

Chatham where he stayed until his retirement  
5 years ago.

But we think the most important thing that  
Dad gave us was his love to his family. He was  
a great husband to his wife Peg who he married  
48 years ago. He always told me that she was his  
strength and yet I saw the strength go both  
ways between them.

He was a great father. He always took time for  
us and when you talked to him we knew we  
had his undivided attention. He never told us what  
to do as we were growing up. He just steered us  
into the direction until we could see the right thing  
to do.

He was a great grandfather. He took each of his  
5 grandchildren and found out their interests and  
then nurtured it and took interest in it. Whether  
it was 4-H for 2 of his granddaughters or music for  
the other 2 granddaughters or flying for his grandson.  
He was there to experience all of it with them.

What can we say about a man who is all  
this and yet so much more? We guess just this  
we loved him with all our hearts and we will  
miss him greatly.

## My Most Unforgettable Character

(By Clifford M. Keillor, M.D., 293 MacLaren St., Ottawa)

She had been organist and choir leader in the village church for over fifty years. Resolute and faithful as ever, she was at her post on a Sunday, when during the long prayer, the usual tranquillity of the service was disturbed by a discordant note from the organ. Unobserved, her frail body had reclined on the keyboard and Emma Lyons Graham was dead.

Here was unexpected drama at its best, and while never one to seek the limelight, the manner of her passing, I am sure, fulfilled her fondest hopes.

Apart from her leadership in the musical activities of the church, she had taught the members of the kindergarten Sunday School class, and later, she conducted a class for boys. It was, and ever will be, a joy for me to recall that I had been a member, and in later years, one of the choir.

Emma Lyons was married late in life to Duncan Graham. Unhappily, a cruel arthritis terminated an all too brief but joyous union. Side by side they now sleep in old St. Peter's Cemetery on the north shore of Lake Erie.

While Emma had not been blessed with offspring of her own, and more is the pity, she possessed an almost divine devotion for the young folk of the parish. Days and weeks would she dedicate to the training of the young 'uns and oldsters too for the Yuletide church concert; an annual event greatly anticipated by all the villagers.

## WALLACETOWN LOSES ITS GRAND OLD LADY

Mrs. Ada Keillor, in 84th Year, Removed by Death

Mrs. Ada Green Keillor, grand old lady of Wallacetown who is the mother of three of Canada's prominent doctors, passed away Thursday morning at the residence of her son, Stanley E. Keillor, Wallacetown, in her 84th year. She was the widow of Alvro Keillor, well-known resident of Wallacetown for many years, and spent her childhood in the Tyrconnell district. Mrs. Keillor's death removes one of West Elgin's oldest and most liked residents, one of the last remaining links with the district's pioneer past. The mother of four sons who fought in the last Great War, one of whom paid the supreme sacrifice, Mrs. Keillor at past eighty has been one of Wallacetown's most enthusiastic war workers in the present conflict. Her busy fingers had not lost the knack of using knitting needles and she was a constant knitter for the Red Cross, averaging during the first two years of the war more than ten pairs of completed socks a month.

Surviving her are two daughters, Mrs. Ermyrn Lucas, Wallaceown, and Mrs. Harold Robson, Ilderton five sons, Dr. B. F. Keillor, Vancouver; Dr. F. A. Keillor, Edmonton; Dr. Clifford M. Keillor, on active service at Ottawa; Glen A. Keillor, Detroit, and Stanley E. Keillor, Wallacetown. Also surviving is a sister, Mrs. Dora Page, Dunwich. Mr. Keillor passed away some years ago, shortly after he and Mrs. Keillor celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

The remains are at rest at the residence of her son at Wallacetown, where the funeral service will be held on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Interment will be in the United Church Cemetery at Tyrconnell.

## Funeral

MRS. MARGARET LIDSTER

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Lidster, whose death occurred in St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on October 4th, was held at the Cyril J. Beill Funeral Home on Wednesday, October 6th. Interment was in St. Peter's Cemetery, Tyrconnell. Rev. J. W. Shaver, Wallacetown United Church, conducted the service, assisted by Rev. Hill Hamilton, retired United Church minister. Morley Page sang a solo "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," and was accompanied on the organ by Mrs. Mildred McNeil. Pallbearers were James Lidster, John Lidster, Noel Lidster, Reginald Green and Arnold Lindsay. Flower bearers were Stanley Lidster, William Lidster, Alistair Littlejohn, John S. Pearce.

Relatives and friends attended from Port Stanley, St. Thomas, Fingal, Bothwell, Wheatley, Leamington, London, Simcoe, Wallaceburg and the surrounding district.

## WILL PAY TRIBUTE TO REV. DR. MACDONALD

Body to Lie in Church for Three Hours on Tuesday

WALLACETOWN, August 16 (Special).—The people of Wallacetown district, together with the ministers of Elgin Presbytery and other clergymen, the Masonic Order and the War Veterans will honor Rev. Dr. Isaac H. MacDonald, pastor of the United Church at Wallacetown, and padre in the World War, who died Saturday at his home here.

At 10.30 o'clock, it is announced, the body of Dr. MacDonald will be taken from his home to the church next door and there lie in state until 1.30 o'clock, when the public service will be held. This service will be in charge of the Elgin Presbytery of the United Church. Rev. Waldemar Williams, of Sarnia, president of the London Conference, will deliver the message; Rev. W. R. McIntash, of London, will pay tribute, and other ministers will participate.

The Masonic service will be in charge of Rev. Chas. L. Langford, of Dutton while the members of the West Lorne Branch of the Legion, the West Elgin Branch, will take charge for the war veterans.

The cortege will leave later for New Hamburg, where interment will be made in Riverside cemetery.

## Elderly Farmer Dies Under Heavy Tractor

An act of kindness cost an elderly Port Talbot farmer his life Thursday afternoon.

Herbert Whalls, 72, died pinned under a huge 9,000 pound tractor while on his way to pull a stalled car out of a mud trap.

Mr. Whalls had driven from his farm near Port Talbot to the farm of his brother, Arthur, to help pull out the jammed car of Kenneth Murphy, staff forester of the Department of Lands and Forests, Aylmer.

As Mr. Whalls drove the tractor over a flimsy, home-made bridge, two poles supporting the plank top broke and tipped the tractor into a shallow creek bed. Mr. Whalls was pinned under the tractor and died almost immediately.

It took two other tractors to pull the big farm vehicle away so Mr. Whalls body could be freed.

Arthur Whalls, who had called in his brother, rode with Herbert on the tractor down a gulley at the rear of Arthur's farm.

Both men climbed down from the tractor to inspect the bridge. After deciding the bridge would hold, Herbert climbed aboard and started across.

As soon as the front wheels touched the bridge, it broke. The creek bed, six feet deep, contained only a little water.

Dr. D. A. Duncanson, Dutton coroner, pronounced Mr. Whalls dead.

O.P.P. Constable Len Doolittle, Dutton, investigated. It has not been decided whether an inquest will be held.

The Whalls family is a pioneer family in the Port Talbot district. Mr. Whalls farmed in the area for 46 years and was well known and highly regarded.

He is survived by his wife, the former Mabel Timewell; one son, Orva, at home; brothers Arthur, Dunwich; Frank, Rodney, Gordon, Iona Station, Percy, Iona, and



HERBERT WHALLS

Henry, Shedden; and sisters Mrs. Harry Hales, Detroit, and Mrs. John Sloan, Dunwich.

The remains are resting at the P. R. Williams and Son funeral home where the funeral service at three p.m. Monday will be conducted by Rev. S. W. Hirtle, of the Fingal Presbyterian Church. Interment will be made in Fingal Cemetery.

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## Mrs. Dora (Green) Page Was Active Tyrconnell Resident

A lifelong and highly regarded resident of the Tyrconnell district passed away at the Bobier Home on Monday in the person of Mrs. Dora Page. She would have been 90 years of age on April 18th.

Mrs. Page was born at Tyrconnell, the daughter of the late Benjamin Green and Ann Eden, pioneers of that district. She resided there until five years ago when she came to Dutton to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Edna McKillop, spending the winters with her other daughter, Mrs. Harry Letzring, and Mr. Letzring, Dearborn, Mich.

A gifted musician, Mrs. Page was organist of the old Methodist Church at Tyrconnell when only 12 years old and served for several years. Later, she joined Wallacetown United Church, where she was a valued member of the choir as well as taking an active part in W.A. and W.M.S. work. She retained a love for music throughout her life and played the piano up

until two weeks ago. Moreover, she instilled this appreciation of music in her family.

Before the telephone came to Tyrconnell, there was telegraph service between that place and St. Thomas and the operator was Mrs. Page. In addition, she was a faithful correspondent of The Advance for more than 30 years.

Mrs. Page's husband, the late Jonas A. Page predeceased her in 1939, as did a son, Herman, in 1946. Surviving besides her daughters, Mrs. McKillop and Mrs. Letzring, are a son, Morley Page, Tyrconnell; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Herman Page, resides on the Page homestead at Tyrconnell.

Resting at the Cyril J. Beill Funeral Home until Thursday at 1 p.m. when removal will be made to Wallacetown United Church. The casket will be open from 1:30 until 2:30, the time of the service. Rev. C. E. Beacom will have charge, assisted by Rev. Hill Hamilton. Interment will be in the United Church Cemetery, Tyrconnell.

# Mrs. Elizabeth Watkins <sup>1960</sup> Dies in Her 100th Year

The death of Mrs. Elizabeth (Pearse) Watkins, longtime resident of St. Thomas and for many years before that of Port Talbot where she and her second husband, the late James Watkins, operated the Talbot Estate farm, died in her 100th year on Wed-



**MRS. ELIZABETH WATKINS**

nesday morning in Brockville General Hospital.

Mrs. Watkins left St. Thomas in June, 1959 to live with her grand-daughter, Mrs. Herbert (Thelma) Dewar at Lyn, near Brockville, and had been ill only a short time. She celebrated her 99th birthday there on June 14, having been born in Delaware, Ont., in 1861, a daughter of early residents of that community, George and Margaret (Pincombe) Pearse.

Apart from her pride in having helped to run the historic homestead of Colonel Thomas Talbot, founder of the Talbot Settlement, for 35 years, Mrs. Watkins was

proud of having had a part with her husband in having telephone service brought to the Wallace-town-Port Talbot district when the telephone was regarded as a new-fangled frill. She was also able to boast that it was Mr. Watkins who brought the first herd of Herefords into Elgin County. For years they kept at last 100 head of these white-faced beef cattle at Port Talbot, and their herd sire won fame across Canada. On the estate farm they also kept a flock of more than 150 sheep and some 200 hogs. Mr. Watkins died in 1924.

Mrs. Watkins' first husband was John Piper, who died many years ago. They had one son, George F. Piper, of Boyne city, Mich., who survives. Besides her grand-daughter in Lynn, she leaves two other grandchildren, Mrs. Michael (Aleen) Gentile Rochester, N. Y., and John Edward Piper, Concord, Calif.; a niece in St. Thomas, Miss Emily Evans, 13 McIntyre street; also five great grandchildren and seven great great grandchildren.

Coming to St. Thomas in 1925, Mrs. Watkins resided at 173 Manitoba street for many years. For a few years before going to Lyn in June, she lived with Mrs. W. Knowles, 208 Balaclava street. She was a strong member of Edward Street Baptist Church and belonged to the Ladies' Aid and the Missionary Society. As a younger woman, she was active in Sunday School work.

The remains will arrive in St. Thomas on Thursday morning and will rest at the Towers funeral home until Saturday when the funeral service will be conducted at two p.m. by Rev. Charles Saunders, of Edward Street Baptist Church, and Rev. G. W. Sherman of Sparta, retired baptist minister there. Interment will be made in St. Stephen's Cemetery, Burwell's Corners.

# George W. Lunn <sup>1967</sup> Spent Lifetime in Wallacetown Area

A lifelong resident of Wallace-town district, George W. Lunn, passed away Thursday, December 28th, at St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital. He was in his 89th year.

Mr. Lunn was born in Dunwich Township, the son of the late Walter Lunn and Pauline (Sloan) Lunn. He farmed on the 11th Concession of Dunwich where he was born until 11 years ago when he retired to live in Wallacetown. Mr. Lunn was a member of the session of Wallacetown United Church.

One daughter, Mrs. Freeman (Thelma) Parker, died in 1945. He was predeceased by one brother and a sister.

He is survived by his wife, the former Isabelle Small, at home; one daughter, Mrs. Norman (Marion) Martin, St. Thomas; one son, Herb, of Fingal; two sisters, Mrs. Jennie Shone, St. Thomas, and Mrs. Nellie Claus, London; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Rev. Murray Barnet of Wallace-town United Church conducted the service at the Cyril J. Beill Funeral Home on Saturday afternoon. Interment was in Tyrconnell Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Harold Holland, Victor Betts, George McArthur, Owen Hooley, Harry Bradt and Harold Green. Interment was in Tyrconnell Cemetery. Relatives and friends attended from St. Thomas, London, Springfield, Port Stanley, Shedden and the surrounding district.

## FUNERAL OF MRS. D. W. GRAHAM

Funeral service for the late Mrs. D. W. Graham, whose sudden passing occurred on Sunday, May 16th, was held in the Wallacetown United Church when many were present to pay their last respects to a highly esteemed lady. Relatives and friends were present from Edmonton, Detroit, London, St. Thomas, Ingersoll, Dunnville, Romeo, Mich., Ridgetown, Rodney, West Lorne, Glencoe, Strathroy, Port Stanley and the surrounding district. Numerous beautiful floral tributes banked and surrounded the casket. The service was conducted by Rev. Hill Hamilton, assisted by the choir of the church, with Mrs. Norman Welch at the organ.

The pallbearers were James Campbell, Frank Campbell, William Patterson, Alex. McArthur, Bert Braddon and Stuart Pearce. The flower bearers were Earl Shipley, Jack Ripley, Laurence Holland, Raymond Braddon, Wallace Lyons, Douglas Lyons, Cecil Campbell, Gordon Campbell, Kenneth Welch and Ivan Patterson. Interment was made in St. Peter's Cemetery, Tyrconnell. <sup>1948</sup>

## MRS. MILDRED LACKEY

The funeral of Mrs. Mildred Lackey, who passed away in Memorial Hospital last Tuesday evening, was held from the residence, Lake road, Dunwich, to the Wallacetown United Church, where a public service was held on Friday afternoon. A very large gathering was present to pay their last respects. Relatives and friends were present from Essex, Thamesford, Hamilton, London, St. Thomas, Melbourne, Port Stanley, Fingal, Frome, West Lorne, as well as surrounding districts. Many lovely floral tributes banked and surrounded the casket. The service was in charge of Rev. Hill Hamilton, of Wallacetown United Church, assisted by the choir, with Mrs. Norman Welch at the organ. The pallbearers were James Halpin, Harold Holland, Harold Lunn, Clarence Small, Jack Bobier and Clarence Bobier. The flower bearers were Herbert Lunn, Raymond Lunn, Alex Lackey, Earl Shipley, Allen Ford and Harry Bradt. Interment was made in the family plot in the United Church Cemetery at Tyrconnell.

## Mrs. Lloyd Lackey <sup>1944</sup> Passes in Her 40th Year

Residents of Port Talbot district were saddened on Tuesday at word of the passing in Memorial Hospital, St. Thomas, of Mrs. Lloyd Lackey, after a two weeks' illness. Mrs. Lackey, who was in her 40th year, was formerly Mildred Lunn, daughter of the late James and Elizabeth Lunn, former residents of Dunwich and Dutton, and was born at Port Talbot. She was a member of Wallacetown United Church and was very active as a member of Group No. 1, Dunwich, Red Cross unit. Besides her husband, she leaves to mourn four sons, Donald, Kenneth, Clair and George; also two brothers, Cessford and Gordon Lunn, of Fingal.

The funeral will be held on Friday with a short service at her home on the lake road, followed by a regular service at Wallacetown United Church at 2:30 p.m. Rev. Hill Hamilton, of Wallacetown, will have charge of the services.

Four Generations of One Family

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**FOUR GENERATIONS** of Dunwich people are represented in this photograph, taken at a recent reunion. Left to right are Mrs. Tena Marshman, Iona Station, born Tena Tolman in Dunwich, 87 years ago; her granddaughter, Mrs. Raymond Lunn, Wallacetown; her daughter, Mrs. John Rowe, Iona Station; and seated on Mrs. Rowe's lap, Ross Carl Lunn, aged 18 months, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lunn. Mrs. Marshman has lived virtually her entire life in Dunwich Township, her memory going back to her childhood and girlhood when much of the township was still undeveloped and in virgin forest. Mr. Marshman died about ten years ago.



**FIVE GENERATIONS** - Mrs. Lillian Cameron, seated on the right holding her great great granddaughter, Monique Elaine Lunn, can be very proud of this picture of five generations. Seated on the left is Mrs. Cameron's daughter Mrs. Ruby Lunn, standing, on the left is her grandson Raymond Lunn and her great grandson Ross Lunn. Mrs. Cameron celebrated her 95th birthday the latter part of March and is a resident of the Bobier Home.

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