

Former Uxbridge Township Pastor Won't Return to His English Estate

The Lord of Sinnington Manor (known to people of Uxbridge Township as Rev. William Kendall) will not return to England to claim the extensive Yorkshire estate left him by his sister. Instead, Mr. Kendall is content to remain in Muskoka where he went from Uxbridge township a few years ago, with his Indian wife to live among her people. Mrs. Kendall died in 1946.

When Miss Hilda Kendall died not long ago, after shutting out the world for 30 years, it was thought her brother William in Canada would return to his native England



Rev. William Kendall

and enjoy his remaining years in the style to which a member of the Hon. Society of Gray's Inn is accustomed. 79-year-old Rev. William Kendall had forsaken a career in law to come out to Canada as a missionary student. His education in France and Belgium was of no particular benefit when he began to cultivate the friendship of braves and chieftains in Indian settlements throughout Ontario and Quebec. The life was hard but the pleasure ample to compensate.

The main factor behind his decision to remain with the Indians is reflected in an array of pictures on the wall of his home near Bala. A colored print shows the King and Queen. Beside it, in a gilt frame, is the likeness of Mary Martin, the dark-haired squaw in the yellow silk dress who became his wife. Sister Hilda might not have understood. There was talk after her death that the 30 years of solitary existence were caused by William's decision to live with the Indians. Mr. Kendall differs. His mother, after all, had been the perfect honeymoon host when the newlyweds visited the family estate at Sinnington.

The couple had lived in Toronto on two occasions. They purchased an eight-room house in Parkdale, but soon tired of city life. There was too much work to be done in the field. There were still Indians to be won over to Christianity.

The passing of time hasn't changed things. That's why the minister has armalred instructions to his cousin, Mrs. Winnifred Franks at Lodge Pickering, to care for the estate. He'll continue to live at the old manse with Tasso, his pet cocker spaniel, with his multitudes of Indian friends and with the memories of his wife.

His ancestral home is part of British history. It was built on the site once occupied by the mansion of Catherine Parr, Henry the Eighth's sixth Queen.

When William sold Hilda the property and moved to Canada in 1904 his sister retired into a type of seclusion which became more marked as the years wore on.

"Our grandparents shut themselves away and avoided people," he explained. That kind of existence would never do for a man who abandoned wealth and position for the role of an Indian missionary.

Among Mr. Kendall's fondest reflections are those concerning his wife. It was during services in a Protestant school room that he met the girl in the yellow silk dress. Mrs. Martin had been married at the age of 15 to a brave from the

MEMBERSHIP OBJECTIVE IS PASSED

Stouffville Horticultural Society membership has gone beyond the fondest hopes of the president and officers and has topped the 300 objective, with still a few to sign up yet. This will be the biggest membership in the history of the society and augers well for a successful and active season.

If you have not been canvassed and are willing to pay the one dollar membership fee, contact the president E. R. Good, or Miss M. Mertens, secretary.

Those who have paid their membership should submit their premium list without delay, if it has not already been attended to.

VISITORS AT BALLANTRAE OFF FOR BAGDAD

Mr. Bernard A. Crouch (husband of Marion Simpson, Portland, Oregon) spent several days visiting friends and relatives in Toronto and Ballantrae before leaving to take a position in Bagdad, Iraq. During his trip, by air, he spent a day in Rome, Italy and two days in Cairo, Egypt, sight seeing. Friends are pleased to learn Bernard has arrived safely and wish him the best of success.

Annual Meeting Held in the Dark

That the annual meeting of the Stouffville Co-Operative was held in the semi-darkness of the Stanley Theatre on Monday afternoon, is certainly no credit to the village of Stouffville.

Only available building that could be obtained, the theatre is not fitted for such meetings, in that the lighting is intended for a picture theatre. To say the least it lent a drab appearance to the gathering. It leads one to wonder how long the merchants of the town will stand quietly by and see gathering after gathering seeking accommodation in other places because this town fails to offer a place of meeting.

If the present small room over the fire hall was enlarged to the full proportions of the municipal building, such a business gathering as the Co-Ops could be taken care of. Likewise, the Women's Institute, the Horticultural Society, and other town organizations could be accommodated. This would meet our needs so far as 80 per cent of the town requirements are concerned. Stouffville is either going ahead or back. It is up to the council of the day and the backing of the rate-payers.

Caughnawaga Reserve. At his insistence she embraced the Catholic faith until word came that Charles Martin had been killed in an accident.

The romance flowered when the couple, with Mrs. Martin's daughter, attended a Sunday school convention at Hemmingford, Que. The proposal ended with a nod of assent from the bride-to-be. The wedding ceremony was far more exciting.

In a street car, on their way to the home of a minister, Mr. Kendall suddenly discovered that he had lost the ring. He jumped out, sprinted to a near-by jewelry store and purchased a plain gold band, which allowed the marriage to proceed on schedule.

The wedding supper was also unusual. The couple was joined by their two witnesses, the minister's wife and the church caretaker, who partook of tomato soup and crackers. The Methodist clergyman at St. Henry became one of Mr. Kendall's closest friends.

At Caughnawaga, Mrs. Kendall was soon accepted by the community. She became superintendent of the Sunday school and was elected president of the Ladies' Aid Society. Apart from the social aspect of her voluntary work, her native ability was invaluable when she handled hammer and saw to make changes and improvements on a series of churches and manses.

Income Tax Dept. Turns "Gun" on Local Farmers

Nearly all the farmers have received notices to file income tax returns and many are worried about the procedure reports the Audley correspondent in Pickering Township. There are many unfair provisions as regards real dirt farmers that should be straightened out. The majority of farmers are anxious to help out in the expenses of the country but feel that when their prices have been pegged, and considering the fact that they cannot pass the taxes on in the prices of their products, that they are being burdened with the taxes of others whose goods cover all these exactions. The farmer saves by sacrifice and frugality, and since he is one of the biggest spenders in the country, he naturally pays indirectly the taxes of others. The present system is going to hurt production.

The Income Tax Dept. is sending out scores of requests to farmers in Pickering and Uxbridge Townships right now, and to say that many households are upset over the matter, is putting it mildly.

Under the Income Tax Act any person must make a return if the Income Tax Dept. orders one. The fact that your income was less than the exemptions (\$750 for a single person and \$1500 for a married person) will not excuse you from making a return if one is requested. However, if you are not making enough to become liable for the tax, and do not receive notice from the Tax Dept. to make a return, then it is not necessary to submit one.

PET FOX FROM WHITCHURCH SHOT ON DON MILLS ROAD?

A red fox was shot down on the Don Mills Road Monday this week, and the hunter discovered the animal had a collar around its neck, and this led to the belief that it was a tame fox.

It is believed to have strayed from its home in Whitchurch where a stray pet fox left the premises of W. Sheppard on R.R.2. The stray animal was advertised in last week's Tribune as a child's pet.

NAME CANDIDATES FOR FUTURE ELECTIONS

Agnes MacPhail was named provincial candidate and Fred Madill Federal candidate for future Dominion and provincial elections in York East riding at a meeting of the CCF this week.

Heretofore Markham Township and Stouffville were in East York but were shuffled over to North York for the next election.

Local Farm Group May Take Up Hospitalization

Manager Bruce Clark told the Stouffville Co-operative at their annual meeting in town on Monday afternoon, that the year just closed marked the largest turnover in the history of the local organization, just as each preceding year had marked an increase over its predecessor. The Stouffville Co-Op in 1948 showed a net profit of over \$12,000, most of which will be returned to the members as patronage dividend.

Fraser Gee conducted the meeting as president of the group, who elected the following directors for 1948: Garfield Kellington, F. L. Winn, Levi Forsyth, Fraser Gee, Eugene Lemon, Lambert Stouffer, Marcus Jarvis, Thos. Clark, Fred Timbers. At a later meeting the directors will choose their president. Garfield Kellington is the secretary-treasurer.

Fred Wicks, Markham farmer, told the gathering that it was time to look into the possibilities of the York Co-Operative Medical Services, an incorporated body prepared to provide medical care to the membership at an attractive figure. The system employed, Mr. Wicks, said, is much the same as the Blue Cross.

Under one plan a farmer's family could get hospital care for an annual payment of \$17 per year, and a single person \$8.50. Lower rates prevail for lesser service, such as standard ward as against semi private ward.

The meeting decided that steps should be taken to obtain more information with a view to taking advantage of the scheme.

A bylaw providing for paying 4 per cent interest on members' loans over \$25 was ratified.

MRS. HELMKAY BURIED ON SATURDAY

Many old friends attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Wellington Helmkey who died suddenly in Stouffville at her home on Main street following only a one-day illness. Mrs. Helmkey, whose death was reported in our last issue, was buried on Saturday at the Stouffville cemetery. The service was in charge of Rev. E. Morton, owing to the illness of Rev. D. Davis, pastor of the deceased.

Mrs. Helmkey was predeceased by her husband some years. They had no family, and during their active days were farmers in the lake area north of Stouffville. A brother Louis Lunau of Unionville survives.

Too Busy for Matrimony Confides Miss Hill, 91

Today, Thursday, is the first of April, but it is more than just another day for Miss Elizabeth Hill at Bloomington, for it is the occasion of her 91st birthday. It goes without saying that this esteemed lady who has spent all her long life in the Township of Whitchurch, will be flooded with congratulations in one form or other.

Miss Hill was busy preparing dinner when the reporter called a few days ago. She lives alone, yet not alone, for she enjoys many callers, because she is such a bright, interesting conversationalist, and prizes friends whom she has had down through the years. For a long time Miss Hill taught in the Bloomington Sunday School, headed the adult class and took her work seriously. She studied the lessons and imparted them in a way many never forgot.

"I haven't used glasses for forty years," said Miss Hill when questioned about her ability to read. "They were a nuisance, and I only used them for reading," she continued.

Miss Hill was one of a family of two sons and four daughters born to the late William Hill and his wife Semantha Fenton, who lived just west of Musselman's Lake.

Mr. Hill died in 1892, and following year Mrs. Hill and Elizabeth moved to the home in Bloomington where the daughter has resided to this day. Seldom does one meet a person of Miss Hill's age that possesses all her faculties in such a marked way.

"Just one last question Miss Hill said the reporter (if its not too personal), "How did it happen that a person of your charming personality and ability never married?"

"Oh, I don't mind answering that one. I had proposals, yes, at least three, and one of them was from a doctor, but I was too busy with my church life, and then I had mother to look after in those days," willingly confided this interesting lady of ninety-one, who does her own house work and cooks her own meals.

LOCAL GIRL TELLS RESTAURANTERS ABOUT CULINARY TECHNIQUE

Delegates to the 4th annual convention of the Canadian Restaurant Association met in Toronto last week, and among other things on the program were addresses by three culinary experts. According to the daily press despatch these addresses were made by Dr. Orphla Mae Thomas, Columbia University, Mrs. Margaret Mitchell, Cleveland, Ohio, and Mrs. Helen Morningstar, Toronto, the latter a Stouffville girl before her marriage in the person of Miss Helen Hastings.

PLAN EYE SURVEY

Arrangements for an eye survey throughout public schools of Unionville, Markham and Locust Hill has been made by the Markham-Unionville Lions' Club, Chairman Alf Hill reported. The survey started this week in Unionville school and May 4 in Markham schools.

Georgetown Upset Markham Millionaires

Georgetown upset the powerful Markham Millionaires on Tuesday night 4-1, in the first game of their Intermediate "A" best-of-seven hockey finals. Rhodes in the Georgetown goal was a standout all night, and chiefly responsible for keeping the score at 1-all in the first period, when his net was continually stormed by Markham. Bob Lawrie scored the lone Markham goal. In the second period Georgetown started to out-skate and out bump Markham and in this manner scored another making it 2 to 1 at the end of the second period.

The final frame saw Georgetown turn on the heat with Gibson and Beaumont leading the attack and getting in on both last frame counters.

The second game will be played in Georgetown this Thursday night. Several hundred Georgetown fans travelled by special train to Tuesday's game.

Mrs. S. W. Hastings is resuming her teaching duties at the Lemonville public school this week, following an absence of some days owing to illness. During her absence Mrs. Clayton Baker of Stouffville acted as supply teacher.

Annual Milk Producers Banquet, District No. 6 will be held in Butontville Hall, Wednesday, April 7th at 7:00 p.m. W. P. Watson, guest speaker and Al. Harvey, entertainer.

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Empringham of Gormley, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Norma Eileen to Raymond Arthur Wilson, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Wilson of Toronto. The marriage will take place on Saturday, April 17th in Victoria Square United Church.

Fashion Doesn't Push This Trio Around



Bruce Yeaman and his son, Bob of Agincourt, and Glenn Brandon of Markham joined the "Easter Parade" at Sunny-side, but they scorned "fashion

nonsense" and dressed in their own way. The rural trio were no slaves to fashion, and felt more comfortable than the

hundred who paraded in ridiculous looking outfits that offered no protection against the elements.

(Telegram Photo)

Hydro Electric Ban Lifted in Stouffville

"Blackouts" in Toronto and "blackouts" in Stouffville have been lifted by the Hydro. In the city they had complete cut-offs of current, but our local districts escaped with that because the consumers cut consumption individually which could hardly be so easily accomplished in larger places.

It is now permissible to use a veranda light, or any other current. In fact the only restriction now is store window and sign displays, which may be lifted any day. It's a very unattractive Main street

business area when the stores do not illuminate their windows. A real source of advertising is lost to the merchants, which we trust will soon be restored to them.

More water is flowing into the northern power dams, and it is only to be expected that this will increase as the weather warms in northern Quebec, where source of much of our current is generated to the mighty Niagara which alone is not mighty enough for our domestic and industrial requirements.