



Mr. and Mrs. John Empringham, Heise Hill enjoyed a family gathering in the Community Hall at Victoria Square on Saturday evening, on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. —Staff Photo.

Mr. and Mrs. John Empringham Mark 50th Wedding Anniversary

Edna Clubine and John Empringham were invited to a party in 1912. They were strangers to each other until that night. He asked her to dance. They became acquainted and started keeping steady company.

Three years later, on January 20, 1915 they were married. The couple moved into a house on the Don Mills Road just north of Victoria Square. They have been there ever since.

Born near Richmond Hill Edna said their present home is the furthest away she has ever lived. John was born in Scarborough Township.

To contrast the building boom of today, the Empringhams recall the earlier days when there were no homes at all between Victoria Square and Gormley. Don Mills Road was a rough, two-lane dirt road until the 1930's.

Mr. Empringham has been a farmer all his life, and today, still works on his own property. He started farming with a half-dozen milk cows and a few hens.

Earl, the only son, has his own farm just south of his father's place. A daughter, Norma is now Mrs. Ray Wilson of Islington. There are four grandchildren.

Mr. Empringham has a brother and a sister still living, while his wife has three brothers and four sisters.

John explained the big difference in farming.

"In those days," he said, "it was simple. Today, though, farming has become mechanized and farmers are specialized."

"Plenty of money is required to start in farming these days," he continued. "The machinery costs a fortune and you can't do without it."

Education was more of a luxury than a necessity in those days. Neither one of them went further than grade eight.

"From school, you'd go right onto the farm, and the education wasn't necessary," he explained.

The Empringhams owned their first car in 1927. It was a model T Ford. Before that, cars were more of a novelty than a necessity.

The couple look back over the half century with complete satisfaction.

"Oh, we had our ups and downs," smiled Edna.

"We've been lucky in farming and have done well," added Mr. Empringham.

To keep a marriage secure, Mrs. Empringham explained the only way was to "give and take."

Only the immediate members of the family, twenty-seven in number attended the Golden Wedding Anniversary gathering held Saturday at the Victoria Square Community Centre.

A unique gift presented to the couple came from the community of Victoria Square. A "money tree" set in a golden jar had fifty dollars taped to the branches in the form of one and two dollar bills.

An open house was not held this year because, as Mrs. Empringham explained, "so many people don't make it to their fiftieth, so we had our big open house on our fortieth anniversary."

Hard workers all their lives, the couple are a picture of good health.

They received congratulatory messages from Prime Minister Lester Pearson and John Addison, M. P., York North.

OBITUARIES

BOYD, Mrs. Nellie May wife of the late Alex Boyd, passed away at the home of her daughter, Dorothy, in Toronto, on Friday, January 27, 1965. She was the former Nellie May Barkey, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Abe Barkey; born in 1876 in Markham Township. In 1892 she married Alex Boyd who predeceased her 11 years ago. Except for 3 years in the West, she lived all her life in Markham Township. To them were born eight children.

Hugh A. Boyd of King City, Harry Boyd of Leithridge, Alta., May Hill, Frank Boyd of London, Alta., Evelyn (Mrs. Van Joensuu) of Toronto, Marjorie (Mrs. Wm. Pettit) of Coburg, Dorothy (Mrs. Charles Stewart) of Toronto, Ruth (Mrs. Lloyd Johnston) of Niagara Falls, N.Y.

She had 27 grandchildren and 55 great grandchildren.

Mrs. Boyd is survived by 3 sisters and 2 brothers: Clara (Mrs. Ralph Sherk) of Calgary, Alberta; Arthur C. Barkey of Markham; Cecil E. Barkey, California, U.S.A.; Jessie (Mrs. Oliver Raymer) of Toronto.

FLORA (Mrs. Elmer Lambert) of Montreal, Quebec, Ross M. Barkey of Oshawa.

After resting at the Dixon Funeral Home, Markham, service was held at 2 p.m. on Monday in charge of Rev. Albert Pollex. Pall bearers were Eldon Boyd, Arnold Boyd, Robert Johnston, Stanley Timbers, Ronald Reeson, Clifford Barkey.

Interment was in First Baptist Church Cemetery, 9th Line, Markham.

BURNETT, Mrs. Herb Mrs. Ella Maude Mary Morris, wife of the late Herbert Burnett of Bloomington, died at the Stouffville Nursing Home, on Tuesday, Jan. 19, 1965 in her 84th year.

The former Maude Morris, married Herb Burnett in 1898 and resided on Conc. 9, Whitchurch. He predeceased her in 1961 and for nearly the past two years she has been a patient in the Stouffville Nursing Home. Mrs. Burnett was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morris of Stouffville and was a member of the Christian Church at Bloomington. She is survived by sons, Melvin John of Rothsay and Elmer Herbert of Bloomington, 6 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Sons Dawson and Edward and a daughter Marion are deceased. A sister, Frances (Mrs. Arthur Story) of Bloomington also survives.

The funeral service was held in the chapel of the O'Neill Funeral Home at 2 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 22 in charge of Rev. D. Benson.

Pall bearers were Earl Davis, Robert Mills, Murray Barnes, Vincent Waggy, Cliff Lemon and Noel Story. Interment was in Bloomington Cemetery.



Rev. and Mrs. Marshall Southard and son, Larry, recently returned missionaries from the Congo, visited on Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mills, Main St. W. in Stouffville. —Staff Photo.

DEATHS

BAKER, Mrs. Jessie At Brierbush Hospital Stouffville on Tues. Jan. 26, 1965, Jessie Martin, wife of the late Bert Baker, R.R. 2, Stouffville, loving mother of Ewart, Toronto and Bruce, Aurora, dear sister of George Martin, Scarborough. In her 87th year. Friends may call at the Thompson Funeral Home 29 Victoria St., Aurora. Service on Thurs. Jan. 28 at 2 p.m. Interment Baker Hill Cemetery.

STECKLEY, Prof. J. C. On Monday, Jan. 25, 1965, J. C. Steckley, husband of the late Eva March, dear father of Harold, Don Mills, Douglas of Calgary and Mrs. J. Miers (Doris) of Australia. Survived also by nine grandchildren. Resting at the O'Neill Funeral Home, Stouffville for service in the chapel on Thursday, Jan. 28th at 2 p.m. Interment, Melville Cemetery.

CAMPBELL, Robert W. A. Suddenly, the results of a car accident, at the Toronto General Hospital on Monday, Jan. 25, 1965, Robert (Bob) Campbell (of Thicksons Rd., RR 1, Brooklin) in his 21st year, dearly beloved son of Jean and Archie Campbell Jr., loving brother of Mrs. N. Pascoe (Sharon) of Myrtle, Suzanne, Brett and Brian at home; dear grandson of Mrs. R. Brett (Phyllis) of Brooklin, and the late Robert Brett, Mr. Arch. Campbell Sr. of Whitby and the late Maybelle Campbell. Resting at the W. C. Town Funeral Chapel, Whitby, for service in the chapel on Thursday, Jan. 28, at 3:30 p.m. Interment Graceland Cemetery, Brooklin. Minister the Rev. S. Armstrong. Visitors commencing 2 p.m. Wednesday.

WINDSOR, Robert W. William Robert Windsor, R.R. 2, Stouffville died on Thursday, Jan. 21, 1965. His wife, the former Laura Oldham survives him. Mr. Windsor was a contractor and builder and spent his lifetime in Ballantrae. He was identified with the United Church.

Also surviving is a son Robert J. of R.R. 2, Stouffville and 3 grandchildren Michael, Elaine and Scott and daughter Ruth (Mrs. Bruce Wilson) of Stoney Creek and 3 grandchildren Randy, Laura Ann and Tom, brothers George of Ballantrae and Harry of Oshawa and sisters Grace (Mrs. George Talbot of Ballantrae, Della (Mrs. Aubrey Rae) Newmarket, Maude (Mrs. Fred Evans) of Toronto.

After resting at the O'Neill Funeral Home, service was held in the Chapel at 2 p.m. on Saturday in charge of Rev. Roy Inglis. Pall bearers were Clifford Wallwork, William Simpson, Carl Rose, William Owers and William Topp.

Interment was in Mount Albert Cemetery.

ORCHARD, Mrs. Mabel R. Mrs. Mabel Reynolds Orchard died at her home in Orillia on Wed. Jan. 20, 1965 in her 89th year. She was the wife of the late Albert Orchard and is survived by a daughter Dorothy, (Mrs. Clay Baker) of Orillia and a son Grant of Scarborough. After resting at the chapel of McDermott-Panabaker at Port Perry, service was held on Saturday with interment in Pine Grove Cemetery. The Orchards were former residents of Stouffville.

MADILL, Mrs. Mildred Mrs. Mildred Madill, wife of Frederick C. Madill of Thistle-town, died at Stouffville Memorial Hospital on Monday, Jan. 18, 1965 in her 75th year. Surviving besides her husband is a daughter Betty (Mrs. William W. Hutchinson) of St. Catharines, and sons Ralph F. and Harold S.

After resting at the Ward Funeral Home, Weston, service was held in the Chapel on Wednesday. Interment was in the Claremont Union Cemetery.

The Madills were former Stouffville residents, Mr. Madill having been owner of the Stouffville Tribune.

Local And Personal Happenings

BIRTHS

REID — Bob and Nancy (nee Barry) happily announce the safe arrival of Catharine Elizabeth on Monday, January 25, 1965 at Newmarket Hospital. A little sister for Jimmy.

TINDALL — Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Tindall wish to announce the birth of a son on Jan. 17, 1965 in the Brierbush Hospital.

WAGG — Ruth and Ken are pleased to announce the arrival of Donald Bruce on Jan. 25, 1965 at Brierbush Hospital. A brother for Doug, Danny and Darlene. Many thanks to Dr. Petrie.

WILSON — Alvin and Jean are happy to announce the safe arrival of a son Kevin Alvin, on January 21, 1965 at Scarborough Hospital. Mother and baby doing fine.

BLOOMINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. E. Sheppard attended the banquet of the Board of Education in Toronto on Friday evening.

Mrs. D. Benson, Mrs. P. Brown, Mrs. E. Nesbitt and Mrs. E. Lemon attended the Women's Prayer Service in Newmarket A. G. Church on Thursday evening.

The community extended sympathy to the family and relatives of the late Mrs. Herbert Burnett whose funeral was last Friday afternoon.

Many happy returns to our twins Joanne and Maureen Wilcocks who celebrated their birthday last week, also Miss Dorothy Waggy.

Two quilts were quilted by the ladies Tues. and Wednesday in the church school room, highlighted by a pot-luck dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Rowe were guests Saturday night at the Golden Wedding celebration of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Empringham of Victoria Square Hall.

The Annual Church business meeting held Wed. evening in the church was well attended. Full reports were tabled from all of the departments showing all expenses paid and a healthy balance in the Treasury. There has been a good deal of renovation and the basement is at present in this category. The auditors for 1964 were Messrs. Elmer Burnett and Noel Story. We are not forgetting the wise spiritual leadership of our pastor, Rev. D. Benson. Secretary for 1965 is Mr. Eugene Lemon and Treasurer, Mrs. Howard Doner.

Mr. Jerry Trammer of Variety Village, Toronto was home with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Trammer over the weekend.

Mr. Eugene Lemon is attending the crop and farm-improvements sessions in Toronto this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Trammer and family of Mt. Albert spent Saturday at his parents.

The Seventh annual meeting of the York County Branch of the Canadian Health Assoc. will be held in St. Andrews United Church, Markham on Tuesday, Feb. 9. The guest speaker will be Dr. Stuart E. Rosenberg, Rabbi, Beth Tzedec congregation Toronto. A preceding coffee party will be held from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

DICKSON HILL

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hallman have returned home from a holiday in the sunny South. During their visit with his mother in Hallandale, Fla. they cruised to Nassau for a short time. Miss Eleanor Moyer travelled to Florida by bus, with students attending the Urbana convention and visited her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Moyer of Miami, also Mrs. Ward Hallman and Roger.

A number of men from the local congregation were present at a Men's Missionary Fellowship dinner meeting at the Youth Center Monday evening. Over sixty men from various U. M. Churches of the surrounding communities enjoyed the program and a panel discussion was the main item of the evening's activity.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hoover and baby daughter had Sunday supper with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hoover at "Oakyard."

The death of Mrs. Alex Boyd at the home of a daughter in Toronto, brought together many relatives and friends over the weekend. Before retiring to Markham, the Boyd family lived on a 9th conc. farm and were well known. Funeral service was conducted in the Dixon Chapel, Markham with interment in the Baptist cemetery, adjoining the country church there.

Lloyd and Margaret Wideman, Willard and Ruth Moyer spent Saturday afternoon in the Kitchener area. They called at the Elwyn Eby home at Hespeler and were present at the Weber golden wedding celebration. They also made contact with a number of students, including Ann Barkey of Mongolia and visited the classrooms and dormitories of Emmanuel Bible College. Supper with the Bruce Widemans and a safe journey home concluded the short holiday.

The sessions of the Markham Sunday School Convention were, as always a special day for workers in the thirty three schools of the Township. A number from this part of the area were at this gathering which convened in the Victoria Square Church.

Winners of the Stouffville Girls' Hockey Club Euchre held Monday evening at the Legion Hall, Ladies, Sue Schell, Norine Hill, Consolation, Evelyn Caruthers, Men, Henry Ogden, Leslie Morgason, Consolation, Al Bond. Prizes donated by Len Wilkes, K. R. Davis and Waggy's Jewellers.

The film "Four Religions" by the National Film Board had a public showing in Stouffville last week. It featured background, basic teachings and form of worship of Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam and Christianity. Mr. C. Weaver, introduced the film on behalf of the Stouffville Bahais, who sponsored the evening. He said, "Canadians should acquaint themselves with the religions of the nations of Africa and the East with whom they are developing closer relations."

The Baird Real Estate firm of Markham has completed the sale of 4 acres and buildings on the W. G. Woodhead farm at Green River to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mitchell of Don Mills.

The flag at the Veteran's Hall in town was flown at half mast this week in tribute to Sir Winston Churchill.

Thursday Afternoon

LADIES BOWLING LEAGUE

High Single (flat) Bernice Nelson 257; High Single (hdcp) Bernice Nelson 269; High Triple (flat) Bernice Nelson 698; High Triple (hdcp) Bernice Nelson 734.

Over 200 Lenore Raymer 216; Bernice Nelson 201, 240; Edna Lee 203; Jean Boyd 206; Kay Brown 209; Shirley Stewart 200; Joanne Steel 218.

Team Standings: Twisters 69 pts; Bloopers 63 pts; Hillbillies 52 pts; Marry Macs 41 pts; Pin Heads 31 pts; Flora Doras 30 pts.

and Mrs. Tim Kennedy with gifts and good wishes.

On Tuesday evening of last week, two friends, Mrs. Thelma Sargent and Pat McCaulley called on Miss Shirley Steckley at her home here.

RINGWOOD

Mrs. H. Preston of Pine Orchard visited her daughter, Mrs. Jos. Fockler and family last week, also Mr. Jim Gibson and son Harold were Thursday evening dinner guests.

Fifteen friends from Stouffville and Ringwood Christian Churches motored to Malton Airport on Wed. morning to wish Rev. Wm. Pape and Mrs. Pape and Jill on voyage on their return journey to Tokyo, Japan.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Steckley and Miss Shirley had Sunday evening dinner with Misses Blanche Ciana and Winnie McCaulley, Toronto.

Friends and relatives gathered in the church basement on Thursday evening to shower a recently married couple, Mr.

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