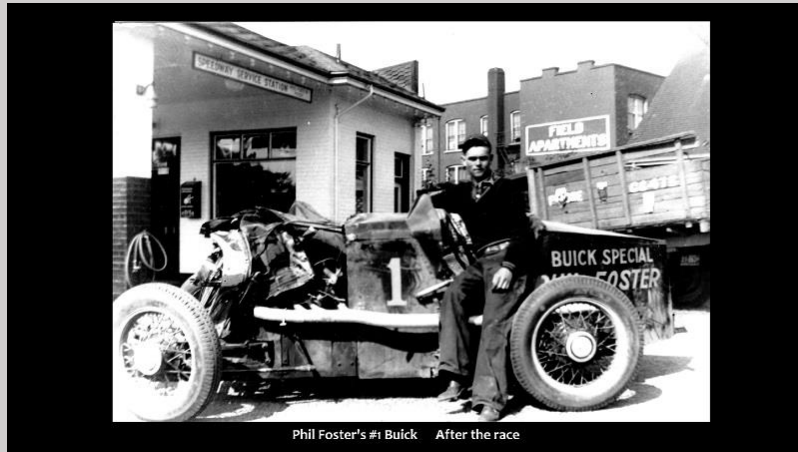
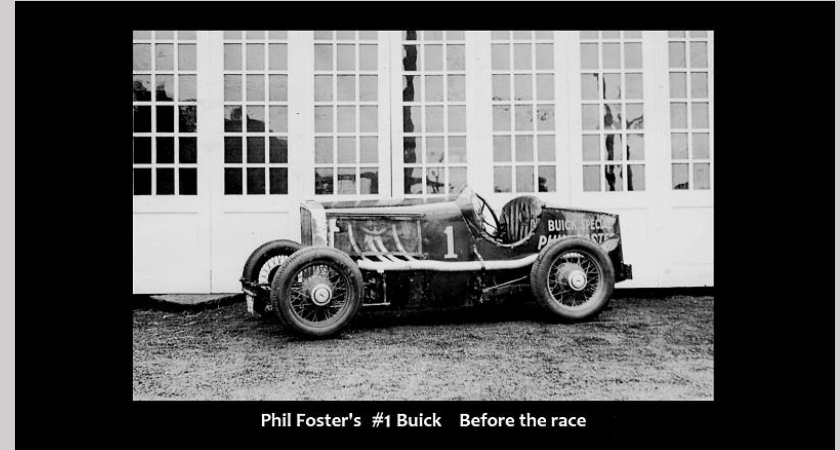


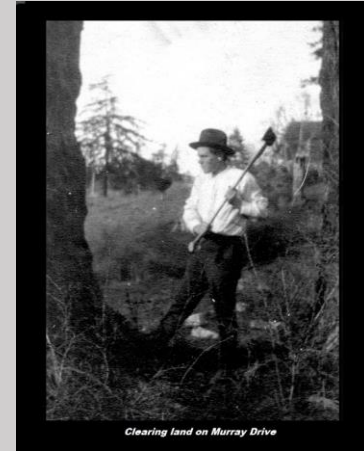
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## Weddings

### FOSTER—SCROGGIE

At a quiet but pretty ceremony yesterday at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. J. B. Rowell, D.D., "Woodville," Woodlawn Road, the marriage was solemnized between Ella, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Scroggie of 2710 Mount Stephen Avenue, and Philip James Foster, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Foster, Wellington Road, Colquitz.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride made a pretty picture in her afternoon dress of aqua sheer, with shirred bodice, long sleeves, and self-trimming at the shoulder line and waist, imported hat of black lace straw trimmed with aqua flowers, matching accessories, and a corsage bouquet of gardenias and roses.

She was attended by her sister, Miss Margaret Scroggie, wearing a frock of similar style in dusty rose, with hat of velvet leaves in tones of roses, matching accessories and a corsage bouquet of roses and carnations. Mr. Gerald Ritchie supported the groom.

A reception for relatives of the principals only was held at the Dominion Hotel, where Mrs. Scroggie received the guests in a delphinium blue gown with black hat and a corsage bouquet of carnations and sweet peas, assisted by Mrs. Foster in a rust gown with tucked bodice and touches of cream lace, a Havana brown straw hat trimmed with rust, wearing corsage bouquets of carnations and sweet peas.

Refreshments were served from a table decorated with snapdragons, sweet peas and roses, the bride cutting the three-tier wedding cake to the time-honored toast, proposed by the best man.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster left by motor for Nanaimo, en route for a honeymoon trip as far as the Cariboo, the bride donning a black coat and hat over her wedding ensemble. They will make their home in Saanich on their return.

Among the many handsome gifts was a set of flat silver, with carving set, from the city health office where the bride was formerly employed.



FOSTER, Elizabeth (Ella) nee Scroggie

It is with great sadness we announce the passing of Elizabeth Melvin Foster, on Aug. 11, 2009, two days before her 96 birthday. Ella was born in Victoria on Aug. 13, 1913 to James and Sarah Scroggie. She was the second of four children. The Scroggie family, homeseas for fronts and family returned to Scotland in 1919 where Ella began her schooling. The family later returned to Victoria and Ella then attended Oaklands Public School and Victoria High School. Ella's first job was with the City Health Department, in 1940. Ella married the love of her life, Phil Foster. She was predeceased by Phil in 1970. She was also predeceased by her sister Margaret as well as her brother Douglas. Left to mourn for her is her youngest brother Cliff Scroggie, and many nieces and nephews on both the Scroggie and the Foster sides. In 1958, B.C.'s 100th birthday, The Provincial Government sponsored a Vintage Car run from Fernie to Victoria. Phil and Ella were the only ones to drive from Victoria to Fernie and back in their 1912 Model T Ford. Phil named the car "Eloaeth" and it now resides in the Provincial Museum in Victoria. Ella was a constant companion of Jarno and Linda Scroggie. We would like to thank Dr. Houston and the staff at Selkirk Place for the loving care she received.

There will be no service by request. Her sweet nature and kind ways as well as her terrific sense of humour will be sadly missed.

## SMITH SWEEPS AUTO EVENTS

### Wins Two Races and Time Trial at Holiday Meet; Foster Crashes Fence, Unhurt

The roar and whine of racing motors came back to Victoria yesterday after many years' absence and a holiday crowd of about 2,000 watched the drivers scatter the dust at the Colwood mile oval.

Competition was not very keen, as several of the machines ran into trouble, or were outclassed. But the spectators were treated to a few heart-stopping thrills, notably when Phil Foster, of Victoria, driving a Buick Special, crashed through the fence during the ten-mile feature auto race. Foster, who was unhurt, apparently became confused as he was turning off the back stretch when a loose engine hood guard started flapping. The machine lunged through the outside fence and narrowly missed a group of watchers. It was badly damaged.

Jack Smith won the event with an average speed of fifty-three miles an hour, his time for the ten miles being 11:18.

Smith also captured the five-mile event for cars in 5:21 1-5, an average of fifty-six miles an hour. This was marked by a spectacular skid on the bottom turn by Ed Allen, in his Allen Special. Allen was the only one able to give Smith anything like a race, and was in second position when his machine did a double spin. He continued the race, but had slipped to third place in the meantime, and Phil Foster took second.

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