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William Wright Dies At Maxwell In His 81st Year

The death occurred at his home in Maxwell on Tuesday evening, Dec. 28, of one of the most highly and esteemed residents of Maxwell, in the person of Mr. William Wright, in his 81st ear.

The late Mr. Wright was born on the 10th Line of Osprey Township and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wright. He came to Maxwell 43 years ago and farmed practically all his life. He took a very active part in all community activities, especially in church work. He was a member of the Maxwell United Church and Superintendent of the Sunday School for over 40 years, and also honorary member of the Board of Elders and was also a Forester for a number of years. In 1895 he was united in marriage to Mary Stafford, who, along with one daughter (Artle) Mrs. Bicknell of Toronto, and two sons, Joe and Mervyn, of Maxwell are left to mourn his departure. One daughter, Bessie, predeceased him by a number of years.

Mr. Wright had four sisters: Mary (Mrs. Campbell), Sarah (Mrs. Fletcher), Martha (Mrs. Irwin, and Maggie, and two brothers, Hugh and Sam, all having predeceased him, excepting Mrs. Irwin.

The funeral was held on Friday, Dec. 31st, and was largely attended. Service was held in the United Church, conducted by Rev. O. Holmes. Interment was made in Maxwell Community Cemetery.

The palbearers were: Messrs. Bert Porteous, Andrew Pallister, Chas. Brodie, Jas. Winters, Geo. Ross and Lance Brownridge.

The flower bearers were: Carol Hawton, Ronnie Wright, Don Wright, Glen Wright.

Besides a number of beautiful floral offerings from the family, relatives and friends, was a spray from the Church and Sunday School.

LES. McMASTER HONORED

(By Ceylon Reporter)

Ceylon community honored Pte. Leslie McMaster, at the home of his mother, Mrs. B. McMaster, on New Year's Eve. The address was read by Mrs. M. Irwin and the presentation of a lovely wrist watch was made by Mrs. John McWilliam. Leslie expressed his appreciation for the kindness shown him. He is attached to the Royal Canadian Regiment. To another young man serving his country, we hope for him the best of luck.

Born

LEMON — At Mrs. Nuhn's Nursing Home, Flesherton, on Sunday, Jan. 2nd ,1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lemon (nee Mabel Wyville) of Markdale, a son.

ARRIVED OVERSEAS

FLT. SERGT. BILL BURKE

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Burke of Feversham, who recently arrived overseas and is attached to the accounts section of the R.C.A.F. Flt. Sergt. Burke was born in 1920 and is celebrating his 24th birthday this Wednesday, Jan. 5th. He was educated at Feversham Public and Continuation Schools and Dundalk High School, where he received his Senior Matriculation at the age of sixteen years. The following year he was employed by the Bank of Toronto and was a member of the staff at Thornbury for four years prior to his enlistment in June, 1941. After training at Fingal and St. Thomas, he was posted to Brantford, then to Headquarters at Ottawa and from there was posted to Newfoundland, where he spent ten months. He was returned to Canada and stationed by the Eastern Air Command at Debert, N.S., for three months and completed an administration course at Trenton prior to going overseas.

W. G. PICKELL PASSES

W. G. Pickell, 65, for the past 16 years editor and publisher of the Paris Star and associated with newspaper work throughout his life, died at his home in Paris on Tuesday.

Born in Flesherton, he entered the newspaper field at Markdale and later operated a paper at Sturgeon Falls. He was employed by the Toronto Telegram for a few years later associating with the Dundalk Herald. Mr. Pickell moved to Portage la Prairie and Winnipeg before going to Paris in 1927. He was a member of St. Paul's United Church, Willett Hospital Board, the Masonic Order and Lions Club.

Surviving are his widow, one son, John of Paris, two daughters, Mrs. Kenneth Hatch and Helen Pickell, Toronto; a brother, R. G. Pickell, Elmira, and two sisters, Mrs. John Urquhart, Regina, and Mrs. E. G. Stevens, Windsor. Funeral services will be held in St. Paul's United Church, Paris, Thursday.

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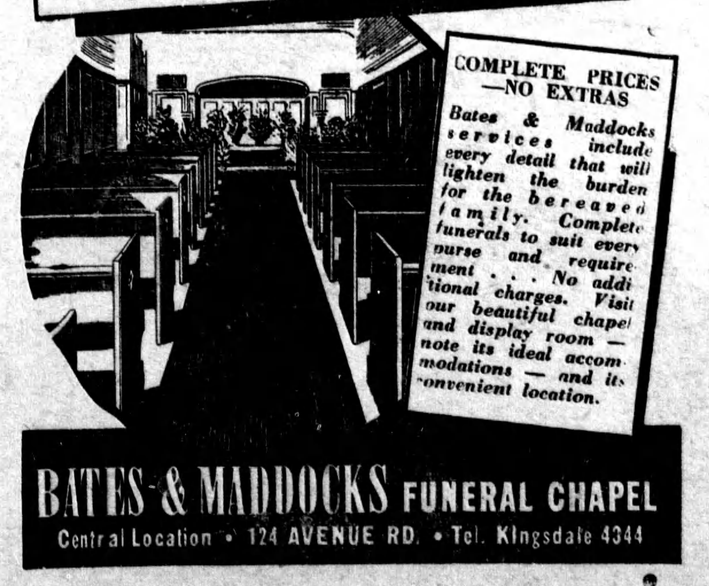

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Artemesia Couple 50 Years Married

In the village of Markdale on Christmas Day, 1893, a marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Hunter, by which Harriet Elizabeth Tuck, Markdale, became the bride of John James Boyce, Maxwell district. The groom was attended by his cousin, George Snell, and the bride by her sister, Louise Tuck, both of whom are now deceased.

On Saturday, Dec. 25th, 1943, surrounded by members of their family and other friends, this esteemed couple were privileged to celebrate the golden anniversary of their wedding in their home on the Fourth Line, Artemesia, about six miles south-east of Flesherton. The earlier years of their married life were spent farming in the Maxwell and Singhampton districts. Seventeen years were spent in Saskatchewan, and in 1918 Mr. and Mrs. Boyce, with their family, returned to Ontario and have spent the past 25 years on the Fourth Line of Osprey and Artemesia Townships.

Of a family of seventeen children, twelve are living. Two sons and a daughter died in infancy and two sons, Clarence nd Eddison, made the supreme sacrifice in the cause of freedom at the Battle of Ypres and Bourlon in the First Great War. Another son, Calvin, now serving with the Home Guards, also served in the war of 1914-18. Other members of the family are: Russell of Markdale; Louis of Armit, Sask.; Melville, Kirkland Lake; George, Toronto; Edith (Mrs. Art Wilson), Mabel (Mrs. Earl Croft) and Mildred (Mrs. Lewis Fisher), all of Portlaw district; Beatrice (Mrs. Kenneth McKee) and Florence, both of Toronto; Clara (Mrs. Clarence Londry), Heathcote; and Louie (Mrs. Arthur Slater), residing with her parents, while her husband is serving with the 48th Highlanders. Of these, all were home for the happy occasion except Calvin of Eugenia and Louis of Armit, Sask. From the latter there was received a pair of fine turkeys as a contribution toward the festivities and also, on Christmas morning, a telegram of congratulations. Of the nineteen grandchildren, sixteen were present. For two of these, the occasion was a very special birthday party: Isabelle Croft having been born on Christmas Day eleven years ago, and little Wayne Slater born the same day three years ago.

The two youngest daughters, Louise and Florence, presented to their father a gold tie pin and to their mother a gold necklace. The members of the family, as a whole, presented a gold seal congoleum rug and a rocker, and Mrs. Boyce also received a bouquet of yellow roses. Many beautiful and useful girts were also received from friends and neighbors.

Two sisters of Mr. Boyce, Mrs. Alex. English of Rock Mills and Mrs. Mary McKechnie of Markdale, were also among those present. At midday forty-eight more immediate members of the family partook of a Christmas dinner. The dining room was appropriately decorated with yellow and white streamers, caught at the table with yellow roses. The table was centred with a beautiful three storey wedding cake, made by the bride and decorated in white and gold by Mrs. Wilfred Inkster. On either side were golden tapers and roses. Numerous neighbors and friends called during the afternoon and evening to enjoy a brief time with the bridal couple. To these a dainty lunch was served.

The time was joyously spent in games and social chat. During the afternoon greetings were received through radio station CKNX, Wingham, and a request number "The First Noel," was played for Mr. and Mrs. Boyce. From the same station in the evening came birthday greetings to the grandchildren, Isabelle and Wayne and "We're Coming Home For Christmas" was song.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce are both enjoying good health, and looking very young to be celebrating their golden wedding anniversary. Last June they held an auction sale of farm stock and implements and retired from active farming, although they continue to reside on their farm. Last summer they enjoyed a two-month holiday with their son, Melville, at Kirkland Lake. On their return, Mr. Boyce, who is 70 years of age, went West on the harvesters' excursion and felt very much at home when he assisted with the harvesting and threshing operations, as for years he had combined threshing and farming in Ontario. Mrs. Boyce, who is 66 years of age, is very much interested in the work of the Rock Mills Ladies' Aid and of the Fourth Line Red Cross group, of which she has been elected President for the third successive year.

The best wishes of their many friends are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Boyce, with the wish that they may be spared to enjoy many more years of health, happiness and contentment.

SERGT. BOB BANKS

L.A.C. JOE BANKS

Sons of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Banks of Flesherton, who are with the Royal Canadian Air Force. Bob is overseas, serving as an air gunner in an operational unit, while Joe is stationed at No. 5 I.T.S., Belleville, taking the course for air crew. Another brother, Cpl. Tom Banks will graduate this month as a Flight Engineer from Trenton.

20 YEARS A TRUSTEE

(By Ceylon Reporter)

Mr. Wm. Beaton of S. S. No. 6, Artemesia (Stone's Line) resigned as trustee in his Section, after serving with distinction for the past 20 years on the School Board, 17 years of which he had acted as secretary-treasurer. A few well-chosen words were spoken at the annual school meeting held in the school on Wednesday last, on behalf of the Section in appreciation for the faithful service of Mr. Beaton in the interests of the school. Mr. Cecil Fawcett presided over the meeting and Mr. Brady Irwin acted as secretary. The present School Board is comcosed of I. B. Whittaker, Geo. Fisher, and W. J. Hincks, the latter acting as secretary-treasurer. Mr. Glenister was appointed caretaker. The contract for wood was awarded to Mr. Geo. Fisher and cedar to Brady Irwin, who was also appointed auditor.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH NEWS

On Sunday, Dec. 26th, the following children were Baptized by the minister of St. John's, Rev. W. A. Westcott: Allan Everett, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Gowanlock; Robert John, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob T. Phillips; William Brett, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Boyd.

On Sunday, Jan. 2nd, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed. The minister preached on the them: lessons we should learn from the teaching and example of our Lord with respect to prayer.

On Wednesday, Jan. 5th, 8 p.m., there will be a union prayer service in the Baptist Church, and on Friday Jan. 7th, in the United Church. It is hoped that a large number will be present at both these services.

On Sunday, Jan. 9th, in connection with the regular Sunday School at 10.15 a.m., a Bible Class is being started. All young and older people are invited. A good attendance next Sunday would do much to insure the continuance of an adult class.

Card of Thanks

Mrs. Wm. Wright and family wish to express their appreciation to the neighbors and friends for treats, etc. and their many acts of kindness during his illness and death.

1944 County Council

There will be eight new faces in Grey County Council this year, chief among the absentees being Charles Holm of Normanby, who has represented that township for the past 25 years. He gave exceptional service as a legislator and at one time was Warden of the County. The complete list of members of the 1944 County Council is as follows:

Artemesia—J. A. Davis, Reeve.

Bentinck—D. J. McDonald, Reeve; W. Campbell, Deputy-Reeve.

Collingwood — J. N. Knuff, Reeve; F. S. Dinsmore, Deputy-Reeve.

Derby — Wesley Abra, Reeve.

Egremont—S. M. Patterson, Reeve W. J. Aldcorn, Deputy-Reeve.

Glenelg — John McGirr, Reeve.

Holland—Wilbert Sutcliffe, Reeve; James Howey, Deputy Reeve.

Keppel — Robt. Evans, Reeve; J. Matches, Deputy-Reeve.

Normanby — John Burrell, Reeve; Arthur Weltz, Deputy-Reeve.

Osprey — Morton Sayers, Reeve; Fred Hale, Deputy-Reeve.

Proton — Wm. Jack, Reeve.

Sarawak — Sam. McMillan, Reeve.

St. Vincent — Alfred Lowe, Reeve.

Sullivan — E. A. Carson, Reeve; Jos Agnew, Deputy-Reeve.

Sydenham — Jas. Reid, Reeve; Andrew Beattie, Deputy-Reeve.

Durham — C. M. Elvidge, Reeve.

Hanover — Austin Ball, Reeve; W. Breugeman, Deputy-Reeve.

Meaford — Wm. F. Riley, Reeve; W. Solomon, Deputy-Reeve.

Thornbury — Ivan Brown, Reeve.

Dundalk — Samuel Todd, Reeve.

Flesherton — K. G. Betts, Reeve.

Markdale — Albert Rusk, Reeve.

Neustadt — Louis Himmler, Reeve.

Shallow Lake — Edwin Radbourne, Reeve.

Chatsworth—G. W. Collins, Reeve.

25 YEARS MARRIED

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thistlethwaite of 38 Connor Ave., Toronto, celebrated the 25th anniversary of their wedding on Christmas Day at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. L. Brown, in Toronto. Mrs. M. Thistlethwaite, the former's mother, resided at the table, which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. A few friends who visited in the even- conveyed their best wishes to the groom and bride of 25 years ago. Their son, Bernard, was unable to be present, due to his training with the R.C.A.F. at Vancouver, B.C.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICE

A Watch Night service was held New Year's Eve at the home of Mr. Milton Hutchinson, when members of the Baptist congregation enjoyed an evening of social and spiritual exercises, games, stunts and contest were enjoyed by young and old alike. The devotional period was marked by a sing-song and address by Mr. F. B. Keys, the minister.

The home of tomorrow may have a parking space on the roof for the helicopter, thus making it easier for your friends to drop in on you.

H. B. McKinnon Honored By King

In the civilian list of New Year's honors conferred by the King to prominent Canadians, Mr. Hector B. McKinnon, a native of Priceville, was honored by His Majesty with the title of Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George (C.M.G.) for distinguished national service and contribution to Canada's war program.

Mr. McKinnon has had a distinguished and honorable career, and is still a comparatively young man. He received his early education at Priceville and later attended Owen Sound Collegiate. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Neil McKinnon of Priceville. He went to Toronto University and drifted into newspaper work, and was identified with the Toronto Globe for a number of years, first in its agricultural department, and then in the financial department. He did considerable travelling for the Globe through Western Canada, and his articles were widely read, as they were most informative, evidencing a clear understanding of the problems of the western farmer. Leaving the Globe he entered into the advertising business for a time, and then accepted a position in the financial department of the Government. His ability was quickly recognized by those in authority there and he was given important posts. He has been chief advisor to the Government along tariff lines for a number of years, and at the present time he is chairman of the Tariff Board and president of the Prices Stabilization Corporation, with headquarters at Ottawa.

Hector is looked upon as one of the key men of the administration at Ottawa and his friends were not surprised when the high honor, C.M.G., was conferred upon him by the King. The people in his old home town of Priceville are proud of this honor which has come to one of their own, and other friends in this district join with them in extending congratulations to him.

RINGS TO AIRMEN

Four of our local boys who have been with the Royal Canadian Air Force for some time were presented with rings at a social evening Monday in the town hall at which a large number of friends and well-wishers of the young men gathered. These were Cpl. Thos. Banks of Trenton, L.A.C. Wes. McCracken of Moncton, N.B., L.A.C. Ben Bellamy of Centralia and L.A.C. Ted McTavish of Montreal. Mr. Bob Phillips read the address and Mrs. F. W. Duncan and Mrs. F. J. Thurston made the presentations. Mr. G. A. McTavish received the ring for Ted, who was unable to be present for the occasion. The boys exressed their appreciation for the gifts, which would ever remind them of the fine people back home. Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald, Miss Elma Hamilton and Mr. M. S. McLeod supplied music for dancing, under the calling of Messrs. Lloyd and Everette Talbot, M. S. McLeod and Bert Sparks.

UNION SERVICES

The "World Day of Prayer" will be observed in Flesherton, as follows:

Wednesday, Jan. 5th, 8 p.m., in the Baptist Church, Rev. Westcott.

Friday, Jan. 7th, 8 p.m., United Church, Frank B. Keys.

It is hoped that the combined congregations will rally to make these services a success.

"CHRIST AND THE CROWD"

Mr. F. B. Keys, minister of the Baptist Church will commence a series of sermons this Sunday on "Christ and the Crowd." "Christ and the Obscuring Crowd" will open this series and on this subject Mr. Keys will speak at Flesherton and Rock Mills this week. Subject titles, such as "Christ and the Condemning Crowd," "Christ and the Rioting Crowd" will follow through the next few weeks.

This series will run, for a time at least, concurrently with the International Sunday School lessons covering the ministry of the Master.