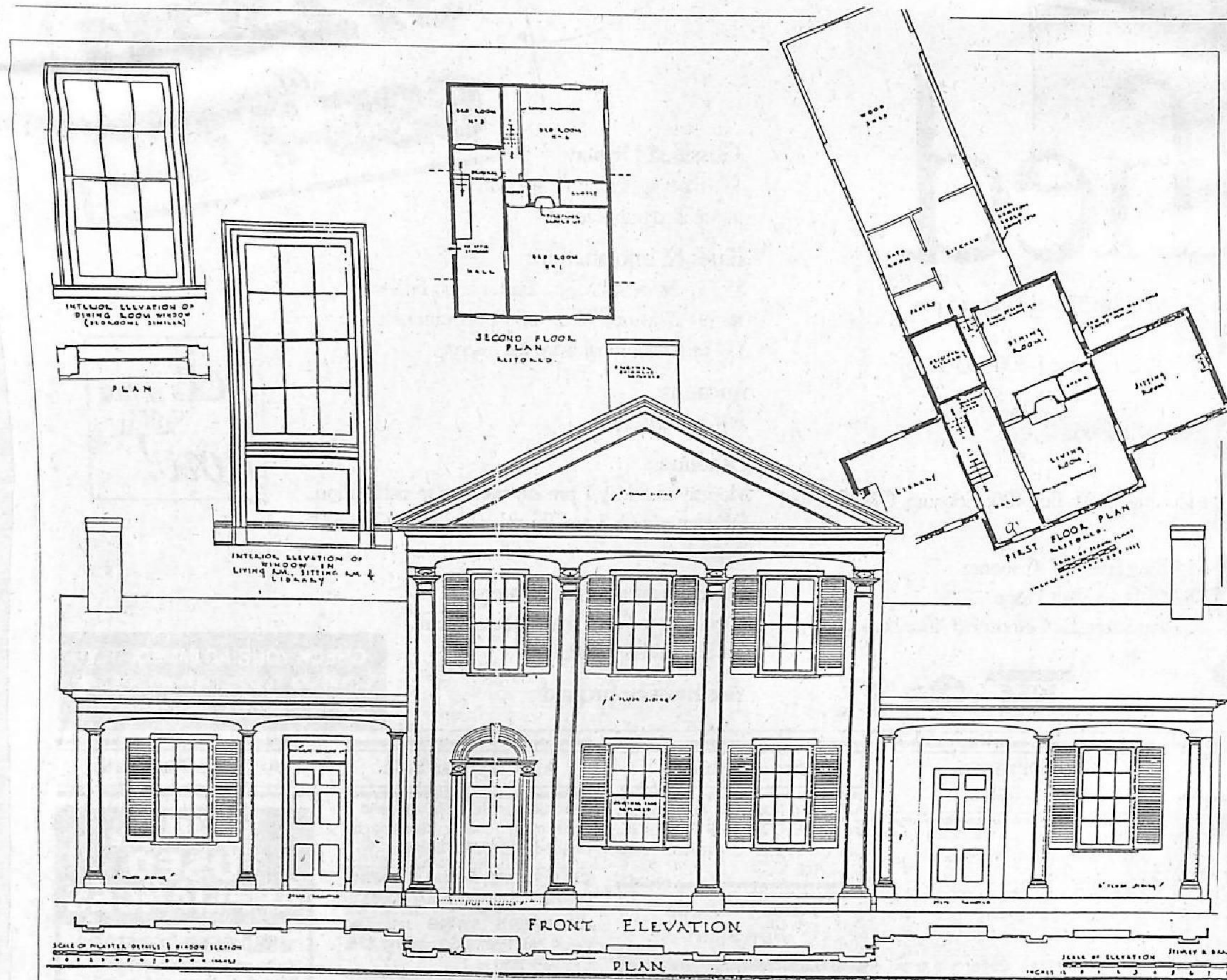


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MACKEY, GERALD
 Suddenly at Peterborough Civic Hospital Tuesday, July 13, 1999 at the age of 67. Beloved husband of Thelma (nee Kennedy), loving father of Clive; Elizabethville, Sandra and Jack McEathron; Oshawa, Patricia and Bob Husak; Colborne. Will be greatly missed by grandchildren Taylor, Kirsten, Ryan, Daniel, Michelle, Johnathan, Katie, Sarah and Kirk. Funeral service was conducted from Baragar Funeral Home, Bancroft, July 16. The family wishes to thank friends and neighbours for acts of kindness, cards, flowers and food brought to our homes. *COLBORNE CHRONICLE AUG 5/99*

KEELER HOUSE - COLBORNE

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Keeler House gets historic designation

Keeler House has been designated an historical and architectural heritage site. The property at 9 Church Street East is the fifth property to be officially designated in the village. Colborne council passed the enacting bylaw July 26.

Keeler House dates back to the early 1820s. The land at 9 Church Street was purchased from George Palmer in 1812 by Joseph Abbott Keeler (1788-1855), the fifth Joseph in the eldest son succession of the Keeler family. Joseph V was born in Portland, Vermont, to Joseph Keeler IV and Olive Scripture Keeler. The family moved to the Lakeport area in the late 1790s and is credited with leading settlement of this area.

Joseph V married Nancy Day before 1812. They had a family of one son and three daughters. Joseph V is acknowledged

as the founder of Colborne where he opened a shop and Post Office in the village centre in 1815.

This same Joseph is credited with building a flour mill at Piper's Corners, now known as Castleton. The mill, known as Pury Mill after SL Pury who purchased the mill in 1870, is the last mill in the area still containing milling equipment. By around 1820, the Keeler home at the wharf on Lake Ontario was inconvenient for the Joseph Keeler family. Joseph undertook the construction of Keeler House on Church Street east patterned after Grafton's Barnum House.

The Keeler House is a neoclassical large timber framed home with two storey centre block and one-storey wings extending to each side and a large utility wing to the rear. The side wings and verandas have

delicate treillage in the Regency manner. The home was lovingly restored by Marion and the late Carter. Earlier this year, Mrs. Carter moved to have the home designated to ensure its historical significance and architectural beauty would be safeguarded for the future. With the village of Colborne now forwarding the designation approval to the province for registration and record, an important piece of Colborne's history is preserved and recognized. Any future repairs and/or alterations to the building must be in keeping with the building's style and integrity.

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee rates The Keeler House as one of, if not the, most important building for village historical and architectural significance.

- MANDY MARTIN

RATH, Mike and Julie are thrilled to announce the safe arrival of their first child JOSHUA MICHAEL on July 13th, 1999 weighing in at 7 lbs. 12 oz. He is the first grandchild for Ted & Kathy Walker, Castleton, the third for Marlene Rath, Salem, 12th great-grandchild for Gord Smith, Colborne and 15th for Dorothy Walker, Colborne. Special thanks to Dr. Bayer and Dr. Green and the outstanding staff at N.H.C.C. Extra special thanks to our family and friends for all their care and support-we are truly blessed.



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