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Unveil Register, Burn Mortgage

OTTERVILLE (C)—The unveiling of the Downing Enrollment Register and presentation; burning of the mortgage ceremony, installation of teachers and officers of the United Church Sunday School, combined with the regular church service in the United Church Sunday morning, was conducted by the minister, Rev. Donald Morrison, who assisted in part of the church service by Edward Arthur, superintendent of the Sunday School.

The choir sang "Travelling with Jesus," with Mrs. Jack Walther taking the solo part.

Fredric Fish, former member of the Sunday School and church, was present and the dedication of the Downing Enrollment Register presented to the Sunday School was made by Mr. Fish.

"On this occasion we are thinking of Dr. and Mrs. Downing, who over the years played an active part in the Sunday School, in the church and in the community," he said. He told of this devotion in their work and the help they had given others.

Mr. Arthur accepted the register, saying it was a fitting memorial to Dr. H. G. and Mrs. Downing.

On behalf of Fred Fish and the Sunday School, the memorial was unveiled by Ken and David Downing, grandsons of the late Dr. and Mrs. Downing.

The burning of the mortgage on the new wing of the Sunday School was a brief ceremony conducted by Sam McSpadden and Edward Arthur.

The installation of the teachers and officers of the Sunday School was another part of the service which concluded with the minister speaking in the interests of Sunday School work.

Many of the pupils of the Sunday School with their teachers attended the church service in a body.

Vestry Meeting of St. John's Anglican Church

The annuary Vestry meeting of St. John's Anglican Church was held in the Parish Hall preceded by a pot luck supper. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rector, Rev. E. C. Grey who acted as chairman. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Catherine McMullen who was again nominated for secretary. Financial reports were given: Jr. W. A., Mrs. Fred Howse; Ladies Guild, Mrs. Nate McMullen; St. John's Church Club, Catherine McMullen; Sunday School, Cemetery and Rectory reports were given by Carl Howse; General and Budget, Mrs. Carl Howse; Organ report, Mrs. Nate McMullen; Chancel Guild, Mrs. Jack Riste. The Rector's Warden, Carl Howse then thanked the organization for their reports and to the Rector for his services. Then Rev. Grey gave his annual report on services rendered.

Officers for the coming year were then elected: Rector's Warden, Carl Howse; Peoples Warden, Reginald Wavell; Board of Managers, Nate McMullen, Harold Durkee, Fred Howse, Richard Saunders, Arthur Picknell, Jack Riste and E. Ruckle; Representative to Synod, Jack Riste; Church Treasurer, Mrs. Carl Howse; Organist, Mrs. Nate McMullen; Vestry Clerk, Catherine McMullen; Sunday School Superintendent, Carl Howse.

After discussing Church matters, the meeting then closed with prayer by Rev. Grey.

Mrs. Lees President Of St. John's Club

OTTERVILLE (C) — The first meeting of the year of the St. John's Church Club was held at the home of Mrs. Jack Riste with nine members in attendance.

Elected were: president, Mrs. Joe Lees; vice-president, Miss Catharine McMullen; treasurer, Miss Eva Deveney; secretary, Mrs. Al. Jardine; good cheer convener, Miss Eva Deveney; press, Miss Maude Hussey.

Games were played. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Gordon McMullen and Miss Catharine McMullen, served refreshments.

Late Frederick Avey Laid to Rest

Rev. J. Gordon Cruikshank, minister of the Norwich United Church, conducted the funeral services for the late Frederick R. Avey, at the Arn & Son funeral residence and the Norwich cemetery on Monday afternoon, January 12. The services were largely attended by local relatives and friends and by friends from Otterville and Kelvin and other places. The lovely floral tributes and the many memorial tokens to the Gideons and Cancer Society were fitting tokens to one well beloved. Bearers were: A. Byers, Edward Arthur, C. H. Helsdon, John Anderson, Nelson Harris and Roy Kelly. Flower bearers were: Clare Stevenson, Clinton Bregg and Walter Cotton.

The late Mr. Avey was a native of East Zorra township, but had lived and farmed in South Norwich township for 60 years before coming to Norwich to make his home 20 years ago. He was in his 84th year. While he was farming he drew milk to the local condenser for many years and he was also a successful breeder of horses. Mr. Avey loved a good team and he knew how to care for them well so that they reflected his good handling. The love of horses continued as long as he was able to do anything and he spent many happy days in the horse barn and working with the horses at the Dillon Park track. He was esteemed by the men with whom he thus worked and by all who knew him.

Mr. Avey was twice married. His second wife, the former Miss Pearl Wade, survives along with one son, Maxwell Avey, Otterville; one daughter, Mrs. Olive Byers, Toronto; one sister, Mrs. Roy Bates, Carlton Place; one brother, Frank Avey, South Norwich; four grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Margaret Addison

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service was held Thursday afternoon for the late Mrs. Margaret Addison, who passed away at the Nora Francis Henderson Hospital, Hamilton, on Monday. She was widely known here and highly esteemed by a large circle of friends.

The remains were conveyed to the Addison Funeral Home Thursday morning where service was conducted by Dr. T. R. Davies, minister of Westdale United Church, Hamilton. Mrs. Nate McMullen was pianist and played favorite hymns before and after the service. Many floral tokens as well as memorial cards were placed in memory.

The late Mrs. Addison was born at Wyecombe, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Massecar. Following her marriage she and her husband lived in Otterville, where the late Mr. Addison owned the hardware store, selling the business to R. M. Holmes.

For the past 19 years she lived at 57 Marion Ave. N., Hamilton. Her husband predeceased her 11 years ago and she is survived by one daughter, Ialene, and one sister-in-law, Miss E. M. Addison of 57 Marion Ave. N., Hamilton.

Deceased was an active member of the Women's Missionary Society of the Otterville United Church in 1911 and was also a member of the Woman's Association and attended these meetings after leaving Otterville.

The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Albert Dick, Leo Smith, Howard Gilkes, Clayton Franklin, Earnest Treffry and Vern Addison.

Interment was in the Otter Cemetery. Jan 15/59

New Officers Elected By St. John's Guild

OTTERVILLE (C)— St. John's Anglican Guild held their first meeting of the year at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Huggins with 14 present. President Mrs. Stanley Riches presided. Scripture was read by Mrs. Harold Durkee. Many thank-you notes were read for remembrance at Christmas. Mrs. Nate McMullen gave the annual report of Officers elected were: past president, Mrs. Stanley Riches; president, Mrs. Fred Howse; 1st vice, Mrs. Harold Durkee; 2nd vice, Mrs. Lottie Armstrong; secretary, Mrs. Richard Saunders; treasurer, Mrs. Nate McMullen; auditors, Mrs. Lena Young and Mrs. Lottie Armstrong.

Sewing committee, Mrs. Art. Picknell, Mrs. Percy Slaght, Mrs. Gertrude Huggins, Mrs. Andrew Childs, Mrs. H. Pickersgill and Mrs. F. Howse; buying committee, Mrs. H. Durkee, Mrs. Lottie Armstrong and Mrs. Nate McMullen.

Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Lottie Armstrong. The hostess was assisted by her sister, Mrs. Florence Segner, and Mrs. H. Durkee in serving refreshments.



The Parish Hall of St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville, was the scene of the 11th birthday party of the Mary Hastings Otterville Happy Bluebirds Club, 40 members and guests attending. Some of the guests are shown admiring the birthday cake.

From left to right: Mrs. H. A. Waring, secretary-treasurer; Miss Lillian Oatman; Mrs. Fred Pearce, president; Mrs. B. Kendrick; Mrs. George Lowe; Mrs. Zuelia Hicks; Mrs. William Wilson and Mrs. Henry Ash.

MRS NATE McMULLEN

William H. Cowie

OTTERVILLE (C) — William Henry Cowie, died at his home in Windham Township Thursday last, in his 65th year. Born in Brant County, he spent his early life in Scotland, Ontario, and farmed for the past 28 years in Windham Township. He was a member of the Baptist Church, Scotland.

Survivors are his wife, the former Amy Marlatt; one daughter, Mrs. Glen Hagerman of R.R. 2, LaSalette; one son, Murray of Guelph; Mrs. Nate McMullen was pianist, seven sisters, Mrs. Russel Shellington of Scotland, Ont.; Mrs. Clark Merritt of Mount Pleasant; Mrs. Roy Steedman of Brantford; Mrs. Frank Jones of St. George; Mrs. Fred Malcolm of Ajax; Mrs. Burt Mailing of Toronto; and Mrs. Bella Deagle of Middleport; three brothers, Art Cowie of Brantford; Tom Cowie of Ancaster; and Dr. George Cowie of Sudbury; and six grandchildren.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home, where the service was conducted Saturday at 3 p.m., by Rev. R. H. Costerus of the Baptist Church, Delhi.

Pallbearers were Owen Marlatt, Earl Ritenburg, Neil O'Reilly, Hugh Merritt, Bill Steedman and Ewart Cowie.

Flower bearers were Oliver Hill, Tom Hodson, Kenneth Attleberry, Bill Potter, George Jull, Ronnie Keyes, Oliver Hill, and Fred Moore. Kennedy, Wallace Kennedy, Orton

Interment was in the Bookton Cemetery. There are many beautiful floral tributes and donations made to the Canadian Cancer Society as well as Gideon Bibles placed in his memory.

Otterville Couple Feted at Shower

OTTERVILLE (C)—Upwards of 100 relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Engleson (nee Judith Rachar) attended a miscellaneous shower in the Parish Hall of St. John's Anglican Church.

Heavy rain, accompanied by dense fog, did not dampen the spirits of those attending the party who welcomed the parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Engleson and a friend from Toronto.

Jack Riste was master of ceremonies and called the bride and groom to the front of the hall to a table laden with gifts. Assisting in unwrapping gifts were Sharon Furlong, Barbara Hill and Doreen Howse.

The hall was decorated with streamers and the brides table was covered with a bridal shower cloth centred with roses.

Seated at this table were the bride and groom, the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rachar, and Bob; the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Rachar; the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Engleson and friend.

The ladies served refreshments and a social time was enjoyed.

The groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Engleson were introduced and the latter was presented with the roses which centred the bride's table.

The groom is an employee at the Stratford Beacon Herald Press, and they are making their home in Tavistock.

Late Miss Lovena May Scidmore

Miss Lovena May Scidmore, daughter of the late James Scidmore and Mary Emily James Scidmore, died at her home on the 8th concession of South Norwich township early Monday morning. Miss Scidmore was born at Springford but has lived in the Otterville district for the past 60 years. She is survived by one sister Miss Irene Scidmore, teacher at the Otterville School, and two brothers, William Scidmore, Hamilton and Elgin Scidmore, at home.

Friends were received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where the funeral service was held Wednesday, March 18 at 2 p.m. and were conducted by the Rev. Donald Morrison, Otterville. Interment was in the Springford Cemetery.

Large Attendance At Village Churches

OTTERVILLE (C) — Joyful Easter services were held in the churches of the village Sunday morning.

Large congregations were present at each of the services in the churches.

At the United Church, Rev. Donald Morrison gave the Easter message. The choir, under the direction of the leader, Mrs. Lorae Treffry, sang two anthems, "Were You There?" and "He Lives," with Mrs. Jack Walther taking the solo part. Mrs. William McMullen was organist.

At St. John's Anglican Church Rector E. C. Grey conducted the services and a Holy Communion service was held. Choir sang for their anthem, an Easter carol "Good Joseph Had a Garden." Mrs. Nate McMullen was organist. Choir members wore their new choir gowns which had just been made and completed by the members of the St. John's Guild.

Flowers were placed in memory of former devoted members of the church, Mrs. Mable Kerr, Mrs. Edith Pickersgill, Mrs. Maude Pavely, Mrs. Lulu Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Leith Howse and Sam Harris.

ON THE MAP

OTTERVILLE, Home Of . . .

The Good Seed



Ed Moore has a seedy attic because that's where he stores the tiny tobacco seeds he sells. His daughter, 12-year-old Dianne, enjoys running them through her fingers while father Ed watches. Tobacco has sown the seeds of prosperity for Otterville.



No doubt about it, here is une belle mademoiselle! Marianna Hanson, 20, did some bell pealing when she was chosen sesquicentennial queen in 1957 when the village celebrated its 150th anniversary. This beloved ding-dong is from the village's old fire pumper.

Prosperity Puffed In

By PETER WARD
Telegram Staff Reporter

OTTERVILLE—There's enough tobacco seed stored in Ed Moore's attic to plant all the tobacco land in North America.

It's not that Ed has a big attic. It's just that tobacco seeds are so dog-gone small. There's enough seed in a one-ounce package to plant 2,200 square feet.

Ed is one of three men in the southwestern Ontario tobacco belt that sell registered seed. He was the first to begin, in 1940.

He gets orders from all over the world and tacks his internationally-stamped envelopes on the walls of his office and attic. Every continent is represented by at least one envelope.

"I started growing for registered seed right about the time the U.S. put an embargo on tobacco seed shipments out of the country," he said.

"It's turned into a good business, but I still plant a few acres of commercial tobacco, too."

Tobacco, leaf and seed is Otterville's economic mainstay. And because of it, the tiny village is seeing progressive prosperity the likes of which it hasn't enjoyed since the turn of the century.

OLDEST VILLAGE?

Villagers claim theirs is the oldest unincorporated village in Ontario. Older settlements, like Kingston and Toronto, have all gone on to become cities, but Otterville is still a village.

In 1807, John Earl and Paul Avery built a grist and sawmill on the banks of the Otter River where they obtained a Crown grant. Doubtless, flour from their mill helped supply British troops on the Niagara and Thames Valley fronts during the War of 1812.

At the close of the war with the U.S., new immigrants from the British Isles and loyalists from below the border flocked to South Norwich Township.

They found the land good for farming and the timber they cleared found ready markets. Lumbering prospered the village until the 1900s. And as the timber thinned out, industry grew up.

John Jones, from New York State, opened the township's first store at Otterville in 1816. In 1833, there was even an iron smelting mill on the banks of the river.



Here is main street, Otterville, looking east.

30 MILLS

At one time there were as many as 30 mills, lumber, grist, and woollen, operating in or near Otterville.

The first carpet sweepers in Canada were made in Otterville, too. Three Bullock brothers and W. F. Kay were the makers.

One of the last scions of the old days, J. W. Fish, is the village's oldest resident. He's 97, and until this winter his printing press has always turned out the township voters' list.

The old gentleman printed

steadily for 71 years in Otterville and although he says he he's retiring now, townfolk won't believe him.

"If I know old Wes, he'll have his press going again as soon as the weather warms up," said postmaster John Furlong, 57.

Mr. Fish has a son, Allan, who is superintendent of schools in Oakville. He lives with his daughter Marion in their big red brick house on Otterville's main street. His type and press are kept in the old carriage house at the back.

Just a block or so east of the Fish house is Otterville's Tip Top vegetable canning factory, which employs more than 200 workers in season.

Otterville may sound like dozens of Ontario villages, but there's an indefinable something that sets it apart. Its streets are paved, for the most part, and well laid out, each marked with a smart white and black name plate.

COMMUNITY SPIRIT

The business section would do credit to a place three times its size, and even though

the village is not incorporated, the people have a community spirit that's rare.

In recent years, nearly a dozen new ranch-style homes have been built in the west end of town. A new post office is scheduled for opening this spring, and the public and continuation school boasts a modern addition.

There's a dam across the Otter River which forms a perfect swimming and boating spot, and the village park still attracts as many summer picnics as it did in the 1900s.

Otterville's population had dwindled to less than 500 in the late 1920s, but tobacco began spreading through the district in the 30s and the village started growing again.

Now there are more than 700 here. There are even rumors that some day Otterville may become a village officially, with a reeve instead of trustees.

Tobacco may be at the bottom of this new growth, but you've got to give the people most of the credit. They have a well-kept, friendly village, and it takes people for those things.



Otterville is 90 miles from Toronto.



Water falls, then foams at the Otter River dam. Wild flowers at the base of the cascading falls, in a scene of winter, tell the world that the touch of spring is coming to Otterville.

Peter Ward, Telegram

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Edward Start
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Catherine Ann

to

Mr. Robert James Furlong
on Saturday, June the sixth
nineteen hundred and fifty-nine
at three o'clock

Curries United Church
Curries, Ontario

Reception

Curries United Church

R.S.V.P.



PICTURE OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II was presented to St. Mary's Separate School on Wednesday afternoon last by H.M.S. Courageous Chapter, I.O.D.E., as part of its educational program. Mrs. Ivor Mann, right, educational secretary, made the presentation on behalf of the Chapter to Sister Denise, principal of the school, and Robert Vigh, shown above holding the picture, thanked the Chapter on behalf of the pupils. Members of the Order present for the brief ceremony were Regent Mrs. Irene McDonough, Mrs. Edwin Shearing, Mrs. M. B. Kent, Mrs. Murray Truefitt, Mrs. Mann. Back row: Miss Mary Travis, life member who holds the record of 18 years of perfect attendance. The Chapter presented a similar picture to Rolph Street School earlier this year.

(Staff Photo)

Celebrated 89th Birthday

Alfred Ernest Moore celebrated his 89th birthday on Tuesday of last week and was pleasantly surprised by relatives and friends at his home.

The party was planned by his niece Mrs. Jack Freeland and Mr. Freeland.

Attending the happy event was his sister-in-law Mrs. Ernest Jull of Newark who spent part of the afternoon and evening and other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Archie Jull and family of Newark; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jull and Glenna of Mount Elgin; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Waring and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Godby and family of Otterville.

"Happy Birthday" was sung to the guest of honor who was the recipient of several gifts. A lovely decorated birthday cake with candles was served along with ice cream and a social time enjoyed with Mr. Moore. *JULY*

Charles W. Foreman

OTTERVILLE (C) *1959* Charles Wilmarth Foreman, retired electrician, died in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital Saturday where he was taken one week ago. Born at Hawtrey 78 years ago, he has lived in Otterville for more than 60 years where he did electrical work. He had spent a short time at Brantford, Paris, and Hamilton.

Deceased was unmarried and is survived by one brother Maurice of Windsor and a number of nephews and nieces. Rested at Addison Funeral Home where service was conducted Tuesday afternoon by Rev. Donald Morrison of the United Church. Mrs. Nate McMullen was pianist and played a number of favourite hymns before and after the service.

Floral tributes included two containers of flowers one from the neighbors on Main St., and one from neighbors on Mill St.

Pallbearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Nate McMullen, Jack Riste, Dee Scott, Carl Howse, Lorne Cooper and Ernest Treffry.

Interment was made in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville. *June 19*

HONORED BY FAMILY

OTTERVILLE — Mr. and Mrs. Earl Petch, of Otterville, were honored at a family social gathering at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Howard Petch, Ancaster, on the occasion of their 35th wedding anniversary. *June 19*

Ira Hooker

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Ira Hooker, who passed away in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital Wednesday last, was conducted Saturday by the Rev. Donald Morrison of the Otterville United Church. Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and played a number of favourite hymns before and after the service.

Service was largely attended and the many floral tributes were from local organizations including the neighbours, baseball club, boys from the barber shop, as well as tributes from Mocha Temple, Norfolk County Shriners, Masonic Lodge A.F. & A.M. A number of Gideon Bibles were also given.

Pallbearers, who also acted as flower bearers were Al Jardine, Nate McMullen, Alex Slaght, Bill Butler, Tom Furlong and Bob Furlong.

Interment was in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville. *June 19*

Smith - Hanson

OTTERVILLE — Marianna Elizabeth Hanson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hanson, RR 2 Otterville, exchanged marriage vows with Murray Cameron Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith, RR 2 Scotland, at the home of her parents.

The Rev. Donald Morrison, of the United Church, Otterville, officiated.

Miss Joyce Elaine Foster, Woodstock, attended the bride, and William A. Hanson, RR 2 Otterville, brother of the bride, was best man.



MARRIED at the United Church, Curries, recently, were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Furlong. The bride is the former Catherine Start, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Start of Curries. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Furlong of Otterville. The couple will reside in Otterville.

Otterville Youth Dies From Crash Injuries

A three-vehicle collision at the intersection of Highway 59 and the Otterville Road (Oxford County Road 19) Tuesday night claimed the life of a young Otterville man, and caused injuries to five other people.

David Furlong, 20, of Otterville, died of severe internal injuries in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital about 4:30 Wednesday morning. The accident occurred at 10 p.m., Tuesday.

Injured in the crash were James Samuel Rennie of Norwich, driver of the car in which Furlong was a passenger;

Anthony Vilkas, of R.R. 1; Otterville, driver of a pick-up truck; Lucy Vilkas and Andre Talmouarn of the same address, passengers in the Vilkas vehicle; and Mary Kovacs of R.R. 2, Otterville, passenger in a third vehicle.

James Kovacs of R.R. 2, Otterville, driver of the third vehicle, was not injured.

At Intersection

Collision occurred at the Highway 59 intersection, one mile east of Otterville. Vilkas truck was northbound, as was the Rennie vehicle. Kovacs' car was southbound.

The injured were treated at the scene by Dr. H. H. Batson and Dr. M. Downing of Otterville. David Furlong and Anthony Vilkas were brought to Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital by ambulance.

Constable K. F. Holmes of the Tillsonburg Detachment, Ontario Provincial Police, investigated the accident.

Damage to the Rennie vehicle was estimated at \$2,000, to the Vilkas vehicle \$500, and to the Kovacs vehicle \$800.

Corporal Robert G. White of the local detachment, Ontario Provincial Police, stated yesterday that "charges will be preferred."

Mr. Vilkas suffered a fractured pelvis and back injuries, but was described as in satisfactory condition.

Service Friday

David Furlong was the son of Postmaster and Mrs. Jack Furlong of Otterville. A graduate this year from Grade 13 at Norwich District High School, he was returning home from roller skating when the accident occurred. He was active in sports, being a member of Otterville hockey and softball teams.

Besides his parents, he is survived by five sisters, Mrs. Charles Howse of Woodstock, Mrs. F. A. Church of Otterville, Mrs. Harry Jones of

St. Thomas, Mrs. Max Hart of Tillsonburg, and Miss Sharon Furlong, at home; three brothers, William of Tillsonburg, Robert and Thomas, both of Otterville.

Resting at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m. by the Rev. John Swan of London, with interment in the Otter Cemetery.

Funeral Service Held For Accident Victim

OTTERVILLE (C)— Rev. John Swan of London, a relative of the Furlong family, conducted the very largely attended funeral service for the late David Furlong at the Addison Funeral Home on Friday afternoon.

Mr. Furlong died in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital early Wednesday morning following an accident involving two cars and a truck one mile east of here on Highway 59.

The widespread sympathy which is felt for the suddenly-stricken family was clearly shown by the large number of relatives and friends paying their respects at the time of the funeral and the great profusion of lovely floral tributes.

Mrs. Nate McMullen, organist of the St. John's Anglican Church, was the pianist before and after the service.

The many floral tributes were from organizations including, Otterville Ball Club, Employees of Tip Top Caners, Simcoe Stars, Otterville Neighbors, 1958-1959 Norwich-Otterville Senior Hockey Team, Traffic Department of Bell Telephone, Tillsonburg, Straffordville Softball Club, Dual Temps Ball Club, Woodstock, Tillsonburg neighbors, Butler and Ash Ltd., Class of Grade 13 Norwich High School, South Oxford Softball League, C.N.R. Employees, Ingersoll, New Durham-Norwich Combines Ball Club, Fellow Students and Staff of Norwich District High School, Violet Rebekah Lodge, St. John's Church Guild, Church Club and Sunday School, Norwich Minor Hockey Association, Staff of T. Eaton Co., Woodstock, Woodstock Umpire's Association, Oxford Centre Ball Team, Tip Top Caners, Norwich Girls Softball Club, Norwich Bowling Club, Norwich Canadian Legion No. 190, a number of donations to the cancer Society and Gideon Bibles.

The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers, assisted by several members of the hockey and ball clubs, were Larry Pitz, Wayne Swanton, Edward Hewitt, Robert Gillespie, Douglas Colver and Jack Pounder.

Interment was made in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

*Accident 2:40 to 10:30 pm
July 29/31
1959*

Funeral of Late David Furlong
Rev. John Swan of London, a relative of the Furlong family conducted the very largely attended funeral service for the late David Furlong at the Addison Funeral Home on Friday afternoon, July 31st.

Mr. Furlong died in the Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital early Wednesday morning, following a two car-truck crash one mile east of here on Highway 59.

The wide spread sympathy which is felt for the suddenly stricken family was clearly shown by the large number of relatives and friends paying their respects at the time of the funeral and the great profusion of lovely floral tributes, as a number of donations to the Cancer Society and Gideon Bibles.

Mrs. Nate McMullen, organist of the St. John's Anglican Church was the pianist before and after the service.

The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers assisted by several members of the Hockey and Ball Clubs were Larry Pitz, Wayne Swanton, Edward Hewitt, Robert Gillespie, Douglas Colver and Jack Pounder.

Interment was made in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Funeral Late Daniel Rosehart

Funeral services for the late Daniel Rosehart who passed away in the District Memorial Hospital at Tillsonburg were held from the Addison Funeral Home on Thursday afternoon, July 23 and were largely attended by relatives and friends. Rev. Donald Morrison minister of the Otterville United church had charge of the service and Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist. The many floral tributes included Gideon Bibles placed in his memory. The casket bearers who were all grandsons, also acted as flower bearers and were Kenneth Rosehart, Bob Rosehart, Allan Locking, Arthur Locking, Donald Wardle and Perc Walter. Interment was in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Misses Catherine McMullen and Dorothy Wardell of Otterville, Miss Ruby Mills and Mrs. Jo. Holroyd of London returned to their homes this week after a motor trip through the New England States, Green Mountains of New York State, Atlantic Coast of Maine, through the White Mountains of Vermont, and a visit to the Thousand Islands.

Otters Continue Winning Streak

Otterville Otters continued their winning streak by taking the Stratfordville Villians 7-5 in a well played game here on Friday night in a South Oxford Intermediate Softball League game. The Otter's bats began to boom in the first when they scored six runs. Dave Furlong's three run homer helped their cause. From then until the sixth Ker, the villians hurler held the Otter's in check when Ted McElhone broke loose with a four base wallop.

Everittt and A. Howey were home run hitters for the villians the latter blast came with a team mate on base. Reiser of Straffordville had a perfect night at bat with a triple, a double and two singles in four times at the plate.

Bob Gillespie started for the Otters, Bob Smith took over in the seventh while Ker went all the way for the losers

Strafford. — 010 011 2—5 8 1
Otterville — 600 001 x—7 10 1

Ker and Taylor.

Gillespie, Smith and -McElhone.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Furlong of Otterville and family wish to express their sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown in their hours of sorrow. Special thanks to Dr. H. H. Batson and Rev. John Swan and all others for their kindly ministrations and to those who sent flowers, cards and other expressions of sympathy. Their kindness will be long remembered.

WEDDING

PETCH — POOLE

A romance which had its beginning at the former Norwich High School was culminated in a very lovely wedding in the Gore United Church on Saturday afternoon, August 29, when Miss Dorothy Marie Poole, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Poole, Norwich Gore, became the bride of Donald John Petch, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Petch of Otterville.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. B. Craig, minister of First United Church St. Thomas, a former student pastor at the Gore, and he was assisted by the present pastor, Mr. James Liles. Mr. Liles presented the bride with a white Bible in token of her faithful services as the church organist over the past few years. The floral setting was formed with palms, ferns and baskets of white gladioli.

Mrs. Donald Green, of Woodstock was the organist and accompanied Mrs. Jack Walthers of Otterville, who sang O Perfect Dove, before the ceremony, and The Wedding Prayer during the signing of the register.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride had chosen a floor length gown of embroidered swiss tulle over taffeta and net. The molded bodice was styled with a sabrina neckline, sprinkled with iridescent sequins and pearls, and lily point sleeves. The bouffant skirt was graced with a deep border of embroidered swiss. The scalloped, silk illusion veil was held in place with a tiara of iridescent sequins and seed pearls. She carried a cascade of red roses, white carnations and stephanotis with green ivy and velvet leaves.

The maid of honour was Mrs. Rene DeCooman, who wore a ballerina length gown of romance blue silk organza over taffeta and net. The fitted bodice featured a V neckline extending to a deep V at the back.

The bridesmaids were the Misses Barbara Hill, of Otterville, and Shirley Graham, of Holbrook, cousins of the bride, who wore gowns styled identically to that worn by the maid of honour. They wore matching headdresses and carried nosegays of pink carnations.

The flower girl, Patsy Hill, of Woodstock, cousin of the bride, wore a ballerina length gown of pink nylon over taffeta and net featuring a full skirt and matching headdress. She carried a nosegay of white carnations.

Dr. Howard Petch, of McMaster University, Hamilton, attended his brother as groomsman. Ushers were Donald Brodie, Hamilton, brother-in-law of the groom and Alex Graham, Holbrook, cousin of the bride.

Following the ceremony the reception, with 95 guests attended, was held in the basement of the Gore church. Mrs. Poole, mother of the bride, received in a blue embroidered silk organza gown, with white accessories and a corsage of pink roses, stephanotis and white velvet satin leaves.

Mrs. Petch, mother of the groom, wore rose lace over satin, with matching accessories and a corsage of white roses, stephanotis and white satin and velvet leaves.

Later in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Petch left for a honeymoon to be spent in Eastern Ontario. For travelling the bride changed to a beige silk suit, with green and brown accessories and a corsage of Sweetheart roses.

The groom is a graduate of the Hamilton Teachers College and is a member of the Hamilton Teaching Staff. The bride, who attended Norwich District High School, was a former member of the Bell Telephone staff. They will take up residence in Hamilton.

Funeral Late John Alan McFee

Funeral services for the late John Alan McFee who passed away in the District Memorial Hospital on Friday were held in the Addison Funeral Home on Monday afternoon with the Rev. Gordon Chaffe of Tillsonburg conducting the service.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and played a number of hymns before and after the service.

The service was largely attended by neighbours and friends of the late Mr. McFee who was valued as a kindly neighbour and who had many friends in the district and community in which he lived. The many floral tributes in which there were tokens from two groups of neighbours as well as other floral tributes testified the esteem in which he was held. The casket bearers were Charter Davis, R. M. Holmes, Joseph McElhone, Jack Walthers, Edward Moore and Delmer Clinton. Interment was in the Otter Cemetery.

Friends attended the service from Port Rowan, Port Dover, Hagersville, Hamilton, Moorefield, St. Thomas and other places.

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FUNERAL OF LATE MRS COLCHESTER

Largely attended funeral services for the late Mrs. William Colchester were held at the Arn and Son funeral residence on Monday afternoon. Despite the family request of "No flowers, please" many friends chose to express sincere sympathy with lovely floral tributes. The family suggestion "that contribution to the Cancer Society at London would be deeply appreciated," was accepted by many and a nice contribution to that vital cause was made.

Rev. Alan Gardiner, rector of St. Stephan's Memorial Anglican Church, London, who had shown Mr. and Mrs. Colchester many kindnesses during her 15 months stay in Victoria Hospital, conducted the funeral and gave the message. Rev. D. B. Cram, Knox Church, who had been most kind as a neighbour, assisted with prayers. Bearers were: J. C. St. John, A. P. Maedel, Kenneth Bish, Robert Barham, Samuel Croker and William Haslam. Interment was made in the Norwich cemetery.

The late Mrs. Colchester died in Victoria Hospital, London, on Friday, September 4. She had been a patient in Victoria Hospital for the past 15 months and had been in poor health for many months previous to that. All her illness Mrs. Colchester bore with utmost patience and was an inspiration to her doctors and nurses.

A native of Lenore, Manitoba, she was the former Gladys Frame and was born 61 years ago. She came to Norwich when her husband was appointed manager of the Bank of Montreal here in 1936. For many years she had taught school in the west and she was not in Norwich long until her gracious personality began to make itself felt. She was especially kind to all the juniors in the bank and her home was always open for staff parties or meetings. A most capable hostess she had just the touch to make all feel at home and a good time was always assured.

A tireless worker, as long as health permitted, in Holy Trinity Anglican Church, she served as the organist and choir leader for four years during the second world war. She was a past president of the Ladies Guild and a member of the Ladies Auxiliary. For many years she was a member of the Norwich Women's Institute and she was a past Matron of Norwich Chapter, Order Eastern Star.

In all these offices she gave inspiring leadership and untiring devotion.

Surviving are her husband, two brothers, Grant and John S. Frame, of Winnipeg; four sisters, Annie, Mrs. T. M. Levins, Silver Plains, Manitoba; Grace, Mrs. H. W. McKay, Regina; Miss Jean Frame, Winnipeg and Mrs. L. H. Crawford, Parkhill.

*LABOR DAY 2nd
4th Sept 7/59*

LATE MRS SHERMAN LAI D TO REST

Mrs. Lloyd Sherman, a well known and highly respected resident of Norwich for the past 22 years, died at her home early on Monday morning. Mrs. Sherman had been in her usual health on Sunday and had enjoyed visits with members of her family. She had a wonderfully attentive family, some of whom managed to look in on "mom" every day to see how she was. Her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Fred Sherman, No. 59 Highway, called in at about nine-thirty Monday morning to find that Mrs. Sherman had died sometime during the night.

A native of South Norwich Township, she was the former Viola Colver, Fifty-two years ago she married Lloyd Sherman and same to live on the farm on the townline between North and South Norwich townships and she lived there until they came to Norwich to retire 22 years ago.

Mrs. Sherman was a wonderfully wholesome woman who was always ready to do a good deed to help someone. She was a tireless helpmate to her husband when they were on the farm and she took the keenest interest in the welfare of her children and grandchildren. Her neighbours knew her as one upon whom they could depend and they loved her dearly.

Mrs. Sherman was a member of Knox Presbyterian Church and an active worker in Group 3 of the Ladies Aid.

Mr. Sherman died about two years ago. Surviving are three sons and three daughters: Mrs. Stanley Palmer, Springford; Wilfred Sherman, Ingersoll; Fred Sherman, Otterville; Mrs. J. Miller, Toronto; Howard Sherman, Tillsonburg; Mrs. G. A. McMillen, Norwich. One brother, Ronald Colver, Otterville; three sisters, Mrs. Harmon Hyndman, Norwich; Mrs. Dora Upton, Tobermory; Mrs. Jack Ruttig, St. Mary's; 14 grandchildren and two great grandchildren also survive.

Rev. D. B. Cram, minister of Knox Presbyterian Church, conducted the larely attended funeral services on Wednesday afternoon. The public service at the Arn & Son funeral residence was very largely attended and there was an impressive array of beautiful floral tributes to bear their silent messages of sympathy to the suddenly bereaved family. Mr. Cram made tribute to the stirling worth of Mrs. Sherman, as a mother, church member, neighbour and friend. During the service George Lowe, accompanied by Mrs. R. M. Palmer, sung the hymn the deceased had chosen for the occasion, "Abide With Me."

Bearers were: Felix Siple Burford; Bruce Alexander, Arthur Bateman, Bruce Alexander, William Hulet and Floyd Entwistle. Flower bearers were Howard Sweazey and Glen Davis. Interment was made beside her husband in the Norwich cemetery.

WEDDINGS

McKAY — HUSSEY

A lovely Autumn wedding was solemnized on Sept. 26th in Curries United Church at 1.30 p.m. when Patricia M. Hussey and Robert B. McKay exchanged marriage vows. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Hussey, R.R. 2, Burgessville and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred McKay of R.R. 2, Norwich.

Rev. L. C. Harvey performed the double ring ceremony before the altar banked with baskets of white and kellow mums and ferns.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was enchantingly lovely in an exquisitely beautiful gown of white velvet with an overskirt of silver metallic lace. The bodice, made on empire lines feature a sweetheart neckline with a jacket of silver metallic lace; the collar of the jacket was Queen Anne style with long lily-point sleeves. The wide, hoop skirt was designed on flowing lines with a chapel train. Her circular veil, made waist-length of silk illusion, flowed softly from her tiara of rhinestones, silver sequins and beads. She carried a cascade bouquet of Happiness red roses and Lily of the Valley.

The bridal gown was fashioned by the brides' cousin Mrs. Jack Sanderson of London, Ont.

Attending the bride as maid of honour, was her sister Miss Gloria Hussey, wearing a red velvet street-length gown, featuring a V neckline with cummerbund effect waist line and full crinolined skirt. In the waist were rows of set-in silver metallic lace, matching the lace of the wedding gown. Her headdress was a halo band of white feathered carnations and she wore matching white gloves and rhinestone trimmed glass slippers. She carried colonial bouquet of Joanne Hill cream roses and white portrait mums.

Bridesmaids were Miss Maxine Hussey, sister of the bride and Mrs. Stewart Munroe of Woodstock, friend of the bride. They wore aqua velvet creations, identical to that worn by the maid of honour. Their dresses featured butterfly sleeves and neckline of silver metallic lace. Complimenting their gowns they wore white gloves and shoes and halo head-bands of white feathered carnations. Their bouquets were colonial style of yellow Sunbeam roses and yellow portrait mums.

Two lovely little flower girls were Miss Judy Cox and Miss Susan Kortes of Sarnia, also wearing aqua velvet dresses made on princess lines with shorts sleeves and sweetheart necklines. Both featured full crinolined skirts. They wore matching aqua velvet head bands and carried baskets of yellow Sunbeam roses and yellow portrait mums.

Ring bearer was Master Wayne McKay of Windsor, nephew of the groom. He wore a charcoal suit identical to that of the best man, and carried the rings on a white satin pillow. Mr. Alan McKay of Windsor performed the duties of best man for his brother. Ushers were Mr. Ed. Snyder and Mr. Robt. Watkins, both of Norwich.

Organist was Mrs. Nate McMullen of Otterville who also played for the bride's parents at their wedding. Mr. George Lowe of Norwich was soloist, singing three solos, "I'll Walk Beside You," "Because" and "Oh Perfect Love."

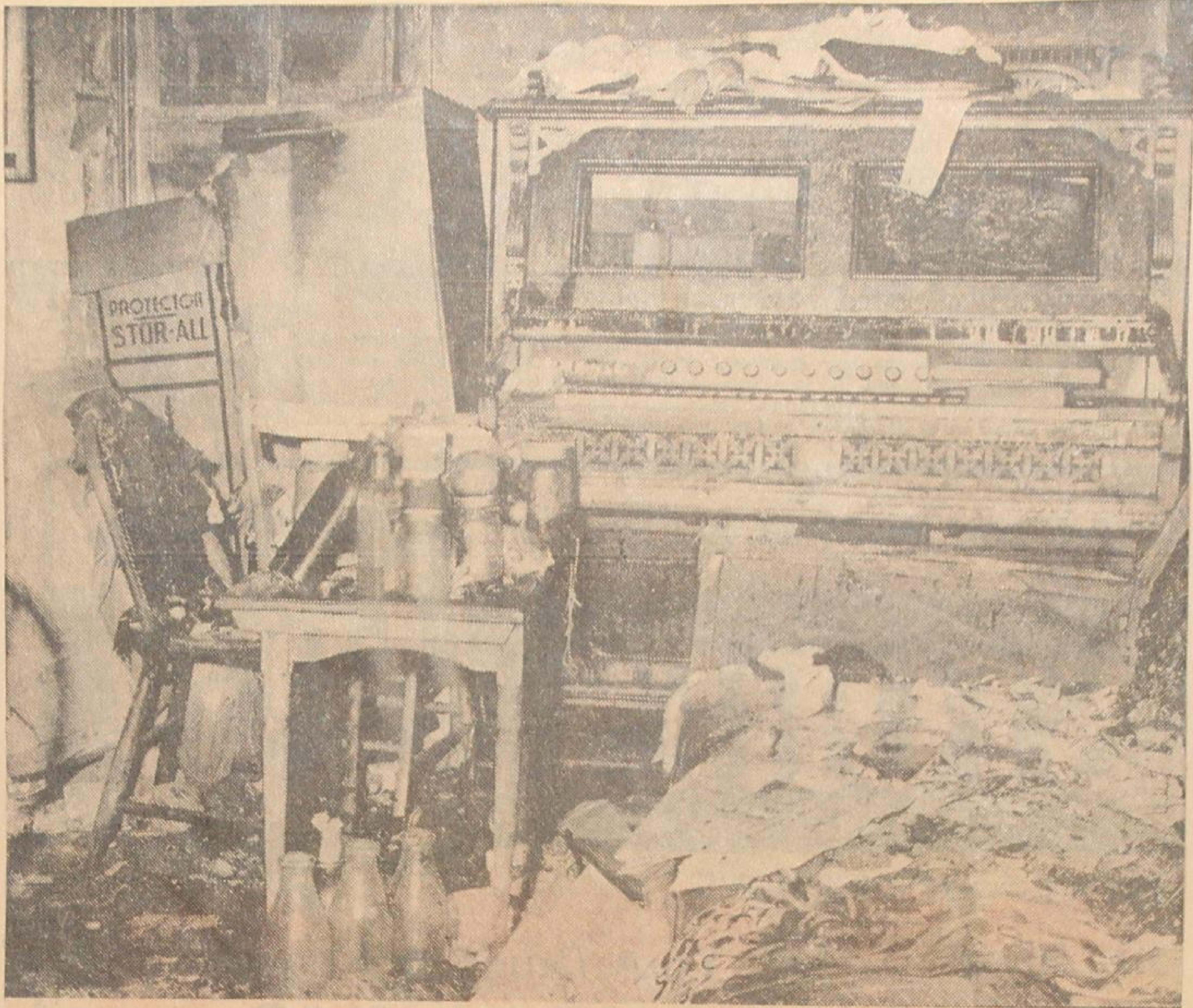
A reception for 76 guests was held in the prettily decorated church parlour. Color schemes were pink and white.

The brides mother received her guests wearing a red velvet street-length gown made on princess lines with sequin collar and cuffs. Complimenting her gown, was a white velvet hat trimmed with pastel sequins and white elbow-length gloves, with other accessories of red. She wore a corsage of white gardenias.

The mother of the groom assisted, wearing a navy bengaline street-length gown, designed on empire lines with tucked bodice and gored skirt. Accenting her gown were red accessories and a white gardenia corsage.

The bridal table was centred with a three tiered wedding cake, made by the brides' grandmother, Mrs. Herschell Hussey of Newark. Guests were served by eight friends of the bride, Miss Ruth McKnight, Mrs. Bob Watkins, Miss Diane Cuthbert, Miss Ruth Bowyer, Miss Sally Hookham, Miss Marion Gee, Miss Carol Stephenson and Miss Mary Lynne Elliot.

For travelling to the Thousand Islands, the bride donned a blue lace and net over taffeta dress with white nylon fleece jacket, pink hat and gloves and rhinestone trimmed glass slippers. Her corsage was of pink carnations.



WHERE WOMAN DIED—This is the burned-out front room of the Otterville home where 82-year-old Miss Florence Irwin perished. Miss Irwin, a life-

long resident of the area, was found near the front door after firemen chopped their way into the locked house. (Photo by Lowe).

Elderly Otterville Resident Perishes In Blazing Home

OTTERVILLE, Oct. 12 — An 82-year-old woman died tonight in her flaming one-and-a-half story home.

Miss Florence Irwin, lifelong resident of the area, and of Otterville for the past 25 years, was found lying about 10 feet from her front door after firemen chopped their way into the locked home. A coal oil lamp lay near the door.

The house was not electrically wired.

Dr. H. H. Batson, called to the scene, said later that death

could have been due to a combination of asphyxiation and burns. Her clothing was burned from her body.

Firemen Called

Fire struck the home shortly after seven o'clock and was first noticed by Mrs. Gladys Pickersgill, a neighbor, who telephoned the fire department. Damage was confined to the hall and one ground floor room, first reports indicated.

The building is on Mill street, a block west of the Otterville

post office. A dressmaker in Otterville in earlier years, Miss Irwin was well known in the town. More recently she gave up her craft and lived alone, keeping mostly to herself.

She was a daughter of the late James Irwin, Norwich Township farmer. She is survived by a nephew at Grand Rapids, Mich.

The body is at the Addison funeral home, Otterville, where service will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday. Burial will be in Otterville Cemetery.

Miss Florence Irwin

OTTERVILLE (C)—Funeral service for the late Miss Florence Irwin, who died when fire swept through her one-and-one-half storey home in Otterville October 12, was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home Thursday afternoon by Rev. Donald Morrison of the Otterville United Church.

Mrs. Nate McMullen, pianist, played a number of favorite hymns before and after the service.

Among the lovely floral tributes were remembrances from the neighbors and a donation given to the Canadian Cancer Society.

Relatives attending the service were three nephews, Irwin Finch of South Bend, Ind., Kenneth Finch of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Aldon Burnham of Simcoe.

Other relatives and friends were from Tillsonburg, Mount Elgin, Brantford and other places.

The casket bearers were Joseph Lees, W. Pavely, Jack Furlong, Ernest Treffry, William Furlong and Nate McMullen.

Interment in the Otter Cemetery.

10/15/59

Install Violet Rebekah Officers

OTTERVILLE (C) — More than 85 members of Violet Rebekah Lodge No. 330 attended the installation ceremonies which were held in the L.O.O.F. Hall, when members of the Springfield team installed the following officers:

Past Noble Grand, Mrs. Fred Walther; Noble Grand, Mrs. Oliver Hill; R.S.N.G., Mrs. William McMullen; L.S.N.G., Mrs. William Marshall; Vice Grand, Mrs. M. L. Avey; R.S.V.G., Mrs. Carl Howse; L.S.V.G., Mrs. James Squance; Conductor, Mrs. Fred Thompson; Warden, Mrs. Joe Lees; Color Bearer, Mrs. Harry Pickersgill; Musician, Mrs. William Butler; Chaplain, Mrs. Ronald Colver; Recording Secretary, Mrs. B. E. Strudwick; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Nate McMullen; Treasurer, Mrs. Charles Mannell; Inside Guardian, Mrs. Fred Pearce; Outside Guardian, Mrs. Rebeccah Maloney.

Brief remarks congratulating the local members were given by the immediate past president of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, Mrs. Mabel Mabee, in addition to other speakers from visiting lodges. Gifts were also presented to the Junior Past Noble Grand.

A record was given of those who had perfect attendance throughout

the year: Mrs. Lorne Treffry, Mrs. B. Strudwick, Mrs. Nate McMullen, Mrs. Charles Mannell, Mrs. Oliver Hill, Mrs. Fred Howse, and Mrs. Fred Walther.

Those who had missed one meeting were Mrs. William McMullen, Mrs. Max Avey, Mrs. James Squance and Mrs. Joe Lees.

Those who had missed two meetings were Mrs. Irvin Gehring, Mrs. Fred Pearce, Mrs. Rebeccah Maloney, Mrs. Ronald Colver, and Mrs. Lottie Armstrong.

Lunch was served by the committee and a social time was enjoyed.

ODDY, JOHN, 81, of South Norwich Township, Thursday, at Tillsonburg. Native of England, retired carpenter. Survivors: Wife, former Ada May Stover; son, Joseph, Detroit. At Arn and Son funeral home, Norwich, for service Saturday at 3 p.m., burial, Milldale Cemetery, South Norwich.

Dec 10/12 1959

EASTERN STAR INSTAL OFFICERS

In a colorful and impressive ceremony a mother and her son, Mrs. Alzina Mann and Kenneth Mann, of Otterville, were installed as the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Norwich Chapter, Order Eastern Star, at the regular meeting on Wednesday evening, November 11th. The installation ceremony was in charge of Mrs. Ethel Speer, Dunnville, immediate past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Ontario, and she was assisted by Robert Cooper, immediate past Grand Patron of Dunnville.

Others assisting these installing grand officers were: Mrs. Evelyn Bowman, D. D. G. M., of Paris, as installing grand marshal; Mrs. Ross Poole, as installing grand chaplain; Mrs. Kenneth Wardell, installing grand warder and Albert Lawrence, Tillsonburg, installing grand sentinel. Others assisting in the east were: Mrs. M. King and Mrs. V. McClung, Brantford; Mrs. E. Petch, Otterville; Mrs. R. Poole and Geo. Lowe Mrs. Warol French, Delhi, was grand organist. Grand soloists were Mrs. Marie Climie, Tillsonburg and George Lowe.

Other officers of Norwich Chapter installed are: Associate Matron, Miss Lillian Oatman; Associate Patron, William Waring; secretary, Mrs. W. Burrill; treasurer, Miss Iva Croker; Conductress, Mrs. D. Durkee; Associate Conductress, Mrs. F. Evoy; Chaplain, Mrs. G. Smith; Marshall, Mrs. C. Howse; Organist, Mrs. W. A. Stubbs; Adah, Mrs. F. Church; Ruth, Mrs. G. Wettlaufer; Esther, Mrs. J. Baguley; Martha, Mrs. Ida Kennedy; Electa, Mrs. Joyce Day; Warder, Mrs. M. Brown; Sentinel, Harry Cookman.

The immediate past matron and patron, Mrs. and Mr. Carl Howse, were presented with their jewels by Mrs. Alex Slaght and William Waring.

The past matron and patron also received gifts from the Chapter members and officers. The newly installed matron remembered members of the committees of the past year with out going gifts.

A social house was spent at the close of the meeting. Mrs. A. Slaght and Mrs. G. Lowe and their committee were in charge of this feature. Committees for the coming year will be announced by the newly installed Worthy Matron at the December meeting.

Mother, Son Head Lodge At Norwich

NORWICH — Mrs. Alzina Mann and her son, Kenneth Mann, both of Otterville, were installed as worthy matron and worthy patron of Norwich Chapter, Order Eastern Star, in a ceremony in the hall of the International Order of Odd Fellows. Mrs. Mann and her son follow her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Carl House, in the two offices.

Mrs. Ethel Speers, Dunnville, immediate past grand matron of the Grand Chapter of Ontario, was in charge of the ceremony, assisted by Robert Cooper, Dundas, immediate past grand patron.

Other officers: Associate matron, Miss Lillian Oatman; associate patron, William Waring; secretary, Mrs. Mary Burrill; treasurer, Miss Iva Croker; conductress, Mrs. Dorothy Durkee; associate conductress, Mrs. F. Evoy; chaplain, Mrs. Ruth Smith; marshal, Mrs. Carl House; organist, Mrs. W. A. Stubbs; Adah, Mrs. F. Church; Ruth, Mrs. G. Wettlaufer; Esther, Mrs. Jean Baguley; Martha, Mrs. Ida Kennedy; Electa, Mrs. Joyce Day; warder, Mrs. Muriel Brown; sentinel, Harry Cookman.

Mrs. Dee Scott

OTTERVILLE (C)—Resident of Otterville most of her life Mrs. Dee Scott passed away at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital on Christmas Day after a lengthy illness.

Born at Langton 71 years ago she was the former Berta Miller and came to Otterville as a small child. For several years she was a clerk in Smiley's general store and later she and her sister conducted a millinery shop and store in Otterville. She was a member of the Otterville United Church.

Survivors are her husband and one sister Miss Olla Miller of Otterville.

Funeral service was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home on Monday afternoon by Rev. Donald Morrison of Otterville United Church.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was pianist and played many favourite hymns. There were many lovely floral tributes.

Casket bearers were Nate McMullen, Edward Arthur, Earnest Treffry, Donald Pettigrew, Jack Riste and Murray Holmes.

Relatives and friends attended the largely attended service from Toronto, Hamilton, Port Rowan and other places.

Interment was in the Otter Cemetery.

Dec 25/28/59

FURLONG—At Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital on Wednesday, December 2, 1959, to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Furlong of 38 Harvey St., Tillsonburg (nee Eleanor Crossett), a son, David Michael. (Baby died.)

FURLONG — At Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, on Saturday, December 5, 1959, David Michael Furlong, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Furlong (nee Eleanor Crossett). Age three days. Burial service was conducted on Saturday by Rev. O. Glen Taylor of St. Pauls United Church. Interment in Otterville Cemetery.

David M. Furlong

OTTERVILLE (C)—A private funeral service was held at the Addison Funeral Home, Sunday afternoon for the late David Michael Furlong, three-day-old baby son of Mr. and Mrs. William Furlong of Tillsonburg. Rev. O. G. Taylor of St. Pauls United Church, Tillsonburg, officiated.

Survivors are, besides his parents, his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Furlong of Otterville; and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Crossett of Tillsonburg.

Relatives were present from Tillsonburg, Woodstock, St. Thomas and other places.

Interment in the Otter Cemetery.

RACHAR—At her residence in Otterville on Tuesday, December 8, 1959, Mrs. Vivian Rachar, in her 63rd year.

Resting at the Arn and Son Funeral Residence, Norwich, where service will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m. by Rev. E. C. Gray. Interment in Norwich Gore Cemetery.

Mrs. Vivian Rachar

Mrs. Vivian Rachar, wife of the well known Otterville garage owner and resident of Otterville village for 33 years, passed away suddenly at her home on Tuesday, December 8, in her 63rd year.

Formerly Mary Purdy, native of Burford township, she resided there until her marriage 44 years ago. Before going to Otterville, she and her husband resided at Norwich Gore. She was a former member of the Red Cross Society and was a member of the women's organizations of St. John Anglican Church, Otterville.

Surviving besides her husband are three sons, Clifford, Roy and Clayton, Otterville; one daughter, Mrs. Joseph Jakawski (Evelyn), Grayson, Sask., three brothers, William Purdy, Preston; Edwin of Galt and Dennis of Scotland; one sister, Mrs. Clarence Younnie, Galt. There are also seven grandchildren.

Resting at the Arn and Son Funeral Residence, Norwich, where service will be held Friday, Dec. 11, at 2 p.m. Rev. E. C. Gray officiating. Interment in Norwich Gore Cemetery.

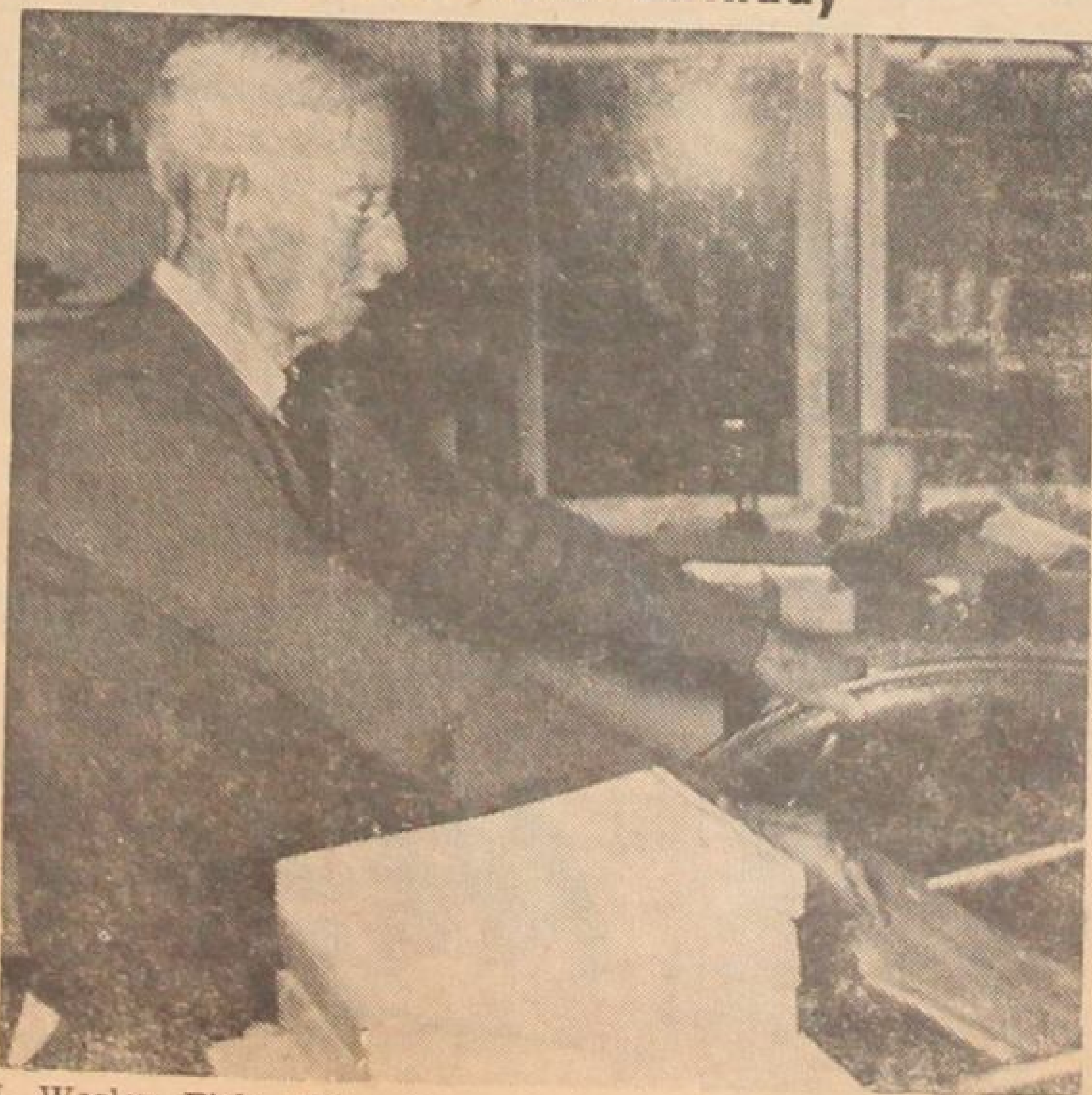
BABY HAS 6 GRANDMOTHERS

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Lucky is the baby who has one or even two grandmothers to love and cuddle him but how about having six grandmothers who all love to do just that? The lucky little lad who claims this happy situation is baby Jeffery Paul Wenn whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wenn of London. His grandmothers all live in the Norwich district. At a family get together this picture was taken with five of the grandmothers. The sixth, Mrs. A. Smallman, 90, of Saskatchewan was unable to attend the party. Reading from left to right are: (front row,) great grandmother, Mrs. C. Mannell, Otterville; daddy Paul Wenn; mother Mrs. Paul Wenn holding Jeffery Paul; great-great grandmother, Mrs. C. Mason, Teeterville. (Back row:) great grandfather Charles Mannell, Otterville; grandfather H. M. Wenn, Norwich; grandmother Mrs. H. M. Wenn; grandmother and grandfather, Mrs. and Mr. Stanley Seaton, Teeterville, great grandmother and great grandfather, Mrs. and Mr. Bero Seaton, Teeterville. (Photo by Lowe.)

Celebrates 98th. Birthday



J. Wesley Fish, Otterville who is 98 years of age today,

Celebrate 25th Wedding Anniversary

On Saturday evening, relatives and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Sherman of R.R. 1, Otterville to honor them with a surprise party on the occasion of their 25th Wedding Anniversary which is Christmas Day. The bridesmaid and best man, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Boughner of Tillsonburg were among the well-wishers., Bingo was enjoyed by all, then the honoured guests were called upon to open the gifts.

Those in attendance were from London, Ingersoll, Tillsonburg, Zenda, Norwich and Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

Baby Boasts Six Grandmothers

SAME GRANNIE, BUT . . .

Byron, Ont.
When I was young and very small
I recall my Grannie well,
So neat and prim and dressed in
black,
She drove a mare called Nell.

She wore a tiny bonnet,
Her hair was in a bun,
And it seemed to me that Grannie
Just never had no fun.

But now that I'm a Grannie, too,
And times have changed their
ways,
For me it's bridge and golf and
clubs,
I have such busy days.

I wear no bonnet black, nor bun,
I drive no mare called Nell;
I've got an M.G. roadster and
I make it go like . . . well.

But when the kiddies gather
And climb upon my knee,
I'm just the same old Grannie
That my Grannie used to be.

1959 —STAN RICHES.



Lucky is the baby who has one or two grandmothers, but Jeffrey Paul Wenn, of London, has a total of six grandmothers. His great-great-grandmother, Mrs. Alice Smallman, 90, who divides her time between two daughters, one in Saskatchewan and one in California, was the only one absent at a get-together party at the home of the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Seaton, Teeterville. Left to right in the group are, seated: Mrs. C. Mannell, Otterville, great-grandmother; Mrs. Paul Wenn and baby; Mrs. C. Mason, Teeterville, great-great-grandmother; standing, Mrs. Bero Seaton, Teeterville, great-grandmother, and grandmothers, Mrs. H. M. Wenn, Norwich, and Mrs. Stanley Seaton, Teeterville.

Happy Bluebirds Annual Party



The Mary Hastings Otterville Happy Bluebirds Club enjoyed a potluck dinner in the Parish Hall of St. John's Anglican Church, more than 50 persons attending. Pictured at the party are members who helped to make the affair an occasion to remember. From left they are: Mrs. Henry Ash, Mrs. Nate McMullen, Mrs. Raymond DeMontmorency, Mrs. Burwell Kendrick, Mrs. William Wilson, Mrs. Fred Pearce, Miss Lillian Oatman, and little Ann Davis representing the younger guests. (Photo by Evelyn Waring).

1959



...and the word was made flesh

Holy Trinity Rectory

NORWICH

Dec 10th 1959

Friends,

It is good to be busy, but it is not good to be "Frazzled".

Christmas IS a busy time---

There is SO MUCH that simply MUST
be done.....

You are telling me...

Now I'M going to tell you..

Try NOT to be so busy, that you are TOO "Frazzled" to enjoy your own Christmas.

That is not being selfish, because your frazzle effects the happiness of others, especially children, (unless of course you are training them to believe that happiness depends on how much they get, irregardless of the trouble and pain it costs others).

I KNOW you'll enjoy yourself too, at one of our Christmas Services. There will be no frazzle there, but just a quiet, peaceful joy, ---

I'll be seeing you--- I hope.

Yours faithfully

(Rev.) Ted Grey.

Holy Trinity, Norwich.

Sunday, Dec. 20th. at 7 P.M.

The Nine Lesson Carol Service.

The Lessons will be read by a complete cross-section of the congregation; a boy and girl from the Sunday School, representatives from the choir, organisations and officers of the Church, interspersed with carols and anthems. Everybody is invited.

Christmas Eve, Dec 24th 11:30 P.M.
Choral Holy Communion & Short sermon.
Christmas Day, Dec 25th. at 10 A.M.
Holy Communion.

St. Johns, Otterville.
Dec 18th. Congregation & Sunday School
Supper and entertainment in Parish Hall.
Dec 24th. Christmas Eve. 9:30 P.M.
Holy Communion & Short Sermon

St. Charles, Dereham Township.
Dec 24th at 8 P.M. Christmas Eve.
Holy Communion & Short Sermon.

Please let your Rector know of any shut-ins who wish to have Private Communion.

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH NORWICH

TAX BILL FOR THE YEAR 1959

Date of Demand — October 1st, 1959

ROLL No. 150

Mr. William Paul Joe Smullen
Attsville Ont

LOT at main CONCESSION 8 ASSESSMENT, \$ 2150

NOTICE

TAXES ARE DUE AND PAYABLE OCTOBER 1st, 1959.

A penalty of 2% will be added to all unpaid taxes after the 15th day of December, 1959, and interest at the rate of 1/2 of 1% per calendar month will be added after the 31st day of December, 1959.

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.

The unconditional per capita grant reduces the general mill rate on farm and residential properties by 2.131 mills.

All Cheques must be payable at Par Otterville

I. D. WRIGGLESWORTH, Collector, Otterville.

SEE OVER FOR PROVINCIAL ASSISTANCE

OTTERVILLE

County	12.6813	
Park and Hall	.5	
Library	.3754	
Village General	11.8747	25.4314
Street Lights	1.2843	
Water Debiture	2.	3.2843

TOWNSHIP

County	12.6813	
Park and Hall	.5	
Township, general	12.3874	25.5687

SOUTH NORWICH SCHOOL AREA:

Debitures	4.06	
Trustee Levy	8.56	12.62

NORTH NORWICH SCHOOL AREA:

13.3063

SCHOOL SECTION No. 15

Debitures	3,2659	
Trustee Levy	7,0903	10,3562

SCHOOL SECTION No. 12:

Trustee Levy	11.0124	11.0124
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Separate School Areas of S. NORWICH

Tillsonburg Separate School	11.045
Delhi Separate School	9.129
La Salette Separate School	7.5

High School Areas:

Tillsonburg District	7.298
Norwich District	8.388
Delhi District	8.
Drains	

Total amount of Taxes for year 1959 E. & O. E.

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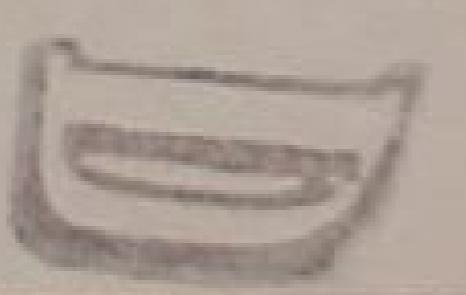
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Eddie Oatman Outlasting All Pros 1959 In Amazing 32-Year Puck Career

(The following story on Eddie Oatman was written by Bruce M. Pearce for The Simcoe Reformer. A native of Otterville, Eddie started his hockey career with the original Tillsonburg Pan-Drieds, and went from Tillsonburg to play at Simcoe. His father managed the Royal Hotel here at one time.)

One of the greatest and easily the most durable of all Canadian professional hockey stars, Eddie Oatman, who played for the Simcoe Hockey Club half a century ago, is now living in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he retired a few years ago after a lifelong and spectacular career in hockey.

Now in his 70th year, Eddie Oatman rolled up the amazing record of 32 years in organized hockey, eight years in amateur and 24 years in professional, besides several years of coaching and refereeing. In all, he played in four Stanley Cup finals.

Oatman was only 22 years old when he was a member of the Quebec Bulldogs who won the Stanley Cup in the season of 1911-12. Later in his career he was selected for ten consecutive seasons as a member of the All-Stars of the Western Canada Hockey League.

When in his 50th year, Eddie Oatman was still playing organized hockey and playing it well with the Duluth, Minn., team in the International Hockey League. That was in 1939. Two years later, in his 52nd year, he played some amateur hockey in Omaha, Neb., the same year, 1941, he was refereeing in the American Hockey League.

So far as professional hockey goes, Eddie Oatman easily holds the all-time record for endurance, having played for twenty-four consecutive seasons without a break. Moreover he played in the days of seven-man hockey, sixty-minute hockey, when there was no respite for the players except for penalties. No other professional player of the early days of the modern era ever approached Oatman's record, not Cyclone Taylor, Newsy Lalonde, Jack Adams, or Eddie Shore, King Clancy or other pros of the more recent period.

Played for Simcoe

Of prime interest to Simcoe hockey fans is the fact that Eddie Oatman was born in this district and played one season of hockey for Simcoe. His birthplace was Springfield, near Tillsonburg and the year was 1889. He started his hockey career at 16 with the Till-

sonburg Juniors, graduating to the Tillsonburg Pandrieds.

Eddie Oatman came to Simcoe for the season of 1908-9 to join one of the best hockey teams ever to play here. A picture of that team appeared in The Reformer earlier this winter. It is just fifty years ago. Tammy Piette, lifelong Simcoe resident, is the only remaining member of that team still living here. The late Linn Cratt, long a prominent Simcoe sportsman and businessman, was a key member of the team. Incidentally, Eddie Oatman paid a visit to Simcoe three years ago, in company with his brother, Russ, also a former Simcoe hockey player, and they called on Linn Cratt and Tammy Piette to renew old friendships.

All of this information and more was contained in a letter recently received by this writer from Eddie Oatman, who now is employed in Minneapolis as a bank guard. Commenting on the copy of The Reformer containing the picture of that 1909 team, Eddie remarks "It sure brings back memories, as I always admired playing for Simcoe, a fine sporting town. With best wishes to all my old friends, and a get-well wish to my teammate, Tammy Piette."

The year after he played in Simcoe, Eddie Oatman turned pro with the Waterloo team of the old Western Ontario Hockey League. That was in 1910. The following year he jumped to the Quebec Bulldogs of the National Hockey Association, the original version of the present N.H.L. He was with them when they won the Stanley Cup in the season of 1911-12.

Joined Patricks

Then Eddie hear the call: "Go West, young man" and he hopped across the country to throw in his lot with the Pacific Coast League, which had been inaugurated the previous year by the famous Patrick brothers, Frank and Lester. He played for two years with New Westminster and when the franchise was moved to Portland, Ore., he went along as playing coach. His success is best attested by the fact that Portland won the Coast League title in 1915-16 and the team came east to meet Montreal Canadiens in the Stanley Cup finals. That series went five games before the Canadiens vanquished Portland, three games to two.

Oatman came back east for the following season as a member of the 228th Battalion team, one of two Toronto entries in the N.H.A. But the next season, 1917-18, found him again at Portland as playing coach and when the franchise was moved to Victoria, B.C., he played there for five years under Lester Patrick. In 1922 he came east with the Vancouver team to meet Toronto St. Pat's in the Stanley Cup finals. That team included such famous players as Babe Dye, Reg. Noble and Harry Cameron.

In 1924 Eddie Oatman moved to Calgary in the Western Canada League as playing coach. That year Calgary won the league title and then defeated Vancouver in two of three playoff games. Calgary met Montreal Canadiens in the Stanley Cup finals with the Canadiens again taking the trophy. The following season Calgary again won the Western League but lost out to Victoria winning the Stanley Cup last year.

In U.S. League

That was Eddie's last year in the big-time. It was the following year that the Western Canada clubs were sold outright to eastern interests. New York, Detroit and Chicago professional teams had their inception. Eddie Oatman went east, too, but only as far as Minneapolis, where he played the 1927 season in the American League. Thence he moved to Boston where he played with the Tigers in the Canadian-American League for three seasons and then in 1931 and 1932 with Buffalo in the American League. The following season saw his first refereeing experience in the American League, but in 1934 he was back in hockey harness as playing coach with St. Paul in the Central League. He refereed in that league in 1935. He was back in Canada in 1936-37 as coach of the Yorkton, Sask., team and later of the Prince Albert, Sask., team.

In his fiftieth year he was playing for Duluth Senior Amateur team. That was in 1939 and the next year he coached Saskatoon in the Saskatchewan senior league. He played his last hockey in 1941 in Omaha, Neb., and refereed in the American League for the last time the same season.

Great Endurance

That Eddie Oatman was able to play organized hockey for such an astonishingly long time is ascribed by himself to his remarkable endurance and physical fitness, which in turn he attributes to an iron pair of legs, clean living and excellent condition the year round, also to the sound foundation acquired in the game half a century ago when a player was expected to go at top speed for sixty minutes without skipping a breath.

An astounding example of what human muscles and endurance can stand, Eddie Oatman never weighed more than 155 pounds (dripping wet) throughout his long and meteoric career. His weight never varied more than five pounds and he is still lean and hard, the wiry type that seldom goes to beef. Tobacco and liquor were taboo with Eddie Oatman.

Smoking, he maintains, is one reason why the modern hockey player begs for relief after three or four minutes on the ice. "The chaps today smoke too much," says Eddie. "It cuts down the wind."

Modern hockey, Eddie believes, has been spoiled by the many changes in the past decade. It's hardly hockey to him when he compares it to the old game. Since he played, during his long career, nearly every style of hockey from the rover game to the modern, complicated, forward-passing type, his opinions

London Organ Firm Moving To Tillsonburg

Free Press Norfolk Bureau

TILLSONBURG, May 7 —

The Minshall Organ Company, a well-known London firm for 22 years, has been purchased by C. M. Hilliker, of Tillsonburg.

Mr. Hilliker announced that stock and equipment of the company has been moved here, where manufacturing and servicing will be continued under the name Hilliker Organ Company.

The building at 85 Venison St., formerly used for furniture storage, will house the new organ plant. Operations are expected to start in June.

Former Organist

Mr. Hilliker said he expects to operate on as large a scale as the Minshall company, which produced up to 30 units a month in London and employed more than 25 persons.

Mr. Hilliker himself was organist at St. Luke's Lutheran Church for four years.

The organs to be made here will be electronic and cabinets will still be made by the Sherlock-Manning Company, of Clinton, and Link Manufacturing Co., of Gananoque.

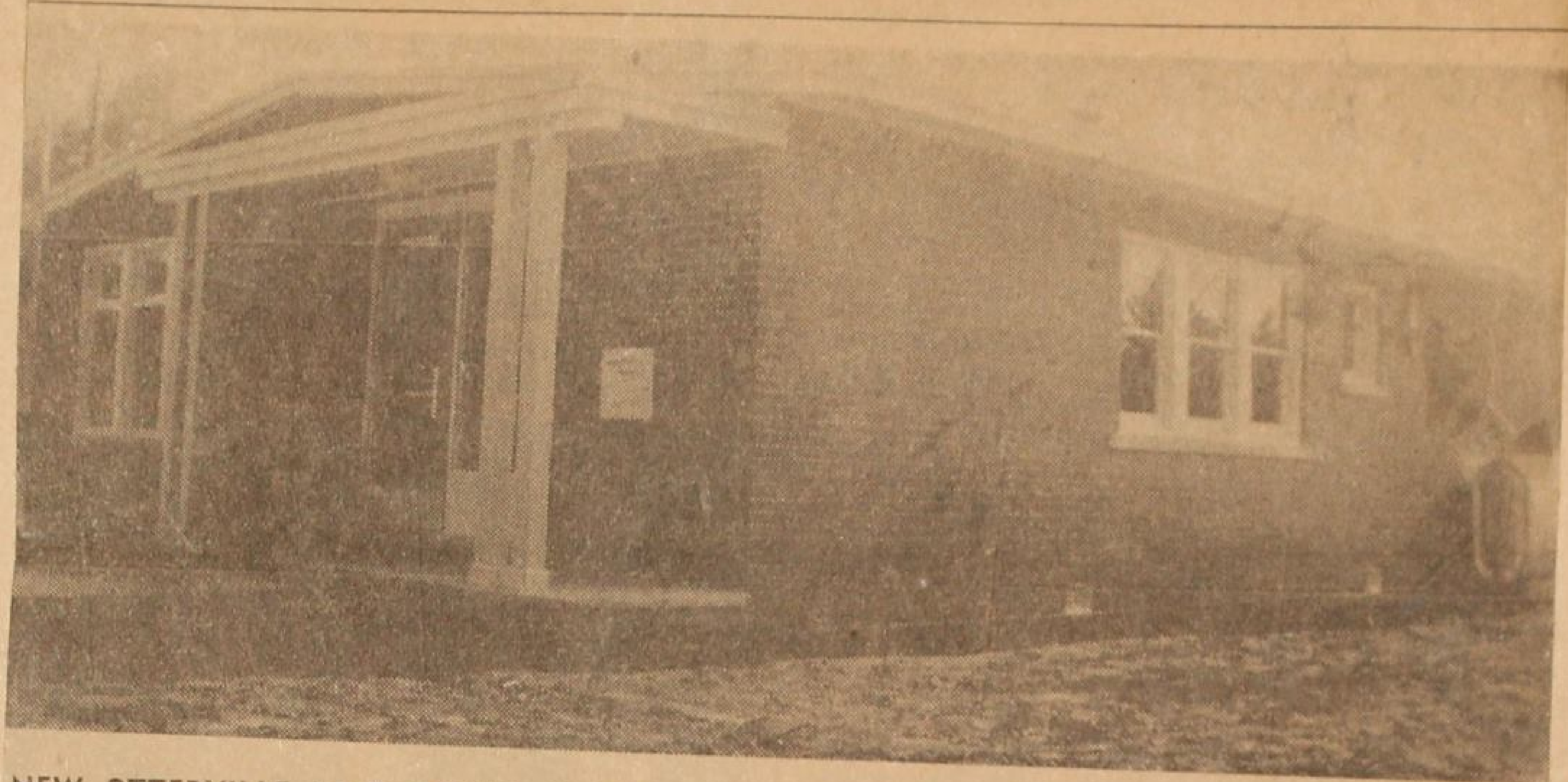
must command respect. He scoffs at the popular idea that the modern player is any faster than the stars of half a century ago. "Why the old-timers were just as fast and what's more, they could keep up that pace for sixty minutes. They had to. The trouble with the young fellows of today is that they train themselves to play those three and four minutes at a stretch. The result is that after their time is up, their tongues are hanging out and they're hollering for relief. When we trained for twenty minutes a period, and not only that, we began conditioning long before we set foot on the ice."

Missed Big Money

Speaking of financial returns from his hockey career, Eddie Oatman regretfully confesses that it was no howling success: "I'm afraid that I was born thirty years too soon. There wasn't the same money to be made in the big-time hockey when I was in my prime as there is today. And when they began really to commercialize the game, I was getting along and not greatly in demand."

"My advice to the young fellow is to look to his future first. The kid with the big chance in major hockey is the one who is hot enough to get a good contract with an N.H.L. Club. Then, if he's wise, he'll keep putting some money aside each year until it's time to get out. With the nest-egg he can go into business for himself."

Sounds like good advice from one of Canada's greatest hockey stars of all time and one who outlasted hundreds of other professional hockey players of his day.



NEW OTTERVILLE POST OFFICE—Built by Gilvesy Construction Company, of Tillsonburg, the new Otterville post office is of one-story design, and boasts the latest in facilities for sorting and

processing mail, as well as roomy counter, wicket and lobby space. The exterior is finished in attractive red brick veneer.

Otterville Opens New Post Office

OTTERVILLE (C) — Saturday was moving day for the Otterville Post Office and Postmaster and Mrs. John Furlong.

The new post office building, just completed, is situated at the corner of Dover and Mill Sts., one block south of Main, and is now open to the public.

The red brick veneer structure was erected on the former bowling green property, the centre of attraction for lawn bowlers in the district for many years.

The building provides offices for sorting and processing mail, wicket and counter space and a roomy lobby with direct access for individual boxholders.

The building was erected by Gilvesy Construction Co. of Tillsonburg.

R. M. Holmes, local merchant, was the first customer at the wicket in the preview opening Saturday.

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CLOSE OLD QUARTERS—Postmaster and Mrs. John Furlong, of Otterville, pose for the last time outside the old village post office which closed Saturday in readiness for the grand opening yesterday of a new, ultra-modern building. The old post office had been in use since 1900 (Photos by Eveline Waring).

Gave Farewell Message

Mr. E. C. Grey, Rector of St. John's Church, Otterville, Holy Trinity Anglican Church at Norwich and St. Charles Church in Dereham gave his farewell message in the St. John's church at Otterville on Sunday morning and also performed one of his last official acts here in the christening of two infants, Barbara Dianne Hart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Hart, Tillsonburg and Madelon Jean Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Green of Delmer.

Mr. Grey chose for his text, "And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him."

The service was held in the Parish Hall as has been the custom during the winter months and was filled to capacity. Mr. Grey spoke with regret at leaving the congregation and stated that the new Rector, Rev. Sydney Wilkinson would be coming to Norwich on Thursday of this week.

Annual Vestry Meeting

The annual Vestry meeting of the St. John Anglican church was held Monday evening in the Parish Hall with a small number of the congregation present.

Rector E. C. Grey presided and after hearing a splendid report of the work accomplished throughout the year in the Rector the following officers were elected.

People's Warden, Reginald Wavell; Rector's Warden, Carl Howse; Representative to Synod, Edward Ruckle; Alternate, Jack Riste; Treasurer, Mrs. Carl Howse; Organist, Mrs. Nate McMullen; Auditors, Jack Pounder and Stanley Riches; Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. Carl Howse; Sidesmen for Church, Reginald Wavell; Board of Managers, Nate McMullen, Harold Durkee, Fred Howse, Richard Saunders, Arthur Picknell, Jack Riste, Edward Ruckle and Jack Pounder.

Following the meeting the ladies of the church served dainty refreshments and a social time was enjoyed.

On behalf of the church organizations, Mr. Reginald Wavell voiced the appreciation of the congregation to Mr. Grey for his ministry during the past three and a half years and expressed every good wish in his new charge at Oldcastle near Windsor. Mr. Wavell also made the presentation of an occasional chair. Mr. Grey graciously thanked the members for their loyal support during his stay here and invited the members to their home at any time.

Mr. and Mrs. Grey were presented with a rocking chair at the St. Charles Church in Dereham on Friday evening from the congregation there.

The first progressive euchre of the year under the auspices of the St. John's Anglican Church Club was held in the Parish Hall. Prize winners were Miss Betty Saunders and Mrs. Joe Lees for the ladies and Nate McMullen and Stanley Sadore

Rector Preaches Farewell Sermon

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Catherine McMullen Heads Church Club

OTTERVILLE (C)—First meeting of the year of St. John's Anglican Church Club was held at the home of Mrs. Jack Riste.

Officers elected for the year are: past president, Mrs. Joe Lees; president, Miss Catherine McMullen; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Jack Riste; secretary, Mrs. Allan Jardine; treasurer, Miss Eva Deveney; good cheer, Mrs. Gordon McMullen; press reporter, Miss Maude Hussey; auditors, Mrs. Harry Pickersgill and Mrs. Joe Lees.

Bingo was enjoyed. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Thursday, Jan. 7, 1960



REV. S. WILKINSON
--- to Norwich charge

Missionary To Fill Post At Norwich

An Anglican missionary to the Arctic, the Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, will become incumbent of a three-point charge at Norwich on Nov. 15, the Rt. Rev. George N. Luxton, Bishop of Huron, announced yesterday.

He will succeed the Rev. E. C. Grey in serving Trinity Church, Norwich; St. John's Church, Otterville; and St. Charles' Church, Dereham Township. Mr. Grey will become rector at Oldcastle on Jan. 15.

A native of England, Mr. Wilkinson came to Canada in 1954 as a lay missionary at Great Whale River in the Diocese of the Arctic, and later began studies for the ministry. He was ordained a deacon in June, 1956, by the Rt. Rev. D. B. Marsh, Bishop of the Arctic, and was ordained to the priesthood in November, 1957. Since then he has also served as visiting chaplain at the RCAF Station, Val d'Or, Quebec.

Completing his work in the Arctic in September, Mr. Wilkinson and his wife returned to England to visit relatives before taking up residence at Norwich.

Mrs. Fred Howse Guild President

OTTERVILLE (C)— St. John's Anglican Ladies' Guild met at the home of Mrs. Nate McMullen with President Mrs. Fred Howse presiding. Mrs. McMullen gave the annual report of Guild work.

Plans were made for the vestry meeting and a social evening for Rev. and Mrs. Grey. Next meeting will be in the Parish Hall on Thursday at 10 a.m. A potluck dinner will be served at noon and quilting will be the program.

Officers for 1960 will be: past president, Mrs. Stanley Riches; president, Mrs. Fred Howse; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Harold Durkee; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Lottie Armstrong; secretary, Mrs. Richard Saunders; treasurer, Mrs. Nate McMullen; auditors, Mrs. Richard Saunders and Mrs. Harold Durkee.

Sewing committee, Mrs. Harry Pickersgill, Mrs. Percy Slaght, Mrs. Gertrude Huggins, Mrs. Andrew Childs, Mrs. Arthur Picknell and Mrs. Fred Howse, buying committee, Mrs. Harold Durkee, Mrs. Lottie Armstrong, Mrs. Nate McMullen.

The hostess, Mrs. McMullen, was assisted by Mrs. Fred Howse in serving refreshments.

Wardle-Lorch Nuptials Said

OTTERVILLE (C)— Marriage vows were exchanged at the First Baptist Church, Tillsonburg, Sunday, January 31, 1960, by Doris Marie Wardle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wardle of Otterville, and Walter Lorch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Lorch of Germany.

Rev. L. K. Chubb officiated.

The bride wore a street-length dress of white lace over pink satin, with winter white accessories, and carried a bouquet of yellow roses and red carnations.

Mrs. Violet Crooker of Otterville, aunt of the bride, and Matthias Steiner of Courtland, friend of the groom, attended the bridal couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorch left immediately for their home in Virginiatown in Northern Ontario where the groom is employed in the gold mines.

Guests at the wedding were present from London, Courtland and Otterville.

Prior to her marriage, the bride was guest of honour at two miscellaneous showers.

Mrs. Violet Crooker, an aunt, entertained a number of her schoolmates and friends in the form of a surprise. Games and dancing were enjoyed. She was assisted by Yvonne Vollick of Niagara Falls and Karen Duffy of Otterville in unwrapping the gifts.

On Friday evening, she was feted by relatives at a surprise at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Sprague.

She was assisted by her cousins, Mrs. Mervin Green and Mrs. Jules Covey of Tillsonburg in unwrapping the gifts.

MEMORIAL PLAQUE UNVEILED



ARMSTRONG — At Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, on Friday, January 8, 1960, Mrs. Mary Jane Armstrong, widow of the late David Armstrong, in her 85th year.

Funeral service was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, on Monday, January 11, by Rev. Donald Morrison of Springfield United Church. Interment in Springfield Cemetery.

Mrs. David Armstrong

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. Mary Jane Armstrong of Springfield, widow of David Armstrong, passed away at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, Friday, after several week's illness.

Deceased was born near Embro 84 years ago. She spent most of her life in the Springfield district and was a member of the Springfield United Church and all its organizations while health permitted.

Survivors are two sons, Clarence Armstrong of Wayne, Mich., and Herbert Armstrong of Brampton, one sister, Mrs. Barbara Vanatter of Ingersoll; one brother, Jack Morrison of Embro; 11 grandchildren; Wellington Armstrong of Otterville and 24 great grandchildren. One son predeceased her in 1958.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home here where service was conducted Monday by Rev. Donald Morrison of the Springfield United Church. Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and played favourite hymns before and after the service.

Many lovely floral tributes including those from Springfield neighbours and friends, players and management of Brampton Excelsior Lacrosse Club, Executive of Brampton 7-Up Hockey Club, Springfield United Church and Brampton Junior B 7-Up Hockey Club, also, several Gideon Bibles and donations to the Canadian Cancer Society.

Pallbearers who also acted as flower bearers were Fred Broad, Burton Broad, Ira Fox, Edgar Pearce, Merle Stroud, and A. E. Newell.

Interment in Springfield Cemetery.

Relatives and friends were present from Brampton, Wayne, Mich., Waterford, Hamilton, Springfield, Norwich, Brantford, Embro, Ingersoll and many other places.

Edith Merle Moore

OTTERVILLE (C) — Archie Moore, Bookton, received word Monday of the death of his sister, Miss Edith Merle Moore, who died suddenly as a result of a heart attack at her home in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Miss Moore, who was in her 75th year, was born at Bookton on the farm where her brother, Fred, now lives, and in 1918, moved to Honolulu, where she was employed by the government as a registered nurse.

Upon retiring 10 years ago, she shared companionship with Miss Ellamae Engle, a school teacher.

She is survived by two sisters and two brothers, Mrs. A. Batchelder, (Annie) Otterville; Mrs. John McDougall (May) Kelvin, Archie and Fred, both of Bookton, also a step-mother, Mrs. Alex Moore of Kelvin and several nieces.

Interment will be made in Honolulu, Hawaii. *JAN*

A plaque, honoring the memory of Dr. George E. Clark and Miss Bartha Clark, was unveiled by the Rev. E. C. Grey at the morning service in Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Norwich. Dr. Clark and Miss Clark were the son and daughter of pioneer members of Holy Trinity and they took an active and substantial part in its life

during their lifetime. Dr. Clark practiced medicine in Detroit, but was a frequent contributor to the Norwich church and also donated the hymn books the choir and congregation use. Miss Clark was born within a year or two of the time the present church was built and she was a leader in it for more than 70 years. She died in Oct-

ober 1957. Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hersee and their son Bill, of Woodstock, attended the service. Mr. Hersee is a nephew of the Clarks'. No members of the family live in Norwich now. In the photo, Mr. Grey unveils the plaque, while, left to right, Mrs. Hersee, Mr. Hersee and Bill, look on. (Photo by Lowe)



NEW COUNCIL—Shown following their inaugural session of 1960 are members of the South Norwich Township council. Standing, left to right, are: Henry Ash, Stanley Gehring, Ira Pearce, Assessor

Delbert Wigglesworth, and Road Superintendent Elmer Almost. Seated, left to right, are: Harold Arthur, Reeve George H. Davis, and Clerk Herbert Parson. (Photo by Evelyn Waring)

Charles H. Holman

OTTERVILLE (C) — Charles Henry Holman died at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, Thursday following a 10-day illness. He was in his 91st year.

Deceased was a native of England and since the death of his wife four years ago, he had made his home with his son, William Holman at Brownsville, and his daughter, Mrs. Edward Hughes at Otterville.

Survivors are two sons, William Holman of Brownsville and Stanley R. Holman of Tillsonburg; one daughter, Mrs. (May) Edward Hughes of Otterville; and one brother, Ernest Holman of Straffordville.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home where service was conducted Saturday by Rev. M. Bellsmith of Springford, pastor of the Baptist Church, Brownsville.

Mrs. Nate McMullen of Otterville was pianist and accompanied Mrs. Edgar Pearce who sang "Jesus Is Always There."

Among the floral tributes were tokens from the Bordens Social Club, Tecumseh Lodge, as well as donations to the Cancer Society and Gideon Bibles.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Alvin Hopkins, Charlie Hokins, Donald Hopkins, Lorne Holman, Gordon Holman and Dick Holman.

Interment in Springford Cemetery.

Relatives and friends were present from St. George, Guelph, Simcoe, St. Williams, Springfield, London, Hamilton, Straffordville, Norwich and other places. JAN

Observe Anniversary

OTTERVILLE (C) — Councillor Ira Pearce and Mrs. Pearce observed their 40th wedding anniversary Thursday, February 11. Mr. Pearce, who was elected to the South Norwich Township Council for this year, takes a keen interest in the welfare of the community.

Mrs. Pearce is a member of the local staff at the Bell Telephone office.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearce purchased their present home from Fred Walther on Dover St., and have been residents of the village since last fall. They have one son, Fred, and two grandsons. 1960

HARFORD — In Tillsonburg on Saturday, February 27, 1960, Alfretta Harford, in her 90th year.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service was conducted Tuesday by Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, rector of St. John's Anglican Church. Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Mrs. Alfretta Harford

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Mrs. Alfretta Harford was held at the Addison Funeral Home Tuesday afternoon last, conducted by Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, rector of St. John's Anglican Church.

Among the floral tributes were tokens from the St. John's Anglican Church, and the neighbours.

Pallbearers were Carl Howse, Nate McMullen, Achiel De Watcher, Rev. Clarkson Smith, Jack Riste and George Smith. Relatives attended from Miami, Florida; Silver Creek, N.Y., and Arthur.

Interment made in Otter Cemetery Otterville. Feb. 1960



OLD VALENTINE is admired by Mrs. Marion B. McFee of Otterville. It is one of many fancy, flowery valentines owned by Mrs. McFee among a collection of letters dating back to the early 1800's. Letters were mailed without a postage stamp, stamps as we know them not coming into use until 1840. (Evelyn Waring)

Mrs. W. J. Harford

OTTERVILLE (C)—Mrs. Alfretta Smith Harford, wife of the late William J. Harford, died in Tillsonburg, Saturday, in her 90th year.

Deceased was born and lived all her life in Otterville. Her husband predeceased her nine years ago, and her only daughter Mrs. Charles Della Switzgale died several years ago. Mrs. Harford had spent the past four years in a nursing home in Tillsonburg. Mrs. Harford was a member of the St. John's Anglican Church and also of the Church Guild where she attended as long as health permitted.

Survivors are one son, Hugh of Miami, Florida; and two grandsons.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home where service was conducted Tuesday by Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, rector of St. John's Anglican Church. Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Hugh Harford of Miami, Florida, spent several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nate McMullen and Catherine and while here attended the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Alfretta Harford who passed away in Mrs. Layman's Boarding House, Tillsonburg, Saturday. Mr. Harford was accompanied by his son, William Harford of Silver Creek, New York.

Treffry—At the Vancouver General Hospital on Monday, February 1st, 1960, Louisa MacGregor in her 83rd year, beloved wife of the late William John Treffry; dear mother of Alice (Mrs. G. P. Parson), Port Credit and Charles (Dr. J. C. Treffry), Vancouver. Friends may call at the A. B. Arn and Son Funeral Residence, Norwich, where the service will be held on Friday, February 5 at 2 p.m. Rev. S. Wilkinson of Holy Trinity Church, Norwich, will officiate. Interment in the Norwich Cemetery.

Engagements

Davidson - Treffrey

Mrs. Hiram C. Treffrey, Norwich, Ont., wishes to announce the engagement of her daughter, Miss Emma Isabelle, to Kenneth Wray Davidson, son of Mrs. Nettie Davidson, of Kelvin, Ont., and the late Charles Davidson. The marriage to take place in the Norwich United Church at 7:30 o'clock on Friday evening, February 26th, 1960.

Linen Shower For New Rector

OTTERVILLE (C)— A friendly get-together and social time was spent in the Parish Hall of the St. John's Anglican Church when members gathered to meet and honor their new rector, Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, and Mrs. Wilkinson.

The evening was planned by the members of the Church club who invited the members of the Guild as guests.

Moving pictures were shown of local interest by Miss Catharine McMullen and Miss Eva Deveney.

Carl Howse, Sunday school superintendent, called Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson forward where a linen shower awaited them. They were assisted by Mrs. Derwood Spicer and Mrs. Roy Rachar.

Rev. and Mrs. Wilkinson, who are living in Norwich, came to this district from Alaska Territory where they were doing missionary work.

The ladies served lunch.

Mrs. James Johnston

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. Cordelia Johnston, 80, died at her home here Thursday evening last, following a long illness.

Mrs. Johnston was the former Cordelia Sinden, and was born at Rock's Mills. She spent practically all of her life in South Norwich Township. She has been confined to her bed for the past two years. She was a member of the Free Methodist Church, Norwich, and spent her early life in the ministry, serving at Thedford and Fort Erie. In 1907, she married James Johnston and has lived in the Otterville district since that time.

Survivors are one sister, Mrs. Melissa Barnard, who resided with her; one step-daughter, Mrs. Roy Deer of Burgessville; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild and several nieces and nephews.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service was conducted Monday at 2 p.m., by Rev. C. F. Lyons of the Free Methodist Church, Norwich, assisted by Rev. J. A. Robb of Niagara Falls.

A duet, "Zion Hill" was sung by Misses Erva and Elsie Stevenson, accompanied by Mrs. Clifford Mitchell.

Pallbearers were Norman Lees, Wilmer Empey, Fred Bailey, Albert Sinden, George Ebert and Leigh Wilcox.

Interment in Friends Cemetery, Quaker Street, North Norwich.

Mrs. Nate McMullen played favorite hymns before and after the service. Floral tributes were a basket of flowers from neighbors, tributes from relatives, several Gideon Bibles and donations to the Canadian Cancer Society. Neighbors, friends and relatives attended from Otterville, Burgessville, Norwich, Tillsonburg, Curries, Salford, Springford and Simcoe.

WOOD—Suddenly, at Tillsonburg, on Tuesday, March 1, 1960, Arthur Wood, in his 77th year.

Resting at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where the funeral service will be conducted Friday, March 4, at 2 p.m. Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Arthur Wood

OTTERVILLE (C) — Arthur Wood, a resident here for the past 11 years, passed away suddenly Tuesday in his 77th year. Mr. Wood was around as usual in the morning when he was stricken suddenly and was taken to the Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, where his death occurred in the afternoon. Deceased was born at Oxted, Surrey, England, and came to Canada in 1907, living first at Napanee and later at Ernestown and Cannington before moving to Otterville following his retirement as foreman on the C.N.R. He was an active member of St. John's Anglican Church here, and sang in the choir for several years. He was also a member of the Canadian Order of Foresters at Napanee.

Survivors are his wife, the former Sarah Goodswen; one son, Norman Wood of Toronto, (formerly of Woodstock); and two grandchildren.

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Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Arthur Wood

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Arthur Wood was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home, Friday afternoon by Rev. Sydney Wilkinson of St. John's Anglican Church.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was pianist and accompanied Jack Riste, who sang "On the Resurrection Morn."

Floral tributes included tokens from St. John's Anglican Church, Sunday school, Ladies' Guild and Church Club, neighbours, Toronto Royal Bank, of which Norman Wood was a staff member, donations to Gideon Bibles and to the Cancer Society.

Pallbearers were Earnest Treffry, Dee Scott, Nate McMullen, Jack Riste, Clarence Tichbourne and Carl Howse.

Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Relatives and friends were present from Toronto, Woodstock, Norwich, and other points.

FIFTY YEARS AGO (March 31, 1910)

Edward Young has sold his house on King street to James Morrison. Mr. Young and family moved to Oshawa on Wednesday to reside, Mr. Young having a position there.

L. R. Short, collector of customs, has received a notification from Ottawa that on April 1, Tillsonburg will be made a chief port. This has up to the present been an outport under the port of Ingersoll.

John Mitchell,^{Jock} Marine Veteran

OTTERVILLE (C) — John McLeod Mitchell, F.R.S.A., passed away in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital late Sunday evening in his 82nd year.

A familiar figure about Otterville in recent years, Mr. Mitchell served the Empire as an engineer officer in the mercantile marine. Born in London, England, Mr. Mitchell learned engineering with John Brown's of Clydebank, the firm that built the Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth. When his apprenticeship was finished he went to sea and has been all over the world, circling the globe 36 times.

He served in the Boxer Rebellion, the Boer War, and the World War and for his services in the latter was made Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, an honor much coveted by scientific men. After the war he settled in Singapore and was in the engineering business there for several years. Then retired, he came to Canada for an extended visit with his sister, Mrs. John McFee, who lives near Otterville.

He liked the district so well that he made his home there but when war loomed again he felt the urge to serve and went to Scotland where he was assigned to duty with the mercantile marine.

He served throughout the World War and was in many of the European countries in that time and then returned to the home of his sister at the end of 1945 where he had lived until 11 weeks ago, when he was taken to hospital.

In more recent years, much of his time was spent in relating his sailing experiences with his many friends in and about the village and was always willing to assist in any worthwhile project in the community being most generous financially in young people's work. For several years he had been practically without sight but maintained his cheerfulness and helpfulness to the end.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. John McFee (Marion) of Otterville; and several nieces and nephews.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service was conducted Wednesday, at 2 p.m., by Rev. Donald Morrison of the United Church.

Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville. *Mar 30/60*

Written Pledge To Attend Asked By Norwich Rector

NORWICH — Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, of Holy Trinity Anglican Church made his congregation a sporting proposition at morning service yesterday. He'll promise them an Easter morning communion service if they'll promise to come — but he wants it in writing.

With three morning services to handle every Sunday — one in Norwich, another in Otterville and another in St. Charles — Mr. Wilkinson has no time to waste holding services for congregations who can't be bothered coming to church. After several years of poor attendance at Easter communion the congregation suddenly found themselves without a communion service to stay away from this year, and immediately started complaining.

"I have heard that there is disappointment about this," Mr. Wilkinson told his people yesterday morning, "so in view of the importance of the day, Easter Sunday, I am willing to reconsider. Attendance at these services before was what made me decide as I did. Now I am asking those who favor the service to indicate their intention to be present by sending me a signed note to that effect."

"Thirty promises and we have the service. Less than 30 signatures, no service. More than 30 signatures and less than that out, and I shall be looking the absentees up, for I will have their names. Now it is up to you."

Fire Destroys Chick Hatchery

OTTERVILLE (C)—Fire of undetermined origin completely destroyed a chicken hatchery on the farm of R. E. Pettigrew, R.R. 2, Otterville, about 1/2 mile south of this village early Sunday morning.

Thousands of young chicks and an incubator filled to capacity with eggs, were lost in the fire along with some additional hatching equipment. Business was reported to be at its peak.

The building, 20 by 50 feet, was partially covered by insurance and loss may run as high as \$8,000. Mr. Pettigrew could not give an accurate estimate of damage.

The South Norwich Fire Department from Otterville were at the scene for several hours as strong winds caused them to fear that further outbreaks may occur.

Rector Relents On Ultimatum

NORWICH — Rev. Sydney Wilkinson of Holy Trinity Anglican Church here, was going to hold Easter communion service at the church only if he had 30 written assurances of attendance but last night officials of the church, after conferring with the minister, announced the service will be held regardless of attendance.

Douglas Avey, rector's warden and Albert Byers, people's warden met Mr. Wilkinson last night after the village buzzed with talk about the ultimatum delivered at the Sunday service.

Last night's announcement indicated the communion service would be held at 8:30 a.m. Easter morning and a regular service would be held at 10 a.m.

St. John's Anglican

OTTERVILLE (C) — On Easter Sunday at St. John's Anglican Church, Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, rector, was in charge. An Easter number, "He Is Risen," was sung by Miss Catherine McMullen and Jack Riste. Church was decorated with Easter flowers and the memorial flowers were lilies and Easter blooms.

John M. Mitchell¹⁹⁶⁰

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late John (Jock) Mitchell FRSA a veteran of three wars who passed away in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital was held at Addison Funeral Home on March 30, conducted by Rev. Donald Morrison minister of the Otterville United Church, assisted by Rev. E. C. Grey of Newcastle, a former Rector of St. John's Anglican Church Otterville and a close associate of the deceased. Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and played a number of favorite hymns before and after the service.

Among the many floral tributes which indicated the sympathy to his only sister Mrs. John McFee were from the neighbors, The Otterville Women's Institute, as well as donations to the Canadian Cancer Society and to the Gideon Bible.

The casket bearers were Charter Davis, Fred Hill, Beverley Monk, Delmer Clinton, Murray Holmes and Gordon Philp. Interment was in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Those attending from a distance were from Pontiac, Mich.; Oldcastle, St. Thomas, Port Rowan, Burgessville, Oxford Centre and Tillsonburg.

Dial Phone Service For Otterville in '61

Otterville will get dial telephones in 1961, J. S. Rolfe, Bell Telephone manager for this territory, announced this week.

This was the second announcement within a week of dial conversion programs in the area. Brownsville will also go dial next year.

Mr. Rolfe said plans are well underway for the opening of a new dial exchange in Otterville next summer, at a cost of about \$125,000. Initially, the new office will be equipped to serve about 500 numbers.

Construction of a modern building will begin about the end of this year. As soon as it has been completed, crews of highly-trained technicians will install intricate dial switching equipment and associated apparatus in it.

Adapt System

Other crews, working outside, will rearrange and extend the wire and cable network serving the community and adapt it for use under the dial system. All telephone sets will have to be changed for dial operation.

"Long before the installation begins, the equipment must be engineered and tailored to meet the specific needs of Otterville," Mr. Rolfe said.

The whole program must be carefully co-ordinated so that all Otterville telephones can be switched to dial operation at the same time, and with no interruption in service.

"Inauguration of dial service in Otterville will give residents of this community a telephone system as modern as any in the world," the Bell manager said. "In the meantime, every effort will be made to provide satisfactory service under the present system." Telephone service is now provided manually, with calls connected at a one-position switchboard.

When the dial office opens, automatic switching equipment will take over the task of connecting all local calls, and operators will no longer be working there.

However, Mr. Rolfe explained, every effort will be made to assure that the change to dial operation causes a minimum of disruption to the Bell's operating staff there.

Appreciation

We wish to thank the Cornell community for the farewell party and the lovely occasional chair presented to us.—Harold and Dorothy Durkee and family.

Mr. and Mrs. William Clifford, who purchased the estate of the late Charles Foreman, have moved into their newly decorated home. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford were residents of Norwich.

Mrs. Carl Howse has resumed her duties as clerk in the Rexall Store

Martin Magashazi has purchased the estate of the late Miss Florence Irwin.

WARDELL — At Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, May 3, 1960, Mrs. Leita (Gehring) Wardell, wife of J. Kenneth Wardell, Otterville, in her 69th year.

Friends will be received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service will be held today (Thursday) at 2 p.m. Interment in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville. Eastern Star service was held at the Funeral Home Wednesday at 9 p.m.

Mrs. J. K. Wardell Passes in Hospital

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. J. Kenneth Wardell, a resident of the district for the past 40 years, died at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital Tuesday morning after two weeks illness. Deceased was the former Leita Elma Gehring and was born near Delhi 68 years ago. She moved to their farm two miles southeast of Otterville in 1920, and they gave up farming in 1943, and moved to their present home in Otterville. Lately they purchased their general store which the family has operated for the past 13 years.

She was a member of the United Church, past president of the Woman's Association, associate member of the W.M.S.; past president of the Summerville branch of the Women's Institute and member of the Otterville branch; member of Violet Rebekah Lodge, Otterville, and served as worthy matron of Norwich Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star in 1953.

Survivors besides her husband are, one son, Murray, and one daughter, Dorothy, both at home; and one brother, Garfield Gehring at Delhi.

Friends will be received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville where service will be held today (Thursday) at 2 p.m., conducted by the Rev. Donald Morrison.

Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

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Many Attend Funeral For Mrs. Wardell

OTTERVILLE (C)—Funeral service for the late Mrs. J. Kenneth Wardell who passed away in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital following two weeks illness was held at the Addison Funeral Home Saturday and was largely attended. Rev. Donald Morrison officiated.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was pianist and played many favorite hymns, and accompanied Mrs. Jack Walther who sang "The Old Rugged Cross." The flowers were numerous and beautiful.

Pallbearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Edward Arthur, Harold Arthur, Donald Pettigrew, George W. Davis, John Leitch, and Allan Jardine.

Interment was made in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

An Eastern Star memorial service for the late Mrs. Kenneth Wardell, a past matron of the chapter was held at the Addison Funeral Home, Wednesday evening and was largely attended.

Mrs. Beulah Stubbs, pianist of the Order, accompanied George Lowe who sang "Jesus Understands and Cares." Mrs. Earle Patch, past matron, was chaplain. Mrs. Elzina Mann, worthy matron, led in the service and was assisted by Worthy Patron Kenneth Mann. Star point service was given by Mrs. Florence Church, Mrs. Beatrice Slaght, Mrs. Ida Kennedy, Mrs. Jean Baguley and Mrs. Gladys Waring.



DISTRICT OFFICERS of Otter District No. 17, I.O.O.F., were elected at the district meeting held here last week. Shown are Carl Howse of Otterville, elected district deputy grand warden; Morley Munn of Port Rowan, elected district deputy grand master; Jack Goatley of Tillsonburg, present district deputy grand master, and Erland Smith of Delhi, re-elected district secretary. New officers start their terms following the Grand Lodge sessions in June. (Photo by Rubie)

WALTERS—At Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital on Thursday, May 5, 1960, William John Walters, in his 85th year

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service was conducted Saturday by Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, rector of St. John's Anglican Church. Interment in Otter Cemetery.

W. J. Walters Dies After Long Illness

OTTERVILLE (C) — William John Walters of Otterville died in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital on Thursday following a lengthy illness. He had been in hospital for four weeks.

Born in London, England, 84 years ago, he came to Canada in 1927 and spent a year on a farm in South Norwich Township, then moving to Otterville, where he had resided since. For the past 23 years he had resided with his daughter, Mrs. Saunders.

He was a member of St. John's Anglican Church.

Surviving are his wife, formerly Bessie Harris; two daughters and three sons, Mrs. Richard (Kathleen) Saunders and Mrs. Harold (Dorothy) Durkee, both of Otterville; John Walters of Norwich, Reginald Walters of Otterville, and Edwin Walters of Toronto; 15 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; two sisters and one brother, Mrs. Victor Williams, Cardiff, Wales; Mrs. Sydney Chidley, Devon, England, and Fred Walters, Wales.

Funeral service was held at the Addison Funeral Home on Saturday afternoon and was largely attended.

Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, rector of St. John's Anglican Church, conducted the service.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was pianist and played a number of favorite hymns.

The flowers were numerous and beautiful and among the tributes were donations to the Canadian Cancer Society.

The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Alec White, Clarence Tichbourne, Nate McMullen, Jack McMann, Aubrey Babcock and Joe Rine.

Relatives and friends were present from Stouffville, Ingersoll, Norwich, Brantford, Aylmer, London and other places.

Interment was in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Card of Thanks

The family of the late William Walter wish to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to friends and neighbors for the kindness and sympathy shown them during their recent bereavement, also for the many beautiful floral tributes, cards of sympathy and donations to the Cancer Society, and thanks to the Addison Funeral Home, the pallbearers, and Rev. S. Wilkinson. Special thanks to Dr. H. H. Batson, Dr. E. Quintyn, Nurse DeCloet, and all the nurses on first floor of the Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital.—Mrs. Bessie Walter and family.

Letters to the Editor

JOSHUA'S DREAM

"Molly I've been a-thinking, about this Daylight Saving Time.

It is such a nuisance. And it mixes up your mind.

First they push the clock ahead.

Then, they push it back;

Then they push it up and down 'till you know not where you're at.

"Some want the time longer. Right up in the fall.

Others want it shorter, or, don't want it at all.

By this time you're so confused, and up against the wall,

Perhaps, we'll get it figured out before the coming Fall."

So Uncle Josh went into town. Just like he used to do:

As he sauntered down the street he noticed something new.

There was a little group of men standing on the walk,

One stood up with waving hands and gave a little talk.

"You all know I've been elected to be this here town's boss

So I will start a-doing things without a moment's loss."

Then he struck an attitude, throwing out his chest,

Which put a very heavy strain on the buttons of his vest.

"The first thing we should do, I'll lay it on the line,

Is to pass a new by-law to go on Daylight Saving Time.

Now, that is my opinion. Just remember that."

Then, he started up the street to buy a larger hat.

When Uncle Josh got back, and just was sitting down

Molly said, "now Joshua, what's the news in town?"

"Molly, I don't like to tell. I think it is a crime.

But those town hall fellers voted Daylight Saving Time!

Molly then exploded: "Just who do they think they are

That, they can push the farmers around and never get a jar.

Well, I can tell those Nabobs if they would look around,

They would see the farmers are the backbone of the town.

"The farmers' told those city chaps many and many a time

How hard it is for them to work on Daylight Saving Time.

So, I guess we'll have to show them in a friendly sort of way

That crossing up the hayseeds really doesn't pay.

"There are the folks in overalls, who pass some cash around They may spend it there at home, or in any other town; But before they part with it they sure will take a look At all the bargains listed in that new mail order book."

Then the merchants seeing that, gave out a lusty yell

"Buy at home! Buy at home! We have goods to sell."

But the people passed along, said "you brought this on yourselves.

While money's going out-of-town, your goods are on the shelf."

One thing about this Daylight Time that really gets my goat.

It's hard to find a town hall group that will put it to a vote.

But, I guess, we shouldn't worry, we're not on the hook

We can get the things we need through that mail order book!

—UNCLE JOSH

Otterville IOOF Church Parade

OTTERVILLE (C) — Members of Tecumseh Lodge and Violet Rebekah Lodge, I.O.O.F. marched to St. John's Anglican Church Sunday evening for service. About 85 members represented the lodges.

Cantons and ladies of the L.A. P.M., preceded by the Norwich Band, led the procession. Flagbearers were Bro. Bert Redman and Mrs. Harry Pickersgill. William Pavely, past grand, was marshal.

Address was given by the rector, Rev. Sydney Wilkinson. Choir anthem was "Day Is Dying in the West." Scripture lessons were read by Bro. Jack Riste and Rebekah, Past District President, Mrs. Emma Strudwick, Mrs. Winnie McMullen was organist.

The ladies served lunch in the Odd Fellows hall following the service.

Noble Grand Ross Addlington thanked the members for turning out for the service, and called on visiting dignitaries for remarks. Among those speaking were District Deputy Grand Master Jack Goatley of Tillsonburg, Otter District 17; D.D.G.M. Wilfrid Frost of Woodstock, Oxford District 19; Grand Guardian William Adams of Port Dover; Mrs. Rose Gibins, president of Ingersoll L.A.P.M. and Mrs. Muriel Likins, second vice-president of Ontario L.A.P.M.

Gordon Maurice Forman

OTTERVILLE (C) — Graveside service was conducted for the late Gordon Maurice Forman at the Otter Cemetery, Otterville, and attended by relatives and friends from Winnipeg, Windsor, Toronto, Simcoe, Port Dover, Oakville, Norwich, Otterville and other places.

The Rev. Donald R. Morrison, Otterville, conducted the service and the casket bearers were Joe Lees, Murray Holmes, Dee Scott, George McElhone, J. W. Riste and Morgan Self.

Mr. Forman, who was 70 years of age, was the last of the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. Gordon Forman. His brother, Charles Forman, died last summer. Mr. Forman is survived by two sons, Maurice of Winnipeg and Marvin of Windsor, and had spent his time with them since the death of his wife a few years ago. *June/60*

Maurice Forman

OTTERVILLE (C) — Graveside service was held in the Otter Cemetery on Wednesday afternoon for the late Maurice Forman, who died at the home of his son in Winnipeg on Saturday.

Mr. Forman was born in Otterville 70 years ago, and spent most of his life in the Windsor district, and was a retired railway engineer on the C.N.R.

Following the death of his wife he had spent the past few years at the homes of his two sons, Marvin in Windsor and Maurice, Jr., in Winnipeg. He had been in poor health for some time, but suffered a heart attack at the time of his death. Another son, Bricker, lost his life during the Second World War.

Mr. Forman's body was shipped to the Walter Kelly Funeral Home, Windsor, where a short service was held Wednesday morning, and then brought to Otterville for graveside service conducted by Rev. Donald Morrison, minister of the Otterville United Church.

Interment in the family plot in the Otter Cemetery. *June/60*



Ferne Adeline Picknell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Picknell of Otterville, who will graduate June 3, 1960, from the School of Nursing, Brantford General Hospital.

Mary Hastings Clubs Assemble

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The development of "the far reaching" Mary Hastings Club was presented to about 120 representatives of 32 clubs in Western Ontario, who met with the central executive committee in London yesterday.

Speaking at the evening banquet at Hotel London, Mrs. J. O. Blake who was one of the originators of the club, said the Housewife's Column "was started by Mrs. Mason who was the wife of the farm editor of 'The Advertiser'. It began as a weekly feature through which the women could have a little fun, interest and help."

Letters Interesting

"People wrote interesting letters and the column was a success," she said, "so much so that it finally became a daily feature."

Mrs. Blake said the column started somewhere around 1924.

The column was continued by The Free Press after "The Advertiser" ceased publication and "as interest grew, many women were making friends by corresponding privately and even began arranging personal meetings," Mrs. Blake said.

First Picnic 1940

"A small group meeting together at a member's home decided that it would be a fine thing to try a picnic inviting column members," she said. About 20 women attended the first picnic in Springbank Park on August 14, 1940.

At this picnic the women learned the column was named after a woman by the name of Mary who was born in Hastings County, Mrs. Blake said.

In 1943, more than 800 housewives attended the picnic, and Mrs. Blake said the attendance was one "we had never dreamed of."

"By 1952 upwards of 10,000 correspondents were members of the column, with 29 organized clubs and still growing," Mrs. Blake said.

"I am sure that each one of us has had our lives touched in many ways by our association with the column," she said.

Friendliness Key Word

Friendliness as discussion was the key word for the gathering. The delegates toured the London Free Press in early afternoon, followed by a business session at the London Public Library and Art Museum.

President of the central executive committee, Mrs. W. A. McAulay, complimented the clubs for their continued efforts in spreading good will in their own community, particularly by visiting shut-in people.

Mrs. McAulay stressed that raising money is not the main function of the Mary Hastings Clubs.



CLUB REPRESENTATIVES — About 20 representatives of 32 Mary Hastings Club throughout Western Ontario met yesterday afternoon at the London

Public Library and Art Museum for their annual gathering with the club's central executive committee.



TOUR NEWSPAPER PLANT — The workings of the stereo department of The London Free Press were explained by Tom Nunns yesterday afternoon

to a group of Mary Hastings Club members during a tour of the plant prior to the annual spring gathering.

Veteran Teacher Receives Award

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mr. P. Silcox, public school inspector, and T. E. Jackson, past president of the O.E.A., visited the Central School, Otterville, during the past week for the purpose of paying a special visit to Miss Irene Scidmore, a most noted teacher of the beginners and highly respected by her pupils and the teaching staff.

Upon meeting Miss Scidmore, who was taken by surprise, the visitors warmly congratulated the quiet, easy mannered teacher, whose record has been unequalled in the experience of the inspector over the long period of years. She has taught three generations of at least two families of the village — the Addison and Furlong families.

Miss Scidmore was presented with a Centennial Award on which was written: "This Certificate is granted to Irene Scidmore on the recommendation of Oxford County Trustees and Ratepayers Association on the occasion of the Centennial Celebration of the Ontario Education Association and in recognition of the leadership and service given to education."

It was signed by G. W. Findlayson, Secretary O.E.S., and Miss N. Watson, president.

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Shown above are (left to right) Charles Weeks of Sav-Oil Curing Systems, Otterville, drill press operator, Robert Pettigrew, proprietor, and William McMullen, plant foreman, inspecting the safe-o-matic automatic shut-off control. Production of the plant this year is scheduled for 300 gas and 300 oil burners, as well as steel kiln vents.

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WED 50 YEARS — Otterville residents for the past 50 years, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Silverthorne recently observed their 50th wedding anniversary. The wedding of Eliza Treffry, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Allan Treffry, and Clarence Silverthorne, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Silverthorne, took place at Waterford.

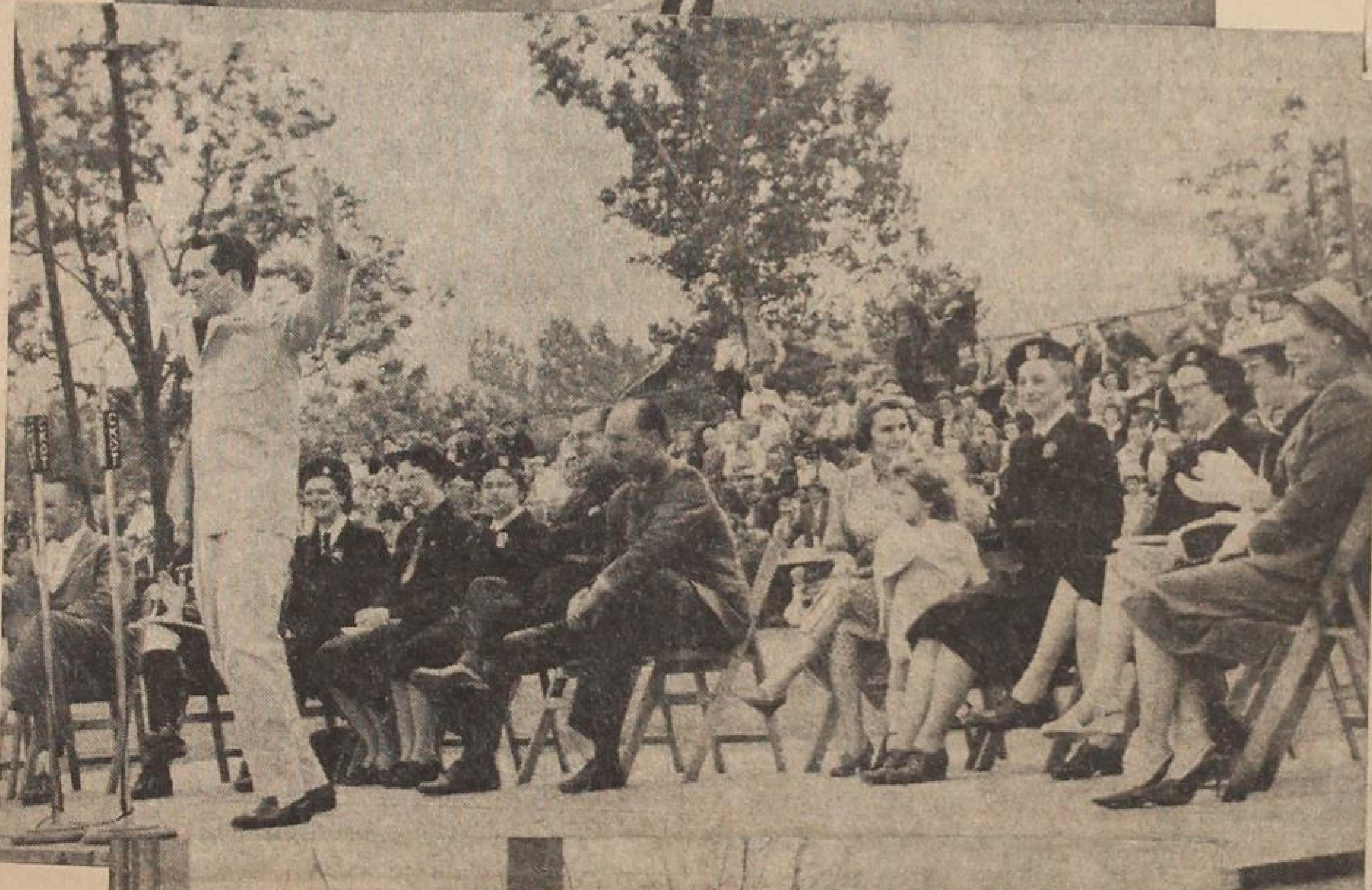


TEACHER HONORED — Highly-respected teacher of beginners at Otterville Public School for many years Miss Irene Scidmore recently was honored with a "Centennial Award" in recognition of her leadership and service to education. Inspector P. Silcox and T. E. Jackson, past president of the Ontario Educational Association, called to make the presentation of the award, on the occasion of the centennial celebration of the O. E. A. Miss Scidmore has taught three generations at the school.
(Evelyn Waring)

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PARADE of Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Cubs, Brownies, Rovers and Rangers marched up Broadway Sunday afternoon to attend a mammoth Scout rally at the fairgrounds. The 1,800 boys and girls who took part made it the largest Scout parade ever held in Big Creek District. Scouts and Guides from Tillsonburg and all parts of the district attended, as well as composite groups representing centres in adjacent districts. The parade was led by a massed color party, Girl Guide section of which is seen at the left. News commentator Larry McIntyre of CKCO-TV, Kitchener, was master of ceremonies for the rally. He is seen here (centre) encouraging the crowd to applaud in what he called "the approved technique for studio audiences." Larry was active in Scouting here before moving to Kitchener. Speaker at the rally, R. G. Groom, Q.C., and Mayor E. S. Vance, who brought greetings from the town, are among those seated on the platform. The Springford Mounted Troop (right), is always an attention-getter. (Royal Studio)



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S. Riches

You're thinkin' of a picnic,
 What's the weather goin' to be?
 So leave your dial and just relax,
 We'll see what we shall see.
 There's a high in North Dakota,
 A low in Southern Spain,
 A cyclone in Calcutta
 And in Mexico its rain.

Texas has a twister,
 Bombay has cloudless sky,
 And up around Alaska
 They got another high.
 Its muggy down in Rio,
 And frost is called for Rome,
 But just sit tight and listen
 We'll be gettin' close to home.

There's an earthquake booked for
 Chile,
 London's in for fog,
 Its 80 in Bermuda
 And L. A.'s blanked with smog.
 New York has had a hailstorm,
 Chicago's hot and dry,
 Now we're comin' closer,
 We'll have ours bye and bye.

"Tomorrow we'll have weather,
 May be cold or may be hot,
 It may be clear and sunny
 Or there may be rain in spots.
 But if you're goin' on a picnic
 An' this forecast isn't clear
 Call good old Aunt Matilda,
 She ain't been wrong in 50 years!

—POP



Dismiss Damage Claim Over Otterville Home

WOODSTOCK — An action for damages for a breach of contract involving about \$4,000 was dismissed without costs at a non-jury session of supreme court by Mr. Justice J. F. Donnelly.

Plaintiffs in the action were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Lees, Otterville Charles Mannell, executor for the estate of the late Charles W. Forman, Otterville, was the defendant.

W. E. G. Young, Woodstock, acted for the plaintiff, and John Burridge, Woodstock, for the defendant.

The plaintiffs claimed the late Mr. Forman, in an oral agreement agreed to leave his home on Mill street, Otterville, to them when he died. He died in June of 1959.

The will, according to the evidence, provided for the payment of a note given by Joseph Lees to a credit union for \$1,166.

The plaintiffs claimed that under the terms of the oral agreement they were to provide food for Mr. Forman and take care of him in return for which they were to live rent free at his home with public utilities and fuel provided.

Mr. Burridge contended that the plaintiffs broke the agreement when they left him prior to his death and that there was no breach of contract by the deceased. There was no breach of contract by the testator but a breach of contract by the plaintiffs, he said.

He submitted that the plaintiffs were not entitled to a claim for a special performance of an agreement either.

Reviewing the evidence at some length, His Lordship said that the evidence forced him to the conclusion

that there never was an agreement that the plaintiffs were to receive the property in question on the death of the deceased. He said as far as for the specific performance, the plaintiffs must also fail.

He said he was reluctant to award costs against the plaintiffs, because of their kindness to the old gentleman in making his last years more pleasant. *JUNE 1960*

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For fifty weeks
We work and slave,
For fifty weeks
We skimp and save,
Then shoot the works
In fourteen days
Gettin' back
To Nature's ways.

For fifty weeks
Convention rules
We dance her jig
Like poor darn fools,
An' count the days
Till we are free
For our two weeks
Of liberty.

Havin' dough
Is lots of fun,
But not as much
As havin' none
So fill the sock
With hard earned cash
And then
Go native with a splash.

Will someone tell me—
Tell me why
For fifty weeks
We try and try
To elevate
Our peasant class,
Then—
We go native in a mass?????

—POP

July 3/60
Diamond Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Clinton

Andrew Clinton, Grosvenor Street, presented his bride of 60 years with a diamond ring yesterday, when the couple marked the 60th anniversary of their wedding.

The surprise gifts of a ring and necklace were given to Mrs. Clinton during a family supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis L. Groat, Highbury Avenue. Mrs. Groat is the daughter of the couple.

During the afternoon and evening approximately 150 friends and relatives attended a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Groat.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton were married in Courtland and farmed east of Otterville for 40 years. They retired 20 years ago and moved to London after living in Otterville for several years.

Mrs. Clinton taught music for more than 50 years. One of her first pupils was her husband-to-

be, and her last pupil was her granddaughter, Donna Groat.

They have one daughter, Mrs. Dennis L. (Myrtle) Groat, London; two sons, Delmer, of Norwich, and Morley, of London; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Congratulatory messages were received from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth; the Governor-General; Prime Minister John Diefenbaker; Mayor Allan Johnson; Otterville United and Baptist Churches; Delhi Baptist Church and the Otterville Women's Institute.

Receiving guests with Mr. and Mrs. Clinton at the open house reception were the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Morley Clinton, and Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Clinton. Attending the door were Miss Donna Groat and Kenneth Clinton, Orillia, and the guest book was supervised by Andy Clinton.

Guests were invited to the tea room by Mrs. Charles E. Oldham, and presiding at the tea table, which was attractively covered with a hand-made cloth were Mrs. Thomas Oldham, Hamilton, and Mrs. Earl F. Porter, Ottawa.

Assisting in serving were three grandchildren, Lois Groat, Carol Clinton and Marilyn Clinton.

Guests were present from Sault Ste. Marie, Ottawa, Hamilton, St. Marys, Woodstock, Ingersoll, Tillsonburg, Newmarket, Norwich, Otterville and London.

July 23/60

Hallam-Hooker Nuptials In Otterville Ceremony

OTTERVILLE (C) — A pretty wedding was solemnized in the United Church here when Dolores Elaine Hooker and Richard Maxwell Hallam exchanged marriage vows.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Cecil Hooker of Otterville and the late Cecil Hooker, and the bridegroom is the son of Sgt. and Mrs. Claude W. Hallam of London.

Rev. Donald Morrison, minister of the church, performed the double-ring ceremony amid a setting of palms, ferns and candelabra with yellow chrysanthemums and white gladioli.

Traditional wedding music was played by the organist of the church, Mrs. William A. McMullen, who also accompanied the soloist, Mrs. Jack Walther, who sang "A Wedding Prayer" and "O Perfect Love."

Given in marriage by her uncle, W. E. McIntyre of Dearborn, Mich., the bride looked lovely in a wedding gown of gardenia white pure silk organza with spray venice lace embroidered around the scoop neckline and panniered skirt billowing into a chapel train, with short sleeves and matching mitts.

An orange blossom crown held her waist-length veil of silk illusion with applique matching the gown. The bride carried a cascade of white roses and stephanotis.

Matron of honor was the bride's sister, Mrs. Gordon Shearer of Otterville, who wore a gown of turquoise silk organza, draped from the scoop neckline to the hem with short sleeves, fitted bodice and shaped skirt. Each wore coiffure veils of matching flowers and carried cascades of yellow carnations and white shasta mums.

Bridesmaids Mrs. Joseph DeMarco of Toronto and Mrs. Keith Nelson of Palmerston attended the bride and their gowns were identical to that of the maid of honor.

The winsome little niece of the bride, Miss Shelly Shearer of Otterville was gowned in short turquoise organza with a flowered headdress and carried a basket of yellow carnations and white mums.

Marc Mennel of London was best man and ushers were Donald Leach of London and Gordon Shearer of Otterville.

For receiving at the reception at Mil-Mar Manor, Tillsonburg, which was decorated in yellow carnations and white mums, the bride's mother wore a dress of beige lace and chiffon with green accessories and a corsage of orange delight roses. The bridegroom's mother chose a blue-grey chiffon over taffeta and wore a corsage of pink roses.

For a wedding trip to the Adirondack Mountains the bride travelled in a dress of brown silk shantung with beige accessories and wore a corsage of orange delight roses.

On their return they will make their home in Scarborough.

Guests attending the wedding were from Saskatchewan, Michigan, Ohio, Pembroke, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Hamilton, London, Brantford, Palmerston, Norwich and Otterville.



Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hallam

Miss Hooker, was honored at the home of Mrs. Stanley Riches by about 40 of her relatives and friends.

A number of contests were conducted by Mrs. Carl Howse after which the bride-elect was assisted by Mrs. Steve Sabo in unwrapping the many lovely gifts.

The hostess was assisted by Mrs. John Brennan and Mrs. Norman Riches of Norwich in serving dainty refreshments.

Miss Hooker was honored at another party in Toronto earlier in the month when the school staff presented her with table linen at the home of Mrs. Joseph DeMarco, along with a miscellaneous shower.

July /60

William Burroughs Weds Cynthia Louise Huffman

TEETERVILLE — In Teeterville Baptist Church, the marriage of Cynthia Helen Louise Huffman to George William Burroughs was solemnized July 16, before a setting of standards of yellow roses, gladiolus and white chrysanthemums, with ferns and candelabra. The bride's uncle, Rev. E. B. Eddy, D.D., of Hespeler, officiated for the ceremony, assisted by Rev. Ray Costerus, Delhi.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Muriel Huffman and the late Archie Huffman, Teeterville. The groom is the son of Mrs. Polly Burroughs and the late Stephen Burroughs, also of Teeterville. Clare Huffman, a brother of the bride, gave her in marriage.

For the service she wore a floor-length gown of Chantilly lace and nylon tulle over satin. The bodice had long, lily-point sleeves and its V-neckline was studded with sequins.

The bride's fingertip veil was held by a crown of seed pearls and she carried a cascade of white roses and stephanotis centred with a mauve orchid.

Mrs. Mary Huffman, a sister-in-law from Vanessa, was matron of honor. The bridesmaids were Mrs. Roberta Wenn of London and Mrs. Dorothy Stanford, Teeterville. All wore identical street-length gowns of mauve nylon organza over taffeta with wreaths of white roses on tulle as headdresses. They carried cascades of yellow roses, white pom-poms and stephanotis.

The groom was Jack Stanford, Teeterville, and ushers were Douglas Huffman, Waterford, a brother of the bride and Gary Burroughs, Teeterville, a brother of the groom.

The soloist, Mrs. Sylvia Pursley, Teeterville, sang "The Wedding Prayer" and "I'll Walk Beside you." She was accompanied by organist Mrs. Lorna Huffman of Waterford.

Receiving 130 guests at Mil-Mar Manor following the wedding, Mrs. Huffman wore a dress of orchid-colored lace with matching jacket, beige accessories and a corsage of pink carnations. Assisting, the mother of the groom wore a gown of floral mauve chiffon over taffeta with white accessories and a corsage of yellow rosebuds and white carnations.

Out-of-town guests were from Flint, Michigan, Delhi, Simcoe, Brantford, Paris, Buffalo, New York; Byron, St. Mary's, Kendal, Toronto, Hespeler, Norwich, Otterville, Kitchener, Aylmer and Waterford.

Following a wedding trip to the New England States the couple will live in their new home at Teeterville. For travelling the bride wore a princess style dress of pale green sheer nylon over yellow taffeta, with green and bone-white accessories and an orchid corsage.

A graduate of London Teachers' College, the bride is a teacher in Windham Township School Area.

Social events before the wedding included a dinner party at Livingston's, in Tillsonburg, for which Mrs. Roberta Wenn was hostess, and where the bride was presented with a floral ornament. Mrs. Mary Huffman and Mrs. Dorothy Stanford honored her at a pantry shower held at the home of Mrs. Huffman, where the guests enjoyed court whist. The bride's mother held a rehearsal party for the principals at her home before the wedding.

Five Generations of Otterville Family



Here are five generations of an Otterville family. George Haley, 82, second from left, who is great-great-grandfather to baby Ross Irwin, keeps his own home, doing most of the housework, as well as caring for an immaculate garden, from which he has sold 100 boxes of berries,

and \$30 worth of potatoes, already this summer. Left to right are, Mrs. Albert Lawrence, Otterville; her father, Mr. Haley; her daughter, Mrs. Frank Irwin, Toronto; Mrs. Irwin's son, Jack Irwin, and his little son, Ross, three months old, Toronto.

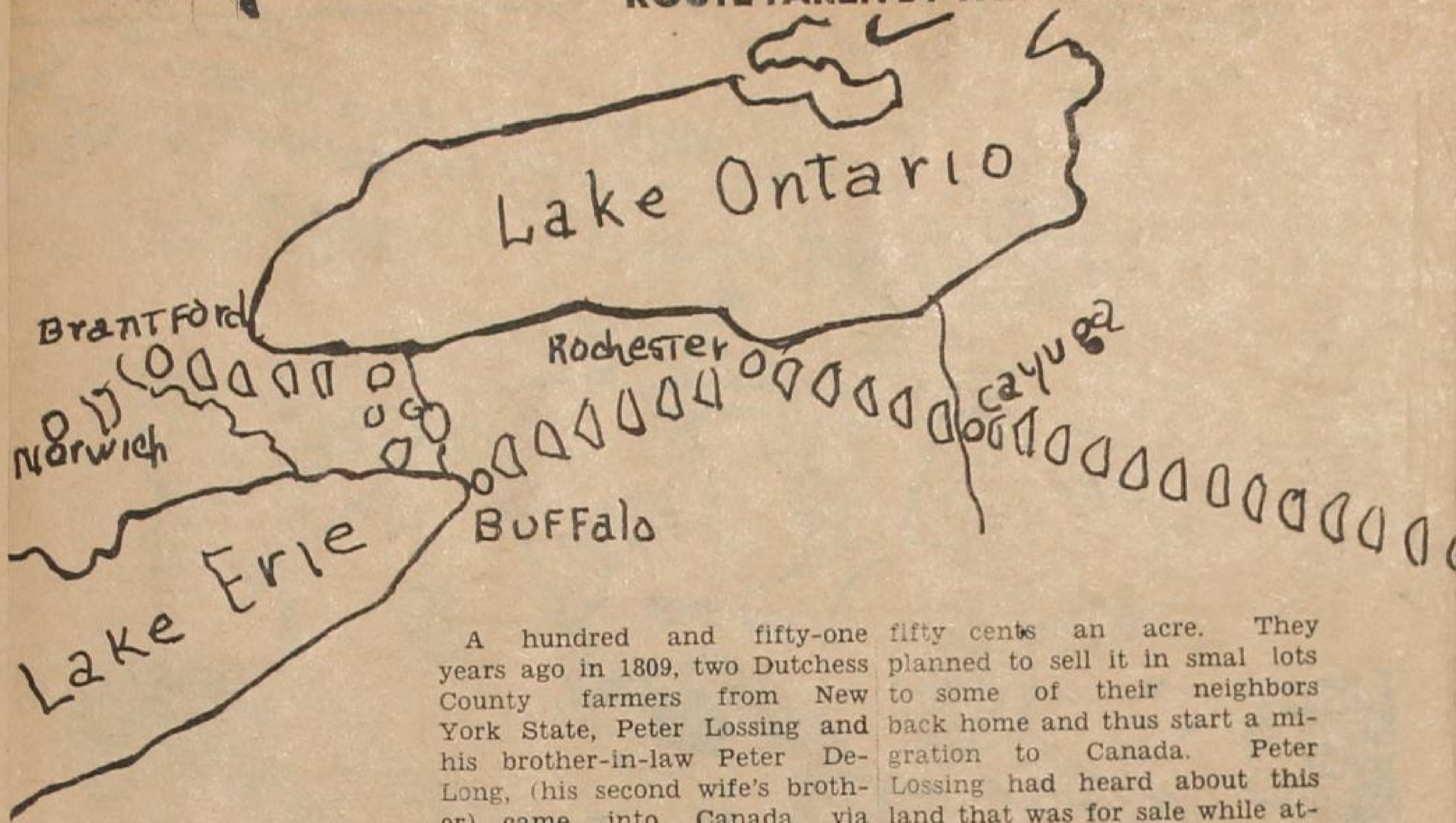


On the 8th of July, 1960, a plaque commemorating the founder of Tillsonburg, George Tillson, was unveiled in that community. This plaque is one of a series being erected throughout the province by the Department of Travel and

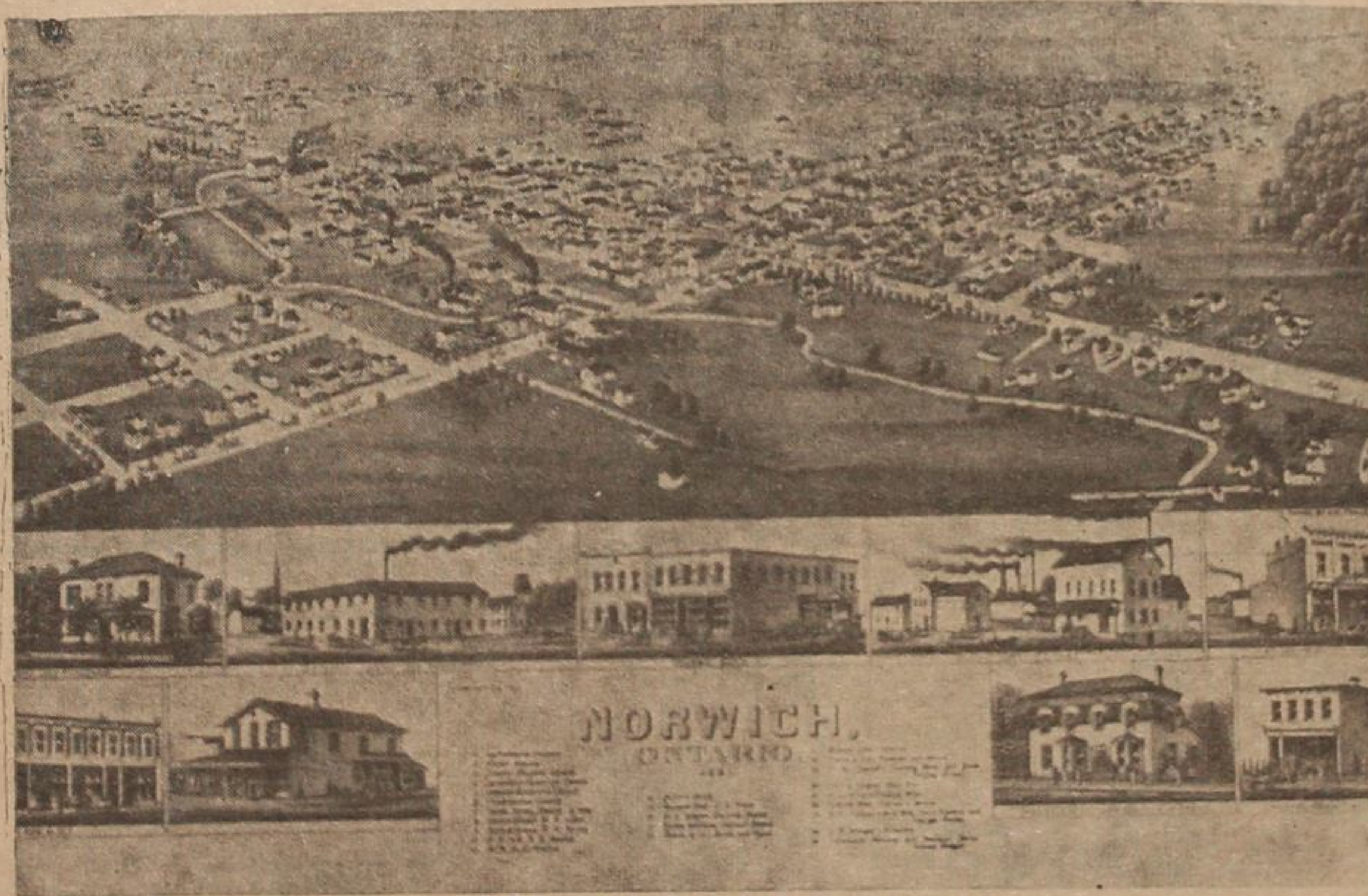
publicity, acting on the advice of the Archaeological and Historic Sites Board of Ontario. Participants in the ceremony, shown left to right, were: Mr. Gordon Innes, M. P. P. (Oxford); the Rev. R. D. MacDonald; Mr. V. H. Tillson, Q. C., a

great grandson of the town's founder; Mayor Bernadette Smith of Woodstock, a member of the Historical Sites Board; Miss Winnifred Williams, President of the Oxford County Historic Society; and Mayor E. S. Vance of Tillsonburg.

ROUTE TAKEN BY THE PIONEERS



A hundred and fifty-one years ago in 1809, two Dutchess County farmers from New York State, Peter Lossing and his brother-in-law Peter De-Long, (his second wife's brother) came into Canada via Prince Edward County to York and arranged to buy 15,000 acres of Norwich Township land at fifty cents an acre. They planned to sell it in small lots to some of their neighbors back home and thus start a migration to Canada. Peter Lossing had heard about this land that was for sale while attending a Friends' Meeting in Prince Edward County a while before.



NORWICH VILLAGE IN 1881

NORWICH

Oh! Fair the land, and bright the sky,
 Where floats the stripes and stars,
 And hope's bright beam floats on life's stream,
 From Heaven's uplifted bars,
 But ever Norwich back to thee,
 My heart, by night and day,
 As swallows winging homeward flee.
 So I, to thee, always.
 Ah! Never mind life's clinging care,
 Have I forgotten thee,
 Nor grave, or gay, howe'rs I fare,
 My modest memory,
 Are scenes of youth, when all was truth,
 The star of faith gleaned clear,
 Its constant light today's more bright
 That beams on thee, so dear.

Footnote: Mr. J. S. Winterburn was the Editor of The Norwich Gazette in 1910.—and is now living retired in Norwich.

Address Of Dr. John E. Clark M.D.

Delivered at the Old Boys' and Girls' Re-Union at Norwich

Sunday, July 23rd., 1910

Some one asked me where I could find inspiration for a speech at a home-coming. Let him stand with me here looking into the cheerful expectant faces of my old time friends and schoolmates, looking around at this beautiful amphitheatre, this Sylvan grove, erected by God himself, no longer will he ask for inspiration. What a noble home-coming, how nicely arranged, how carefully planned, and how successfully carried out. All praise the committee and executive who have made such a wonderful success. No disturbances, no criticism, nothing but commendation. Even the programmes have been satisfactory and lived up to honestly. What a charming delineation of the historical points of interest in connection with the history of Norwich is afforded by The Gazette's enterprise, and so with everything and everybody connected with the home-coming, the first in the history of Norwich, and with a welcome the citizens, of Norwich, extend; I wonder who enjoys it the most, you who welcome or the homecomers, who like Miss Heman's "Graves of a Household," "Are scattered far and wide, o'er Mountain Stream and Sea." The greatest feature of these home-coming celebrations is the hand shake that is waiting for the visitor. God's glorious sunshine warms all hearts to-day, but the sunshine and love that we find in the faces of old friends, who welcome us, comes nearer our hearts than any other. All this is sentiment you say, but what if it is? We wouldn't give a picayune for a man or woman without sentiment, the man who does not feel in his heart, "This is my own, my Native Land," and respond to it, is a churl and fit for "Treason, Stratagem and Spoils." He is indeed a grouch whose heart won't beat faster when he meets face to face the corner on which he smoked his first cigar, and the house step on which he leaned to recover from it, the pew of the church in which his first sweetheart sat, the swimming hole where the boys first tied the sleeves of his shirt in knots, when he

meets the boy grown to manhood whom he would have thrashed unmercifully if the other fellow hadn't hit first, if he doesn't remember how proud he was of his knowledge of the farmer who had the best melon patch, and the earliest harvest apples, and the exact date on which the Martin's or Pettit's sugared off. Remembrance of these things is sentiment, it is true, but such considerations are among the little things that go to make life with living.

"So if you're treading the rosy way,

Stick close to your friends of yesterday;

The old-time friends of the old-time days,

Whose love is greater than

words of praise;

Don't turn away from the heart that's true,

For the fawning smiles of the one that's new,

Because when you're getting fat's blows and kicks

The old-time friend is the one who sticks."

It is a pleasure to come back to one's home, especially when you have been gently chided for your short-comings; to be near those who are fond of you, who have respect for you, whatever happens, and who believe that however great the obstacles are and however severe in other parts of the country they may be, you are doing the best you can.

It sometimes seems as we look back, as if those days were only dreams, and that our early hopes and aspirations had not all met the fulfillment we desired, but on days like this we feel once more that we are all young again, and instead of the October of life, we are living again, the May of youth and beauty.

It does not seem very long since you and I, old friends, were heedless bare foot boys and girls in the heyday of life, with hearts brim full of buoyant happiness, with never a shadow of the future to mar or

disturb the placid happenings of joyous childhood. Many things have occurred since my visit to bring up old memories. Looking around me I am reminded of a 24th of May (so many years ago that I will refrain from expressing, in years, George Poldon and I climbed the pole of the old Crystal Palace, as we used to call it, to fling to the breeze, the Union Jack, I don't think that either of us would care to try it to-day, but there are Norwich youths stirred with ambition nobler than he who, "fired the Ephesian Dome," who could readily duplicate our feat, and filled with as much patriotic ardour, fling to the winds of Heaven, the flag "That has braved a thousand years the battle of the breeze."

When I was ten years old, until, as a young man I left the town, (the most critical part of the young man's life, the formative period, when impressions, associations and education are most important, and leave their impress upon the future, I look back upon with the greatest pleasure, feeling that whatever minor successes I may have achieved, they are due in no trivial measure to the example and precept of Norwich citizens, many have been called to their final account. Old Mr. Tidy, the father of Jno. A. Tidy, a well-known bibliophile and literateur, used to welcome me to his library and home, back of where the Poldon homestead now stands. I well remember the first book loaned me by the old gentleman, and the advice given with it. It was "Jane Dawson," this, and "Kennilworth," a present from my father, instilled into me a love for historical romance and formed a foundation of a general knowledge, which has been of immense value in many walks of life. Wm. Addison, old Mr. Rawlings, father of the late Dick Rawlings, of the Methodist Sunday School, imbued me with good precepts, ambition to act and be honorable, and if in future life I have strayed occasionally from the straight and narrow path they laid out, I can assure you the memory of their teaching have afforded me many a pleasant recollection.

I will remember how I used to listen with avidity to the words of wisdom and incidental arguments which occurred in Tidy's drug store, Miller's store and the Post Office, when such men as Dr. Beard, Wm. Poldon, Gilbert Moore, F. J. Clark, S. A. Lindsay, Rev. Mr. Evans, L. F. Bungay, John A. Tidy, Jas. Haken, Seneca Pitcher and many others took part. Serious, philosophical, political, theological and whatnot, never coarse, suggestive or ridiculous. My experience in the world since then teaches me how rare such a coterie as these revered and honorable names are. How seldom in this pushing, grasping, hurrying modern life where the pursuit of the elusive dollar has relegated to the back ground the simpler and quieter tastes of the old generation, do we find such clean, intellectual citizens. Salacious stories or suggestive witticisms formed no part of their conversation.

But I have overlooked one who frequently joined with those mentioned, and added his quota of erudition to the general mak-up, I refer to R. F. W. Robinson, the old school master, who when I first went to school, alone and unassisted, guided the bucolic youths in their search for knowledge. I feel I owe more to him than any other one instructor. He was the last of the old style tutors, educated, irascible, generous, partial to a bright scholar, with contempt for a poor one. I remember some of the boys and girls of that time, many have gone to their long home but some are with us today. Among the old time students of the '60's I think of Sarah Cook, Almira Van Valkenburg, George and Amelia Poldon, Geo. Cook, Joe and Jack Robinson, Sam Chiswell, W. H. Bradley, Beatrice Wickham, Hop Van Valkenburg, C. Avey, Abner Bailey and Wm. Haines. I wonder if anyone remembers him? Addie and Josie DeLong, John and Charles Adams, Lizzie Clark, Robert Clark, Walter Morphy, not yet King's Counsel, but soon will be. (If he has as much success in convicting criminals as he has in freeing his clients of criminal charges, the hangman will be busy in Canada.) Laura Morphy, now as ever the irrepressible, Albert Dykeman, George Walker, Almira Van Valkenburg, I always admired her for her beautiful hair and complexion. George Poldon, Amelia Poldon, they are here and will bear inspec-

tion, the latter, quiet, literary, a bureau of information, and historiographer of Norwich. Sam Chiswell, find him on the same bench, cheery as ever. W. H. Bradley, the only artist in our class. Beatrice Wickham, hair grayer, but graceful as ever. Hop Van Valkenburg insures your house or your life as cheap as anybody. Abner Bailey, who knows about him, great at swapping jack knives. Addie and Josie DeLong, I remember eating a philopine with Addie and found a situation where I could claim my kiss when she broke my heart by asking me to wait till she got one on George Cook, who was around the corner. John and Chas. Adams, pillars of North West. Henry and Mary Catt-on, Mike Tinney a wealthy contractor, of Detroit; Bob Brown, Geo. Barr, Byron Addison and Eugene Swartout. Jessie Barr, Will and Minnie Miller, Albert Yates, Herbert Switzer, Jack Henderson, excuse me, I should say the Rev. John Henderson, I presume he is a Bishop now if he has his deserts. Ella and Hannah Jennings, one a doctor, both noted writers and women suffragettes, and leaders in the campaign for equal rights for women, in New York. Wm. Calwell, wise, studious, the typical family physician. Not a bad list, hard to beat. Judged as the world judges man, by their success in life, we can challenge comparison with any town or city in the Dominion; this class of the '60's possibly incomplete, but as full as my memory serves me, contained embryo members of parliament, mayors, ministers, doctors, teachers, and writers, merchants and successful commercial men. I understand some financiers, agriculturists and so on, and thank God, no criminals, paupers, or insane. We have few millionaires, but none who feel the grinding pinch of poverty. We feel that we have complied with our requirements for making the world better, for I hold that, "Who lives a life of toil for the uplift of his fellowmen, who ever preaches a sermon which inculcates better morals, loyalty and purity, whoever paints a beautiful picture, whoever writes a poem or treatise which appeals to the spiritual side of humanity, who plants and rears one of God's green trees, whoever causes two blades of grass to grow where none grew before, is doing his share toward making a Paradise on earth." I like the ring of that little poem from which I quote these

I live for those who love me,
Whose hearts are kind and true;
For Heaven that smiles above me,
And waits my spirit too,
For all the ties that bind me,
For all the tasks assigned me,
And bright hopes left behind me,
And the good that I can do,
I live to hold communion,
With all that is Divine,
To feel there is re-union,
Twixt nature's heart and mine."

But what of the women, the mothers of the boys and girls of the sixties. Few are left of this fitting helpmates of the fathers of that decade. Those whose influence and guidance formed the character of the men and women who have fought the battles of life successfully and are here living monuments to testify to the worth of a mother's love. Those with us are few, my mother, Mrs. Roddy, Mrs. David Miller, Mrs. Catton, Mrs. Jas. and David Stevenson. The others gone, but all brave in the face of danger, ambitious for their families, prayerful, unflinching in the battle of life, fearing nothing, hoping all things, believing all things, many with a smile on their face going down into the valley and shadow of death but ever following by loving thoughts and prayer of those they had helped make good men and women, and surrounded by those they loved, content knowing that "He giveth His beloved sleep." After years, many are still with us, but there is a pathetic side to our celebration. Some are gone and scattered graves are made necessary by modern migration. Nothing so sanctifies us as the memory of our departed, as we hold sacred communion with their memories. They speak to us still, and demand that we learn from their example the lessons of loyalty to their memories.

To the clouds and the mountains we breathe it,
To the freedom, planet and star,
Let the tempests of ocean enwreath it,
Let the winds of the night bear it far;
Our oath that till manhood shall perish,
And honour and justice are sped,
We are true to the cause that they cherish,
And eternally true to the dead.

MEMORIES OF 1910 REUNION

Taken from Miss Amelia
Poldon's Scrap Book
Friday, July 1st

A GREAT SUCCESS

Norwich Centenary and Old Boys' and Girls' Re-Union one of the greatest events in the History of the Village.

Visitors from all parts of the globe. Over 400 old boys and girls register. All had the time of their lives.

Excellent weather. Proceeds about \$2,000.00. Attendance July 1st, 4,000.

Every officer and member of the various committees deserving of praise for the manner in which they worked and pulled together. A great advertisement for the town.

The year 1910 will long be remembered by thousands of people who attended the Centenary Celebration and Old Boys' and Girls' Re-union which was held in this pretty little village, the birthplace of many notable men and women, on June 30, July 1st, 2nd, 3rd.

As announced briefly in the last issue of this journal it is just 100 years since Peter Lossing took up the first homestead here, and it was our one hundredth anniversary that we set out first to celebrate, adding to it an Old Boys' and Girls' Re-Union.

At a general meeting of the citizens held early in the spring the following officers were appointed: President, Reeve Arden Cameron; General Secretary, Stanley H. Moore; Assistant Secretary, Miss Alice Treffry; treasurer, H. Webster; Historian: Miss Amelia E. Poldon and in addition to the officers several committees were selected, and immediately after, everybody got to work and never ceased until the last event on the program had been concluded.

To place credit where it is due individually would be a task almost impossible to undertake, for all did their chores like loyal citizens.

Another important part, probably the most important of all, was to finance the celebration, and the committee appointed for such purpose did considerable thinking before they decided to seek \$25.00 guarantees from residents of Norwich and North Norwich. When

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this had been decided upon canvassers at once started upon their rounds and met with success at every turn, almost every business man in the village, and several of our worthy yeomen in the township putting their names upon the list, which, when closed had about sixty signatures upon it. In addition to the guarantees the village council granted \$100.00 and the township council granted \$50.00 and guaranteed \$50.

The business places in the village were handsomely decorated, many new and novel ideas in the art of decoration being quite in evidence, and the merchants are to be commended for the time and money spent in giving our main thoroughfare such a handsome appearance.

In the residential section, in the business part, there was no limit to gaiety, every house floating the national colours. In all cases the decorations showed excellent taste in arrangement. For the best decorated houses, prizes were awarded as follows:

House assessed under \$1,200.-00: 1st, Mrs. F. Searls, \$5.00....
2nd, C. G. Hulet, \$2.50. House assessed over \$1,200.00: 1st, Mrs. B. Addison, \$5.00; 2nd, Mrs. D. Harvey, \$2.50.

Thursday, June 30

The above day was the opening one of the Re-Union and the beginning of the single fare rates on the railroads, which were responsible for the arrival of many of our visitors. Every train during this day brought in hundreds of Old Boys and Girls.

At eight o'clock in the evening the program for the celebration opened at the Fair Grounds with a band concert by the Norwich M. S. Band. The music by our own band on this occasion was excellent, and the boys received many congratulations from the visitors. The vaudeville performance by Miss Etta Victoria, who is a contortionist that has few equals took the spectators by storm and her every appearance here was received with applause. Rice Bros. the acrobatic comedians, amused their audience upon every appearance. Their stunts were clever, and along with the humour made a strong combination. The Japanese Lady and Gentlemen, in their juggling act, again proved the superior-

ity of the Jap in this art, and while they occupied the stage they held their audiences spell bound. At the close of the above performance a fine display of fire works was given, which lasted about half an hour.

When the sun appeared above the Eastern Horizon on this beautiful morninfg many people at distant points were preparing for their trip to Norwich by vehicle or by train, while in the village men were busy at work, either putting the finishing touches upon their decorations or making provision for entertaining the visitors, the latter of which were to be found in large and an early start had to be made, small numbers in every home in the village.

The program for the day was a long and interesting one, and in order to pull it off on time and as early as eight o'clock seen wending their way to the west station where the grand parade was to start. Promptly at the appointed time the procession left the station grounds, headed by the fine Tillsonburg band, and paraded through the principal streets of the village.

It is many years since the town has had a parade, and we doubt if it ever had one equal to the one that took place on this beautiful Dominion Day morning. Leading the band were two mounted marshalls, Messrs Charles Johnston and V. Hall who were dressed in fine uniforms and rode upon beautiful animals. Following the band were over 400 school children from Norwich and North and South Norwich, all dressed in spotless white with red and blue sashes and each carrying a Japanese parasol. Along with the children were the various teachers, and on the outside of the ranks, at intervals marched members of the Boys Scouts, dressed in their nifty khaki uniforms, thus affording a source of protection to the children. Following the children came the trades floats, calithumpians, clowns, Norwich's first fire company, and floats representing early life, and bringing up the rear over 100 mounted troopers of Grey's Horse. As the procession passed through the principal streets, which were literally packed with on-lookers round after round of applause was given.

Following is the order in which the various floats came: Neil and Buckberrough, blacksmith; Allen Vinegar Works; H. G. Roddy, baker; H. Forsyth, cream separators and sewing machines; Geo. Wrigglesworth, mounted calithumplan; C. W. Carroll. McCormick harvesting machinery; T. E. Patterson, the shoe man; W. F. Bowman, calithumpian float drawn by four horses; C. Fletcher, Newark, yoke of oxen attached to a wagon on which was erected an old time loom, which represented life of early settlers; clowns, Norwich's first fire company and old hand pump, Grey's Horse.

Prize winners of the Parade: Trades float drawn by one or more horses: 1st, Neil and Buckberrough; 2nd, Allen Vinegar Works. Calithumpian Float: 1st, W. F. Bowman. Mounted Calithumpian, Geo. Wriggleworth. Clowns on foot: M. Cunningham, Roy

Marr. Float representing early life of settlers: C. Fletcher, Newark.

Special prize to the person bringing in the largest load of people on July 1 was won by H. Hilliker, Burgessville. This load was drawn by six horses and it is estimated that it contained about 150 people.

Promptly at one o'clock the renowned 13th Regiment Band of Hamilton, which arrived on the noon train, left for the grounds playing a lively march and were followed by the school

children, and thousands of others who wished to participate in the fine program which was to be pulled off.

The official opening took place in front of the grand stand. The school children opened the proceedings with a chorus, after which Reeve Arden Cameron delivered the address of welcome followed by the reading of the original poem "The Sodomites Return" by Mr. P. L. Scriven, Hamilton.

The official part of the program over, attention was turned to different parts of the large grounds where there was something doing every minute. Ball games between Ingersoll and Norwich, and between Bain's of Woodstock and Cockshutt's of Brantford were much enjoyed.

NORWICH IN REVIEW

(By JEAN HALL WALDIE)

He was just a little boy, but his brown eyes were shining brightly, and he was smiling, as he thrust his hand into his father's hat and drew forth a slip of paper marked with numbers. Certainly he was excited, but no more so than the little group of eager men and women who surrounded him, for the time was more than a century ago and the lad was drawing tickets bearing the numbers of lots and concession for some of those pioneers who had purchased farm land in the Norwich district and had come to make their homes there. And in such fashion, traditions tells us, were many of the homesteads selected.

Before that time, however, in 1809, Peter Lossing, had come from Dutchess County, New York, to Canada to visit friends and to seek out a location for a suitable home for himself and his family. While in York (now Toronto) he heard of fine lands in Oxford County, journeyed there, and pronounced them suitable for his needs.

He then returned home and that same Fall made a second trip to Canada, accompanied this time by his brother-in-law Peter DeLong, and together they purchased from William Wilcocks (or Wilcox), of York Township at 50 cents an acre the entire tract of 15,000 acres in Norwich which the latter had received from the Crown in the year 1800.

WAS DEEDED JOINTLY

The land was deeded jointly to Peter Lossing and Peter DeLong on July 14, 1810. Having secured their land, the two went back to Dutchess County and began to arrange to remove their families to their new homesteads and to arrange for purchasers for portions of the tract.

They were well supported in their project. Adam Stover agreed to take 1,000 acres of land for each of his children who would go to Canada and live there, and three of his sons, Michael, Frederick and Adam, and one daughter, Mrs. Peter McLees, accepted the offer and came to the Norwich district. Joseph Lancaster spoke for 3,000 acres, and many others also decided to come to this new country. These in-

cluded the Motts, the Cornwells, the Snyders, the Sackriders, the Emighs, the Nichols, and others, numbering, it is reported, about 50 families in all.

In 1810 Peter Lossing and his family and Sears Mott and his wife and six children moved to Canada to take up residence in the Norwich district. The following year more families arrived, including those of Peter DeLong, the Stovers, Solomon Sackrider, John and Elias Moore, John Siple and Peter McLees; then in 1812, those of Henry Hillicker, John Palmer, David DeLong and William Curtis; and in 1813 the family of Joseph Woodrow.

The Motts took up farm land on what later became Quaker Street.

BROUGHT BY RAFTS

According to the late Miss Amelia Poldon who did so much to preserve records of the history of Norwich, and who was a sister of George W. Poldon, one of the old-timers of the village today, Peter Lossing and his family journeyed to Canada with teams, carrying as much of their household goods as they could. The remainder was brought by rafts and boats through the Mohawk River, Lake Champlain and Lake Ontario, two of Lossing's sons and some other young men being in charge of the expedition.

On arrival in Canada, the family made its way to Burford, and after resting for a few days there at the home of John Yeigh, (who is said to have kept "open house" for new settlers and travellers) Peter Lossing, with his three sons, Solomon, Edmund, and Benson, as well as Sears Mott and a surveyor named Halstead, set out for Norwich, leaving Mrs. Lossing and daughters Mary and Athelinda at the Yeigh home.

Travelling with much difficulty, the men first made their way seven miles to Cooley's pond, via the old stage road, and the remaining five miles by a path marked with blazed trees, made by the surveyors.

CUT DOWN FIRST TREE

The late Miss Poldon has recorded that the company reached its destination at nightfall, and so cut down several trees, constructed a rude shelter of brush and made camp. Benson, 11-year-old son of Peter Lossing, is said to have begun chopping the first tree in North Norwich but his father took the axe from him, claiming the right to cut the first tree himself.

Within a few days the men built a long hut, in which they were to live for the winter, all of which time they were engaged in chopping trees, clearing the land, and making a sled road through to Cooley's Pond.

By March, 1811, the Lossing's had completed a log house of hewn timber with a shingled roof, and Mrs. Lossing and daughters came from Burford to take up residence, becoming the pioneer women of North Norwich. In the same year, Peter Lossing brought some apple trees from near Vittoria, and planted them on his farm, and the fruit grown on them is supposed to have been the first grown in the township.

WAS FIRST WHITE CHILD

Peter DeLong moved into Norwich in the spring of 1811, leaving his family with the hospitable Yeighs at Burford for a time, until he erected a house. It was to be the birthplace of the first white child born in Norwich Township, Garry V. DeLong, on November 2, 1811, and later first Reeve of the Township.

David DeLong, brother of Peter, moved to Norwich in 1812 and took up a lot opposite his brother's.

By the summer of 1811 it is recorded that there were 11 families living in the township, and that 5,200 acres of land had been taken up. In the first season 32 acres were put in crop, while in the second 735 acres were sowed, and soon the farmers had a surplus of wheat. A few years later this surplus amounted to several thousand bushels annually, and had to be teamed to Ancaster over roads so difficult to travel that a three-day journey was required, and 25 bushels were counted as a full load.

HAD 15 STUDENTS

The year 1812 marked the first marriage in the township, when George Wright and Susan Mott were married by B. Mallory, M.P.P. That same year the first school was opened in the township in a little log building on the banks of the Otter, with an attendance of 15, and William Hulet as the first teacher. A few months later a second school was begun in the northern part of the settlement, with Elias Snyder, teacher. The south school was soon discontinued, and one was started in Peter Lossing's home with Lossing as teacher. The first school recorded in Norwich Village, however, is believed to have been opened in 1829 with Nathan Toun as teacher.

Thomas Horner, a magistrate who resided near Princeton, often came to Norwich to perform marriage ceremonies, since at that time no minister except those of the Church of England was permitted to do so.

In 1816 the first town meeting in the township was held at a hotel kept by Caleb Tompkins, a mile north of the Village of Norwich, then called Gommorrah, and later Carolan's Corners, since the house was later occupied by Thomas Carolan. The hotel was the scene of township meetings held to appoint such officials as postmaster, assessors, etc., by open vote, and court was also held there.

During the next two decades after the arrival of the early pioneers, others including the Dennis, Cohoe, Gillam, Holmes, Barker, Snyder and Haight families, came into the township.

OPENED STORE IN 1828

With the growth of a small village between 1820 and 1830 a store became essential. In 1828 James Barker and his son William opened the first general store, on the south side of Main Street near Stover and near the Corner Hotel. Four times a year William Barker made trips to Ancaster and Toronto to sell the produce the pioneers exchanged for supplies, and to replenish the stock of the tiny though busy store. On his return he would often relate to his family the hardships of these journeys and tell of the wolves which molested him on the way.

In the early days, the only Post Office in the entire County of Oxford was that established at Ingersoll in 1821, followed by the second one, at Norwich in 1830, with Peter Lossing as Postmaster.

The first doctor to settle in Norwich was Dr. Ephriam Cook, afterwards Member of Parliament, who took up residence in the year 1828.

WRITTEN BY HIS MOTHER

The first burial in the plot which is today Norwich Cemetery, is said to be that of "Joshua Doan, son of Henry W. and Bertha Hillicker, a native of Newburgh, N. Y., died January 4th, 1824, in his 19th year." The tombstone also bears the following inscription, written by his mother, "Here lies the first tenant of this lonely yard Where first the mourner's voice was heard But this ere long will not be said For friends will mourn another dead."

The boy was killed by being kicked by a horse, and it was intended, it is said, to bury him in the present cemetery only temporarily. His father, however later gave the land for cemetery purposes.

It is today beautifully kept and a credit to the community. George W. Poldon is Chairman of the Cemetery Board, and John McKee, Secretary Treasurer. James Avey is Caretaker.

Another cemetery is located north of the village on Quaker Street.

According to the book, "The Origin and Meaning of Place Names in Canada," by G. H. Armstrong, M. A., the Townships of North and South Norwich took their name from the City of Norwich, Norfolk, England. "The word is Norwegian in origin, derived from nor-do-vicus, meaning 'northern village'."

At least one person from there emigrated to Norwich Village, Canada. He was the late William Swan, who was born in Norwich, England, spent his boyhood there and then came to Canada and married a Norwich, Ontario girl, Miss Bessie Priddle. He later lived in Cornwell and died there, but is laid to rest in the Norwich (Ontario) Cemetery.

"QUITE A TRADING PLACE"

About 1847, it is reported that Norwich began to be "quite a trading place." Among the leading citizens of the day were Michael Stover who had built a saw mill, a carding mill, and a flour mill; Thomas Wallace, Postmaster and general store keeper, and distillery operator; Matthew and Robert Scott, who had a general store and ashery; James Wickham who had a carriage shop; William Addison and George Walker in the furniture business; John McKee who had a tannery, and William Poldon, blacksmith.

The days of the rebellion of 1837 were exciting ones for Norwich, for in December of that year Dr. Duncombe, then an M. P. P., arrived there, called a meeting, explaining that Mackenzie had possession of Toronto, and called for volunteers. A goodly number of Norwich men joined up and proceeded with Duncombe to Scotland, where they met other volunteers. When word arrived of the approach of Colonel McNab, the local men decided to retreat to Norwich where they dispersed. Some were later arrested and sentenced to be hanged, but later in

turn all received a pardon with the exception of Daniel Bedford who was hanged at London in January, 1839.

IN POLITICAL FIELD

Dr. Ephriam Cook was among the Norwich residents who took part, and is noted also as one of the early members of parliament for the district. His son, George A. Cooke, served as M. P. P. for South Oxford in 1884.

Several other local men entered the political field in later years. Albert Thomas Walker, a district resident, was first elected to the Ontario Legislature at the general elections of 1919, a member of the U. F. O.

Colonel the Hon. Donald M. Sutherland who was born at Norwich in 1879, and received part of his education there, was elected to the House of Commons in 1925, defeated the following year but re-elected in 1930. He was sworn on the Privy Council and became Minister of National Defense in Hon. R. B. Bennett's Cabinet. Defeated at the general elections of 1935, he resumed his portfolio with the Bennett Administration in October of that year.

A former Norwich school teacher, Thomas M. Cayley, became a member of the House of Commons in 1926, and was re-elected in 1930. Receiving part of his education at Norwich, he spent 13 years teaching there, the last four, as Principal of the Continuation School.

MADE INCORPORATED VILLAGE

The year 1876 was an important one in the life of Norwich, for in January of that year it became an incorporated village and elected a separate Council from that of the township. On Monday, January 3, Gilbert Moore became the first Reeve and H. Adams, James Barr, M. Charlton and D. M. Donald the Councillors.

The first Clerk was William Walker; the first Treasurer, George Barr; Assessor, William Topham; and Chief Constable, James Stevenson.

At that time, two railroads ran through the village, the Port Dover and Lake Huron; and the Brantford, Norfolk and Port Burwell, the latter not being completed. Norwich was also the home of the two Railroad Presidents, Gilbert Moore, of the former, and Dr. James Carroll of the latter.

The same year marked the organization of the first fire company, with more than 40 names on the roll. George Bleakley was the Captain; William Topham First Lieutenant; and J. F. Poldon, B. Addison, H. S. Moore and James Barrett, Second Lieutenants.

Hook and Ladder Company officers included Captain W. H. Burtch; First Lieutenant, Peter Craib and Second Lieutenant, G. W. Poldon.

The village of 62 years ago had three churches, Holy Trinity Anglican, Canada Methodist and Presbyterian, with Rev. T. E. Saunders, Rev. G. H. Cornish and Rev. W. M. Martin, Pastors respectively.

WAS LEADING FIGURE

Gilbert Moore was the Postmaster and he is credited with doing more in the building up of Norwich than any other person. He put forth much effort in having the Port Dover and Lake Huron Railways built, erected a fine brick business block on Main Street, and later made an important addition to it.

Four physicians, Dr. E. Cook, Dr. James Carroll, Dr. C. W. Padfield and Dr. Fitzgerald Sutherland, served the health needs of the village.

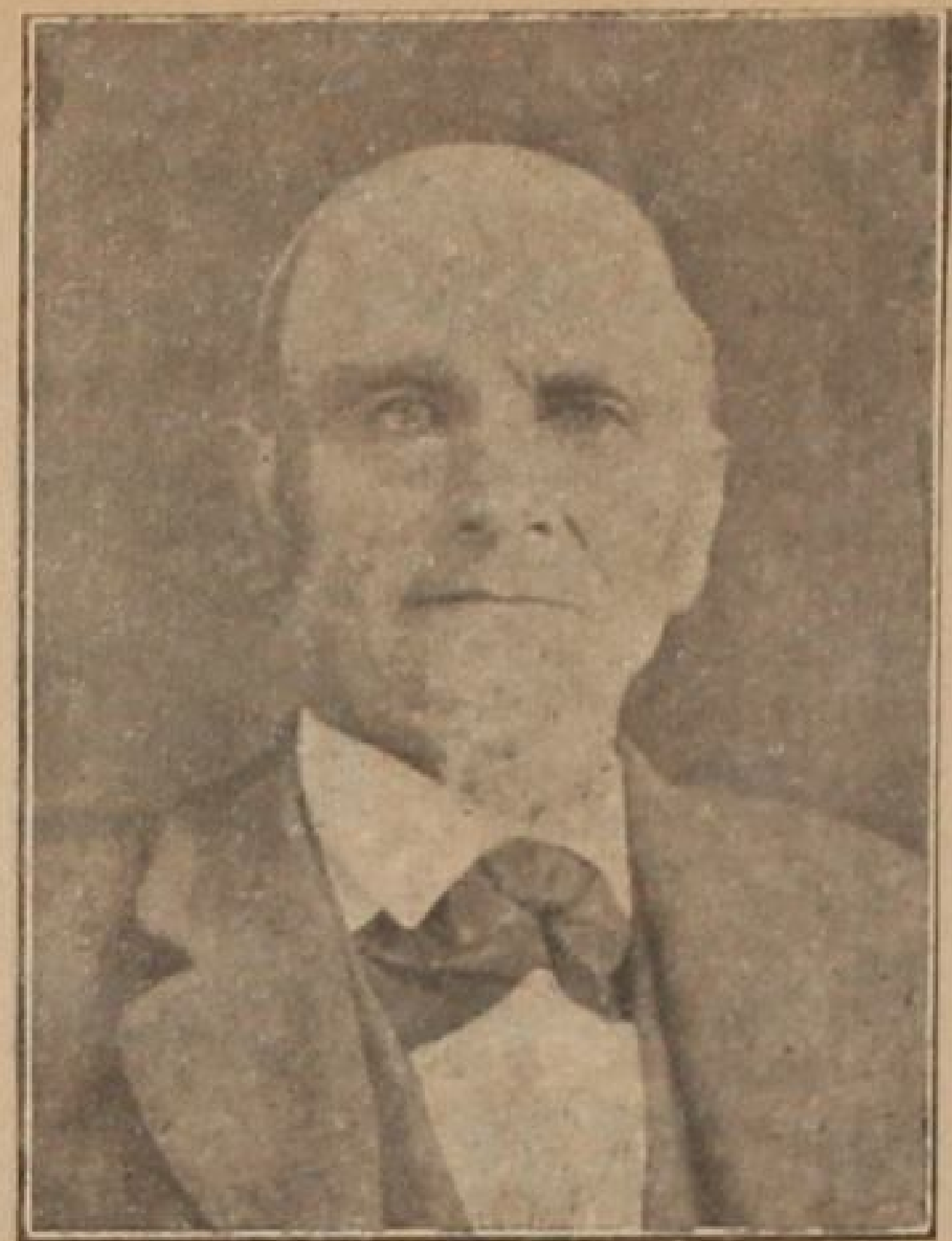
The first business block in Norwich was D. W. Miller's, built in 1876.

Included in the business field of that day were a photograph gallery, steam cabinet factory, painters, boot and shoe makers, iron and steel workers, harness makers, carriage makers, furniture warehouses and dry goods, grocery, hardware, jewelry, meat and poultry, variety millinery, stove and tinware, confectionary and bakery stores, in addition to undertakers, dentist, notary public, tailor, architects, builders and others.

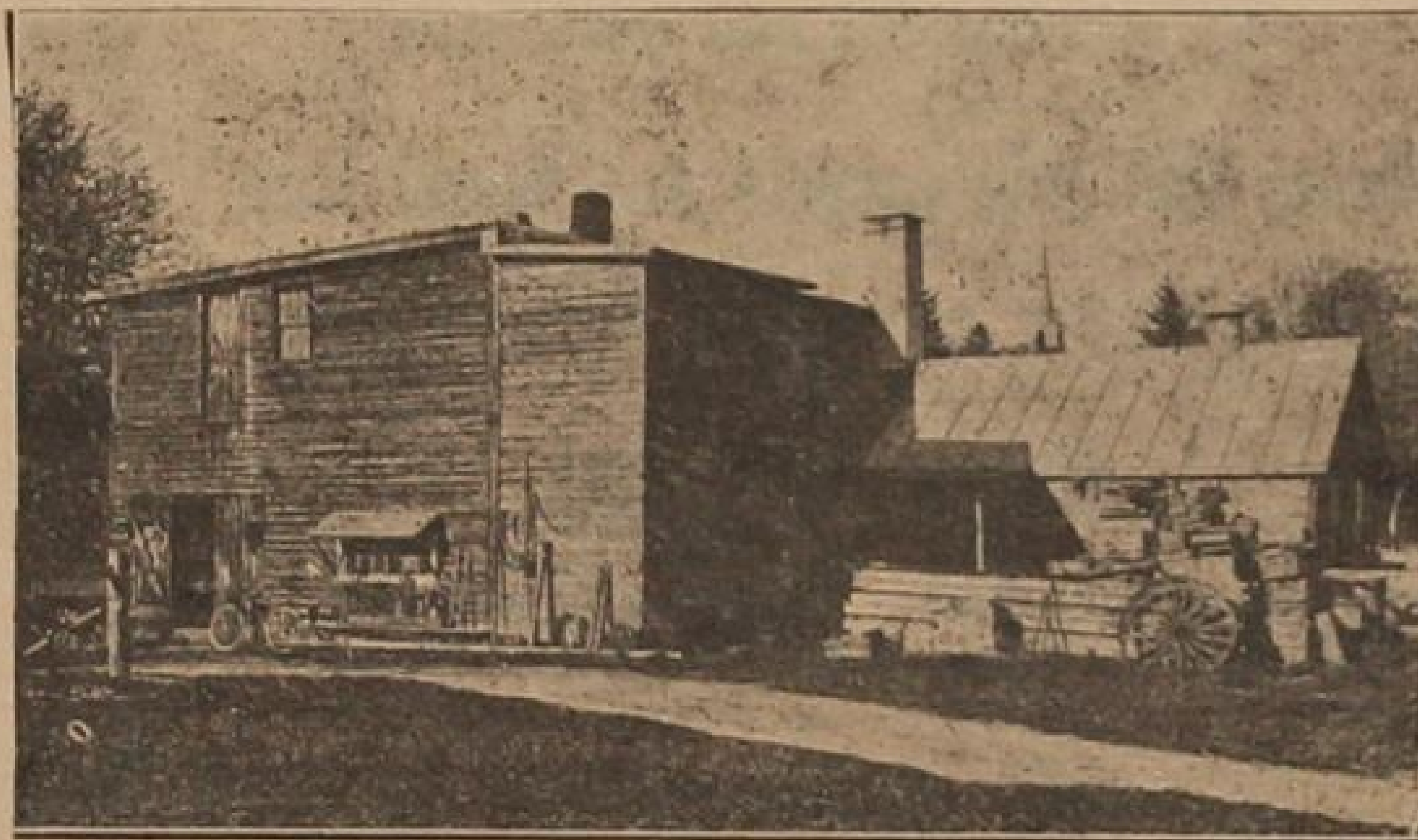
James Macdonald was Manager of the Royal Canadian Bank, and the town's three hotels, the Brady House, the Stroud House and the Brown House were kept by N. Brady, C. Drake and W. R. Brown, respectively.

January, 1876, saw the first issue of Norwich's first newspaper, The Standard, of which H. C. Pitcher was publisher and

proprietor. Others who followed him included P. Craib, the Jaffray Brothers, and Mr. Bartholomew, who was publisher of the Norwich newspaper for 28 years. Meanwhile The Standard merged into The Gazette. On Bartholomew's retirement, J. S. Winterburn took charge and is the present publisher of The Norwich Gazette.



GARRY DELONG — The first white boy born in Norwich Township.



THE OLD FOUNDRY IN NORWICH



PETER LOSSING, above, who with Peter DeLong bought 15,000 acres in Norwich Township at fifty cents per acre. This purchase took place in 1809.

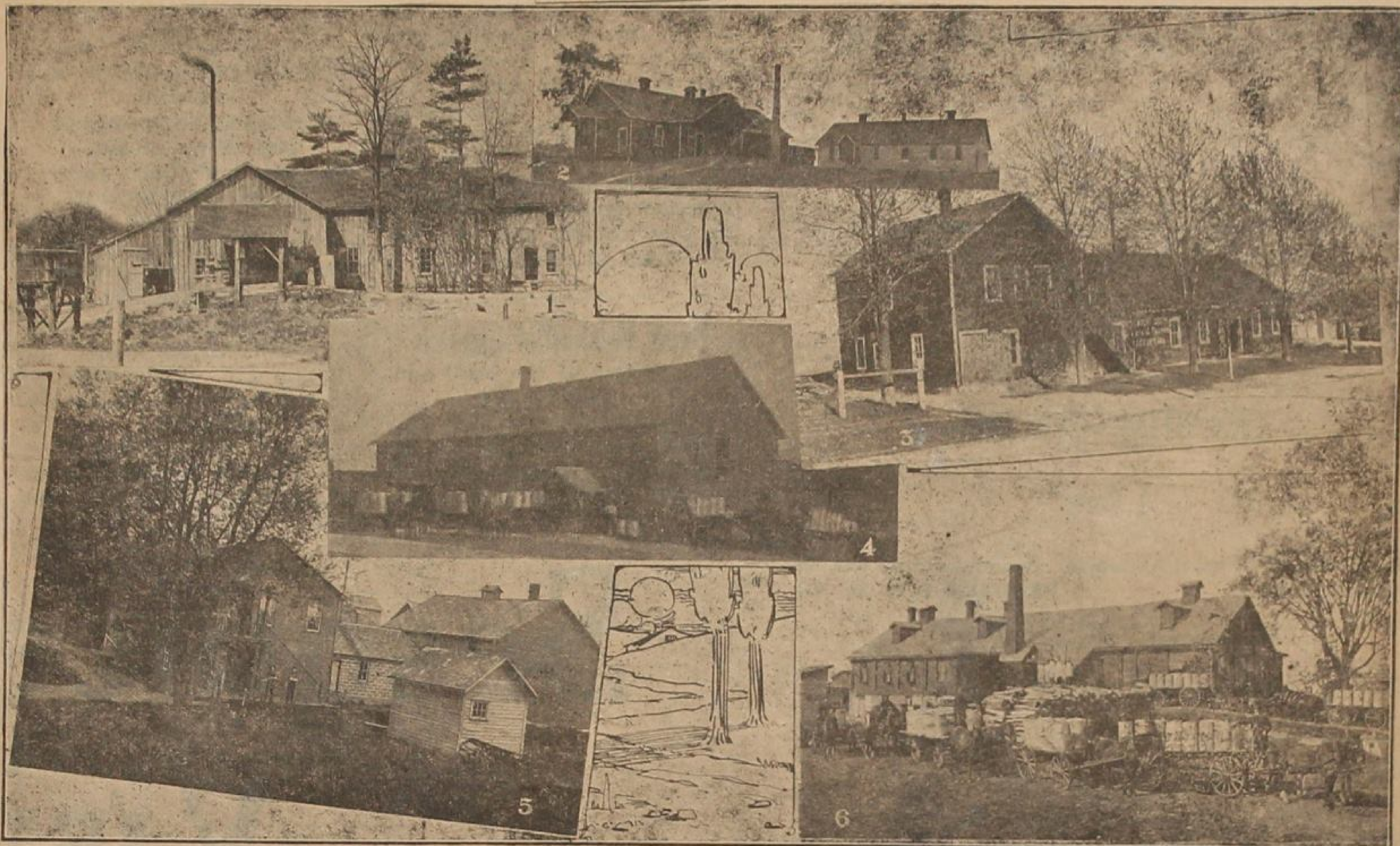
NORWICH CONTINUATION SCHOOL, CLASS OF 1896



Back Row, Left to Right — Art Mason. Second Row — Cayley. Third Row — Ethel —Lizzie Dickinson, Lella Car-
 Wm. Wallace, Ben Fairley, Wm. Tom Mills, Jennie Bishop, Ida Dennis, Fred Edward, Cecil roll, Olive Barr, Mabel Barlow,
 Smith, Frank Stephenson, El- Mason, Carrie Mott, Alice Ir- Merrill, Gladys Edmonds, C. V. Florence Kirkley, Ethel Man-
 wood Pollock, D. M. Suther- win, Pearl Poldon, Jane Grey, Corless, Principal; Annie Fair- tie, Nellie Catton.
 land, Clare Henry, Bert Barr, Ethel Henry, Stella Mott, Tom ley, Maud Kirkley. Front Row



This team was Senior O. R. H. A. Finalists back in 1937. They were defeated by Mitchell 5-4 at Galt in the deciding game in overtime. Back row, reading from left to right — Roy Perry, right wing; Doug. Merriam, defence. Front row—
 Smart, centre; Jack Foster, left Jack Henry, defence; Charles
 wing; Reg. Purdy, right wing; Mayo, Coach; Ray Merriam,
 Bev. Avey, sub-goal. Centre goal; Dave Smart, defence.
 row — Gordon Powell, left Absent from photo, Maurice
 wing; Darwin Scott, centre; Russ Newton, defence; Don Longworth, Manager.



CHEESE FACTORIES OF NORTH NORWICH 50 YEARS AGO—No. 1, Losee; No. 2, Zenda; No. 3, Gore; No. 4, Newark; No. 5, East Oxford; No. 6, Norwich Junction.



VILLAGE COUNCIL AND STAFF:— Back Row: Constable D. A. King; Chief Constable K. W. McYay; Streets' Supt. H. Whitcroft; Clerk-Treas. A. L. Bushell; Deputy Clerk W. Fred McKie. Front Row: Councillors J. S. Leitch and Wm. Anrews; Reeve L. E. Force; Councillors Wm. Smith and Andrews Forbes.

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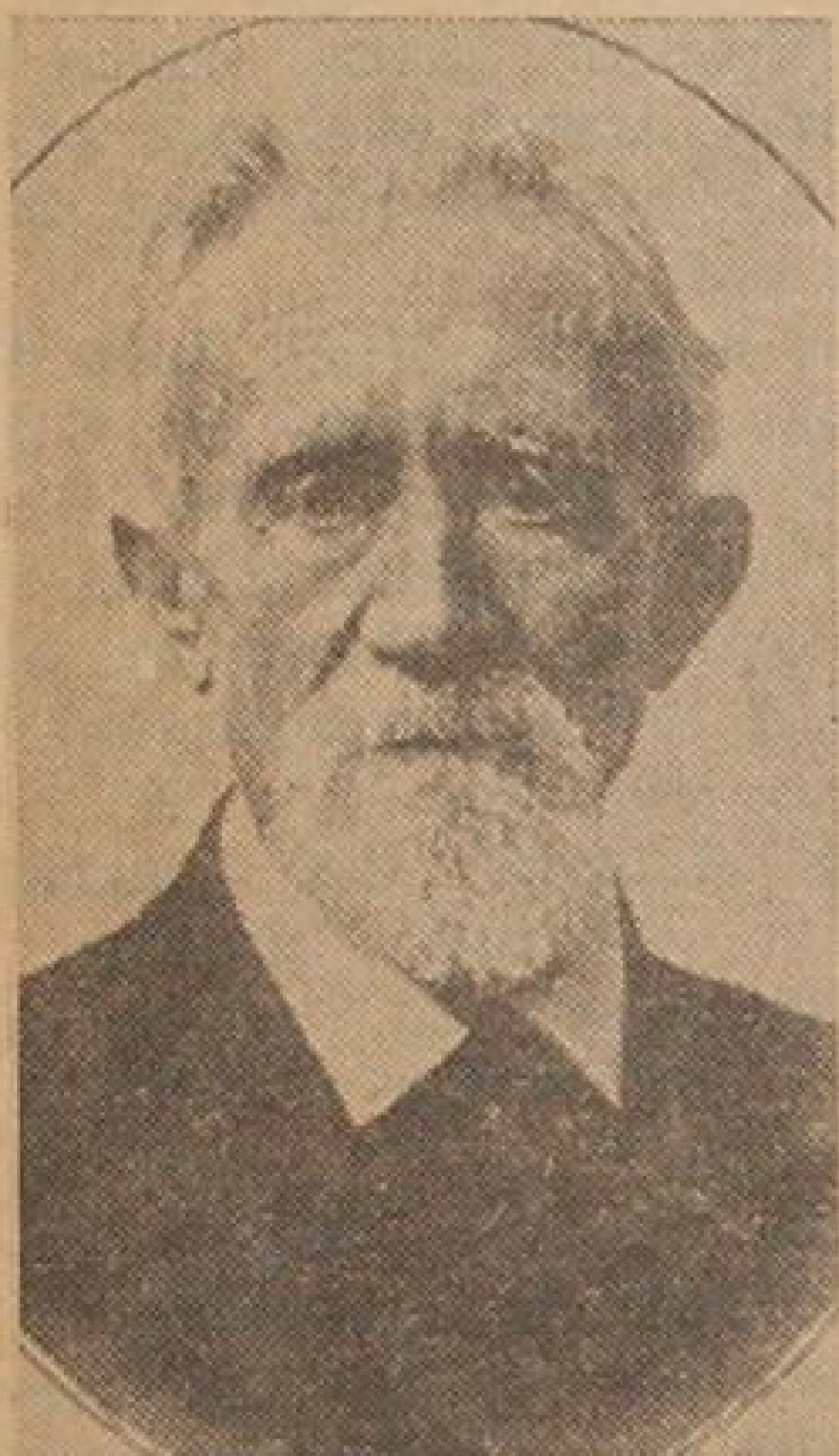
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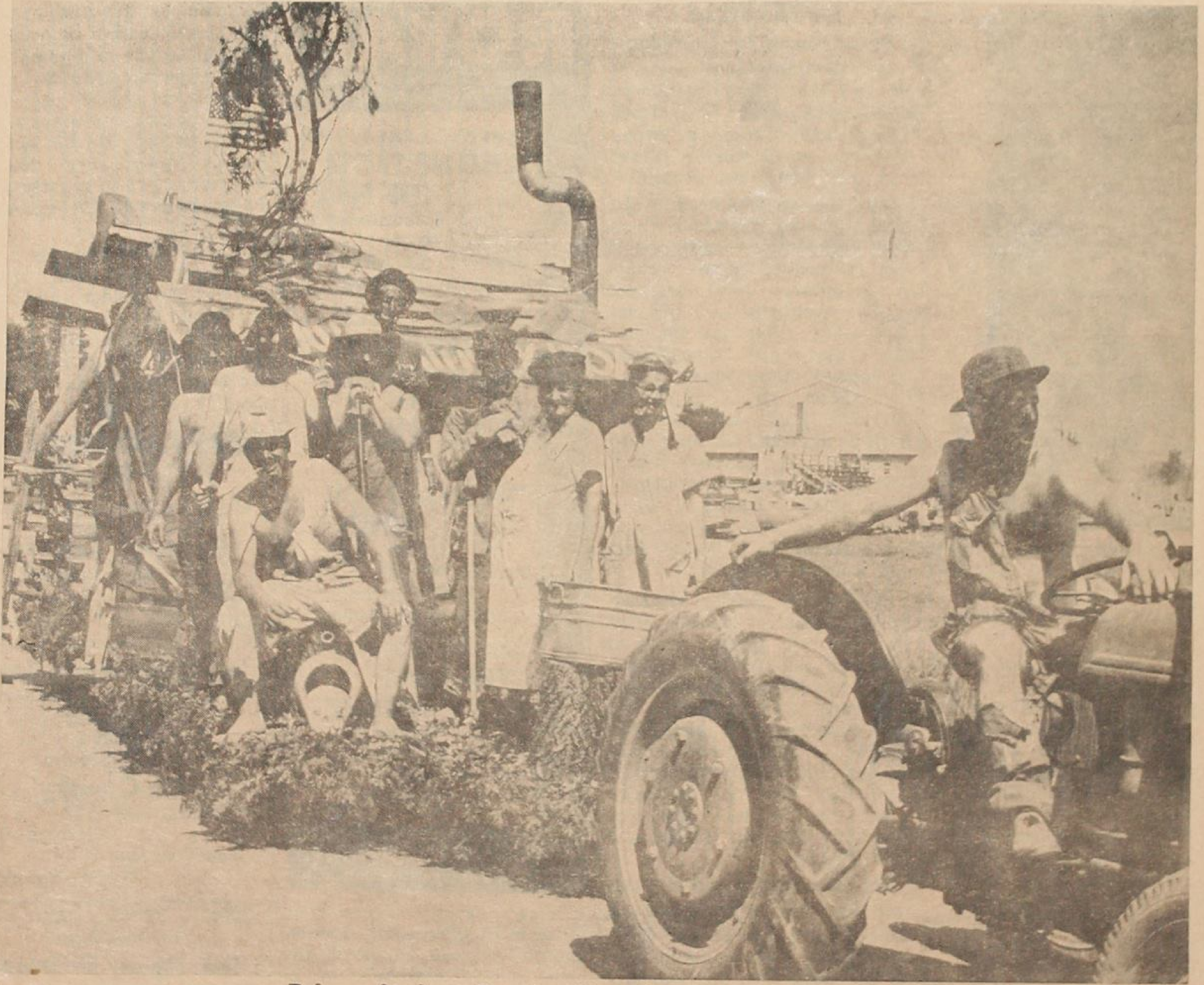
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From L. to R. — Thos. Robertson, Meters; A. L. Bushell, Sec.-Treas.; L. E. Force, Reeve; Wm. E. Vigar, Supt.; A. P. Maedel, Chairman; G. A. McMillan, Foreman; W. F. McKie, Office; H. Williams, Comm.

1960

Sesquicentennial Was Big Success



Prize-winning, Comic, Non-Commercial Float (Simcoe Reformer Engraving)

THOUSANDS ENJOY WONDERFUL HOLIDAY

The Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee has many people to thank for many things and we have tried to include all in another article appearing in this issue. Many people contributed their time and talents to make the occasion the grand success it was. Two North Norwich women, Mrs. Allan Haight and Mrs. Gordon Walker, both of whom are artists in their own right, made a most valuable contribution, a cover for the guest book and this was admired by all who saw it. It was so beautiful that the committee chose to display it during the celebration weekend and afterwards enclose in it the list of those who returned for the reunion. Now it will be on display in the Public Library.

The cover is of golden colored leather. The design, a most clever and apt one, shows the Norwich District High School on one corner, the Post Office, on another, an orchard one the third and a farm scene on the fourth. In the center are the words, Norwich District Sesquicentennial celebration, and scroll work of clover heads to enhance its beauty. The design was drawn by Mrs. Haight and the weeks of tooling was done by Mrs. Walker. It is a thing of beauty and will bring joy to many for years to come.

When Norwich and district celebrates its 200th anniversary, 50 years from now, its a pretty safe assumption that many folk,, in their early 50's and 60's, as they meet old friends, will ask with animation: "Do you remember the fun we had riding on that old fire truck at the Sesquicentennial celebrations 50 years ago?" We think Harold Williams is responsible for writing Sesquicentennial indelibly, on the hearts of more youngsters, and some older folk too, than any man in town.

Did you hear the old fire bell and the siren on Sunday, July 30th. Not many people missed it, especially youngsters in all part of town, and dozens of them hastened to be where they would be picked up for a ride.

Mr. Williams has a great love for "kids" and anything he can do to make them happy, he will do and that makes him happy too. Recently he acquired the old fire truck, formerly owned by the village, and he managed

to get it repaired, painted and running to enter in the parade on Monday. He may have been just having Norman Lemon try it out on Sunday, we are not sure, but, anyway, the youngsters clambered all over it and begged for a ride. All afternoon, with the cab and the trailer full of happy, beaming children, it travelled down Main street and onto some of the side streets. There were always those ready to keep the bell ringing and the siren screeching, like going to a real fire, and that all added to their fun.

We suspect Mr. Williams planned only a few trips at first, but each and every time the contraption returned to home base, the Williams Welding shop, there were more children to get aboard and as long as there were these Mr. Williams supplied gasoline and there was no limiting the fun.

More children were made happy through that old fire truck then through any other single thing in town. Thanks Harold and Norman. The writer and his daughter and grandchildren enjoyed rides too.

Saturday was Sidewalk Day and the morning dawned with summer splendor and bright sunlight. The merchants were up early and were out arranging the displays of goods to be offered for sale on the street. Shoppers were out early too and trade was fairly brisk. Most of the clerks were outfitted especially for the day and their costumes lent a gay touch to the scene.

Unfortunately a brisk, heavy shower came up in the afternoon, but it was soon over and the merchants, good naturedly put their goods back out again.

In the evening Tom Dent Jr. of Woodstock, conducted an auction of goods which had been brought in and the sale was a good success and a crowd pleaser.

In the afternoon there was a ball tournament between four teams: Furford, Hickson, New Durham-Norwich Combines and the Otterville Otters. This will be described fully by Doug. Avey, sports editor, in another column.

Maor Clifford Hare of Waterford and Radio Station SFRS in Simcoe, had a part in opening the Sesquicentennial celebration in Norwich. They got an early start by coming over as a publicity stunt on Friday afternoon, July 29. At the head of Main street Mayor Hare took his place on a tiny replica of a racing car and he was towed up the street to the Rest Room where he was welcomed by Reeve L. E. Force of Norwich and Reeve David Chambers of North Norwich.

Mayor Hare brought greetings from the town of Waterford which celebrated its centenary over the July 1st weekend. "I well know the planning and work which has gone into these preparations," he said, "and I wish you every success on this coming weekend. All the citizens of Waterford wish you well."

Reeves Force and Chambers replied to the greetings, gave the visitor warm welcome and invited him to return with all his citizens for the special celebrations. Officials of the radio station distributed lovely roses to the ladies and even to some older men, while the greetings were being extended.

The official opening item on the Sesquicentennial celebrations was a street dance and this set the pace for an unforgettable weekend. Conservatively it is estimated that more than 3,000 persons attended and everyone danced to their heart's content until the wee

small hours of Saturday morning. Music for the dancing was supplied by the CKNX Ranch Boys from the television station in Wingham. Their music was stirring and rhythmic and their master of ceremonies had the ability to mix up the dances to keep everyone happy. The dance was held on the newly paved Main street and on the section from the intersection of Main and Stover streets to Washington street and it was filled with dancers for the entire evening. Some of the dancers, like Mr. and Mrs. Darwen Scott and Mr. and Mrs. James Alexander had rented old time costumes to wear and they added a very colorful effect.

The crowd was a most orderly one, the weather was warm and comfortable and the entire evening perfect. Of course, for many, the real joy was in clasping the hand and greeting friends whom they had not seen for years. It was the beginning of a perfect success.

Midway, during the dance, time was taken for the official opening ceremonies, in charge of chairman, Lavern Irving. Mr. Irving welcomed the crowd, especially to former citizens who returned and he hoped all would have a good time. The chairman introduced Reeve L. E. Force. "This thing has absolutely resurrected us," the reeve said, "it just shows what we can do by working together. Great credit and thanks should go to the Central Committee. We welcome you and give to you the freedom of the village and hope you enjoy every minute of your stay and we hope you will return many times again." Reeve David Chambers added the greetings and welcome of North Norwich township. He paid tribute to the Central Committee for all their work and efforts and he also paid tribute to the pioneers of the district and all who had contributed to its progress down through the years. He too, hoped everyone would have an unforgettable time during the weekend.

At the dance several Sidewalk Day draws were made by Howard Sweazey, chairman in charge of draws.

Sunday

On Sunday the good weather continued and the United, Presbyterian, Baptist and Anglican

churches were absolutely filled for the services. Each of the ministers welcomed the visitors and conducted inspiring services and gave challenging messages. At the United Church the chimes which had been donated by Mrs. Nelson Hicks in memory of Byron Addison, were dedicated by the minister, Rev. J. C. Cruikshank. Mr. Cruikshank expressed the joy music brings to many and the valuable part it plays in religious worship and said the memorial was especially fitting because of the love of music the late Mr. Addison and his family had. Mrs. Joseph Mitchell and her son, Robert, of Toronto a daughter and grandson of Mr. Addison were present, but took no official part in the dedication.

After the morning service close to 350 people enjoyed a luncheon together in the basement of the church and remained to renew acquaintances. About 50 did the same thing in the Presbyterian Church. On Saturday evening the Ladies Aid of the Baptist Church had had a Smorgasbord supper that was enjoyed by many visitors and local residents.

On Sunday afternoon a bus

load and several car loads of people went on a tour of the district and toured the High and Public Schools, where many more stayed to tour and visit, the Broom factory, Witt's Fertilizer plant, Moores' Seed farm, Fred Cohoe's farm, Mrs. A. Rettie's, the Fircrest farms and the former home of Stanley Harris. The bus was supplied and driven by Hilton Hilliker and all those on the tour came back praising his kindness and the joy they had found in the trip.

In the evening some 1,500 persons gathered in the Community Playgrounds Park for the Community Worship Service which had been organized by the Ministerial Association. The service opened with a few words of welcome and appreciation expressed by Lavern Irving. Mr. Irving introduced Rev. J. G. Cruikshank, president of the Ministerial Association, who conducted the service. Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, of the Anglican church, read the lesson; Rev. Ernest Johns, of the Baptist Church, offered the prayer, and the Rev. D. B. Cram of the Presbyterian Church, introduced the guest speaker, the Rev. Harry S. Rodney, minister of Knox Presbyterian Church, St. Thomas. Mr. Rodney gave a masterly and thought-provoking address. Speaking without a note, he reminded his hearers that everything we enjoy is a gift from the past and perfected through the ages. He said these gifts were not to enslave us, but to inspire and uplift us. All good things come from God and with supreme trust in Him we can look for greater achievements than we have ever known and can go forward to a time of progress and peace.

A choir of 80 voices, led by Allan H. Gilmour of Burgessville, and with Mrs. Donald Hatch, at the piano, sang two anthems, "Soldiers of Christ, Arise!" by Edward W. Miller and "Gloria in Excelsis," by Mozart. These anthems were sung beautifully, with much spirit and in a manner which brought pleasure and satisfaction to all who heard them.

Following the service the Norwich Musical Society Band, which had led the hymn singing during the service, gave a full hour of excellent band music. Wilfred Manning was the conductor. Most of the large crowd stayed for the concert and also to take advantage of yet another opportunity to greet former friends.

The Parade

Monday was the big day and this village was crowded with close to 15,000 people. They came to watch the parade and to take part in the other items on the program. Out of town reporters estimated the crowd to be between 6,000 and 7,000, but they should have ridden around the parade route and they would have doubled their estimate quickly.

The parade, as we have said elsewhere, was the best ever. We do not like to brag, but it had the parades in neighbouring municipalities backed into a small corner, excellent even as those parades were. It is safe to say that never in Norwich and the Norwich district did so many people have so much fun getting ready for any single event. So many out of town people have said: "Where in the world did they get all the ideas?" It was amazing, close to 140 floats and scarcely a duplicate. Of course the Sesquicentennial committee got wonderful and much appreciated support from hundreds of outsiders who came along to push us up the road to complete success.

The two four-horse outfits came in from Paris and Ilderton. Wm. Holt of Burford brought up one of his steam engines to add to the parade and to get a plug in for the Burford parade coming up in October. Tommy O'Leary and his son came up from Brantford with a Mule, cart outfit. In the Teeterville parade, two years ago, he had a miniature car. There were so many and all were most praise worthy. We wish we could describe and praise each individually, but space just will not permit.

We can say however that some were beautiful, some had a story to tell, some were used to promote interest in particular societies, like the excellent 4-H Club float and some were just plain ridiculous. Ridiculous as they were they were funny, and did they ever add to the enjoyment of the whole show. The New Durham gang, Ross Farncombe, Jack Henry, Louis Thomas and Ralph Pitz, who was the follow up man, had a marvelous replica of western days. The Old Kentucky Home outfit of the Scotts, Alexanders, Moore and Carrolls got, perhaps, more laughs than any and they were well deserved. Folks will remember this float and laugh about it for some time to come.

Every float was wonderful, but two impressed this reporter just a little more deeply than all the others. Those were the Legion float and the Skimp boat, the entry of Skimp Smith. In another write-up we said the Legion float was thought-provoking and we still can think of no other description that is more concise, apt, complimentary or well deserved than that. Lest even one reader misunderstand or misinterpret the term "thought-provoking," it means "stirring up, or stirred up in thought." The theme of the Legion Float was so well thoughtout and so vividly portrayed that hundreds along that route caught it and were stirred in thought to think of all the Norwich and North Norwich men who, but for the fact that they sleep in soldiers graves, (this reporter thought of all the grand boys who were former students at the NDHS) might have been with us enjoying the parade. It made hundreds think, too, of the non-dischargeable debt they owe to all those who served in the Armed Forces of our land. For, without the sacrifices they made we might not have been free to have fun at a Sesquicentennial celebration in Norwich.

The Skimp Boat reminded the reporter of the popular song, "You've gotta have heart." Despite his physical handicap Skimp got wonderful help from friends, built a really clever colorful float in a nautical theme and had it in the parade. It gave him heaps of satisfaction and fun and it brought special joy to his countless friends.

We fell too that all will agree that any report would be incomplete without some reference to that irrespressible fellows, the Jolly Jeweler and the Careful Chemist and their two way, body by body bike. We believe, because they were moving here and there about and among the crowd, they stirred up more fun and amusement that just about anything else in connection with the parade. Had the committee hired a pair of profession clowns, at considerable cost, they could not have gotten any who would have been as good and as crowd pleasing. The Jolly Jeweler and the Careful Chemist did valuable advertising for Norwich at the parades in Waterford, Port Dover and other neighbouring towns with their antics and always they were most welcome and much appreciated.

1960
Watchers of the parade on the Main street area appreciated very much the work of Harold Williams and Doug. Harrison in announcing and describing the floats and parade items as they came along. The crowd was dense there and it was hard for all to see, but Harold and Doug. used descriptive words tht helped the viewers much.

Tommy Strachan did a good thing by walking Dillon Mc, 2.02½, the length of the route. This famous, old stallion, of whom all Norwich residents are proud, looked as fit as a four year old and, like he did when racing, he seemed to be enjoying all the excitement. Prize winners were: Best dressed horse and rider, Valerie Smith, Delhi; men, John Ryksen, Burgessville.

Best fancy commercial vehicle, Harry Robinson, Norwich; Hanmer Transport, Norwich;

best fancy non-commercial vehicle, South Zorra Junior Farmers; New Durham Women's Institute; best comic commercial vehicle, Dons Cleaners; New Durham Pioneers. (This float was the realistic creation of Ross Farncombe and Jack Henry).

Best comic, non-commercial vehicle, (and will anyone who saw it ever forget it?) Old Kentucky Home, by Scott, Carroll, Moore and Alexander gang; New Durham Boys, John McClellan, Don Stevenson, Jack Bates and Bob McKay. Bob was the fellow in the baby carriage trailer.

Best special entry, Harry Thorne, 1st; Carman Hyndman, second. Best dressed gentleman, Douglas Harrison; best dressed lady, Anne Powell; dancy dressed couple, Mr. and Mrs. O. Winegarden; best small car, motor driven, Bruce McGuire, Scotland; second, Allan Buckrell, Burgessville; best small car pushed by a friend, Harvey Hussey, Doug. Witts.

Best dressed bicycle, boys, Gary Thompson, Ned Boyce, Brian Hutchinson; girls, Gail Davidson, Karen Thompson, Cathy Griswold and Gloria Sanderson.

Judges were J. W. Holborn, New Market; Dr. O. C. Powers, Thamesford, and Reeve Wilfred Spicer, Delhi.

The parade, which took more than two hours to pass a given point, travelled about one and one half miles over crowd

packed streets and ended up at the Fair Grounds.

At noon hundreds of people enjoyed a chicken barbecue dinner, other thousands had picnic dinner and lunches where ever they could find a spot to spread a cloth or set a basket.

The afternoon program got under way shortly after two o'clock with opening remarks by Chairman Lavern Irving. He introduced the master of ceremonies, Larry McIntyre, news announcer from radio and television stations in Kitchen-er, a former Norwich boy.

Welcomes were expressed by Reeve L. E. Force and Reeve David Chambers of North Norwich. Reeve Chambers drew attention to the progress from pioneer days to now, stressing that marked changes have come in the last 30 or 40 years. He introduced Alfred Lossing, a seventh generation descendant of Peter Lossing, who arranged the settlement of this area and who purchased 15,000 acres of land and sold it to his neighbours in Dutchess County, N. Y. Mr. Lossing spoke briefly to express appreciation to the Committee. He said if his ancestors could visit the area again today they would be certain their early decision to settle here had been most sound. Mr. Chambers also introduced Dr. John Hulet, who is a descendant of William Hulet, a step son of Peter Lossing. William Hulet was the first teacher in the area. Dr. Hulet too, spoke briefly to express his pleasure at the success of the Sesquicentennial and his pride in his native community. One of the first three families to arrive was the Sears Mott family, and John Pritchard, township clerk for the past 28 years, a descendant of the Reuben Mott family, was called upon to speak for all the Motts. This family, through one member or another, has held the clerkship of North Norwich for many, many years.

A. L. Bushell, village clerk for the past 32 years and a descendant of an early family, introduced 87 year-old Mrs. Mary Cameron, wife of the late Arden Cameron, who was reeve of Norwich in 1910 when the village celebrated its centenary. Mrs. Cameron was presented with a sheaf of Better Times roses and white carnations by Janice Palmer, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Palmer, descendants of people long resident in the district and who have taken a prominent part in civic life.

Warden Donald Hossack of Embro brought greetings from the County; Gordon (Sparky) Innes, M. L. A., Woodstock, the greeting from the Provincial Government; Grant Smith, Burgesville, ex-warden, spoke briefly to thank the Central Committee members and all who had contributed to the Sesquicentennial success.

In their brief addresses Mr. Hossack and Mr. Innes paid tribute to the integrity and thrift of the pioneers of this district and said these attributes had been continued and even enhanced by residents of this district to this day.

Considerable excitement centered around the choice of Miss Sesquicentennial. Nine lovely young district lassies competed for this honour. They were the Misses Barbara Ann Smith, Barbara and Margaret Smith, Lynne Wright, Lydia Rode, Marilyn Wills and Hilda Meloun, and Mesdames Koosje Plaxton and Pat Hipfner. The judges were Gordon Innes, M. L. A.; Thomas Dent, Jr., both of Woodstock, and George Davis, reeve of South Norwich township.

Their choice, and it seemed to be a very popular one, was Miss Lynne Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wright and granddaughter of Reeve L. E. and Mrs. Force. The newly selected queen was crowned by Mrs. David Croft, secretary of the Central Committee, and gowned with a lovely, purple robe by Mrs. Charles Lossing, a member of the Committee. Each of the young ladies carried bouquets of red carnations. Following her selection to be queen, Miss Wright was presented with a bouquet of long stemmed, Better Times roses.

Almost as keen as the interest in the choice of the Queen was that in the choice of winners in the beard contest. Certainly no single stunt aroused more, sustained interest, while preparations were being made for the Sesquicentennial, and the great crowd were anxious to know who would be winners.

The contestants were: Beverly, Douglas and Ronald Avey, Norman Marshall, Scott Carroll, Richard Harrison, Howard and James Alexander, Larry Pitz, Kenneth Wright, Walter Cayley, Howard Nix, Harold Williams, Charles Mabee, Joe McKiernan, Rudy Schultze, Lavern Irving, Wm. Smith, Dick Pick, Alfred Lossing, Joe Wist,

Don Stevenson, Harvey Hammond, David Moore, John McClellan, Red Buchanan, Harold Stover, Ralph Pick, Bill Bushfield, James Butler, Gary Dykstra, Norman Lemon, Fred McKay, Don Batson, Remi DeCooman, Norman Fidin and Lee Wright.

Winner for the longest beard was Richard Harrison; the bushiest beard, Howard Alexander; the straggiest bead, Wm Bushfield; and the best Van Dyke, Bev. Avey.

Out of several contestants in the slippiest business of the whole program, Jack Miners, of Tillsonburg, caught the greased pig and was the winner of that contest.

The prize for the oldest lady present went to Mrs. L. J. Corbett, 87, of Norwich, and for the oldest man to Ed. Stone, also 87, of Verschoyle. The youngest person on the grounds was Beverly Ann Bates, eight-day-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stone and their family of eight children won a special prize for the largest family present. This prize had been provided for by C. F. Bishop. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hazardstreet, Brussels, Belgium, currently visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andre D'Hondt, R.R. 4, Norwich, won a small silver cup for the visitors coming from the farthest distance. Gerald Brackenbury, at 265, won the prize for the heaviest man on the grounds; Larry McIntyre, Kitchen-er, at 6' 5" topped all others to win the prize for the tallest man.

A nail driving contest attracted 15 ladies and Mrs. Fred Buchanan, R.R. 5, Ingersoll, was the winner. Mrs. Buchanan sunk the four inch spike into the hard wood plank with ten strokes of the hammer.

Ten year old Donnie Clark won the Liar's contest against five contestants. Donnie told the story of four men who went out hunting. The first was blind, the second had no arms, third, no legs, and the fourth had no clothes. The blind man sighted a duck, the armless man picked up a gun and shot it, the legless man ran, picked it up and tossed it to the man who wore no clothes. He caught it and stuffed it into one of his pockets. Donnie told the story with considerable animation. Applause from the crowd determined the winner.

Johnny DeWaele, going against 21 starters, won the one-mile marathon race; the team of Bob Griffin, Brian Jull, John Beecraft and Bill Thompson won the one mile relay race. Marlene and Karen McSpadden won against a large field in the three-legged race. Gordon Day won the sack race and Vincent and Carl Rosehart, the wheelbarrow race.

The husband calling contest was a fun creating feature and in this Mrs. C. H. Hoyt was winner. Pat Cundy was runner-up. Other contestants were Mrs. D. Carroll and Mrs. O. Winegarden.

During the afternoon, at varying times, there were displays by the Stratford Pipe Band, the Majorettes from Hamilton and the Simcoe Bugle Band. The Majorettes, from the Hamilton Tiger Cats, were directed by Ronald Copus, Hamilton, Canadian Champion Baton Twirler. It was a pity that this demonstration could not have been on an elevated platform for it was marvelous. Mr. Copus displayed the skill that won him his championship and it was thrilling to watch. He was assisted by the Champion girl twirler whose name we failed to secure. The Centralia Trumpet Band also performed during the afternoon and their contribution was much enjoyed.

Of all the people taking part in the wonderful parade, perhaps only one, Ross Carroll, was the only one who had taken part in the Centenary parade 50 years ago. Mr. Carroll was outfitted as a negro then and he was this time also. Fifty years ago he won many of the racing features. Since then he has served the municipality in many ways, including several years as reeve.

A tug-of-war was staged between teams captained by Murray and Larry Pitz and Paul Butler. The Butler team, composed of George Joiner, Jim Bickle, Bob Mighton, Bob Hinks, Bill McMillen, Fred Samways, Ronald Brackenbury and Howard Alexander was eliminated on a disqualification. The teams in charge of the Pitz Bros. put up a good show, but the barefoot boys in charge of Murray: Pete Spriel, Reg. Porchak, Roger, Bob, Remi and Morris Vervaecke, Gord. Cayley and Walt Cayley, lost out to the well shod boys under command of Larry. His team mates were: Howard, Donald and Carman Sweazey, Don. Briggs, Gerry Cowan, Jerry Brackenbury, Carl Porchuk and John Bruce.

At about four o'clock in the afternoon the crowd was treated to a wonderful display by two Chipmunk planes from Centralia. These flyers gave the folks at Parkhill an exhibition first and then came on down to thrill the folks gathered here. The arrangements for their coming were handled by Wallace Nesbitt, M. P.

The final item on the Sesqui-Centennial program was a professional stage show at the Fair Grounds on Monday evening. Like every other event it attracted record breaking crowds. The artists were from London and the program seemed to be much enjoyed. A wonderful display of fireworks, much of which could be seen almost from any place in the village, brought to an official close what must surely have been the most wonderful weekend ever known in Norwich.



QUEEN of the Norwich Sesquicentennial, Miss Lynne Wright, receives an affectionate greeting from grandfather, Reeve L. E. Force of Norwich after she was selected from nine contestants in the competition Monday. (Photo by Lowe.) (Sentinel - Review Engraving)



Award winners from the finest beards gather after judging. Left to right behind the foliage are Norwich citizens, Howard Alexander, the bushiest beard; Dick Harrison, the longest; Bev. Avey, the best Van Dyke; Bill Bushfield, the straggliest beard.



A feature of Monday's program was the two-mile long parade of floats, bands and other attractions. In this photo is the second prize winning comic float, "The New Durham and the man in the wagon is Louis Thomas." Beside the mule, Ralph Pitz. The rider is Don Leonard, Woodstock, (Sentinel - Review Engraving)



There is a popular song which says, "You've gotta have heart," and the float shown above, represents a man who's got just that. It shows Lorne (Skimp) Smith, a native of Norwich and a veteran of the American Navy, and his float in the Norwich parade on Monday, August 1st. "Skimp," victim of multiple sclerosis spends his winters in a Sailor Rest Home in New York, h summers in Norwich. His tire electric car is an attraction all and it powered the float.



Clowns Al Munro and Bob Scott on two way bicycle

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Walt Cayley and Team in the Tug-of-War



Don King dons old-time uniform to perform duties

**PLAZA BOWLING LANES
OPEN TO-MORROW NIGHT**

One of the finest bowling lanes in Ontario will open to-morrow night in Norwich. Built and owned by Bucholtz Bros. It has automatic pin setters. A modern lunch counter is available for the patrons. Modern rest rooms are in the building. It is a credit to Norwich and District Bowlers who will be able to enjoy fine bowling this coming season. Bob Bucholtz is the manager of the new establishment. *A.C.C. Norwich*

The softball tournament held in connection with the Sesqui-Centennial Celebration proved a terrific success, giving the ball fans of the district three fine games to enjoy. The afternoon program was halted some by rainfall, but a big job by members of the New Durham-Norwich Combines, in drying off the diamond, allowed the tournament to go on and they are to be commended on a job very well done.

The old prospector Ralph Pitz



Combines were runners-up in the Norwich Sesquicentennial softball tournament Saturday, July 30th. They were defeated in the final game by their long time rivals, Otterville Otters. The Combines are: front row, left to right, Stew Davis, Ross Warboys, Bob Davis, John McLellan, Gordon Bucholtz, David Moore; back row, left to right, Frank Parsons, Fred Lowes, Hart Bucholtz, coach; Ian Moore, manager; Carm Sweazey and Don Wisson.

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Otterville Otters, champions of the softball tournament, feature of the Norwich Sesqui-Centennial celebration Saturday, July 30th. Back row, left to right, Dave Arthur, Ted McElhone, Mike Wist, Murray Malcolm, Ken Mann, Bill McMullen and Keith Arthur; front row, left to right, Archie Furlong and Bob Smith. (Photo by Lowe.) (Sentinel - Review Engraving)

Tillsonburg, Ontario, Thursday, August 18, 1960



OTTERVILLE JUVENILES have a busy play-off schedule ahead. They are in the South Oxford league finals against Norwich as well as competing in the Ontario Rural Softball Association playdowns. Team members shown are, top row, Bill Butler, coach, Doug Clement, Brian Jull, Allan Hagerman, David Arthur, Keith Jull, John Davis, coach; middle, Alex Smith, Larry Jull, Wayne Lee, Alex Douma, John Nolds; bottom, Bryan Taylor, Merlin Howse, Neil Davies, Brent Pennington. Douglas Colver was absent when photo was taken.

Break-Ins at Otterville Two Nights in a Row

Thieves concentrated on Otterville for two nights in succession Monday and Tuesday and made off with about \$550 in cash as well as a large quantity of small merchandise after breaking into seven places of business and attempting to break into two others.

The Tillsonburg detachment of Ontario Provincial Police was summoned after the discovery of one Monday night break-in, but while investigating this, evidence was discovered that two other break-ins had occurred.

Harry Lem's restaurant was entered and \$300 in cash and bonds taken as well as a number of cameras and some other smaller items.

About \$10 in coins, and two cartons of cigarettes were taken from Don Baguley's Supertest Garage.

The booth at the Lions community park was broken into and a small quantity of candy and cigarettes taken.

Returning Tuesday night thieves used an iron bar to force their way through three doors to enter Glen McEwan's Rexall Drug Store and make off with \$150 in cash, a movie camera, wrist watches, electric razors and a number of small items.

Ronald Cullver's tinsmithing and plumbing shop was entered and \$100 taken.

Allan Saville's barber shop, a new business in the village was entered and a small quantity of soft brinks taken.

The office of Tip Top Canners was also entered but nothing of value was taken.

Attempts were also made on the C. L. Finch general store and the Holmes and Taylor hardware.

Provincial Constable Ken Holmes is investigating the incidents, assisted by South Norwich chief constable Arthur Kilpatrick.

Constable Holmes is also investigating a Thursday break in at the Oxford Co-Op Feed Mill at Mount Elgin.

A break-in at the Jack McCready garage in Burgessville Friday resulted in a loss of merchandise valued at \$46.75. Provincial constable E. E. Crane is investigating.

George Wavell is a patient in Westminster Hospital, London. Mr. and Mrs. George McElhone

were recent visitors in London and while there called on Mrs. Margaret Kerwin, who recently observed her 90th birthday. Mrs. Kerwin was glad to have visitors though she has lost her eyesight.

Speak Nuptials At Otterville

OTTERVILLE (C)—Pink and white gladioli decorated St. John's Anglican Church here, when vows were exchanged by Leona Marlene Savill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Savill, Otterville, and Edgar James Lauzon, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Lauzon of 215 Raglan St. Woodstock.

Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, rector of the church, performed the double-ring ceremony.

Mrs. Nate McMullen, organist of the church, played traditional wedding music and accompanied Mr. Jack Riste, who sang a solo, "The Voice that Breathed O'er Eden."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length bridal gown of lace and white satin with a scoop neckline and fitted long sleeves.

A crown studded with sequins held her shoulder-length veil with rosette lace in place and she carried a floral arrangement of red roses and shastas.

Mrs. Leonard Clifford of Otterville, cousin of the groom, was matron of honor, wearing a dress of ballerina-length royal blue chiffon and satin with scoop neckline and three-quarter length sleeves with a wide royal blue satin belt. She carried yellow roses and white shastas.

Cindy Lou Clifford, cousin of the groom, was the winsome flower girl and she wore a pink flowered nylon dress and pink nylon hat with sequins and rhinestones. She carried a basket of rosebuds. Charles Messer of Tillsonburg was ring bearer.

The Parish Hall was the place chosen for the reception where the members of the Guild catered to the 100 guests. The bride's mother received, wearing a plum shade dress with white accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

The groom's mother chose a blue figured silk dress with white accessories and a corsage of white roses.

Waiting on tables were Mrs. Richard Saunders, Mrs. Vera Sage, Mrs. Fred Howse, Misses Donna Lawrence, Gladys Pickersgill, Pat and Lois Durkee, Betty Saunders, Dianne Wavell and Doreen Howse.

For travelling, the bride wore a white sheath dress and red coat with black accessories. On their return they will make their home at 191 Broadway, Tillsonburg. Relatives and friends attending from a distance were from Detroit, Simcoe, Delhi, Tillsonburg, Sarnia, Burgessville, Norwich, Burford and Langton.

YOUNG — In loving memory of Mrs. Catherine Young who passed away 21 years ago Sunday August 27th 1939.

God's finger touched her and she passed away
From earth's deep shadows to a brighter day,
Sweet be her rest and gentle her sleeping,
God's way is best, and she is in His keeping.

Ever loved and remembered by Myrtle, Winnie and family.

Charles J. Daiken

A retired tobacco farmer, Charles J. Daiken, 76, of Burford, passed away Saturday at the home of his son, George Daiken at Otterville.

Survivors are his wife, Cora; two sons, George Daiken of Otterville and Murray Daiken of Windsor; two daughters, Mrs. Gordon (Viola) Turner of Elwood City, Pa., and Mrs. Norman (Bertha) Wilkins of Woodstock; and one brother, John Daiken of Simcoe; nine grandchildren; and three great grandchildren. A son P. O. Alex Daiken lost his life while serving with the R.C.A.F. in Bahamas in 1942.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service was conducted on Wednesday at 2 p.m. Interment in Otterville Cemetery.

MRS. EMMA R. MOORE

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Mrs. Emma R. Moore, who passed away at the home of her daughter Mrs. J. McDougall, R.R. 2, Scotland, was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home here Thursday afternoon and was largely attended by relatives and friends.

Rev. Matthew Taylor, minister of United Church, St. Catharines, conducted the service. Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and played favourite hymns before and after the service.

Flowers were numerous and beautiful and among them were tributes from Bookton Presbyterian Church, Kelvin Woman's Association, Kelvin Neighbours, Bookton Neighbours, and Parker's Dye Works and Cleaners Ltd.

Pallbearers were Albert Lawrence, Fred Welch, Orton Keyes, Clarke Marlatt, Bert Arthur and Charlie Crane.

Interment in the family plot in Bookton Cemetery.

OTTERVILLE (C)—Miss Nina McFarlane, who has resigned her position as stenographer in the office of the H. B. Whipple Co., Ltd., real estate in Hamilton, has returned here where she will make her home with her sister, Miss Ida McFarlane. Prior to her leaving, Miss McFarlane was presented with a lovely leather handbag and several pieces of silver dollars. The presentation was made by six of the employees of the insurance inspectors and adjusters.

YOUNG—In Tillsonburg, on Friday, August 19, 1960, Jessie Viola Young, wife of the late Harry E. Young, in her 60th year.

Rested at the H. A. Ostrander & Son Funeral Home, where service was conducted Monday at 2 p.m.

MRS. HARRY E. YOUNG

A resident here for the past 27 years, Mrs. Jessie Viola Young of 89 North Broadway, Tillsonburg, passed away Friday at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, in her 60th year.

The deceased was the daughter of the late George Wigglesworth and Mary Mitchell. She was a former clerk at Simpson's. Her husband, Harry E. Young, predeceased her.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. William (Thelma) Barnard of Tillsonburg; two sisters, Mrs. J. Hyde of Saskatchewan and Mrs. Charles Sim of Detroit, Mich.; two brothers, Harold Wigglesworth of Tampa, Fla., and George Merrifield of Biggar, Sask.; and two grandsons, Douglas Barnard and Donald Barnard.

Rested at the H. A. Ostrander and Son Funeral Home where service was conducted Monday at 2 p.m., by Rev. L. K. Chubb of First Baptist Church.

Pallbearers were Clarence Ronson, Truman Kennedy, Gordon Crossett, Murray Ford, Cecil Sherman and Allan Wilford.

Interment in Tillsonburg Cemetery.

Cards of Thanks

May we extend our heartfelt thanks to Dr. Leatherdale, the nurses and nurses-aids of the second floor of Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital for their kind understanding and patient care of our mother in her long, difficult illness. Also to the H. A. Ostrander and Son Funeral Home, staff, pallbearers neighbors and friends who called, sent flowers, cards, and baking, your sympathy and help will long be remembered. — The Family of the late Mrs. Jessie Young.

A. R. KENNEDY 1960

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral services for the late Almanzor R. Kennedy, who died in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital August 22, was held on Wednesday, August 24, from the Addison Funeral Home and was very largely attended.

The Rev. D.B. Cram minister of the Bookton Presbyterian Church, conducted the service. Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and accompanied Mrs. William Cowie, who sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere."

Omar Hagerman, Lloyd Lee, Oliver Clifford, Fred Welch, Archie Moore and Fred Smith were bearers for the numerous beautiful floral tributes, which conveyed messages of sympathy from the Bookton Presbyterian Church, neighbours, employees at the Kennedy Farm, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society as well as to the Gideon Bible Society.

The casket bearers were Orton Keyes, Glenford Hagerman, Ted McElhone, Oliver Hill, Fred Moore and Gordon Lee.

Interment was in the Bookton Cemetery.

LET CONTRACT FOR OTTERVILLE DIAL EXCHANGE

SEPT Trave to Kentucky



Mr. and Mrs. K. O. Hill
(Photo by Harold B. Stewart)

SIMCOE — Mary Elaine Keleher, Simcoe, became the bride of Kenneth Oliver Hill in a ceremony in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, here. Rev. Fr. S. J. McDonald officiated. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Keleher, Hamilton, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Hill, Norwich. The bride wore a floor-length gown of chantilly lace over satin. The fitted bodice was styled with a V-neckline accented with a pleated tulle ruffle. A Juliet cap held her elbow-length veil and she carried a cascade of red roses and white carnations.

Mrs. A. J. O'Brien, Toronto, was matron of honor. She wore a floor-length gown of deep yellow and carried a cascade of bronze 'mums.

A. J. O'Brien, Toronto, was groomsman and ushers were Lawrence Keleher and Murray Hill.

For a wedding trip to Kentucky the bride donned a suit of gray flannel with gold and black accessories and a mauve orchid corsage. The couple will reside in Simcoe.

Harvest Services At St. John's Church

OTTERVILLE (C) — Harvest Thanksgiving services were held in St. John's Anglican Church, Sunday. Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, rector, in charge of the morning and evening services.

Miss Catherine McMullen and Jack Riste sang a duet at both services, accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Nate McMullen.

The church was decorated with flowers, fruits and vegetables, by Jack Riste.

MRS. CLARENCE MORRIS
Mrs. Eliza Morris of Port Burwell passed away today (Tuesday) at St. Thomas, in her 74th year.

Surviving are her husband, Clarence Morris of Port Burwell; one son, Robert Morris of Tillsonburg; three sisters, Mrs. Earl (Alma) Bartlett of Tillsonburg, Mrs. Offie (Gertrude) Davis of Eden, and Mrs. Wilton (May) Vannatter of Frogmore; and one brother, Ward King of Otterville.

Resting at the H. A. Ostrander and Son Funeral Home.

Change in Summer To Number System

OTTERVILLE — The new dial telephone building here will be constructed by the McKinney Lumber Co. Ltd. of Woodstock, J. S. Rolfe, Bell Telephone manager for this region, announced this week.

The one-storey building will be built on the north side of Mill St., just west of Oxford St. It will measure 43 feet by 26 feet and have a concrete block foundation and the floor will be of pre-cast concrete slabs. The electrically-heated structure will have brick veneer walls and a pitched roof with asphalt shingles.

Switch In 1961

Construction of the Bell building is an important part of the program started earlier this year to bring dial telephone service to Otterville in the summer of 1961.

While the building is being erected, Bell craftsmen will be at work preparing the wire and cable network in the exchange area for dial service. This will involve re-arranging present facilities as well as some new construction.

Coincident with the change to dial service, all Bell subscribers here will receive new telephone numbers. These will be made up of seven figures. All-figure numbers are being introduced gradually throughout North America under the All Number Calling Plan. This plan is designed to provide enough new numbers to meet telephone growth in Canada and the United States until the year 2,000.

Violet Rebekah Slate Installed

OTTERVILLE (C) — Officers of Violet Rebekah Lodge were installed, with Mrs. Max Avey succeeding Mrs. Oliver Hill.

Installation ceremonies were in charge of the District Deputy Miss Sylvia Rohrer and her staff of Aylmer. Other officers of the Lodge for 1960-61 are: V.G., Mrs. Ross Addlington; Chaplain, Mrs. Irvin Gehring; Sec-Treas, Mrs. B. Strudwick; financial secretary, Mrs. Nate McMullen; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Mannell; musician, Mrs. William Butler; conductor, Mrs. Fred Pearce; warden, Mrs. Fred Howse; color bearer, Mrs. James Squance; inside guardian, Miss Donna Lawrence; O.G., Mrs. H. Pickersgill; R.S.N.G, Mrs. Fred Walther; L.S.N.G., Mrs. Lorne Treffry; R.S.V.G., Mrs. Clayton Arthur; L.S.V.G., Mrs. Fred Thompson.

Mrs. Mabel Mabee of Tillsonburg, past president of the Rebekah Assembly, and other guests were present from Aylmer, Delhi, Norwich and Tillsonburg.

A delicious lunch was served by the social committee and a social time enjoyed.

Couple Flees Fire In Home

OTTERVILLE—An Otterville couple was forced to leap from a verandah roof after fire broke out on the first floor of their home here early Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Avey jumped to the ground after clambering out a second-storey window. They were treated by a doctor for shock but suffered no other injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. Avey were awakened about 2.15 a.m. by the smell of smoke. They tried to go downstairs but were forced back by the smoke. Mr. Avey then smashed a hole in a window and both climbed out on the verandah.

The blaze started in a built-in cupboard in the kitchen and spread through the kitchen, causing damage estimated at \$4,000 before it was brought under control by South Norwich volunteer firemen and neighbors and friends. Firemen said defective wiring was the probable cause.

Damage to the front part of the house was not extensive. The house is about two doors west of the Otterville central school.

Mr. and Mrs. Avey were given shelter at the home of a son, Howard, in Otterville.

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MARRIED in a pretty ceremony at St. Pauls United Church, Tillsonburg, on Saturday, October 1, 1960, at 3 p.m., were Mr. and Mrs. John Leitch. The bride is the former Donna Ferguson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Ferguson, of 184 Rolph St., Tillsonburg. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan J. Leitch of Otterville. Rev. O. Glen Taylor officiated. The couple are making their home here.

John Charles Leitch Wed To Donna Marie Ferguson

Marriage vows were exchanged in a pretty ceremony at St. Pauls United Church, Tillsonburg, on Saturday, October 1, 1960, at 3 p.m., by Donna Marie Ferguson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Ferguson, of 184 Rolph St., Tillsonburg, and John Charles Thomas Keitch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan J. Leitch of Otterville.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was lovely in a white gown of faille taffeta, fashioned with a fitted bodice and regal neckline. The full skirt, delicately traced with Swiss guypere lace, formed into a peacock chapel train at the back. She wore a coronet head-dress trimmed with rhinestone that held her circular veil of silk illusion in place, and carried a bouquet of white and pink roses with garlands of ivy.

Maid of honor was the sister of the bride, Miss Dianne Ferguson. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Robert Speck of Newmarket, sister of the groom, and Miss Donna Jean Alexander of London, friend of the bride.

Bridal attendants wore starfire shade velvet street-length dresses, styled with scoop necklines and bracelet sleeves. Pumps to match, rosette floral headdresses of velvet, and bouquets of yellow shasta

daisies and Orange Delight roses completed their ensembles.

Best man was Daniel Van Parys of Delhi, friend of the groom. Fred Parson of Tillsonburg, friend of the bride, and Scott Leitch of Otterville, brother of the groom, ushered.

Reception for 100 guests was held at Mil-Mar Manor. The bride's table was offset with an arrangement of white and yellow roses flanked by candelabra with pink tapers.

The bride's mother wore an emerald green street-length dress of peau de soie, styled with a bouffant skirt and bracelet sleeves. She wore mocha brown accessories and a corsage of Sweetheart roses. The groom's mother wore a royal blue street-length dress of lace, pink accessories, and a corsage of pink roses.

For travelling, the bride changed into a brown suit, worn with matching accessories and a corsage of Orange Delight roses.

The couple left on a wedding trip to points in Northern Ontario, and will reside here.

Guests were present from Otterville, Galt, Toronto, Kitchener, Detroit, Mich., Listowel, Norwich, Niagara Falls and Woodstock.

Father of Six Injured Fatally In Grain Mixer



GORDON MITCHELL

--- mangled in hopper

NORWICH — A father of six children died in Woodstock General Hospital, Saturday, three hours after he was mangled by a whirring out-sized auger in a hopper at the Norwich District Co-Operative mill here.

Gordon Mitchell, 32, of Norwich, climbed into the hopper after its load of more than a ton of mixed grains and concentrates apparently became plugged.

Fuse Blown

Workmen said a fuse was blown and the machinery stopped when Mr. Mitchell, in spite of a company edict that no one should enter hoppers for any reason, hoisted himself into the machine.

Another employee, noticing the machine had ground to a halt, and unaware that Mitchell was inside, put the fuse back in and threw the switch to start the hopper, according to workmen.

A large auger-type machine used to mix the grain and concentrate apparently mauled the man severely before fellow employees shouted and the switch was flipped off seconds later.

Trio Extricate Victim

Three fellow employees, Stan Pite, Roy Bothwell, and Tom Williams, all of Norwich hauled the critically injured Mitchell from the machine. He was treated at the mill by Dr. Russell Hall and Dr. W. C. Carnaghan, before being taken to hospital.

Mr. Mitchell, born in South Norwich Township, is survived by his wife, the former Dorothy Casler; six daughters ranging in age from four weeks to eight years, Diane, Cathy, Joanne, Susan, Carolyn, and Brenda; parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mitchell Norwich; sisters, Mrs. Douglas Morris, and Mrs. Maurice Eecloo, both of Delhi; Mrs. Maurice DeVoght, Otterville; brothers, Stanley and Robert, Norwich; John, Guelph.

Service will be held tomorrow at 2 p.m. at the Arn and Son funeral home, Norwich. Burial will be in Otterville Cemetery.



Miss Kathryn Simmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simmons of 26 Sanders St., Tillsonburg, who received her A.R.T.C. solo performers' certificate, November 16, at the 1960 graduation exercises at Convocation Hall, University of Toronto. She is continuing further study at Alma College, St. Thomas.

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OCTOBER LETTER

Church Services October.

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9th October (17th after Trinity)

Holy Trinity Norwich 10.00am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville 11.30am Morning Prayer
St. Charles Dereham 2.00pm Evening Prayer

16th October (18th after Trinity)

Holy Trinity Norwich 10.00am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville 11.30am Morning Prayer
St. Charles Dereham 2.00pm Evening Prayer
(Holy Comm.)

23rd October (19th after Trinity)

Holy Trinity Norwich 10.00am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville 11.30am Holy Communion
St. Charles Dereham 2.00pm Evening Prayer

30th October (20th after Trinity)

Holy Trinity Norwich 10.00am Holy Communion
St. Johns Otterville 11.30am Morning Prayer
St. Charles Dereham 2.00pm Evening Prayer

6th November (21st after Trinity)

Holy Trinity Norwich 10.00am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville 11.30am Morning Prayer
St. Charles Dereham 2.00pm Evening Prayer

Rector's Letter

"Forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus". Phil. 3., vv 13-14.

It is an extremely important and thrilling part of our faith that it does not consist merely of dusty intellectual theology, that it is not merely a system of out-of-date laws which are powerless to do anything for us,

and that it is not something just to be looked at and talked about, but that it is a life to be lived, constantly vibrant and moving forward. It is a life with a spiritual awareness of the Creator, and this spiritual awareness is not confined to one select group of people. To confine it is to place the Holy Spirit within limits and this we are not able to do, for God's sphere of influence like everything else about God is limitless.

Our Lord Jesus Christ was always telling people to go and do things and this is what we want for ourselves. If we stop doing things we may as well sit back and die, and we in our three churches are determined not to do that.

Our church at Norwich has several very important projects in mind and to achieve them we need "in the worst way" the assistance of all you who claim yourselves to be Anglicans. I, your rector, would like to see you in church more often. Shelve your criticisms, your prejudices, and your work, for just one hour per week and spend that hour consciously in the presence of your Creator. Your Board of Management is sponsoring a Fall and a Spring Visitation and have placed Mr. Jack Cundy in charge of it. When he approached you for assistance, please be willing to lend a hand, and when the visitors approach your homes please remember that their chief desire is to serve their Lord and Saviour, and - if you consider yourself a member of our church - when that person knocks on your door he does not represent the Board of Management or myself but he represents our Lord Jesus Christ and you.

MY HOME TOWN

Written by
MISS CATHERINE McMULLEN

Grandpa: Ann aren't you ready yet? Its such a beautiful day for a picnic -- lets get going.

Ann: Yes Grandpa, I'm ready ~~and~~ the lunch is all packed ~~in the car.~~
Come on lets go. John is waiting in the car ~~for us.~~

(CAR DOORS SHUT & MOTOR STARTS)

Grandpa: I'm so glad we decided to go to the park in Otterville to-day
I wish we could go more often -- its so beautiful there.

JOHN: Now Grandpa don't get sentimental just because we are going
back to your home town.

Grandpa: John you'll never know what good times we used to have in the
good old days there. Why do you know that Otterville is over
150 years old. When the first settlers came and settled on
the banks of the Otter in 1807 it was just a forest of white
pine. Wolves used to be at the settlers' back door but it
has been said that you usually saw the man downtown the next
day in a new fur coat. -

Ann: *all laugh* Now Grandpa take it easy. By the way, how did Otterville come to
get its name, Grandpa?

Grandpa: Well Ann, there are two creeks that flow into the village
one is called Sweets Creek and the other is the Otter Creek
which got its name from the Otters as there were so ~~many~~ ^{many} of
them that the clay banks of the river were smooth from the
Otters sliding down into the water. Then the settlers named
the village Otter Village and finally it became Otterville.

John: How did the people make their living, Grandpa, when the first
settlers came there.

Grandpa: The first settlers, Earl and Avery were their names, were
given a grant of land by the government and they built a saw

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and grist mill. Well land was selling at \$1.25 per acre and it wasn't long before the settlers were taking up the homesteads fast. Do you know that between 1850 and 1870 there were 12 steam and 14 water mills manufacturing lumber right in the village. Slow down, John, we are coming to the four corners. Many's the time I've walked this road to get to school or carry groceries from town.

John: Now Grandpa you know you never minded the long walks in your younger days.

Ann: Why there's a railroad station. I didn't know they had train service in Otterville.

Grandpa: They don't have passenger service now, Ann, but they did years ago. They had a terrible time getting this railroad built. In fact the first railroad was nearly finished ~~in~~ ~~(~~ ~~the~~ ~~area~~ ~~)~~ when there was a disastrous accident so the enterprise fell through and the two big bridges that were built had to be torn down. Do you know that they cut up the wood from the bridges and made matches out of it. Yes John, they even had a match factory in Otterville. It was called Warner's Match Factory. Years later through the efforts of E. Bull^{oc}ock the present railroad was built. I can remember when the kids had to get up at five in the morning to catch the train to Woodstock to go to Business College.

JOHN: Gee you would never see kids getting up that early in the morning to go to school now.

Ann: ^{On you either} There is a canning factory over there, John. See it.

Grandpa: Yes Ann, the factory there is the Tip Top Cannery and it is still ^roperation. There were many industries in Otterville at one time. There were several woolen mills, grainware houses, potash works, blacksmith shops, Furlong's carriage shops,

even to a casket factory. The Bullock Brothers from Chicago and Mr. Kay started the Otter Sweeper Company and made the first carpet sweepers in Canada in 1879.

Ann: Do you mean the first carpet sweeper was made in Otterville?

Grandpa: Yes I do Ann. Somehow or other the name was changed to Otterville Manufacturing Company and they made piano stools, lamps and all kinds of furniture. Why they even exported their goods to Great Britain, Australia and many other places. ----- Look to your left, there's the old shoe factory. They used to make shoes here in Otterville. See I always told you Otterville was a booming community.

JOHN: Would you like to drive through the village before we go to the park, Grandpa?

Grandpa: Yes John I would really enjoy that. That street there is what they call the Coal Road. I guess it used to be pretty dusty on a hot July afternoon if you were goin to Delhi in the buggy, as the base of the road was made by burning logs and the ashes put on the road. Look back there Ann -- there's the Community Hall. Many a good dance we've had in there. The hall was built in 1864 and the drop curtain used then was a picture of the Main Street painted by Tom Dearle. They had a dramatic Club in Otterville at one time.

Ann: Why there are quite a few stores here and they are so modern.

Grandpa: Yes the village has really changed since its incorporation as a Police Village in 1893. It seems they had a pretty disastrous fire around 1880 and the south side of the Main Street was completely destroyed. There's Wardell's store and Homes and Taylor Hardware - over here is Finch's

and Furlong's Bake Shop. There's the old Post Office - well it was a bank before that but they built a new Post Office in 1959 on the old bowling green.

Ann: There's a Drug Store, John.

Grandpa: Yes the first Drug Store was up by the Royal Bank. There is a new man in there now by the name of McEwen. I should like to visit him someday. You know I used to go in there a lot when the late Dr. H. G. Downing had his practice. Dr. Downing and I used to talk over the good old times we had. He practiced medicin here for over 50 years. Just imagine goin out on a call on a cold dreary night in the winter in the horse and buggy or else in the spring of the year when the buggy would get stuck in mud up to the axles. Dr. Downing used to paint a lot of pictures of Otterville. How he found time I'll never know. His son Dr. Murray Downing took over the practice a few years ago. Otterville has two doctors now Dr. Downing and Dr. H. H. Batson who lives back up the street there. The people of Otterville are pretty well looked after.

John: There's a new furniture store.

Grandpa: Yes that's Wilfred Addison's Furniture store, but it used to be a hotel. At one time there were three hotels in the village but this one was called the Revere House. The late Wilson Young and his wife Catherine bought the Revere House in 1900. Many is the time I used to play cards with Mr. Young. His daughter, Myrtle took the hotel over but like everything else the hotel changed hands many time until now its a store.

See that big white house there -- that's the old Wyatt home. John Wyatt's daughter, Edna Davis still lives there. My Wyatt always kept the shrubbs cleared away from the river banks when he was alive.

Ann: Look John, there's ~~that~~ waterfall over the damn that Grandpa is always telling us about. Look at the trees with their reflection in the water. *That would make a lovely picture* Why ~~that's a picture no artist could paint.~~

Grandpa: Yes its beautiful Ann. Now you can see why I am always talking of the beauty of the Otter River. The bridge and dam were washed out in 1937 and they built this one. Did a pretty good job too. That road to the north leads passed the cemetery. There were 5 cemeteries in Otterville. The Erb town cemetery which we will see later, the colored folks cemetery, the Quaker or Pine Street cemetery ~~and~~ the Otter Cemetery and the Anglican Cemetery. The Anglican Church used to be up that road, but in 1915 Mr. H. E. Bullock of Chicago had the present Anglican Church and Rectory built as a memorial to his parents. Right now there are three churches in Otterville - the Baptist, United which we passed coming in and the Anglican.

Ann: Goodness I wouldn't want to walk up this hill very often.

Grandpa: Oh you wouldn't mind ~~it~~ it Ann. I had to in my younger days and the kids are still doing it. Up farther is the site of the old school house that I attended, but it is no longer there now. In 1927 a Public and Continuation School was built on farther west. The population is growing so they have built more on and the kids go to High School in Norwich now. We used to walk but most of the children ride in busses now-a-day. I don't know what will become of this generation.

John: Do you want to go farther Grandpa, or will we go back to the park now?

Grandpa: Just ~~as~~ you like John, but on west is the old site of Erb town. There used to be saw and woolen mills up there. The cemetery is still there. That ~~was~~ quite a community in the old days. Oh yes I must tell you about the fairs we used to have up there. It was the greatest fair for miles around. Everyone looked forward to the first Friday and Saturday in October when the Otterville Horticultural Society held its fair. Such crowds you never saw the likes. There were all kinds of exhibits. They even had a band led by the late Alex McFarlane and Mel Durkee. (MUSIC IN BACKGROUND) I can still hear the band playing music all over the grounds. Some people played the organs that were exhibited in the palace. But just as I say times have changed and the fair just dwindled out.

Ann: Grandpa don't you think its time we want to the park now?

Grandpa: Yes dear it is. You and John have been very patient with all my reminising, but you know, seeing the village again brings back so many enjoyable memories of my younger days.

John: Yes I know it does Grandpa and we like to hear you tell about them

Ann: Look at all the new homes here. My aren't they beautiful.

Grandpa: Yes Ann those are all new houses ~~since~~ built since I left Otterville. Be careful going down the hill John, go slow as I want you to see the grist mill... See it over there. That grist mill was built in 1845 by E. Bullock and it is still operating. Lorne Treffry and his son Murray own it now. You watch for ~~the~~ Homes and Taylor Hardware store up here. There's a house just this side of the store and that's where Mr. & Mrs Murray Homes live. Mrs. Holmes is the lady I told you had severl

books of clippings and pictures on the history of the community. My how I would like to visit her someday and see all the old pictures of the town. I'll bet she has a picture of my class when I attended school.

John: Where should I park the car Grandpa?

Grandpa: There's a parking lot right behind the town hall, John. That's one of the good features about the park. You don't have to worry about the children being hit by cars as you can't drive over the bridge.

Ann: Well here we are at last.

(MOTOR SHUTS OFF)

John: You and Grandpa go ahead I'll bring the lunch basket and catch up to you in a minute.

(CAR DOOR SLAMS)

Grandpa: See the stone gates at the entrance, Ann, and there's the cenotaph the community erected in memory of the boys who served in World War One. The people of the community held the unveiling ceremonies in 1932. The cenotaph was built by Alfred E. Moore. He is one of the fine elderly gentlemen still residing in Ottervill. He did a lot of masonwork around the community - no finer work can be found.

Ann: Aren't the flowers beautiful by the cenotaph. Someone has taken good care of them.

Grandpa: Yes they are Ann, and do you know that right there used to stand the jail house. The people were pretty good so the jail house didn't last long. I guess it was torn down years ago.

Ann: My the people living in the houses right beside the entrance must have beautiful scenery from any of their windows.

Grandpa: Yes that one over there is where Bill McMullen , Jr. lives and over here is Don Broads home.

Ann: *Let me take your*
~~Take my~~ arm Grandpa while we cross the bridge.

(FOOTSTEPS ON BRIDGE & MOTOR BOATS IN DISTANCE)

Ann: Look Grandpa, they have motor boats on the river. There's one just going around the bend up there ~~too~~.

Grandpa: Yes Ann when I was young we used to row up and down the rivers in a canoe. There were a lot of canoes then. Oh what good times we had.

(NO MORE FOOTSTEPS)

John: (OUT OF BREATH) I finally caught up to you. My its so cool and lovely over here in the park. Look Ann, there's a cannon.

Grandpa: Now that cannon was cast in 1807 and presented to the village commemorating its founding. The Federal Government gave it to the village.

Ann: My the park is kept so clean and neat. Look at all the picnic tables This is a perfect spot for a picnic. *(Sound) Children playing.*

Grandpa: Yes Ann the park is beautiful and thanks to the foresight of Robert ~~Smiley~~ Paxton and Sam Smiley who had the foresight in 1870 to preserve this beauty spot for the people of the community. They applied for a Charter and started a company selling ~~xxxx~~ 1,000 shares at One Dollar each so they could clear the land and build the bridge. In later years a park board was formed with J. R. Johnson as the first president.

Ann: There's the swimming pool over there. Look at the little tots in the wading pool beside the large pool.

Children in background

Grandpa: Yes Ann, in 1947 the people of the village commenced work on the swimming pool and on July 1st, 1949 the pool was officially opened. On the pool house you can see a plaque in memory of those who served in World War 2. The local Lions Club looks after the park maintenance now and a fine job they do.

John: Didn't I read in the papers where they had a big celebration here awhile ago, Grandpa?

Grandpa: Why John how could you forget. That was a 3 day celebration in 1957 commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the village and the 100th Anniversary of the Township of South Norwich. Otterville celebrated its 100th Anniversary too, but they sure outdid themselves on their 150th. The homes were all decorated, they had a parade of floats, a beauty contest, fireworks administered by the Volunteer Fire Department, a street dance, and on the Sunday there was a Church service held right here in the park. People came from ~~nearby~~ far and wide to visit with their old school mates and catch up on the times.

Ann: I'll bet you were in your glory then Grandpa?

Grandpa: Yes I was Ann, I was over here all three days. I wouldn't have missed it for the world. Over there is the ball diamond where many a good ball game is played. The last few years Otterville has had a very active ball club.

Ann: Lets go over to that picnic table and have lunch now.

John: Good idea Ann.

Grandpa: There are so many new faces over here now that it just shows I must be getting old but I do see some of my old friends over there.

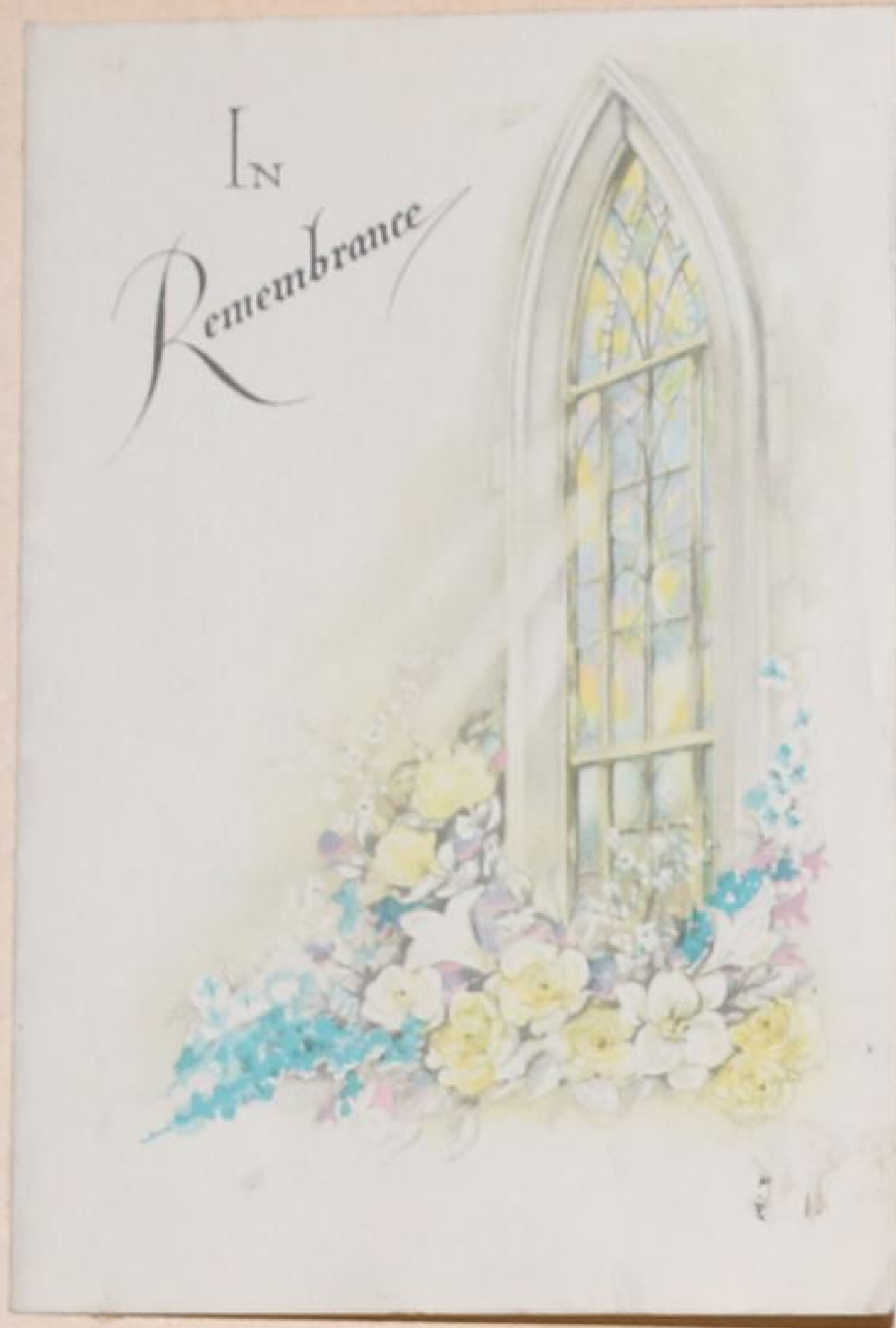
I'll meander over ~~whils~~ after we have eaten. I don't see J. Wesley Fish there. Now that's one person I want to call on before we go home. He is over 98 years old now and he used to print one of the five papers that Otterville published in its earlier days. Fine gentlemen he is.

John: Otterville sure can boast of its historical events can't it Grandpa? But you know one thing that you won't find anywhere else and that is a park as beautiful as this one.

Grandpa: Yes John and there was a poem written about this park. Now lets see how did that go....

Ho! Otterville takes off its cap,
Broadcast the news, its on the map.
Come one, come ~~all~~, from far and near
And you will find it pleasant here.
To those on quiet pleasure bent
Mid sulvan glades and leafy bower.
To hear content some quiet hours.
While children swing and romp and lark
Amid the pines in Otter Park.
The nymphs in true artistic Greek
Resort themselves in Otter Creek
And when the evening shades prevail
The Moon takes up the wonderous tale
Of lovers lut and happy chance
To trip the light fantastic dance.
Across the creek, along the shore
In numbers ever more and more
The pleasure cars are parked along
With laughter, honks and joyous song
The welking rings both loud and strong.
So if you want your pleasures fill
Just board your car for Otterville.

Authentic facts centering around Otterville and district will highlight the play, "My Home Town," written by Miss Catherine McMullen for "Little Theatre of the Air," to be heard Sunday at 3:05 on Radio Station CKOT. Characters include Grampa (Frank Rubie); Ann (Mrs. Sylvia Milninc); and John (Bill Popham, Jr.) Director is Mrs. F. A. Bartram, and production manager, Ken Orton.



The Eternal Goodness
I know not what the future hath
Of marvel or surprise;
Assured alone that life and death
His mercy underlies.

And if my heart and flesh are weak
To bear an untried pain,
The bruised reed He will not break,
But strengthen and sustain.

And so, beside the silent sea,
I wait the muffled oar;
No harm from Him can come to me
On ocean or on shore.

I know not where His islands lift
Their fronded palms in air;
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond His love and care

JOHN G. WHITTIER

In Memoriam

—
Died at Tillsonburg
on Saturday, February 27th, 1960

Mrs. Alfretta Harford

Widow of Wm. J. Harford
of Otterville

In her 90th year

Friends will be received at the Addison
Funeral Home, Otterville, where the Funeral
Service will be held on

Tuesday March 1st

at 2.00 p. m.

Interment in the Otter Cemetery
Otterville, Ontario

Rev. Sidney Wilkinson
Rector in charge

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In Memoriam

Died at Tillsonburg Memorial Hospital
On Tuesday, March 1st, 1960

Mr. Arthur Wood

of Otterville

in his 77th year

Friends will be received at the Addison
Funeral Home, Otterville, where the Funeral
Service will be held on

Friday March 4th.

at 2.00 p. m.

Interment in the Otter Cemetery
Otterville, Ontario

Rev. Sydney Wilkinson
Rector in charge

Southern Counties Baseball Champs of 1905

1960



Players, coaches and mascots of Otterville baseball club posed proudly for this photograph in October, 1905, after capturing the Southern Counties Baseball League championship. They won the title by defeating Tillsonburg 1-0 in a game played at Otterville Park on Labor Day, 1905. Left to right (back row) — Watt Miller, Mel Durkee, Dr. H. G.

Downing, Henry Dennis, Matt Furlong; (second row) — Murray Holmes, Fred Hillier, Charlie Harford, Wilson Young, Andy Attridge, Homer Smiley, Ernie Marlatt; (third row) — Elson Johnson, Ed Batchelor, Sam Cole, Alex Holmes; (front row) — Jack Furlong, Al Wainer. *OCT '60 FREE PRESS*

Otterville Ball Champs Feted at Annual Dinner

OCT 28

OTTERVILLE (C) — Ontario Rural Softball Association Intermediate "A" champions, Otterville Otters staged their annual banquet in the Delhi German Hall Friday, with over 300 present.

William Butler was master of ceremonies. Following a delicious banquet, Mr. Butler welcomed the large number in attendance, which included players from Norwich and Nanticoke.

Congratulating the ball team in their fourth O.R.S.A. intermediate championship were Reeve George H. Davis, who represented the township of South Norwich; Arthur Picknell, village trustee; Dr. G. M. Downing, who reminisced on the history of the Otterville juvenile team; and sports announcer George D'Ambrose.

The speaker was Alex Kelman, sports caster for CFPL-TV, who congratulated the team on their success and on the fine sportsmanship.

The speaker said "It is the first time I have ever attended a banquet where the winners and losers were all in the same company."

Mr. Kelman made the presentation of the trophies to Bill McMullen for the team finishing first in South Oxford Softball League; to Keith Arthur for the South Oxford Championship, and Bob Smith received the Hepburn O.R.S.A. Intermediate "A" silverware.

Coach Tom Furlong added appreciation to all who had helped through the season and appreciation was expressed to C. L. Finch and Son who had given the team wonderful support through the past years. Score keeper and press reporter H. A. Waring, who was a silent member of the club on the bench with pencil and scorebook, was given a round of applause.

Tickets were sold throughout the evening on silverware and the winner was Bob Lindsey of Nanticoke.

Golden Anniversary



Nov 25 1960 Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Childs
(Photo by Mrs. H. A. Waring)

OTTERVILLE—Life-long residents of this district, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Childs celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at home. The couple exchange vows in London in 1910.

Following their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Childs lived on the 10th Concession and 35 years ago purchased a home west of the village. Recently they moved into a home which they built in the village.

A day laborer, Mr. Childs still works as a carpenter for a lumber company in Otterville. Mrs. Childs is a member of St. John's Anglican Guild. Needlework is

her favorite pastime and she has done much work both for her family and the church. She is also a member of Violet Rebekah Lodge.

The couple has four daughters and three sons: Mrs. Ross (Madalene) McKay, Royal Oak, Mich.; Mrs. Elroy (Marion) Bender, Woodstock; Mrs. Alvin (Leona) Rachar, Springford; Mrs. Max (Francis) Prouse, Tillsonburg; Holly and Jack, of Otterville, and George, of Virginia. Two other sons, Kenneth and Paul, were killed during the war. Mrs. Childs has one brother, Levi Haines living in London.

Install Officers, Present Pins At Norwich Chapter, OES, Meeting

NORWICH — Miss Lillian Oatman of Springford and William Waring of Norwich were installed as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of the Norwich Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. They succeed Mrs. Alzina Mann and Kenneth Mann, both of Otterville.

Installation ceremony was in charge of Mrs. Earl Petch, Otterville, Past Grand Adah and Lloyd Peat, Newark. Mrs. Petch and Mr. Peat were presiding officers of the Norwich chapter when Miss Oatman became a member.

Other officers are: Associate Matron, Mrs. Dorothy Durkee, Otterville; Associate Patron, Albert Lawrence, Tillsonburg; secretary, Mrs. Mary Learn, Norwich; conductress, Mrs. Fred

Evoy; associate conductress, Mrs. Lloyd Wettlaufer, Burgessville; chaplain, Mrs. Grant Smith; marshal, Mrs. Carl Howse; organist, Mrs. W. A. Stubbs; Ada, Mrs. W. Mann, Ruth, Mrs. Fred Church; Martha, Mrs. William Waring; Esther, Mrs. Jack Riste; Electa, Mrs. W. A. Brown; warder, Mrs. C. Fleming; sentinel, Sam Croker.

Mr. Mann received his past patron's jewel from Albert Lawrence and a 25-year membership pin was presented to George Lowe, past Patron.

Lees—At the Hamilton General Hospital on Wednesday, November 16th, 1960, Beatrice May Lees, of 84 Ontario St., Hamilton. Daughter of the late John and Ella Lees; sister of John of Saskatchewan; Arthur of British Columbia; Mrs. Ross Poole, (Florence), Mrs. Harold Boyce (Ella), Norwich and Mrs. Laura Ault, Vancouver.

Resting at the J. P. Marlatt Funeral Home, Hamilton. Service will be held in the Memorial Chapel, Hamilton on Friday, November 18th at 1.00 p.m. Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville. *4-9 years*

Death of *49 years* Beatrice May Lees

Miss Beatrice May Lees, a native of Cornell, but who grew up in Norwich, died Wednesday in the Hamilton General Hospital in her 50th year. Miss Lees had been in poor health since suffering a stroke a few years ago. She was the daughter of the late William John and Ella May Lees and received her education in Norwich. When quite young she went to Otterville to be the nurse-companion to an aunt, Mrs. Gordon Forman and she was there for the next 25 years. After one year spent in the West she returned to Hamilton and had been there for the past five years.

In Norwich she was a member in Knox Presbyterian church and an active worker in the Sunday School and Young Peoples groups. In Otterville she was a leader and teacher in the Sunday School, a leader in Mission Band work and also active in the Women's Association and Women's Missionary Society.

She is survived by two brothers, John Lees, Herschal, Saskatchewan; Arthur Lees, Prince Rupert, B. C.; three sisters, Mrs. Ross Poole and Mrs. Harold Boyce, Norwich; Mrs. Laura Ault, Vancouver; an aunt, Miss Martha Lees, Masson Nursing Home, Woodstock; two uncles, Wesley Lees, Norwich and Elmer Young, Flint, Michigan.

The body is resting at the Marlatt Funeral Home, 615 Main Street in Hamilton, and the funeral service will be there at 1.00 o'clock on Friday afternoon, November 18. The interment will be made in the Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

BEATRICE LEES

OTTERVILLE (C) — Graveside service was held in the Otter Cemetery on Friday afternoon for the late Miss Beatrice Lees, who passed away in Hamilton General Hospital in her 50th year early Wednesday morning.

The service was conducted by the Rev. J. Taylor, pastor of Wentworth St. Baptist Church of which deceased was a member.

There were many lovely floral tributes and among them were tokens from the Otterville neighbors and the Otterville Violet Rebekah Lodge.

The casket bearers were Jack Barker, Jack Dibbon, Sam Rogers and Howard Camshell, all of Hamilton, Frank Lees of Brantford and Marvin Forman of Windsor.

Many of the folk of the village who were friends of the late Miss Lees gathered at the cemetery for the brief service there and joined other friends and relatives who were present from Windsor, Hamilton, Brantford, Norwich and district.

MARR, JAMES HENRY, 84, RR 3, Shedden, Friday in St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital. Survivors: Wife, Sylvia; sons, Earl S. Marr, Dryden; Herbert T. A. Marr, RR 3, Shedden; step-daughter, Mrs. Arthur (Freda) Beharrel, Shedden; stepson, Charles Kilmer, Shedden; sister, Mrs. Gertrude Eames, St. Thomas. Service at P. R. Williams and Son funeral home, St. Thomas, 3:15 p.m. today. Burial Frome Cemetery. *Nov 11/60*

MRS. FRANK HICKS

Mrs. Laura L. Hicks of 11 Simcoe St., Tillsonburg, passed away Friday at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, in her 60th year.

Deceased was born in Middleton Township, on April 12, 1901, daughter of the late Frank Lefler and Julian Vannatter. At Delhi, on October 9, 1918, she married Frank Hicks, who survives. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors besides her husband are three daughters, Mrs. Mervin (Hilda) Hicks of Ostrander, Mrs. Stanley (Joyce) Cooper of Springford and Mrs. Roger (Freda) Silverthorn of Dereham Centre; one son, Lyle, at home, and four grandchildren.

Rested at the G. A. Barrie Funeral Home where service was conducted in the Chapel on Monday at 2 p.m., by Rev. L. K. Chubb of First Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. Gordon Chaffe.

A solo, "No One Ever Cared For Me Like Jesus," was sung by Mrs. Edgar Pearce, accompanied by Miss Eleanor Wilcox.

Pallbearers were Edgar Pearce, Roy Oatman, Sam Lucas, Clarence Stover, Lloyd Wilcox, and Elmer Pearce.

Flower bearers were R. Oatman, Owen Hawkins, William Hollister, Leigh Wilcox, Mac Hicks, Frank Kelly, Frank Benner, Charles Bell, Milo Hicks, Lloyd Patterson, Charles H. Turner and Edward Silverthorn.

Interment in Springford Cemetery. *1960*

He Drinks With Patrons

'Pastor of Pubs' Attempts To Link Churches, Taverns



PADRE STARTS CRUSADE — Rev. Arthur Packham, a United Church minister from Stirling, Ont., starts his new career as a link between Christianity and public drinking places. Here the minister, who is trying to take Christianity to the beverage rooms, pours a shandy (half beer, half ginger ale) as he begins his first evening in a Toronto beverage room. (CP Wirephoto).

TORONTO (CP) — A United Church minister has set up himself as the roving pastor of Toronto's bar and beverage room patrons because he is convinced the beer parlor is one of the places to spread the Christian gospel.

But Rev. Arthur Packman does not intend "to be a nuisance" in bringing Christ to patrons of the city's taverns.

"I'm not going to preach or tackle anybody," said the 60-year-old minister who gave up his church at Stirling near Belleville to be pastor of the pubs.

Not A Reformer

"I'm not going to be an inspector of moral manners. Nor am I a reformer . . . I want to see nice beverage rooms. Right now they're a denial of our culture."

Last night, outfitted in his

clerical collar, Mr. Packman moved about beverage rooms and discussed problems with patrons as he drank with them.

Although he took the odd glass of beer, he limited his drinking to shandy, beer mixed with ginger ale. He moved from table to table and got customers to tell him their problems and why they drank.

Reasons For Drinking

One man, a Northern Ontario railway worker, told Mr. Packman he was an "extremely heavy drinker" because of melancholia caused by troubles with his former wife.

A woman, who has had 11 operations in five years, told him that liquor was her tranquillizer and she dropped into bars for a drink twice a week "to relax and listen to the music."

Mr. Packman justifies his

break from the pulpit by recalling that Christ was often disdainful of the synagogue.

"You always found Christ in the streets where he was of most help," he said. "Right now, the church is not there."

"Prejudiced Morons"

"I want to do a good winter's work of it at least. And if somebody doesn't carry on from where I leave off, I think they're prejudiced morons."

He considers his first night in the beer parlors "gratifying."

"I found only two persons tight but most were just having a social drink," he said.

"I am convinced these places (beer parlors) are not dens of iniquity. There are as many Christians in the pubs as there are in a church — the only difference is the ones in the church have to sneak off afterwards to have a beer."

1960
Pop Sez

Some men when striving for success,
In their chosen walk of life,
Are friendly to the little guy,
So essential to the strife.
But once they have achieved their goal
The small guy's cast aside;
And they continue on their merry way,
Full of egotistic pride.

They climb and climb until they feel
They've reached the Hall of Fame;
And then regard the little guy
With intolerant disdain.
They sit upon the mountain top,
So blinded by the smoke
From the fires of their ambition,
They can't see the little folk.

They seem to have forgotten,
In their blindness of today,
That the world's most famous buildings
Are made of stone and clay.
And should those stones get weary,
And sicken of it all,
Weary of the load they carry,
That building's going to fall.

So those big shots better stop and think
Before it gets too late;
It's the little guy who puts them there,
And still controls their fate.
And when he says he's had enough,
And after he's departed,
The big shots 're going to find themselves
Worse off than when they started.

—POP

POP SEZ

Now Silas Hobbs was a mean old cuss,
Famed for pinching pennies;
He had the biggest store in town,
But friends—he hadn't any.
Two little girls, with furrowed brows,
Just had to earn some money
With which to buy, for Christmas Day,
A present for their "mummy."

Boo Boo said "Come on, let's go,
Let's try to find a job.
I think I know what we can do,
We'll go see Mr. Hobbs."
So, off the little sisters went
And soon were at the store;
But Silas looked so very gruff,
Most people passed his door.

"Please, Mr. Hobbs, we need some work,
You've a window full of toys
Dolls and prams for little girls,
Trains and guns for boys.
If people saw us playing there,
We're sure that most would stop;
We'd show them what nice toys you have,
And they'd come in to shop."

Mr. Hobbs just looked astounded,
Then said, "By gosh, you're right,"
And pretty soon the store was full
To everyone's delight.
Silas Hobbs became a nice old man,
And every youngster's friend;
Mummy gets her present,
And this story's at an end.

—POP

CKOT

THE TRI-COUNTY STATION TILLSONBURG



NEWS... on the hour — every hour

FOR THE LADIES... calling all homemakers

FOR THE DAIRY AND TOBACCO FARMERS

- TRI-COUNTY FARM AND HOME SHOW
- TOBACCO PRICE REPORTS
- STRIPROOM SERENADE

FOR THE TEENAGER

- CALLING ALL STUDENTS
- POP AND WESTERN SHOW

FOR EVERYONE

- BEST WISHES FROM MANAGEMENT AND STAFF FOR 1961

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BILL TONER
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News Item



BELGIAN
ANNOUNCER
L. VAN MAELE
Investigating
The Congo
Situation



HIGH SCHOOL
COMMENTATOR
MIKE CAMPBELL
Celebrating
Exams



**The
CKOT
Family**

Over Five Years Progress For Local Radio Station

At 2 o'clock on the afternoon of April 30, 1955, Radio Station CKOT, 250 watts strong, with a staff of nine, hit the airwaves at a time when radio was said to be as obsolete as high-button shoes, due to the inroads that the new medium, TV, was making on sit-at-home audiences.

But the directors and planners of the station knew that with well-balanced programming, a high code of ethics, and down-to-earth, good common-sense broadcasting, the audiences could be won back to the so-called "blind-television."

The past five years has borne this out, and from that small beginning, the station has blossomed into a full-scale advertising, entertainment and educational institution, with its original power quadrupled and its staff more than doubled.

The newly-renovated studios, with 3000 feet of floor space, are the envy of radio people from all over the province who drop in and are amazed at the up-to-date facilities.

CKOT makes a specialty of news coverage, with news on the hour every hour and headlines every half-hour. National and International news is supplied by Broadcast News, a subsidiary of Canadian Press. Local and area news is supplied by six correspondents covering the Tri-Counties. The news director is Bill Tonner.

Record Library

Music on the station is selected according to the greatest listening audience at any time of the day. Ted Rabbets is the "early bird" of the station, entertaining with friendly chatter, weather forecasts, sports scores, and anything else that comes his way.

Jack Hart is really a big boy in this station; he stands six feet

five inches. Jack is the emcee of the Striproom Serenade, one of the top fall and winter programs on the station.

George D'Ambrose is a man of many capabilities. George is the veteran announcer with the station, having been with CKOT for almost four years. He handles all sports, farm and home show, and the popular pop and western request program.

CKOT has one of the most extensive record libraries in Ontario. In stock, and right at the fingertips of Librarian Mrs. Bernice Nicholson, through an elaborate cross-index file system, is everything from Bach to Basie. All the latest recordings are received as soon as they are waxed and are placed in file, or rejected by the station. This sole decision is made by Program Director Ken Orton.

Ken Orton, in addition to being program director and chief Engineer, also teams up with Mrs. Gladys Bartram on the 90-minute "Homemakers" program. Mrs. Bartram is also the station's continuity editor. That's the person who writes the sponsor's advertising copy.

Special Programs

Every Saturday morning at 9:10, you'll hear another voice on the air. He's not a staff member, but John Hunter, Tillsonburg's Recreation Director, keeps parents and small fry up to date on recreation in the town.

Other voices heard on the station are those of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Horvath, who speak in Hungarian; Mr. Peter Seifert, the German program announcer, and Luke Van Maele, who broadcasts in the Flemish language.

A program known as "Calling All Students" features Pat Massecar and Mike Campbell, who report to the parents and the students of

activities at Glendale and Annandale High Schools.

The station's "Goodwill Ambassadors" are led by Jack Campbell, commercial manager; Len Dennis and Fred Waldeck. This department visits, literally, every nook and cranny of the Tri-County area, handling the advertising problems of CKOT's sponsors.

You may never hear their voices on the air, but there are several employees who play an integral part in getting the programs to you, and handling the general business of the station.

General Manager

John Lamers, Sr., general manager, is a successful business man, apart from radio, particularly in the tobacco industry. Catherine McMullen is the accountant and office manager. Lois Yallop owns the voice that you hear when you dial Victor 2-4281. Lois also checks all commercial copy before it goes on the air. Mrs. Mae Fleming's job is designated by the title "traffic manager." It's her job to see that competitive businesses do not run into each other in the same time period. Mae makes up the station's "log," showing the program, transcription numbers, and anything else that has to be broadcast. All announcers and program personnel work from the log.

Programs that arrive, prepared in advance and heard regularly over CKOT are many and varied. A few of them include: The Ave Maria Hour, Holland Calling, One

Man's Opinion, Anne Allen, The Salvation Army program "This is My Story."

CKOT plays a major part in the industrial life of the community. CKOT airs all the latest news of interest to tobacco growers, plus the latest reports on selling and prices. Daily, experts in the agricultural life of the Tri-Counties report to farmers over the area, and expert and scientific reports are broadcast from the Agricultural College at Guelph.

No less than 40 ministers, representing the Ministerial Association of the Tri-Counties, participated in Moments of Meditation program every morning, plus numerous church broadcasts on Sunday.

Public service is another by-word of CKOT, covering functions such as fairs, special events, dinners, ploughing matches and other events of public interest. That's why CKOT has been called, and rightly so, "The Family Station."

POP SEZ

This time of year the little folks
Are most important people;
When Santa and his reindeer
Fly high above each steeple.
But Santa has a lot to do,
He's an awful busy man;
He wants to call on everyone,
On every boy and girl he can.

He has a list, it's two miles long,
And longer year by year
That he may miss some boy or girl,
Is Santa's only fear.
He's lots of toys, and trains, and
dolls,
Enough to go around.
There's something for each boy and
girl,
If only they are found.

But Santa isn't just too sure,
If all are on his list;
He says that he'll be very sad,
If anyone is missed.
Now, it's altogether likely
You'll be writing him today;
And here's how you can help him,
If you do it right away.

When you've finished Santa's letter,
If you know a girl or boy
Who might be missed on Christmas,
And you'd like to bring them joy,
Just add their name and where they
live,
And then your mum and dad
Will see that Santa finds them,
Every little lass and lad.

—POP

Co-Op Adv.

Product

Contract No.

Salesman

Program

Spot

Flash

CKOT DIAL 1510

20 BALDWIN ST. TELEPHONE VI 2-4281
 BOX 10, TILLSONBURG, ONT.

No.

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INVOICE AND STATEMENT COMBINED

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUE PAYABLE AT PAR
 TO TILLSONBURG BROADCASTING
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A.M.
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 BROADCAST THE ABOVE MENTIONED PROGRAMS Per

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Clearing Auction Sale

—OF—

FARM STOCK

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AT THE FARM, LOCATED THREE MILES WEST OF THE VILLAGE OF NORWICH
ON PAVED ROAD, ON

Thursday, January 12th

AT ONE O'CLOCK, Sharp

CATTLE—22 head of Grade Holstein cattle. This is a choice herd of young cattle from a T. B. and Brucellosis-free area. The herd includes 4 fresh milkers. 7 head due to freshen from time of sale till spring, 8 open heifers and 3 calves. Oxford Unit bulls are being used.

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The table for homemade baking was filled with a large variety of fancy goods which immediately

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A table of mystery parcels were in charge of Mrs. W. Armstrong and Mrs. M. Maloney. Serving at the prettily-decorated tea tables were Mrs. H. Pickersgill and Mrs. J. Lees, and in the newly-renovated

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OTTERVILLE (C) — A most successful Valentine afternoon tea and bake sale sponsored by the members of the Violet Rebekah Lodge, was held in the I.O.O.F. Hall on Saturday afternoon and was largely attended by visitors from Delhi, Norwich and town folk.

Mrs. Max Avey, Noble Grand, welcomed the guests at the door.

The table for homemade baking was filled with a large variety of fancy goods which immediately

caught the eye of the visitors. Mrs. Nate McMullen and Mrs. Charles Mannell were the clerks in this department.

A table of mystery parcels were in charge of Mrs. W. Armstrong and Mrs. M. Maloney. Serving at the prettily-decorated tea tables were Mrs. H. Pickersgill and Mrs. J. Lees, and in the newly-renovated

kitchen were Mrs. William McMullen, Mrs. Gertrude Huggins, Mrs. Eva Gauthier and Mrs. B. Redman.

The ladies received many fine compliments on the appearance of the hall, the members having done the painting and the kitchen completely renovated and painted, which will mean less work in preparation for social gatherings.

Clearing Auction Sale —OF—

FARM STOCK

Implements, Poultry, Feed and Miscellaneous Articles

For NEAN McMULLEN at the farm, located 3 miles west of the Village of Norwich, on paved road on

Thursday, January 12

at 1:00 p.m. sharp 1961

Cattle — 22 head of grade Holstein cattle. This is a choice herd of young cattle from a T.B. and Brucellosis-free area. The herd includes 4 fresh milkers, 7 head due to freshen from time of sale to spring, 8 open heifers and 3 calves. Oxford Unit Bulls are being used.

Farm Implements and Miscellaneous — Massey-Harris 44 Tractor, complete with starter, lights, P.T.O. and Heat houser; M. H. Mounted Row Crop Cultivator; International 46 Baler, (practically new); International Tractor Disc (new); International Tractor Cultivators; International Power Mower; Papec Ensilage Blower; King-Wise Elevator, complete with 1 h.p. motor; International 2-furrow ace bottom plough; grain blower; grain bin; International 15-run grain and fertilizer drill; Massey-Harris 7 grain binder; John Deere No. 10 Hammer Mill; set Drag Harrows; Land Packer; Cockshutt Siderake; Cockshutt Manure Spreader; Rubber-tired wagon and flat rack; poultry brooders; heat lamps; chicken crates; pig feeder; milk cans and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Poultry — 320 Babcock - Bessie Strain pullets laying well, 180 yearling hens.

Feed — 1,500 bales choice mixed hay; quantity of ensilage; 200 bushels wheat; 800 bushels Clintland oats; 300 bushels Gary oats; 400 bushels mixed grain.

Note — This is an outstanding offering from a well equipped farm and the sale is necessary on account of the owner's ill health.

Nean McMullen
Proprietor

Alex MacKenzie

Woodstock
Auctioneer

Truck Burns,¹²⁶ Driver Dies After Crash

BRANTFORD — Garfield Hussey, about 45, a driver for Overland Express Limited at Woodstock, was trapped in the cab of his transport and burned to death near here early yesterday.

Mr. Hussey, of Phelan Street, Woodstock, hauling a 15-ton load of mixed metal freight, was enveloped when the cab burst into flames.

Ontario provincial police of the Brantford detachment said the transport hit several trees, and turned over on its side in a shallow ditch. The accident occurred on Highway 99, nine miles northeast of here, and just east of a bridge over Fairchild's Creek.

Tricky Curve

Police said when Mr. Hussey approached a tricky curve, known as the "Hog Back," the vehicle rode part way up an embankment, rolled down again and burst into flames.

A passerby heard Hussey screaming for help but could not get near the vehicle because of the intense heat. The body was burned beyond recognition.

Mr. Hussey, police said, had left the Overland Woodstock terminal about 6:30 a.m. and was en route to St. Catharines.

Volunteers of the Brantford Township fire department extinguished the flames, but were unable to save the driver. Damage was set at \$20,000.

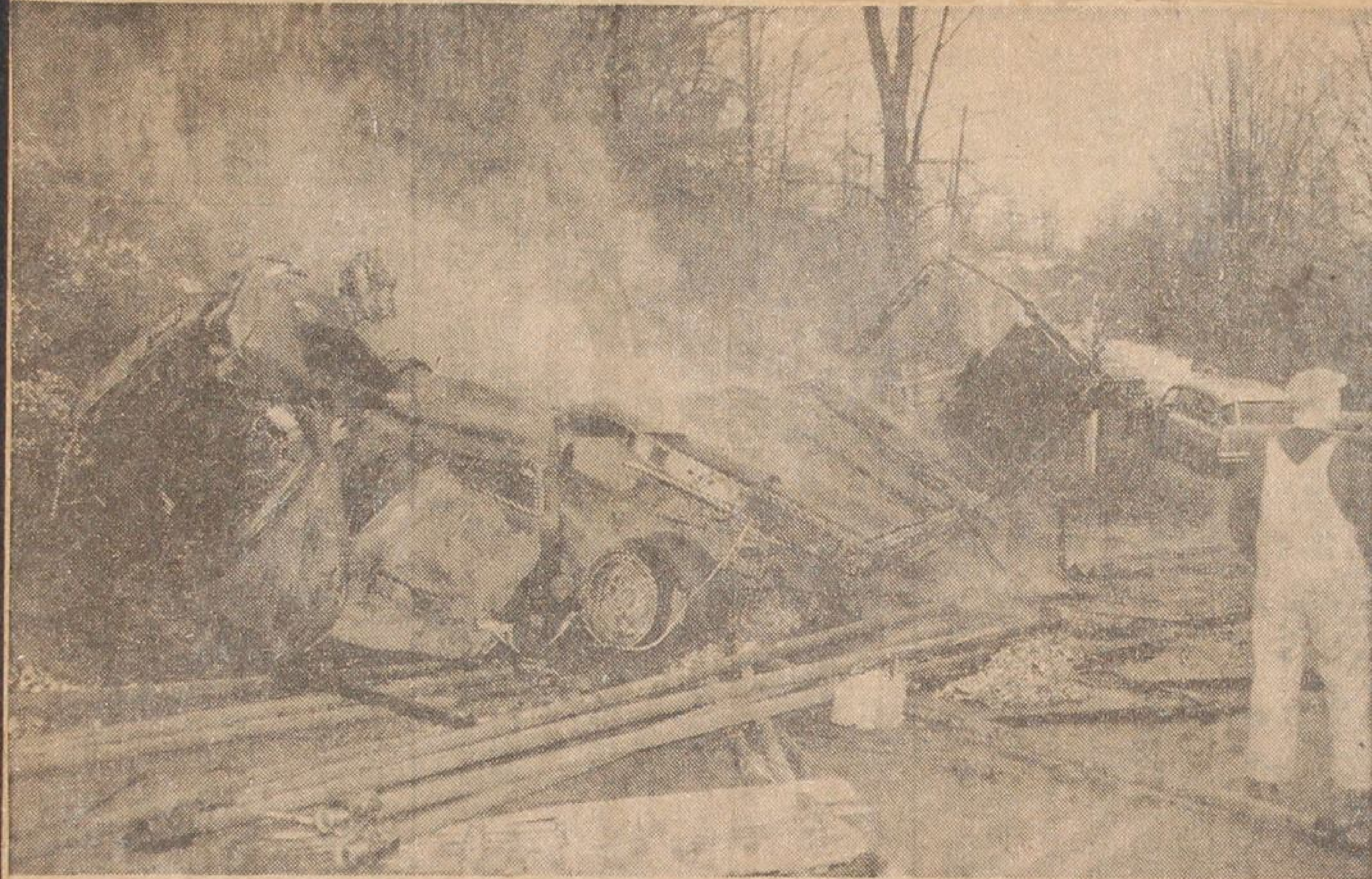
The fatality was the third for Brant County this year.

Survivors include his wife, the former Grace Mudge of Norwich; three sons, Glenford of Tillsonburg, Harvey and Ronnie at home; father, Raymond, of South Norwich Township; brothers, Clifton, Hubert and Floyd, all of Tillsonburg; Brock of Hamilton, Donald of Dunneville; sisters, Mrs. Bernard Morgan of Belle River, Mrs. Thomas Sedlack of Sarnia, and Mrs. Theodore Huskins of Tillsonburg.

The body is at the Smith funeral home, Woodstock, where the service will be held Monday at 2 p.m. Temporary entombment in Woodstock Mausoleum.

OTTERVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Melville Beecroft attended the funeral services on Saturday of the late Miss Pearl Payton at Wingham. A social time was enjoyed when refreshments were served by the social committee and courtesy remarks were given by Mrs. Nate McMullen.



trapped in the cab. The truck left a Highway 99 curve near Brantford yesterday. A passerby heard screams but was unable to help. (Photo by Harding)

DRIVER BURNS TO DEATH—The driver of this Overland Express Limited transport, Garfield Hussey, about 45, of Woodstock, burned to death when

MRS. JOHN PRIDDLE

NORWICH — Rural mail carrier for more than 30 years, Mrs. John Priddle, died in the Tillsonburg Hospital on Thursday, February 2, at the age of 94.

The former Annie Moses, Mrs. Priddle was born in England and came to Canada with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moses when quite young. She had lived in this district ever since.

Her husband, the late John Priddle, was awarded the first contract for delivering mail on R.R. 1, out of Norwich around 1915 or 1916, and Mrs. Priddle was his helper. After his illness and death she had the contract in her own name

for more than 30 years, giving it up in her mid 80's. Daily papers and magazines were not regularly subscribed to then and she carried them for sale, also bread and groceries. For many years she drove horses and later wore out three or four cars. She was a member of Holy Trinity Anglican church, the women's association and the ladies guild.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. William (Bessie) Swan, Norwich, one brother, Joseph Moses, North Norwich township; one grandson, Rev. J. P. M. Swan, rector of St. Alban's Anglican church, London.

Rested at the Arn and Son funeral residence until Saturday noon. The funeral service was held in Holy Trinity Anglican Church Saturday with interment in Norwich cemetery.

Deaths

PRIDDLE — At the Tillsonburg Memorial Hospital, on Thurs., Feb. 2, 1961, Annie Moses, beloved wife of the late John Priddle, dear mother of Mrs. Bessie Swan, Norwich, and grandmother of Rev. John Swan, of London, in her 95th year. Friends may call at the A. E. Arn & Sons Funeral Residence, Norwich, until Sat. noon. The funeral service will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Norwich, on Sat., Feb. 4, at 2 p.m. Interment in the Norwich Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Holy Trinity Church.

Norwich Woman Dies At 94 Carried Rural Mail In Area

NORWICH — Mrs. Annie Priddle, 94, who was in her mid-eighties when she retired after carrying rural mail here for 35 years, died yesterday in Soldiers Memorial Hospital at Tillsonburg.

Her husband, John, was granted the first mail contract out of Norwich in 1915, and when he became ill a short time later she took over the route and retained it until about 1950, first using a horse and later a car.

Mrs. Priddle was born in Eng-

land but lived in this district nearly 80 years. Her husband predeceased her.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Bessie Swan, of Norwich, one brother, Joseph Moses, of North Norwich Township, and a grandson, Rev. J. P. M. Swan, rector of St. Alban's Anglican Church, London.

Service will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at Holy Trinity Anglican Church here and burial will be in Norwich Cemetery. The body is at the Arn and Son funeral home, Norwich.

Feb 4/61

W.I. Members Present Book to Mrs. R. Holmes

OTTERVILLE (C)— Mrs. Ivan Leitch was hostess for the February meeting of the Women's Institute held in the Parish Hall of St. John's Anglican Church. It was largely attended.

Members were busy throughout the morning and part of the afternoon when they completed two large size crib quilts and a number of the ladies rolled bandages. A potluck dinner was served at noon with the social convener Mrs. James Squance, in charge.

Following the dinner hour, President Mrs. W. H. McDougall called the gathering to order and after the opening the members responded to the roll call by telling an event of January. Mrs. Stanley Riches, program convener of current events, presided for this part of the program and the motto "A Famous Woman" was given by Mrs. Boyd Little who chose Ellen Fairclough, minister of immigration in the Federal Government.

Topic "Current Events" of 1960-61 was given by Mrs. Melville Beecroft.

A brief report was given by Mrs. Harry Pickersgill and Miss Eva Deveney who attended the course, "Eat to Live" workshop which was held in the Hall at Cornell last fall.

Mrs. R. M. Holmes received special mention at the meeting, when she was presented with a book, on behalf of the W.I. members, by Miss Marion Fish. The book was entitled "The Life of Albert Schweitzer." The recipient, Mrs. Holmes, is the convener of historical research, and is deeply interested in the history of Otterville and community and has completed one large indexed volume on Tweedsmuir history for the W.I. and the second one, the same size, is almost filled. It is from these books that many folk of village and community have found all the answers to history and dates pertaining to the village. Added interest was created when the Sesqui-Centennial was celebrated as well as other events since that time and up to the time the local railway station was closed when information was wanted in regard to when the trains started to run.

Welcomed were Mrs. W. Kennedy who is making her home in Norwich, Mrs. John Ryder of Norwich, a former member, and Miss Maude Hussey who had not been to a meeting for some time. Also, visitors present.

Magistrate Groom reserved sentence to April 19, in the case of Robert Butler, 18, of Delhi, who pleaded guilty to a charge of false pretences. 1961

He is charged with cashing a \$20 cheque on an account containing 65 cents, at the Harry Lem restaurant in Otterville.

Appreciation was expressed by the president for the postage stamps collected through December, to be forwarded to London by Mrs. McDougall.

Officers Conference at Guelph, May 4-5, was announced; and a letter from Mrs. E. E. Stanfield of Tillsonburg, who thanked the members for their generous support in replenishing the Sunshine Cupboard at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital.

Up to date there are 19 pinafores, 34 bed jackets, and 6 crib quilts completed which are being forwarded to the Sick Children's Hospital at London.

Mrs. Squance thanked those who had assisted her at the noon hour; Mrs. Riches thanked those who had taken part in the program and Mrs. Fred Walther gave the courtesy remarks.

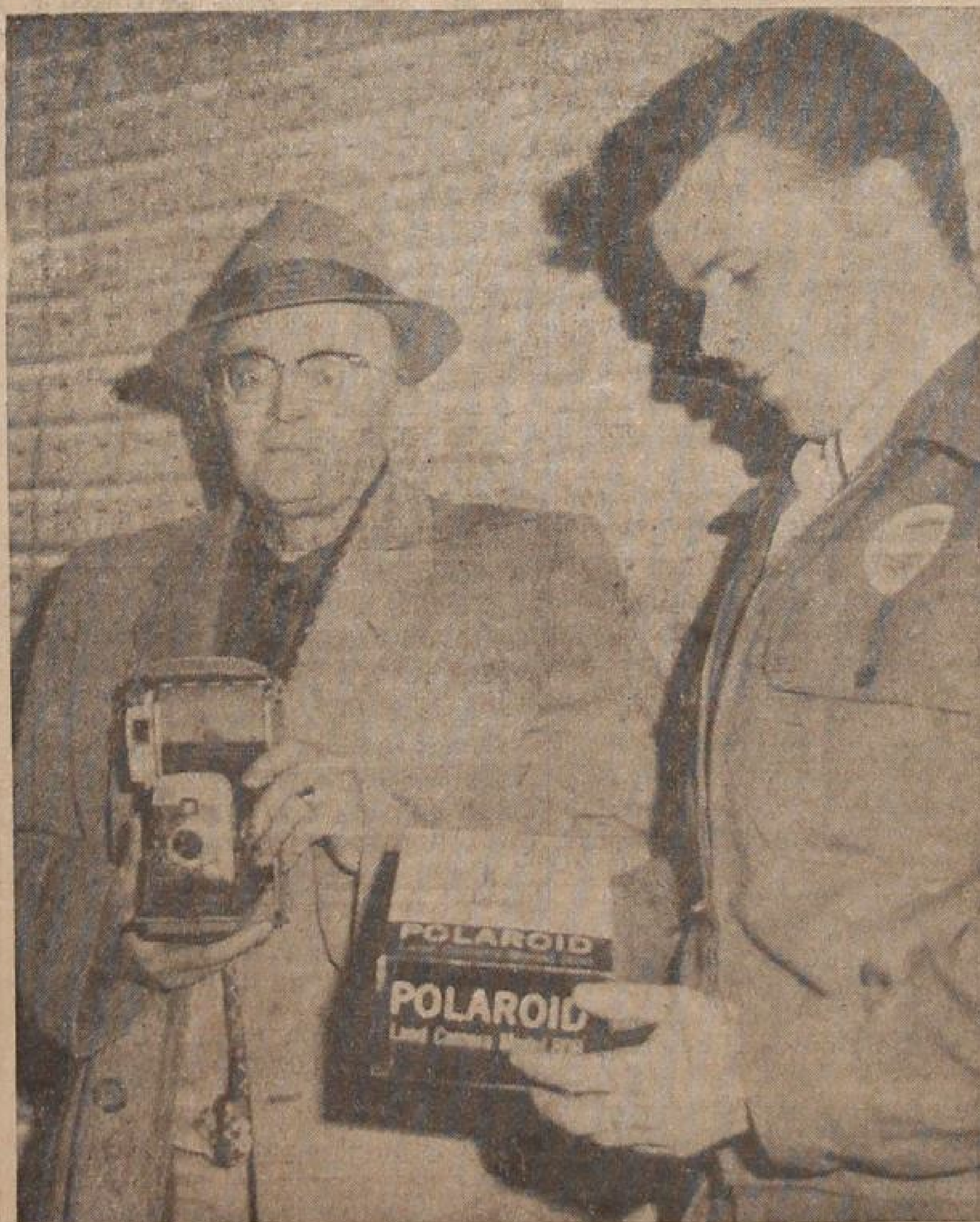
Mrs. Boyd Little was the pianist for the meeting.

Members in charge of the meeting were Mrs. Ivan Leitch, Mrs. James Squance, Mrs. Boyd Little, Mrs. Melville Beecroft, Mrs. Stanley Riches and Mrs. Fred Walther.

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Mrs. Henry Ash



Mrs. Henry Ash is the newly elected president of the Mary Hastings Otterville Happy Bluebirds Club. Mrs. Ash resides in Norwich.



POLAROID CAMERAS were won by the two gentlemen pictured above. They are the last to win the prizes in the home-of-the-week contest that has run in The News for the past six months. Left to right, store proprietor C. L. Finch of Otterville and Ron Steele of Brantford. (Staff Photo) FEB

40th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Graves well known residents of Norwich were feted on Saturday evening by more than 80 of their relatives and friends in honor of their 40th Wedding Anniversary. The party was held in the I. O. O. F. Hall in Otterville.

Mr. and Mrs. Graves were married in the Baptist Church Parsonage in Springford by the late Rev. G. N. Simmons 40 years ago and their attendants were Mrs. Davis, Otterville, (the former Edna Wyatt) and the bride's brother Mr. Nate McMullen of Otterville.

Mr. and Mrs. Graves have two daughters, Mrs. Fred Thompson, (Helen) of Norwich and Mrs. Bruce Pettit, (Shirley) of Point Edward. They also have five grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Graves first lived at Teeterville after their marriage, then at Holbrook and later in Norwich.

Guests were present from Point Edward, Toronto, Woodstock, Scotland, Delhi, Holbrook and district.

Mr. and Mrs. Graves were assisted in receiving their guests by their daughters and their husbands and the bridal attendants, while Mrs. Nate McMullen, Mrs. Nean McMullen and other relatives assisted in serving the guests. They were recipients of many lovely gifts for which they thanked their many friends who wished for them many more happy Anniversaries.

The evening was spent in playing cards and crokinole.

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Rebekahs Make Plans For Birthday Party

OTTERVILLE (C)—Formulation of plans for the birthday party of the Violet Rebekah Lodge to be held in the I.O.O.F. Hall, March 20, highlighted the business at the meeting of the group held last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Arthur were present to show pictures taken while on their holiday in the West Indies.

A number of the members were guests at the regular meeting of Myrtle Rebekah Lodge, No. 177, I.O.O.F. at Tillsonburg when they met Sister Louise Clark of Toronto, president of the Ontario Rebekah Assembly.

Members of the Violet Lodge opened and closed the meeting.

The members of the Violet Rebekah Lodge held a cleaning day at the I.O.O.F. Lodge rooms on Monday and enjoyed a potluck dinner at noon and a social time.

Sell Otterville ^{new} Phone Office 1961

OTTERVILLE (C) — Another landmark of a residence which housed the office of the Bell Telephone Co. found a new owner this past week. Mr. and Mrs. Nean McMullen and family of Norwich will take possession sometime in June.

The telephone office, which served the public for 35 years in its present location, was closed to the public due to the first steps that had to be taken in preparation for the dial service which is coming into effect the middle of May.

Owing to this, the "Number Please" girls in the office will not be needed. Chief Operator Miss Maude Hussey is due for retirement, and plans to move to Guelph immediately after the change, where she will take up residence with her sister, Mrs. Eva Lawrence. Members on the staff who will be affected by the change are Miss Eva Deveney, Miss Vera Welch, Miss Donna Lawrence and Mrs. Ira Pearce.



JIM McCABE, the man most instrumental in having the Tillsonburg District Curling Club built and first president of the club, was honored Monday night at "Jim McCabe Night." He is shown here centre along with Dr. Murray Downing, left, and Club President Oscar Gare, right. Dr. Downing presented Mr. McCabe with a sheet of gag "bar privileges" and a lounge chair, which Mr. McCabe in turn donated to the Curling Club. The chair will be equipped with a plaque on the back which will bear his name and the circumstances surrounding its presentation. (Photo by Rubie) *March 1961*

MAR 2 ALFRED H. VENNER

OTTERVILLE (C) — Alfred Henry Venner of Otterville, painter and decorator, died suddenly while working shortly before noon on Thursday at Harry Lem's apartment over his restaurant.

Deceased, who was about 77 years of age, was born in Otterville. He spent some time in England and in the Canadian West before returning to Otterville where he has worked at his trade for over 20 years.

Survivors are his wife, the former Margaret McKibbin; four children, John, Arthur, Mary Lou and Dora, all at home; and one brother, John Venner of Woodstock.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service was conducted Saturday at two o'clock by Rev. Walter E. Nicholls of Otterville Baptist Church.

Interment in the Otter Cemetery.

ALFRED HENRY VENNER

OTTERVILLE (C) — The funeral service of the late Alfred Henry Venner, painter and decorator, who died while working shortly before noon Thursday last at Harry Lem's apartment over his restaurant, was held from the Addison Funeral Home Saturday afternoon, conducted by Rev. W. E. Nicholls of the Baptist Church.

Mrs. William Butler was the pianist and played hymns before and after the service. Among the lovely floral tributes were those from the Baptist Church and the neighbours.

Pallbearers were Fred Pinnoy, Herb Wardle, Gerald Beaton, Adam Lee, Arthur Picknell and Reginald Walters.

Relatives and friends were present from London, Thorndale, Woodstock and Tillsonburg.

Interment was made in the Otter Cemetery.

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. Stanley Leach has returned home after spending the past seven weeks in Phoenix, Arizona. Mrs. Leach accompanied her sister, Mrs. Wilford Attlebury and Mr. Attlebury of Paris. Mr. Leach accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pettigrew by T.C.A. to Arizona where he joined Mrs. Leach and Mr. and Mrs. Attlebury and spent the past three weeks. While there they visited Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Pettigrew who have been holidaying at Tempe, Arizona, for the past three months. Both Mr. and Mrs. Pettigrew are enjoying good health and happy holidays. During the absence of the owner of the Otter Taxi, Mr. Leonard Clarke of Lucknow stayed at the Leach residence and took charge of taxi business as well as the school bus.

Pop Sez

The "Gals" had gathered
To "chew the fat",
They talked of this
An' they talked of that;
Their aches an' pains
An' the price of meat,
The latest hats
An' their poor tired feet!

Then someone said
"We're short of "dough"
Let's raise some cash
Before we go,
Let's have a spread,
Come one, come all,
We can set it up
In the parish hall". *Mar 17/61*

They jabbered an' chattered
But all agreed
To go full out
For a turkey feed.
Pickles an' pies
An' salads galore,
Each of the ladies
Got her chore.

Then all sat down
To cookies an' tea,
Each as happy
As she could be,
They stuffed themselves
Till their girdles creaked,
Then back to their families
They homeward streaked!!

POP

Pop Sez

Joe was pensive,
Joe was sad,
For Joe had figured
That he'd been bad.
So he gave up women,
An' wine an' song
To make amends
for doin' wrong.

Spurned by the new crowd,
Scorned by the old,
Joe found life
Was dismal an' cold.
He felt so lonely
An' felt so blue,
An' wondered
What was best to do.

He couldn't relax
Or sleep at night,
Had no ambition,
No appetite,
Began to worry
His health would fail,
Sought a doctor
An' told his tale.

The doctor listened
An' shook his head
An' said "What's drong
With bein' dead?
You've given up wine,
An' song an' women,
So what in Heck's
The use of livin'."

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Let's Talk It Over

WITH BILL HARRISON



This column should be entitled, "A Little Bit About a Lot of Things."

First of all I would like to publicly acknowledge receipt of a letter from a Tillsonburg lady in which she took exception to my column of a week ago on tobacco taxes.

Here are quotations from her letter:

"I am writing to take issue with your stand (as expounded in your column of last week) regarding 'excise taxes' on tobacco products. Surely, you as a thinking person would agree that of all products grown and manufactured in Canada tobacco is of the least importance to man's subsistence. It is a luxury pure and simple and in addition is harmful to ones health, if we are to believe our medical authorities. In line with this thinking, I would say that anything our government can do to discourage the use of tobacco in any form should be welcome.

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"With vast areas of rich land in this section of Ontario devoted to the growing of this insidious weed and huge companies expending money and energy to cultivate the smoking habit, it is high time the taxes on tobacco were not cut, but rather substantially increased.

"It strikes me that any deterrent of the foul smoking habit would be welcome, especially by parents of teen-age boys and girls. It grieves me very much to see our high school youngsters smoking as they walk to and from school. How can they give their best to their studies and sports after filling their young lungs with nicotine?

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"Mr. Webster, in his respected dictionary, defines the word 'nicotine' in this manner: I quote, 'A volatile alkaloid from tobacco, highly poisonous in its effects.' I use nicotine solution to kill bugs on my roses and other plants and it does a fine job of extermination. Need I say more?

"You, Mr. Harrison, although a newcomer (or so I gather) to our fair district seem to believe that tobacco is all important. In your article you even intimate that all would be lost if the tobacco crops failed in any fashion in this district. You are absolutely wrong! We would all live, eat, sleep, get married and die as we did long before tobacco was ever introduced to the tri-county area.

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"Your whimsical crack about our farmers inviting the wolf in so that we could enjoy a piece of red meat before tobacco was grown certainly proves that you were not a resident of this district 30 years ago. My parents slaughtered a fine steer or two every winter and we always enjoyed plenty of home-grown pork, chickens and our fruit cellar was loaded with fruits and vegetables preserved from a usually abundant harvest. By the way, our farm was located in an area between Courtland and Langton where you suggested it was almost 'impossible to raise an umbrella.'

"I do enjoy some of your columns but please, for goodness sake, keep this tobacco business in its right perspective. In closing, may I say that if increased taxes are to be levied let them be applied on liquor and tobacco, so that they won't affect me."

First of all, I would like to explain my reasons for publishing this letter. It will all help to show that it is well nigh impossible to write weekly articles and do so in a way which will please everyone. Not that I try to do that; rather I endeavor to write pieces which will prove interesting to some, if not to all readers.

To get back to the letter in question, permission was granted me to use the whole or any parts, providing I didn't divulge the writer's name.

The writer, although at variance with my views, and I would think 90 per cent. of all district residents' views, still is a representative of a minority group.

I'm not going to get into an argument about the health aspects of smoking. Personally, I know many people in the 70-80 age bracket who have smoked all their lives and are still in good health. A neighbor of mine is over 90 and he smokes a tin (a large one, too) of Old Chum pipe tobacco every two weeks. Anyone who knows tobacco is familiar with the potency and strength of an old pipe filled with Old Chum.

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This neighbor lives alone and as a hobby he sharpens saws by hand. His day begins at 7 a.m., and he retires at 10 p.m. Each day he sharpens six or seven saws without the aid of electric lights or eye glasses. This grand old man has smoked since he was 20. So for 70 years he has puffed away without any ill effects. Possibly, when he passes on, people will say he would have lived much longer if he hadn't smoked.

Good old "Winnie" Churchill still insists on his long cigars and has enjoyed them for much of his 86 years. They didn't dull his mind or seriously impair his usual robust health. If cigarettes are as bad as some people (including my correspondent) contends, why is it that so many medical practitioners smoke and in many instances excessively?

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Taxes should be administered fairly and no one will ever convince me that this is being done in the case of tobacco.

As for the lady's argument that high cost will deter teenagers from smoking, I believe to be just wishful thinking. Those that wish to smoke will do so no matter how high the cost, higher price could have the effect of cutting down on the daily consumption, possibly.

For better or for worse, we, in this tobacco growing area are closely tied in with the industry. Therefore, I am going to continue to write, and if possible, in my own small way, try to help to promote the industry's over-all welfare. Too much is at stake to do otherwise.

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OTTERVILLE ON THE OTTER

By Bill Harrison

If you wish historical data my advice is to go to a historian. This I did and Mrs. R. M. Holmes of Otterville loaned me a huge scrap book of facts covering Otterville over the past century.

Mrs. Holmes compiled the Tweedsmuir History Book for the Otterville Women's Institute and I might add that she did a wonderful job of it.

I took the time to read the history the other night with the idea of picking out certain passages which seemed to be most interesting. This was a difficult task as I found the entire book to be fascinating. The institute is to be congratulated.

Here then are a few excerpts gleaned from Mrs. Holmes' historical scrap-book.

"The early inhabitants of Otterville and district, a band of Neutrals, Southern Ontario Indians hunted for Virginia deer, black bear, gray wolves, otter, mink, lynx. They fished and caught plenty of catfish, pike, sand pickerel and sheepshead in the Otter river. Birdlife abounded, including wild turkeys, pheasants, partridges, grouse, ducks and geese." I would say that with all the fine game around the natives did very well in the early days.

Land \$1.25 Acre

The article on the Indians goes on. "These Indians on the Otter hunted, fought (triangular arrowheads point to this), played a little, tended their garden patches, made

their clothes, tools, implements, ate (using awls as forks), worshipped and decorated pottery and themselves."

The piece about the Indians concludes with this interesting paragraph: "Thus across hundreds of years has come information about the earliest settlers of the Norwich townships. We can visualize them as largely home-keeping people, industrious, fairly well fed and clothed, gay at times, warriors when necessary, capable of cruelty, showing some initiative, perseverance and love of beauty."

After reading this description I have decided they weren't too much different from today's citizens. What do you think?

Land sold for \$1.25 an acre in early days. Here is another excerpt from the history book on the subject:

"In 1827 Amaza Wilcox, great-great-grandfather of Lloyd and Leigh Wilcox, bought 750 acres one mile north of Springford, between the 6th and 7th concessions, at auction from the government without even seeing the land. This was confiscated property and sold for \$1.25 an acre." For 750 acres the sum exchanged would be \$937.50. How about that, 750 acres of good land for less than \$1,000. Tobacco farmers read this and weep.

Log Schools

Schools in those early days interested me very much. I tried to visualize what they were like from this vivid description. "The school was built of logs with greased paper for window panes. The desks were boards supported by wooden pins driven in the wall. The seats were split logs placed around the rooms. In one end was a huge fireplace, and it was the duty of the older boys to keep a supply of logs ready for fuel."

How about it, you Norwich District High and Tillsonburg students—would you like to go back and trade places with your pioneer friends? It might be fun for awhile but soon the novelty would wear off. Placing those big logs on the fire was good exercise, which you could use.

Here is a description of Otterville printed in 1874:

"It has three steam saw-mills and three shingle mills, besides a match factory, two furniture factories, grist and carding mill, carriage factory, etc. There are five churches also a good school. Large quantities of cheese are made here and much fruit grown. Montreal Telegraph Co., have an office here. Mail daily. Population, about 700." There were four hotels, and 4 weekly newspapers, Otterville Argus circulation 500, subscription \$1.00 a year.

Weekly Papers

Another Otterville paper of 1882 was the "Otterville Guide" subscription rate 75c per year. This paper apparently had a tough time to compete. Here is an item from its edition of May 23, 1907. "The Otterville Guide threatens to stop publication in the village and to move to a more enterprising place if it does not receive a more generous support." That's telling them! However, I couldn't find out what the public reaction to the blast was.

Another Otterville paper, the Herald of 1899, had this interesting piece of news: "Homer Smiley and Ashton Fish wheeled to Niagara Falls for a short holiday." Well, all I can say to that is the boys would sure need a holiday when they got back to Otterville. Maybe they used a bicycle built for two, less pedalling that way. How all four newspapers got by will have to remain a mystery. At 75c per year for subscriptions no one got very rich.

Next time you post a letter think of this little bit of information from Mrs. Holmes' book: "One great inconvenience was the lack of postal service in the pioneer days, as no post office was established in the county until 1821 when one was opened at Ingersoll and at about the same time at Burford. The nearest post office was at Ancaster about 60 miles away. Correspondence was rather expensive then, postage on a letter from England being 60c and from Toronto (Muddy York) 25c. A person would have to work all day to earn enough to send a letter to England at wages of the day.

Incorporated 1893

The first bank was opened in 1879. Otterville was incorporated as a police village in 1893. In 1884 a fire destroyed the entire south side of the business portion of the community. It is interesting to note that in 1913 through the foresight

of the trustees at that time the present village water supply was commenced.

Including in Mrs. Holmes' interesting collection out of Otterville's past is a sales bill of 1922. This booklet apparently was delivered to all area residents advertising the bargains for the week. Here are a few examples of 1922 bargains: Bread 12 loaves for \$1, delivered; haircut 25c; whisker trim 15c; shave including neck trim 15c; John Deere plough \$17.50; mattresses, sateen covering \$6; oatmeal, 6 lbs., 25c. One thing that surprised me was the high price of gasoline in 1922. It sold for 35c gal. A few things were very low in price, for example, ladies corsets 98c. The New Central Garage advertised a sale of side curtains made to fit all tops. The Gray-Dort a fine car built in Chatham sold in Otterville at that time for \$930, including side curtains and spare wheel.

Curing System

A clipping contained in the Otterville history announces that, "Otterville man develops system to cure tobacco." Taken from a newspaper story of Wednesday, June 4, 1952, the article describes R. C. (Bob) Pettigrew's curing systems.

Bob has come a long way since then. His business has flourished until today his firm employs 60 men during the peak season. The modern new building, completed last year, turns out hundreds of Sav-Oil Curing Systems annually. The plant is designed specifically for the manufacture of curing systems and kiln vents. The Otterville product is sold to tobacco farmers all over the country. Bob Pettigrew actually began his business in 1946 and at that time was the community's electrician, employing a helper. He is a veteran of three years service with the Canadian Navy and has come a long way since his discharge. The well known cliché, "local boy makes good," certainly applies in Bob Pettigrew's case. The fleet of Sav-Oil trucks, all radio equipped, advertise Otterville from the tobacco fields of Port Hope right through to the new belt at Port Elgin.

A close radio contact is made with all Sav-Oil truck units by Pettigrew's own radio station which has the call letters CJO 261.

The station has sufficient power to come in loud and clear all over the entire tobacco belt. The tower located on the highest point in the area on the farm of Keith Arthur, 2 miles south of Otterville, is a familiar sight to district residents. The radio set-up enables the service men to call in to Otterville headquarters so that a man is enabled to go to the next call in the same area, at once.

Aircraft Too

In addition to the fleet of trucks, Sav-Oil also has two aircraft to cover the far ends of the tobacco belt including farms in Quebec province.

There is no doubt about it this Otterville firm is up to its ears in the tobacco business and is doing fine.

Tobacco seed is another important product of the village. Both Moore's and Davis seed enjoy a reputation for excellence all over the tobacco belt in Canada and much further afield. In fact Ed. Moore told me his seed has been shipped to Rhodesia, Africa, Malaya, Australia and behind the Iron Curtain. The little seed packages, each containing enough seed to sow a farm, are proudly displayed in stores everywhere. The name Otterville is once again advertised as a tobacco town of much importance.

Otterville is proud to be called a tobacco town, however it has another big industry, Tip Top Canners, Ltd., which cans thousands of cases of peas, corn and tomatoes each season. Tip Top is a big employer during the canning season. Many Otterville and district women and men look forward to their jobs at the canning plant. The excellence of Otterville canned produce is known far and wide.

It is quite deceiving to drive through Otterville, one wouldn't realize the great importance of the place without stopping off and taking a look around.

Wonderful Park

Many people know the village well because of frequent visits to the wonderful Otterville Community Park. Sunday school and business firms book the picnic area solid during the summer. The well-equipped grounds and natural beauty make it one of Ontario's most popular picnic places.

Just across the foot-bridge over the Otter River and up through the pines, maple and elm trees in the park, is the memorial to those of South Norwich Township who served in World War II. A bronze plaque with the names of 129 men and four women, and a centered square with 13 more names is on the wall of the swimming house. The swimming pool is considered to be one of the finest in the province and has catered to thousands of youngsters and adults alike each year.

The energetic Norwich-Otterville Lions Club assume the care of the park and have done an excellent job. The fact that the Community Park is in a good financial position is a credit to the work of the Lions Club.

Yes, there is no doubt about it the park in Otterville is a beautiful place to swim, relax or picnic. Make a point of enjoying its facilities this summer, you will be glad you did.

Before signing off on this Otterville piece I must mention that the many well stocked stores along the main street are anxious to serve district residents. You will find a good variety of groceries, meats, hardware, clothing, furniture, appliances and drugs in a short city block area. The merchants are quite proud of the fact that Otterville continues to be a popular shopping centre, even in this age of good highways and fast cars.

As one merchant said, "we try our best to cater to our customers, we handle good quality merchandise

and keep our prices competitive." No one could ask for anything more. He didn't mention service, this goes without saying, and is taken for granted.

I have been very pleased to visit many of our district towns of late and to meet the business people. As in other communities I have received the full co-operation of all concerned in Otterville.

It was a pleasure and thanks again Mrs. Holmes for your very kind assistance.

A Poem about our Park

Ho! Otterville takes off its cap,
Broadcast the news, it's on the map.
Come one, come all, from far and near
And you will find it pleasant here.
To those on quiet pleasure bent
Mid sylvan glades and leafy bower,
To hear content some quiet hours.
While children swing and romp and lark
Amid the pines in Otter Park.
The nymphs in true artistic Greek
Resort themselves in Otter Creek
And when the evening shades prevail
The Moon takes up the wonderful tale
Of lovers lut and happy chance
To trip the light fantastic dance.
Across the creek, along the shore
In numbers ever more and more
The pleasure cars are parked along
With laughter, honks and joyous song
The welking rings both loud and strong.
So if you want your pleasures fill
Just board your car for Otterville.

Taken from the play "My Home Town"
Written by Miss Catherine McMullen of Otterville

MISS LILLIAN WILSON

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service was held at the Addison Funeral Home Monday afternoon for the late Miss Lillian Wilson of Springford who died in Tillsonburg

District Memorial Hospital, Friday morning. Rev. Donald Morrison minister of the United Church conducted the service and paid tribute to her many long years of service in the community as a nurse, especially at the time of the 'flu epidemic 40 years ago.

During the service a duet was sung by Mrs. Edgar Pearce and Mrs. Earl Haley, accompanied by Mrs. Charles Bell.

Among the floral tributes were tokens from the Springford neighbours and friends and donations to the Canadian Cancer Society.

Pallbearers, who acted as flower bearers were Stanley Palmer, Mert McClintock, Edgar Pearce, Henry Barnim, Clifford Barnim, and A. E. Newell.

Interment in Springford Cemetery.

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To all
Otterville
Customers



At an early hour on Sunday, May 21, dial telephone service will spin into reality at Otterville. To get the most benefit from your new telephone service we suggest that you review the following important points:

1. "All Number Calling" goes into effect at the time of the changeover to dial. Under this new numbering plan all local telephone numbers will consist of seven figures. In Otterville, the figures 879 followed by four other figures, will be common to each telephone number. A telephone number might read 879-1234.
2. You will need dial only the last four figures of the number you're call-

ing when placing local calls. However, you will be required to give the operator your full number — 879 followed by four figures — when placing long distance calls.

3. Refer to the Otterville section of your new telephone book, to be delivered soon, for all local numbers. Make a note of those numbers — local or long distance — that you expect to call more than once. You may have a "Blue Book" specially designed for this purpose, free of charge, just by calling our Business Office.

Your new dial telephone service will serve you well. We hope you enjoy it.

Otterville, April 1961

Guild Group Buys New Floor Covering

OTTERVILLE (C) — St. John's Anglican Guild held its regular meeting in the Parish Hall Thursday afternoon. President Mrs. Harold Durkee, presided.

During the business, final plans were made for the turkey supper in the Parish Hall, March 17, to be served from 5:15-7:30 p.m.

Buying committee announced that floor covering for the newly decorated kitchen has been purchased.

Mrs. Stanley Riches invited the members to her home for the next meeting. Mrs. Fred Howse was hostess for the day and served refreshments at the close of the meeting.

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OSTRANDER'S STARTED 41 YEARS AGO



Ewart W. Ostrander
Secretary-Treasurer



Harold C. Claringbold
Licensed Mortician



Miss Effie Nelson
Stenographer

Forty-one years of service and over 5,000 services mark a golden milestone for H. A. Ostrander this week as the beautiful new Ostrander Funeral Home opens at 43 Bidwell Street in Tillsonburg.

The history of the Ostranders in the funeral business here began around 1909 when H. A. Ostrander began work for H. G. Coomber here. After a short while here he moved to Simcoe where he operated the Best funeral home from 1915 until 1920. On April 19, 1920, H. A. Ostrander went into partnership in both the funeral and furniture business with James Kellam, operating together until 1928 when Mr. Ostrander took over the business.

The present site of the funeral home on the corner of Broadway and London Streets was opened in 1935 when Ewart Ostrander, the owner's son, joined the firm as a partner. Two years later, in 1937, Ewart bought a half interest and the business became known as the "H. A. Ostrander and Son Funeral Home" until January, 1959, when

the company was formed and became the "Ostrander Funeral Home."

The Ostrander funeral business has now become a real family affair with H. A. Ostrander as president and Ewart Ostrander as secretary-treasurer, and Ewart's son, Harry, working part time through the summer and after school and weekends. Both H. A. Ostrander and Ewart Ostrander are past presidents of the Western Ontario Funeral Directors Association as well as leading citizens of this community.

They now have nine staff members, H. A. Ostrander, Ewart Ostrander, Harry Ostrander Jr., Effie Nelson, who joined the staff in 1925, Harold Claringbold, who joined in 1928, Dave McLaren, who joined about 10 years ago, Nancy Dean, Carl Marshall and Mrs. A. S. Russell.

The furniture business owned by Ostranders was sold to two former

store employees, George Foster and Cam Morgan on March 1, 1955.

This Thursday and Friday night the public is invited to attend open house at the new Ostrander Funeral Home. The home will be open from 7 to 9 on Thursday night and from 7 to 9:30 on Friday night. Lunch will be served both nights.

In addition to Ostrander history the present site of the Funeral Home on Broadway holds many memories in its own right being the first piece of property sold by the town's founder, George Tillson, off the original crown deed. Price of the site was one dozen adze heads valued at \$2.00 each. The property cater-corner from the Funeral Home incidentally was the second piece of property sold at the bargain price of \$10. The old Funeral Home will be taken over this summer by the law firm of Gibson and Linton who purchased the property earlier this spring. They will be making minor alterations before moving in.



Site of the Ostrander Funeral Home since 1935, the building on Broadway will soon be vacated, as the company moves to spacious, modern quarters on the Baldwin-Bidwell St. corner.



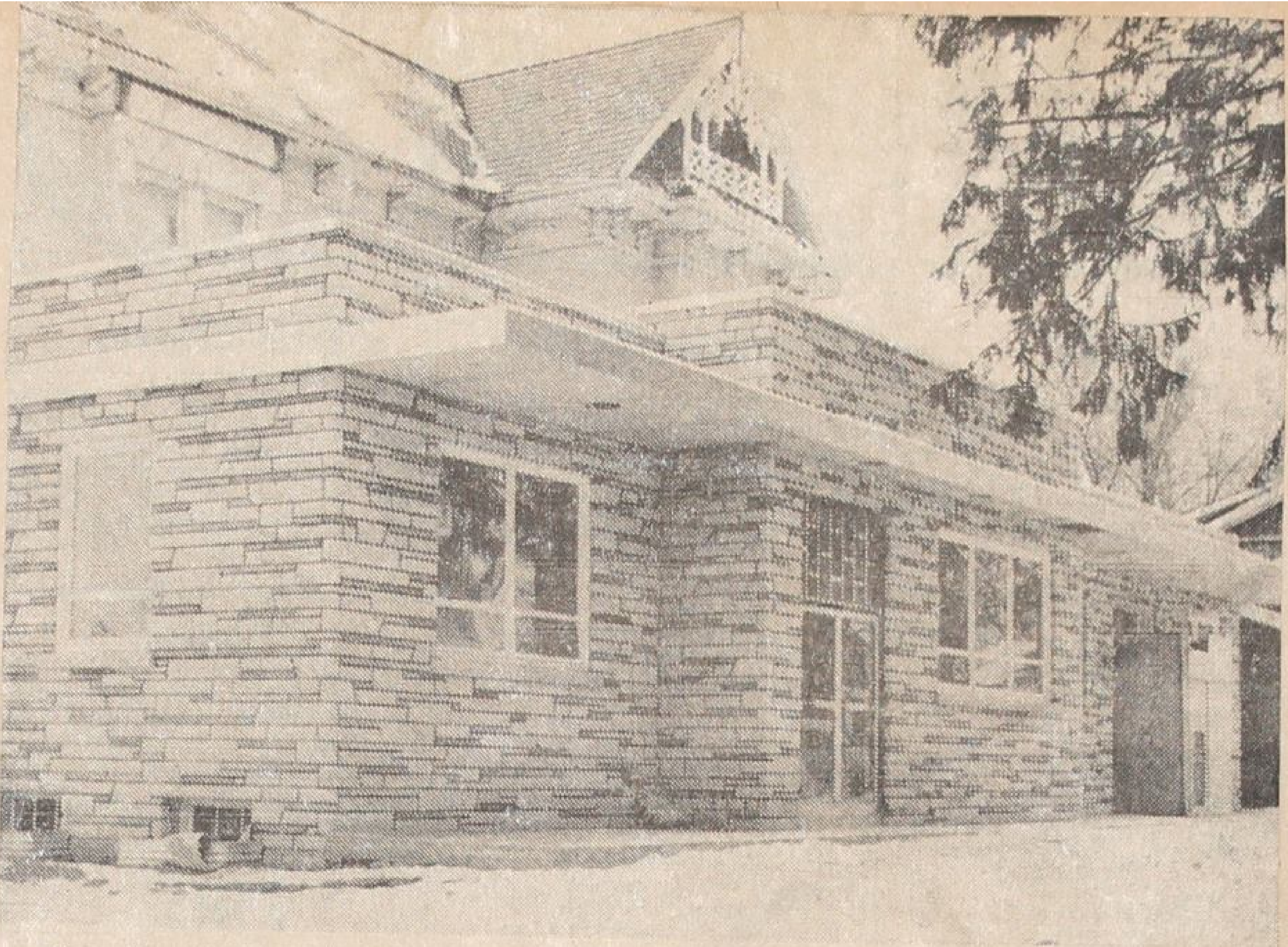
Harry Ostrander
Reserve Staff



David S. McLaren
Licensed Mortician



Carl Marshall
Assistant



Open House will be held Thursday and Friday at the modern new quarters of Ostrander's Funeral Home. The building, once site of the S. E. Carle Funeral Home, has been completely remodelled and redecorated.



Mrs. Nancy Dean
Receptionist

Twin Brothers Feted At Surprise Party

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. Nate McMullen, assisted by her daughter Catherine, entertained at a family dinner in honor of Mr. McMullen and twin brother, Nean McMullen of Norwich, in honor of their birthdays. Guests present at the surprise party were Mr. and Mrs. Lester McMullen of Woodsock; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Graves, Mr. and Mrs. Burwell Kendrick, Mr. and Mrs. Nean McMullen and children Anne and Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson and family Gary and Karen, all of Norwich. A phone call was received from their sister, Mrs. G. W. Hillier of Racine, Wis., other guests included Mr. and Mrs. Jack Riste and Ken Mann of Otterville. Cards were enjoyed throughout the evening.

Mrs. Fred Sherman, Mrs. Howard Sherman, Mrs. Nate McMullen and Mrs. R. M. Holmes, accompanied by Mrs. Harmon Hyndman of Beaconsfield, motored to Barrie on Thursday where they visited the latter's mother, Mrs. D. A. Collver, who is a resident in the Odd Fellows Home there. The ladies also had a visit with Harry Cookman, another former resident of Otterville, who is now living in the Home. Both were pleased to see their friends from Otterville and are in fairly good health. 1961

Mrs. Winnie Davis Feted on Birthday

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. Winnie Davis was guest of honor at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Butler, Saturday afternoon on the occasion of her 75th birthday.

Mrs. Davis was completely taken by surprise on arrival to meet many of her friends and neighbors who had arrived a little early for the party.

Mrs. Davis received many prettily wrapped gifts. She thanked her relatives, friends and her daughter, who was assisted by her daughter, Elaine, and sister-in-law, Mrs. Charter Davis.

Those attending the party were the guest of honor, Mrs. Winnie Davis, Mrs. George Davis, Mrs. Ida Graham, Mrs. Ernest Wingrove, Mrs. Lena Fox, Miss Florence Smith, Mrs. R. M. Holmes, Mrs. J. Pearce, Mrs. W. E. Nicholls and daughter, Karen, Miss Ivy Pennington, Miss Gladys Nobbs, Mrs. Charter Davis, Mrs. William Butler and daughter, Elaine.



Ross Chambers has a bale of good quality leaf on his shoulder, as Henry Ash looks on. Ross has worked for Henry for 17 years.

"We really have a family affair," quipped Mrs. Henry Ash, R.R. 1, Otterville.

Henry, who is a committeeman of the Ontario Flue-Cured Tobacco Growers' Marketing Board, explained why he believes he is getting a better-than-average job done on his 187-acre family unit, which has 60 acres of growing rights.

Ross Chambers, a son-in-law, has been the hired man on the farm for 17 years and takes full charge of the field work during harvest. Henry does his own curing with gas, while his three daughters, Mrs. Marion Chambers, Mrs. Rosalle Wilson, and Mrs. Joan Davey and one granddaughter, Diane Chambers, are the tiers and handers at the table. All live less than one-quarter mile from the farm.

A grandson, David Chambers, drives the tractor, while a son, Henry Jr., age 15, now hangs the crop in the kilns.

Mrs. Ash takes full charge of the cooking and repiling. A neighbour and friend for about 16 years, Mrs. Mildred Amey, has assisted at various jobs for many years.

GOOD JOB

"All are doing a very conscientious job, and we don't have to worry about them for a minute," said the 57-year-old tobacco farmer, who has been working in and growing flue-

FARM 'REALLY' FAMILY AFFAIR

Story and Photos

By TED CRANDON

cured tobacco since 1931. Henry explained that his father, Alfred Ash, of Otterville, purchased two farms in the early thirties. Henry took them over in 1950, and operates them as one unit.

Born on his father's dairy farm near Otterville, Henry has lived in South Norwich Township all his life, with the exception of the 10 years he spent in the automotive industry in the United States. He has worked on the farms he now owns since 1931.

The veteran grower is rightfully proud of the large irrigation pond, which is located behind the house and barns on his well-kept farm just north of Otterville.

LARGEST POND

One of the largest this correspondent has ever seen on a tobacco farm, it supplies Henry with almost unlimited quantities of water for irrigation. Henry had fill taken from the side of a 12 foot rise to build a large dam, which also acts as a road leading to the part of the farm behind the scenic pond.

Water, which flows into the pond from a stream running through the Ash farm, is usually allowed to fill the natural pond in April, the exact time depending on the weather. Boards are placed across two drains which lead under the dam to fill the pond.

The dam, which was built in 1954, is a popular swimming place during the summer months. More than 25 persons are sometimes present on warm Sunday afternoons to enjoy a dip in the clean, cool water and dive from the boards Henry has had erected.

Vermiculite is always used in the Ash greenhouse, which Henry takes care of. "I have had good luck in the greenhouse," he said. "In fact we have never missed having plenty of good plants."

"We have found we can't start to plant until May 22 on our medium sand," said Henry. "If we start earlier we sometimes get caught with frost."

RYE STRIPPING

A firm believer in rye stripping, Henry insists he doesn't have any serious trouble with knolls and his crop is more even and easier to cure. He admits however, that there are disadvantages such as having to move more often to prime enough tobacco to fill a kiln.

He plans to continue the rye stripping plan.

Henry's fertilization program includes about 1,200 pounds of 2-12-12 commercial fertilizer per acre, and ammonia nitrate on the rye in the Spring. He also uses about 200 pounds of 5-10-5 on the rye when it is disced down, and five to six tons of manure an acre on the light knolls and some light spots.

Members of the Ash family also do almost all of the sorting and grading in the striproom. "I have found that mixed to-

bacco does not sell well," said Henry. "We have always given special attention to grading and sorting and I have never had a bale returned in my life. I have found that it is very important to make sure that tobacco suitable for export is well graded and not mixed."

It is reported that Henry, who is serving his fifth term as a councillor for South Norwich Township, may be a candidate for a directorship of the Ontario Flue-Cured Tobacco Growers Marketing Board next term.

MAY BE DIRECTOR

M. A. Murphy agreed to complete the unexpired term of J. F. Gray, but apparently does not want to continue as a director. Henry admitted he had been asked to run, but said nothing was definite at this time.

There is little doubt that harvest is the most difficult period, when managing a tobacco farm. Men like Henry who have a large, loyal family to help during this period have something to be thankful for. And no one realizes this more than Henry Ash ✓



Henry Ash and his son, Henry Jr., are rightly proud of the large irrigation pond on the Ash farm near Otterville. Henry expects to fill the pond sometime in April.

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Services

2nd April : Easter Day

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Holy Trinity Norwich	8.30am Holy Communion
Holy Trinity Norwich	10.00am Holy Communion
St. Johns Otterville	11.30am Holy Communion
St. Charles Dereham	2.00pm Holy Communion

9th April : 1st after Easter (Vimy Church Parade)

Holy Trinity Norwich	10.00am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville	11.30am Morning Prayer
St. Charles Dereham	2.00pm Evening Prayer

16th April : 2nd after Easter

Holy Trinity Norwich	10.00am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville	11.30am Holy Communion
St. Charles Dereham	2.00pm Cancelled

23rd April : 3rd after Easter

Holy Trinity Norwich	10.00am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville	11.30am Morning Prayer
St. Charles Dereham	2.00pm Holy Communion

30th April : 4th after Easter

Holy Trinity Norwich	10.00am Holy Communion
St. Johns Otterville	11.30am Morning Prayer
St. Charles Dereham	2.00pm Evening Prayer

7th May : 5th after Easter

Holy Trinity Norwich	10.00am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville	11.30am Morning Prayer
St. Charles Dereham	2.00pm Evening Prayer

"Father, forgive them." Luke 23:34.

The "Cross" is not a mute testimony to the love of God for mankind, but it is a place from which the Saviour speaks his deep love and compassion to all men. His arms were stretched forth in an appeal to God for all of us whom he, in the form of sinful flesh at that time, represented. Cruelly treated and most grossly abused he was the picture of what man has made himself to be, and this is the form of man that was done to death in Christ. The killing pace, the killing distrust, the killing treachery, the killing frustration, the killing; all of this and more is the picture of the character of those who die in Christ.

But to die in Christ is not to die eternally, for it is only the debased human character which dies, it is as a result of this character that we know death and when that is removed so is death removed also, and what is left is life.

The life that emerges unquenched by evil is that new life which we have in Christ, for the life which He is could not be swamped by our sin, and He emerged to give hope to all those of us whose sincere desire is to possess that hope and to strive for it; therefore we are encouraged to enter into the complete experience of the Saviour, to walk confidently by His side and to enter into life.

The forgiveness of God was gloriously revealed in the Resurrection of the Son, but only as we identify ourselves with the Son do we receive also our forgiveness.

May the Lord be with you, S. Wilkinson.

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May Letter

Services

7th May : 5th after Easter

Holy Trinity Norwich	10.00am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville	11.30am Morning Prayer
St. Charles Dereham	2.00pm Evening Prayer

14th May : Sunday after Ascension

Holy Trinity Norwich	10.00am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville	11.30am Holy Communion
St. Charles Dereham	2.00pm Evening Prayer

27th May : Whitsunday

Holy Trinity Norwich	10.00am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville	11.30am Morning Prayer
St. Charles Dereham	2.00pm Holy Communion
Holy Trinity Norwich	7.30pm Masonic Service Evening Prayer

Note Summer Schedule

28th May : Trinity Sunday

St. Charles Dereham	8.45am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville	10.00am Morning Prayer
Holy Trinity Norwich	11.15am Holy Communion

4th June : 1st Sunday after Trinity

St. Charles Dereham	8.45am Morning Prayer
St. Johns Otterville	10.00am Morning Prayer
Holy Trinity Norwich	11.15am Morning Prayer

Holy Trinity Rectory

Norwich, Ont.

THE REV. SYDNEY WILKINSON

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"Mine elect shall long enjoy the work
of their hands." Isaiah 65, 22.

Perhaps there is no time of the year quite so pleasant as that of Spring when everyone is able to shed those extra garments, to roll up his sleeves, and to prepare for the work that lies so closely ahead. There is no pleasure in prolonged idleness and therefore we anticipate not only the agreeable warmth of the sun but also the delight of working outside, the satisfaction too in work itself. We seek often our enjoyment in idle moments in distant places, and these we call our holidays. We begin to think that those things only which cater to our entertainment are acceptable and we set them against our work and estimate the former pleasant and the latter unpleasant. Our labour is sometimes considered to be merely a necessary evil, but the promise is that we shall enjoy our work.

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Arctic
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The occupation that knows no delight is indeed a most miserable one but the lack of joy is not in the occupation, it is in the person.

Over-concentration in any one thing - even in enjoying ourselves - destroys its attractiveness. For our sanity's sake it is required that there be occasionally a slackening of the pace. To hasten from the pressure of work to the pressure of play is not necessarily to be enjoying life, it can be to be missing life. There is pleasure in what we happen to be doing now, just to be alive is enough, so let us set ourselves to our tasks with a will to enjoy them and to take from them what God has decreed we should. But let us be careful too to come apart and rest awhile in prayerful thankfulness before our Maker, for it is there that we are able to take stock of ourselves.

May God be with you,

Yours in Him,
S. Wilkinson.

Paxton Had First Phone At Otterville in 1887

"If all flesh is grass, was Adam the fodder of all mankind?"

Life magazine readers were just recovering from this pun by the Jubilee year of 1887 when tea trays could be balanced on the bustles of Otterville damsels and horses took their leisurely way across a landscape unmarred by metallic monstrosities.

Alexander Graham Bell's "talking box" drew capacity audiences wherever it made its appearance and when Otterville's first telephone came to town in 1887 manager R. Paxton's doorway was darkened by lanky youth and leaning old age.

Mr. Paxton, the village postmaster, became manager for the telephone company locally.

The first long distance line for commercial use in Canada was erected between Hamilton and Dundas in 1879, three years after the first long distance test in the world between Brantford and Paris, Ontario.

Through Otterville

A line from Aylmer to Port Colborne was built in 1887 by the seven-year-old Bell Telephone Company of Canada and from that line wire was strung into Norwich through Otterville bringing the telephone to the latter community.

The telephone installed at Paxton's remained a novelty for 19 years for during that period it was the only one in the village and could be used solely for long distance calls until a telephone exchange was opened in 1906.

The tiny Bell directory for that year carried the names of 23 Otterville residents who cranked response from the little switchboard between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. on weekdays, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. on holidays and from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sundays.

Messages were taken to non-subscribers within one half mile of the exchange for 10 cents, over one-half mile the charge was 20 cents an hour.

In August, 1907, Mell Durkee replaced Mr. Paxton as manager of the telephone office. Mr. Durkee remained in charge until 1926 and saw the 100th telephone installed in 1913. His daughter, Florence, was one of the village's first switchboard operators.

400 Phones

Telephones fell below the 100 mark during the depression but by 1936 were back on the way up in Otterville where some 400 today relay the town's voice.

In 1926 the telephone exchange was moved from Mr. Durkee's harness shop on the south side of Main Street into Paul Barnes' residence on the north side and Mr. Barnes was placed in charge of the office.

Telephone operators in Otterville have played an important role in the community since R. Paxton shouted the village's first telephone message outside its boundaries in 1887.

Thanks to the prompt action of Maude Hussey, operator and local representative in Otterville, in calling for help, a fire which might have wiped out the town in 1940 was kept under control.

When word reached the telephone office that a fire had started, Miss Hussey, knowing that the fire bell had been removed and that no public alarm could be sounded, at once called telephone subscribers and outside fire departments.

Thanks to her quick thinking help was immediately forthcoming and Otterville was saved.

Miss Hussey's father, Luther Hussey, was manager of the telephone office from 1928, when he purchased the Barnes' residence, until 1935, when his title changed to local representative. After his death in 1940 Miss Hussey succeeded him in that position.

In 1950 Otterville ceased to be an agency office and became a first-class Bell office.

Two new members, Mrs. Russell Mudge and Miss Mary Zimmer were added to the regular staff of Miss Eva Deveney and Mrs. Ronald Sage. Part-time operators were Mrs. Ira Pearce and Miss Dorothy Davis.

With the installation of the dial system in Otterville telephone operators and crank telephones will disappear from the local scene. Miss Hussey will retire on pension after 33 years of service.

Same Numbers

Telephone numbers long in use in the community's homes and places of business will no longer appear in the directory.

For more than 40 years a request for number 3 has ensured telephone connection with the Royal Bank of Canada. This number appeared in the town's first directory listing beside Traders Bank.

In 1920 the Grand Trunk Railway agent answered 8 ring 3 and the Canadian National Railway's employees answer number 8 today.

The Jackson and Newell families have been called by two long and one short and two long and two short rings on line 10 for more than 40 years.

The 1920 listing Ernest Scidmore 29 ring 2 has changed slightly to Elgin Scidmore and 26 ring 2 Clarence Zimmer now reads 26 ring 2 Bill Zimmer.

Gathering Marks Phone Change

OTTERVILLE (C) — Sunday morning at 2 a.m. employees of the Bell, past and present, gathered at the home of Miss Maude Hussey for a social time, prior to conversion to dial service in the community.

Dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. Ed Harding, niece of Miss Maude Hussey, who was assisted by Mrs. Tom Furlong.

Shortly after 3 a.m. George Cartwright pulled the strings which cut off the manual board.

Other Bell employees worked simultaneously in the new dial building to complete the necessary switching. Presently dial tone was humming in most of the homes in the community while the majority of the people slept.

Sunday employees of the former Bell Telephone office in Otterville, accompanied by Mrs. E. M. Lawrence of Guelph, sister of Miss Maude Hussey, enjoyed a smorgasbord dinner at Livingston's Restaurant.

Following the dinner each operator was presented with a coffee spoon engraved with the date of the cutover by Miss Maude Hussey, chief operator.

Miss Hussey was presented with a crystal brooch by the members of the staff in honor of her retirement.

Change to Dial Phones At Otterville Sunday



TO RETIRE—Miss Maude Hussey will retire as the dial cut-over takes place at Otterville, after serving Bell Telephone there for 33 years. From 1928 to 1938 she and her father, Luther Hussey, were the only switchboard operators in the community. Following her father's death in 1940, she succeeded him as local representative. Otterville ceased to be an agency office and became a first class Bell office in 1950.

OTTERVILLE — Dial telephone service will be introduced in Otterville early Sunday morning.

The change in the telephone system here will take place shortly after 3 a.m. when calling in the exchange has fallen to its lowest ebb, J. S. Rolfe, Bell Telephone manager for this region said this week. It will take about two minutes to make the change.

Coincident with the dial conversion, the seven-figure numbers listed in the special supplement to the Brantford-Woodstock directory will be introduced in Otterville. These will each consist of the exchange prefix 879 and four other figures.

On calls placed from one Otterville telephone to another,

it will be necessary to dial only the last four figures of the called telephone number. However, the complete seven-figure number will be required for placing and receiving long distance calls.

Area Code

The new number plates on Otterville telephones, besides showing the seven-figure number of the particular set, will also include the Area Code 519. This three-digit code is for use by the millions of telephone users in North America who will be able to call Otterville by Direct Distance Dialing after Sunday's dial conversion here. Each Otterville telephone number, when preceded by the area code number, will be unique in North America.

The area code is used only when a call is being placed to an Otterville telephone, or any telephone within the 519 area, from a telephone in another area. Toronto, for example, is located in the 416 area. Canada and the United States have been divided into more than 115 such areas, each having a different three-digit code number.

Lengthy Program

Opening of the Otterville dial exchange on Sunday will climax a lengthy program to bring dial service to this community. In addition to the construction and equipping of a new exchange building, all manual telephones were replaced by dial sets or modified for dial use. Bell crews also carried out an extensive modernization and extension of the pole, wire and cable network in the exchange area.

Otterville's new dial building is equipped with enough switching equipment to provide service for 500 telephone numbers. This will be sufficient, according to present forecasts, to meet the demand for telephone service in the area for some years to come.

Maude Hussey Honored At Otterville Banquet

OTTERVILLE (C) — Miss Maude Hussey, who has completed 33 years of faithful service with the Bell Telephone Co. and who is now due for retirement, was honored at a banquet Wednesday evening at St. John's Parish Hall.

Seated with Miss Hussey at the head table were Traffic Superintendent D. A. and Mrs. Noble, District Traffic Superintendent L. C. and Mrs. Godden of London, the guest

of honor's sister, Mrs. Eva Lawrence of Guelph, Miss Iva Kelner of Delhi, Miss Eva Deveney of Otterville.

The table was centred with red roses and places were marked with miniature dial telephones made from blue paper.

Mr. Noble was master of ceremonies and congratulated Miss Hussey on 33 years of faithful service for the Bell, the merchants and community. He read a letter from Oxford M.P. Wally Nesbitt, conveying greetings and best wishes to Miss Hussey.

District Traffic Superintendent L. C. Godden presented Miss Hussey with a president's wallet and extended best wishes. Iva Kelner made presentation of a life membership in the Tecumseh Council, Telephone Pioneers of America. Miss Kelner is past president of the Woodstock club and second vice-president of Tecumseh Council.

Other Gifts

As a tribute to Miss Hussey from friends gathered there, Miss Eva Deveney, assisted by Miss Vera Welch, made presentation of a 400-day clock, blanket, aluminum trays and a pair of bedroom lamps.

Reeve George H. Davis, who made the first long-distance call over the new dial system, spoke briefly and expressed deep appreciation to Miss Hussey and the staff for their efficient service through the years, and each member of the staff received luggage: to Miss Hussey for 33 years service; Miss Eva Deveney, who was on night duty for 19 of her 24 years on staff; Mrs. Edna Pearce, 10 years; Miss Vera Welch, four years, and Miss Donna Lawrence, three and a half years.

On behalf of the firemen, who deeply appreciated the alertness of the staff, each lady was presented with a cup and saucer by fireman Fred Pearce.

Guests were welcomed at the door by Miss Eva Deveney and Mrs. Ira Pearce, who also were in charge of the white leather covered guest book, on which was engraved "Miss Maude Hussey, May 24, 1961."

For the occasion Miss Hussey chose a dress of honey beige lace over taffeta, and wore a corsage of yellow carnations.

Mr. Noble expressed appreciation to the members of the St. John's Church Club and St. John's Ladies' Guild, who catered for the banquet. Club President Mrs. Jack Riste responded.

Musical numbers on the new organ by Mrs. Nate McMullen were enjoyed after the dinner.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the business people of Otterville, the firemen, fellow employees of the Bell Telephone Co. and friends who made my retirement dinner and presentations such a memorable evening. The kindness extended to me will long be remembered. Special thanks to the St. John's Church Club and Guild for the lovely dinner served — Maude Hussey.

I would like to express my thanks for the lovely set of luggage and gifts of China presented to me on the occasion of completing my services at the Bell office in Otterville. I am sure it has been a pleasure and a privilege to be associated with you good people and I accept your gifts and good wishes with sincere gratitude. — Vera M. Welsh.

I would like to thank all those who contributed to a gift of beautiful set of luggage presented to me at the retirement dinner for Miss Maude Hussey upon the completion of our services in Otterville. I would also like to thank the volunteer firemen for their gift to me. Everything was lovely and very much appreciated. —Eva Deveney.

I would like to thank the businessmen of Otterville and surrounding district for the beautiful luggage presented to me last week. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the volunteer firemen for the lovely cup and saucer.—Mrs. Edna Pearce. *May 1961*

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OTTERVILLE (C) — Miss Maude Hussey accompanied her sister, Mrs. Eva Lawrence, nephew and niece Mr. and Mrs. Ed Harding and their son Jeffery and moved to Guelph on Saturday. She will make her home with her sister Mrs. Eva Lawrence at 316 Speedvale Ave., East, Apt. 2; Guelph. A host of good wishes from her many friends in Otterville and community goes with her in her new place of abode. *June 13/61*

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Married 50 Years



Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Addison, Simcoe, yesterday celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married at Lynedoch on May 1, 1911, and moved to Simcoe 30 years ago. Mr. Addison retired from a wholesale sporting goods firm last Christmas. The couple has two sons: Stanley, of Simcoe, and Brock, of Hamilton, and one grandson, William, who is attending the University of Western Ontario. (Photo by Leonard Studio).

IN MEMORIAM

Hooker—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Cecil M. Hooker, who passed away 3 years ago, May 11, 1958.

Many a lonely heartache,
Often a silent tear,
But always a beautiful memory,
Of a Dad whom we loved so dear.

—Always remembered and sandly missed by his wife Laura and daughters Dolores and Margaret and family.

Sales Tax Forms To Go Out In Week

TORONTO (CP) — Application forms for some 120,000 retailers and vendors who will collect Ontario's new three-percent sales tax will be going out in the mails next week, Provincial Treasurer Allan said Friday night.

The retailers must apply for a licence to collect the tax, effective Sept. 1. They will be paid according to a sliding scale of remuneration in proportion to the amount of work required to collect and record the tax.

Speaking on the Provincial Affairs broadcast, Mr. Allan said the retailers soon will receive complete details of the Retail Sales Tax Act and a list of tax exempt items in their field of retailing.

He added that bookkeeping for the tax will be made as simple as possible. Trained personnel from sales tax offices across Ontario will help retailers select the accounting method suited to individual needs.

Mr. Allan said the sales tax was necessary because of Ontario's "tremendous" growth which has placed unprecedented demands on the treasury. *JUNE*

Otterville Man District Deputy

With Noble Grand Stewart Godby presiding, Tecumseh Lodge, I.O.O.F., of Otterville held its regular meeting last night. There were visitors from Norwich, Port Rowan and Tillsonburg.

Max Avey announced that the annual Rebekah and Odd Fellows Decoration Day would be Sunday, August 20.

Carl Howse was installed as district deputy grand master of Otter District, No. 17, for the coming term by Morley Munn and Archie Barry of Port Rowan. *June 1961*



ONTARIO'S oldest school teacher, Miss Irene Scidmore, of Otterville, sits in the rocking chair presented to her at a banquet last night given in her honor by local teachers and citizens. A veteran of 59

years teaching at Otterville and Milldale, SS 1, Miss Scidmore has completed more years of active teaching than any other teacher in Ontario. Harold Pearce, school board chairman, (left) talks with

Boyd Little, principal of the school, while Miss Scidmore reads the card accompanying the gift. She plans to spend her retirement helping her brother with his pickle business. (Staff Photo)

SERVED PROFESSION FOR 59 YEARS

June 1961

Oldest Ontario Teacher Is Honored At Otterville

Ontario's oldest school teacher, Miss Irene Scidmore of Otterville, was honored last night at a banquet given there to mark her retirement from 59 years of junior grade teaching in local schools.

Some 50 teachers and friends gathered to pay tribute to the white-haired school mistress who has taught three generations of many local families.

Harold Pearce, chairman of the South Norwich School Board presented Miss Scidmore with a rocking chair on behalf of the board.

The chances are it won't be used too much, as Miss Scidmore is still active and her favorite pastime is helping her brother with his pickle business at Woodstock market.

PRAISED BY PRINCIPAL

Boyd Little, principal of Otterville school, was among the

many who praised Miss Scidmore.

"Words cannot express an adequate tribute to Miss Scidmore's achievement," he said. She is known throughout the county for her teaching skill, she has given our children a fine foundation in proper morals and spiritual ideals and she is respected everywhere."

Miss Scidmore was also praised for instilling in her pupils a love of nature. She places special emphasis on wild life subjects, and the walls of her classroom are decorated with posters of animals of every description.

She first taught in 1903, two years after the death of Queen Victoria. After a brief period at Milldale school, she devoted the rest of her teaching career to Otterville.

A keen story teller, Miss Scidmore holds classes spellbound with tales from the Bible.

SPECIAL INTEREST

But her special interest has been in the field of phonetics — teaching the children the basic

rudiments of writing and reading.

She pioneered techniques in the teaching of this subject which have since become standard practice throughout the country.

Noted for her kindness to pupils, Miss Scidmore often bought clothes for her less fortunate pupils. Every child had to pass a special inspection before leaving her classroom to ensure he or she was adequately dressed for the weather.

Although she never punished pupils, she commanded instant response from unruly children.

A letter was read to last night's meeting from the Department of Education confirming the fact that no other teacher in Ontario had equalled Miss Scidmore's lifetime of service to education.

The teachers of Otterville School also presented a gift to Miss Scidmore, who ended the evening by rocking peacefully in her chair, expressing gratitude to all involved for a happy termination of her career at Otterville school.

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OTTERVILLE SCHOOL BIDS ADIEU TO MISS SCIDMORE



ONTARIO'S oldest school-teacher, Miss Irene Scidmore, of Otterville. **LEFT**, holds the rapt attention of two of her pupils as she emphasizes a

point with her traditional school-teacher's stick. A veteran of over 59 years teaching, she says being separated from her pupils will 'break

her heart.' **RIGHT** Seen at the desk where she has spent many of her years teaching, Miss Scidmore presides over her classroom of junior grade

pupils at Otterville school. She now intends to spend an active retirement helping her brother with his pickle business. Over the years, she

has become known to many as the lady who helps behind Scidmore's pickle stall at Woodstock's Saturday morning market. (Staff photos).

FIRM BELIEVER IN ACTIVITY

Ontario's Oldest Teacher Reluctant On Retirement

By NICK STEED

"Not a single pupil of mine ever landed up in jail" - that's the proud claim of Miss Irene Scidmore, a teacher at Otterville school.

And it's quite a record when one considers the fact that Miss Scidmore has been teaching at the school for close on 60 years. She is the oldest school teacher in Ontario.

The little lady with the grey hair and twinkling eyes will retire from teaching within the next two months.

Not that she wants to - it's just that the school board feels the time for a well-deserved retirement has finally arrived.

"It burned me up at first," says Miss Scidmore, describing her reaction to retirement.

"I may be selfish" she said, looking wistfully at the rows of little desks in her junior grade classroom, "but I feel all this, the desks, cupboards, doors and walls, all belongs to me and I don't want to give it up".

THEY GIVE LIFE

"They are the one's who give you life," she continued, glancing out of the window at the playing children" and I just can't bear the thought of being parted from them".

A staunch advocate of packing as much activity as possible into life, Miss Scidmore is also known to many as the lady behind the pickle stall of her brother at Woodstock's Saturday morning market.

But when it comes to mothers working, she has some strenuous advice. "Home is the place for mothers and working mothers can't give their children a proper home life," she says.

Claiming this is one reason why children today are hard to keep under control, she contrasts the free and easy atmosphere of today with the harsh discipline of Victorian times.

But she thinks children today are smarter than ever - for all their failings, adding "they can't help it with all their advantages."

Boyd Little, principal of the Otterville school, describes Miss Scidmore as an excellent teacher, keen on instilling a patriotic outlook into her pupils and a specialist in teaching phonics - the basis of all speech and writing.

Miss Scidmore is also keen on getting children to appreciate the countryside. The walls of her classroom are decorated with large coloured posters showing the wild life of the surrounding area.

TIMES HAVE CHANGED

Times have changed a lot since Miss Scidmore used to walk several miles every morning to teach her class of over 70 pupils for an annual salary of \$225.

The world has seen empire

come and go - and Otterville's veteran school teacher has some strong views on world politics.

"It's time Canada stood up to this Khrushchev," she says advocating a more effective role in international affairs for the land which has been her home for the last eighty years.

She sees the Queen as a vital factor in holding the Commonwealth together. "My pupils always look at the picture of the Queen on the classroom wall every morning when they sing the national anthem", she says.

Three generations of many Otterville families have sat spellbound in Miss Scidmore's classroom as she told stories from the Bible.

Noted for her kindness, she would often buy clothes for her less fortunate pupils and all children had to pass a close inspection to make sure they were suitably clothed before leaving her classroom.

RECEIVED TRIBUTE

Tuesday evening, local school teachers and citizens, many of whom were former pupils of Miss Scidmore, gathered in Otterville to pay tribute to the woman who has given her life to the education of the district's children.

Many speeches were made in praise of her service to the community, but the general consensus of opinion was that words alone were an adequate form of recognition.

The board of education presented her with a fine rocking-chair and the teachers at Otterville school gave her a blanket.

But these comforts of retirement won't be too necessary to Miss Scidmore. She intends to devote more time to the pickle business and has no intention of slackening up on the active way of life which has kept her busy teaching for the last sixty years.

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Over 50 Years Teacher, Miss Scidmore Retiring

OTTERVILLE — A teaching career spanning over half a century -- longest of any school teacher in Ontario -- is coming to an end.

Miss Irene Scidmore of Otterville, who began teaching in 1903, two years after the death of Queen Victoria, retires this year. The occasion was marked Tuesday night at a banquet in her honor by some 50 teachers, officials and friends.

Miss Scidmore taught for a short time at S. S. 1, Milldale, and the rest of her career has been spent at Otterville where she has taught three generations of some families.

Harold Pearce, chairman of the South Norwich School Board, presented Miss Scidmore with a rocking chair on behalf of the board.

Otterville Principal Boyd Little, among many, praised the contribution made by Miss Scidmore over the years.

"Words cannot express adequate tribute to Miss Scidmore's achievement," he said. "She is known throughout the county for her

teaching skill. She has given our children a fine foundation in proper morals and spiritual ideals and she is respected everywhere."

Miss Scidmore was praised for instilling in her pupils a love of nature.

She was described as a keen storyteller.

Phonetics

Her special interest has been in phonetics, and she was said to have pioneered in techniques of teaching the basic rudiments of reading and writing that have since become standard practice throughout the country.

Miss Scidmore was also noted for her kindness to pupils, and often has bought clothes for less fortunate pupils.

A letter read at the banquet from the Ontario Department of Education confirmed that no other teacher in the province had equalled Miss Scidmore's lifetime of service.

Teachers at the school also presented Miss Scidmore with a gift.

Now that school is about over for another year, many young people will be starting out to earn a living. A new kind of life will open up for them even though they will be learning. This time their teacher will be the school of hard knocks. For some it will be easy, for others many trials and tribulations will be encountered.

Years ago a friend gave me this little bit of advice printed on a card which I hung on my desk. It is good common sense and it also is worth while in times of trouble which we all encounter.

I will repeat it here for the benefit of those students who are starting out to earn a living for the first time.

It's hard sometimes.

- To apologize.
- To begin over.
- To take advice.
- To admit error.
- To be charitable.
- To avoid mistakes.
- To keep on trying.
- To keep out of a rut.
- To obey conscience.
- To profit by mistakes.
- To forgive and forget.
- To think and then act.
- To shoulder deserved blame.
- To make the best of a little.
- To subdue an unruly temper.
- To recognize a silver lining.
- To accept just rebuke successfully.
- To value character above reputation.
- To discriminate between sham and real.

But it always pays.

MRS. KENNETH MOORE

OTTERVILLE (C) — Rev. W. E. Nicholls, pastor of the Otterville Baptist Church, conducted the funeral service for the late Mrs. Kenneth Moore who passed away in Victoria Hospital, London, on Wednesday last. The service was held on Saturday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home filled by relatives and many friends of the family.

Miss Dorothy Stover, pianist of the Baptist Church, played favorite hymns before and after the service.

Floral tributes were beautiful and these, together with the memorial tokens to the Cancer Fund and to the Gideon Bible Funds, were a source of comfort to the sorrowing family.

Pallbearers were Russell Mudge, Clayton Arthur, Stanley Arthur, Metro Marchuk, Lorne Treffry, and Andrew Childs.

The flower bearers were Gordon Pennington, Brent Pennington, Bill Hajdu and Ross Moore.

Interment was in the Otter Cemetery.

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Miss Mary Travis of Tillsonburg, who was made honorary member of Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, L.O.B.A. of Ontario West, May 12, 1961, when Grand Lodge convened at Sault Ste. Marie. A charter member of Pride of Tillsonburg, L.O.B.A., No. 1113, she joined in January, 1946. She instituted Crystal Chapter in Tillsonburg in September, 1949, and was the first Senior Preceptress, an office she filled again in 1960; was Worthy Mistress of Pride of Tillsonburg, L.O.B.A., No. 1113, 1950-'51; treasurer of Orange Hall since 1951, when the building located on Brock Street East was first planned; and made honorary member of the primary lodge, April, 1959, when the mortgage on the hall was burned. (Staff

MRS. FLOYD ENTWISTLE

NORWICH — Mrs. Floyd Entwistle, a lifelong resident of Oxford County, died in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital in her 64th year.

The former Irene Morley, Mrs. Entwistle was born at Newark, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Morley. She had lived in South Norwich Township for the past 31 years. She was a member of the United Church, Woman's Missionary Society, and Group 3 of the Woman's Association. She was also active in the Women's Christian Temperance Union and the Happy Bluebirds Club.

Surviving are Mr. Entwistle; a son, Morley of Winnipeg; a brother, Vernon of Norwich; two sisters, Mrs. Cora Smith of Woodstock and Mrs. L. Longworth of Norwich; three grandchildren.

Rested at the Arn and Son Funeral Home for service conducted Saturday by Rev. C. D. Daniel of Ingersoll. Interment in Norwich Cemetery.

MRS. F. ENTWISTLE

NORWICH: Rev. C. D. Daniel of Ingersoll, who has been supplying the pulpit of the Norwich United Church during the illness of the minister, Rev. J. Gordon Cruikshank, was in charge of the funeral services for the late Mrs. Floyd Entwistle on Saturday afternoon. So many came to pay their last respects that the spacious funeral residence was unable to hold them all, many having to stand outside during the service. There were many floral tributes and memorial tokens to the Cancer, Heart and Gideon Bible Funds. During the service Mrs. Andrew Forbes, accompanied by Mrs. Elgin Lossing, sang the solo, Beyond the Sunset. The floral tributes were carried by neighbors: Raymond DeMontmorency, Leslie Clement, Vital and Remi Vankerbroeck, Wilfred Alexander and George VanMannen. Casket bearers were Bruce Alexander, Burwell Kendrick, Frank Swanton, Ross Merriam, Sam MacSpadden and Samuel Cree. Interment was made in the Norwich cemetery. June 1961

J. WESLEY FISH, OLDEST PRINTER, DIES



A few months before reaching his 100th birthday, J. Wesley Fish passed away at his home in Otterville Tuesday evening after a brief illness. Mr. Fish was born at Linwood Dec 24th, 1861 but came with his parents to Otterville as a little boy, and during his long and useful life retained the respect and admiration of a host of friends.

For many years had had a grocery store with his printing shop upstairs and after he sold his store, he continued printing until 2½ years ago, being in all probability, the oldest active printer in the Dominion. He was an elder in the Otterville United Church, and had been the superintendent for 54 years, and during most of that time was also secretary or treasurer of the

church. He was still president of the Otter Cemetery Board, and had visited the cemetery on Sunday, and had often expressed the wish that when his time came, it might be in June, as had his wife, the former Belle Tisdale who died in 1947 and son Paul who died in 1943.

He is survived by three sons and three daughters, Carman and Marjorie (Mrs. Norman Swift, of Park Ridge, Ill.; Marion at home; Allan Fish, Oakville; Mrs. Wm. G. McDowell (Pauline), Brampton and Fred Fish, Jarvis.

Resting at his late residence until noon Friday. Funeral service in the United Church, Otterville, on Friday at 2.30 by the Rev. Donald Morrison. Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

J. WESLEY FISH

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral services for the late J. Wesley Fish were conducted by Rev. Donald Morrison of Appin in the United Church Friday afternoon.

Mrs. William A. McMullen was the organist and the choir led the congregation in the singing of one of the favorite hymns of the deceased, "Lead Kindly Light". Among the tokens in memory was a floral tribute from the United Church and donations in loving memory to the Missionary Society, Canadian Cancer Society and Gideon Bibles.

Pallbearers were R. M. Holmes, Sam McSpadden, Melville Beecroft, Elgin Scidmore, Charles Mannell and R. E. Pettigrew.

Interment was in Otter Cemetery.

Relatives and friends attended from Park Ridge, Ill., Oakville, Jarvis, Toronto, St. Catharines, Dundas, Hamilton, Brantford and other points.

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FISH—At his residence, Otterville, on Tuesday evening, June 27, 1961, Joseph Wesley Fish, in his 100th year.

Resting at the Addison Funeral Home until this morning (Thursday); thence to his late residence until noon Friday, June 30, 1961. Funeral service at the United Church, Otterville, Friday at 2.30 p.m., to be conducted by Rev. Donald Morrison. Interment in Otter Cemetery. Kindly omit flowers.

Veteran Printer J. W. Fish Dies In 100th Year

OTTERVILLE (C) — A few months before reaching his 100th birthday, J. Wesley Fish passed away at his home here Tuesday evening, after a brief illness.

Deceased was born at Lynwood, on December 24, 1861, but came with his parents to Otterville as a boy. During his long and eventful life he retained the respect and admiration of a host of friends. For many years he conducted a general store, with his printing shop upstairs, and after he sold his store, he continued printing until two and one-half years ago, being in all probability the oldest active printer in Canada.

Mr. Fish was an elder in the local United Church, and had been Sunday school superintendent for 54 years. During most of that time he was also secretary or treasurer in the church. He was still president of the Otter Cemetery Board and had visited the cemetery on Sunday and often expressed the wish that when his time came, it might be in June, as for his wife, the former Belle Tisdale, who died in 1947, and a son, Paul, who died in June, 1943.

Surviving are three sons, Carmen Fish of Parkridge, Ill., Allan Fish of Oakville and Fred Fish of Jarvis; one daughter, Miss Marion Fish, at home; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

HELEN IRENE SCOTT

OTTERVILLE (C) — Miss Helen Irene Scott, nurse at the Ontario Hospital, St. Thomas, for the past 15 years, died at Memorial Hospital, St. Thomas, Saturday following a lengthy illness.

Miss Scott was born near Windham Centre 55 years ago, the only child of the late John Henry Scott and Margaret Boone Scott. She came with her parents to Otterville in 1927 and worked in the Otterville post office for 14 years before resigning to nurse her invalid mother for nearly five years. Fifteen years ago, she went to St. Thomas where she graduated as a Certified Nurses Aid in mental health in 1955 and continued there until stricken with muscular dystrophy and was confined to hospital for the past 15 months.

She was a member of the Knox Presbyterian Church, St. Thomas, and has many friends in both the St. Thomas and Otterville districts.

She is survived by two aunts, Mrs. Lillie Boone of Stroudsburg, Pa., and Mrs. Catherine Atkinson of Nixon and several cousins.

Friends will be received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. Interment in the family plot in the Delhi Cemetery.

HELEN IRENE SCOTT

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Miss Helen Irene Scott, who passed away in the Memorial Hospital, St. Thomas, Saturday after a long illness was held at the Addison Funeral Home on Tuesday afternoon with Rev. Harry Rodney, minister of the Presbyterian Church at St. Thomas in charge, and assisted by Rev. Norman Savage of Pennsylvania, a cousin of the late Miss Scott.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and played many favorite hymns before and after the service. In addition to the many relatives and friends paying tribute, 40 nurses of the staff at the hospital, of which the late Miss Scott was a member, formed a guard of honor at the funeral home.

There was a great profusion of flowers as well as memorial gifts for Gideon Bibles and Cancer Society.

Local relatives and friends were joined by relatives and friends from Pennsylvania, St. Thomas, Teeterville, London, Southwold Station, and other places.

The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Nate McMullen, Fred A. Church, Jack Church, John Palmer, Vernon Coates and William Atkinson.

Interment was in the family plot in Delhi Cemetery. *JULY*

Area Picnic Held by Club



OTTERVILLE (C) — Approximately 75 persons attended the Mary Hasting Club area picnic in Otterville Community Park.

The feature of the afternoon was a full program of sports and a penny table.

Mrs. H. A. Waring was in charge of the guest register and President Mrs. Henry Ash welcomed members and visitors.

Mrs. Ross Chambers, Mrs. Raymond de Montmorency and Mrs. Henry Ash arranged the ladies contests. For designing and modelling a hat made from paper, first prize was won by Mrs. Mac McNally; pig-calling, Mrs. Harold Waring; slipper kick, Miss Ella Lonsbury; registration prize, Mrs. Leslie Clement; youngest grandmother, Mrs. George McCurdy; youngest baby, Caroline Rachar; oldest lady, Mrs. Carrie Sitts. Mrs. Philip Pearce won the button contest, guessing the exact number, 333.

Mrs. James Squance, Mrs. George McElhone and Mrs. Mack McNally arranged the children's races.

Arthur Cartier was the auctioneer for the lamb shaped cake. Mr. Cartier became the owner of the cake, which was donated by Mrs. Nate McMullen.

The penny table tickets were purchased rapidly.

The picnic table was well filled with goodies and everyone enjoyed a splendid picnic supper, served by the committee, with Secretary Mrs. Martin Smith in charge.

Visitors were present from London, Tillsonburg, Simcoe, Delhi, Norwich, Cornell and Otterville.

HOUSEWIVES OUTING—Members of Mary Hastings clubs from Tillsonburg, Delhi and Norwich-Otterville gathered for their annual picnic yesterday afternoon in the Lions Club Park at Otterville. Among those attending were, left to right, Mrs. George Howard, secretary of the Tillsonburg club;

Mrs. Daisy Ash, president of the Bluebells, the hostess club; Mrs. Alta Tomlinson, president of the Delhi club; Mrs. Martin Smith, secretary and a member of the picnic committee, and Mrs. Grace Squance, member of the sports committee. (Photo by Lowe).

Past Eighty Column Members Pose

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Nineteen of the 47 Mary Hastings Column members past 80 years of age gathered together for a photograph at the 21st Annual Housewife Picnic at Springbank Park on July 15. Seated fifth from

the left, front row, is our well-known and long time Housewife correspondent, Atlas Brae. Men were well represented at this picnic, 200 of the 1,800 present being male.

MR + MRS ANDREW CLINTON



OTTERS BATTERY—Otterville Otters, in fashioning a 29 game winning streak, have relied heavily on the strong arms of Bob Gillespie, left, and Bob Smith, third from left. Playing-manager Tom Furlong, is between his two mound aces and catcher Ted McElhone, right, completes the battery. (Photo by George Lowe, Norwich).

Seek 30th Win in Row

Love of Game Keeps Otters Rolling

By DOUG McCONNELL
Free Press Sports Writer

OTTERVILLE—When Otterville Otters take the field in Woodstock tomorrow night for the second game of the Memorial League Southern Division best-of-five finals, they'll be going after their 30th straight season victory.

Their winning streak is the singular statistic kept by the Otters. Batting averages, fielding percentages, pitching records and the like are not for them.

The only records they are interested in are encribed on trophies. And they have plenty of those.

Otters defeated New Durham-Norwich Combines, 10-3, in Norwich a week ago to win their sixth South Oxford Softball League championship in seven years, and extend their winning streak to 27 games.

Sixteen victories in the string came in the fast Memorial Softball League to put them atop the Southern Division, following a slow start. They dropped three of their first four games and were 2-4 before starting to roll.

Otters hope to keep the string going when they start the Ontario Rural Softball Association round-robin semifinals next week.

Otterville has claimed an ORSA Intermediate championship each of the last five years, Class "A" for the last two years, Class "B" the three previous seasons.

After their third "B" title the Otters challenged the "A" champion Smithville nine for the all-Ontario championship and won a best-of-three series with two straight one-run decisions. As "A" champions Otters have gone unchallenged.

Of the seven teams in this year's round-robin series Otters' manager Tom Furlong says they expect the most opposition from Smithville, "A" champions for three straight years before Otterville laid claim to the title.

The key to Otterville's remarkable success could be most of the Otters have played together for over 12 years, and they love to play.

Their double league schedule had them going four nights a week.

Carries Load

Bob Smith, who at 27 is a veteran of all 12 years with the Otters, had to pitch most of the team's early season games. Bob Gillespie, 24, their other hurler, was slow getting his arm in shape. A dozen games had been played before he could take his regular turn.

Smith, who with his effortless submarine delivery, could seemingly pitch till dawn, has thrived on work. He threw two-hitters at Stratford Kroehlers, St. Thomas Western Hotel and Woodstock Paton-Pearson Fuelmen, in the Memorial League and averaged about 15 strikeouts per game over the season. Gillespie averages about 12, estimates Furlong.

Heavy Hitters

Like most rural clubs every man in the Otterville lineup is a dangerous hitter.

Archie MacDougall's two-run homer in the 10th beat St. Thomas, 4-2, after cleanup batter Bob Furlong had driven in two ninth inning game-tying runs with a double.

That started Otterville on the long winning streak but it also cost the Otters Furlong's services for 15 games. He broke his wrist sliding into second with his double.

There were others to take up the slack.

Brother Tom Furlong, a power-hitter although just 5'7" and 155 pounds, walloped a grand slam homer in a four-point, 7-3 victory over Tavistock Legionnaires.

Murray Malcolm's two-run homer in the eighth stopped Woodstock, 3-1.

Smith, while allowing Hickson Flyers just six hits in hurling a 12-3 victory, pounded out five safeties in five trips.

Local Gang

Most of the Otters live in this village of about 700, on farms nearby and Malcolm, five miles from the Otterville ball park, has the farthest distance to travel for a home game except MacDougall.

The hard-hitting second baseman moved to Tillsonburg three years ago, making him ineligible for ORSA play, although not for Memorial League competition. Gillespie and Smith take turns at the keystone when not pitching.

Even with one championship under their belts this season, the Otters have a busy playoff schedule in front of them. Besides the ORSA play and the current Memorial League division final there follows the North-South Memorial League final.

After that they may still be looking. There must be something they haven't won.



BIG ATTRACTION at the 28th annual Flue-Cured Tobacco Growers Field Day held last week at the Tobacco Sub-Station near Delhi were several models of the new tobacco tying machines. Above one of the demonstrators shows that the leaves are tied evenly and firmly by the machines. The machines work along the same line as a sewing machine. (Royal Studio)



BULK CURING may come of age here within the next few years due to the extensive experimentation being carried out at the Tobacco Sub-Station in Middleton. One of the main drawing cards at the 28th annual Flue - Cured Tobacco Growers Field Day last week was the above shown bulk curing kiln. About 4,000 attended the all day affair. (Royal Studio)

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Parade of Hats Winners

MRS. GORDON W. KRAMER

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. Mabel Clare Kramer, wife of Gordon Whitfield Kramer, died suddenly Sunday morning from a heart attack while attending the United Church Service at Norwich.

Mrs. Kramer was born near Windham Centre 62 years ago, daughter of the late Oscar Slaght and Mary Graves Slaght, and lived there until 1928 when she went to Oxford Centre where she and her husband farmed until 1957 before building a house in Otterville. A year ago, they sold the house and farmed a year near Woodstock, but decided to return to Otterville where they built another home and were to move in a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Kramer spent the last two months with her sister, Mrs. Bannister and Mr. Bannister at Norwich awaiting completion of their new home.

Mrs. Kramer was a member of the United Church and attended church groups where she lived.

She is survived by her husband; one sister, Mrs. John Bannister (Lela) Norwich, and one brother, Clarence Slaght of Burgessville, as well as one niece and several nephews.

Friends will be received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service will be held Tuesday, July 18, at 4 p.m. Interment in the family plot in the Windham Centre Cemetery.

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In the Parade of Hats fashioned from kitchen utensils, contestants seemingly enjoyed the fun as much as spectators. Winners were, left to right: Mrs. May Fox, London; Mrs. David McLeod,

Mitchell; Mrs. Roy Morenz, Dashwood; Mrs. Murray Campbell, Glanworth; and Mrs. Henry Ash, Otterville.

MRS. MABEL CRAMER

OTTERVILLE (C)—Funeral service for the late Mrs. Mabel Cramer, who died in the Norwich United Church on Sunday morning while attending service, was held at the Addison Funeral Home on Tuesday at 4 p.m.

Rev. Elgin R. Rintoul minister of the Norwich United Church, conducted the service which was very largely attended. Mrs. Nate McMullen was pianist and accompanied George Lowe of Norwich, who sang "Jesus Knowns and Understands."

The large number present was indicative of the many friends and neighbors the late Mrs. Cramer had made in the different places where she had lived and they attended from Windham Centre, Teeterville, Waterford, Brantford, Curries, Port Colborne, Norwich and community.

The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful and memorial tokens were given for Gideon Bibles, and to the Canadian Cancer Society.

The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Jack Slaght, Gordon Slaght, Eddie Slaght, Wayne Slaght, Wilfred Leonard and Gordon Leonard. Interment was made in Windham Centre.

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MRS. HARRIET ANN STEWART

OTTERVILLE (C) — The funeral service of the late Mrs. Harriet Ann Stewart was held from the Addison Funeral Home on Saturday, August 26, with Rev. Thomas D. Lindsey, minister of the Otterville United Church, officiating.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and played favorite hymns before and after the service.

Among the floral tributes were tokens from the neighbors and Violet Rebekah Lodge, Otterville. Donations were received for the Canadian Cancer Society and Gideon Bibles.

Casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers were Murray Holmes, Andrew Childs, Albert Lawrence, Clarence Silverthorne, Ernest Pettigrew and Clarence Mills.

Interment in the Otter Cemetery. Relatives from Toronto, Cockrane, Owen Sound, Galt, Hanover, Woodstock, London, Paris, Princeton and Chatham attended the funeral.

Elaine Butler Honored At Pre-Nuptial Events

OTTERVILLE (C) — Miss Elaine Butler, whose marriage to John W. Berst took place Saturday, August 26, in the Otterville Baptist Church, was honored at several pre-nuptial events.

Mrs. William R. Butler, mother of the bride, honored her daughter at a trousseau tea. Guests were received by the hostess, the bride, and the groom's mother, Mrs. George E. Berst of Woodstock. Miss Joan Downing was in charge of the guest book.

The tea table, covered with a lace table cloth crocheted by the bride's grandmother, was centred with a silver bowl of pink and white roses, flanked by white candles in silver candlesticks.

Pouring tea were Mrs. Stanley

Davis, grandmother of the bride, and Mrs. George Davis, an aunt. Miss Dorothy Stover of Tillsonburg and Miss Vera Deller of Norwich served guests.

Miss Florence Smith of Springfield was in charge of the kitchen with Mrs. Fred Hill, Mrs. Charter Davis, Mrs. Bert Hill and Mrs. Glen Davis assisting.

The trousseau was displayed by Miss Yvonne Collver and Mrs. William A. McMullen. Gifts were shown by Mrs. Gilbert Durham of London.

Miss Yvonne Collver was hostess at a miscellaneous shower with Miss Butler as guest of honor. The evening was spent in playing bingo. The bride-elect was assisted by Miss Collver and Mrs. William A. McMullen in opening her gifts. The hostess was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Ron Collver, and Mrs. Glen Davis in serving dainty refreshments.

The bride was entertained by Miss Dorothy Stover at a kitchen shower, contests were conducted by the hostess and Miss Vera Deller. Refreshments were served by the hostess with Mrs. Bruce Stover and Mrs. Murray Stover assisting.

Pupils of the bride at Maple Dell School also entertained at a picnic and made a presentation.

Following the rehearsal the bridal party was entertained at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Berst, in Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Butler, Otterville, Ont., wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Wilma Elaine to Mr. John Ward Berst, son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Berst, Woodstock, Ont. The marriage will take place in the Otterville Baptist Church at 3:30 p.m. Saturday August 26, 1961.

Berst-Butler Nuptials Spoken at Otterville

OTTERVILLE (C) — Otterville Baptist Church was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday, August 26, 1961, at 3:30 p.m. when Rev. W. E. Nicholls united in marriage Wilma Elaine Butler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Butler of Otterville, and John Ward Berst of Woodstock, son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Berst.

The bride was charming in a floor-length portrait gown of pure silk organza over taffeta, extending in a chapel train, featuring lily point sleeves and sculptured neckline embroidered with Guipure lace. The bouffant skirt featured a bustle back and a panier of Guipure lace appliques. A Swedish crown of pearls held her elbow-length veil of double pure silk illusion in place and she carried a white Bible crested with a mauve orchid and cascade of stephanotis.

Soloist was Miss Vera Deller of Norwich, who sang "The Lord's Prayer" and "The Wedding Prayer." Playing for the ceremony were Mrs. John Pettit of Norwich and Miss Dorothy Stover of Tillsonburg.

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Maid of honor was Miss Yvonne Colver. Bridesmaids were Mrs. J. A. Madill of Byron, sister of the bride, Mrs. William A. McMullen of Otterville, and junior bridesmaid Miss Joan Downing of Otterville.

Bridal attendants were attired in identical street-length creations of pure silk orchid organza over taffeta, featuring scoop necklines, cummerbunds with bows at back, and elbow-length sleeves. They wore rosette hats of orchid organza and veiling and carried cascade bouquets of white shasta 'mums and white roses.

Flower girl was Miss Susan Berst of Guelph, niece of the groom. She was attired in short, white nylon dress. Her headdress was a band of white flowers and she carried a basket of white shasta 'mums.

Best man was Mr. James Town of Woodstock, friend of the groom. Ushers were Robert Butler of Otterville, brother of the bride, Ronald Mikitish of Montreal, and William A. McMullen of Otterville. Ring bearer was Alex Davis of Otterville, cousin of the bride.

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Reception for 90 guests was held in the United Church parlor which was decorated with pink roses and white candles for the occasion. Bride's table was centered with a three-tiered wedding cake, flanked with white candles.

The bride's mother received in a fern green, street-length dress of peau de soie, styled with a scoop neckline, elbow sleeves and bouffant skirt, worn with a matching feather hat and black accessories, and a yellow orchid corsage.

The groom's mother assisted in a mint green, street-length dress of

lace over taffeta, styled with a sheath skirt. She wore a hat to match, brown accessories and a bronze orchid corsage.

The bride's gifts to the maid of honor and bridesmaids were sterling pins; to the junior bridesmaid a pearl pendant; to the flower girl a gold locket, and to the organist and soloist, cups and saucers.

The groom's gifts to his attendants were tie bars and cuff links.

For going away the bride changed into a sapphire blue, printed matte jersey sheath dress, worn with a jacket and matching cloche hat of marabou feathers, light beige shoes, coat and accessories, and a corsage of white roses.

The couple left on a wedding trip to Northern Ontario and will reside in Otterville.

The bride is a graduate of London Teachers College and is on the staff of the Burgessville Public School. The groom is a graduate of Stratford Teachers College and is principal of Burgessville Public School.

Letters to the Editor

CLERK RESIGNS

Springford, Ont. 1961

The Editor: On August 26, after years of faithful service, Miss Florence Raymond of Springford retired from her position as clerk in the local general store. She had worked for William Mowat for the past 11 years:

"Floss" as she is known in the neighborhood and surrounding district, has lived most of her life in the village, and spent several years as a clerk previous to working for Mr. Mowat.

With her pleasing personality and patience, she radiated a cheerful atmosphere in the store. Many girls and boys will remember Miss Raymond for the kindness and patience she showed towards them, especially when choosing their penny gum and candy. She was never too busy to help any one.

Miss Raymond, along with her sister, Mrs. Nellie Bigham, are enjoying a vacation with relatives in Wisconsin. They are both residents of Springford.

For eleven years we've gone to the store,

At least once a day, and sometimes more.

We have always been met with a cheery "Hi",

"Stamps?" "How many?" Or "Will you give this a try?"

Almost always a smile, but sometimes a frown.

We all have days that we feel a little down.

A good sense of humor, the butt of many a joke.

Floss, you are going to be missed by a lot of folk!

You took one look at Mr. Frost's tax,

And then decided it was time to relax.

May we wish you good luck, good wishes and cheer,

And may happiness bless you, year after year.

Rev. S. Wilkinson Leaving Norwich



Rev. Sydney Wilkinson returned to the pulpit of Holy Trinity Church last Sunday morning and he was greeted by a fair sized congregation. Next Sunday he will be preaching farewell sermons in his three churches, Holy Trinity here, St. John's Church in Otterville and St. Charles, Dereham. Last Sunday evening there was a service in St. Charles Church, Dereham, and afterwards at a social gathering the congregation presented the Wilkinsons with a purse of money and an oil painting of St. Charles Church. This was painted by Mr. Monk, a member of the congregations.

Sunday Aug. 20 the pulpit will be supplied and on Sunday, August 27, the Bishop of Huron, Bishop Luxton will pay a visit to the field and will preach in all three churches. He will be having Holy Communion at St. Charles and will have services in Otterville and Norwich as well. In the afternoon he will be holding a congregational business meeting in Norwich that will be attended by members of the three congregations.

Rev. Carman Queen, Diocesan Commissioner from London was a recent visitor to look over things here and he has informed the congregation that a Rev. Mr. Brain of Peelee Island will succeed Mr. Wilkinson as rector in Norwich. Mr. and Mrs. Brain have already visited Norwich and Mrs. Brain came again on Wednesday of this week to look over the rectory and make plans for moving in.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson leave for their new home, Pangnirtung, Baffin Land, next week.

BISHOP LUXTON

COMING SUNDAY

Next Sunday, August 27, the Lord Bishop of Huron, Rev. George Luxton, will be the preacher in the two churches on the Norwich Anglican charge. He will be at St. Charles Church, Dereham and St. John's Church, Otterville. In the afternoon he will be meeting the officials of the three churches in the Norwich Parish Hall to discuss the future of the parish here.

Official announcement was made by the Bishop on Monday of the appointment of the Rev. Robert Theodore Francis Brain, now rector of the Anglican churches on Pelee Island, to be the rector of the Norwich Parish. He begins his new duties early in September and will be moving his wife and family here before then. Just now renovations to suit the new minister's needs are being carried out at the rectory. Mr. and Mrs. Brain have been in Norwich to visit the church and



REV. R. T. F. BRAIN, L. Th.

the house which will be their new home.

The new rector was ordained in 1934 at Toronto and served overseas as a chaplain in the Second World War. He was wounded in Normandy. He went to Pelee Island in 1959 and while there was actively interested in veterans organizations, and the Board of Education and district radio work. The members of the three congregations await the coming of Mr. and Mrs. Brain and their family and are happy that the field is being supplied with a minister in so short a time.



BOUND FOR BAFFINLAND — Rev. Sidney Wilkinson, rector of the three-point charge of St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville; Holy Trinity Church, Norwich; St. Charles Church, Dereham, since January, 1960, has accepted a post as rector-teacher at Pangirtung, Baffin Land. The family leaves today for the northern posting. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson are seen with their three children, Joan, 8; Elaine, 6 (left); and Dianne, 3.

Rev. Wilkinson Back to Arctic

NORWICH — Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, rector of Holy Trinity Church, Norwich, St. John's Church, Otterville and St. Charles Church, Dereham, since Jan. 14, 1960, preached farewell sermons in the three churches Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson and their three daughters came to Norwich from Great Whale River in the Arctic. He was ordained a deacon in 1956.

They have now begun the return trip to missionary work in the far north. They will travel to Pangirtung, Baffin Land, where Mr. Wilkinson will serve as rector-teacher.

Following the morning service in Norwich Sunday, Jack Cundy, rector's warden, presented Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson with a purse of money contributed by several Norwich friends. The people's warden Douglas Avey, assisted in the presentation.

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FAREWELL PICNIC DINNER —

Rev. and Mrs. Sydney Wilkinson and family, who left for Pangirtung, Baffin Land, on Tuesday attended a farewell picnic dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stacey Hinks on Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson were presented with two playing records as a farewell gift, from Stacey and Phyllis Hinks, Robert and Jean Hinks and Douglas and Marion Avey. Mr. Wilkinson will act as a Rector-Teacher in his return to Missionary work.

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Farewell Messages

Rev. Sydney Wilkinson, rector of Holy Trinity Church, Norwich; St. John's Church in Otterville and St. Charles Church, Dereham since January, 1960, preached farewell messages in all three churches on Sunday morning. On Tuesday of this week, he with Mrs. Wilkinson and their three daughters, began the two thousand mile journey to Pangirtung, Baffin Land, N. W. T., where he will be engaged as missionary-teacher. The journey, mostly to be taken by air, will take the best part of a week to complete. Pangirtung will be heading into winter by the time Wilkinsons' get there.

There was a fair sized congregation in Holy Trinity Church to hear the ministers closing sermon here. He based it on the message written by St. Paul in Phillipians, Chapter 3. Mr. Wilkinson told the congregation that life is changed after a person becomes a christian and a true follower of Christ. Things which seem to matter before become of little worth and things of far greater worth take their place. The minister said true christians observe God's laws and he deplored those who purposefully work on the Sabbath day. "They will be working in the tobacco harvest today and every man jack of them will be \$14 richer, but they will be \$14 poorer toward the Lord Jesus Christ. We

have got to have power to attain to Christ and the power is Christ Himself. If we are tempted to stray from His way we should remember the prize of the high calling which is the Christ and we should seek to follow Him. Don't let anything stop you from doing that" were the ministers closing words.

Mrs. Marjorie Foster was organist for the service. Mr. Wilkinson announced that the services next Sunday would be taken by a Mr. Hamilton of Woodstock.

Following the service Jack Cundy, the rector's warden, presented Rev. Mr. Wilkinson with a purse of money. The presentation had been made possible through the generosity of Holy Trinity Church friends.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson came here from missionary work at Great Whale River and they are returning to a work they love. He will be a teacher in a school for Eskimos and Indians and will also be missionary over a wide territory. At Pangirtung there are 18 white residents, a hospital and a Hudsons Bay store. There is just electricity to light the homes and run small machines, but no more. Television, radio and telephone conversations and programs are out.



THE WINNERS of 28 consecutive softball games this season, the Otterville Otters are now engaged in Memorial League finals and O.R.S.A. play-offs. Front row, left to right, are: Bob Gillespie, Tom Furlong, Bob Furlong, Ted McElhone, Garnet Scott and Bill Mc-

Mullen. Back row, Roy Rachar, assistant manager, Archie MacDougall, Bob Smith, Murray Malcolm, Dave Arthur, Keith Arthur, Ken Mann.

Move Search for Murder Suspect Now Believed Hiding in Toronto

WOODSTOCK — A police dragnet fanned out over the Metropolitan Toronto area last night for Robert Walter Clark, 26, of Norwich, wanted on a charge of murder in the death of another Norwich man.

An unidentified teen-age girl has also entered into the picture and is being sought by police.

Inspector Donald A. Nicol, of the provincial police Criminal Investigation Branch, Toronto, is heading the investigation into the death of Wilfred John Miners, 21, of Norwich, whose blood-spattered body was found under a woollen blanket in a West Zorra Township ditch early Saturday.

Insp. Nicol said last night he believed the suspect to be in the Toronto area, accompanied by a 15-year-old girl. The girl, he said, is known to police and is absent from home.

A man answering Clark's description was seen getting into a blue, 1956 American car in the Burford area over the weekend, along with a teen-age girl.

Police are trying to locate the driver of the car, who they believe picked up the pair on

the assumption they were hitch-hikers.

Police said Clark, who is a well-built five feet, 10 inches, was wearing a dark suit and a light shirt. He is believed to be carrying a top-coat; but no luggage. He has dark hair.

The concentrated Toronto search is being conducted by the Toronto OPP detachment, with the aid of Toronto police.

Insp. Nicol said he is waiting for a ballistics report on a .22-calibre, bolt action rifle found near where a car believed to be Clark's, was abandoned in the Burford area Sunday.

"It may or may not be the murder weapon," Insp. Nicol said.

A post-mortem examination showed that Miners had been shot three times through the back of the head with a .22-calibre rifle.

Insp. Nicol said police knew Clark was accompanied by a girl Sunday, but refrained



WILFRED JOHN MINERS
--- found slain in ditch

from mentioning the fact for fear of jeopardizing search efforts.

He added that as far as he knew, no extra manpower had been summoned to help ferret out the suspect. Road blocks, he said, were useless because police are confident Clark is already hidden in the Toronto area.

CECIL VERNON GODBY

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Cecil Vernon Godby whose death occurred at his home here, Saturday, was held from the Addison Funeral Home Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Thomas Lindsay, minister of the United Church.

There was a large attendance of relatives, friends and neighbors.

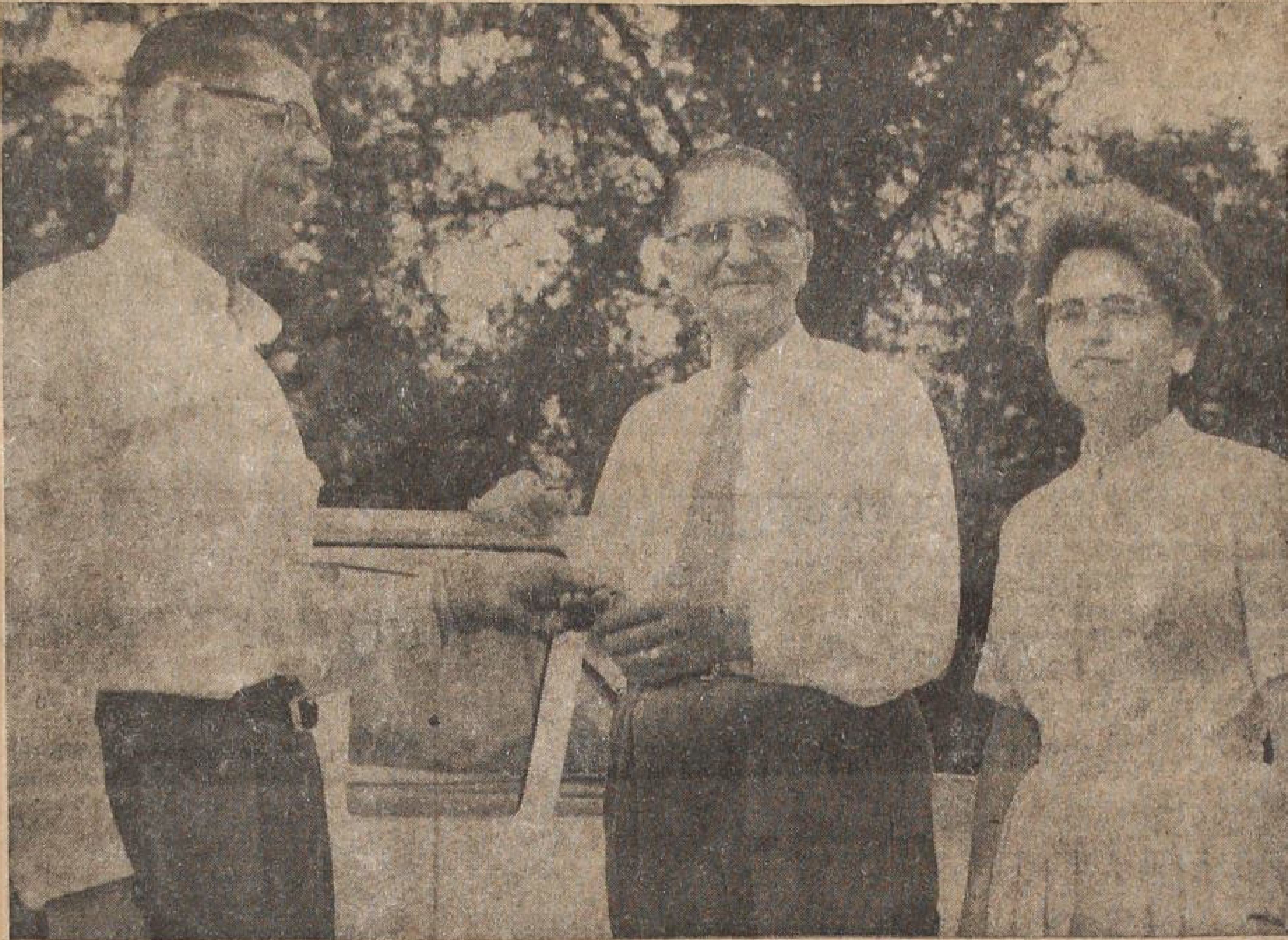
Mrs. Nate McMullen, pianist, played favorite hymns before and after the service.

There were many beautiful floral tributes. Among those were tokens from the neighbors, Otter Lumber Co., Tecumseh Lodge I.O.O.F., Otterville Otters Ball team and Otterville United Church. Donations were also received for Gideon Bibles and the Canadian Cancer Society.

Pallbearers, who also acted as flower bearers were, Albert Jaurance, Archie Moore, Burt Broad, Andrew Childs, Kenneth Griffin and John Forris.

Relatives and friends were present from Brantford, London, Windsor, Belle River, Woodstock, Tillsonburg, Aylmer, Ompah, Langton, Norwich and Newark.

Interment was made in the Otter Cemetery.



HE HAS A NEW CAR! George Davis of Otterville was sitting at home watching television around the time a ticket was being drawn at the Tillsonburg Tri-County Agricultural Exhibition, and then a phone call came and he was informed that he won the car draw. Miss Catherine McMullen, who sold him the ticket, put the call through. Fair Manager John Lamers is shown above handing over the keys to Mr. Davis. At right, is Miss McMullen who received \$50 for selling the winning ticket. The car winner donated \$25 toward the new building put up at the fair grounds this year. (Staff Photo)

Installation For Violet Rebekah Lodge Officers

OTTERVILLE (C) — Violet Rebekah Lodge held their installation of officers in the I.O.O.F. Hall Monday evening, October 16.

Mrs. Mary Pryde, District Deputy President, and staff from Myrtle Rebekah Lodge, Tillsonburg conducted installation. District Deputy President Pryde; Past President of the Rebekah Assembly, Mabel Mabee, and Muriel Likins, president of the ladies Auxiliary Patriot Militant, were welcomed and each presented with a corsage.

Mrs. Ross Adlington was installed as Noble Grand and Mrs. Elzina Mann Vice-Grand; recording secretary, Mrs. Ben Strudwick; financial secretary, Mrs. Nate McMullen; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Mannell; Junior Past Noble Grand, Mrs. Max Avey; conductor, Mrs. Harry Pickersgill; warden, Mrs. James Squance; Chaplain, Mrs. Fred Thompson; color bearer, Mrs. Fred Pearce; outside guardian, Mrs. William McMullen; inside guardian, Mrs. Joe Lees; musician, Mrs. William Butler; R. S. Noble Grand, Mrs. Oliver Hill; L. S. Noble Grand, Mrs. Clayton Arthur; R. S. Vice Grand, Mrs. Carl Howse; L. S. Vice Grand, Mrs. Violet Howse.

Upon request of Mrs. Pryde, D.D.P., Max Avey, P.D.D.G.M., pinned the jewel on Past Noble Grand Mrs. Edith Avey, who also received a gift from the local lodge.

Mrs. Norma Lefevre of Delhi won the basket of groceries.

At the close of the meeting lunch was served by Mrs. Fred Walther and her committee.



OTTERVILLE MIDGETS took the O.R.S.A. Midget "A" championship after playing a full season of juvenile ball in the South Oxford Juvenile League. They stepped up a notch since there was no Midget league in which to compete in the area, but slipped back to Midget for the play-offs. Front row, left to right, Alex Smith, Wayne Lee, Gordon Hill, Merlin Howse, Neil Davies. Centre row, Larry Jull and Brian Jull. Back row, Bill Butler (manager), Jim McNamara, Allan Hagerman, Douglas Clement, Brian Taylor and John Davis (coach) (Evelyn Waring)



GOLDEN WEDDING anniversary was celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Holmes of Otterville when some 250 persons came to offer best wishes during open house at their home. (George Lowe)

Oct 11

Celebration Sun Oct. 8 Otterville Couple Married 50 Years

OTTERVILLE — Well-known Otterville residents Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Holmes marked their 50th wedding anniversary with an "open house" yesterday.

The couple was married on Oct. 11 in Springford and farmed on the Holmes homestead before Mr. Holmes purchased a hardware store in the village eight years later.

Mr. Holmes, a former village trustee for seven years, has been associated with the Western Farmer's Weather Insurance Mutual Company for 16 years and is presently director. He is also a charter member of the Lions Club and a member of

the Cemetery Board, Masonic Lodge, IOOF and the official board of Otterville United Church.

His wife is equally active. She compiles scrap books of family histories and prepared the Tweedsmuir Book for Otterville Women's Institute of which she is a life member. She is also a life member of the Woman's Missionary Society and a member of the Red Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Holmes have two children, Mrs. Grenville Johnson, Toronto and Mrs. Rod Taylor, Otterville. There are six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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Popular Otterville Couple Greet 250 On 50th Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Holmes
(Photo by Lowe)

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Holmes were at home to their relatives and friends on Sunday to mark the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary.

During the afternoon and evening approximately 250 persons came to bring good wishes and congratulations and to enjoy with the host and hostess a friendly cup of tea. The guests were graciously welcomed by their granddaughter, Miss Lynn Taylor, who was in charge of the guest book.

Mr. and Mrs. Holmes greeted their friends enthusiastically.

Mrs. Holmes chose a dress of black peau de soi and with this a corsage of yellow rosebuds.

Receiving with their mother were two daughters, Mrs. Grenville Johnson of Toronto and Mrs. Rod Taylor of Otterville.

The rooms of the lovely home were made more beautiful with the many lovely yellow roses and baby 'mums which added the seasonal touch.

The prettily appointed tea table was covered with a crocheted lace cover, centred with yellow roses, spider 'mums and pom poms. Golden candles in crystal holders completed the setting.

Pouring tea were the groom's sister, Mrs. Howard Morrison of Norwich, and the bride's cousin, Mrs. Charles Bell of Springford.

In the evening tea was poured by the bride's sister, Mrs. Charles Kelly of Burgessville, and Mrs. Peter Stephens of Streetsville. All these ladies were guests at the wedding 50 years ago.

The members of the Woman's Association catered for the happy celebration. Lovely autumn weather with near-June temperatures enhanced the beauty of the at home and the many guests were privileged to renew acquaintance and mingle on the spacious veranda.

Scores of cards and many lovely gifts were received, conveying messages of congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, who welcomed guests from Toronto, Georgetown, Streetsville, Woodstock, London, Norwich, Tillsonburg and surrounding district.

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Prior to their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 11, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Holmes of Otterville took advantage of the Thanksgiving holiday to hold an "At Home" for their

relatives and many friends. Mr. Holmes has been a hardware dealer in Otterville for more than 40 years and is a past president of Oxford Liberal Association. Mrs. Holmes

is a former convener of the historical committee of South Oxford WI and is well versed on local history. (Photo by Lowe.)

OTTERVILLE — Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Holmes were "at home" to about 250 friends and relatives on the occasion of the golden wedding anniversary.

Miss Lynn Taylor, granddaughter, attended the door and Mr. and Mrs. Holmes greeted guests. Assisting in receiving guests were Mrs. Grenville Johnson, Toronto, and Mrs. Rod Taylor, Otterville, daughters of the couple.

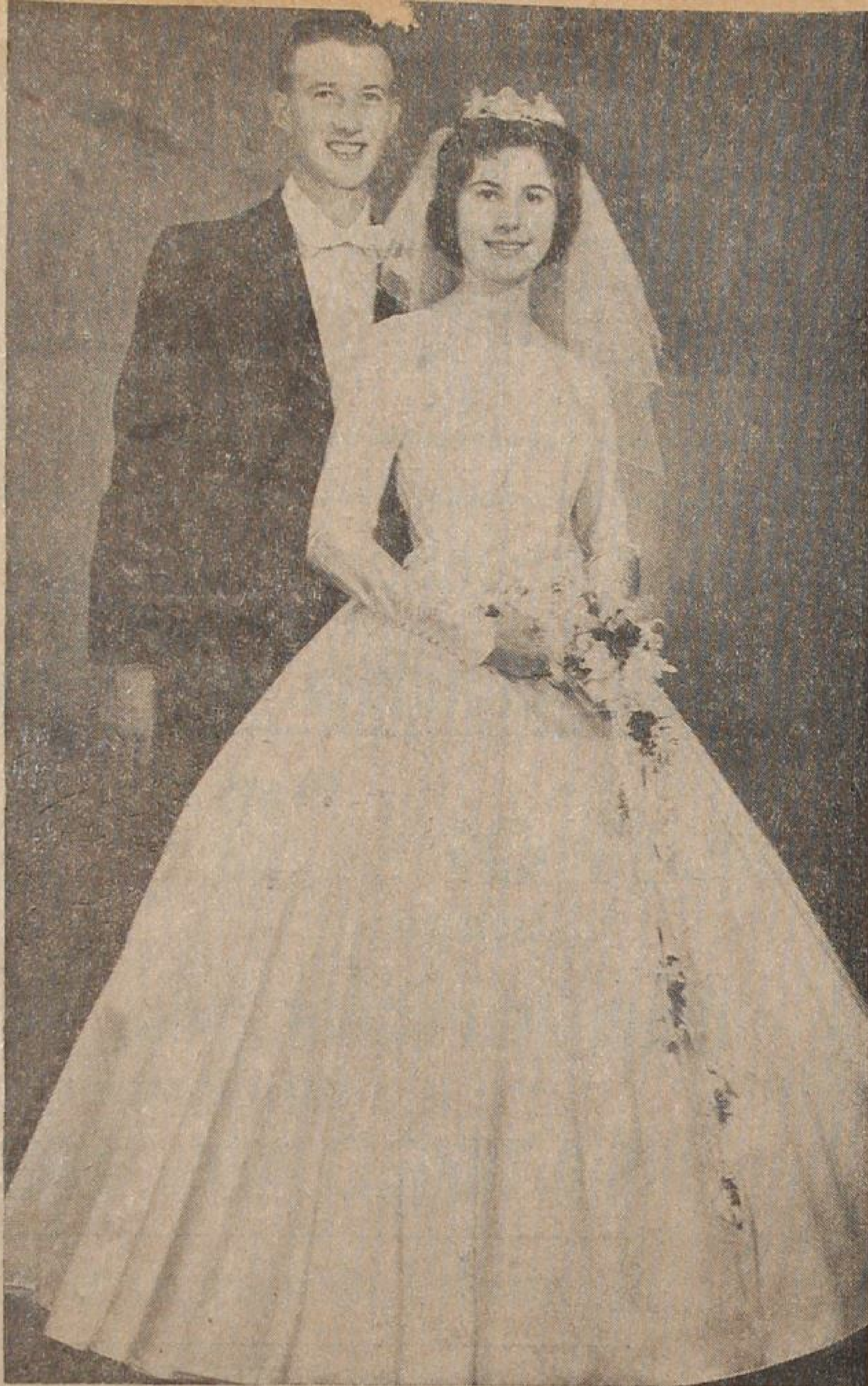
Mrs. Howard Morrison, Norwich, sister of Mr. Holmes, and

Mrs. Charles Bell, Springford, cousin of Mrs. Holmes, poured tea at a table covered with a crocheted lace cloth centred with yellow roses, spider 'mums and pompon 'mums flanked by gold candles in crystal holders.

In the evening tea was poured by Mrs. Charles Kelly, Burgessville, Mrs. Holmes' sister, and Mrs. Peter Stephens, Streetsville.

Guests attended from Toronto, Georgetown, Streetsville, Woodstock, Brampton, London, Norwich and Tillsonburg.

Mr. Holmes, past president of Oxford Liberal Association, has been a merchant in Otterville for 40 years. Mrs. Holmes is a former convener of South Oxford Women's Institute Historical Society.



MARRIAGE VOWS were exchanged at the United Church, Straffordville, on Saturday, October 14, 1961, at 2 p.m., by Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Sherman. The bride is the former Barbara Dair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Dair of Straffordville. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sherman of R.R. 1, Otterville. Rev. A. Cook officiated at the pretty autumn ceremony. (Seldon Studio, Tillsonburg)

Sherman-Dair Nuptials Said at Straffordville

1961

Baskets of white 'mums and candleabra decorated the United Church, Straffordville, on Saturday, October 14, 1961, at 2 p.m., when Hetty Barbara Jean Dair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Dair of Straffordville, became the bride of Darwin Arnold Sherman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sherman of R.R. 1, Otterville.

Rev. Albert Cook officiated at the pretty autumn ceremony. A friend of the bride, Sybil Lemery of Waterford, sang "O Perfect Love" and "Wedding Prayer," accompanied at the organ by Mrs. James Jones of Straffordville.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was lovely in an elegant, floor-length gown of peau de soie, styled with a scoop neckline outlined with seed pearls. The fitted bodice was enhanced with a leaf design and lilypoint sleeves. The trim at the waist was studded with seed pearls and the full flowing skirt swept into a chapel train. She wore a crown offset with seed pearls that held her veil of French silk illusion in place and carried a white Bible crested with a white corchid and white feathered carnations.

Maid of honor was Miss Muriel Clase of Paris, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Miss Elaine Adlington of Brantford, cousin of the bride, and Mrs. Joe Woody of

Baltimore, Maryland, sister of the groom.

Bridal attendants wore identical, red, street-length creations of peau de soie, headdresses to match, and carried colonial bouquets of Sweet-heart roses and white carnations.

Flower girl was Margaret Petraschuk of R.R. 1, Mount Elgin, god-daughter of the bride, who was attired in a white, street-length dress of peau de soie, trimmed with lace. She carried a basket of red Sweet-heart roses and white pom pom 'mums.

Best man was Leo Gekiere of Burford, friend of the groom. Ushers were Walter Schneider of Rodney, cousin of the bride, and Joe Woody of Baltimore, Maryland, brother-in-law of the groom.

Reception for 240 guests was held at Mil-Mar Manor. The bride's mother received guests in a moss green, velvet ensemble, worn with matching hat and shoes and corsage of Orange Delight roses. The groom's mother assisted in a beige, street-length dress, topped with a green coat, with matching hat and shoes and corsage of Orange Delight roses.

The bride's gift to her attendants were pearl drop necklaces. The groom's gifts to his attendants were black bow ties and socks.

For travelling, the bride changed into a grey suit with red accessories, and corsage of white and red carnations.

The couple left on a wedding trip to the Penn Hills in the Pocono Mountains, Pennsylvania, and on their return will reside at R.R. 1, Otterville.

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

November 23, 1961

Guild Bazaar Huge Success

OTTERVILLE (C) — Members of St. John's Anglican Guild held their annual Christmas bazaar in the Community Hall Saturday and was largely attended. Tea tables were prettily decorated. President Mrs. Harold Durkee welcomed the visitors, assisted by Mrs. R. T. F. Brain.

Rev. R. T. F. Brain, rector, officially opened the bazaar with prayer.

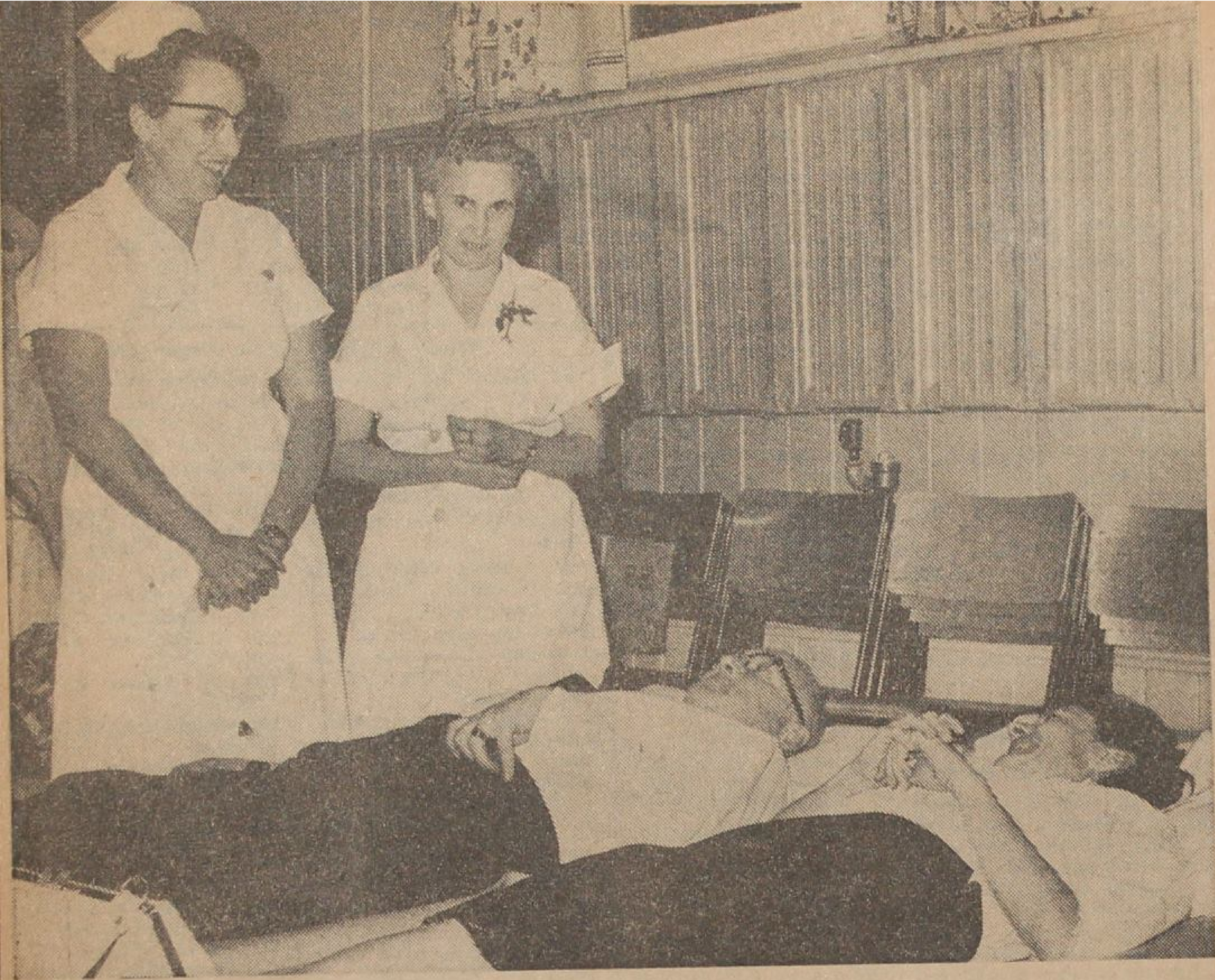
Large assortment of needlework, knitting and other articles were soon disposed of. Mrs. Lottie Armstrong and Mrs. Lena Young presided at the work table. Mrs. Nat McMullen and Mrs. Carl Howse were the clerks at the Christmas card novelty table. Mrs. Gertrude Huggins and Mrs. Ira Pearce awaited on the customers at the bake table and Mrs. Stanley Riches, Mrs. Brain and Miss Catherine McMullen greeted the ladies at the varitey table.

Mrs. Harry Pickersgill, Mrs. Herbert Parson and Mrs. Charles Clifford, assisted the kitchen for the lunch hour. Mrs. Leta Collier of Buffalo, N. Y., was the winner of the embroidered tablecloth.

The entire afternoon was a decided success and more profitable than past years.

Enclaps missed K. Saunders & Edna Durdong, who came from Detroit for Bazaar day

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COUPLE DONATES BLOOD — Mr. and Mrs. David Kennedy, of Otterville, were among 231 persons who gave blood at the first Red Cross clinic to be held at Norwich. Standing are Mrs. Muriel

Brown (left), of Otterville, a nursing assistant at Brantford St. Joseph's Hospital, and Miss Grace Warren. The clinic was sponsored by the Norwich-Otterville Lions Club. (Photo by Lowe)

The Norwich-Otterville Club has a group of very faithful members, 29 of them receiving 100% attendance pins from past president, Oscar Gare. The 29 were: James Bickell; Bert Bowman, Howard Butler, Bill Butler, Gloyn Cole, Albert Cornwell, Ralph Crittenden, John E. Davis, John W. Davis, Lyle Davis, Dr. Murray Downing, Clifford Fidlin, Wilfred Fidlin, Dalton French, Dr. R. H. Hall, Stephen Hamblin, Harold McDougall, Ben McEwan, Nate McMullen, Joe Nelson, Stanley Palmer, Roy Rachar, Darwen Scott, Bob Scott, Alex. Slaght, Cecil Smart, Bill Smith, Jack Walthers and Oscar Gare.

KENNETH WARDELL
OTTERVILLE (C) — J. Kenneth Wardell, Otterville general merchant for many years and a former warden of Oxford county, died suddenly at his home on Sunday, Nov. 26 as the result of a heart attack. He had been in poor health for the past year and was in hospital last spring for several weeks. He had recovered and was down town Saturday afternoon.
Born in Windham township 64 years ago, he served in the First World War and afterwards purchased a farm on No. 59 highway, a mile south of Otterville, where he resided until purchasing his present home in Otterville in 1944. Two years later he purchased the general store now operated by his son and daughter.
He was reeve of South Norwich during the Second World War and was warden of Oxford County in 1943. He was a member of the Ex-Wardens and Ex-Reeves Associa-

J. KENNETH WARDELL
OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late J. Kenneth Wardell was conducted Tuesday afternoon at the Addison Funeral Home here and was very largely attended. Rev. Thomas Lindsay minister of the Otterville United Church conducted the service and gave a comforting message to the bereaved family.
Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and accompanied Mrs. Jack Walther who sang, "The Old Rugged Cross".
Pallbearers were Edward Arthur, Harold Arthur, Al Jardine, Donald Pettigrew, John E. Davis and George W. Davis.
Members of the Ex-Warden's Association attended the service in a body in memory of the deceased who was warden of Oxford County in 1943.
Included in the numerous memorial and floral tributes were those from Otterville United Church, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society and Gideon Bibles, St. John's Lodge A.F.&A.M. No. 104; Norwich Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; members of the Ex-Warden's Association; Tillsonburg Lawn Bowling Club; Otterville Businessmen; Toronto Hunt Club; National Grocers; Canada Packers; neighbours and friends; J. B. Jackson Ltd.; and Clover Farm friends.
Relatives and friends who attended the service from a distance were from Woodstock, St. Thomas, Simcoe, Aylmer, Dunnville, Burford, Cayuga, Belmont, and district.
Interment was in the family plot in the Otter Cemetery.

Pennington-Hooyer Vows Said in Eden Ceremony

1961



UNITED IN MARRIAGE at the Baptist Church, Eden, on Saturday, November 4, 1961, at 3 p.m., were Mr. and Mrs. Brent Pennington. The bride is the former Alice Hooyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hooyer of R.R. 4, Tillsonburg. The groom is the son of Mrs. Daisy Pennington of Otterville. Rev. P. D. Augustine officiated at the pretty ceremony. The couple will take up residence in Brownsville. (Seldon Studio, Tillsonburg)

Nuptial vows were exchanged at the Baptist Church, Eden, on Saturday, November 4, 1961, at 3 p.m., by Carrie Alice Hooyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hooyer of R. R. 4, Tillsonburg, and Brent Leslie L. Pennington, son of Mrs. Daisy Pennington of Otterville.

Rev. P. D. Augustine officiated at the pretty fall ceremony. Baskets of bronze, yellow and white 'mums decorated the church. Soloist was Mr. Carol Milmine of 146 Bidwell St., Tillsonburg, friend of the couple who sang, "The Lord's Prayer," and "I Love You Truly," accompanied by Mrs. Cecil Ball of Eden.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was charming in a white floor-length gown of chantilly lace and silk organza over taffeta, styled with a scalloped neckline trimmed with seed pearls, empire waist and lily-point sleeves. Her hat style headdress, studded with seed pearls and rhinestones held her fingertip veil of silk illusion and she carried a white Bible crested with red roses and white stephanotis.

Maid of honor was Miss Diana Jean Van Demaele of R. R. 4, Tillsonburg, friend of the bride, who was attired in a blue street-length creation of lace and net over taffeta, styled with a bouffant skirt and a stole. She wore a feather hat and gloves to match her dress and carried a bouquet of white carnations.

Bridesmaids were Miss Marjorie Hooyer of R. R. 4, Tillsonburg, and Mrs. Arthur Ruckle of Brownsville, sisters of the bride, and Mrs. Carl Hooyer of R. R. 4, Tillsonburg, sister-in-law of the bride. They wore identical red street-length dresses of lace over taffeta, styled with bouffant skirts and small jackets. They wore white feather hats and gloves and carried bouquets of white carnations.

Flower girl was Deborah Hooyer of R. R. 4, Tillsonburg, niece of the bride, who wore a blue street-length frock of nylon, styled with a full skirt. She wore a white feather hat and gloves and carried a basket of white baby 'mums.

Best man was Charles Van Parys of Otterville, friend of the groom. Ushers were Fred Van Parys of Otterville, friend of the groom, Gordon Pennington of Simcoe, brother of the groom, and Carl Hooyer of R. R. 4, Tillsonburg, brother of the bride. Ring bearer was Danny Hooyer of R.R. 4, Tillsonburg, nephew of the bride.

Reception was held at the catering home of Mrs. Ruth Sommers, 405 North Broadway, Tillsonburg, for 86 guests. The bride's table was offset with a three-tier wedding cake, flanked by candles and flowers.

Waitresses were Bonnie Helsdon, Lyn Couse, Ruth Ann Marshall, all of Tillsonburg, friends of the bride, Mary Lou Pettigrew of Otterville and Judith Ann Wheaton of Aylmer, cousins of the groom.

The bride's mother received guests in a royal blue street-length dress of lace over taffeta, worn with beige accessories and a corsage of pink carnations. The groom's mother wore a silver-grey toned street-length dress, white accessories and a corsage of pink carnations.

The bride's gift to the groom, tie pin and cuff link set; to attendants, feather hats; to waitresses, ornaments. The groom's gift to the bride, cultured pearl pendent and earrings; to attendants, matching tie pin and cuff links.

For going away the bride changed into a soft green two-piece ensemble, worn with matching accessories, fur jacket, and a corsage of red roses and white stephanotis.

The couple left on a wedding trip to Detroit, Mich., and will reside at Brownsville.

Out-of-town guests were Mrs. Nellie Hooyer of Bowmanville, Mr. and Mrs. William Hajdiu of Burgessville, Mr. and Mrs. A. Van Maanen, Casy and Dena of Galt, Mr. and Mrs. G. Pennington of Simcoe. Other guests were present from Aylmer, Otterville and surrounding district.



WED in a pretty double-ring ceremony on Saturday, November 25, 1961, at 4:30 p.m., were Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Babcock. The bride is the former Betty Saunders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Saunders of Otterville. The groom is the son of Mrs. Violet Babcock of R.R. 1, Delhi and the late Earl Babcock. Rev. T. Lindsey of the United Church, Otterville, officiated at the home of the bride's parents. The couple will take up residence at Otterville.

Betty Saunders A. Babcock Wed At Otterville

OTTERVILLE (C)—In a pretty double-ring ceremony on Saturday, November 25, 1961, Betty Irene Saunders, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Saunders, became the bride of Aubrey Earl Babcock, son of Mrs. Violet Babcock of R.R. 1, Delhi, and the late Earl Babcock. Rev. Thomas Lindsay, minister of the United Church here, officiated at the wedding held at the home of the bride's parents, decorated for the occasion with streamers hung with pink wedding bells, and potted 'mums and fern arrangements.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was lovely in a white ballerina-length gown of organza styled with a basque bodice, cap sleeves and bouffant skirt. She wore a dainty crown studded with pearls that held her veil of silk illusion in place and carried a white Bible enhanced with pink rosebuds and streamers.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Donald Barnim of Otterville, who was attired in a magenta shade street-length dress of nylon lace over taffeta. A white feather headdress and a corsage of white carnations completed her attire.

Best man was Donald Barnim of Otterville.

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Reception for 50 guests was held at the St. John's Parish Hall. Bride's table was centred with a three-tier wedding cake and candles. Bride's mother wore a navy blue shantung, light blue accessories and a corsage of red roses. The groom's mother was attired in turquoise brocade gown, worn with black accessories and corsage of pink carnations.

For traveling, the bride changed into a light blue, shantung dress worn with pink accessories and corsage of pink rosebuds.

The couple left on a wedding trip to Florida and on their return will reside in Otterville.

A telegram message of congratulations was read at the reception from the bride's uncle and aunt who reside in Cardiff, Wales.

Guests were present from Delhi, Grafton, Ingersoll, Woodstock, Stouffville, and Otterville.



OES OFFICERS were installed in an impressive ceremony in the OES rooms at Norwich recently. Pictured above is Worthy Matron Mrs. Harold Durkee and Worthy Patron Albert Lawrence. (Mrs. Harold Waring).

Prior to the wedding, the bride, who is a member of the staff at the Bank of Montreal in Tillsonburg, was feted with a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Norma Telford, Tillsonburg. Later the bride was presented with a steam iron by the members of the bank staff. The groom was a former resident of the Napanee district and is now an employee of the Tip Top Cannery, Otterville.

Stew Kettle Cookout

By Arthur S. Goodwin

A TANTALIZING aroma drifting along in the afternoon breeze signals the annual open kettle stew cooked and served by the enterprising members of the Teeterville (Ontario) Women's Institute.

At 8.30 in the morning with the autumn sky for a kitchen ceiling, a huge pioneer iron pot is set to simmer over a fire of maple. One by one, the home produced products of the district's farms and household gardens are prepared and popped into the kettle.

All the long day, working in gay, chatting shifts, the women keep the fire burning and the kettle stirred. By sundown a stew of noble substance can be ladled out to more than a hundred eager, hungry guests.

A mighty recipe that would startle the average homemaker provides the stew of appetite inspiring goodness.

Mrs. Berry Ellington, president of the Institute, listed the ingredients:

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| 25 lbs. beef | 6 lbs. butter |
| 25 lbs. pork | 1 gal. ketchup |
| 25 large fat hens | ¼ lb. cayenne |
| 7 gals. lima beans | pepper |
| 5 gals. corn | ¼ lb. black |
| 1 bu. potatoes | pepper |
| 6 quarts onions | 2 lbs. sugar |
| 4 bu. tomatoes | salt to taste |

The stew simmers slowly through the afternoon and gradually thickens.

"You have to keep stirring it or the food sticks to the bottom of the pot," Mrs. Ellington cautioned as she took a turn using the big wooden paddle.

Teeterville's "Big Stew" came casually to the Southwestern Ontario hamlet from North Carolina. Southerners lured to Canada's famed flue-cured tobacco growing belt in Norfolk County liked the land. When autumn's chill warned of approaching winter, many of the tobacco men resisted the urge to return to Carolina. They remained to become



A pioneer iron kettle simmering over an open fire behind the village hall sends out a pleasant aroma to tell the residents of the Ontario hamlet of Teeterville that a stew supper will be held. Mrs. Berry Ellington, right, president of the Teeterville Women's Institute, stirs the stew while other members add ingredients.

Canadians, developed tobacco farms and married local girls.

"The Institute was looking for something different. One of the tobacco growers suggested a real southern stew," Mrs. Ellington explained.

Folks in and around Teeterville took kindly to the idea. The Institute members added the popular Canadian dessert, homemade apple pie.

The annual open kettle stew has now become a firm, merry local tradition.

EASTON — At Victoria Hospital, London, on Friday, Nov. 24, 1961, Joseph E. Easton, of 102 Inkerman St., in his 71st year. Beloved husband of Pearl (Gillett) Easton and dear brother of Mrs. George (Mazara) King of London, also surviving are several nieces and nephews. Resting at the Needham Memorial Chapel, 520 Dundas St., where funeral service will be conducted on Monday, Nov. 27, at 2 p.m. Interment Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens.

ELEGY TO THE LADIES AID

R.R. 6, Tillsonburg

The Editor: The W.A. of the United Church — the Woman's Association, formerly called the Ladies' Aid, is to be disbanded this year. A new organization is to start next year.

Many older women have happy memories of the Ladies' Aid, so I wrote an Elegy to the Ladies' Aid:

These modern times demand a modern way,

New customs, and new outlooks, we shall see,

Now grandma's Ladies Aid, has had its day,

A new streamlined granddaughter is to be.

Yet we will not forget her early toil,
The back road churches built when we were poor,

Our modern theologians should not recoil

From hers, a simple faith, which will endure.

Oft, in the snowy winters of years past,

Members, in happy sleighs thro' snow would dash,

Enjoy a hearty Ladies' Aid repast,
A friendly day — and in the treasury—cash.

Fathers, too, much enjoyed the Ladies' Aid,

They drove the team, and loved the socialty,

For the bounteous dinners, gladly paid,

From this did 'COUPLES CLUBS,' have ancestry?

We owe a debt to grandma's Ladies' Aid

On scaffolds high she climbed church walls to paint,

From tea-meetings the preacher's stipend paid,

Of pioneer days, we class her truly SAINT.

For grandma, home and church were all her sphere

No thought of baby-sitter, nor electric force,

Granddaughter plans to step outside next year,

And help the men to guide the church's course.

God bless our girls, sincere, with hearts of gold,

Their mother's faith, equipped with modern speed,

But may grandmother's LADIES AID of old,

Long live in memory, as youth succeeds.

CANADA'S POEM

By Hume Wilkins

In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing fly,
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
I loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe;
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die,
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

GUELPH, Ontario, treasures one of Canada's literary shrines. In a secluded park stands a handsome monument to the Canadian soldier poet whose memory will be green as long as we honor those who died defending our freedom. And yet this poet's only notable work first appeared without a title, unsigned, in the lower corner of a page of *Punch*, the English weekly. When the author's name was printed, in the magazine's annual index for 1915, it was mis-spelled.

The poem? *In Flanders Fields*, by Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae.

Major-General E. W. B. Morrison, who commanded the brigade in which the author served, wrote a letter explaining the circumstances in which McCrae composed the lines:

"This poem, was literally born of fire and blood during the hottest phase of the second battle of Ypres. My headquarters were in a trench at the top of the bank of the Ypres Canal, and John had his dressing station in a hole dug in the foot of the bank. During periods in the battle men who were shot actually rolled down the bank into his dressing station. Along

from us a few hundred yards was the headquarters of a regiment, and many times during the 16 days of battle, he and I watched them burying their dead whenever there was a lull. Thus the crosses, row on row, grew into a good sized cemetery. Just as he describes, we often heard in the mornings the larks singing high in the air, between the crash of the shells and the reports of the guns in the battery just behind us. I have a letter from him in which he mentions having written the poem to pass away the time between the arrival of batches of wounded."

The words "felt dawn," in the second stanza, are sometimes puzzling to readers. They hold no mystery for anyone who has served in the front line of battle. There the night is a horrid gulf of blackness and danger, when every sound is twisted and distorted, each bush and hummock springs to life with fearful possibilities. Daybreak brings not only light to dissipate the terrors of the night, but an emotional relief one can actually feel.



The poet himself was a laughing man, who loved gaiety and playfulness, but detested meanness and dishonesty. One of his friends, Sir Andrew Macphail, speaks in glowing words of John McCrae in the famous "Essay on Character," which is appended to the Ryerson edition of the poems. All his friends were fiercely loyal to him.

McCrae never got home to the Canada he loved. He died at the hospital in Boulogne, France, where he had been in charge of medicine for almost three years.

Sir Andrew Macphail described his funeral:

"The burial was made with full military pomp . . . Bonfire, John McCrae's horse, went first, led by two grooms, and decked in the regulation white ribbon, not the least pathetic figure in the sad procession. A hundred nursing sisters in caps and veils stood in line, and then proceeded in ambulances to the cemetery . . . Seventy five of the personnel from the Hospital acted as escort, and six Sergeants bore the coffin from the gates to the grave . . . It was a springtime day."

The monument at Guelph is a noble and fitting reminder of the poet soldier, but John McCrae's real memorial lies in the hearts and on the tongues of our people. It is a bit of verse that a child can learn and a man can not forget.

FAMILY HERALD, Nov. 9, 1961



Miss Kathryn Simmons, A.R.C.T., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Simmons of 26 Sanders St., Tillsonburg, graduated recently from the University of Western Ontario, London, with her A. Mus. degree. She is continuing her studies in music at Alma College, St. Thomas.

Engagements

The engagement is announced of Miss Ruby Marie Mills, daughter of Mr. Wellington Mills, 56 King St., Tillsonburg, and the late Mrs. Mills, to Gordon Quinn, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Quinn of Salford. The marriage to take place on Saturday, December 30, 1961.

For God so loved the world
that he gave his only begotten Son,
that whosoever believeth in him
should not perish but have
everlasting Life.

John 3:16



1961

DIOCESE OF HURON

The Bishop's Christmas Pastoral

1961

N.B. For at least fifty years the Christmas Collection in the Diocese of Huron has been the people's gift to their clergyman. It helps to defray those expenses of the ministry where are not covered in the remuneration. I trust that our large congregations on the Festival will also be generous congregations. G.N.L.

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My Dear Friends:

The Spirit of Christmas is too valuable to contain in a few short days. We spend much time preparing for the festival; through the approaching weeks we look forward to it. Then suddenly it is upon us; and just as suddenly, it is over. This year my concern in the Christmas Pastoral is that we may retain the Spirit of Christmas through the months that follow. The travel, the gifts, the family parties; they cannot be sustained; but the true Spirit of Christmas can be a benediction to all of us through Epiphany and Lent, until the rejoicing of Eastertide once again lifts us to the summits of faith and thanksgiving.

ROOTS FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Perhaps we might begin by putting a set of roots on the Christmas tree itself. It is a symbol of worship. Replacing the sacred oak of the Hammer-god Thor, an ancient scene of sacrifice and cruelty, Boniface set the straight, clean pine tree at the centre of the family life of Germany. It pointed them

1961

Few Changes Seen

Lamers Buys CKOT

John Lamers, general manager of the Tillsonburg Broadcasting Company Limited since its inception nearly seven years ago, yesterday completed transactions to purchase the entire stock in the company. Mr. Lamers was one of seven original investors, and has been a power behind CKOT since it aired its first program April 30th, 1955.

Original stockholders in the station were Ralph Hawkins, Michael Demaiter, Louis Harris, Ben Klie-mann, Grant C. Brown, Kenneth Orton, and Mr. Lamers.

There are no staff changes or policy changes contemplated under the new set-up. Mr. Lamers said Ken Orton will remain as "my right hand man," program director and engineer. Another original with the station, Jack Campbell will continue as sales manager and Miss Cathy McMullen will remain in charge of the accounting department.

Official approval of the stock transfer is expected from the Board of Broadcast Governors in the near future.

A resident of Tillsonburg since 1942, Mr. Lamers immigrated to Canada in 1929. He recalls arriving in this district with 50 cents in his pocket, a far cry from the quarter of a million dollar investment he now controls in the radio stations. Before moving to Tillsonburg the Lamers lived for 10 years in the Delhi district, and for a year near Straffordville.

Mr. Lamers emphasised that CKOT has always stressed community relationship, and will continue to do so. As manager of the radio station Mr. Lamers himself has been active in community work. He is a member of the Board of Management of St. Andrew's Church, a member of the the Tillsonburg Rotary Club; on the executive of the Tillsonburg Chamber of Commerce, an executive member of the Junior

"B" Hockey club; a member of Tillsonburg's Industrial Commission; chairman of the winter works program sponsored by the National Employment Service, and for several years has been manager of the Tillsonburg Tri-County Agricultural Society.

At the present time CKOT has a permanent staff of 16 and three part-time employees. The station operated for the first three years on 250 watts, and in 1958 increased to 1,000 watts. In February of last year the station underwent major studio changes to provide additional space.



JOHN LAMERS

Faces of Tillsonburg

This is one of a series of sketches of interesting local personalities by Gabor Lasszner for his collection "Canada's Faces on Canvas." Selection was made by Mr. Lasszner as a result of balloting by

area residents at the Tri-County Agricultural Exhibition. Selection is not necessarily according to preference shown by vote count.

Today's subject and the artist's comments:

KEN ORTON



To unseen people who are there
I converse daily on the air.

Organizer, creator, a man with vision. Loves people. Happy when others succeed. In tune with everything, resourceful, capable of hard work to make a dream come true.

—Gabor Lasszner

Obituaries

FREDRICK MAY

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. Allan Jardine received word last week of the death of her father, Fredrick May, whose death occurred Christmas Eve in Hartley Witney, Hampshire, England. Surviving are Mrs. May, and daughter (Audrey) Mrs. Jardine.

ANDREW M. HAMILTON

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for Andrew Michael Hamilton, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hamilton, Jr., of R. R. 2, La Salette, whose death occurred at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital Wednesday, January 10, was held at Addison Funeral Home Friday. Mr. M. Lloyd, minister of the Teeterville United Church, officiated.

The many floral tributes included a cross from the Teeterville United Church.

Casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers were Nick Patten, Allan Smith, David Smith, Rod Waldick and Norris Smith.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and played favorite hymns before and after the service.

Relatives and friends were present from Teeterville, Bookton, Vanessa, La Salette, Peterborough district and other places.

Interment was in the Teeterville Cemetery.

WILLIAM HENRY McKIBBON

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late William Henry McKibbon who died at his late residence here Friday was held from the Addison Funeral Home Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Walter E. Nicholls of the Baptist Church.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and played a number of favourite hymns before and after the service.

Among the numerous floral tributes were tokens from the Loblaw Workers Council, management and staff of 900 Oxford St. Loblaw Groceteria Co.; Loblaw employees association, of which Mrs. Stoneburg daughter of deceased was an employee; Baptist Church, neighbors, and donations to the Gideon Bible Society.

Members of the Norwich Branch of The Canadian Legion who carried the flag draped casket were George Thompson, Jack Cundy, Douglas Harrison, David Kennedy, Joe Lees and Dick Saunders.

Interment was in the Otter Cemetery.

Relatives were present from Windsor, London, Thornhill, Tillsonburg and other places. JAN 21

Norwich Couple Celebrate 50th Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. John M. Ryder

Approximately 200 guests attended open house at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Ryder on February 4 when the couple marked the 50th Anniversary of their wedding. Terry Ryder. Another grandson Norman Ryder presided over the guest book. Members of the family who assisted in receiving the many guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ryder and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ryder.

NORWICH — John M. Ryder, former reeve and councilor for South Norwich Township and Mrs. Ryder observed their 50th wedding anniversary with an "open house."

Mr. Ryder also served on the school board of SS 1 during 40 years of farming in the township. He and his wife retired to Norwich 10 years ago.

His wife was active in community affairs and was a member of the Women's Missionary Society and the Women's Institute. They were members of Otterville United Church before moving to Norwich.

About 200 guests attended the celebration. Guests were welcomed at the door by the couple's grandsons, Neil and

Terry Ryder. Another grandson, Norman Ryder was in charge of the guest book. Members of the family were assisted in receiving guests by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ryder and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ryder.

The tea table was decorated with a three-tier wedding cake, flanked by white tapers in silver candelabra against a background of yellow 'mums and pink snapdragons. Mrs. Ralph Moore and Mrs. George Dalke poured tea in the afternoon and Miss Eva Deveney and Mrs. Andrew Ryder in the evening. Servers were Mrs. Cecil Mingle, Mrs. Erland Dymont, Miss Eva Deveney, Mrs. Howard Lemon, Mrs. Howard Butler and Miss Vera Welsh.

UCW Group Witness

Rose Bowl Pictures

February 27, 1962

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ELMER PEARCE

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Elmer Pearce who passed away in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home Saturday afternoon by Rev. Thomas Lindsay, minister of the Springford United Church, of which deceased was a member.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and played a number of favourite hymns before and after the service.

Among the many lovely floral tributes were donations to the Gideon Bible Society and to the Canadian Cancer Society. Other tokens were from Cornell neighbours, St. John's Lodge, A.F. and A.M., Springford United Church, and staff of Helene Rubenstein Ltd., Toronto.

Pallbearers were Ernie Fick, Clarence Stover, Mac Hicks, Sam Lucas, Norman Bowlby and Bert Redman.

Flower bearers were Bill Handseme, Ralph Vuylsteke, John Veraitus, Harry Vendenbiggelaar, Charlie Mayhu, and Bud Oatman.

W. Bro. Victor Moore had charge of the Masonic service Friday evening when more than 30 members of St. John's Lodge at Norwich performed last rites.

Relatives and friends attended the service from Toronto, Brantford, London, Woodstock, Delmer, Beachville, Ingersoll, Galt, Norwich and other places.

Interment was in the Delmer Cemetery.

MISS OLLA MILLER

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Miss Olla Miller 76, who passed away Saturday at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home on Monday at 2 p.m., by Rev. T. Lindsay of the United Church.

Pianist Mrs. Nate McMullen played favorite hymns before and after the service.

Flowers placed in memory were from the United Church and the neighbors.

Pallbearers were Albert Lawrence, Ernest Treffry, Edward Arthur.

Nate McMullen, Jack Riste and David Kennedy.

Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

ville Branch of the Royal Bank for safekeeping; and that the group assist the Silver Star Mission Band financially in the purchasing of supplies. Members were also given the opportunity to subscribe to the United Church Observer, subscriptions given to Miss Ida McFarlane.

Mrs. Lorne Treffry gave an account of the Oxford Presbyterial for the United Church Women she had attended in Woodstock. Mrs. Treffry also reported on catering for the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. John Ryder in Norwich.

Guest speaker for the evening was Ken Orton of CKOT, Tillsonburg, who showed colored pictures he had taken of the Rose Bowl Parade in California. Mr. Orton introduced by Mrs. W. L. Addison, was thanked by Mrs. Harold Arthur, who presented him with a gift.

Mrs. K. M. Holmes paid tribute to a valued member, Miss Ivy Pennington, who held office as secretary-treasurer of the former W.M.S. for the past 18 years, and on behalf of the group presented her with a book, "Beloved People's Book—The Story of God's People." Miss Pennington expressed her appreciation.

The group was divided into birthday groups for the social time and refreshments were served by the committee in charge. The singing of "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" brought the evening to a close.

Other officers are: 1st vice-president, Mrs. Lorne Treffry; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. William Hanson; recording secretary, Mrs. Adam Oliver; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Harold Arthur; treasurer, Mrs. Ivan Leitch.

Mrs. W. L. Addison a member of the nominating committee presented the names of the following committees: catering, Mrs. Lorne Treffry (convener) Miss Vera Welsh, Mrs. George Goodale, Mrs. Bert Hill; board of stewards, Mrs. Fred Walther; program, Mrs. Melville Beecroft (convener) Mrs. George Dalken, Mrs. Don Stewart, Miss Thelma Cole; finance, Mrs. Edward Arthur (convener) Mrs. Ivan Leitch, Miss Ivy Pennington, Mrs. Sam McSpadden, Mrs. Maxwell Avey; community friendship and visitation, Mrs. R. M. Holmes (convener) Mrs. R. O. Taylor.

Periodicals, Miss Ida McFarlane; manse, Mrs. Fred Walther (convener) Mrs. Sam McSpadden; supply and social assistance, Mrs. Earle Petch, Mrs. H. A. Waring, Mrs. Alex Slaght, Mrs. Jack Walther, Mrs. Jack Freeland, Mrs. George Douma; bazaar, Dr. Lois Batson, and Mrs. William G. McMullen (convencers) Mrs. Ivan Leitch, Mrs. Boyd Little, Mrs. Irvin Gehring and Mrs. Percy Murray; nominating committee, Mrs. Wilfrid Addison, Mrs. Donald Nettigrew and Miss Marion Fish; press and publicity, Mrs. H. A. Waring.

The first meeting of the UCW was held in the Sunday school-room with a good attendance. President Mrs. H. W. McDougall presided and welcomed the members. Mrs. Melville Beecroft, chairman of the provisional committee, conducted devotions. Mrs. Ivan Leitch read Scripture and gave the meditation. Mrs. Jack Freeland was the pianist for the meeting. Thirty-eight women paid their membership fees.

Study book, "Hasten The Day" was in charge of Mrs. Sam McSpadden. Treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Ivan Leitch. Seven former life members of the former Women's Missionary Society were recognized, namely, Miss Ida McFarlane, Mrs. H. C. Treffry, Mrs. R. M. Holmes.

Mrs. Thomas Pearce, Miss Marion Fish, Miss Ivy Pennington and Mrs. Fred Walther, Mrs. H. A. Waring reported on the allocation which had been forwarded to the district secretary, Mrs. H. P. Hughes of Burgessville.

It was decided that the women purchase a refrigerator from Holmes and Taylor for the kitchen in the United Church; that the ladies cater for the golden wedding reception for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mannell, April 22; that record books of both the Women's Association and WMS be stored in the office of the Otter-

Happy Bluebirds Meet

Hear History of Otterville

OTTERVILLE (C) — January meeting of the Happy Bluebirds was held in the Parish Hall with the local members as hosts for the entire evening. President Mrs. Henry Ash presided and the newly-elected secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Stanley Davis of Norwich had charge of the books. Roll call was responded to by each member telling of something nice that had happened to them over the holidays.

A large number of "Thank-You" notes in appreciation for Christmas gifts were read from shut-ins. President reported remembering a needy family in the community at Christmas and Mrs. Zuella Hicks and Miss Lillian Oatman reported on their work of visiting and remembering the shut-ins in the Nursing Home in Tillsonburg. Miss Lillian Oatman also suggested to the members and urged them to visit the patients in Norwich and Tillsonburg and several of the members expressed their desire to make this a project of the club.

Guest speaker for the evening was Mrs. R. M. Holmes who enlightened the members on "The History of Otterville."

Mrs. Holmes began her talk with a little poem entitled "Otterville" which carried the theme of friendliness and in her descriptive history told of the time when the

wolf track was used as the only means of travel that later developed into the 8th concession and now a part of the coal road; how Otterville got its name, the schools, the Churches.

And, spoke of the first store built in 1816; first Post Office kept by John H. Cornell that opened in 1830; first Reeve of South Norwich, Asa Durkee who come to Otterville in 1833; 1871 Pennington Saw Mill and Cabinet Shop and Shingles at Oddfellow's Hall; canning factory that later became a pump factory; 1879 Otterville Manufacturing Co., where the first carpet sweepers in Canada were made that found sale in Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and South America; and of the annual fall fair the last one being held in 1922.

Speaker, introduced by Mrs. Harold Waring, was thanked by Mrs. Fred Pearce, who on behalf of the Bluebirds, presented her with a gift in appreciation of her splendid talk.

Games, give and take, was enjoyed. Social time with music provided by Mrs. Nate McMullen at the electric organ, was enjoyed.

Mrs. Stanley Davis thanked the hostesses for the pleasant evening and the social time and invited the members to Norwich for the February meeting which will be held in the Co-Op rooms at 8 p.m.

NORWICH -- OTTERVILLE LIONS CLUB



25th Charter Night Anniversary



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5th, 1962

LEGION HALL

NORWICH, ONTARIO

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- ROAST TURKEY — DRESSING
- MASHED POTATOES — GRAVY
- CRANBERRIES
- COLE SLAW — CORN
- RELISHES — JELLY
- COFFEE — ROLLS
- HOME-MADE PIES — ICE CREAM
- MINTS

THE DINNER IS BEING PROVIDED BY
THE LADIES OF THE EASTERN STAR

Programme

- Call to Order Pres. Darwen Scott
- “O Canada”
- Invocation Rev. R. T. F. Brain
- Toast to Her Majesty The Queen.
- Toast to The President Of The United States.
- President's Welcome Darwen Scott
- Head Table Introductions Cabinet Treas. Dalton Higgs
- Civic Welcome Reeve of South Norwich George Davis
- Introduction of Past Presidents.. Pres. Darwen Scott
- Necrology Service
- District Greetings Dep. Dist. Gov. D. Ivan Hill
- International Greetings Internat Couns. Russ Vickers
- Introduction of Guest Speaker Dist. Gov. Harold F. Smith
- Guest Speaker—Internat. Dir. CHARLIE MOWERY
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- Presentation of Certificates
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Accent On Women



MRS. F. A. BARTRAM

Mrs. F. A. (Gladys) Bartram of 23 Harvey St., Tillsonburg, who has always led an active, interesting life, has the distinction of being, for the past 12 years, campaign chairman for the Tillsonburg Branch, Oxford County Unit, Canadian Cancer Society.

When the door-to-door canvass began in Oxford County, she was approached by Tom Naylor and Russell Brady to head the campaign locally because "it was suggested that you be the one." Mrs. Bartram each spring since has been found busily engaged in getting the crusade organized, putting in many hours making arrangements to successfully launch the drive and conducting a "Canvasser's Night," when instructions and kits are given to the volunteers a week before they start to canvass for funds.

A native of Bayham Township, she attended public school at S.S. No. 3, Bayham; continuation school in Port Burwell, and business college at Simcoe.

She began her business career as a telephone operator in Norwich and was transferred to Tillsonburg the same year where she worked at the Bell Telephone Company as an operator, supervisor and assistant chief operator. After 15 years, she resigned to marry F. A. Bartram.

Later, she took a part time position as cashier at the Dominion Gas Company and worked

there for six years; and for eight years was a part time clerk at the W. H. Parrott Jewellery store. For the past three years she has been on the staff of Radio Station CKOT as women's commentator on "Calling All Homemakers," and copy-writer.

Mrs. Bartram helped to organize the Tillsonburg Little Theatre and served as its first woman president for two years, as well as being very active in the movement directing and acting in many plays. Two years ago she assisted with "Little Theatre of the Air," submitting plays, directing and acting in several of the plays presented over the local station on Sunday afternoon.

A well-known personality, she is a charter member of H.M.S. Courageous Chapter, I.O.D.E., having served as regent for the Order for two years during the war. She is a member of St. Pauls United Church and active in the Evening Unit of the United Church Women.

(ELLEN H. EFF)

MRS. SUSAN TUFFORD

OTTERVILLE (C) — Rev. Harold Cowie, pastor of the Burgessville Baptist Church, was in charge of the funeral service for the late Mrs. Susan Tufford at Addison Funeral Home Wednesday afternoon.

The service was very largely attended by friends from Burgessville, Bookton, Norwich, Hamilton, Toronto, Woodstock, Dorchester and Otterville district.

There were many lovely floral tributes.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist. The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers, were Archie Moore, Oliver Clifford, Tom Hodgson, Oliver Hill, George Jull, and Glendon Spencer.

Interment was made in the Bookton Cemetery. *April 1962*

REID, LYLE A., 62, of 141

Harvey St., Chatham, Ontario Steel Products worker before 1961 retirement, Tuesday, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Chatham. Survivors: Wife, former Irene Smith, Chatham; daughters, Mrs. J. H. (Betty) Macauley, Sydney, Australia; Mrs. Donald (Clara) Beck, Ridgetown; Mrs. Michael (Sharron) Kenny, Chatham; sons, John, Charles and Barry, Chatham; David, Waterloo; sister, Mrs. Fred Kennedy, Charing Cross; brother, Clarence, Chatham; 11 grandchildren. Service Thursday, 2 p.m., John G. Stephen funeral home, Chatham. *APR 10*

MELDRUM—Suddenly at home, 7 Christie St., London, Ontario, Thursday, April 26, 1962, David W. Meldrum, beloved son of Mr. Muriel Meldrum and the late D. W. N. Meldrum, formerly of Norwich. In his 25th year. Friends may call at the A. I. Arn and Son funeral residence, Norwich, where a private funeral service will be held on Saturday afternoon. Interment in Norwich Cemetery.

UWO Student Gunshot Victim

A 24-year-old final year University of Western Ontario student died in his Christie Street rooming house of gunshot wounds yesterday. Police said they were self-inflicted.

Dead is David William Meldrum, of Norwich. He was alone in the rooming house. Coroner Dr. P. J. Sweeney last night said there will be no inquest.

Mr. Meldrum was to have graduated from university this year. City detectives are investigating.

He is survived by his mother, Muriel Meldrum; sister, Mrs. Ted (Mary) Stephens, of Sault Ste. Marie, and step-sister, Miss Ruth Meldrum, of Brantford.

His father was the late Dr. William Meldrum, coroner in Norwich. Arn and Son funeral home of Norwich is in charge of arrangements. A private service will be held tomorrow. Burial will be in Norwich Cemetery. *1962*

Rev. Harold Cowie, pastor of the Burgessville Baptist Church was in charge of the funeral service for the late Mrs. Susan Tufford at the Addison Funeral Home on Wednesday afternoon.

The service was very largely attended by friends from Burgessville, Bookton, Norwich, Hamilton, Toronto, Woodstock, Dorchester and Otterville district.

There were many lovely tributes.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist. The casket bearers who also acted as flower bearers were Archie Moore, Oliver Clifford, Tom Hodgson, Oliver Hill, George Jull and Glendon Spencer.

Interment was made in the Bookton Cemetery. *April 1962*

OPENING REMARKS - Mr. G. H. Davis

HYMN -

Faith of our fathers, living still
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword:
O how our hearts beat high with joy
When'er we hear that glorious word!

Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our fathers, we will strive
To win all nations unto thee,
And through the truth that comes from God
Mankind shall then be truly free.

Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife:
And preach Thee, too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life. Amen.

SCRIPTURE - Ephesians 6: 10 - 18

PRAYER - Followed by The Lord's Prayer in Unison

PLACING OF WREATHS - Organizations will place wreaths at the base of the
Cenotaph, as announced by the Chairman.

TWO MINUTES SILENCE-ending in the following statement read in unison:

"We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders Fields
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch, be yours to hold it high,
If ye break faith with us who die
we shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders Fields.

HYMN -

O Thou whose eye doth ever view
The works Thy hands have wrought,
Who would that peace all races knew,
Nor gave to war a thought;

We pause to think once more of them
who sleep 'neath foreign soil;
who torn with doubt, their duty chose
The foes of Right to foil.

Let not their sacrifice be vain,
O, let it be of worth!
They died in faith that Thou wouldst reign,
The Prince of Peace on earth. (Tune - Richmond)

THE BENEDICTION

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

".....For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world;
but that the world through Him might be saved."
(John 3:17)

ANNUAL
CHURCH SERVICE

— OF —

Independent Order Of Odd Fellows

In Commemoration of the 143rd Anniversary

— IN —

SPRINGFORD
UNITED CHURCH

Sunday Evening, June 3, 1962

7:30 p.m. (D.S.T.)

Rev. Thomas Lindsay, Minister

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mannell

Otterville Couple Married 50 Years

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mannell, esteemed residents of the village, were honored guests at a family dinner held in the banquet room of the United Church, on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

The turkey dinner, served to 31 guests, was catered for by members of the United Church Women. Toast was proposed by J. H. Mannell and responded to by the groom of fifty years ago, who presented the bride with red roses and a pearl necklace, and the recipient gave the groom cuff links and clip set.

Easter Sunday they held "open house" when relatives and friends called. Out-of-town callers were from Montreal, Ottawa, Bronte, Brantford, Bolton, Fergus, Toronto, Georgetown, Tillsonburg, Norwich, Ingersoll, Belmont, Princeton, Woodstock, Burlington, Waterloo and Aylmer.

For receiving the many guests who called Mrs. Mannell wore a pale blue dress of lace and corsage of yellow roses.

Pouring tea in the afternoon were Mrs. J. H. Mannell of Tillsonburg and the groom's sister Mrs. R. M. Armstrong of Bronte. In the evening, Mrs. Helena Keenan of Tillsonburg and the bride's sister Mrs. J. Scagal of Vancouver, B.C.

Waitresses in the afternoon were Mrs. Harold Burrill, Miss Jean Parker, Mrs. Paul Wenn and Miss Rachel Van De Walle; and in the evening were Mrs. Rod Taylor and Mrs. Jack Freeland.

Members of the United Church Women's group took charge of kitchen duties.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wenn and Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Parker received the guests while Robert Mannell of Ottawa was in charge of the door and his brother, Richard was in charge of the guest book.

Mr. and Mrs. Mannell were married at Fergus, April 24, 1912, at the home of the bride's sister Mrs. J. R. Bowly and Mr. Bowly by Rev. Charles Deacon, minister of the Fergus Methodist Church. The bride was the former Mabel Daisy Sanderson daughter of John and Clara Sanderson and was born near Goldstone, Ontario. The groom was the youngest son of W. H. and E. A. Mannell of Hollen, Ontario.

Following their marriage, Mr. Mannell was employed by the Beatty Bros. Fergus, where they resided until 1917 when they moved to Belmont where Mr. Mannell was employed by the Canadian Milk Products. They came to Otterville in November, 1927, and purchased the grocery and stationery business of the late J. W. Fish. Here they were in business for over 30 years retiring in 1958 after selling out to C. L. Finch and Son.

They have two daughters, Mrs. H. M. Wenn (Laura) and Mrs. Lorne Parker (Irene), both of Norwich and one son Dr. William Arnold Mannell of Ottawa. Also, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Mannell is a fifty-two year member and P.D.D.G.M. of the I.O.O.F. Lodge and both are 40-year members of the Rebekahs. Both are members of the United Church where Mr. Mannell has been treasurer of the Official Board for the past 16 years.

"SAINTS AT PRAYER"

A RELIGIOUS DRAMA

"Lord Teach Us to Pray"



THE DIOCESE OF HURON

Present Pageant
At Otterville ^{May 27} 1962

Pageant of "The Saints at Prayer" was presented in St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville, Sunday evening with a good attendance.

Saints portrayed came to life from the pages of the Old and New Testaments, from the life of the early church, from the piety of the Middle Ages and the tension of Reform down almost to modern times. Saints and men of God depicted were Daniel at court of Babylon; Paul in prison at Rome; Augustine of Hippo; Oswald and Oswy at the Battle of Hevenfield; Wycliffe; Julian of Norwich; Archbishop Cranmer; John Donne; John Wesley and Bishop Cronyn of Huron.

Cast of characters were Maridan Miller, Orlo Miller, Jack Scott, Don Fleckser, Hew Crooks, Stephen Haley, Patricia Walker and Haddon Whiteside. Producer was Mrs. Orlo Miller and directors were Mrs. L. C. Smith and Paul Eck.

Choir of St. John's and Holy Trinity churches rendered the hymns with Miss Ursula Brain taking the solo part. Mrs. Nate McMullen played the organ. Rev. R. T. F. Brain closed the pageant in prayer and the benediction.

Mrs. L. Treffry Is Named South Oxford District WI President



SOUTH OXFORD INSTITUTE ELECTS EXECUTIVE

Salford United Church was the scene of the District annual meeting of the South Oxford WI at which Mrs. L. Treffry of Otterville was elected president for 1962-63. Eighteen branches of the WI were rep-

resented at the meeting which drew an attendance of more than 150 members. Members of the new executive in the photo from the left, **FRONT** are secretary-treasurer Mrs. R. Allen, Tillsonburg; federat-

ed representative Mrs. Mervin Hicks, provincial board member from Ostrander; past president Mrs. W. Dawson, Tillsonburg and newly elected president Mrs. L. Treffry, Otterville. **BACK** row from the

left are public relations officer Mrs. Howard Wilkinson, Ostrander; 2nd vice-president Mrs. Murray Downing, Otterville, and 1st vice-president Mrs. G. Wallace, Ingersoll. (Staff photo). *MAY*

Thursday, May 31, 1962



MRS. IVAN LEITCH, secretary - treasurer of the Otterville Branch of the Women's Institute, was presented with costume jewellery in appreciation of six years service at that post. The presentation was made by Mrs. G. M. Downing during a meeting held recently at the home of Mrs. Jack Walther. Left to right are President Mrs. Jack Walther and Past Presidents Mrs. H. W. McDougall, Mrs. G. M. Downing and Mrs. Ivan Leitch. (Enslin Waring)

D.D.P. Visits Violet Lodge

OTTERVILLE (C) — The regular meeting of the Violet Rebekah Lodge No. 330 was held in the I.O.O.F. Hall with Mrs. Ross Adlington presiding.

Each officer and member introduced a friend for the evening and presented her with a small remembrance of "Friendship Night." Sister Helen Bowman, president of the Rebekah Assembly, congratulated the local lodge on being the only one in Ontario with 16 years of no arrears in membership dues.

Sister Mabel Mabee, P. P. spoke briefly as did sister Mary Pryde, D.D.P., who spoke briefly on her official visit. Sister Lillian Guthrie of Delhi, D.D. President, was introduced. Bro. John Bowman and Bro. John Pryde also spoke briefly. Sister Josephine Howse gave the report on the District meeting she had attended in Tillsonburg.

Following lodge a cake and pie walk was held after which a delicious lunch was served.

On Good Friday, Gordon Gehring, Melbourne Smith, James Squance, Stuart Godby, Fred Moore and Carl Howse attended the I.O.O.F. Rally at St. Thomas.

MRS. MERVIN SPICER

The wife of a well-known Aylmer haker, Mrs. Muriel W. Spicer of 35 Queen St., Aylmer, passed away suddenly on Wednesday at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital, in her 44th year.

Born at Cupar, Sask., she was the daughter of Mrs. Ruth Harrington, Exeter, and the late Walter S. Harrington. She had resided for the past 12 years in Aylmer.

Surviving besides her husband are three sons, Allan, David, and Robert, all at home; four sisters, Mrs. Kenneth (Edna) Campbell of Saskatoon, Sask.; Mrs. Derwood (Georgina) Spicer of Otterville; Mrs. Ross (Jean) Avey of Paris; and Miss Lois Harrington of Exeter. A number of nieces and nephews also survive.

Resting at the Hughson Funeral Home, Aylmer, where services will be conducted Friday, May 11, 1962, at 2 o'clock by Rev. Fred C. Bayes.

Interment in the family plot, Aylmer cemetery.

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MRS. FRANK FORAN

OTTERVILLE (C) — Word was received of the passing of a former resident, Mrs. Anne Foran at her home in Detroit, Mich., on Friday.

Deceased was the daughter of the late Thomas and Elizabeth Harford.

During the years she resided here she was employed as a clerk in the store of the late J. Wesley Fish and her husband, Frank Foran, was employed in the Trader's Bank in the village.

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MRS. FORREST KENNEY

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Mrs. Cordelia Matilda Kenney of Niagara Falls was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home here Friday afternoon by Rev. Walter E. Nicholls, pastor of the local Baptist Church.

Deceased was born at Springford and lived there until the death of her husband, Forrest H. Kenney, and then went to reside with her elder daughter at Kingsville for several years. For the past 12 years she has been with her younger daughter at Niagara Falls, where her death occurred after a brief illness, in her 90th year.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Hugh Hodgson (Ila) of Toronto and Mrs. James H. Wilson (Evelyn) of Niagara Falls, Ont.; two brothers, Judson Wilcox of Roy, Washington, and Herbert Wilcox of Arcadia, California; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral was attended by many former neighbors in the Springford district as well as relatives and friends from a distance. Mrs. Nate McMullen of Otterville played favorite hymns before and after the service.

Pallbearers were Leigh Wilcox, Lloyd Wilcox, Maurice Haley, Grant Haley, Earl Haley and Willard Smith.

Interment in the family plot in Springford Cemetery.

JAMES DEE SCOTT

OTTERVILLE (C) — A resident here most of his life, James Dee Scott, passed away Thursday morning at Whitby, after a long illness.

Deceased was born in South Norwich Township, and was a contractor and carpenter, and also worked at the shoe factory when it was located here and in Norwich. His first wife, the former Laura Coates, predeceased him in 1952, and his second wife, the former Berta Crooks, in 1959. He went to Scarboro to be with his only daughter last November and had been in a nursing home until last month when he was taken to the Ontario Hospital at Sudbury. He was a member of the United Church here and for many years a member of the Odd Fellows.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Russel (Edna) Martingale of Scarboro; one sister, Mrs. Walter Provan of Delhi; and four great grandchildren.

Funeral service was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home on Saturday afternoon by Rev. Gordon Chafie of Tillsonburg. Organist was Mrs. Nate McMullen who played many favorite hymns before and after the service.

Pallbearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Ernest Trefry, Murray Holmes, Edward Moore, Andrew Childs, Jack Riste and Charles Mannell.

Interment was in the family plot, Otter Cemetery, Otterville. There were many beautiful floral tributes including those from the local United Church and neighbors. Relatives and friends were present from Toronto, Scarboro, Brantford, Delhi and other points.

In Memoriam

WALTER — In loving memory of a dear father, William Walter, who passed away May 5th, 1960. We who loved you sadly miss you, As it dawns another year In our lonely hours of thinking, Thoughts of you are ever near.

Always lovingly remembered by daughter Kathleen, Dick and family.

WALTER — In loving memory of a dear father and grandfather, William John Walter who passed away 2 years ago today, May 5, 1960.

Today recalls sad memories Of a dear father, gone to rest, And the ones who think of him most

Are the ones who loved him best. Always remembered Harold and Dorothy Durkee and family.

TREFFRY — In loving memory of a dear mother, Mrs. Samuel Treffry who passed away four years ago May 5th, 1958.

Christ came softly in the night, Touched her gently, finger light; Smoothed the sliver from her brow

Proudly smiling, whispered "Now!" Ever remembered and sadly missed by Gerald and Jessie.

Clearing Auction Sale OF HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS AND REAL ESTATE

The undersigned auctioneers have received instructions to sell by public auction at the premises in the village of Otterville on

Saturday, June 23rd

at 2 p.m. for the estate of Miss Olla Miller.

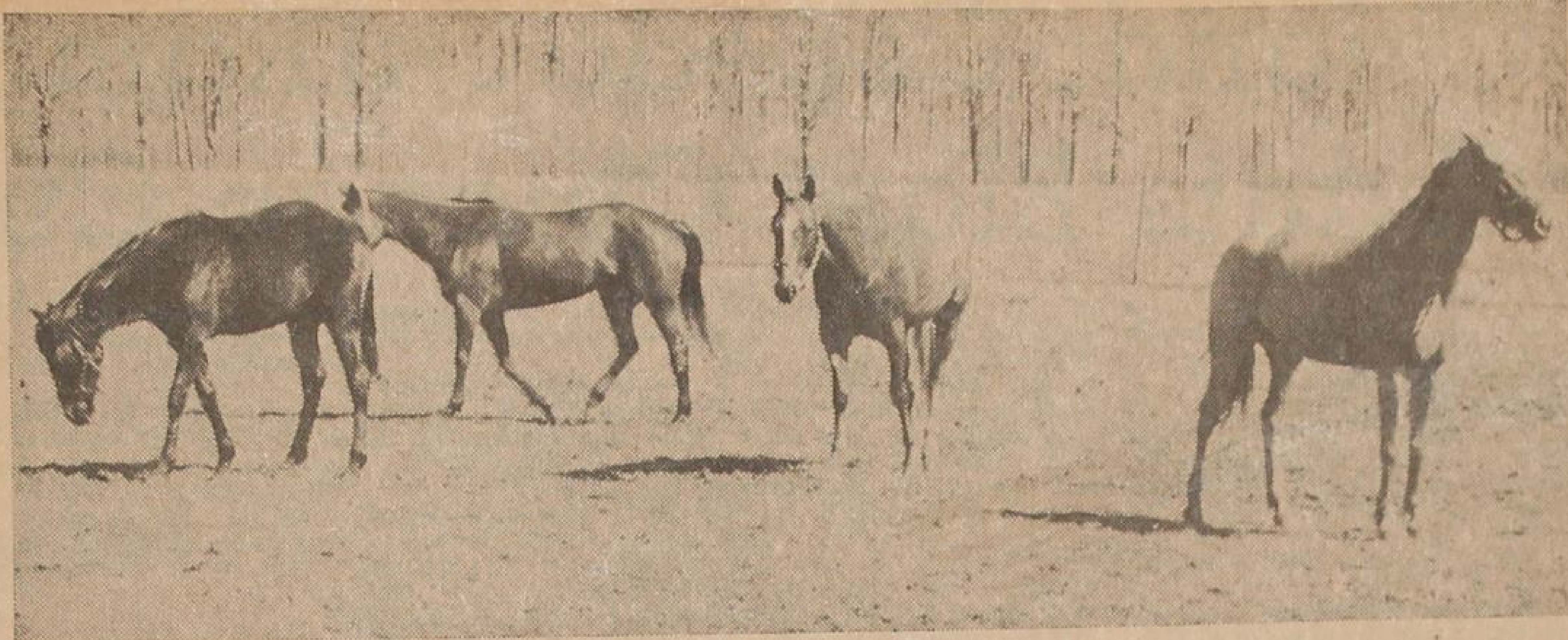
Furniture — 3/4 bed, walnut effect with slat springs and way sagles mattress; 1 bureau; 1 fall leaf table with 2 chairs; 1 wing chair; 1 occasional chair; 1 rocking chair; 6 chairs with perforated seats and backs; wardrobe; coffee table; large rug and scatter mats; floor lamps and table lamps; mirrors; 2-piece bathroom set and shower curtain; RCA Victor TV set and antenna; Electrolux vacuum cleaner; G. E. wringer washing machine, used only 1 year; Raymond sewing machine; G. E. steam iron; electric fans; small size Taylor safe; lawn chairs, 2 aluminum frame; scales; 2 bedroom toilet sets; cupboard; buffet; tables folding screen; books; wool blankets; draperies; kitchen utensils and other miscellaneous articles.

Toro Rotary mower, ladders, garden tools and hand tools.

REAL ESTATE:— If not previously sold there will also be offered, the property subject to reserve bid at the hour of 3 p.m. This property is in good state of repair with hardwood floors downstairs, newly laid linoleum tiles in dining room, kitchen and bathroom. A complete new heating system including gas furnace and hot water heater, re-wired completely and new fixtures installed last year. Refrigerator and 3-burner gas cook stove included, large garage. Venetian blinds, winter seal windows and doors. For inspection and further details contact George Davis, Otterville.

Terms of real estate 10% down and balance in 30 days. Furniture, terms cash.

Fulkerson and Harvey, Auct.



TAKING IT EASY — Four of the 14 horses housed in the Ed Arthur Racing Stables at Otterville are seen taking it easy on a small lot at the side of Arthur's main stable.

Ed Arthur Training 14 Horses For Vernon Meet

By **RON BROWN**

Sentinel-Review Sports Editor
OTTERVILLE: — Ed Arthur.

Does that name ring a bell? For the average "Joe" it probably won't — but to a racing fan it will light his eyes in the same way which Arthur so often illuminates tote boards across the country.

For local residents who are not familiar with the achievements of Ed Arthur let's do a quick bit of checking. Arthur is



ED ARTHUR

owner-driver-trainer

53 years of age, lives on a farm near Otterville, and started in the racing game 19 years ago. That ends the preliminaries.

Arthur got his racing start in 1943 when he purchased a mare Jean Argot and her foal Dillon Flicka. Ed made this purchase from Lyle Cassidy, who lives one mile south of Woodstock, the day Dillon Flicka was born.

The Otterville acc raced Dillon Flicka until she was nine years old and then retired her to the court of Ensign Hanover at the Casleton Farm in Lexington, Kentucky, where she still lives today. When Ed retired this fine pacer she was the largest money-winning Canadian-bred mare.

BOTH SIDES

Ed campaigned Dillon Flicka on both sides of the border and her race record was 2.06 1-5 on a half-mile track, which was a creditable time in the 1940's. This fine mare has had six colts and the oldest is still racing under Ed and is the finest one in his stable.

Ensign Dillon, the first colt of Dillon Flicka, has won close to \$51,000 for Mr. Arthur. Ensign's race record is 2.00 1-5. Last season Arthur piloted this fine pacer to a second-place finish at Batavia in 1.58 1-5 on a half-mile track.

Last season Arthur raced solely south of the border with his fine string but there is a remote

possibility that he may take seven or eight horses to London for a week before he heads for Vernon Downs on May 14.

Looking back on his racing career Ed refers to it as a branching out program. "I purchased Jean Argot and Dillon Flicka in 1943 and then I just started branching out." Right now Arthur's stable houses 14 horses, nine of which belong to him.

A TRAINER, TOO

To show you what kind of a trainer-driver Arthur is here is a remarkable experience which Ed had last season. "I picked up Cold Spring George, 2.03 a good gaited trotter late in July last season from the Stable of Strebb and Pama, of Rochester, N.Y. When George first came to me he had not won over \$400 for his owners but he finished the season with winnings of \$7,000. And if things go right again this year he should win another \$7,000 for his Rochester owners."

Looking into last season's happenings Ed managed to win 30-40 races and had only one unfortunate incident during the season. A colt belonging to him, named Ambassador Dillon by Ambassador Pick died in the stables. This pacer had a record of 2.04 and was the fastest Canadian-bred two-year-old.

HIS STABLE

Arthur's stable consists of

Ensign Dillon, Dilly Prince, Governor Dillon, Ambassador Direct, Aggression, Joe Dillon, two-year-old by Joe Dale-Barbara Dillon, Lucky Irish, Irish Halsonatta, Cold Spring George, Captain Calumet, Sonny Dillon, Vivian Byrd, Madam Victor and Pixie Dillon.

The Otterville driver-trainer-owner has four stable hands, Frank Bisbee, Ernie Cowell, Laurie Avey and Bev Cowell, that he employs all year round. Of this group, only Bisbee, of Ingersoll has a licence to drive on both sides of the border.

Since starting in the racing game Arthur has continued his branching out efforts so that he now owns two tobacco farms. On the one he has his horse stables, a half-mile training track and his house.

For the coming season Ed will race at Vernon Downs, Batavia Downs and maybe at London's Western Fair Raceway — but he doesn't look for any real big happenings. "I always win my share of races, 30 to 40 per season, but I don't look for anything sensational. I have two fine two-year-olds, a pacer and a trotter, but other than that, everything is usual".

And that is Ed Arthur, a quiet-spoken reinsman, who started in the racing game 19 years ago and is still piloting winners regularly whenever he races.

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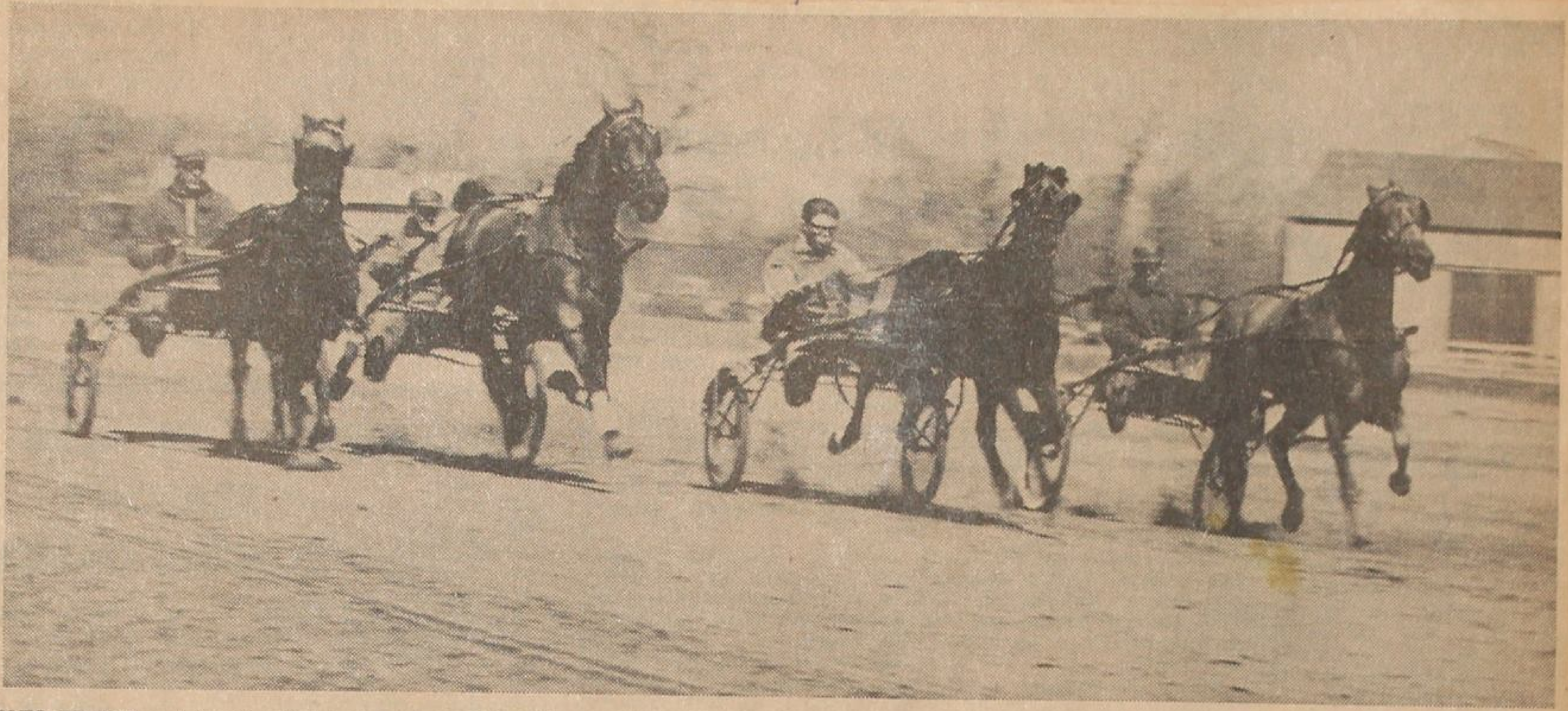
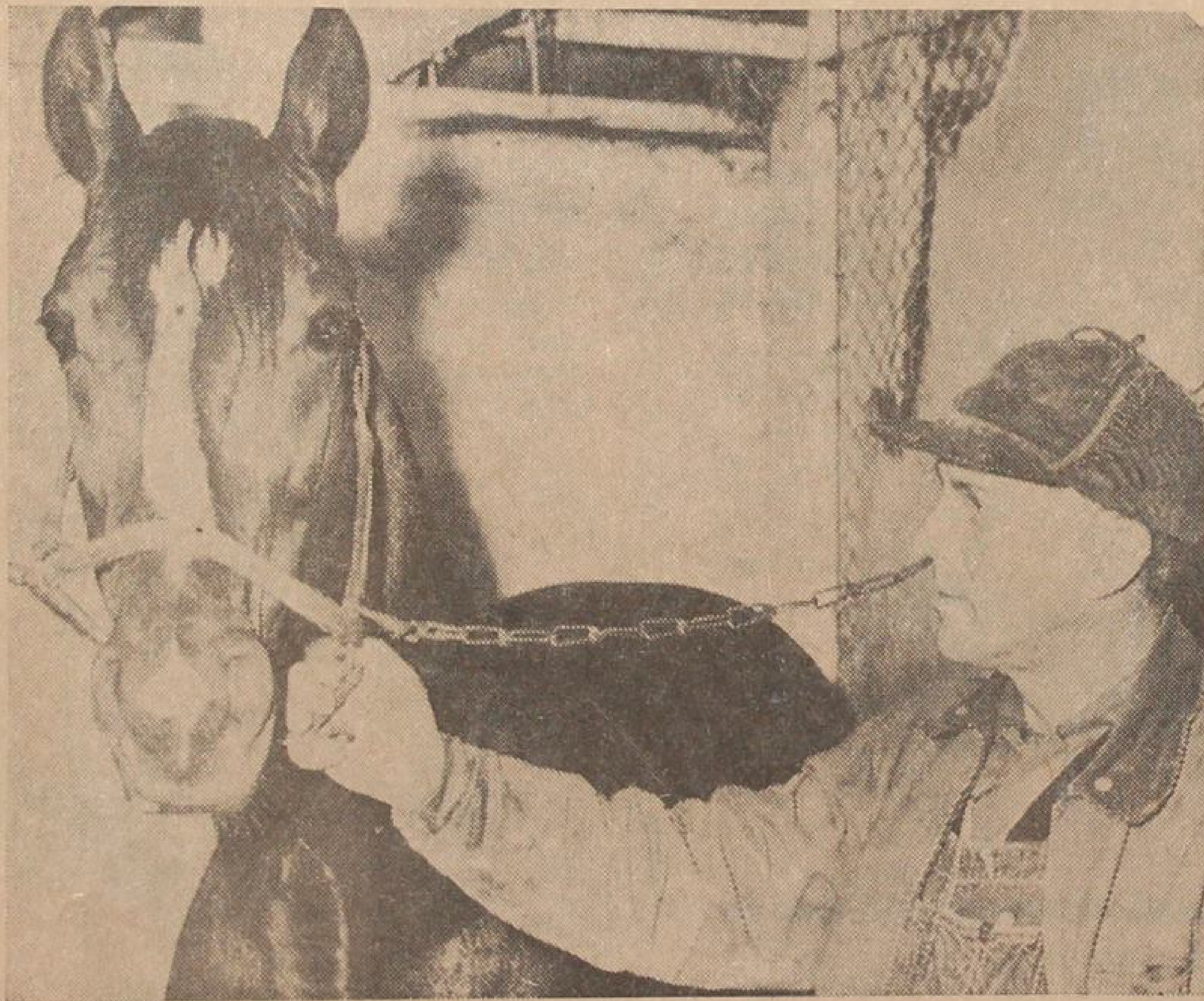


PHOTO FINISH — A familiar scene around any race track or training site is the finish line shot. Ed Arthur, second from left pilots old Ambassador Dillon between drivers Frank Bisbee and Bev Cowell to take the training race Ernie Cowell is the driver on the extreme right. This shot was taken early in the training session and the mile was turned in roughly 2:30.



MONEY - WINNER — Ensign Dillon, 2:00 1/5, the ace of the Arthur Stable is pictured with his proud owner Ed Arthur. Ensign Dillon has won over \$50,000 for the Arthur stable and is still going strong. This is one horse that wouldn't take a back seat at the London Western Fair Raceway. (Staff photos).



PUTTING A SHOE ON — Cold Spring George, a good-gaited trotter, is getting a new shoe from trainer-driver Ed Arthur after an early morning workout on the sleek half-mile oval. This three-year-old trotter is owned by the Strebb and Pama Stable, in Rochester, N.Y., and last year had winnings of \$7,000.

McMullen-Sherman Vows Spoken at Otterville

White 'mums and fern was the setting at the United Church, Otterville, on Saturday, June 16, 1962, at 2:30 p.m., for the marriage of Donna Jean Sherman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sherman of Otterville, and Donald Leslie McMullen, son of Mr. and Mrs. William McMullen of Otterville.

Rev. Thomas Lindsay solemnized the vows. Soloist Miss Yvonne Colver of Otterville, cousin of the bride, sang "Wedding Prayer" and "I'll Walk Beside You," accompanied by the organist, Mrs. William McMullen of Otterville.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was lovely in a white, pure silk organza, styled with a wasp-waisted pleated cummerbund, complimented with a tissue taffeta ascot bow and flowing panels. Front of the gown was enhanced with embroidered daisies outlined with scalloped eyelet edging. Her chapel-length veil of silk illusion, traced with daisy embroidery was caught to a tiara studded with seed pearls and crystal drops. She carried a white Bible crested with pink rosebuds and white stephanotis.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Joseph Woody of Baltimore, Maryland, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Miss Jeannette Handsaeme of R.R. 3, Tillsonburg, friend of the bride, and Miss Linda Pellow of Brantford, cousin of the bride.

Bridal attendants wore aqua, street-length creations of silk organza over taffeta, fashioned on sheath lines, with scoop necklines and short sleeves. Their floral headdresses were enhanced with veils and they carried bouquets of white 'mums and pink rosebuds.

Flower girl was Miss Christy McMullen of Otterville, niece of the groom, who was attired in a pink frock of nylon, worn with a white floral headpiece and carried a basket of net filled with pink and white rose petals.

Best man was Murray Treffry of Otterville, friend of the groom. Ushers were William McMullen of Otterville, brother of the groom, and James Ketchabaw of Tillsonburg, friend of the groom. Master Gregg McMillan of Norwich, cousin of the bride, was ring bearer. The attendants all wore white dinner jackets and black trousers.

Dinner for 53 guests, catered for by the U.C.W., was served in the parlors of the church. The bride's table was offset with a three-tier wedding cake.

Reception for 200 guests was held in the Lodge Hall, Otterville. Guests were present from Toronto, Brantford, Burford, Vanessa, Ingersoll, Norwich, Straffordville and Tillsonburg.

The bride's mother received guests in a white, figured, street-length dress, topped with a copper-shade duster, and worn with white accessories and a corsage of white rosebuds. The groom's mother assisted in a beige and mauve figured, street-length dress, with beige accessories and a corsage of yellow rosebuds.



Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. McMullen

The bride's gifts to the matron of honor and bridesmaids were sterling silver crosses; to the flower girl, sterling silver locket. The groom's gifts to his attendants were matching socks and bow ties.

For travelling, the bride changed into a white suit, with green accessories and a corsage of pink and white rosebuds.

The couple left on a wedding trip to Baltimore, Maryland, and other points in the U.S.A. They have made their home at Otterville.



CELEBRANTS Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Wilson of Springford who marked their 40th wedding anniversary on Thursday. The couple were guests of honor at a surprise party held at Livingston Restaurant, planned by their family and relatives. The pair, who have lived all their married life at Springford, have farmed through the years. They have one son, Douglas Wilson, and one daughter, Mrs. Lorne (Jean) Woodford, both of Springford; and seven grandchildren.

June 1962. (Seldon Studio, Tillsonburg)

CLARENCE MILLS

OTTERVILLE (C) — Clarence Mills of Otterville died suddenly Thursday evening following a heart attack while helping a friend at a local garage.

Deceased was born at Glen Meyer and lived at Aylmer, Springfield and Glanworth before moving to Woodstock where he farmed for 20 years. Two years ago he retired and the family moved to Otterville.

Survivors are his wife, the former Irene Houghton; two sons, Gene of Montreal and Raymond at home; four daughters, Mrs. Robert (Marion) Bradish of Lambeth, Mrs. Jack (Audrey) Hauck of New Westminster, B.C., Mrs. Winston (Eileen) Cox of Fort Worth, Texas; and Mrs. Robert (Norma) Duffy of Sparta; two brothers, Alvin Mills of St. Thomas and Squire Mills, Fort Meyers, Florida; and 12 grandchildren.

Friends were received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service was conducted Monday at 1:30 p.m. by Rev. Thomas D. Lindsay, minister of the United Church. Interment in Otter Cemetery.

CLARENCE MILLS

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Clarence Mills who passed away Thursday evening last was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home on Monday afternoon by Rev. Thomas Lindsay of the local United Church.

Pianist for the service was Mrs. Nate McMullen.

Pallbearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Clarence Singer, Reginald Wavell, Joe Ash, Alex Hanson, Ernest Treffry and George Heaslip.

Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

Relatives and friends were present from St. Thomas, Montreal, London, Putnam, Detroit, Mich., Lambeth and Sparta.



Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Van Parys
(Photo by Seldon)

OTTERVILLE — Constance Jane Prouse exchanged wedding vows with Frederick Charles Van Parys during a ceremony at Otterville United Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Prouse, Tillsonburg, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Van Parys, Otterville. Rev. T. Lindsay officiated at the ceremony.

The bride chose a floor-length gown of peau de sole accented with appliques of alencon lace. The bodice was styled with lily-point sleeves and a scalloped scoop neckline. The bouffant skirt featured a back bustle bow and extended to a chapel train. Her double bouffant veil was held by a crown of pearls

and crystals.

Miss Betty Lou Hall, maid of honor, bridesmaids Miss Jean Van Heukelom and Mrs. James Webster, and flower girl Karen Van Parys wore French blue silk organza ballerina-length dresses.

Brother of the groom, Charles Van Parys was best man and guests were ushered by Gordon Overbaugh, Toronto and Larry Pits, Norwich. Brent Van Parys was ring bearer.

For the wedding trip to Northern Ontario, the bride chose a beige linen suit with beige and black accessories. The couple will reside in Tillsonburg.

The groom is a graduate of the Ryerson Institute of Technology. *JUNE 21*

WILLIAM R. COLE

OTTERVILLE: — William

Robert Cole, of RR 2, LaSalette, passed away at the District Memorial Hospital at Tillsonburg Saturday evening after a brief illness. Mr. Cole was born in South Norwich Township near New Road nearly 54 years ago, and lived at Hamilton and also at Tillsonburg, but has lived at his present home at Hawtreys for the past 20 years, working on tobacco farms. Several years ago he suffered a heart attack, but had been working as usual during the past week, until he suffered the attack early Saturday morning and was taken to hospital.

He is survived by his wife, the former Marjorie Grace Holt, one son Jack Cole of London, and one daughter Miss Mary Cole of Tillsonburg. He also leaves two sisters, Mrs. Gordon Rohrer (Amy) of Tillsonburg and Mrs. Frank Winn (Olive) of Hamilton, and three grandchildren

Friends were received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where the funeral service was held Tuesday afternoon at 2 p.m. with the service conducted by the Rev. Thomas D. Lindsay, minister of the Otterville United Church. Interment was in the New Road Cemetery. Pallbearers were Jim Messeroll, Woodrow Richardson, Ernest Nold, Lawrence Wagner, Anthony Wagner, and Bob Hicks. The flower bearers were nephews Walter Davis, Harry Rohrer, Ted Wilkinson and Bob Winn. Mrs. Nate McMullen played favorite hymns before and after the service which was very largely attended. *June 21/62*



Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Clinton, Grosvenor Street, marked a day which was doubly meaningful yesterday. Thirty members of their family met at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis L. Groat, Highbury Avenue, to honor the couple on the occasion of their 62nd wedding anniversary and to congratulate Mrs. Clinton on her 90th birthday. The couple have one daughter, Mrs. Groat; two sons, Delmer, of Norwich, and Morley, London; 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Veteran S-R Correspondent Dies At Norwich After Long Illness

George James Lowe of Norwich, died at his home early Friday morning after a long illness in his 66th year.

He was born in Malvern Hills, England, and came to Canada when he was 10 years of age and has lived in the Norwich district ever since.

He was married to Katie McKnight in February 1920, who survives him. Also surviving is a son, Darwin Lowe of Aurora, and a daughter, Mrs. William Duncan (Marion) of Don Mills, and four grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowe farmed for a few years until they moved to Norwich 35 years ago where he has been caretaker of the Norwich High School ever since. He made scores of friends among the youngsters at the school and also in the Norwich Presbyterian Church where he was an elder and also served as a Sunday School superintendent for many years.

He was much in demand as a

soloist and loved good music. He was a past master of St. John's Lodge AF and AM and served as worthy patron on six different occasions for Norwich Chapter Order of the Eastern Star.

Perhaps he was best known beyond the community for his humorous and fearless task as a newspaper correspondent and was faithful to his duties when failing health overtook him. He was the Norwich correspondent for the Sentinel-Review for 35 years.

Mr. Lowe served during the First World War and took a special pride in flowers and his work at the cenotaph and high school will be long remembered.

Friends will be received at the Addison Funeral Home at Otterville where the funeral service will be held on Sunday, July 1 at 3:00 p.m. An Eastern Star service will be held at the Addison Funeral Home on Saturday, June 30 at 9:00 p.m.

GEORGE J. LOWE

OTTERVILLE (C) — George James Lowe, caretaker of the Norwich High School for the past 35 years, died at his home in Norwich early Friday morning following a long illness.

Born in Malvern Hills, England, nearly 66 years ago, deceased came to Canada when he was 10 years old, following the death of his parents, and has lived in the Norwich area ever since. He was married to Katie McNight in 1920, and they farmed for a few years, moving into the village 35 years ago.

During his years at the high school he made scores of friends among the young people there, and also in the Norwich Presbyterian Church where he was an elder, and also served as Sunday school superintendant for several years. He was much in demand all through the years as a soloist, and loved good music. He was a Past Master of St. John's Lodge, A.F. & A.M. No. 104, and served as Worthy Patron on six different years for Norwich Chapter No. 175, Order of the Eastern Star. Perhaps he was best known beyond the community for his humorous and fearless task as a newspaper correspondent, and was faithful to his duties even when failing health overtook him. Many persons enjoyed the intimate contact with him as he gave a weekly radio broadcast over the Woodstock station. Mr. Lowe served during World War 1, and took a special pride in flowers, and his work at the cenotaph and high school will long be remembered.

Survivors besides his wife are a son, Darwen Lowe, Aurora; a daughter, Mrs. William (Marion) Duncan of Don Mills; a sister, Mrs. J. E. Thomas of Toronto, and four grandchildren.

Friends were received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, service was conducted Sunday at 3 p.m., by Rev. Donald Cram of the Presbyterian Church, Norwich.

Prior to the service, one of the largest ever held in Otterville, hundreds of friends from all walks of life, including many former pupils of the Norwich High School where he had been caretaker for 35 years, called to pay tribute to his memory.

Saturday evening, Norwich Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, led by the Worthy Matron, Mrs. Dorothy Durkee, held an impressive memorial service. Along with her officers she was assisted by other members of the Chapter, and also by three Past District Deputy Grand Matrons, Mrs. Mary King and Mrs. Nan Martin of Brantford and Mrs. Jean Freaser of Burford. Mrs. Beulah Stubbs, P.M., was pianist and Mrs. Ruth Smith P.M. was soloist. This service too was largely attended.

Scores of beautiful floral tributes surrounded the casket, among them being tributes from various groups of neighbors, Norwich Public Library Board; Council, and employees of the Village of Norwich; The Gazette and staff; Knox Presbyterian Church; Woodstock Sentinel Review; Norwich Chapter, No. 175, O.E.S.; St. John's Lodge, A.F. & A.M., No. 104; Norwich Branch of

the Canadian Legion, the Newmarket Male Chorus of which his son Darwen is a member. There were also a great number of donations to the Canadian Cancer Society, a donation to the Norwich District High School Student Aid Fund, and Gideon Bibles.

Pianist for the service was Mrs. Nate McMullen of Otterville.

Relatives were present from Aurora, Don Mills, Toronto, Port Dover and other places.

Pallbearers were Cameron St. John, Don Strachan, Howard Sten-sson, Mel Beecroft, Don Irvine and Paul Moore. Flower bearers were Les Force, John Hahn, Vern Catton and Clare Stevenson.

Interment was made in the Norwich Cemetery.

FRANCIS RAMSAY BALL

OTTERVILLE (C) — Following an illness of several months, Francis Ramsay Ball passed away at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, on Wednesday afternoon after being admitted on Tuesday.

The late Mr. Ball was in his 80th year. He was born in Woodstock and received his education there. He later became a clerk in the Imperial Bank and after working at several different places, became manager at the Imperial Bank in Jordan. While at Jordan he decided to become a farmer and moved to the Otterville district about 30 years ago where he farmed for 25 years. For the past five years he had been retired in the village.

He was a member of the Anglican Church and a great reader of worldwide news. Mr. Ball was well versed in all occupations and their home was always open to neighbours and friends who greatly enjoyed calling on them.

Surviving are his widow, the former Ethel Reakes; a daughter, Miss Constance Ball at home; two sisters, Miss Florence Ball and Miss Jessie Ball at Woodstock as well as a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at the Addison Funeral Home on Saturday, July 28, at 2 p.m. Rev. Thomas Lindsay of Otterville United Church will be in charge. Interment in the family plot at Innerkip.

July 25-28/62

FRANK RAMSEY BALL

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Frank Ramsay Ball, who died in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital on Wednesday, was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home on Saturday afternoon by Rev. T. Lindsay, minister of the Otterville United Church.

Mrs. Nate McMullen, was the pianist and among the floral tributes which surrounded the casket were those from the neighbors of the village and from the neighbors near their farm home.

The casket bearers were R. M. Holmes, Earnest Treffry, Albert Lawrence, Nate McMullen, R. E. Pettigrew and Irvin Gehring.

Interment was made in the family plot in the Innerkip Cemetery.

Relatives attending the service were from Philadelphia, Woodstock, Toronto, Jordan Station and Vine-land.

July 19/62

MRS. ASAHEL BACHELDOR

OTTERVILLE — Mrs. Annie Bachelidor, wife of Asahel Bachelidor, Otterville, died at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital on Sunday morning, July 8, in her 74th year.

Born at Bookton, she was a daughter of the late Alex Moore and Mary Ellen Stoddard Moore and her early life was spent there. Later she was a bookkeeper in Brantford and a milliner in Woodstock, until her marriage 36 years ago. She lived at Port Burwell and Delhi for a short time before moving to Otterville 33 years ago where her husband was a barber. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church at Bookton but attended the Otterville United Church and was former member of the W.A. also the Otterville Women's Institute.

Surviving are her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Jack Helsdon (Mary Ellen), Tillsonburg; two grandchildren, Phyllis and David; one brother, Archie Moore, Bookton; a half-brother, Fred Moore, Otterville, and a half-sister, Mrs. John McDougall, Kelvin.

The late Mrs. Bachelidor is resting at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where the funeral service will be held on Tuesday, July 20, at 2 p.m., Rev. Thomas D. Lindsay of Otterville United Church, officiating. Interment will be made in Otter Cemetery, Otterville.

MRS. ASAHEL BACHELDOR

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. Annie Bachelidor, a resident here for the past 33 years, died at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital early Sunday morning after a long illness.

Deceased was born at Bookton 73 years ago, daughter of the late Alexander Moore and Mary Ellen Stoddard. She spent her early life in the Bookton district, east of Otterville. She was a bookkeeper at Steadmans in Brantford and worked as a milliner in White's at Woodstock until her marriage 36 years ago. Before moving to their present home the family lived at Port Burwell and Delhi for a few years.

Mrs. Bachelidor has been confined to hospital for the past 11 weeks with a heart condition which became worse Thursday. She was a member of the Bookton Presbyterian Church, but had attended the United Church here since moving here, and was a former member of the Woman's Association, and Women's Institute. Surviving are her husband, and one daughter, Mrs. Jack (Mary Ellen) Helsdon of Tillsonburg; one brother, Archie Moore of Bookton; half brother, Fred Moore of Otterville, and a half sister Mrs. John McDougall, Kelvin and two grandchildren.

At the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service will be conducted (Tuesday) at 2 p.m. by Rev. Thomas Lindsay.

Interment will be in Otter Cemetery.

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MRS. NANCY DEAN

Mrs. Nancy Aann Dean of 47 Bidwell St., Tillsonburg, passed away Sunday at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, in her 68th year.

Deceased was born in Middleton Township on October 11, 1904, daughter of the late James Stilwell and Jean Robertson. Her husband, Elroy Dean, predeceased her in 1948.

She was a member of St. Pauls United Church and of the United Church Women; Past Noble Grand of Myrtle Rebekah Lodge, No. 177, I.O.O.F., and secretary-treasurer for the lodge for several years. She was a former employee of the Tillsonburg Post Office for over 19 years and in later years worked as a receptionist at the H. A. Ostrander and Son Funeral Home.

Survivors are one son, Harold Dean, at home, and one sister, Mrs. Gladys Hogan of Farmington, Mich.

Rested at the H. A. Ostrander and Son Funeral Home where service was conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m., by Rev. Henry R. Lowenberger of Avondale United Church.

Pallbearers were Earl Lewis, J. B. Dean, Donald O. Dean, Wallace Mabee, Carman Lawrence and Edgar Welch.

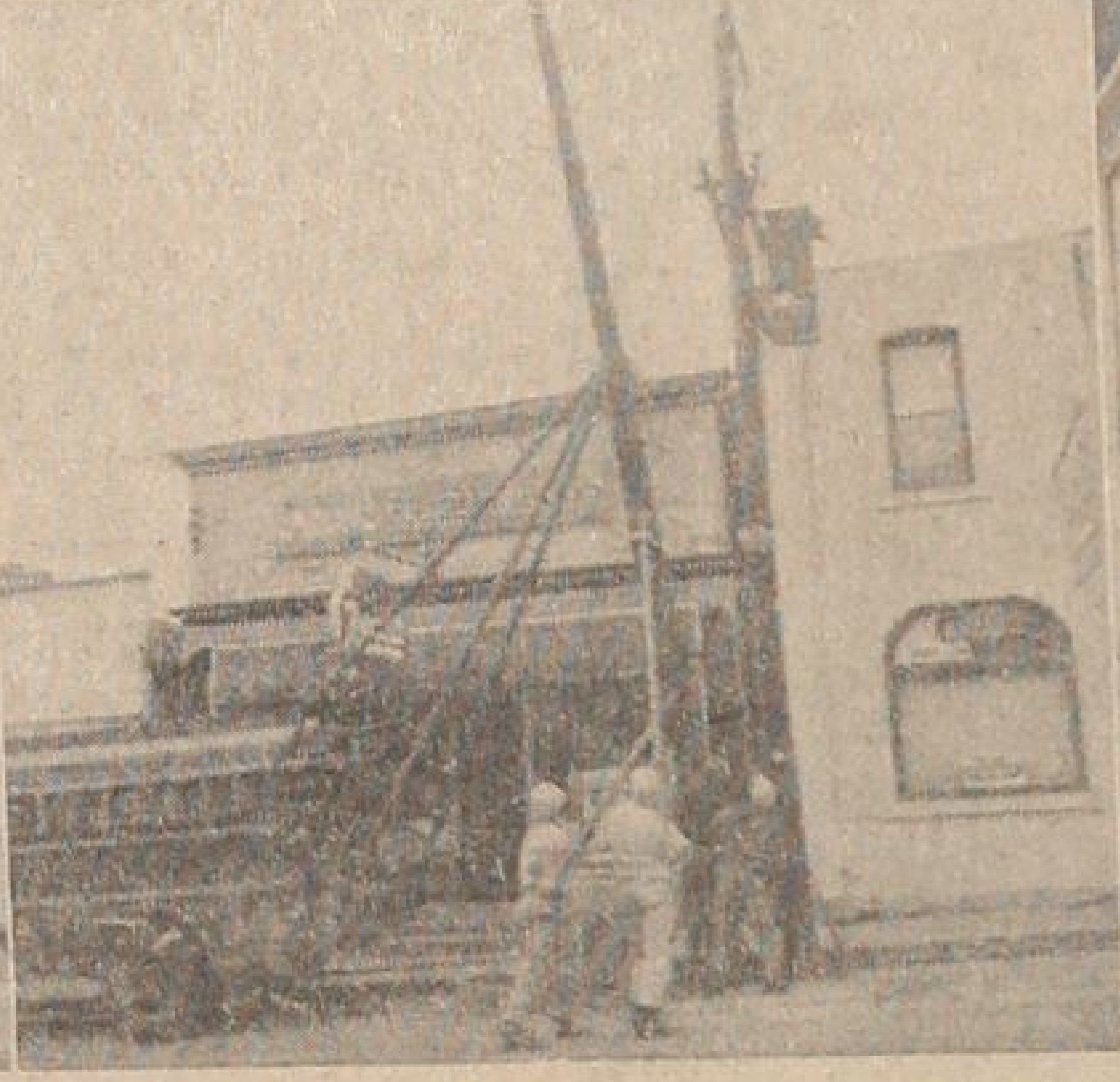
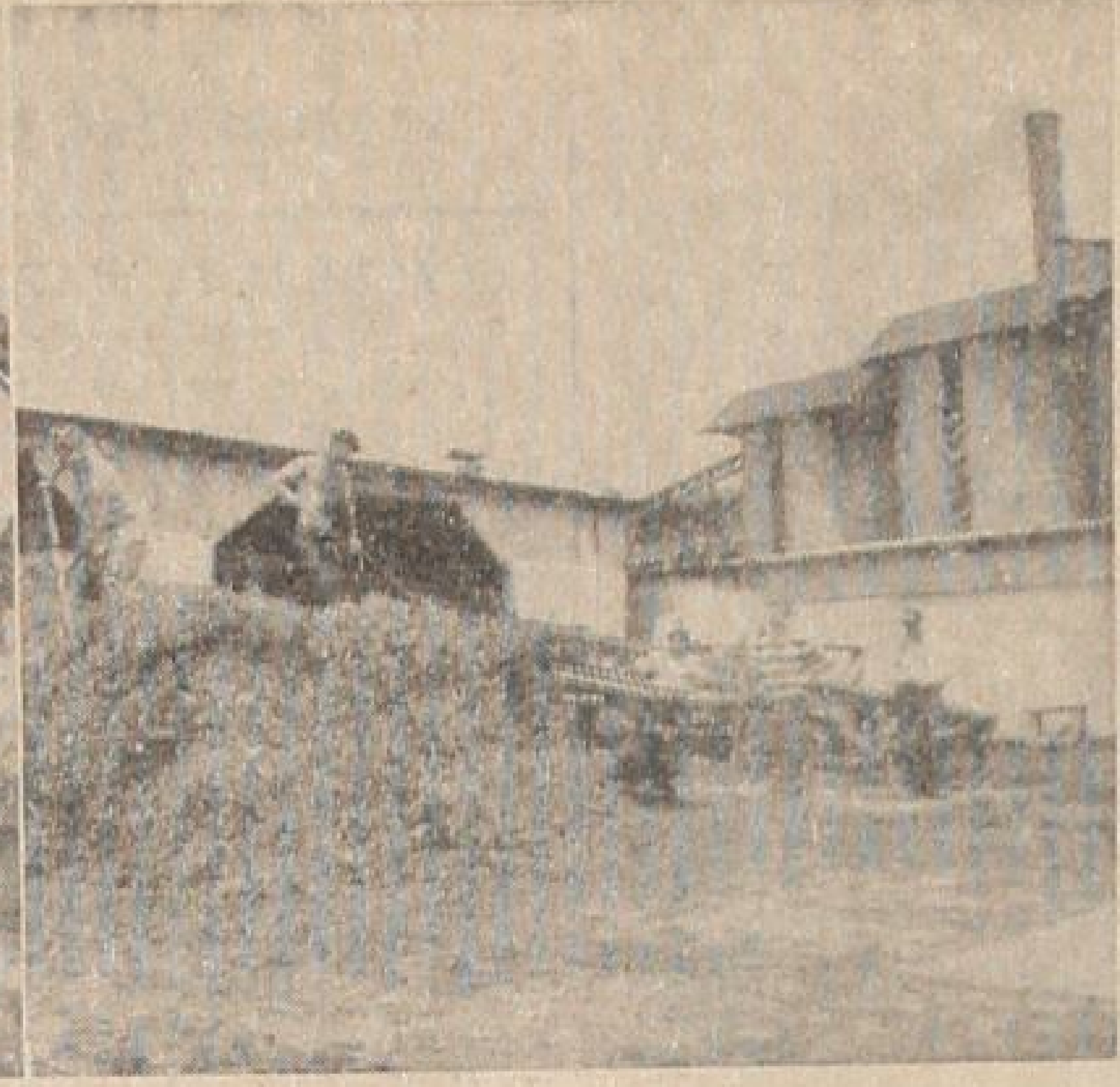
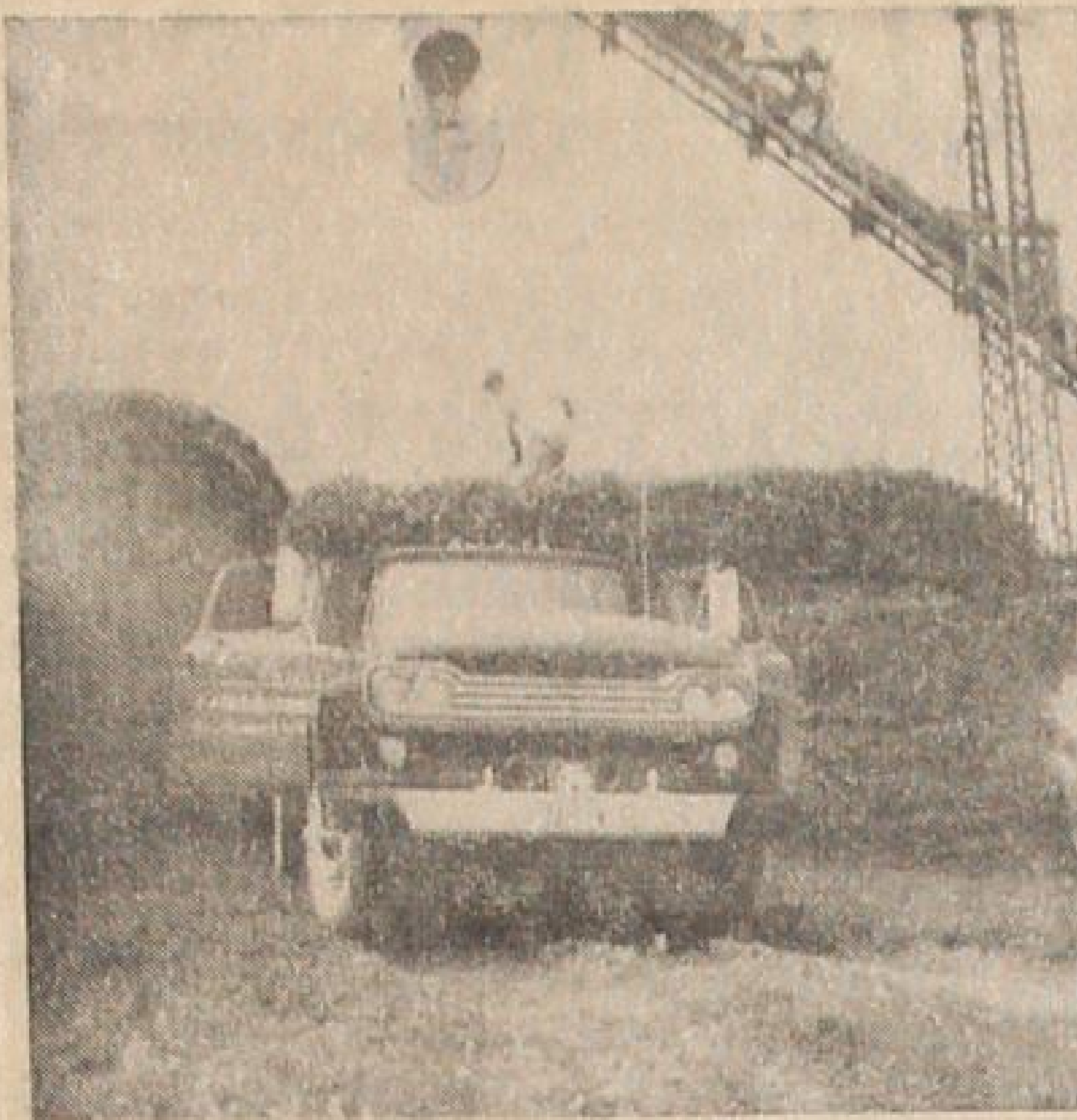
Interment in Tillsonburg Cemetery.

Members of Myrtle Rebekah Lodge, No. 177, I.O.O.F. conducted a service at the funeral home on Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. in charge of Noble Grand Mrs. Eva Wallace, Vice-Grand Mrs. Rowena Price, and Chaplain Mrs. Janet Moulton. A duet, "Good Night, Good Morning," was sung by Mrs. William McKoy and Mrs. Ross Ronson, accompanied by Mrs. A. S. Russell.

July 16/62

EASTABROOK — On Friday, July 13, 1962, at the St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital, Mrs. Edna E. (Wase) Eastabrook, 20 Queen St., St. Thomas, widow of Fred Eastabrook, dear mother of Harry A. Wase, 79 Cavendish St., London; dear grandmother of Misses Gayle and Mary Wase, London; dear sister of Mrs. W. A. (Isobel) Simpson, Indianapolis, Indiana. Passed away after a short illness, aged 73 years. Resting at the P. R. Williams and Son Funeral Home, St. Thomas. Service Monday, July 16, at 3:15 p.m. Interment South Park Cemetery, St. Thomas.

KITCHEN, MRS. EARL, 67, of Waterford, Tuesday, in St. Thomas. Former Lillian Leda Marchand. Survivors: Husband; daughter, Mrs. Clarence (Shirley) Curtis, Toronto; sisters, Mrs. Ida Sanders, London; Mrs. Gordon (Mildred) Myers, Kitchener; Mrs. Fred (Florence) Church, Ottawa; brother, Edwin Marchant, RR 4, Waterford. Service yesterday at Mott's funeral home, Waterford. Burial in Greenwood Cemetery. *AUG*



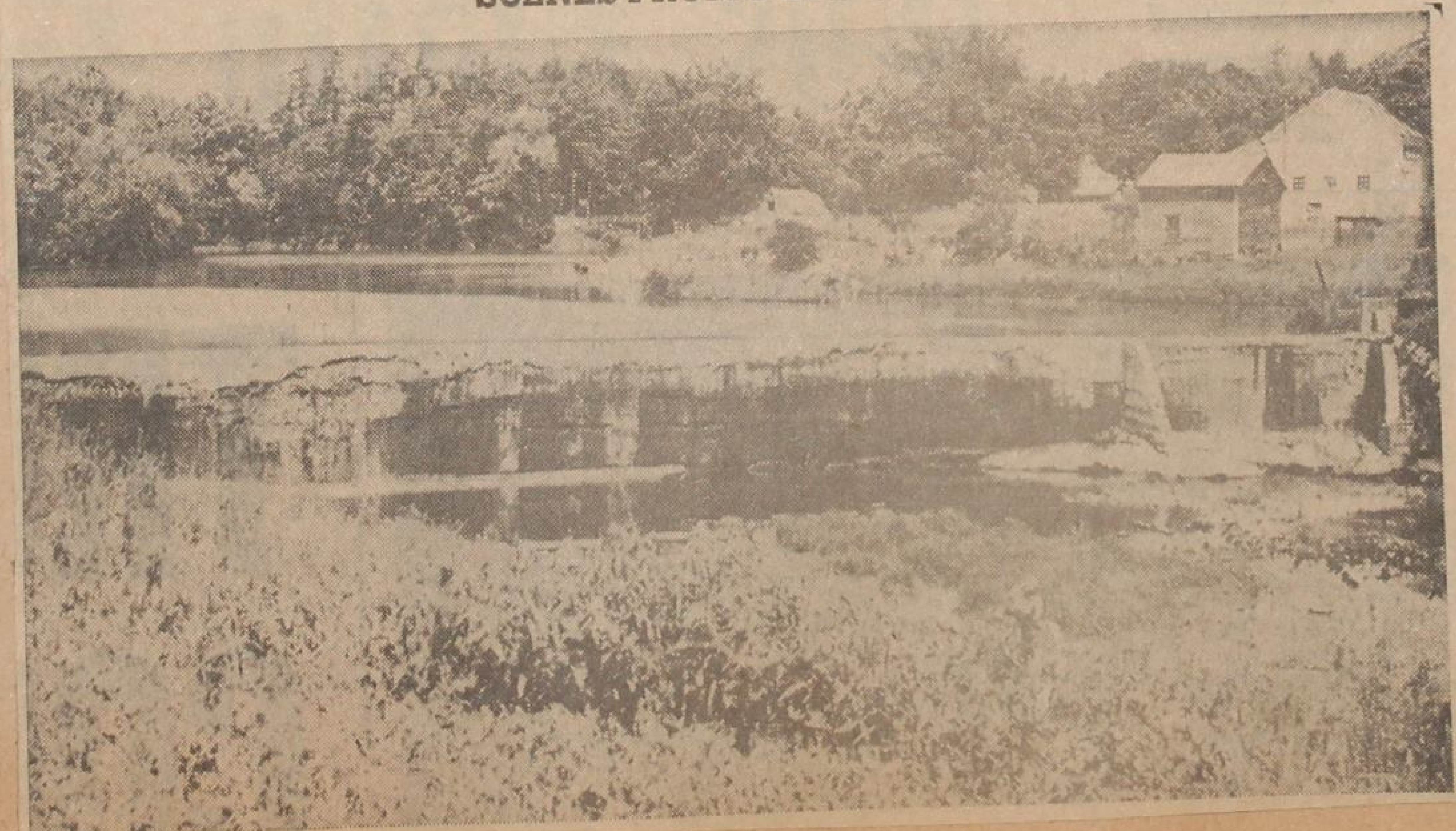
OTTERVIEWS—Recent events in Otterville are pictured in photos by News correspondent Evelyn Waring. Tip Top Cannery commenced operations at their plant the earliest ever with the pea crop off to an early start. Photos

show R. C. Nobbs beside the truck while the peas are unloaded to the viners. Men are feeding the viners, taking the vines to the conveyor, which carries them to the stack, and the trucker loads them back for the return to

the farm. A wild duck found itself sitting on Main St. in Otterville recently and seemed a little excited about getting hit by heavy traffic, but all drivers were kind. Mrs. Lorne Day of Bookton befriended the fowl and took it to safety. Work is underway on a

new lighting system for the village. Lines are being rebuilt and new fluorescent street lights will be installed in the main part of the village. A new system to provide lunches for all at the canning plant is the wagon operated by Mrs. G. Butz.

SCENES FROM DAYS GONE BY



Creek Played Big Part In The History Of Otterville

By ART WILLIAMS

The Government of the Province had fallen into the hands of a clique, composed chiefly of the aristocratic element, called the Family Compact. They filled almost entirely the offices of trust and had the management of the public lands. They ruled in an arbitrary manner, which made them very unpopular in the country. After seeking in vain for redress for their grievances, a party led by William Lyon Mackenzie raised a rebellion which, however, was soon quelled with the loss of only a few lives.

Of all wars a civil war is most to be dreaded, for your nearest neighbor may be your greatest enemy. Mackenzie was naturally a good man, but was led to take a wrong step. As the Family Compact had been fairly beaten by sound argument through the press and as their maltreatment of the colony had been clearly proved, if they had been patient they would have got redress. The Rebellion, however, had the effect of bringing about reforms sooner than would have been done in a constitutional way for the British Government sent out Lord Durham to inquire into the administration of affairs in Canada. His report gave the Home Government a better idea of the troubles of the colony and they

granted Canada a new Constitution, embodying the principle of responsible government and also gave them a Liberal Governor, Lord Elgin. These changes caused the downfall of the Family Compact. Under this new administration the country became settled, the people, generally at least, being well satisfied with our present form of government, preferring it to any other and it has developed into one of the finest in the world's history.

BOILING POINTS

In the township of South Norwich the Rebellion was a big item and was the centre of one of the boiling points of Upper Canada. The three main points being Otterville, Norwich and Burford. The leader in this uprising for the Oxford District was a Dr. Charles Duncombe who was a member of provincial parliament from 1830 - 1837 and for whom the government offered a reward of 500 pounds for his capture. At the outbreak of hostilities Duncombe led a party of followers up to the village of Scotland where they set up defences but on word of the defeat of Mackenzie near Toronto, he ordered his men to their homes and told them they could not be harmed as they had done nothing, but in a civil war often your best friends will turn you in if it is for their

own good to do so. Consequently, when Colonel McNabb reached Scotland with government forces many arrests were made. Those arrested in and around Otterville were imprisoned at Otterville in a building now located at the railway crossing but which originally stood in the heart of the town. One night the wife of one of the prisoners pulled a trick which would today be considered a very serious offence for all concerned. The guards had left their arms stacked outside and went to the tavern nearby and when she saw this she threw the rifles into the mill pond and released the prisoners. The mill pond had to be drained in order to retrieve the lost rifles. No doubt there were some red faces in town that night.

MANY WERE SOUGHT

Duncombe became a fugitive and with the aid of many friends and often dressing as a woman he was able to make his way to the border at Windsor and when he was safely into Detroit he sent word back telling them where he was. Others who were sought included Eliakim and Finlay Malcolm also Robert Alway, a Capt. Anderson and Joshua Doon. Finally Malcolm, who was later captured and tried, was sent to England with the chance of being sent to Van

Demaland (Tasmania) but the queen granted him a reprieve and sent him back to Canada with a Bible which she told him to live by. His descendants living at Sweaburg still have this precious book in their possession.

Many of the prisoners were taken to Hamilton and kept there until court sat in the spring when they were tried. They were more or less being held as hostages in hope that Duncombe and Mackenzie would surrender for the release of the prisoners.

Otterville, which is the largest community in South Norwich, is situated on the Otter Creek and though its name has been changed often, the word "Otter" always remained. When the first settlers arrived they noticed that the playful otter had mud slides all along the creek and so called the first mills Otter Creek Mills and as the village took shape it became known as Otter Creek Village. Later it was called Otter Village, and finally Otterville. The first settlers in and around Otterville arrived in 1807 and were John Earl and Paul Avery who had a grant of land and also some machinery given by the government. They realized the great future for the water power of the Otter and set about building a grist and saw mill

here. Since that time at least one mill has been in operation on the river. At present there is one mill south of the main street still running by water power. Between 1850 and 1860 there were no less than 12 steam and 14 water mills in operation. Most of the mills being saw mills as this part of the country was covered with some of the finest white pine in North America and up until 1870 lumbering was the chief industry of the village and township.

BUILDS FURNACE

About 1831 Peter Hamilton and William Hardy built an iron smelting furnace a short distance down river where they obtained good water power. They brought a great quantity of iron ore from Middleton and had the river surveyed from the lake up in hopes of it being navigable for lake barges but before this all could be accomplished an accident happened to the furnace and all was abandoned. In 1833, Asa Durkee started a tannery and boot and harness business which thrived until after the turn of the century. In 1845 Edward Bullock purchased the old mill from J. C. Ferrie and it was the beginning of what is often thought of as the Bullock Era as Edward Bullock was a very energetic man and saw a great future in Otterville. He built a custom woollen mill to go along with the two flour mills and saw mills that he already owned. In 1854 a foundry was built by David Stage who built the bell for the old schoolhouse. Other industries included the Erb's saw and foollen Mill. J. G. Williams' distillery, stock stables and grain warehouses, John Furlong's shingle and cooperage shops, the Parson's carriage works also a canning factory and Warner's Match Factory. This Match Factory was one of the first in Canada and was known as the Tip Top Match Co. These matches were crude in comparison with ours of today. They consisted of a small block of wood cut into strips but not separated, making 72 matches in a block and were coated with sulphur from a quarter to half an inch from the tip and the tip received an extra coat of white sulphur. They were all done up in paper packets containing 12 blocks. Mrs. R. M. Holmes still has some in her possession.

NO RAILROADS

During this time no railroads existed in this part of Oxford

and consequently teaming their products to a city or town was a big responsibility and called for good roads. The Coal Road came into being at this time and was so called because with the impression it would make

a good road bed white pine logs were piled about five feet high and covered with earth and fired to produce a charcoal road bed and for years after if you travelled on this road in the dry weather you were badly in need of a bath when you arrived at your destination, "truly as black as coal". Richard Talbot had the contract to build the first plank and gravel road from Delhi to Ingersoll and collected fees at toll gates. Walter Reavely was the last toll gate keeper. This included the Coal Road.

The great need for railroad was felt for some time and as early as 1850 a movement was under way to obtain one here and finally construction of the Woodstock and Lake Erie Railroad began. By 1854 all the grading, fencing and bridging was completed. The ties were delivered and all was ready for the rails when Mr. Zimmerman, the chief promoter was killed. So died this railroad. Later the bridges were taken down and floated to the match factory to be made into matches. By 1872 another effort was made to obtain a railroad. Through the efforts of J. E. Bullock and Gilbert Moore the Port Dover and Lake Huron Railroad became interested. This railroad eventually took the old survey lines of the Woodstock and Lake Erie Railroad and at last a railroad became a reality but the great days of the white pine forests were over and it did not bring the great benefits that were anticipated, also other railroads had moved into this area and there were 20 stations within a radius of 12 miles of the village. Also with the passing of the lumber trade farming came to the fore and cheesemaking and hog raising were the chief sources of income for the rural area.

CANADIAN FIRST

In 1879 H. and J. Bullock of Chicago and F. Bullock and W. F. King of Otterville started the Otterville Sweeper Co. making the first carpet sweepers in Canada. Later it was changed to the Otterville Manufacturing Co. and they also made piano stools and ornamental grill work with their products being exported to Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and South America.

In 1870 the Burkholder Bros. who lived two miles east of Otterville invented the steel yard stumping machine and they were manufactured in the village and this machine was in great demand wherever stumps needed pulling. A similar machine to this may be seen at the pioneer village at Doon near Kitchener.

W.F.KAY

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In 1887 the great telephone era began and one of the first lines was from Aylmer to Port Colbourne and before long Norwich and Otterville were connected with it. R. Paxton was the first manager at Otterville. The early phone had no switchboard and it was just one big happy party line and for 19 years there was only one phone in Otterville. An exchange was installed in 1906 with 23 subscribers and by 1913 there were 100 phones in the village. Florence Dupker was one of the first operators. Though the early phone was not popular, the village had several newspapers for conveying the news of the day. In 1876 the Otterville Angus was published weekly. In 1882 the Guide was read weekly and in 1892 the Echo and in 1899 the Herald were monthly sources of information on local events.

RELIGIOUS GROUPS

Spiritually Otterville was a mecca for many of the religious groups of the day that were banned in other parts of the country. About 1882 the Salvation Army, though being banned in other parts of the country, was able to build a citadel in the village. Today this building still stands and is used as an IOOF hall. The negro slaves congregated here and were made welcome and developed quite a community. They built themselves a church and laid out a cemetery north of the village about 1860. At the season for camp meetings the darkies would gather from all parts of the country, often coming from as far away as Windsor. Some of the families who supported this church were the Bennetts, Clause, Gowans, Grays, James, Joiner, Martins, Taylor, Wagner, Williams, Osbourne and the Andersons, one of their number, Sam Bennett, at one time was considered to be the strongest man in Ontario. He could, with little effort, lift a 300-lb. barrel of salt on the ground and place it on a wagon. The majority of these people had strong religious convictions and Jeremiah Wagner, an ex-slave was one of their known ministers. The area which they used for their cemetery is now unmarked and a growth of trees covers the area where many lie buried. In 1830 the first Anglican service was held with Rev. P. Green, a travelling missionary conducting services at the home of John Jones and Henry Powell and in 1864 the first church was built with Rev. Kennedy as the first resident minister.

The first house of worship, though, was east of Otterville where the Society of Friends conducted services. Their cemetery still remains.

The first post office in Otterville was opened about 1830 with John Cornell the first postmaster. This was the third post office to be established in Ingersoll (Oxford) being the first and Norwich was established shortly before Otterville.

In 1839 there was a colored school in the middle townline taught by a Mr. Holingback. was built at the end of the lane behind Dr. A. J. Colver's house and was considered to be one of the best in the country. In the 1830's Chauncey Wilcox was the teacher.

In 1857 the old two storey school was built. H. N. C. land was the first teacher, in the upper room and Miss Hattie Slover taught the lower room.

Otterville today is quite proud of its park which offers rest and relaxation from the troubles of the world to all who visit it and there is always a welcome awaiting both old and young within its gates.



PROCLAMATION.

REWARD.

By Command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

A REWARD is hereby offered, of Five Hundred Pounds,

For any one who will apprehend and deliver up to Justice

CHARLES DUNCOMBE;

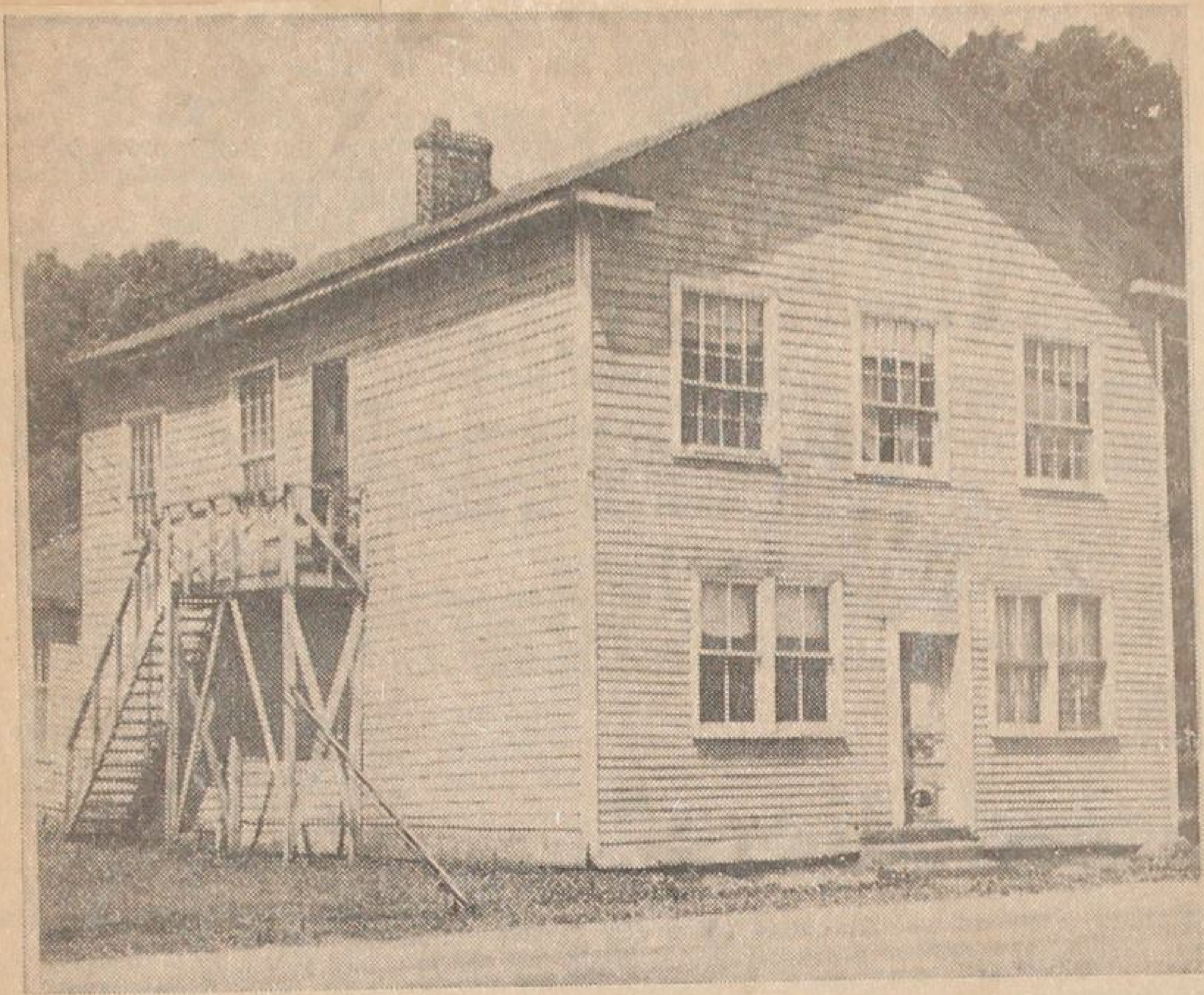
And a Reward of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds to any one who will apprehend and deliver up to Justice, ELIAKIM MALCOLM; or FINLAY MALCOLM; or ROBERT ALWAY; and a Reward of One Hundred Pounds, to any one who will apprehend and deliver up to Justice, — ANDERSON, (said to be a Captain in the Rebel Forces); or JOSHUA DOAN.

All the above persons are known to have been traitorously in arms against their Sovereign; and to entitle the party apprehending either of them to the Reward, he must be delivered to the Civil Power, At Hamilton, Niagara, London, or Toronto.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

16th December, 1837.

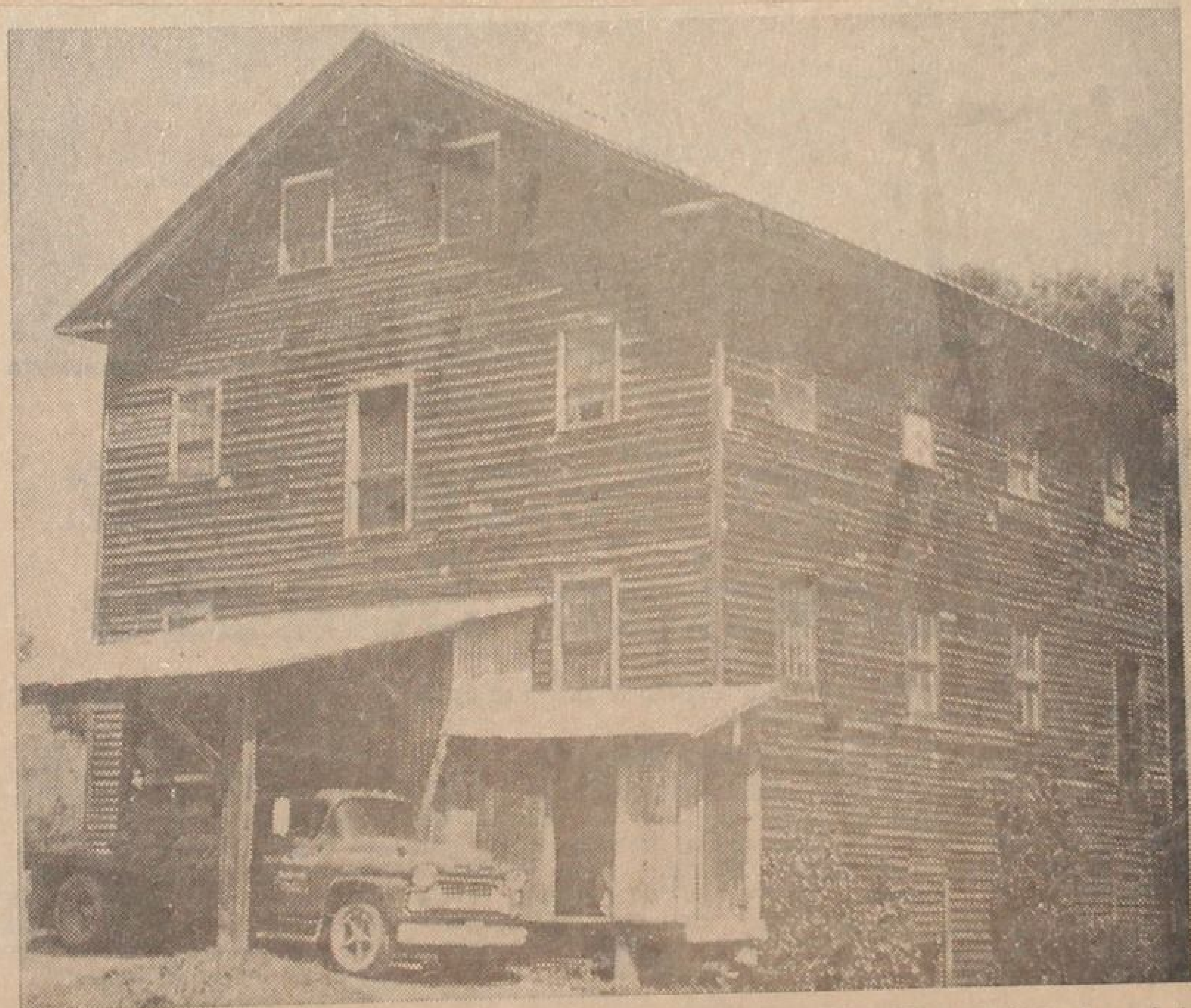
R. STANTON, Printer to the QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty.



IN 1837 this building stood down town and was known as Cromwell's Store. During the rebellion a number of rebel prisoners were confined in it under guard. One of the women managed to throw the guard's guns in the river and the prisoners escaped. In 1879 the Otter Sweeper Co. made the first carpet sweepers in Canada in this building. It is now located at the railroad crossing at the west end of the village. *EAST*

New Street Lights, Paving For Village

OTTERVILLE (C) — The village trustees are busy improving the street light system of the village and have paved a portion of the streets. It is the intention of the officials to install 25 fluorescent lights this summer with more to follow later. The paving includes from Main Street to the park entrance and starting at the township shed on John Street, south to the corner of John and Mill Streets. *JULY 1962*



AS YEARS GO BY, so do the landmarks. TOP photo, the original dam on this site was a wooden affair and there was a sawmill on the west end and a wollen mill on the east end and they were con-

ected by a foot bridge. The present dam is a cement structure and helps to maintain a good depth of water which is beneficial to the farmers for irrigation purposes. LOWER photo, this grist mill at Otterville was built in 1845

by Edward Bullock and has since that time been in continuous operation. It is one of the few remaining mills in Oxford County that still operates with water power. (Staff Photo)



CHATHAM COFFEE BREAK — Chatham Jaycees undertook a new service program yesterday, when they provided a free coffee break to tourists at their Grand Ave. West park. From left, Jaycees Don Hinnegan and Robert Inns, project chairman, dis-

—Free Press Chatham Bureau
pense the coffee and doughnuts to Rev. Clarkson Smith, of Wheatley United Church. The program was designed to encourage motorists to take a break, in the interests of safety while travelling on long trip.

Turkey Dinner Marks Fortieth Anniversary

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid Addison entertained their family at a turkey dinner at their home on September 20, in recognition of their 40th wedding anniversary. Present for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Addison, Simcoe; Mr. and Mrs. Russel Cooper, Tillsonburg; Dr. and Mrs. W. E. James, Dorchester; Mr. and Mrs. C. Kenneth Addison, Brantford; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Addison, Delhi, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Addison. The four grandchildren, Linda, Wayne, Douglas and David Addison, served the dinner.

Ladies' Guild of the St. John's Anglican Church held their regular meeting at the Parish Hall with a good attendance. In the absence of the president Mrs. Wellington Armstrong presided. A moment of silence was observed for the late Mrs. D. A. Collyer who was a faithful member of the Guild and the Church. Mrs. Nate McMullen presented the treasurer's report and further plans were made for the pre-Christmas bazaar which will be held in the Parish Hall November 2. Scripture was read by Mrs. Lena Young. Plans were made to have the next meeting in the Parish Hall and the members enjoyed a social time.

uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Leach.

Church Fetes Future Nurses

OTTERVILLE (C) — Members of the St. John's Church Club and the Ladies Guild of the St. John's Anglican Church held a social evening in the Parish Hall to honor three members of the church, Misses Dianne Wavell, Gladys, Pickersgill and Lois Durkee, who are nurses in training. Miss Wavell is at Woodstock General and Misses Pickersgill and Durkee are in Brantford General.

During the evening colored slides of local interest were shown by Mrs. Jack Riste. Games of bingo were also enjoyed.

Mrs. Derwood Spicer, on behalf of the club presented personal gifts to the guests of honor and on behalf of the Ladies Guild, Mrs. Richard Saunders presented imprinted address books and on behalf of the Sunday School Mrs. Carl Howse presented manicure sets.

Each of the young ladies thanked the groups who were responsible for arranging the evening. A host of good wishes were expressed to the guests of honor who have started on their chosen profession.

The evening closed with refreshments and a social time was enjoyed.

500 Pupils For Schools

OTTERVILLE (C) — The doors at Otterville Public School and Springford Public Schools opened their doors to the 62-63 term with more than 500 pupils attending.

The teaching staff of 11 at Otterville School includes Boyd Little, Principal; Donald Neale, assistant; William Stevenson, Miss Dianne Scrimgeour, Mrs. Violet Cole, Miss Florence Smith, Miss Lynn Lee, Miss Marlene Mauthe, Mrs. Marion Kniffen, Miss Barbara Forsyth and Mrs. Lilian Resch.

Teaching on the Springford School staff are Elwood Hustler, Miss Linda Thompson, Mrs. Beth Broad, Mrs. Ruth Lupson, Mrs. Jay Johnson and Miss Kathryn Simmons, music teacher.

Janitor of Springford School is Fred Broad and Otterville, Carl Howse and Norman McClintock.

Bus drivers are Russell Smith, Arthur Kilpatrick, Murray Treffry, Carl Howse and Norman McClintock.

School Board, Harold Pearce, Stanley Arthur, Irvin Gehring, Al Rice and Donald Pettigrew. Superintendent and Secretary, M. L. Avey.

Rebekahs Hold First Meeting

OTTEERVILLE (C) — The first meeting of the season of Violet Rebekah Lodge was held in the I.O.O.F. Hall on Monday evening with a fair attendance.

Mrs. Betty Adlington, Noble Grand, opened the meeting. Many reports were given in regard to conventions and correspondence was read which had been received through the past two months in which there were no meetings held.

Announcement was made of the installation meeting which will be held October 15 when District Deputy President Sister Guthrie and staff of Delhi will be present.

It was also announced that the next regular meeting will be held on Sept. 17. Lodge closed in regular form.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was a recent visitor in Tillsonburg and visited Mrs. Beatrice Austin of Dunnville and Miss Effie Nelson at the latter's home. Mrs. McMullen also visited former friends, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Allen, who live at Maple Manor Nursing Home. Mrs. Allen is a sister of Harry Agur, who was a former member of the staff at the Royal Bank.

Father, Daughter Die Funeral on Friday

Funeral service will be held in Tillsonburg Friday for a well known district tobacco farmer and his 15-year-old daughter, who were killed instantly Tuesday. George Zimmer and daughter, Barbara were in collision with an eastbound New York Central train on the East Quarter Townline of South Norwich, a mile west of No. 59 Highway.

The car collided with the train and was carried down the track some 440 feet from the point of impact. The man's body was found 324 feet from the impact scene and the young girl's body was 152 feet away. Police and railroad officials estimated that the 92 car freight train was travelling nearly 60 mph.

Archie Blondia, sharegrower on the Zimmer R.R. 2, Otterville farm stated that Mr. Zimmer was at the farm in the early morning putting points on a plough. His son was going to do some ploughing on Zimmer's tree farm located near the Delhi Experimental Farm. Hugh was going to drive the tractor and Barbara was to go with her father in the car. The accident presumably happened on route to the Christmas tree farm.

New York Central crewmen on the train included David Hope, engineer; Harry Long, brakeman; William Oliver, conductor; and Larry Frohlick, fireman. All are from St. Thomas and were enroute to Niagara Falls.

Mr. Zimmer is survived by his wife, Iva; two sons, Hugh and Fred, both at home; a brother, Clarence of Norwich; and four sisters, Miss Mary Zimmer of Delhi; Mrs. Gertrude Walther, Otterville; Mrs. Grace Wilson, Norwich; and Mrs. Charles Lumsden, Norwich.

The bodies are resting at the G. A. Barrie Funeral Home, Tillsonburg, where service will be held Friday at 3:30 p.m. Rev. O. Glen Taylor will officiate. Burial will be in Delhi Cemetery. *SEPT*

PAVELY — At Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital on Thursday September 27, 1962, Wenceslas Charles (Bill) Pavely of Otterville, in his 74th year.

Friends will be received at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where funeral service will be held on Saturday, September 29, at 1:30 p.m. Interment in Otter Cemetery Otterville.

WENCESLAS C. PAVELY

OTTERVILLE (C) — Wenceslas (Bill) Charles Pavely of Otterville passed away at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital Thursday morning following several weeks' illness.

Born at Epping, Essex, England, nearly 74 years ago, he lived there until 1923 when he came to Canada. He resided in Saskatchewan, and later in Montreal where his wife and daughter joined him in 1925. The same year they moved to North Norwich township, and in 1927 they moved to Otterville where he has since resided. He had been a warehouse foreman in the Tip Top Canners for over 30 years.

He was a member of St. John's Anglican Church, and Tecumseh Lodge I.O.O.F., Otterville, and the Lisgar Encampment, Tillsonburg.

His wife predeceased him in 1949 and he is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Harry (Olive) Pickersgill, with whom he resided, and four grandchildren. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Horace Hills, in Verdun, Quebec.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service was conducted Saturday at 1:30 p.m. by Rev. S. Sharples of Delhi. Interment in Otter Cemetery, Otterville. Odd Fellows service was held at the funeral home Friday evening.

Obituaries

WENCESLAS PAVELY

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Wenceslas (Bill) Pavely of Otterville, who passed away Thursday at the Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital, was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home Saturday afternoon by the Rev. S. Sharples of Delhi, in the absence of Rev. R. T. F. Brain, rector of St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville. Mrs. Nate McMullen played a number of favorite hymns.

A memorial service was held on Friday evening at the Addison Funeral Home by the members of Tecumseh Lodge, I.O.O.F., Otterville.

There were a large number of floral tokens and donations to the Canadian Cancer Society, the Heart Fund and Gideon Bibles.

Pallbearers were Bryce Smith, Stanley Gehring, Alvin Hopkins, Gordon Gehring, Stanley Arthur and Carl Howse.

Interment in the Otter Cemetery.

COLE, MRS. RETA MAY, 71, Otterville, yesterday at Tillsonburg Memorial Hospital. Survivors: Husband, John Cole; daughters, Mrs. Alan (Alice) Davies, Brantford, and Miss Viola, at home; foster son, Alfred Deller; sisters, Mrs. Hazel Neil, Brantford, Mrs. Ida Simons, St. Catharines; brothers, Roy Brooks, Norwich, Arthur, Brantford; Clarence, Toronto. Service tomorrow, 3:30 p.m. at the Addison funeral home, Otterville. Burial, Vanessa Cemetery. *Sept 29/62*

MRS. JOHN COLE

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. John Cole of Otterville passed away at Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital Thursday after a long illness.

Born at Woodbury, Brant County, 71 years ago, she was the former Reta May Brooks. She formerly resided at Mount Zion and came to Otterville with her husband 37 years ago. She spent two weeks in hospital in August and returned there September 15.

Survivors besides her husband, John Cole, are two daughters, Mrs. Alan (Alice) Davies of Brantford, and Miss Viola Cole at home; one foster son, Alfred Deller of Norwich; two sister, Mrs. Hazel Neil of Brantford and Mrs. Ida Simons of St. Catharines; three brothers, Roy Brooks of Norwich, Arthur Brooks of Brantford and Clarence Brooks of Toronto and two grandchildren.

Rested at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, where service was conducted Saturday, at 3:30 p.m., by Rev. Thomas D. Lindsay of the United Church.

Interment in Vanessa Cemetery.

OTTERVILLE

OTTERVILLE (C) — The funeral service for Mrs. John Cole, who passed away in Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital on Thursday was conducted at the Addison Funeral Home by Rev. Thomas D. Lindsay, minister of Otterville United Church, and Rev. Tom O'Shiro, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Brantford.

Mrs. Nate McMullen was the pianist and played favorite hymns before and after the service. Among the many floral tributes were tokens from former employees of Tip Top Canners and Joy Class of Immanuel Baptist Sunday School, and a number of Gideon Bibles.

Relatives and friends were present from Brantford, Detroit, Welland, Toronto, St. Catharines, Paris, Waterford, Simcoe, Woodstock, Bookton, Little Lake, Norwich, Hamilton, Tillsonburg and other places.

The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Glen Graves, Bruce Swift, John Swift, Stanley Rittenburg, Gordon Brooks and William Brooks.

Interment was in Vanessa Cemetery.

MRS. DOUGLAS A. COLLVER

OTTERVILLE (C) — Mrs. Alouetta (Etta) Collver, formerly of Otterville, widow of Douglas Austin Collver died at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Barrie, Saturday night, in her 89th year.

Deceased was born at Courtland, and also lived at Dundas before her marriage when she came to the Summerville district, and later to Otterville about 40 years ago. She has spent the past two years at the I.O.O.F. Home at Barrie, and fell about 10 days ago, fracturing her hip. She was one of the first members of Violet Lebekah Lodge, and was District Deputy President in 1912. She was a member of St. John's Anglican Church and was active in all its organizations when health permitted, and also a charter member of the local branch of the Women's Institute.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Dora Upstone of Tobermory; Mrs. J. M. (Lillian) Ruthig of St. Marys, Mrs. Harmon (Nellie) Hyndman of Norwich; one son, Ronald Collver of Otterville; 14 grandchildren, five step-children, Wilfrid Sherman of Ingersoll, Mrs. Oscar Palmer of Zenda, Muriel, of Toronto, Fred Sherman of Norwich, and Howard Sherman of Otterville; and several great-grandchildren.

Resting at the Addison Funeral Home, Otterville, until today (Tuesday); thence to St. John's Anglican Church, Otterville, where service will be conducted at 2 p.m.

Interment in St. John's Anglican Cemetery. Rebekah Memorial service was held Monday at the funeral home. *SEPT 20*

MRS. ALOUETTA COLLVER.

OTTERVILLE (C) — Funeral service for the late Mrs. Alouetta (Etta) Collver was held Tuesday afternoon in St. John's Anglican Church of which deceased was a faithful member as long as health permitted. Rev. R. T. F. Brain, rector of the church, had charge of the service. Mrs. Nate McMullen, organist of the church, played a number of favorite hymns. Jack Riste sang a solo "Morning, Noon and Night" upon request of the late Mrs. Collver.

There were a large number of floral tokens. The casket bearers, who also acted as flower bearers, were Douglas Witts, Nate McMullen, Fred Sherman, Howard Sherman, Wilfred Sherman and James Butler.

Among the many relatives and friends attending the service from a distance were Mr. McFadden, superintendent of the Home Board of the I.O.O.F. in Barrie, R. H. Cookman, also of Barrie, who was a former resident of Otterville and Mrs. Mabel Mabce, Past President of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario.

Interment was in the Anglican Cemetery, Otterville.

A memorial service was held on Monday evening at the Addison Funeral Home by the members of the Violet Rebekah Lodge in memory of Mrs. Collver, who passed away at the Royal Victoria Hospital in Barrie. The late Sister Collver had spent the past two years in the I.O.O.F. home in Barrie. She was one of the first members of the Violet Rebekah Lodge and was District President in 1912.



CALIFORNIA-BOUND — Fourteen Tillsonburg residents left London for Los Angeles Saturday to maintain a "Hello Tillsonburg" tradition that started two years ago. The delegates will watch the Rose Bowl parade opposite television cameras

tomorrow in hopes the camera will pick up their 14-foot "Hi Tillsonburg" sign and flash it to millions of Canadians and Americans watching the parade on TV. Members of the group behind their sign are, from the left, Ken Orton, Norm Held-

son, Charlie Heldson, Mrs. Lillian White, Percy White, William Sinden, Mrs. Audrey Sinden, Mrs. June Orton, Miss Freda Pressey, Mrs. Guy Heldson, Joe Saelens, Mrs. Rose Balaz and Andy Balaz. Luke Van Maele joined the group at Toronto.

They'll Hoist 14-Foot Sign For TV

Tillsonburg Residents Fly West To Say Big Hello to Tillsonburg

By ERNIE MILLER
Free Press Staff Reporter

Armed with sleeping cots, gas heaters, pots and pans, 14 Tillsonburg residents left London on a TCA Viscount Saturday to spend New Year's Eve on a Pasadena, Calif., sidewalk and extend a "Hello Tillsonburg" tradition to millions of people the next morning.

Rose Bowl Attraction

The scheme is aimed at promoting Tillsonburg via newsreel and other cameras covering the color and glamor of the annual Rose Bowl parade New Year's Day.

The 'Hello Tillsonburg, Ontario, Canada' tradition started two years ago when Bill Wilson and his wife, Olga, moved to California, parked themselves across the street from the NBC cameras covering the Rose Bowl parade, and held up the first 'Hello Tillsonburg' sign.

The cameras picked up the Tillsonburg promotion, flashing the 'Hello' to millions of viewers in Canada and the U.S. Letters from former Ontario residents living in California flooded the municipal offices at Tillsonburg, calling attention to the sign on television.

The promotion caught the fancy of Tillsonburg radio program director Ken Orton. He and his wife decided to join the Wilsons and their friends at last year's parade.

Bigger Sign

A bigger sign was made. The cameras picked it up again. More letters from former Ontario residents poured into Tillsonburg's town hall. Los Angeles and other California newspapers picked up the promotion and recognized the efforts of the Wilson's and the Orton's with a story bearing the headline: "Hi, Tillsonburg, It's good to see you again."

The newspaper at Los Angeles predicted a bigger Tillsonburg delegation would be back this year to keep the tradition alive.

Fourteen persons will join the Wilsons and their friends early today. They'll park themselves opposite the television cameras and display an even bigger sign . . . 14 feet. It reads: "Hi Tillsonburg . . . We're Back Again . . . Thanks NBC."

"I expect we'll have to set up our chairs and everything about 2 a.m. Monday in order to get that spot across the street from the TV cameras," Mr. Orton explained.

"Wave Back"

"I hope everybody waves back at us," he said.

Members of the contingent are Mr. and Mrs. Orton, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Balz, Mr. and Mrs. William Sinden, Mr. and Mrs. Percy White, Joe Saelens, Miss Freda Pressey, Norman Heldson, Mrs. Guy Heldson, Charlie Heldson and Luke Van Maele.

The Tillsonburg delegates don't intend to watch the Rose Bowl classic between University of Wisconsin and University of Southern California. They'll take time to visit Disneyland, the stars' homes in Beverley Hills, Knott's Berry Farm and other points of interest in the area.

Bishop's Son Weds

Dec 21/62



Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Evans
(Photo by Ballard & Jarrett)

TORONTO — A wedding of celebrant of the nuptial Eucharist. wide interest in Anglican circles was solemnized at Trinity College Chapel when Mary Ursula Brain became the bride of Rev. Malcolm Charles Evans. The bride, whose father officiated at the ceremony, is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R. T. F. Brain, of Norwich. The groom is the son of the Lord Bishop of Ontario, Rt. Rev. M. C. Evans, and Mrs. Evans, of Kingston.

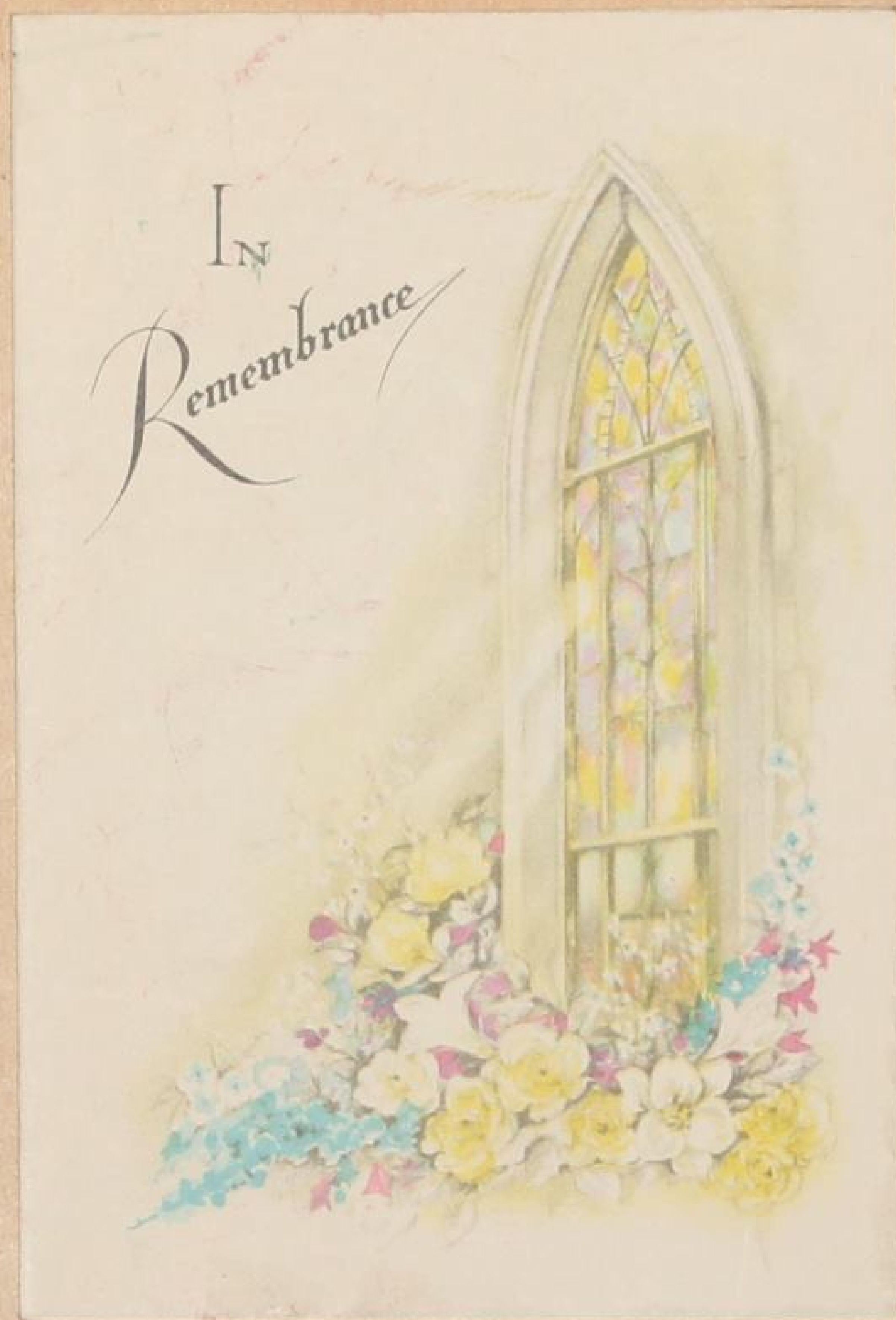
Given in marriage by the Venerable Archdeacon Robertson, of Peterborough, the bride wore a floor length gown of Italian brocade, fashioned on princess lines, with lilypoint sleeves and full train. She carried a bouquet of gardenias, freesia and carnations with a spray of heather sent from Scotland. A simple band of fabric matching her gown held her fingertip veil.

Miss Gwynneth Evans, of Winnipeg, was maid of honor, gowned in turquoise peau de soie.

Dr. Healey Willan was in charge of the music and the wedding service was sung by part of the choir of St. Mary Magdalene Church, Toronto.

Edwin Pilgrim, head master of Ridley College, St. Catharines, was best man and ushers were James Hugessen and Dr. Eric Hiskey, Montreal; Michael Armstrong, Toronto, and Ross Evans, of Kingston.

Immediately following the ceremony Bishop Evans was



I The Eternal Goodness
know not what the future hath
Of marvel or surprise;
Assured alone that life and death
His mercy underlies.

And if my heart and flesh are weak
To bear an untried pain,
The bruised reed He will not break,
But strengthen and sustain.

And so, beside the silent sea,
I wait the muffled oar;
No harm from Him can come to me
On ocean or on shore.

I know not where His islands lift
Their fronded palms in air;
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond His love and care

JOHN G. WHITTIER

In Memoriam

Died at Royal Victoria Hospital, Barrie
On Saturday, September 15, 1962

Mrs. Alouetta Colver

Widow of Douglas Austin Colver
in her 89th year

Friends will be received at the Addison
Funeral Home, Otterville, where the Rebekah
Service will be held on Monday Evening.

Funeral Service at St. John's Anglican Church

Tuesday, Sept 18

at 2:00 p.m.

Interment in Anglican Cemetery
Otterville, Ontario

Rev. R. T. F. Brain, minister in charge