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MR. AND MRS. JAS. FARNELL
of Zion Line, Beachburg, who recently celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary

GOLDEN WEDDING

On Monday afternoon, June the sixteenth an eventful occasion took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Farnel of Zion Line, Beachburg, it being the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. About sixty friends and neighbors sat down to a sumptuous dinner. The tables and rooms were decorated in gold and white. Mr. Farnel son of Joseph and Elizabeth Farnel was born in Burgess Twp., Lanark Co., on August the first, 1857 and on June the fifteenth 1880 he married Eliza Jane Saunders, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Ann Saunders of Montague Twp., Lanark Co., at Smiths Falls. In the fall of Nov. 1880 they came to Roche Fondu near Beachburg to start pioneering a home. Some years later they moved to Zion Line where they now reside. To this union were born five children, three daughters and two sons, Joseph Henry of Lindale, Alta., and James Milburn who was accidentally killed in March 1921., (Elizabeth) Mrs. Geo. McGregor and (Margaret) Mrs. William Cummings both of Zion Line and (Vera) Mrs. Ralph Porter of Carleton Place. They also have ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild, little Greta Ross, who was christened on this occasion. The evening a reception was held in honour of their daughter, Vera, who was married the previous day. The Zion Line Women's Institute presented the bride of fifty years ago with a bouquet of fifty beautiful roses. Many other beautiful gifts were received also a couple of gold pieces amounting to fifteen dollars. Friends from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. George Farnel of Perth, Mrs. Wm. Bell of Franktown, Mrs. Wm. Saunders of Carleton Place, Miss Eva Farnel, Miss E. M. Saunders and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Murray of Ottawa, Mrs. B. Farnel and Lloyd of Haleys Station. The immediate relatives and neighbors made them a presentation of two handsome leather rocking chairs with the following address:

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Farnel:

This is so notable an event in your lives that your neighbors and friends felt it should not be allowed pass unnoticed by them.

So we have come this evening, to offer you our heartiest congratulations on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of your wedding day and to spend a few friendly hours together, and the pleasant hours they will be we are sure. In bringing to mind and expression your many kindnesses and your real friendship to us all during your many years of residence among us, your true neighborliness and your hospitality on every occasion always ready and willing to aid the sick or those in trouble and in continuance of your goodwill and friendship for you both dear friends we wish you continued health and prosperity. As a souvenir of this occasion we ask your acceptance of these chairs and hope as you use them during the coming years they may remind you of the love and esteem in which you are held by the donors and of the warm place you have won in your regard of the community. Again we extend our united congratulations and good wishes with the added wish that the memory of this golden wedding day may shed its brightness of the remaining years of your journey through life and that—

Like a bridal pair you will traverse
The unseen mystic road,
That leads to the beautiful city
Whose builder and maker is God.
We hope you may be granted
many more years of wedded companionship and when at last the Golden Glory of Eternity's gate is in sight, you may be able to say to each other:
Be glad with me
"That tho' the day is almost done
We two are spared to each other still,
At the setting of life's low sun."
Signed, Friends and Neighbors.

Foresters Falls Wins Top Award

Foresters Falls Women's Institute won top award in the district Tweedsmuir History competition at Greenwood, on Tuesday, with a score of 82. Their historian, Mrs. Osborne Bennett, was presented with the Davis silver trophy by Mrs. M. Leslie Davis, Eganville.

Material had been assembled since 1957, but no attempt to compile it was made until 1960. The historical research conveners were Mrs. O. Bennett, Mrs. Basil Bulmer and Mrs. Roy Paterson. The historical data covers the area of Ross township, including the Kerr Line, Foresters Falls, Grant's Settlement and the town line.

The history contains photostatic maps of the area in 1850-51 and location of early settlers in 1863. These were obtained through the courtesy of the Dominion Archives, Ottawa. There are also family histories, church and school histories, Foresters Falls public library, village history, the name being derived from the first postmaster, Oliver Forrester. Somewhere along the line the double "r" has been reduced to a single letter.

The personality section includes the name of Miss Mima McLaren, RN, whose picture appeared with three other war nurses on a commemorative postage stamp; W. S. Coleman, Dr. John Brown and Rev. Dr. Roy M. Pounder.

The Foresters Falls Women's Institute is one of the oldest WI's in the North Renfrew District, being organized in September, 1905. Through the foresight of its first secretary, Mrs. Colin Bruce, formerly Miss Lila Pounder, sister of Dr. Roy Pounder, the secretary-treasurer's books were kept intact through the years, thus retaining valuable records of the WI's accomplishments.

Hopkins set to oppose gun bill

Two Ontario Liberals, including this area's own Len Hopkins, will break rank and vote against their party's gun-control legislation.

During debate on the gun-control bill this week, Chatham-area MP Rex Crawford and Mr. Hopkins, one of the longest-sitting MPs, said that if the government stands firm on a universal firearms registry, they will vote No.

Both MPs say they support the parts of the bill that would toughen sentences for firearms smugglers

and criminals who use firearms to commit crimes.

But the majority of their constituents staunchly oppose the ideas of a ban on handguns and a registry for all firearms, including shotguns and rifles, the MPs said.

In an interview, Mr. Hopkins said he wants the bill amended so that people who neglect to register their firearms by mistake or forgetfulness — as opposed to deliberately flouting the law — would not be

charged with an offence under the Criminal Code.

But if the bill is not amended once it passes scrutiny by the Commons justice committee, Mr. Hopkins will vote against it, he told MPs.

"I have voted over 2,000 times (in the Commons), and on only one occasion have I voted against the government," Mr. Hopkins said, referring to his opposition to a 1981 finance bill that affected Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd.