Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McGill an interesting and happy event took place when they celebrated the golden anniversay of their wedding. The aged couple of 87 and 84 years respectively were at home to their host of friends from 3 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon when they received abundant good wishes. congratulations and many beautiful gifts. A complete reunion of the children and grandchildren along with eight guests, the only survivors of those who attended the wedding fifty years ago, sat down to a stumptuous wedding supper at 6.30 o'clock. The tables and room were beautifully decorated with flowers. candles and wedding bells. Mrs. McGill in cutting the cake showed that she had had experience before. It and the groom's cake were delicious to the palate but pronounced by the bride that they were not as good as they used to make them fifty years ago. Mrs. J. P. McMillan and Misses Effie and Bessie Stalker in their congenial way waited on the tables. A happily and fittingly worded address from the members of the family was read and accompanied with a gold headed cane for the groom and a golden wedding ring and gold brooch for the bride of fifty years. The parents replied in a few kind and tender words. A toast was proposed by the pastor, Rev. A. L. Carr. and all drank to the health of the happy couple. Mr. McGill favoring with a Scottish reel to the delight of the gathering, as sprightly as a lad of twenty, Wn. Webster, of Dutton, accompanying him with the bag-pipes. Several of the guests gave the Highland Fling and other scottish dances.

Mr. and Mrs. McGill were born in Argyle, Scotland, imgrating to Canada seventy years ago sailing on the same ocean vessel taking about two months to make the trip. They began their married life together in the woods as all the pioneer settlers did and they watched the wilderness, haunted with hardships and inconveniences become a vertable paradise of beauty and loveliness. The names of their sons and daughters are: Duncan, Dan and John, successful farmers in the township; Mrs. A. D. Patterson, of Rodney, and Miss Katie at home. The guests of fifty years ago were; Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. D. McGill, Misses Annie and Mary McCallum, Messrs Dan and Edward McCallum, Neil McGill and Alex Sellers.

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Schnekenburger

Joseph Schnekenburger and the former Margaret Leitch of Duart were married on November 18, 1873. This was Mrs. Schnekenburger's birthday.

They lived the first part of their married life south of West Lorne, moving to Crinan in 1910.

Their family consisted of nine children.

They celebrated their golden wedding in 1923 by a family reunion. Neighbours called on the occasion of their diamond wedding.

Mr. & Mrs. Schnekenburger lived to see sixty-six years of marriage.



Mr. & Mrs. Neil McEachren celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in March, 1953.

Mr. McEachren, born at Crinan, exchanged marriage vows with Margaret McMillan, Largie, with the Rev. J. Ellison officiating.

Their two daughters and one son are: Mrs. R. Murray Merritt (Marion), Chatham; Mrs. E. G. Peterson (Florence), Welland; and Dr. Norman McEachren, Fairport, N. Y.

Mr. McEachren lived 75 years in Crinan, moving to Glencoe in the summer of 1952.



Mr. & Mrs. A. J. McMurchy were married in London, November 28, 1900. Mrs. McMurchy was the former Margaret Knox of Glencoe.

Matthew Knox, brother of the bride was best man and Mrs. Knox, sister of the groom was brides-maid.

Following their wedding they settled on the

farm now owned by their son, Douglas.

They celebrated their golden wedding receiving guests and gathering for dinner in the Crinan Church basement.



Mr. & Mrs. Dugald M. McCallum observed their golden wedding anniversary at their home third concession Aldborough.

Barbara McGill and Dougald McCallum were united in marriage on August 31,1904. Miss Tena McCallum sister of the groom was bridesmaid and D. E. McGill, brother of the bride was groomsman at the wedding. The Rev. Mr. Kippen performed the ceremony in the manse at West Lorne.

They have a family of four daughters and five sons. They have always resided in Crinan.

Mr. and Mrs. Dugald M. McCallum

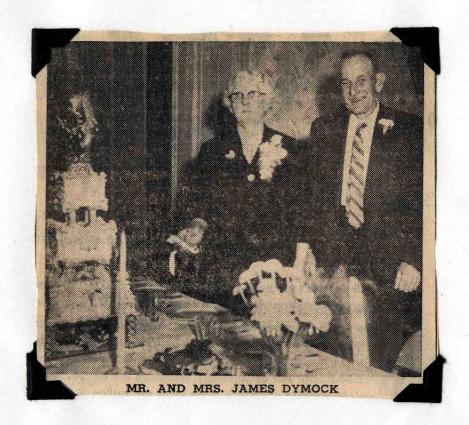


Mr. and Mrs. Dugald M. McCallum celebrated their Diamond Anniversary on August 31, 1964, by receiving almost two hundred friends and relatives at the home of their daughter Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McPherson.

Besides receiving the good wishes and congratulations of their many friends, the bridal couple of sixty years ago were entertained by the Argyle Pipe Band. Stewart McIntyre also played several violin selections. Among the many cards of congratulations received by the couple, was a framed message from the Hon. John Robarts, and greetings from Mr. Jack Spence.

A family dinner was held at the Wayside Inn, Talbotville, on Sunday. Attending with Mr. and Mrs. McCallum were their eight surviving sons and daughters, with their wives and husbands, most of their grandchildren and two of their greatgrandchildren; also Mr. D.E. McGill and Mrs. Grace Miller of West Lorne, and Mrs. Annie McCallum of Dutton. Coming the greatest distance for this happy occasion was their son, M.E. McCallum of Opa Locka, Florida.

Mr. & Mrs. James Dymock



Mr. & Mrs. James Dymock celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 28, 1959.

They have four sons, Gerald, Dan, Jack and Clare.

They celebrated the event by a family dinner and received guests at their home in Crinan in the evening.

They lived the 50 years in Aldborough Township, moving to Wardsville in 1961.

Mr. & Mrs. Frank McLarty



Mr. & Mrs. Frank McLarty celebrated their golden weeding on February 8, 1955 at their home in Crinan at Con. 3, North Aldborough.

Mrs. McLarty is the former Mabel Mann, daughter of Nathan and Delia (Parker) Mann. Mr. McLarty is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Alexander McLarty of Dunwich. They were married in St. Thomas by Rev. W. R. Young.

Mr. & Mrs. McLarty made their home in Wallacetown for two years and then moved to Aldborough township. They have five children-four

daughters and one son.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McClarty's Diamond Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mclarty, Crinan, observed their diamond wedding anniversary quietly, Monday, with their immediate family.

Thursday, Mrs. McLarty had the misfortune to fall in her home and is a patient in General Hospital, St. Thomas.

Congratulations were received from The Queen, the Prime Minister, members of parliament and many friends.

Their five children were home for the anniversary. They are: Mrs. R.A. (Mildred) Downie of Wingham; Mrs. G.A. (Eileen) McKee and Mrs. J.E. (Marjorie) Hart, both of Windsor, Mrs. Douglas (Gladys) McMurchy of Crinan and son Archie, also of Crinan. The celebrants have 15 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren.

February 8, 1965.