

50th wedding anniversary

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Best honored at farm luncheon

Carrying a large bouquet of multi-colored cosmos, Margaret Best relived her wedding day of 50 years ago as she and her husband Dr. Charles Best greeted friends and family yesterday at a luncheon given in their honor. There were numerous colleagues of Dr. Best in the field of medical research there to offer best wishes as well as his two sons Henry and Sandy and seven grand children.



50TH WEDDING anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Best was celebrated yesterday at their farm in Nassagaweya. Mrs. Best is carrying a bouquet of cosmos, identical to the one she carried as a bride in 1924. Their grandchildren made the wedding cake for the luncheon party.

Mrs. Best recalled the similar bouquet of cosmos she carried in 1924. This gracious and unassuming lady was delighted that her family had grown the flowers and had them made into a similar arrangement as shown in a wedding photo. The wedding cake served at the luncheon was made by their grandchildren.

Insulin discoverer
Dr. Best has been officially retired from his work as director of the Charles H. Best Institute and the Banting and Best Institute since 1967. He and Dr. Frederick Banting were the co-discoverers of insulin in 1922.

Although engaged in 1920, Margaret and Charles waited until Dr. Best's graduation from medical school to be married. Five years after his graduation he was appointed head of the University of Toronto Department of Physiology.

They were married in 1924 by Mrs. Best's father Rev. A. Wylie Mahon and Rev. Stewart Parker in St. Andrew's Church at King and Simcoe Sts. in Toronto. Dr. and Mrs. Best have toured the world several times in response to demands for lectures and conferences. Mrs. Best has been her husband's strongest supporter over the years. They are working on a book of their life together.

Mills, Plouffe wed in double-ring ceremony

Linda Darlene Plouffe became the bride of Brian Henry Mills in a double-ring ceremony at Union Presbyterian Church in Terra Cotta on July 20. Linda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Plouffe of Ballinafad, is a receptionist at P. Graham Bell Assoc. Ltd. in Georgetown.



MR. AND MRS. Brian Mills are living in Brampton. These newlyweds travelled to Ottawa and Niagara Falls for their honeymoon. (Wm. Stuckey photo.)

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mervyn Mills of Terra Cotta. The afternoon wedding was conducted by Rev. Howard Smith with Van Ravens playing the organ. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an empire-style gown with a high neck, long sleeves and a long train from the waist. She carried a cascade bouquet of red roses.

The matron of honor, Susan Bous was attired in a floor-length light pink gown while bridesmaids, Eileen McElhinney, sister of the bride, Yvonne Morden, sister of the bride, and Raetta Donaldson all wore deep pink gowns.

The best man was Ray Bous and Eugene McElhinney, Alan Mills, and Bob Donaldson were ushers. Following the ceremony was an evening reception at Ballinafad United Church, then a dance at Ballinafad Community Centre.

The bride's mother received for her daughter in a light blue floor length crepe gown with a crimson sash. The groom's mother wore a floral on white gown with a yellow corsage.

The bride wore a navy and red pant suit for her going away outfit. The couple travelled to Ottawa and Niagara Falls for their honeymoon.

All the gowns for the bridal party were made by the bride's mother. The flowers worn in their hair were made by Yvonne Morden. The wedding cake was made by the bride's mother and decorated by Mrs. Ada Kirkwood.

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DR. AND MRS. B. D. YOUNG of Brookville cut their golden wedding cake during a 50th anniversary party in their honor at Brookville Hall Sunday. Dr. Young, a veterinarian is well known all over Halton.

Local veterinarian, wife honored on anniversary

Dr. and Mrs. B. D. Young, who have lived at Brookville for the past 42 years, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this week and were honored at an open house in Brookville Hall on Sunday.

About 300 came from near and far to wish the happy couple many more years of marriage and extend congratulations. The open house was arranged by friends and neighbors.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Young originally came from the Lower Townships of Quebec, south of Montreal. He lived at Mansenville and she was at Knowlton's Landing—a community named after her family which has lived there for seven generations. They were married at Knowlton's Landing Sept. 3, 1924.

Moved in Ben Young attended Ontario Veterinary College in Guelph from 1928 to 1932 and on graduation they moved to the house beside Brookville Hall where they have worked and lived ever since. While he was in his final year of school he learned that Dr. McTaggart, the Brookville vet had died and someone was needed to take over the practice, so he bought the house and the practice and moved right in.

Brookville is now a two-veterinarian community as their son Cliff has been following in his father's footsteps since he graduated in 1949. Although their practices are separate, they help each other. Ben Young is now in what he calls "semi-retirement" and works three or four days each week, mainly with the larger animals. The Youngs spend their summer weekends at a cottage on Hollow Lake near Dorset.

Planners Organizers of the open house were Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Young, Mr. and Mrs. Don Small, Mrs. Clifford Leach, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Easterbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Aultie, Mrs. Jean Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Freeman.

Pouring tea were Mrs. Andy Frank, Mrs. Lana Padbury, Mrs. Beatrice Fletcher, Mrs. Merna Elsley, Miss E.D. Diamond, Mrs. Hattie Price, Mrs. Doug Currie, Mrs. Roy Coulter, Mrs. Dan Mullen, Mrs. Blanche Elliott and Mrs. Clifford Nicholson.

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Among the guests were Wellington M.P. Ad Hales, relatives from various parts of Quebec and the northern States, and several former veterinary students who had worked with Dr. Young over the years. They also received congratulations from the Governor-General, MD Bill Kempling and M.P. George Kerr.

Mrs. Melvin Storey made the beautiful wedding cake and the community residents got together to present flowers and a money tree.

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by Wendy Thomson

My last mention of cats was that I was steeling myself to do away with the latest batch of kittens. Cock-eyed Cat had had three, Miss Tansy had four, and Tansy-too produced five. I left them one apiece.

That was the first time I'd done such a thing and had no idea what sort of situation this would cause. Usually all three mothers pile their kittens together, coming and going as they like. At times there'd be one mother trying desperately to feed up to 15 kittens. At other times three mothers just about washed eight kits out of existence, feeding them till they were little fat furry bellies on legs.

This time, however, I'd spoilt the natural flow of things and the cats each guarded their only child very jealously. The first chance C.E. cat got, she swiped the other two babies, stating she had had THREE and was going to KEEP three.

As soon as she left her "nest", whoever was around removed at least one kit and hid it somewhere. We never knew where we'd find what! The next development was that all three mothers got fussy and said to each other, "Well, if you're feeling so darned motherly, you can take care of ALL of them ALL the time." We had had three half-starved howling kits on our hands and I had to get into the milk-powder-and-pabulum bit.

This solved the problem temporarily, but when the kittens became big enough to live outside in the pile of cedar rails, a different aspect of child-rearing was in dispute.

Tansy-too liked the environment of the familiar woodpile, but C.E.-cat thought it was too exposed or something, and kept trying to coax the babies into the safety of the house.

Miss Tansy disagreed with both home environments and, taking very positive and vigorous action, picked up the kittens and hauled them off into the bushes, leaving them well hidden and bewildered.

Of course, I'm the one that did all the searching, finding, feeding, settling, and negotiating. At present, the three mothers have agreed to live in the woodpile if I feed the kits once a day and permit house-visiting privileges in the evening.

Peace reigns right now, but I know it won't last.

It's been years since I did any kind of canning. I have a very deep distrust of a boiling bottle, expecting things to blow up in my face when it reaches a certain temperature. However, when my husband requested Peach Conserve such as I made in the great industrious time when we were first married, I tried to oblige. Of course, the recipe was long gone so I had to just guess and "make do." The results were fairly good so I'll pass my "make-do" recipe along.

Storey family 50th anniversary

The descendants of the late Thomas Storey and Elizabeth Hanna celebrated the 50th anniversary of their reunion at Brookville Hall, Nassagaweya, on August 17 last. It was a gala occasion and was attended by many relatives who had not been present for several years.

Pat and Penny Wilson conducted outdoor sports for young and old, including a horseshoe tournament and a baseball game.

A delicious buffet was served under the auspices of Kay Wilson and Marguerite Bowman at six o'clock. Several very old and interesting family photos were on display and Allen and Jane Thatcher exhibited the Storey family tree which they had prepared.

The president, Chester Early, welcomed the guests with a few well chosen words and thanked everyone who had worked so hard to make the special reunion such a success.

A one minute silence was observed in loving memory of Ethel Macleod and Clara Black who passed away during the past year and the minutes of the 49th reunion were read Dolores Doughty.

Due to the fact that Mrs. Hannah Dunham of Santa Monica, California, who is the oldest living grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Storey, could not be present, Mrs. David Storey was presented with a corsage of pink roses and was asked to cut the 50th anniversary cake.

Letters were read from Hannah (Storey) Dunham expressing regret at not being able to attend and from Dorothy O'Rourke expressing how much she was looking forward to the reunion.

The program commenced with Mildred and Harold Royce and Marion and Archie McLean entertaining with several delightful Irish songs.

Andy Frank and Dorothy O'Rourke played several piano duets and then to everyone's delight Andy brought out his violin.

Several organ selections were played by Sandra Doughty and, also, by her sister Susan who very appropriately chose as her last number the Anniversary Waltz.

Lively old-time songs were sung by Andy MacDonald accompanied by Dorothy

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Watson and John are back home again after spending the summer at their property in Liscomb, Nova Scotia. They are renovating a house there.

Bonnie McKenzie is registering at Humber College in social work, after a most interesting five month trip. She went to Israel first last February, and worked on a kibbutz for two months. She was in charge of the dining room and met many young people from all parts of the world. From here she travelled to Turkey, Greece, Yugoslavia and Austria, and then made use of a Eurail pass to see most of the countries of Europe. Here she stayed with families and friends she met while she was away. Then on to England and Scotland before coming home again.

Marsha (McKenzie) Roughley will begin teaching a course in human development at the University of Guelph this semester. She will also assist at seminars and act as a counsellor at the university in her responsible new position. Husband Rob Roughley is starting studies there for his Masters degree in entomology.

Mrs. J. Inglis and Mrs. H. Helwig have returned from a very interesting and enjoyable trip to Mooseone, Moose Factory and the Agawa Canyon.

Wayne Bowen and family, from Nova Scotia were visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Bowen and others in the Acton area last week.

Correction

Peter Marzo and Denise Ann Kesselring were married in St. David's Roman Catholic Church on July 27. In last week's Free Press the bride's name was spelled incorrectly. We extend our apologies.

Still meet in old Legion

The Legion Ladies will be holding their first meeting of the season in the old Legion hall on Main St., not the new hall - yet. The meeting is this Thursday, September 5.

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