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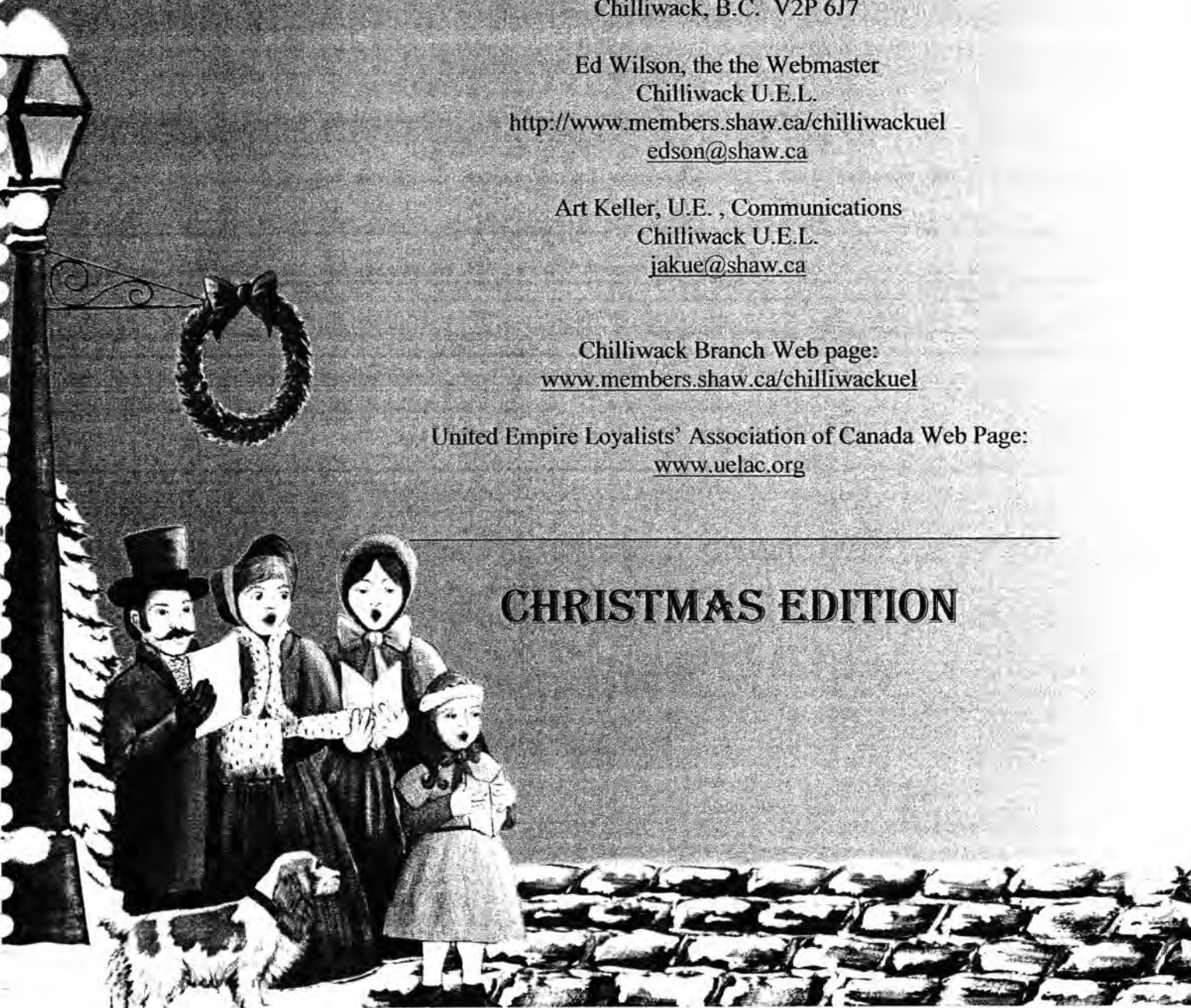
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CHRISTMAS EDITION





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The President's Message

Do You Hear What I Hear?

Our Christmas theme, "Ring Out For Heritage", suggested by Lois Dickinson, is a great idea!

What "I Hear", and know, is that we have an organization, the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada, of which we are all proud to be a part. Yes, each and every one of you is an important member!

Speaking of members, remember our challenge to obtain 100 members for our Chilliwack Branch. It is that time again for membership renewals. Let's reach our goal this time as we only have a few more to go.

It behoves us all to ring out, loudly and clearly, the amazing stories of our ancestors. How can we repay them for sacrificing so much to give us this wonderful legacy, our country, Canada, in which we are privileged to live? We can honour them, and remember them, by sharing our passion for our histories to family and friends.

Searching for documentation of our lineage is an exciting treasure hunt! The bells really do ring when we discover those elusive proofs!

Ponder all the "bells" in your life that have called you; to school, to dinner, to service, to the door, to the telephone, to church. Think of all the times you have been; saved by the bell, warned by the bell, or cheered by the bell!

To all of you, may the season's bells ring out a Merry Christmas, and may the New Year ring in a Happy and Healthy 2003!

Loyally,
Shirley Dargatz U.E.
President

Bells in our Lives

Christmas Bells

RING OUT FOR HERITAGE

This phrase will be the theme for our Christmas luncheon, Sunday December 8th 2002 at Clarks

Family restaurant, 46296 Yale road, (at Williams), Chilliwack, BC.

Our program and decorations will feature the Bells of Christmas. There will also be other bells of various kinds including some historic bells from family collections. Our education focus will highlight the importance of bells in our lives as reported in this edition of Link-up.

The origin of our theme

The bell theme came to mind as we thought of the bells collected by Belle Hall whose name came from her grandmother, Belle Farley Rogers of Bristol, New Brunswick. Belle Hall, who always enjoyed her name, was born in Chilliwack, the daughter of Lizzie (nee Rogers) and Wallace Dickinson.

In 1945 she married Harold Hall of Forest, Ontario where the couple lived until retiring in Chilliwack in 1970.

With her sister Lois, daughter Maribel Roos (Mrs. Hans Roos), and grandson Scott Roos, then age 6; she attended Vancouver Branch's Christmas Tea in 1979, the family's first contact with present day U.E.L.

Great plans were made for obtaining certificates but Mrs. Hall died suddenly in February 1980 before this could be realized.

The family history is now well established and the Mary Gregory glass bells displayed today are from her collection continued by Maribel Roos, U.E.

The late Eva Shuler, U.E. of Vancouver Branch was Eva Belle Rogers, also named for her grandmother. Melinda Hall Pearson of Forest, Ontario is also a family history researcher.

Belle Hall was president of the Chilliwack Museum and Historical Society, 1979 - 80, when negotiations were first begun for Chilliwack's historic City Hall to become the museum.

We had some fun working out our Christmas Program - 'bells?' they said, "what about Dumbbells, Southern Belles, the Bell of the Ball and Belling the Cat - but the above article is the real origin of the bell theme.

A Ringing Welcome

Best wishes today and a great chiming of our bells for today's special guest, Myrna Fox, U.E., President of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada. Myrna, whose home is in Toronto, has had a busy time in B.C. – but retains her enthusiasm and we look forward to meeting with her.



Singing Bells

Bells In Our Carols

Jingle Bells

One of the most familiar of all secular carols. It was composed in 1857, 145 years ago, for a Sunday School Concert in Boston, Mass. By J. Pierpoint.

Silver Bells

This lovely song made popular by Bing Crosby, first appeared in 1951 in the Lemon Drop Kid starring Bob Hope.

Sleigh Bell Serenade

Paul Francis Webster and Sonny Burke wrote this 1952 hit for Bing Crosby.

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote these words at the time of the American Civil (1863) War and they're still appropriate this Christmas.

Ring Those Bells

A newer carol emphasizes the Christmas story "Come on ring those bells, everybody sing. Jesus, we remember it's your birthday."

A Christmas Parody

And then there's this bit of whimsy first presented today by the "U.E.-YELLERS".

*Ring, ring, ring your bell – heritage to tell.
Ding-dong, ding dong – ring for U.E.L.*

Have fun as we sing this round to the tune of 'Row, Row, Row your Boat'.

Bells in our Midst

A Ringing Church Bell

As a young lad, Art Keller U.E. was responsible for ringing the bell at Rosedale United Church. This was a privilege he assumed shortly after he came to Chilliwack from Alberta with his parents Ross and Hazel Keller in 1936.

Art has happy memories of pulling the bell rope even though he was told that if it ever acted strangely he was to run because the bell might be about to fall down.

Others who have been associated with Rosedale United Church are Laura Merson U.E., the Munros and Ryders, and Gladys Van Baaren who taught Sunday school for 23 years.

Art was in the Navy when the grand bell rang again with a tremendous message on May 8th 1945. Fred Bryant ran to the church and sounded a triumphant clamour of bells "The War is over". Fred is a fine supporter of history and always interested in our activities. His father came from England in 1907.

This Christmas, drive by the landmark white church in the centre of Rosedale and imagine that bell ringing of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men".

A Bell Tour

Birch Van Horne U.E., can tell you all about another historic bell. It's the bell in a special box outside St. Thomas Church on First Ave. Royal Engineers constructed the original church at Port Douglas at the head of Harrison Lake.

A Christmas Bell

One of our members remembers tinkling bells on Christmas Eve. That's when Santa Claus decorated the Christmas tree. The little girl listened from her upstairs bedroom for the bell sound to come through the stovepipe hole. When the bells rang, she smiled and went back to sleep. Imagine that the bell was Santa's signal there would be presents in the morning. Now the family Christmas tree always has at least one bell (some of them very old).

An Antique Bell

It's a Colonial dame school teacher, made of bisque. It's only been discovered recently that the Colonial Lady with a clapper inside may well be an antique bell, pre 1900.

It belonged to a little girl in New Brunswick whose grandfather made periodic visits to his family in California. He always took a gift to one of his grandchildren. This time, about 1903, he took the Colonial Lady from the little New Brunswick girl who cried at the loss of her "Blue Lady". Many years later (about 1932) the California cousin who had received the ornament returned it to her cousin then resident in Chilliwack BC for "your little girl". And it's been a cherished family antique ever since.



A Bell Namesake

Bell Road, in Chilliwack's Fairfield Island area, is named for George Bell who came here in the spring of 1873 from Ireland.

He had served on Oriental mail steamers to Mediterranean ports, then to New Orleans, Japan and in the U.S. Navy. He had been in the Australian gold fields and came to Chilliwack via San Francisco and then canoe from New Westminster. *(From an article by Chilliwack Archivist Kelly Harms, Chilliwack Progress Jan 21, 2001)*

BELL PEOPLE

An Inventive Bell

Did you know that Alexander Graham Bell, (1847-1922) while born in Scotland, had in later life, a U.E.L. link?

His father's second wife was a descendant of Loyalist Abraham Wartman. Abraham had been born in Europe but had settled in Pennsylvania where he joined Butler's Rangers in 1777. He was extremely loyal but age was against him and he accepted an early discharge. Prior to that his family had suffered greatly with the confiscation of property and stock.

Wartman descendants whom we know are Harriet Jeffrey whom we believe was on tour here in 1994 and Sharon Cadieux, Kingstson. *(From notes copied from a former Gazette seen at Art Keller's).*

A Genealogical Bell

He was a man ahead of his time, but thanks to him, many early Maritimers in BC were encouraged to record their family trees and to search out their U.E.L. history.

That man was Wallace Bell (Edwin Wallace Bell). Mr. Bell was born at Bristol, New Brunswick 20th April 1868 and died at Vancouver, BC November 10th 1961, age 93. He and his brother, Dr. Dudley Bell (1863-1941), hunted gold in the Klondike and eventually settled in Vancouver where Dudley Bell was a pioneer doctor in Vancouver heights.

In 1932 the brothers were charter members of the Vancouver Branch of the UELAC. They also enjoyed the yearly Maritime Province Club picnics. Wallace Bell developed his interest in genealogy by researching and writing the story of Israel Kenny and his descendants that is still a much consulted

book and was recently indexed by George Hayward of the New Brunswick Genealogical Society. He traces the Kenneys from Massachusetts to New Brunswick and lists associated families including Cram, Foster, Hovey, Kimball, Shaw, Churchill and Boyer. It is likely that he claims U.E.L. ancestry through the Tompkins. He also tells how his Bell ancestor, William Bell (Janet Creighton), came to America circa 1815 from Scotland.

When Wallace Bell died, his material was donated to the New Brunswick Archives and is now known as the Bell Papers – still much appreciated by researchers from coast to coast.

One of Wallace's cousins, Charlie Bell, lived in Chilliwack in a house at the corner of Yale and Annis Roads, which became the Melody Café and later The Landsman.

One of our members well remembers E.W. Bell. It was the first Golden Wedding Anniversary the young Loyalist ever attended and the gold nuggets presented to Charlie and Susie Biggar Bell were just awesome

Christmas Greetings



While in Ontario, our Link-up editor visited Marj Bessey, an honorary associate member of our branch, now resident in Guelph. Marj sends greetings and thank you-s for the cards she received on her 80th birthday. It was a great party (originally planned by Bob), with friends and relatives coming from far and near. Bob would have loved it. He is still much missed and it was very nostalgic to read the cards and e-mails received at the time of his passing. They were an incredible number and a tremendous tribute to the genealogical help he had given to so many and the friendships that had resulted.

Marj now lives in a senior's apartment across from a beautiful park and next door to an impressive seniors centre (would that we had one like it). Marj hopes to visit and see everyone next summer. Guelph, where the Besseys' had lived for 5 years, is part of the Grand River Branch. It has many historic places of interest including the John McCrae House.

A bit of Humor

- A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in 'Linoleum Blownapart'¹.
- He had a photographic memory – that was never developed.

From the News Letter, The Sentinel, at Marj's seniors centre (Guelph/Wellington Seniors' Centre).

BRANCH LINKS

Congratulatory Bells

The Queen's Jubilee Medal

Today we honour Associate Member Jan Ouellet, our long serving Social Convenor, who has just been awarded a Queen's Jubilee Medal in response to a nomination and citation submitted by her fellow workers.

Lieut Governor Iona Campagnolo presented the medal recently.

Anniversary Bells

Victoria Branch is celebrating its 75th Anniversary.

Remembrance Day



For 6 years now we have been presenting a Poppy Wreath at the Chilliwack Cenotaph. It's a very moving moment when our representatives step forward and place the wreath. We're reminded of family members, people we knew and the years that have gone by – and then there's the sense of U.E.L. history and participation in the defence of Canada back to 1812.

This year was no exception. We felt proud as Jerry Brown, U.E., ex R.C.A.F., and Paul Rogers, U.E., Tricorn hats at the right angle, stepped up to the memorial. As someone said "They looked so distinguished". For Paul it was very special – his first Remembrance Day Service (he's always been at work), and this added significance, he wa:

¹ You may have to think hard about this one – I did! - WM

honouring the uncles he never knew – P.O. Paul Rogers, R.C.A.F. (for whom he is named), lost on a night training flight out of Halifax after completion of overseas tours; and Barney Rogers, R.C.A.F. (for whom his brother is named), shot down over the Irish Coast shortly after returning from a mission. Paul's father, the late Gifford Rogers, was with the first Canadian contingent and was overseas by Christmas 1939 and Paul's mother (nee Ada Lloyd), was an English war bride.

Paul can remember as a tiny child coming to Canada and his wee brother in his mothers' arms.

Two other brothers of Paul's father also served in the war – Eddie Rogers of the Saint John Fusiliers and Frank Rogers, R.C.A.F.. Frank, now Frank Rogers U.E. of Kawartha Branch, visits schools at Remembrance Day time.

And so November 11th has extra meaning because of our wreath. Other who have made presentations include Sarah Cramer, U.E., the younger members of the Thornton family (honouring their cousin George Green, R.C.A.F.), Tyler Perrie, U.E., and Curtis Perrie, U.E., and Justin Perrie, U.E., with heir mother Deleine Perrie, U.E., and their grandfather Jerry Brown, U.E., Barb Wilson, U.E., along with grandchildren Rusty, A.J., Ryan and Cody.

Let the Tradition Continue

Young Bell Ringers

Rusty Wilson certainly rings a bell with us. She's been a faithful young attendee and helper at meetings and other functions for several years now. She's just turned 13 and it's time for a brief biography. So you may look forward to this in a future issue.



Did you know that Rusty's "Nana" (Barb Wilson U.E.) used to live in one of the "Historical" old Shelburne buildings? – Ask her about it sometime and learn which one it is.

Book of the Month

Historical Shelburne – 1870-1950

By Sarah Acker and Lewis Jackson, Nimbus Publishing (with Shelburne City Museum), Shelburne, NS, 2001. ISBN 1-55109-356-1. (Pages of our past).

This wonderful little book contains 139 pages each with a splendid picture that continues the story of Shelburne (then Port Roseway), where the Loyalists landed on May 4th 1783. For those of us who have visited Shelburne at U.E.L. Conventions in 1983 and 1986, it's like coming home. For others it will be as if you've also been there. The sections include Streetscapes, Historic houses, Public buildings, Businesses and Industry, Ships, Boats and Yachts, Special Events, Sports and Leisure, Shelburne at War and Shelburne People.

The authors, both well-qualified researchers and educators, have given us a very special brief history of Shelburne. They dedicated it to "Those who persevered" and in the introduction they express their hope that the pictures "will invite us to study, provoke us to think, challenge us to remember and encourage us to take pride in the achievements of the past".

They have accomplished these aims – and may we now apply the same aims as we continue to make UEL known.

Look for this book at the Chilliwack Library, call number 971.625 ACK. It was an unexpected and most enjoyable find. It deserves a full bell salute.



Shelburne Museum – photo by Ed Wilson

The Dinner Bell

U.E.L. Christmas

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APPLES, BEANS, BEETS, BIBLE, CANDLES, CARROTS,
 CARVING, CINNAMON, COLLECTING, CORN, CRAFTS,
 CRANBERRIES, EVERGREENS, FIRE, FISH, FLOUR,
 MAPLE, MOLASSES, NUTS, ONIONS, PLUM, POTATOES,
 PUDDING, QUILTING, RELIGIOUS, SALTPORK, SQUASH,
 SUGAR, SYRUP, TURNIPS.

Hidden message:

From 'Celebrating our Loyalist Past' by Grietje McBride, U.E. and Robert McBride, U.E., Kawartha Branch

Birthday/Anniversary Bells

Birthday Greetings for December and January

Dec 7 – Hans Roos, Dec 11 – Ruth Thomson, Dec 12 – Jacqueline Kennedy, U.E., Dec 13 – Vera Webb, U.E., Dec 28 – Art Keller, U.E., Evelyn Mitchell, U.E., Dec 29 – Joan Vogstad, Agassiz Museum (Wm. Urquhart).

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Birch Van Horne, U.E., and Mary Van Horne, U.E., Dec 29.

CONGRATULATIONS to Vancouver Branch President, Doug Jackson and his wife Marge who recently celebrated their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary!

Jan 1- Gloria Dawson, Jan 3 – Fred Walters, Jan 6 – Denis Boyd, Jan 10 – Al Dawson, U.E., Jan 13 – Doreen Todhunter, U.E., Jan 16 – Ruby Wagar, Jan 24 – Alice Marwood, Jan 27 – Cecil Ashley, U.E., Laura Merson, U.E., Jan 30 – Barb Wilson, U.E.

Editors note – Dick Merson and Bob Armstrong, U.E. whom we still miss, also had December Birthdays.

Appreciations

To:

- Clark, our host today who opened especially for us when his increasingly popular restaurant is normally closed on Sundays.
- The Wilsons who once again have made us special Christmas Crackers.
- Fern Owen and others who have loaned us bells for this occasion. The musical bells as you entered belong to Doreen Todhunter, U.E., C.M.H.
- Ivy Trumpour, editor of Edmonton Branch's newsletter Northern Lights, for her message about making and enjoying Anadama Bread from the recipe on our web page.
- Bob McBride, U.E., President and editor of Kawartha Branch's newsletter for once again acknowledging our last years Christmas research "Christmas in Loyalist Times" from a Family Herald provided by Marian Reid, U.E. – Thanks Marian. This year Edmonton will be using it.
- Robyn Duncan of Abbotsford, granddaughter to Fred and Cleo Walters, U.E. who assisted with serving at our Anniversary meeting. We hope to see you

again Robyn and would appreciate some more news of you.

- To Irving Reid U.E. and Alan Reid U.E. for their help at our Anniversary meeting.
- Jim Braid, Terrace BC, for so promptly returning his application.

Quiz of the Month

Answers to October Quiz

1. Charter date: October 18 1990
2. 1st certificate: Mildred Hall U.E., April 1991
3. Youngest member: Morgan Todhunter, U.E., age 8 on November 18th and three grandchildren of Wolfgang and Judy Scholz, U.E.
4. 11 certificates: Andrew Webb, U.E.
5. 20 possible certificates: Lois Dickinson, U.E., C.M.H.
6. Senior Member: Gladys Van Baaren.
7. Vancouver Presidents: Doreen Todhunter, U.E., C.M.H. and Vona Smith, U.E.
8. 1st Honorary Associate Member: Bette Keller
9. 1994 event: Welcome Dinner for National Convention.
10. Our family branch: Thompson – Okanagan 1995

11. Mary Van Horne (Michael Carman)
 12. Family with most certificates: John
 Thornton, James Brown.

New Question

What important event in Canadian History was discussed in England December 24th 1866?

Publicity Bells

Jean Brown creates positive publicity for us. The following was published in the Chilliwack Progress, October 27th 2002 in the Weekend/ Penny for your thoughts column:

As the Chilliwack Branch of the "United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada" is celebrating their Twelfth Anniversary of their charter presentation in 2002, I revised the words to a well-known song from "Sound of Music", sung by Julie Andrews in the much-loved movie. This "revised version" reflects how the spouse of a Loyalist looking for their roots might think of the quest for proofs. I might add that without the dedication of Mildred (Evans) Hall UE, a local historian, the proofs would have remained lost in time. As it happened, after six years of research, all proofs required were found, and Jerry Brown may now sign his name Jerry Wm. Brown UE.

Genealogy is the fastest growing hobby in North America, and many readers may find this poem parallels their own search. Sing along with Jean M. Brown

**"These are a few of our favourite things"
 from "Sound of Music" or:**

Looking for Loyalist ancestors

(Apologies to "Sound of Music" and Julie Andrews)

Grandfathers, relatives, his and her peoples.
 Instead of nightclubs, we look at church steeples.

We pour over words hoping they have a gist,
 helping confirm that he is Loyalist.

Anecdotes, narratives, birth dates and places.
 Faded dull pictures of old family faces.
 Where do we fit in this forgotten scene?
 Are they all real, or are we in a dream?

Battlegrounds, monuments, tombstones galore.
 We stop for cemeteries and for much more.
 They may be sleeping, but we search around.
 Ancestors may be entombed in this ground.

When the hands ache, when the pens break, when
 the eyes grow dim,
 Then we remember the great lives they've had, and
 then we don't feel so bad.

Wrist pains, enthused brains, and great hopes of
 winnin'.
 Knowing more now, than we did just beginnin'.
 Brown wrinkled packages tied up with strings.
 Proofs may be hiding in some of these things.

Yellowing pages and family heirlooms.
 Telling what history books call "bust or boom".
 Unity, industry, battlefield ground –
 Is this a proof that we may have just found?

Farmers and soldiers, and pioneers too.
 Were given honours for what they did do.
 They made their descendants of Canada proud.
 Their praises we sing, and we sing it out loud.

When your shoes leak, when your bones creak,
 when you're feeling sad!
 If you find proofs of the Loyalists' life, then you
 won't feel so bad.

THEN WE REMEMBER THE GREAT LIFE
 WE'VE HAD AND THEN WE DON'T FEEL SO
 BAAAD.



Town Crier

News Links

Imagine a Town Crier ringing his Bell for each bit of news below:

- Speaking engagements – Branch outreach has included Shirley's talk to the Mayflower Society in Langley where she listed some parallels between Pilgrims and Loyalists, some Pilgrim descendants, such as Winslow's' who became Loyalists'; and suggested that we list our Mayflower Ancestors.
- Lois spoke to Vancouver Branch on the Topic of Vancouver Street names with Loyalist significance – a highlight of which is Miller Street who amongst other duties was first postmaster and now the second great grandfather of Brenda Patterson, our museum's Education Officer; – Vancouver President, Doug Jackson distributed their new newsletter The Pacific Loyalist – Planning to attend Victoria's 75th Anniversary luncheon were Shirley, Jan, Margaret Strocel, Lois and Cleo. We have received excellent support from that branch and are happy to know that Maralynn Keller Wilkinson, daughter of Bette and Art Keller U.E. is part of their executive – Wes McDiarmid U.E. hopes to photograph cemetery stones, a project that will add to those from Cornwall and area which he already has online – Mildred and Lois have been consultants for some historic research assigned by Doug Nicol (tour leader 1994) with U.E.L. ancestry, Dept. Head of Geography at University College of Fraser Valley – Welcome back to Vera Webb U.E. who recently returned from a trip to New Brunswick. Best wishes to Gladys Van Baaren who has moved to Valley Haven – and Happy Holidays for J.D. Margetts U.E. who'll be home from U. of Alberta, more about him next issue, but look for the write-up in the Gazette. – Good travelling to Shirley Dumma who's now living in Merritt.

For the Record

Link-up/Gazette Corrections

1. We regret a mistake in last months Link-up: Bob Armstrong U.E. served in the Seaforth Highlanders not the R.C.A.F. as reported. Please correct papers accordingly. We contacted the Gazette but the correction arrived too late for this issue – thanks Bea for your gracious understanding.
2. The 1983 tour (as mentioned in the tribute to George Stanley), was led by Ethel and Stuart Gilmor U.E.
3. It's a wonderful edition (the Gazette), but Percy Deplissey's name is sometimes incorrect – note the spelling above. Maureen Margetts is also a U.E.

Condolences

Paul Clark U.E.

To Kawartha Branch who reported the death of their past President Paul Clark U.E. who passed away in July. Paul was Dominion President at the time of the BC Conference in 1994.

Thanks again

To our Charter Members who were acknowledged at our last meeting – the petitioners on whose request the branch was granted were (in alphabetical order) –

- George De Witt U.E. (deceased)
- Lois Dickinson U.E.
- Arthur Keller U.E.
- Maribel Roos U.E.
- Scott Roos U.E.
- Doreen Todhunter U.E.
- Linda Todhunter U.E.
- Ron Todhunter U.E.
- Andrew Webb U.E. (deceased)
- Vera Webb U.E.

Membership

Let the bells ring in a new record.

It's time for Annual Membership dues and Vera will be more than happy to receive yours.

Next Meeting

You'll be notified about the Heritage week meeting – usually held the 3rd week in February – this year possibly at a different historic place. Judy Scholz is inquiring on the availability of the location.

Bells we'd like to hear



Beamsville Baptist, Ontario – in honour of Jacob Beam, Doreen's U.E.L. ancestor.



The Hay Bay Church attended by William Casey, Mildred's U.E.L. ancestor.



St. George's Cathedral, Kingston, in memory of Rev. John Stuart.

The Urquharts Church, the old St. Andrews Church in Martintown Ont. [from Jacqueline Kennedy U.E.]; and finally the Baptist Church in Coldstream, New Brunswick

Query

Does anyone have information re U.E.L. William Stanford of Matilda Township? Married Catherine Medaugh.

Jean Stanford Mac Donald is inquiring

Conversation Piece

How many different kinds of bells and examples can your table name?

You never know, you might win a prize.

Ask Art Keller U.E. About his wartime connection to Shelburne NS – it's an interesting story of "Naval Intrigue".

Recent Certificates



Mary Hope U.E.



Mildred Dargatz U.E.



Vicki Gallinger U.E.

The Final Bell

A concert recitation, circa 1919, used for different generations over the years. "They thought I couldn't make a speech. I'm such a little tot. I'll show them whether I can do a thing - or two - or not?"

**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL –
AND TO ALL A GOOD NIGHT**