W. F. Cox

[27/01/1877-09/03/1963]

Register of Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals

edited by Claude E. Cox



W.F. Cox in a photo taken in Utica, NY. Centre-parted hair has given way to side part.



Newly married, with Ethel Chantler, also born in 1877. They were married on Feb. 14, 1900. Photo taken in Owen Sound. W. F. Cox attended Nashville Bible School in 1900.

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Preface

This valuable Register was transcribed on the occasion of the passing of Doreen Harding Cox Johnston on June 5th, 2012. Doreen was the last of the children of William John Flynn Cox and his wife Ethel Chantler Cox (Pauline, Austin, James ["Jim"], David, Claude) and their spouses (Alex [Fisher], Margaret, Ellen, Doris, Doreen, respectively). The Register includes the marriages of David Cox to Doris Smith, recorded twice (No. 8 [12] on p. 51; No. 16 [22] on p. 54); Jim to Ellen Wren McLean (No. 21 [27] on p. 56); Claude and Doreen ([No. 28] on p. 58); the baptisms, marriages, and funerals of various other family members, including grandchildren; and my own parents' marriage on June 22, 1946 (p. 58). The original copy of the Register is in the possession of Dave Cox (Jr.), grandson of W. F. Cox. The transcription was made from a photocopy that Dave permitted me to make some twenty or so years ago. This duplication is made with his permission.

The Register follows W. F.'s ministry in Hubbardsville, N.Y., Carman, MB, St. Catharines, Hamilton, ON and many places like Ice Lake where he "held meetings." Entries begin in 1908 and continue into the spring of 1957, when "uncle Will" was 80 years old. By that time his advanced years are reflected in his handwriting.

In the Register, Baptisms begin on p. 1, Marriages on p. 49, and Deaths or Funeral Services on p. 89.

I have added notes and other information. These are placed within square brackets. Of course, the photos are an addition too. For more information on W. F. Cox's family, see *Richard*, *Joseph*, *and Leah Cox of Erin and St. Vincent Townships (Ontario) and Their Descendants* (1989).

The postcard from Carman, MB, that appears on p. 9 says that Pauline was at school. The house was still standing in the early 1980s and Russell Laycock from the Carman Church of Christ showed it to me. Unfortunately I did not write down the address and there are many houses that look much like it. The coloured glass windows above the doors were popular.

Claude Cox, Ph.D. Barrie, ON

January 24, 2014

BAPTISMS

[There are 48 pages devoted to baptisms, three columns to the page. It is not always easy to determine what belongs where. The records are in black ink.]

Page 1

[Across the top it reads:]

Municipality of

Congregation of Carman & Winnipeg

April 1912 to 1915

November 1914 Winnipeg

Mr Dehurst

Miss E. Taylor

Mrs Walter Haden

Mr Wm Minson

Mr Deleaney

["June" is written vertically beside these names, so it appears that these baptisms took place in June.]



W. F. and Ethel Cox at Carman, Man., Oct. 1912, with two of their children, Austin and Jim.

Nov. 1914 Carman, Man

Miss Gaddie Stewart

Miss Clearwater

Miss Handslip

Mr J. Handslip

Mr Geo. Grimstead

Mrs. "Grimstead

Mr W. Louth

Mrs. W. Louth

Mrs Geo. Milne

Mr Geo Milne

baptised by someone else

Mr Jas. Montgemory (sic) a young man

not baptised by me

Miss Vina Rogers

Mr Alonza Rogers

Mrs Tompson

Mrs W. Listecot

Mr W. Huntley

Hubbardsville, *N.Y.* [This is the third column but, of course, predates Carman and Winnipeg. It appears that the record of these baptisms was entered after that of Winnipeg and Carman, but perhaps on the same occasion.]

Nov. 1908-1910

Mr H Wood

Mrs W Satterlee

Miss Edith Stapleton

Miss Hattie Fisher

Mr Stuart

Mr Geo Howard

Mrs '' 'housekeeper

Mr Geo. Pratt

Mrs John Sherton

Baptised by Baptist

a young man. [This is on the line below "Baptised by Baptist" but on the same line as Mr Jas Montgemory. It probably refers to a person whose name was not recalled.]

June 1914 Selkirk Ont.

Miss Irene Hoover

Miss Illa Hoover

Miss Lyda Cole

Mr Ora Swarts

Mrs 'Swarts

Mrs Orin (sp?) Hoover

Reclaimed

Mrs Henry Neff

Mr M Martin

Mrs M. Martin

Baptised

Miss Anguish

Jan 1908

1917 Ernest Smelser

Oscar Daley

June 1914 Fenwick Ont.

Mr Zean (sp?) McPherson

Mrs "McPherson

Mr Lampman

Mrs Lampman

Miss Lena Comfort

Miss Nettie Comfort

Mrs A Shrinar

Mr Beam Astrosser

Mrs "Astrosser

Baptised by Baptist

Mr W. Bates

Mrs W Bates

Reclaimed

Mr A Shrinar

Hoods School, Man. [no date]

John Bradford

Mrs A. Bradford

from Baptist

Mr Forge

Mrs Forge

from Baptist

Fenwick Ont 1919 [these six lines are a later addition in blue ink]

Mr Harry Astrosser

Mrs H. Astrosser

Mr Blake Astrosser

Mrs Lizzie Howard

Mr Ed. Howard

BAPTISMS PAGE 2

Municipality of

Congregation of Church of Christ

Column 1

July 1914 Broomhead, Sask Mr McNeamer

[later] St. Catharines Ont Mr John Carter Canfield Ont RR 4 / June 2 1935 in St. Catharines

Mr Stanley McHenry Selkirk Ont in Beamsville May 12 / 1935

Miss Carol Hunsburry [sp?] Beamsville Ont April 3 / 1935

Miss M. Nesbit Merton [sp?] Ont in St. Catharines Ont Mar 4 / 34

Miss Florence Conn Welland Ont in St. Catharines Ont Mar 4th / 1934

Miss Nellie Beckett St Catharines Ont Mar. 14 1924

Miss Jean Swayzie St. Catharines Ont Mar 14 1934

Miss Ina Swayzie St. Catharines Ont Mar 14 1934

Miss Violet Sanna St. Catharines Ont Mar 14th 1934

Walter Merritt Beamsville Ont in St. Catharines Mar 14 1934

Mr Joe Snider Niagara Falls Fenwick Ont Dec 1/35

Miss Mary Edwards Fonthill Ont at Fenwick Ont Dec 1/35

Column 2

August 1916

Beamsville
Pauline Cox [daughter of W. F.]
Wenona Juniper [niece]

Harrison Dart Hubbardsville N.Y. Aug 1934

Mr Clair Lane St. Catharines April 12/36

Miss Eva Lane St. Catharines April 12/36

Ala Swayze Restored April 13/36

Miss Rhea Graham St. Catharines Ont April 5th 1937

Mr Alfred Peagram St. Catharines Mar. 1937

Mrs Robinson

April 27/37 St. Catharines Ont

Mrs Kennedy April 27/37 St Catharines Ont Address. Walnut St. Niagara Falls Ont.

Column 3

Miss Alice Sheppard St. Catharines Ont May 13/37 [corrected from 19/37]

Mrs Kenneth Dart Hubbardsville N.Y. Oct. 1936

Mr George Randall Beamsville Ont July 21/37

St. Catharines Ont Alfred Peagram April. 1937

Mrs Vipond June 10/40 St Catharines On.

Mr Bill Brady St. Catharines

Mr Clair Lane [next six lines later, in blue ink] April 5/36

Miss Eva Lane April

Restored Miss Ola Swaze (sic)

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Column 1

Mr Ed. Russell Windsor Ont Nov. 21st 1937 not baptised came from the denominations

Mrs Ed. Russell Nov 21st 1937 Windsor Ont

MIss Thelma Russell Nov 21st 1937 Windsor Ont

Miss Jessie Brown Nov 21st 1937 Windsor Ont

Mr Will Brown [first name appears to have been added later] Young man Nov 21st 1937 Windsor Ont

Mrs Brown from the Baptist (sic) not rebaptized Windsor Ont

Mrs Graves Nov 14th 1937 Windsor Ont

Jim Fargher Nov 14th 1937 Windsor Ont

Column 2

Mr J. Atherton Nov 14th 1937 Windsor Ont

Vernon Lindahl 34 Chatham St. Cambridge Mass Oct 31st 1937 Miss Doris Audrey Smith [Married David Cox, son of W. F.] July 9[?]th 1938 St Catharines Ont

Miss Lily Moore July 15th 1938 Beamsville Ont

Windsor Ont Miss Hands Sept 25th 1938 14th Anniversary of the Church

St. Catharines Ont Mrs Edith Lemont Sept 27th 1938

Mr Percy Diebel Oct 10/37 St. Catharines Ont

Column 3

Carlin McNiel Cambridge Mass Nov. 11th 1938

Frances Brown Cambridge Mass Nov 11th 1938

Miss Ruth Dam Cambridge Mass Nov. 11th 1938

started a Bible class or Mission in Waltham Mass, Nov 11th 1938

Fenwick Ont Mr W. Swartz Sept 23rd. 1940 Home Preston Ont

Miss Ellen MacClean (sic) [Ellen Wren McLean married W. F.'s son Jim: see Marriage 21 on p. 56]

Hamilton On. Oct 13th 1940 baptized at Cape Rich

Ice Lake Helen Dearing Miss Bell [?] August 1939

Mrs Douglas August 1939

Mrs A. Wilson August 1939

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Ice Lake, Ont Mr & Mrs Jim Dearing Augsut 8th 1940

Miss Stella Brown August 7th 1940

Miss Dorothy Dearing August 7th 1940

Mrs Amby [sp?] Croft August 11th 1940

Kenneth Baker August 11th 1940

Miss Martha Orford August 7th 1940

Mrs Dearing August 11th 1940

Miss Edith Orford August 11th 1940

Mr Sam Dearing August 18th 1940

Mr Bobbie Dearing

August 18th 1940

Mr Amby Croft August 18th 1940

Column 2

Miss Jean Baker August 18th 1940

Mr & Mrs Geo. Guy August 23rd 1940

Mrs John Orford August 25th 1940

Miss Margaret Wren 415 McKay St. Windsor, Ont April 4/43

Miss Edna Thompson 792 Sunset St. Windsor, Ont April 4/43

Mr Jack Bruce 947 Partington Ave. Windsor, Ont April 4/43

Miss Ilene Dawson 603 Bridge Ave. Windsor, Ont Apri. 5/43

Miss Loretta Mitchel (sic) April 18/43 Windsor Ont

Column 3

Mrs Isabel Dawson 603 Bridge Ave Windsor. Ont. April 18/43 Mrs Ed. Astrosser April 25/43 Fenwick Ont

Mrs Adams Sherbook (sic: Sherbrook) Congregation May 15/43 Winnipeg, Man.

a young man at Burnell St. Cong. Winnipeg Man June 1942

a man at Sherbook May 1942 Winnipeg, Man.

Mrs Ed. Astrosser Fenwick, Ont May 1943

Miss Mary Comfort Fenwick Ont Aug. 1943

Miss Ruth Parks Windsor, Ont Sept. 17/44

BAPTISMS PAGE 5

Robert Lile Windsor, Ont Sept. 22/44

Mr & Mrs Ed. Russell Reclaimed Sept. 24/44

Doreen Whitfield Thessalon, Ont June 4th, to 25/44 [appears to be length of meeting]

Harold Long, Thessalon, Ont June 4 to 25th. 1944 Bailey Rae June 18/44 Thessalon Ont

Miss Lilian Seabrook Thessalon, Ont. June 4th to 25/44

Mr Lorne Seabrook Thessalon, Ont June 4th to 25/44

Mrs Betty Seabrook Thessalon, Ont June 25/44

Miss Mabel Arnill Iron Bridge, Ont June 25/44

Column 2

Miss Margaret Clause Hamilton, Ont April 1944

Mr Dickson Hamilton, Ont April 1944

Mr Walter Culley Preston, Ont. July, 1944 at Hamilton

Miss Bettie Culley [added later in blue ink]

Mr Burwell Astrosser Fenwick. Ont April 14/44 age 61

Mr Harvey Gilbert April 20/44 Fenwick

Mr John Astrosser Fenwick, Ont April 20/44

Mr Merritt Johnston Fenwick, Ont April 20/44

Mr Kenneth Astrosser Fenwick, Ont July 1944

Mrs Zeta Astrosser Fenwick, Ont July 1944

Column 3

Mrs Cicel [sp?] Moote Hamilton, Ont Sept. 2/45

Miss Shirley Thompson 192 Sunset St. Windsor, Ont Sept. 30/45

Miss Betty Bruce Partington St. Windsor, Ont Sept. 27/45 [corrected from Sept. 30]

Joice (sic) Fargher 2149 Yorke St. Windsor, Ont Sept 30/45

Mrs K. Staddeon 382 Calafornia St. Windsor, Ont. Sept. 30/45

Mr Fred Belbirnie (sic) [this and next two entries in blue ink] Hamilton, Ont 77 Sanford Ave. Feb. 17/46

Douglas Bush

77 Sanford Ave. Hamilton, Ont Feb. 17/46

Audrey Fisher 77 Sanford. Ave Hamilton, Ont. Feb 17/46

BAPTISMS PAGE 6

Column 1

Mrs Cecil Anger April 7th, 1946 at Fenwick, Ont.

Mr Cecil Anger April 7th, 1946 Fenwick, Ont.

Miss Eva Comfort April 7th, 1946 Fenwick Ont.

Miss Alice Comfort April 7th, 1946 Fenwick, Ont.

Miss Doris Comfort April 7th, 1946 Fenwick, Ont.

Miss Doris Hindle [married Ralph Cox of Meaford] June 21/46 From Meaford, Ont Baptized at Hamilton

Mr Rendles May 26/46 Windsor, Ont.

Mr Russell Robins May 5th 1946 Niagara Falls, Ont Fenwick, Ont

Baptized, Fenwick

Column 2

Mrs Russell Robins baptized at Hamilton May 5/46 Fenwick

Miss Marland Comfort Dec. 1st 1946. Baptized at Beamsville, came forward at Fenwick, Ont.

Mr Albert Charley Cook Hamilton, Ont. Baptized Dec. 1946.

Mr Thomas Clarke Hamilton, Ont Baptized Dec. 1946.

Mrs. Russell Robins May 5/1946 Niagara Falls. Ont. Baptized at Hamilton

Mary Comford (sic) Fenwick, Ont.

Betty Smith. Iron Ave. Aug. 1948.

Miss Irene Orford Aug. 1949 Iron Ave.

Column 3

Miss Irene Orford Iron Ave. Aug 28/49

Mrs Edna Priestnall Iron Ave July, 1947. Mrs Salma Norgram Ivon Ave. Hamilton 1947.

Miss Virgina (sic) Hearn May 1949. Ivon Ave. Baptized at Sanford Ave.

Mrs Love May 1949. Hamilton Sanford Ave.

Mrs Redburn 55 Dalkeith Ave Hamilton Ont Feb 6th 1950. Sanford Ave.

Mrs. M. Pugh 161 Ivon Ave Hamilton Ont Feb 6th, 1950 Sanford Ave.

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Mr Baland June 1948 Baptized by me. Sanford Ave.

Mrs Baland Baptized June 1948 at Sanford Ave.

Mr. Claude Pugh Baptized June 1948 at Sanford Ave.

Marie Knight Baptized at Sanford Ave. 1949. Church of Christ at Ivon Ave. Hamilton

Harold Knight Baptized at Beamsville 1949

Mrs June Amos Baptized May 22/50 Member of Ivon Ave.

Mrs Jean Simpson Baptized May 22/50 Member of Ivon Ave.

Mr George Redburne Baptized Jay 22/50 Member of Ivon Ave.

Column 2

Mrs Dorothy Lester Baptized at Ivon Ave Church of Christ June 18th, 1950.

Miss Marian Coulen Baprtized at Ave. (sic) Church of Christ June 18th, 1950

Miss Gloria Coulen Baptized Ivon Ave June 18th. 1950.

Miss Carol Van Horne Baptized at Omagh Bible School July 1950

Mrs Mary Redburn Date of birth Nov 14/29. Baptized Sept 18/53. City of Hamilton Ont.

Mrs Fetterly 924 stop 12 Beach Blvd. United with the Church of Christ at Ivon Ave. June 11th, 1950

Mrs Ken Lee Baptized June 23/50 Member of Ivon Ave.

Mrs. W. S. Patterson [from here to bottom of column in blue ink] 221 Rosslyn St. Hamilton Baptized Jan 23/51.

Mr Don Cole Port Colborne, Ont Jan. 23-1955.

Miss Cole [space left for given name] Port Colborne Ont Opening of new meeting House Jan 23-1955

Miss _____ Don Cole's sweetheart-Baptized Jan. 23-1955. All were baptized in St. Catharines Ont

BAPTISMS PAGE 8

Column 1, top

Rosedeen (sic: Rosedene) Ont Oct 2/1933 [this is at top of page above column 1]

Mrs Elton Comfort

Miss Grace Crow

" Gladys Crow

Mr Geo. Hipwell

" Bill Hipwell

Mr Claude Moote

Miss Hazel Moote

Mr Geo. Baker

Restored—

Mr Elton Comfort

Miss Ruth Cook

Miss Pheobe Cook

Reclaimed

Mr Claude Cox

of Beamsville, Ont

Oct 15-1933

Column 2, top

Port Colborne Ont

Jan 23-1955

Mr Donald Cole

Miss Darlene Cole Miss Dorothy Koha

Beamsville Ont

April 3/35 Miss Carol Huntsberger

Column 3, top

Hubbardsville N.Y.

Aug. 12/34 Mr Harrison Dart Mrs Kenneth Dart

Tintern Ont

Baptized in Beamsville
James Cox [son of W. F.]
David Cox [son of W. F.]
Claude Moote
Hazel Moote
Nellie Moote
Lydia More
Mr & Mrs Moote
Mr Geo. Speice
Mr Gordon Speice
Addie Spsher [sp?; S. Josher?]

Column 1, bottom

Miss Mary Brown Boston. Arthur Hadden

Collingwood Ont Miss Doreen Fisher Nov. 24-1933

Column 2 bottom

Fenwick Dec 1st/35

Miss Mary Edwards Font Hill, Ont Mr Joe Snider, Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Column 3, bottom

Selkirk, Ont 1916-1917

Mrs Walter Haldell Mr Cecil Greenburg restored Mrs.Cecil Greenburg Mrs. Wilfred Milner Barber John Kelka April 1st 1918 Mrs Josiah Sherk Harman Serk [Sherk?] June 1918 Gus Smith from Baptist Lawrence Hurst Mr & Mrs Geo Harin Miss Nellie Martin July 1919

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Column 1

May 26th 1955 Mr W. H. Smith Ancaster, Ont Mrs Ann Hawthorne Hamilton Ont. Female Samuel T. Warbarton Ann Maria Warbarton

Hamilton, Ont May 26th, 1955 W.F. Cox. Minister Baptized at Sanford Hamilton, Ontario

Mr Larry Ross Baptized Nov. 14th 1955 Baptized by W.F. Cox

Mr Edward Kunle

Baptized at Ivon Ave. Jan 16/1956 Age 14

Column 2

Mr Harry Gilbert Fenwick, Ont Aug. 12-1956 Baptized at St. Catharines By W.F. Cox

Miss Marlyn (sic) Cook Fenwick Ont Aug 12-1956 Baptized at St. Catharines By W.F. Cox

Sharon Cox [grand-daughter, daughter of son David; corrected from Apr. 28] Baptized Apr. 30th 1957 at Beamsville Ont

Marlene Cox [grand-daughter, daughter of son David; corrected from Apr. 28] Baptized Apr. 30th 1957 at Beamsville Ont

Marilyn Cox [grand-daughter, daughter of son David; corrected from Apr. 28] Baptized Apr. 30th 1957

Marlyn (sic) Laundry Baptized Apr. 30th 1957

[INSERT

A one-page typed copy of the "Marriage Ceremony" on July 15, 1949 at Ice Lake, Ont., of Mr Robert Dearing and Miss Betty James. That marriage is recorded on p. 59.

A second page, half a type-written page, begins with remarks on the ring. This wedding was for Mr Lewis Russell and Mrs Vera Martin and has a date on it of June 23/50. Of note, the declaration of marriage states, "As an Evangelist of the church of Christ & the authority of the universe [!] invested in me, I pronounce you husband & wife."]

MARRIAGES

PAGE 49

Municipality of Dufferin Congregation of Church of Christ

[Down the left side of the page is the guide to the information to be recorded. This will appear in bold in the transcription. The marriages are numbered from 1.]

Column 1

No. 1

BridegroomAlbert Wilson LayAgeThirty one (31)Residence when marriedWinnipeg Man.Place of birthWinnipeg "Bachelor or WidowerBachelorOccupation or callingClerk

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Chas F. Lay; Connie W. Knight

Bride Annie Winifred Knight Age Twenty three (23) Residence when married Winnipeg Man.

Place of birthEnglandSpinster or widowSpinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Walter Knight; Emily Greenwell

Names and residences of witnesses Nena Campbell, Winnipeg Man.; Mr

Howard Lay, Winnipeg Man.

Date and place of marriage Oct. 19th, 1911 Church of Christ

By license or banns License

Signature of Clergyman of W.F. Cox, Evangelist. Carman Man.

Remarks

Column 2

No. 2

BridegroomArthur LawrensonAgeThirty-one (31)Residence when marriedAlmassippi Man

Place of birth

Bachelor or Widower B.
Occupation or calling Farmer

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents John Lawrenson; Mary Harrison

BrideLillian Margaret CarrollAgeTwenty-three (23)Residence when marriedAlmasippi (sic)

Place of birth Montatue County N.Y.

Spinster or widow S. Religious denomination x

Full names of parents Daniel W. Carroll; Margaret M. Card

Names and residences of witnesses Georgia A. McCullough, Graysville Man;

William R. Lawrenson, Graysville Man.

Date and place of marriage Nov. 28th 1911 Lot 16 R. 7 Township 6

By license or banns L.

Signature of Clergyman of W. F. Cox

Remarks

[There is a third column on the page with Number at the top. The third marriage was begun and six lines written, then crossed out except for the first line, John William Hanslip. That marriage was then put on the next page.]

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Congregation of Church of Christ

Column 1

No. 3

BridegroomJohn William HanslipAgeTwenty one (21)Residence when marriedEvangelist's home

Place of birthEnglandBachelor or WidowerBachelorOccupation or callingFarmer

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents

James Hanslip; Annie Harby

Bride

Mabel Elsie Maude Clearwater

Age Nineteen (19)

Residence when married Evangelist's home **Place of birth** Ontario, Canada

Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents John Clearwater; Lottie Slegerman

Names and residences of witnesses Mrs. W. F. Cox, Carman Man.; Mrs James

Montgomery[,] Carman Man.

Date and place of marriage Carman[,] Man. Sept 23rd 1912

By license or banns License **Signature of Clergyman of** W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2

No. 4

BridegroomHarold RobinsonAgeTwenty four (24)Residence when marriedCarman Man.Place of birthPetersboro (sic) Ont

Bachelor or Widower Bachelor **Occupation or calling** Carpenter

Religious denomination Christian Church

Full names of parents Thomas Robinson; Jennie Robinson

Bride Sarah Moodie
Age Twenty three (23)
Residence when married Carman Man
Place of birth Carman Man
Spinster or widow Spinster
Religious denomination Methodist

Full names of parents Alfred Moodie; Harriet Smith

Names and residences of witnesses George Moodie, Carman Man.; Helen

Fender[,] Carman Man.

Date and place of marriage S. 6 R 4 Town. 7. Nov. 13th 1912

By license or banns License **Signature of Clergyman of** W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 3

No. 5

Bridegroom
Age
Twenty one (21)
Residence when married
Place of birth
Bachelor or Widower
Occupation or calling
William Satterlee
Twenty one (21)
Hubbardsville
Hubbardsville
Bachelor
Farmer

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Mr Satterlee; Mrs Satterlee

Bride Miss Hants **Age** Twenty two (22) **Residence when married** Hubbardsville N.Y.

Place of birth

Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents

Names and residences of witnesses Mr & Mrs Satterlee, Hubbardsville N.Y.

Date and place of marriage

By license or banns License **Signature of Clergyman of** W. F. Cox

Remarks

MARRIAGES PAGE 51

[The correct format is not followed for the next seven marriages under No. 6 and No. 7 columns; the correct format returns for No. 8. Under No. 6 there are three marriages and under No. 7 there are four. I will number these No. 6a, 6b and so on.]

Column 1

No. 6a

I married one couple of foreigners in Hubbardsville New York. They were married in the Evangelist's home.

No. 6b

Mr. Geo. Emptage
Decatur Ala
and Jean Irene Dart
Hubbardsville
July 14th 1935.
at Harry Dart ['s home?]
Newfane N.Y.

No. 6c

Mr John Carter Canfield Ont and Mrs Amy Smelser Selkirk Ont. at Beamsville Ont Sept. 21/35 Evangelist W. F. Cox

Column 2

No. 7a

I maried (sic) a couple of foreigners in the Church house — Hubbardsville New York.

No. 7b

Mr William Featherson Selkirk Ont and Mrs Zella Helka[,] Selkirk June 29th 1935 at Beamsville

No.7c

Mr Geo. Hipwell Rosedene Ont and Mrs Fay Cook Rosedene Ont July 24th 1935 at Beamsville Ont.

No.7d

Mr Ray Keith Cook Fenwick Ont and Miss Elizabeth Mary Edwards, Fonthill at RR # 4 Fenwick May 23/36 W. F. Cox Evangelist

Column 3

No. 8

Bridegroom David Earl Cox [son of W. F. Cox]

 $\mathbf{Age} \tag{24}$

Residence when married Beamsville Ont **Place of birth** Carman Man

July 30/38 [this is the date of the wedding]

Bachelor or Widower Occupation or calling

Religious denomination
Full names of parents
Bride

Church of Christ
Mr & Mrs W. F. Cox
Doris Audrey Smith

Age (18)

Residence when married Beamsville Ont

Place of birth

Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents

Names and residences of witnesses Mr James Cox, Hamilton Ont; Miss Ellen

MacClean, Hamilton Ont

Date and place of marriage Residence of W. F. Cox, Beamsville

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

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Municipality of Haldimond Congregation of Church of Christ Selkirk

No. 8 (sic)

BridegroomMr Oscar DaleyAgeTwenty (20)Residence when marriedSelkirk OntPlace of birthSelkirk RR #2Bachelor or WidowerBachelorOccupation or callingFarmer

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents James Daley; Elizabeth Smelser

BrideMiss Illa HooverAgeSeventeen (17)Residence when marriedSelkirk OntPlace of birthSelkirk OntSpinster or widowSpinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Adolphus Hoover; Harriett Anger **Names and residences of witnesses** William Daley; Mrs Wm Daley

Date and place of marriage Twenty fifth of September 1917

By license or banns License **Signature of Clergyman of** W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2

No. 9

Bridegroom Ernest Stanford Smelser

Age Thirty one (31)

Residence when married Fredrick (sic) Cole. Selkirk

Place of birth Walpole (Rainham)

Bachelor or Widower Occupation or callingBachelor
Farmer

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Frederick Smelser; Amelia Stillwell

Bride Edith Amy Fruckle

AgeTwenty SixResidence when marriedWalpolePlace of birthWalpoleSpinster or widowSpinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Isaac Fruckle; Mary Jane Dosser

Names and residences of witnesses Lawrence Hurst; Lydia Cole, Selkirk Ont

Date and place of marriage Selkirk Ont Jan 30th 1918

By license or banns License **Signature of Clergyman of** W. F. Cox

Remarks

No. 10

May 12-1937

BridegroomMr Alfred PeagramAgeTwenty three (23)Residence when marriedSt. Catharines Ont

Place of birth England
Bachelor or Widower Bachelor

Occupation or calling Bell operator in Welland house

Religious denomination
Full names of parents
Bride
Age
Church of Christ
Harry Peagram; —
Charlotte Beckett
Twenty two (22)

Residence when married Lundy's Lane[.] St Catharines Ont

Place of birth St Catharines
Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Mr Seymour Beckett; Rose Culp

Names and residences of witnesses Harry Peagram, St. Catharines; Nellie

Beckett, St Catharines Ont

Date and place of marriage May 12th 1937

By license or banns License

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

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Congregation of Church of Christ

Column 1

No. 11

June 22-1935

Bridegroom William Featherstone

Age 61

Residence when married Selkirk Ont

Place of birth

Bachelor or WidowerWidowerOccupation or callingRetired farmerReligious denominationChurch of Christ

Full names of parents Mr Wm Featherstone; June M. Atheson

Bride Mrs. Zella Helka

Age 48

Residence when marriedSelkirk OntPlace of birthSelkirkSpinster or widowWidow

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Samuel Hoover; Mary M. Hainer

Names and residences of witnesses Mrs Alex Fisher [W. F. Cox's daughter],

Collingwood Ont; Mrs Amy Smelser, Selkirk

Date and place of marriage Beamsville June 22/35

By license or banns L.

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox. Church of Christ

Remarks

Column 2

No. 12

Bridegroom Mr Geo Emptage

Age

Residence when married Hubbardsville N.Y.
Place of birth Meaford. Ont
Bachelor or Widower
Occupation or calling Evangelist
Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents

Bride Jean Dart

Age

Residence when married Hubbardsville N.Y.

Place of birth
Spinster or widow
Spinster

Religious denominationFull names of parents
Church of Christ
Jeddie Dart

Names and residences of witnesses Miss Mildred Dart, Niagara Falls N.Y.; Mr

David Dart, Hubbardsville N.Y. **Date and place of marriage**

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox.

Remarks

Column 3

No. 13

Bridegroom Mr Arnold Conn

Age 25

Residence when married Welland Ont [Beamsville written above, stroked

out]

Place of birth Welland Ont

Bachelor or Widower Bachelor [Widow written first, stroked out]

Occupation or calling Teacher

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents

Bride

Frank Conn; Ethel Claus
Rhea Bernice Graham

Age 21

Residence when married St. Anns Ont Place of birth Ontario Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents William Graham; Netttie Dawdy

Names and residences of witnesses Percy Diebele, Jordan Ont; Doris Conn,

Welland Ont

Date and place of marriage

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox.

Remarks

MARRIAGES PAGE 54

Column 1

No. 14

Bridegroom Mr George Randall

Age 21

Residence when married Beamsville Ont [stroked out]

Place of birth Allanburg Ont Bachelor or Widower Bachelor

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Henry Albert Randall; Annie Storm

Bride Miss Alice Higgins

Age 22

Residence when marriedFenwick Ont.Place of birthBeamsvilleSpinster or widowSpinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Henry Higgins; Gertrude Garner

Names and residences of witnesses Mr Ray Cook; Mrs Ray Cook, Fonthill Ont

Date and place of marriage Beamsville Ont 24th July 1937

By license or banns License **Signature of Clergyman of** W. F. Cox.

Remarks

Column 2

No. 15

Bridegroom Kenneth Wills

Age

Residence when married Newfane N.Y. **Place of birth** Niagara Falls N.Y.

Bachelor or Widower Bachelor

Occupation or calling Religious denomination

Full names of parents William Wills; Erna Seafett

Bride Eula Dart

Age

Residence when married Newfane N.Y. **Place of birth** Hubbardsville N.Y.

Spinster or widow spinster **Religious denomination** no church.

Full names of parents Harry Dart; Nettie Granger

Names and residences of witnesses Joe Snyder; Mrs Joe Snyder

Niagara Falls N.Y.

Date and place of marriage Newfane N.Y.; June 12/1937

By license or banns License **Signature of Clergyman of** W. F. Cox.

Remarks

Column 3

No. 16

Bridegroom David E. Cox [son of W. F. Cox]

Beamsville July 30/38

Age 25

Residence when marriedBeamsville OntPlace of birthCarman Man.Bachelor or WidowerBachelor

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents William F Cox; Maude Ethel Chantler

Bride Miss Doris A. Smith

Age 19.

Residence when married Beamsville Ont

Place of birth Ancaster Ont Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Mr Herbert Smith; Miss Puttruff

Names and residences of witnesses Mr James Cox; Miss Nell [Ellen] McClean

Hamilton Ont

Date and place of marriage Beamsville Ont

July 30/38

By license or banns License

Signature of Clergyman of W. F. Cox Evangelist

Remarks

MARRIAGES PAGE 55

Column 1

No. 17

Bridegroom Vernon Alfred Lane **Age** Twenty two (22)

Residence when married 8 Yakes St. City of St Catharines

Place of birth Gainsboro Township

Bachelor or Widower Bachelor **Occupation or calling** Grinder

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents

Bride

Frank Lane, Jennie Lane

Miss Nellie Christine Beckett

Age Eighteen (18)

Residence when married 5 Lundy's Lane St. Catharines Ont. City

Place of birth

Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Seymour Beckett, Rose Beckett

Names and residences of witnesses Mr Clair Lane, Mrs Lottie Peagram

City of St. Catharines

Date and place of marriage Dec 16/39 St. Catharines Ont.

By license or banns License

Signature of Clergyman of W. F. Cox Evangelist

Remarks

Column 2

No. 18

BridegroomWilliam A. BradyAgeTwenty (23) three

Residence when married 8 Yakes St. City St Catharines

Place of birth

Bachelor or Widower

Occupation or calling Farmer

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Mr A Brady; Miss D. Davis

Bride Iva Marie Lane Age Eighteen (18)

Residence when married 8 Yakes S. City of St. Catharines

Place of birth

Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Frank Lane; Jennie Lane

Names and residences of witnesses Mr Ernest Lane; Mrs David Leppard

City of St. Catharines

Date and place of marriage Feb. 17th St Catharines [presumably 1940: see nos.

17 and 20]

By license or banns License

Signature of Clergyman of W. F. Cox, Evangelist

Remarks

Column 3

No. 19

Bridegroom Percy William Diebel **Age** Twenty-four (24)

Residence when married Village of Jordan [35 Elgin St. Welland stroked out]

Place of birth Beaverdaly Sask.

Bachelor or Widower Occupation or callingBachelor
Teacher

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Edwards (sic) E Diebel; Mary Shantz

BrideDoris Ethel ConnAgeTwenty-four (24)Residence when married35 Elgin St Welland

Place of birth Spinster Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Frank L. Conn; Ethel Claus [Con stroked out]

Names and residences of witnesses Walter Diebel; Alice Conn

City of Welland

Date and place of marriage Welland Ont; June 29/40

By license or banns License **Signature of Clergyman of** W. F. Cox

Remarks Reception at Fox-Low, Fonthill

pretty wedding

MARRIAGES PAGE 56

Column 1

Municipality of Date (sic) Congregation of Church of Christ

No. 20

Date Sept 7/40 John S. Whitfield

BridegroomJohn S. WhitfieldAgeThirty one (31)Residence when marriedGlencoe Ont.Place of birthMiddlesex County

Bachelor or Widower Bachelor

Occupation or callingPreacher & TruckerReligious denominationChurch of Christ

Full names of parents Samuel Whitfield; Rose Falls

BrideMiss Delossa JuniperAgeThirty-one (31)Residence when marriedCity of Hamilton

Place of birth Meaford Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents William Juniper; Edith Cox [sister of W. F. Cox] **Names and residences of witnesses** Wenonah Juniper; Fred J. Balbirnie

City of Hamilton 174 Burris St. [written above City of Hamilton and presumably Wenonah's address] 127 Florence St. [written below City of Hamilton and presumably Fred J. Balbirnie's address]

Date and place of marriage [see top: Sept. 7, 1940]

127 Burris St. Hamilton Ont

By license or banns License **Signature of Clergyman of** W. F. Cox.

Remarks a very pretty wedding

a flower girl & a little boy, ringer bearer

Donnald (sic) Huntsman &

Carol Ann Juniper

Column 2

No. 21

Dec 28/40

Bridegroom James ["Jim"] E. Cox [son of W. F. Cox]

Age Twenty-nine (29) **Residence when married** City of Hamilton

Place of birth Carman, Manitoba [Wentworth County stroked out]

Bachelor or WidowerBachelorOccupation or callingSaleman (sic)Religious denominationChurch of Christ

Full names of parents
W. F. Cox; Ethel Maude Chantler
Bride
Miss Ellen Wren [MacLean]

AgeThirty-one (31)Residence when marriedCity of HamiltonPlace of birthCity of Hamilton

Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Thomas Wren; Ellen Walton

Names and residences of witnesses Mr John Starr

29 Huxley Ave Hamilton

Mrs John Starr same address

Date and place of marriage Dec. 28th 1940

29 Huxley Ave. Hamilton Ont.

By license or banns License **Signature of Clergyman of** W. F. Cox

Remarks a very pretty house wedding

Column 3 is empty

MARRIAGES PAGE 57

Column 1

No. [no number assigned; marriage 22]

Bridegroom Kenneth Burwell Astrosser

Age Twenty-four (24)
Residence when married Place of birth Township
Fenwick, Ont

Bachelor or Widower

Occupation or calling Factory employee

Religious denomination

Full names of parents

Bride

Mr & Mrs Burwell Astrosser

Miss Zeta Elizabeth Halloway

Age Twenty-one (21) **Residence when married** Clinton Township

Place of birth Spinster or widow

Religious denomination Evangelical Church

Full names of parents

Names and residences of witnesses

Date and place of marriage Beamsville, Ont

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2

No. [no number assigned; marriage 23]

Bridegroom William Leslie ["Les"] Grant

(19)Age

Residence when married City of Hamilton

Place of birth Ontario

Bachelor or Widower

Soldier Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ Full names of parents Mr & Mrs C. Grant Bride Ruth Marion Fisher

Age (18)

Residence when married City of Hamilton

Place of birth Ontario

Spinster or widow

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Mr & Mrs [Pauline, W. F. Cox's daughter] Alex

Fisher

Names and residences of witnesses

Date and place of marriage Church of Christ

Hamilton, Ont (Sanford Ave.)

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 3

No. [no number assigned; marriage 24]

Bridegroom Cicel LeRoy Anger (27) Twenty Seven Age Fenwick Ont.

Residence when married

Place of birth

Bachelor or Widower Bachelor Occupation or calling Soldier

Religious denomination United Church Full names of parents Mr Anger

Mrs Dell Anger

Bride Sylvia Luella Comfort

Age (19) Nineteen Residence when married Fenwick Ont. Place of birth Rosedene, Ont. **Spinster or widow** Spinster

Religious denomination United Church **Full names of parents** Mr Alton Comfort.

Mrs Ellsie (sic) Comfort

Names and residences of witnesses Mrs W. F. Cox Beamsville

Mrs E. Comfort. Fenwick Ont

Date and place of marriage Beamsville, Ont

Feb 19th 1944

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

MARRIAGES PAGE 58

Column 1

Bride

No. [no number assigned; marriage 25]

Bridegroom Claude M. Cox [son of W. F. and Ethel Cox]

Age 27

Residence when married 47 Spring St. Hamilton, Ont

Place of birth Collingwood, Ont

Bachelor or Widower Bachelor **Occupation or calling** Machinist

Religious denomination
Full names of parents

William F. Cox
Ethel M. Chantler

Myra Doreen Harding

Age 23

Residence when married 77 Argyle St. Hamilton

Place of birth Senden (sic: Sangheryad), S. Wales

Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination
Full names of parents

Church of Christ
Arthur Harding

Florence Jones

Names and residences of witnesses David E. Cox

Beamsville, Ont Ruth Smelser

174 Burris St. Hamilton, Ont.

Date and place of marriage 77 Sanford Ave, S.

Hamilton, Ont

By license or banns License

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox **Remarks** a very pretty wedding

Column 2

No. [no number assigned; marriage 26]

Sept. 14/45

Bridegroom Robert Hubert Liles

Age 23

Residence when married 3202 Sandwich St. W.

Windsor, Ont.

Place of birth Hamilton, Ont
Bachelor or Widower
Occupation or calling
Religious denomination
Hamilton, Ont
Bachelor
Draftsman
Church of Christ

Full names of parents

Church of Chris

James Liles

Janet Jarvie

Janet Janvie

Bride Janet Hunter Brown

Age 20

Residence when married

3202 Sandwich St. W. [Bellshill Scotland stroked

out]

Windsor, Ont

Place of birth Bellshill, Scotland

Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ **Full names of parents** James Daniel Brown

Annie Brown

Names and residences of witnesses Claude E. Cox [stroked out]

Doreen Harding [stroked out]

Date and place of marriage 77 Sanford Ave. [stroked out]

Church of Christ [stroked out] Hamilton Ont [stroked out]

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of

Remarks

Column 3 top

No. [no number assigned; there are three weddings in this column, marriages 27,

28 and 29]

Bridegroom Mr William Ralph Cox [nephew of W. F. Cox, son

of Ernie and Laura]

Age 26a (sic) June 22/46

Residence when married Me

Place of birth

Meaford, Ont

Bachelor or Widower Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents

Bride Miss Doris Evelyn Hindle

Age 18 age June 22/46

Residence when married Meaford, Ont

Place of birth

Spinster or widow

Religious denomination

Full names of parents

Names and residences of witnesses

Date and place of marriage Married at Hamilton

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of

Remarks

Column 3 middle

No. [no number assigned; this is marriage 30] **Bridegroom** Mr Walter Duncan

Age

Residence when married

Place of birth

Bachelor or Widower Occupation or calling Religious denomination Full names of parents

Bride Mabel Telfer

Age

Residence when married

Place of birth

Spinster or widow

Religious denomination Full names of parents

Names and residences of witnesses

Date and place of marriage Church wedding City of Hamilton, Ont

May 4/46

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox officiating

Remarks

Column 3 bottom

No. [no number assigned; this is marriage 31]

Bridegroom Howard Claude Matthews

Age

Residence when married

Place of birth

Bachelor or Widower

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination

Full names of parents

Bride Betty Martin

Age

Residence when married

Place of birth
Spinster or widow
Religious denomination
Full names of parents

Names and residences of witnesses

Date and place of marriage Married at our home

103 Wellington St. S.

Hamilton, Ont July 13th 1946 Howard Claude 24. Betty June (sic) 18

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

MARRIAGES PAGE 59

Column 1

No. [no number assigned; this is marriage 32] **Bridegroom** Robert Dearing

Age 21

Residence when married Ice Lake, Ont Place of birth Ice Lake Bachelor or Widower Occupation or calling Farmer

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Mr & Mrs Robert Dearing

Bride Betty James

Age 18

Residence when married Silver Water, Ont. **Place of birth** Silver Water, Ont.

Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination United Church
Full names of parents Mr & Mrs James
Names and residences of witnesses Calvin Nelson

Miss Dorothy Dearing

Date and place of marriage Ice Lake, Ont. July 1949.

Church house.

By license or banns License

Signature of Clergyman of W. F. Cox. Minister.

Remarks

Column 2

No. [no number assigned; this is marriage 33] **Bridegroom** Lewis Russell

Age 29

Residence when married City of Hamilton, Ont.

Place of birth Chalton, Ont
Bachelor or Widower
Occupation or calling
Religious denomination
Chalton, Ont
Bachelor
Labourer
United Church

Full names of parents Mr & Mrs Richard Russell

Bride Vera Helena Martin

Age 27.

Residence when married City of Hamilton, Ont **Place of birth** Wiarton, Ontario

Spinster or widow Divorcee

Religious denomination United Church

Full names of parents Mr & Mrs Earl Boyle **Names and residences of witnesses** Mr Claude Cox

Mrs Doreen Cox.

Date and place of marriage 17 Archibald Street.

City of Hamilton, Ont

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of W. F. Cox Evangelist

Remarks

Column 3

No. [no number assigned; this is marriage 34]

Bridegroom Wilbert Clement Ings

Age 22

Residence when married City of Hamilton Ontario

Place of birth Ontario
Bachelor or Widower
Occupation or calling Paper Baler

Religious denomination English Church [Anglican]

Full names of parents Clement Ings
Bride Josephine Dupont

Age 24

Residence when married Hamilton, Ontario

Place of birth Ontario Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Catholic Roman

Full names of parents Mr & Mrs Clement Ings

Names and residences of witnesses Date and place of marriage Oct 9/50 17 Archibald Street City of Hamilton Ont

By license or banns

Signature of Clergyman of Evangelist W. F. Cox **Remarks**

MARRIAGES PAGE 60

Column 1

No. [no number assigned; this is marriage 35]

Bridegroom Ralph Smith

Age 28

Residence when married Place of birth Ancaster, Ont.
Bachelor or Widower Bachelor
Occupation or calling
Religious denomination
Full names of parents
Hamilton, Ont
Ancaster, Ont.
Bachelor
Coal Driver
Church of Christ
Herb Smith

Alice Pottruff Isabelle Fraser

Bride Isab

Age 17

Residence when married Hamilton, Ont Hamilton, Ont.

Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Full names of parentsChurch of Christ
Charlie Fraser
Mrs C. Fraser

Names and residences of witnesses Betty Smith

105 Rosslyn Ave. N.

David Fraser

Date and place of marriage Hamilton, Ont

By license or banns License

Signature of Clergyman of W. F. Cox, Evangelist **Remarks** Date March 3/51

Column 2

No. [no number assigned; this is marriage 36]

Bridegroom Albert Blair Perkins

Age 21

Residence when married City of Hamilton Ont

Place of birth Regina Sask.

Bachelor or Widower Bachelor

Occupation or calling Crane operator

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents William Henry Perkins

El (sic) May Acker

Bride Audrey June Fisher [great niece of W. F. Cox,

daughter of W. F.'s daughter Pauline]

Age 19

Residence when married 1187 Carmon St. Hamilton **Place of birth** Collingwood Ontario

Spinster or widow Spinster

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Full names of parents Thomas Alex Fisher [went by name Alex]

Names and residences of witnesses Betty Smith

105 Rosslyn Ave N. Hamilton Ontario

Mr Ernst.

Date and place of marriage Hamilton Ontario

By license or banns License 030301 [the first zero may be crossed out]

Signature of Clergyman of W. F. Cox, Evangelist **Remarks** date 3rd September 1951.

Column 3

[At the top of column 3 there is the following. It has been crossed out with a big

letter "E".]

Mrs Mary Redburn

24 Date of birth Nov 14-1929

Sept. 18th. 1953 City of Hamilton Ont

MARRIAGES PAGE 61

Municipality of Congregation of Church of Christ

Column 1

No. [no number assigned; this is marriage 37]

May 28 1955

Bridegroom William H Smith

Hamilton Ont.

Age 64

Residence when married Hamilton Ont
Place of birth Ancaster Ont
Bachelor or Widower
Occupation or calling Operator

Religious denomination Church of Christ Full names of parents Mr B Smith

Mrs M. Olmsted

Bride Ann Maria Hawthorne

Age 61

Residence when married Hamilton, Ont **Place of birth** Hamilton. Ont

Spinster or widow Widow

Religious denomination Church of Christ **Full names of parents** Samuel Thomas

Warbarton

Ann Maria Warbarton

Names and residences of witnesses Jim Hawthorne

Hamilton, Ont

Mrs Doris Cox [W. F.'s daughter-in-law, wife of

David; her family name was Smith]

Date and place of marriage Hamilton Ont

29 Beland St.

By license or banns License **Signature of Clergyman of** W. F. Cox

Hamilton, Ont

Remarks No 3874 [license number]

[This concludes the Marriages part of the Register.]

DEATHS OR FUNERAL SERVICES

PAGE 89

[This part of the Register begins on p. 89. The Register has three columns across the page and the page is divided above and below to provide for six entries.]

Column 1 upper

No 1

Name Mrs John Shelton

Date and place of death East Hamilton
New York.

Sex—male or female Female

Age

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness Heart trouble

Name of physician, if any

East Hamilton

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Evangelist W F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2 upper

No 2

Name Mr Thomas Cutting

Date and place of death Carman Man.

Sex—male or female male

Age

Occupation or calling farmer

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness Old age

Name of physician, if any Cunningham

Name, description and residence of informant W. H. Cutting

Carman Man

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 3 upper

No 3

Name Mr V. McGill

Date and place of death Carman Man.

Sex—male or female male

Age

Occupation or calling Religious denominationBanker

Where born Carman Man

Cause of death and duration of illness Consumption

Name of physician, if any Cunningham

Name, description and residence of informant Mr Jas. McGill

Carman Man.

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 1 lower

No 4

Name Mrs Clare Williams

Date and place of death Haywood Man.

Sex—male or female
Age
Female
twenty one

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ **Where born** Austin Man[.]

Cause of death and duration of illness Confinment (sic)

Name of physician, if any Cunningham

Name, description and residence of informant Clare Williams

Haywood Man.

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2 lower

No 5

Name Baby Williams

Date and place of death

Sex—male or female Male

Age Two weeks

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination

Where born Haywood Man.

Cause of death

Name of physician, if any Cunningham

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 3 lower

No 6

Name Mrs Jas Hanslip
Date and place of death Stevenfield Man[.]

Sex—male or female

Age

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Methodist

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness Confinment (sic: confinement?)

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

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Column 1 upper

No 7

Name Mr Louth

Date and place of death Stevenfield Man[.]

Sex—male or female

AgeSeventyOccupation or callingFarmer

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness Old age.

Name of physician, if any Cunningham

Name, description and residence of informant Fred Louth

Stevenfield Man

Date of funeral service June 1913

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2 upper

No 8 Name Baby

Date and place of death Hubbardsville

New York.

Sex—male or female
Age
Female
Six months

Occupation or calling Religious denomination

Where born Hubbardsville

N.Y.

Cause of death and duration of illness

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 3 upper

No 9

Name Mr Orin Hoover **Date and place of death** Selkirk Ont.

June 8th 1915 [corrected from 10th]

Sex—male or femaleMaleAgeThirty fourOccupation or callingFarmer

Religious denomination Church of Christ **Where born** Selkirk Ont.

Cause of death and duration of illness Consumption
One year ill.

Name of physician, if any Dr Toole

Name, description and residence of informant Mrs Orin Hoover

Date of funeral service June 10th 1915

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 1 lower

No 10 **Name** Baby

Date and place of death Beamsville Ont. Can.

Sex—male or female
Age
Female
Infant

Occupation or calling Religious denomination

Where born Beamsville Ont

Cause of death

Name of physician, if any Dr Addie

Name, description and residence of informant Jordan Ont

Mr A Lawson

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2 lower

No 11

Name Ernest Cole
Date and place of death
Sex—male or female Male

Age Twenty
Occupation or calling Farmer

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born Selkirk

Cause of death and duration of illness Consumption

Three years

Name of physician, if any Dr. Toole & Harrison

Name, description and residence of informant Selkirk Ont.

Mr Fred Cole

Date of funeral service July 25th 1916

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 3 lower

No 12

Name Mrs John Yeager
Date and place of death Selkirk Ont.
Sex—male or female Female
Age 60

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born Selkirk

Cause of death and duration of illness Anemia

Six weeks

Name of physician, if any Toole & Weddis

Name, description and residence of informant Selkirk & Fisherville

John Yeager

Date of funeral service October 1, 1916

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

DEATHS OR FUNERAL SERVICES PAGE 91

Column 1 upper

No 13 [note: death of wife is no. 12, in Oct.]

Name John Yeager
Date and place of death Selkirk Ont
Dec. 29, 1916

Male

Sex—male or female Male
Age 68
Occupation or calling Jobber

Religious denomination Church of Christ

not faithful

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness Paralysis

Two weeks

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant Mr M. Werner

Hamilton

Date of funeral serviceSignature of clergyman or minister

Jan. 1st 1917

W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2 upper

No 14

Name Harry Kerr

Date and place of death Selkirk Ont.

July 1917

Sex—male or female Male **Age** 69 **Occupation or calling** Clerk

Religious denomination non-Christian

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness Anemia

One year

Name of physician, if any Dr. Weddis

Name, description and residence of informant Mrs. H. Kerr

Selkirk, Ont [above Mrs. Kerr's

name: Fisherville]

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 3 upper

No 15

Name Mrs Sherk Date and place of death Selkirk Ont.

April 1916

Female Sex—male or female 70 Age

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness Neumonia (sic)

Name of physician, if any Dr. Weddis

Name, description and residence of informant Selkirk Ont

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 1 lower

No [no number assigned, but is no. 16] Name Jessie Clark Date and place of death Hamilton Ont.

Sex—male or female

45 Age

date of birth July 10th 1892

Occupation or calling **Religious denomination**

Where born Beamsville Ont

Cause of death and duration of illness Cerebral Hemorrhage

2.30 P.M

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant St. Catharines Ont

Victoria Lawn

Date of funeral service June 7th 1938

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks Church of Christ

Column 2 lower

No [no number assigned, but is no. 17]

Name William Ryon Fenwick Ont Date and place of death

Sex—male or female

Age 81

Occupation or calling **Religious denomination**

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness June 1938

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox [written on line above]

Remarks

Column 3 lower

No [no number assigned, but is no. 18]

Name Mrs C. H. Claus

Date and place of death Welland Ont.

Sex—male or female

Age 78—9—21 [age 78 on Sept. 21?]

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ **Where born** St Anns Ont.

Cause of death and duration of illness Lobar Pneumonia

Name of physician, if any Dr. W. C. Reive Name, description and residence of informant Date of funeral service Dec. 20th 1939

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks Church of Christ

DEATHS OR FUNERAL SERVICES PAGE 92

Column 1 upper

No [no number assigned, but is no. 19]

Name Mr James H Johnston

79 Welland Ave

Date and place of death June 8th, St Catharines

funeral June 10th

Sex—male or female

Age

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2 upper

No [no number assigned, but is no. 60]

Name Mr John McLeod

Grassie, Ont

Date and place of death Grimsby, Ont

1945

Sex—male or female

Age

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 3 upper

No [no number assigned, but is no. 61]

Name Mrs. F. E. Allard

Pekin, New York

Date and place of death Pekin 1945

Sex—male or female

Age

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 1, lower

No [no number assigned, but is no. 62]

Name Mrs Mertle Cook Date and place of death Fenwick, Ont

Sex—male or female

Age

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2, lower

No [no number assigned, but is no. 63]

Name Mr Bearnee Asstrosser (sic)

Sanitory [sanitarium?], Hamilton

Date and place of death Fenwick, Ont

1945

Sex—male or female

Age

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born Cause of death

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 3. lower

No [no number assigned, but is no. 64]

Name Mr W. McCartney

Omagh, Ont

Date and place of death May-1945

Sex—male or female

Age

Occupation or calling Religious denomination

Where born Milton, Ont [stands opposite next line]

Cause of death and duration of illness

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

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Column 1 upper

No [no number assigned, but is no. 65] **Name** Mrs Martin

City of Hamilton, Ont

Date and place of death April 1946.

Sex—male or female

Age

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination non-member

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2 upper

[This spot has "Mrs Ethel Astrosser" and below it "Hamilton Ont." She is identified as a member of the Church of Christ and Roy Merritt is cited as the clergyman. Her name, the place, and Roy Merritt's name are crossed out. Details of her death are entered under *Column 3*, *lower*.]

Column 3 upper

No [no number assigned, but is no. 66]

Name Mr J. A Boland

City of Hamilton, Ont

Date and place of death Sex—male or female

Age

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Ivon Ave.

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Evangelist W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 1, lower

No [no number is assigned, but is no. 67]

Name Mrs Sarah Fisher

Hamilton & Collingwood

Date and place of death Elderly lady.

Oct. 28/45

Sex—male or female

Age

Occupation or calling **Religious denomination**

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Evangelist W. F. Cox [entered

opposite "Age"]

Remarks

[Below this entry there is one for Mr. Edgar Astrosser, squeezed in.]

No [no number is assigned, but is no. 68]

Name Mr Edgar Astrosser

Fenwick, Ont. [entered against "Cause of death ..."]

Dec. 22, 1946 [entered oppostion "Name of

Date and place of death

physician ..."]

Sex—male or female

Age in his 75th year. Age

Occupation or calling **Religious denomination**

Where born Cause of death

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

Column 2 lower

No [no number is assigned, but is no. 69]

Name Mrs Ethel Maude Cox [wife of W. F. Cox]

Date and place of death Hamilton, Ont.

Feb. 14th, 1949

Sex—male or female

Age Age 71

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Geo. Johnson & C. G. McPhee

Remarks

Column 3 lower

No [no number is assigned, but is no. 70]

Name Mrs Ethel Astrosser

Date and place of death Hamilton, Ont.

Oct. 30th. 1951

Sex—male or female

Age

Occupation or calling

Religious denomination Church of Christ

Where born

Cause of death and duration of illness

Name of physician, if any

Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service

Signature of clergyman or minister Roy Merritt **Remarks** W. F. Cox away from home

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Column 1

No [no number is assigned, but is no. 71]

Date Aug 4/56

Name Fred M. Dowhan

Date and place of death 523 Queensdale Ave.

East Hamilton. Ont

Sex—male or female Male **Age** 29

Occupation or calling Religious denomination

Where born Caledonia Ont

Cause of death and duration of illness Aug 6

Accidental

Name of physician, if any Dr McGregor

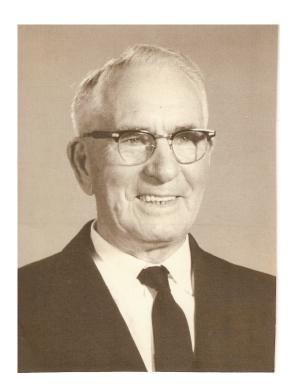
Name, description and residence of informant

Date of funeral service White Chapel

Aug 4/56
Signature of clergyman or minister W. F. Cox

Remarks

[This is the last entry.]



W. F. Cox in his later years.

APPENDIX 1

Summary of the baptismal entries

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New York State
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Hubbardsville

1908-1910 9 + 1 "baptised by Baptist"

1934 Aug. 1 [No. 80 = 242.]

1936 Oct. 1 [No. 89 = 243.]
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Massacheusetts

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Cambridge
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1937 Oct. 1
1938 Nov. 3
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Manitoba 1912-1915

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Winnipeg
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1914 Nov. 5
1942 May / J 2
1943 May 1
[Those in 1942, 1943 are identified as at Sherbrook St. (2) and Burnell St. (1).]
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Carman

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1914 14 + 1 "baptised by someone else"
+ 1 "not baptised by me"
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Hoods School

Saskatchewan

Broomhead

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1914 July 1
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Ontario

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Beamsville
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1916 Aug. 2

1935 Apr. 1 [No. 68 = no. 239.]

May 1

1937 July 1

1938 July 1

1957 Apr. 4
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Cape Rich

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Collingwood
       1933 Nov.
                       1
Fenwick
                       9
                              + 2 "baptised by Baptist"
       1914 June
                              + 1 "reclaimed"
       1919
                       5
       1935 Dec.
                       2 [76 = 241 \text{ and no. } 77 = 240.]
       1940 Sept.
       1943 Apr. / May
                               1 [No. 144 (Apr.) = 148 (May).]
       1943 Aug.
                       1
       1944 Apr.
                      4
                       2
             July
       1946 Apr.
                       5
                       2 [No. 187 = 191.]
             May
                       1 [No. 188 = 192.]
             Dec.
       n.d.
                       1
       1956 Aug.
                       2
Hamilton
       [From 1947 the Hamilton list relates mostly to the Ivon Ave. congregation.]
       1944 Apr.
                       2
             July
       1945 Sept.
                       1
       1946 Feb.
                       3
             June
                       1
             Dec.
                       2
       1947 July
                       1
             no mo.
                       1
       1948 June
                       3
             Aug.
                       1
       1949 May
                       1 [No. 194 = no. 195.]
             Aug.
             no mo.
                       2
       1950 Feb.
                       2
                       3
             May
             June
                       4
                              + 1 "united with"
       1951 Jan.
                       1
       1953 Sept.
                       1
       1955 May
                       4
             Nov.
                       1
       1956 Jan.
                       1
Ice Lake
       1939 Aug.
                       4
       1940 Aug.
                       16
Iron Bridge: see Thessalon
Omagh Bible School
       1950 July
                       1
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Port Colborne
                       3 [Nos. 218-220 = nos. 236-238.]
       1955 Jan.
Rosedene
                       10
                              + 3 "restored"
       1933 Oct.
                               + 1 "reclaimed"
       [Nos. 226-227 = nos. 246-247; includes Miss Mary Brown(,) Boston., no. 233,
and
       Arthur Hadden, no. 234.]
Selkirk
       1908 Jan.
                       1
       1914 June
                              + 3 "reclaimed"
                       6
                               + 2 "restored"
       1916 & 1917
                       2
       1918 Apr.
                       1
             June
                       2
       1919 July
                       4
                              + 1 "from Baptist"
St. Catharines
       1934 Mar.
                       7
       1935 June
                       1
       1936 Apr.
                              + 1 "restored" [Nos. 81, 82, 83 = nos. 94, 95, 96.]
       1937 Mar.
                       1 [No. 85 = No. 91 (Apr.).]
             Apr.
             May
                       1
             Oct.
                       1
       1938 July
                       1
             Sept.
                       1
       1940 June
                       2
Thessalon
       1944 June
                       6
Iron Bridge
       1944 June
                       1
Tintern
                       9 [Nos. 246-247 = nos. 226-227 and are tabulated under
       n.d.
Rosedene.]
Windsor
       1937 Nov.
                              + 1 "not [re]baptised came from the denominations"
                       7
                               + 1 "from the Baptist not rebaptized"
       1938 Sept.
                       1
       1943 Apr.
                       7
       1944 Sept.
                       2
                              + 2 "reclaimed"
       1945 Sept.
                       4
       1946 May
                       1
Total:
                       239
                               +6 "reclaimed"
                               +6 "restored"
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- + 3 "baptized by Baptist" + 2 "from Baptist"
- + 1 "from the Baptist not rebaptized"
- + 1 "not [re]baptised came from the denominations"
- + 1 "baptised by someone else"
- + 1 "not baptised by me"
- + 1 "united with"

APPENDIX 2

Summary and analysis of "Deaths or Funeral Services"

Funerals by location and date

New York State

East Hamilton Mrs. John Shelton

[Hamilton, N.Y., is located a few km. west of Hubbardsville.]

Hubbardsville Baby (six mos.)
Pekin 1945 Mrs. F. E. Allard

[Pekin is located about 15 km. inside the American border, beyond Lewiston, not

far, therefore, from the Niagara Peninsula.]

Manitoba 1912-1915

Carman Thomas Cutting

V. McGill

Haywood Mrs. Clare Williams

Baby Williams (2 wks.)

[Haywood is about 20 km. NW of Carman, "as the crow flies," near highway #2.]

Stevenfield Mrs. Jas. Hanslip

1913 June Mr. Louth

[Stephenfield is about 20 km. west of Carman on highway #245.]

Ontario

Selkirk	1915 June	Orin Hoover
	1916 Apr.	Mrs. Sherk
	1916 July	Ernest Cole
	1916 Oct.	Mrs. John Yeager
	1916 Dec.	John Yeager
	1917 July	Harry Kerr

Beamsville n.d. Baby [Lawson? "Informant" is Mr. A.

Lawson of Jordan.]

Hamilton 1938 June Jessie Clark

1946 Apr. Mrs. Martin
n.d. Mr. J. Boland
1945 Oct. Mrs. Sarah Fisher

1949 Feb. Ethel Cox

1951 Oct. Mrs. Ethel Ostrosser1956 Aug. Fred M. Dowhan

Grimsby 1945 Mr. John McLeod

St. Catharines n.d. James H. Johnston

Omagh 1945 May Mr. W. McCartney

The ages of the deceased

Eighteen of the thirty-one entries provide the age of the deceased. They are:

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infants: 2 wks. (No. 5); 6 mos. (No. 8); "infant" (no. 10) 20 (No. 11) 21 (No. 4) 34 (No. 9) 45 (No. 16) 60 (No. 12) 68 (No. 13) 69 (No. 14) 70 (Nos. 7, 15) 71 (No. 29) 74 (No. 28) 78 (No. 18) 81 (No. 17) "elderly" (No. 27)
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By today's standards, none of these individuals is "old," even at eighty-one. These ages reflect the lower life expectancy 60–100+ years ago. We are struck by the presence of three infants among the thirty-three entries. Two of these deaths occurred when W. F. Cox was in Carman (1912-1915); the third, undated, is recorded at Beamsville. The first two may well be attributed in part to the harsh conditions of the Canadian frontier, with its lack of medical resources and, thus, a higher infant mortality rate, not to mention the state of medicine itself a hundred years ago.

Causes of death

Fifteen of the thirty-one entries record a cause of death. Causes of death are given as follows:

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accident (No. 31)
anemia (Nos. 12, 14)
cerebral hemorrhage (No. 16)
confinement [childbirth] (Nos. 4, 6)
consumption [TB] (Nos. 3, 9, 11, 23 [apparently])
heart trouble (No. 1)
old age (Nos. 2, 7)
paralysis (No. 13)
pneumonia (Nos. 15, 18)
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No deaths are attributed to cancer, stroke, or heart attack, unless "heart trouble" refers to heart attack and "paralysis" refers to stroke. The deaths by pneumonia in a 70- and 78-year old probably would not have occurred today, thanks to antibiotics; TB is now treatable and anemia is likewise seldom fatal. Finally, "old age" at 70 (No. 7) is now unlikely to be a cause of death. Two deaths occurred at childbirth. In the case of Nos. 4 and 5, both mother and newborn died; in the case of No. 6, it appears that the mother survived.

Religious affiliations of the deceased

As one might assume, those for whom W. F. Cox conducted funeral services were predominantly members of the Church of Christ: eighteen of the deceased are so identified. The three identified as infants are likely to have been born to members (No. 5, 8, 10). Indeed, Nos. 4 and 5 record the death of a young mother—aged 21 and a member of the Church of Christ—and her newborn, aged two weeks.

No information is provided about religious affiliation for Nos. 16, 17, 27, 31; No. 3, conducted at Carman, has an "x" for "Religious Denomination." In two cases the lack of notation for "Religious Denomination" may simply be attributed to the sketchiness of the information provided generally (No. 24 [W. McCartney, Omagh]; No. 28 [Edgar Ostrosser, Fenwick]). In one case the deceased is cited as "non-member" (No. 25) and in another as "non-Christian" (No. 14).

In only one instance is a funeral conducted for someone recorded as member of another church, a Methodist (No. 6 [Mrs. Jas. Haslip, Stephenfield, MB]).]

APPENDIX 3

W. F. Cox's preaching trips to Boston, Mass.

The Register of Baptisms includes the following entries:

[106] Vernon Lindahl 34 Chatham St Cambridge Mass, Oct 31st 1937.

[112] Carolin McNiel (sic: McNiel) Cambridge Mass. Nov. 11th 1938.

[113] Frances Brown Cambridge Mass Nov 11th 1938.

[114] Miss Ruth Dam Cambridge Mass. Nov. 11th 1938

started a Bible class or Mission in Waltham Mass, Nov 11th 1938

[**233**] Miss Mary Brown [Sept. 6, 1933] Boston.

On Apr. 27, 2011 I received an email from Tom Olbricht, South Berwick, Maine, in which he related the contents of a letter he had received from 93-year-old Mary Brown Dalzell. In that letter she relates her birth in Somerville, MA, and that her family went to the (later Brookline) Church of Christ when it met at the Phillips Brooks House on the campus of Harvard University.

Mary informs Tom that her mother Clara Laura Johnson Brown was born around Beamsville, ON; that there were several Johnsons and they went to the Rosedene, Fenwick, Beamsville and St. Catharines's congregations. She told Tom in her letter that she was baptized in Lake Ontario by W. F. Cox in 1933 and that W. F. Cox one time "held a meeting" for the church meeting at Phillips Brooks House and stayed with her parents. And finally, that she had considerable correspondence with O. H. Tallman and one time loaned him money. (In a later note, dated June 30, Tom quotes Mary as saying that she was engaged to O. H. Tallman at one time.)

In an email written the following day, on Apr. 28, 2011, Tom adds that Mary Brown Dalzell has lived in Kittery, ME since her marriage in the late 30s or early 40s. When she first lived there she had a congregation meeting in her house. Kittery is not more than 15 miles from South Berwick, Tom adds.

I scanned some photos of Will Cox and sent them by way of Tom to Mary, namely, the four photos that appear in this edition of his Register.

When I was working on the Register and saw the name Mary Brown, I recalled the correpondence with Tom. I sent him the list of baptisms at Rosedene in 1933 and Tom passed it on to Mary. In turn, she wrote some notes (forwarded to me on June 30) concerning Rosedene, her family, and W. F. Cox' visits to Boston. It is clear that these trips to Boston came about because of his connection with her family. Indeed, her baptism and that of Arthur Hadden (No. 234) belong with the Rosedene list.

Mary writes that she knew all the folks who attended Rosedene—in fact, most, like the Comforts and Crows, were her cousins. The Hipwells lived across the street from her grandfather Laban Johnson. Cook's daughter [Fay], she says, married a Hipwell—see "Marriages," No. [11]—and they came to Somerville, MA, to attend her wedding to Chandler Dalzell. The only name she does not remember in the Rosedene list is that of Geo. Baker. Mary recalls that it was said of her grandfather that to know him was "to know 'The Church of Christ'."

Frances Brown (No. 113) was Mary's sister. Her mother and father, Clara Johnson Brown and George Wm. Brown, respectively, invited the Coxes to their (and her) home. They came three times to hold gospel meetings and stayed at their home in Somerville for two or three weeks each time. This was how W. F. Cox came to be holding a weekly service in Cambridge, MA. This group was later called the Brookline congregation when they went to their own building at 416 Washington St., in Brookline.

Mary's mother was born at Rosedene.

The date of Mary's baptism was Sept. 6, 1933. That same date of Sept. 6 she chose too for her marriage, "as starting another new life." Her baptism, she says, took place in Lake Ontario at Beamsville. Mary adds that Arthur Hadden, who was baptized with her, was one of Dr. Barnardo's boys, sent from a London, England orphanage to Ontario farms. She asked him if he too would not like to be baptized with her. Arthur was "a very good boy" and she wrote to him for years. Another Dr. Barnardo boy, Frank Whitfield, who worked on the Johnson farm at Rosedene, went back to London as a preacher for the Church of Christ.

Later in her note Mary says that, because of Ontario relatives, they had Will Cox preach three times at Cambridge (Harvard College) and, yes, later at Brookline. She says that she remembers a lot of people came from Canada and people at Cambridge went to Canada, to exchange visits. Finally, she identifies Carolyn McNeil as a resident of Roslindale, Mass. The Browns lived in Somerville and attended the Cambridge C of C at Harvard's Phillips Brooks House.

It is clear that Will and Ethel Cox were good friends of the Browns. One of the photos she passed along to Tom, and which he scanned and sent on June 28, 2012, was taken at the wedding of David Cox and Doris Smith, July 30, 1938. It shows the wedding party, including W. F. and Ethel, outside their home in Beamsville. Later that same year, in Nov., W. F. and Ethel were in Boston.

Coincidentally, during a year I spent at Harvard University, 1976-77, I worshipped with the Brookline Church of Christ. I still like to think of myself as a Brookline "member-atlarge."

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