Celebrated Golden Wedding

Rounding out fifty years of happy wedded life and surrounded by their large family of children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowers, well known district couple celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary at the home of their daughter, Mrs. F. B. Brandle, Neville, Sask., on Monday, Dec. 1st.

A public reception was held from 2 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon when a large number of friends called to shower their congratulations and good wishes on the bride and groom of fifty years ago. The house was specially decorated for the occasion with potted plants and ferns and the tea table was centred with a large bowl of golden 'mums. During the afternoon a purse was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Bowers from freinds of the Neville community. A very appropriate address was read by Rev. Mr. Gibbard, pastor of Neville United Church to which Mr. Bowers fittingly replied.

In the evening a turkey dinner was served to members of the family and a few invited guests. The tables were beautifully decorated with cut flowers. The bride's table was centred with a three-storey wedding cake. Following the dinner, a toast to the bride and groom was proposed by Mr. J. O. Tisdall to which everybody responded by singing "For they are jolly good fellows". Mr. J. W. Ford, formerly of Markdale, in a short speech recalled the happy times spent with the Bowers family in Markdale, and other friends spoke of the high esteem in which Mr. and Mrs. Bowers and family are held in the community.

An address was read by George Bowers followed by a presentation of a purse of gold from the family. Mrs. L. Scott (Mildred) their youngest daughter made the presentation, while little Patsy Fee, daintily clad in a frock of green georgette crepe presented her grandmother with a bouquet of flowers. The remainder of the evening was spent in music, Mr. Bowers and Mr. James Benson, a childhood friend contributed a number of old time melodies on their violins.

The family were all present with the exception of Mrs. E. B. Meyers of Toronto. The other members of the family are: George, Bruce and Mrs. A. M. Fee all of Swift Current; Mrs. F. B. Brandle and Melvin of Neville, Sask.; Mrs. J. A. Boone of Invermay, Sask.; Mrs. C. M. Long, Mrs. J. T. Tisdall and Mrs. R. Jensen of Moosejaw, Sask. and Mrs. L. Scott of Regina, Sask.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Bowers (the latter formerly Miss Sarah C. Mercer) were married in Markdale, Ont., on Dec. 1st, 1880 by the Rev. John Seymour and lived in Markdale until 1910 when they moved to Swift Current, Sask., where they resided for two years. Mr. Bowers lived on a homestead near Neville in 1911 and moved to the farm in 1912 where they have since made their home.

Markdale Council

The Village Council met on Monday morning in accordance with the statute.

Present: Mr. T. H. Reburn, Reeve; Messrs. G. H. Haslam, E. B. Stewart and Thos. Mercer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Mercer - Haslam—That the following accounts be paid: E. McCullough, fire work, $2.15; L. R. Powley, clerk's work, $1.50; Hydro System, street lights, $24.00; Public Library Debits $4.90; Fire Hall lights [illegible]; Markdale Standard, [illegible]; R. L. Stephen, [illegible]; Earl of [illegible], $10.00; R. L. Co[illegible]; [illegible] at Public Library, [illegible]; Town Hall Farm, hall for Dist. Court, [illegible]; Canada Law Book Co., statutes for 1925-29-30, $7.00; [illegible], shovel for sales, 85 cents; Mrs. V. F. Mercer, stamps, etc., $1.00; F. T. Hill & Co., account, 75 cents; Public Library Board, grant $263.44; J. C. Henry & Son, rebate of 1929 taxes, $36.95; A. Griffith, selecting jurors, $2.50; Thos. Mercer, wood for Fire Hall, $4.50; J. A. McArthur, stamps, selecting jurors, Collector's roll, supplies, registering births, marriages and deaths, $28.00; Fred Hainer, work on streets, $1.80; Dr. A. Brown, M.O.H., $50.00; George Alton, Chief Fire Brigade, $50.00; A. Johnston, salary and telephone, $75.95; J. A. McArthur, salary, $62.50; V. F. Mercer, salary $25.00; T. H. Reburn, salary and selecting jurors $8.50; E. B. Stewart, salary, $6.00; Thos. Mercer, salary, $6.00; J. A. Clarke, salary, $2.00; Rink Committee, grant, $75.00; Agricultural Society, grant, $27.00; W. Mann, supplies for streets $[illegible].—Carried.

By-law No. 537, to rescind a contract with the Bell Telephone Co., in 1905, was introduced, given three readings and finally passed and signed.

Council adjourned to meet at 7.30 p.m.

At the evening meeting members present were same as in forenoon.

Mercer - Haslam—That the following accounts be paid: J. C. Mercer, Secretary Fire Brigade, $26.00; Plaxton, Huston & Co., premium on liability insurance $155.25.—Carried.

Mercer - Haslam—That we extend date of payment of taxes to Dec. 31st, 1930 and that the five per cent. penalty be refunded on all taxes paid between Dec. 15th, and 31st.—Carried.

Stewart - Haslam—That Thos. Tuck be appointed Deputy-Returning Officer and Albert Jackson Poll Clerk for the coming municipal election.—Carried.

Council adjourned.

J. A. McArthur, Clerk.

HYDRO SYSTEM

Those present at the meeting for the transaction of Hydro business were the Reeve, Mr. T. H. Reburn, and councillors G. H. Haslam, Thos. Mercer and E. B. Stewart.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Stewart - Haslam—That the following accounts be paid: A. E. Colgan, salary $100.00, postage $1.50; G. N. Hartley, work $9.50; H.E.P.C., insulators $19.38; The Markdale Standard, billing forms, $7.00.—Carried.

Council then adjourned.

A. E. Colgan, Secretary.

Berkeley United Church

Sunday, December 21st, 1930.

7 p.m.—Evening service.

The Ladies Aid met Dec. 11th, in the church. Meeting was opened with hymn 97. The scripture lesson found in Psalm 121 was read by Miss Elsie Caswell. The Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison.

The roll call was answered by eight members and 2 visitors were present. Collection was $1.40. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. Several business items were discussed and the ladies decided to make an autograph quilt during the winter.

The president, Mrs. N. Kirk, then appointed Mr. Kitching as chairman for the election of officers for 1931. Mr. Kitching taking the chair said it would be best to leave this off until the January meeting and to have it announced at the services the following Sundays. This was to give the ladies of the congregation an opportunity to be present. Mr. Kitching also suggested that since the Ladies Aid was an organization of the United Church, that they change their name to Women's Association.

The meeting was closed with hymn 216 and prayer by Mr. Kitching.

Anglican Church Notes

Advent Church, Beaverdale.

—There will be no service on Sunday School next Sunday.

The Beaverdale Christmas Tree was held in the church on Friday, December 5th. There was a good attendance and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves. Mr. Richard Clark acted as chairman in his usual form of manner in the absence of Rev. Parsons, who was unable to be there. The program consisted of: the opening chorus Jingle Bells. Dialogues were, "The Visit of the Christmas Spirit", "Unexpected Visitors" and "Why do we have Christmas". There were two Pantomimes, "Tommy goes to a Christmas party and wanted a wife. Eight girls carrying wreaths sang "The Holly Girls", after which there was a short drill. The boys sang "Christmas Stockings". Recitations were given by Muriel Harvey, Sadie Harvey, Iva Miller, George Merrifield, Stewart Merrifield, Lucille Lee, Vivian Wilson and Alvin Johnston. John Harvey sang a solo. Messrs. Earl Fothergill and Russell Grant gave several instrumental selections. There was also two darkies from Alabama who sang Another Rubbers was "Christmas Morn". After [illegible] Santa Claus appeared and distributed the presents and candies around after which all sang God Save the King.

Vandeleur W. I.

The Institute held their December meeting at the school house at Vandeleur, where Miss Brown made a charming hostess. Seventy-seven ladies were present. The meeting opened by singing and repeating the Lord's Prayer in unison. After the business was attended to the following program was furnished by the ladies:

Community singing; reading by Mrs. Frank Davis, "Dickens in the camp"; solo by Mrs. George Buchanan, "My Souvener"; Mrs. George Wright, an ex-teacher was present and gave an interesting talk. It was thirty-six years ago she had first come there to teach and there were over a dozen of her pupils present at the meeting. Reading by Mrs. F. Boland, "The smile you pass around"; community singing; reading by Mrs. Ratcliffe, "She knows her onions"; singing by the ladies; reading by Mrs. Swanton, "No more mischief"; chorus by the school; God save the King.

A bountiful lunch was served by the ladies and a treat of candies and oranges for the children.

Vandeleur school concert is on Thursday evening, Dec. 18th.

Standard Want Advs. bring results. If you have a little article for sale, advertise it.

Richard Hannam Died

Mr. Richard Hannam, a brother of Mrs. Michael Norris of Glenelg township died in St. Joseph's hospital at Guelph on Saturday, Dec. 13th, as a result of injuries received when attacked by a Holstein bull on his farm. The animal had been returned to the stable after being watered when the attack took place and Mr. Hannam was knocked down and tramped upon. Some ribs were fractured and chest injuries resulted which were followed by complimations which resulted in death.

The late Mr. Hannam was born at Swinton Park but had lived at Guelph for the past ten years. He was a member of the Roman Catholic Church and was highly esteemed by all who knew him.

Surviving are his wife, two sons and two daughters, namely Richard and Irene at home; Herbert H. of Toronto and Kathleen of Loretto Abbey, Toronto.

The funeral took place in Guelph on Tuesday morning.

Action Against Glenelg

The action of John Quillinan against the township of Glenelg was tried in Owen Sound last week but judgment was reserved at the close of the case on Saturday evening. The action was brought to recover expenses in connection with an accident which occurred when the plaintiff's car was driven into the Saugeen river on con. 4, where a bridge was being re-built and which the plaintiff claimed was not properly protected. The township made Mr. Howard Weaver a party to the action, he being the contractor in charge of the bridge work.

Between 25 and 30 witnesses were heard called in the case which was tried before His Honor Judge Sutherland without a jury in the County Court. Middlebro & Scott of Owen Sound acted as counsel for Quillinan; W. D. Henry, K.C., of Markdale represented the township and O. E. Klein of Walkerton the contractor.

The accident occurred early one morning in August when Quillinan and two companions were coming home from a street dance in Durham. In his evidence he said that he was travelling east on con. 4 and that he had noticed no warning signs that the road was closed. A few feet from the bridge he felt a bump and almost the next instant saw that the flooring had been removed from the bridge. His car nose-dived about 10 feet to the bed of the river. It had cost about $200 to repair the car and he received some cuts and bruises. The other occupants of the car escaped injury.

Officials of the township and members of the construction gang said that a sign had been placed at the corner stating that the road was closed and that a red flag was also placed at the side of the road. Two timbers had been placed across the road and a red lantern on the floor of the brige but that no barricade had been erected.

Judgment was reserved by Judge Sutherland at the close of the case.

Cherry Grove

Only a few days till Christmas.

Mr. George Taylor was in Toronto for a couple of days recently on business.

The Christmas concert held in the school was a decided success. There was a good attendance and everybody had a good time. Mr. T. Stewart Cooper acted as chairman. Recitations were given by Henry Williams, Mrs. Sam Semple, Verna Hill, May Schramm, Wallace Wyvill, Beverley Fothergill, Edwin Abercrombie, Helen Boyce, Edith Abercrombie, Muriel and Sadie Harvey. There were two choruses by the school, several instrumental selections by Mr. and Mrs. Schramm, Howard Schramm and Mr. Charles Williams; dialogues, entitled Painting a chair, Reading The Markdale Standard, A big Mistake, and Practical use for Peddlers; monologues by Edwin Abercrombie, Edith Abercrombie and Odessa Burnett; John Harvey favoured the audience with a song; a gypsies' chorus by some of the scholars, Howard Schramm playing the violin, Beatrice Schramm dancing the charleston and May Schramm the Highland fling. Two darkies from Sunny Tennessee sang, accompanied by Mr. George Ricketts on the violin; two drills, one the march of the Christmas tree and the other a star drill, who were accompanied by Misses Nettie Abercrombie and Margaret Harvey; Jane Dickie and Muriel Harvey sang 'When It's Spring time in the Rockies.'

After the program Santa Claus appeared and distributed the presents and candies to the boys and girls. At the close all sang God Save the King.

Mrs. P. J. Elford and Joyce spent a couple of days last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dickie.

Miss Dora Boland of Vandeleur spent a week-end recently with Miss Alice Smart.

Miss Eveline Hill is staying with her grandmother, Mrs. Henry Wells, in Markdale for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weber and Mr. Dave Weber of Kimberley were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Ran Bradey.

Vandeleur

The Women's Institute held their regular monthly meeting in the school house on Thursday afternoon of last week. There was a good attendance and a good program was provided. Mrs. Geo. Wright gave an address and readings were given by Mrs. Will Ratcliffe and Mrs. Frank Davis. Treats were provided for the children. Lunch was served by the members.

Mr. Andrew Graham has returned home from the West where he has spent the past four months. His oldest son Earl returned with him and is spending a couple of weeks with friends here.

Big preparations are being made for the annual Christmas tree entertainment and supper in the church on Thursday evening of this week.

Mr. Geo. Graham of Eugenia spent a few days with his brother Mr. J. I. Graham.

A number of farmers were plowing here during the past week.

Messrs. E. Warling and D. McGee attended the U.F.O. convention in Toronto last week.

The Farmer's Club will hold their next meeting in the school house on Monday evening of next week, Dec. 22nd. There will be a good program also reports of the delegates to the convention. Everybody welcome.

Mr. Gordon Graham had the misfortune to lose his Ford car by fire one night last week. He came to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Graham, about nine o'clock in the evening and left the car sitting beside the house. About four o'clock in the morning Mr. Graham happened to awaken and seeing a light looked out to see the car in a blaze. The lower part was unhurt but the body was destroyed.

Traverston

The snow is pretty well gone and many autos running again these days.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Peart spent the first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Barbour of Egremont.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Jackson of Glamis, accompanied by Mrs. W. J. Allan of Chesley spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cook.

Rev. E. S. and Mrs. Fidder of Durham made several pastoral calls in this neighborhood on Friday.

Mrs. T. I. Edwards of Shelburne spent Friday at the parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. R. Edwards and son Raymond spent the first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Atkinson in the No. 9 school section, Glenelg.

Several witnesses and spectators from this neighborhood were in Owen Sound on Friday in attendance at the Quillinan - Weaver and Glenelg township trial.

Miss Mary Tobin of Durham sundayed with Miss Gladys Firth.

The Trustee Board of Zion Church recently bought and installed two new box stoves and about seventy new pipes so Zion should be warm this winter.

The young folk are kept busy three nights a week preparing for their concert to be held on Friday night.

Union Hill

A Merry Christmas to the Standard staff and its numerous readers.

Mr. George J. McFadden, accompanied by his mother, visited in Owen Sound on Saturday.

Mr. Ira Schell spent the week-end with friends in Toronto.

Messrs. Lavergne and Willis Rutledge of Mono Centre visited with Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Walker.

Mrs. Sam. Semple and Miss Grace Fothergill of Cherry Grove visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Semple on Sunday.

Mr. Hamilton McFadden received the sad news of the serious illness of his brother, Richard McFadden of Mono Centre.

Mr. Melvin Wilson is erecting a sawmill on his property. He had a successful raising of the frame building last week. In future he will do custom sawing of lumber and shingles. Success Melvin.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Semple and Miss Alma Brown visited in Owen Sound last week.

Election of L.O.L. Officers

L.O.L. No. 500 Orange Valley

W.M., Alex. Miller.
I.P.M., Harold Richardson.
D. M., Wm. Stoddart.
Chaplain, G. W Littlejohns
Rec.-Sec., J. E. Bowles.
Fin.-Sec., Harold Lever.
Treasurer, W. J. Beaty.
Marshal, C. W. Alcox.
Lecturers, W. G. Bowles and W. G. Coburn.
Committee, C. W. Foster, N. Stoddart, W. Coburn, A. Stoddart, J. E. McKee.
Tyler, J. W. Gibson.
Sentinel, G. B. Littlejohns.
Sick Committee, Alex. Miller, W. G. Bowles, and Wm. Stoddart.
Auditors, W. W. Alcox and J. J. Bennett.

L. O. L. No. 1840, Kimberley.

W.M., J. W. Cornfield
D.M., H. E. Fawcett.
Chaplain, Chas Thompson.
Rec.-Sec., R. W. Lawrence.
Fin.-Sec., Gordon McMullen.
Treasurer, Hugh Smith.
Marshal, Russell Ward
Lecturers, Clarence Smart and Leonard Haines.
Committee, Alfred Graham, Edgar Fawcett, Nelson Wilcox, S. Brocklebank, Wm. Thompson.
Tyler, T. Ferguson.
Sentinel, S. Haines.
Sick Committee, H. Smith, S. Brocklebank, R. Lawrence.

Lodge meets Thursday on or before full moon. Visitors always welcome.

Barrhead Women's Institute

The December meeting of Barrhead W. I. was held on Thursday at the home of the president, Mrs. Luther Torry, with a good attendance of members and visitors.

After singing the ode and repeating the Lord's Prayer in unison, the meeting was open for business. At a previous meeting it had been decided that $2.00 would be given to the pupil in each of the three schools at Barrhead, Orange Valley and Irish Lake, who won the highest total points at rural school fair. The prizes went to Margaret Davidson, Isabel Boyd and Mamie Martin.

The treasurer was instructed to forward the money. Mrs. R. W. Wilson, delegate to the Central Ontario W. I. convention in Toronto, gave an excellent report that was heartily enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Wilson also gave a paper entitled "Is it right to teach children that there is a Santa Claus". Some very good points were brought out and an interesting discussion followed. At the December meeting Christmas gifts were exchanged. Of these there was a nice display which realized a neat sum for the treasury.

The hostess assisted by Mrs. Symes, Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Alliston served a dainty lunch. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. J. Hamilton on Thursday, January 8th at 2 o'clock.

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Choice Cut Peel containing Lemon, Orange and Citron at 25c a lb.
Figs, 3 lb for 25c.
White Sultana Raisins 20c a lb.
Choice Seedless Raisins, 2 lb for 25c.
Candied Cherries 50c a lb.
Drained Cherries 40c a lb.
Eating Figs, bulk, 20c a lb; packages 15c each.
Pineapple Peel 30c a lb.
Cranberries 25c a lb.
Winter Grapes 15c a lb.
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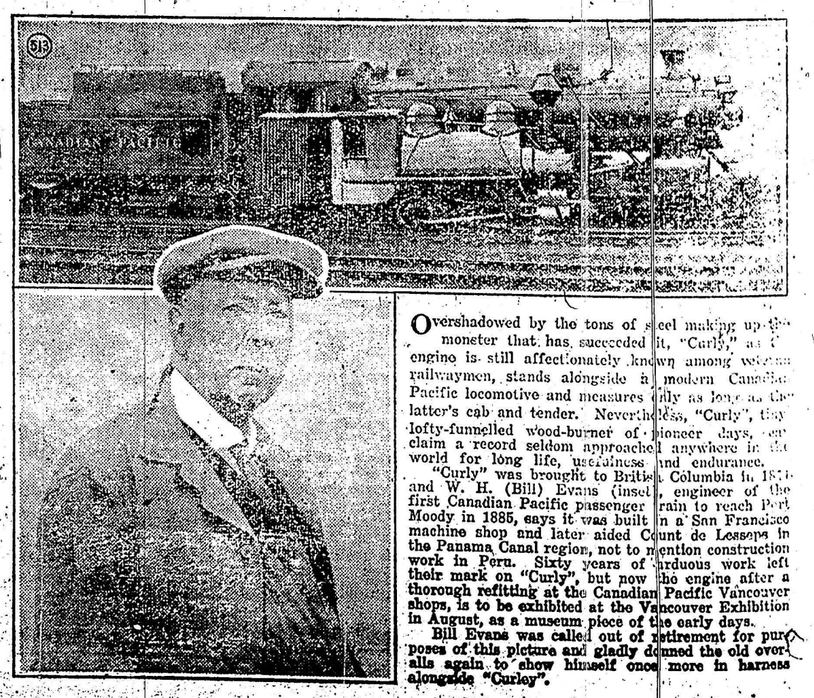

Overshadowed by the tons of steel making up the monster that has succeeded it, "Curly," as the engine is still affectionately known among veteran railwaymen, stands alongside a modern Canadian Pacific locomotive and measures fully as long as the latter's cab and tender. Nevertheless, "Curly", the lofty-funnelled wood-burner of pioneer days, can claim a record seldom approached anywhere in the world for long life, usefulness and endurance.

"Curly" was brought to British Columbia in 1885 and W. H. (Bill) Evans (inset), engineer of the first Canadian Pacific passenger train to reach Port Moody in 1885, says it was built in a San Francisco machine shop and later aided Count de Lesseps in the Panama Canal region, not to mention construction work in Peru. Sixty years of arduous work left their mark on "Curly", but now the engine after a thorough refitting at the Canadian Pacific Vancouver shops, is to be exhibited at the Vancouver Exhibition in August, as a museum piece of the early days.

Bill Evans was called out of retirement for purposes of this picture and gladly donned the old overalls again to show himself once more in harness alongside "Curley".