockey games and have attended several so far this year. Their children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren, 32 in all, had Christmas dinner with them the Sunday before Christmas.



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vicary Darkes, who exchanged marriage vows in a ceremony at Otterville United Church, will make their home in Toronto. The former Frances Adams Batson, the bride is the younger daughter of Dr. H. H. Batson and Dr. Lois Adams Batson, Otterville. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Darkes, Windsor, are parents of the groom. (Photo by Seldon).

DARKES-BATSON WEDDING PERFORMED AT OTTERVILLE

OTTERVILLE (C) — The Otterville United Church was the scene of a lovely wedding Saturday afternoon at four o'clock when Miss Frances Adams Batson, younger daughter of Dr. H. H. Batson and Dr. Lois Adams Batson, Otterville, exchanged marriage vows with Joseph Vicary Darkes, Toronto, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Darkes, Windsor.

The Rev. Donald R. Morrison, Otterville, performed the double ring ceremony before the altar, around which were tall white standards of white pompoms and large white chrysanthemums, ferns and lighted tapers in tall candelabra. The wedding music was played by Mrs. Kathleen Jennings, Brantford, and the soloist was Donald Ford, Windsor, who sang "Because", "The Lord's Prayer" and Greig's "I Love Thee."

The bride, given in marriage by her father, entered the church to the strains of "Praise My Soul", wearing an all-white formal gown of lace and nylon tulle over satin embroidered with opalescent sequins and pearls. The lace bodice featured a portrait neckline and long sheath sleeves. Lace appliques were scattered on the bouffant skirt, and her fingertip veil of nylon net was held by a cap ornamented with sequins and pearls. She carried yellow sweetheart roses and ivy centred with a white orchid on a white Bible with streamers. Her only ornament was a strand of pearls, the gift of the groom.

The bride's sister, Mrs. Donald Pettigrew, Otterville, was the matron of honor, wearing red velveteen

gown, made on princess lines, over crinoline, with matching shoes and feather headdress. She carried a cascade bouquet of white carnations and ivy.

The bridesmaids were Miss Joan Dawson, Toronto, and Miss Betty Gillespie, Toronto, each wearing red gowns matching that of the matron of honor, with matching headdresses and shoes, and carrying cascade bouquets of white carnations and ivy.

John B. Olver, Hamilton, was the best man, and ushers were Paul Hicks, Windsor and Donald Pettigrew, Otterville.

The reception was held in the church parlor where the bride's mother received wearing a turquoise and black brocaded dress with black accessories and corsage of yellow sweetheart roses. The groom's mother wore jewelled minktone poie de soie with matching accessories and corsage of lemon colored rosebuds. Red sweetheart roses and lighted tapers were used to decorate the tables, where 125 guests were served, coming from Toronto, Windsor, Hamilton, Winona, Vineland, Elmira, Woodstock, Leamington, Norwich, Greensville, Copetown and other points.

For the wedding trip the bride chose a dress of Madonna blue silk worsted with white hat and green topcoat, and a orchid corsage. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Darkes will reside at 2552 Keele Street, Toronto. The bride is a graduate of Toronto Western Hospital of Nursing.



Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Godby, well-known Otterville couple, celebrate their golden wedding anniversary today when they open their home to friends. Mr. Godby was born in Walsingham, Norfolk County, and Mrs. Godby was born near Otterville, where they have lived most of their life. The couple were married at the home of Mrs. Godby's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. William McCurdy. They have five daughters and a son, Mrs. Claire Hopkin and Mrs. Elmer Pritchard, both of Newark, Mrs. Emerson Rychman, Norwich Gore, Mrs. William Howard, Mt. Vernon, and Annie and Stuart, at home. They have 16 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Celebrates Golden Wedding

The day after Christmas marked fifty years of happy married life for a well known and highly respected Otterville couple, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Godby. Mr. and Mrs. Godby had their Christmas this year on Sunday with a family dinner at their home, so they would be all rested up for the big day, Dec. 26th when they welcomed their friends during the afternoon and evening. Both Mr. and Mrs. Godby are enjoying good health, and Mr. Godby works every day at carpenter work.

Mr. Godby was born in Walsingham, Norfolk County, and Mrs. Godby was born about two miles east of Otterville, but they have lived in the Otterville district most of their

life, with the exception of a short time at St. Thomas and Tillsonburg during their early married life. They built their present home in Otterville overlooking the Otter river where they have lived the past ten years. They were married at the home of Mrs. Godby's parents the late Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCurdy. They have five daughters and one son, Mrs. Claire Hopkins (Myrtle), Mrs. Elmer Pritchard (Irene) both of Newark; Mrs. Emerson Rychman (Elizabeth) of Norwich Gore, Mrs. Bill Howard (Jean) Mt. Vernon, and Annie and Stuart at home. They also have 16 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, and Mr. Godby has two brothers, Maitland of Langton and Robert (Bert) of Windsor. Their many friends wish for them many more happy years ahead.

TOWNSHIP of SOUTH NORWICH

Tax Bill for the Year 1956

Date of demand: October 1st, 1956

Roll No. 150 Assessment, \$ 2900.
 Lot 23 B Concession \$

Mrs. Winnifred McMullen

OTTERVILLE

The Province of Ontario reduces the 1956 levy against the Ratepayers of the Township of South Norwich, by contributing the following amounts:

Education Grants, \$57,847.71
 Highway Grants, 39,110.00
 Welfare Grants, 1,338.16
 Per Capita Grants, 6,427.25
 Other Grants, 2,023.91

Total Provincial Assistance, 106,747.03

Educational Levy, 48,391.88
 Municipal Levy, 63,696.44

NOTICE

A penalty of 2% will be added to all unpaid taxes after the 15th day of December, 1956, and interest at the rate of $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% per calendar month will be added after the 31st day of December, 1956.

Taxes may be paid at the Royal Bank, Otterville, or at the Collector's Office, Otterville. Taxes will also be received at the Royal Bank, Tillsonburg, at an extra charge of ten cents.

H. K. PARSON, Collector, Otterville.

POLICE VILLAGE of OTTERVILLE

County 5.90047
 Park and Hall5
 Library3429
 Village General 8.48065 15.22402
 Street Lights 1.7148
 Water Debenture 2. 3.7148

TOWNSHIP of SOUTH NORWICH

County 5.90047
 Park and Hall5
 Township, general 6.55195 12.95242
 South Norwich School Area:
 Municipal Grant 1.1398
 Debentures 1.4889
 Trustee Levy 2.9193 5.548

North Norwich School Area:
 M. G. 1.1398
 T. L. 11.0016 12.1414

School Section No. 15:
 Debentures 1.6778
 Trustee Levy 7.1852 8.863

School Section No. 12. N. G. 1.1398
 T. L. 5.3774 6.5172

Tillsonburg Separate School 8.88

Delhi Separate School 8.5

LaSalette Separate School 7.4083

High School Areas:

Tillsonburg 5.005
 Norwich District 4.543
 Delhi 2.543

Total amount of Taxes for year 1956

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ALL CHEQUES MUST BE PAYABLE AT PAR

\$ 84.19

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 TOWNSHIP OF S. NORWICH
 H. K. PARSON

