

Francis Percy KEYS and Agnes Edith HILLS family history
Councillor Upper Hutt Borough Council 1931-1935

Francis Percy KEYS

B 1894 New Zealand
D 23 December 1969 Upper Hutt New Zealand
M 1919 New Zealand

Agnes Edith HILLS

B 29 July 1898 New Zealand
D 20 August 1980 Upper Hutt New Zealand

Children:

1. Peter Neville KEYS born Upper Hutt New Zealand

Francis Percy KEYS was born 1894 New Zealand. His parents were Sarah Annie and James Henry Keys.

(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1894 folio website 1894/12601 parents Sarah Annie and James Henry Keys)

New Zealand Times newspaper 16 February 1917

Military Service Board Doubtful – Railway Servants get grace - Railway Servants – The names of men exempted are – Francis Percy Keys Main Road Upper Hutt (plus numerous other names)

(Reference Papers past website New Zealand Times newspaper 16 February 1917)

1919 Hutt Electoral Roll

- Francis Percy KEYS Main Road Upper Hutt clerk railways

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

Agnes Edith HILLS was born 29 July 1898 New Zealand. Her parents were Kate and Walter Henry Hills.

(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1898 folio website 1898/16463 parents Kate and Walter Henry Hills)

Francis Percy KEYS married October 1919 New Zealand Agnes Edith HILLS.

(Reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1919 folio website 1919/9455)

Star & Lyttleton Times newspaper 25 October 1919

Weddings – Keys – Hills - A pretty wedding was solemnised in St John's Church Rangiora on Wednesday the contracting parties being Miss Agnes Edith Hills and Mr Francis Percy keys. The bride who was given away by her brother Mr Charles Hills looked charming in a frock of white crepe de chine with in overdress of white georgette and she wore the usual veil arranged in mob-cap style with wreaths of orange blossoms and carried a white shower bouquet. Miss Annie Hills sister of the bride acted as bridesmaid and wore a pretty frock of mauve crepe de chine with leghorn hat trimmed with mauve and pink and carried a shower bouquet of mauve and Pink flowers with touches of white. Mr William Hills performed the duties of best man. Afterwards the guests were entertained at the Royal Tea Rooms. The bride and bridegroom left later for Rotorua the bride wearing a champagne coloured costume with champagne coloured georgette hat underlined with pale blue.

(Reference Papers past website Star newspaper 25 October 1919)

1919 Hutt Electoral Roll

- Francis Percy KEYS Main Road Upper Hutt clerk railways
- Agnes Edith KEYS Upper Hutt married

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1928 Wairarapa Electoral Roll

- Francis Percy KEYS Main Road Upper Hutt clerk NZR
- Agnes Edith KEYS Main Road Upper Hutt married

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

Francis Percy KEYS was Councillor for Upper Hutt Borough Council from 1931 to 1933

Evening Post newspaper 22 April 1931

The Nominations in the Hutt Valley - Upper Hutt - The following nominations have been received in the Upper Hutt borough - Mayor William Greig and Angus John McCurdy. Councillors East ward (five required) James Blewman, Kenneth S Geange, George Humphrey Guthrie, Allan K Thompson, Francis Percy Keys, James Peter O'Flaherty, Charles Lawrence Alexander Spearman, James Thomas Hazlewood, Eric S Wakelin, Peter Edward Warner - west ward Malcolm H Hood, Amos Charles Howell, and Thomas Reginald Jameson. As only three councillors were required these were elected unopposed. Hutt Valley Electric Power Board W H P Barber (re-elected unopposed)

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 22 April 1931)

Evening Post newspaper 10 & 11 May 1931

Election Notices - Upper Hutt Borough Council - Election of Mayor - Pursuant to Section 32 of the Local Election and Polls Act 1925 I hereby give notice that the number of votes received by each candidate for the Office of Mayor for the Borough of Upper Hutt is as follows – Angus John McCurdy 750, William Greig 643 Informal 10 - And I hereby declare the said Angus John McCurdy to be duly elected to such office. Dated at Upper Hutt this 11th Day of May 1931 J W Harbord Returning Officer

Upper Hutt Borough Council - Election Of Councillors East Ward - Pursuant to Section 32 of the Local Election and Polls Act 1925 I hereby give notice that the number of votes received by each candidate for the Office of Councillor for the East Ward of the Borough is as follows – James Thomas Hazelwood 591, James Blewman 507, George Humphrey Guthrie 472, Francis Percy Keys 450, James Peter O'Flaherty 405, Charles Lawrence Alexander Spearman 387, Kenneth Sylvanus Geange 380, Allan Kohn Thompson 346, Eric Ferrers Wakelin 322, Peter Edward Warner 253, Informal 43. There being only 5 Vacancies to be filled I hereby declare the said James Thomas Hazelwood, James Blewman, George Humphrey Guthrie, Francis Percy Keys, and James Peter O'Flaherty to be duly elected to such offices. Dated at Upper Hutt this 11th Day of May 1931 J W Harnord Returning Officer

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 10 & 11 May 1931)

Francis Percy KEYS was Councillor for Upper Hutt Borough Council from 1933 to 1935

Evening Post newspaper 14 May 1935

Borough of Upper Hutt Election Of Councillors Pursuant to Section 32 of the Local Elections and Polls Act 1925, I hereby give notice that the number of votes received by each Candidate for the office of Councillor is as follows – East Ward - Francis Percy Keys 778, William Greig 668, James Blewman 647, Arthur Sutherland 625, George Humphrey Guthrie 493, Wilfred Fortune 487, Thomas Owen Sydney Clyma 468, Ralph Heald 424, Informal 25. West Ward – John Purvis 435, Amos Howell 286, John Seamour Baskett 211, Albert Percy Godber 206, William Cecil Woffindin 202, Informal 11. And there being only five vacancies to be filled in the East Ward and three vacancies to be filled in the West Ward. I hereby declare that the said Francis Percy Keys, William Greig, James Blewman, Arthur Sutherland, George Humphrey Guthrie, (East Ward) and John Purvis, Amos Howell, John Seamour Baskett (West Ward) to be duly elected. Dated at Upper Hutt this 11th day of May 1935 R C Major, Returning Officer.

Borough of Upper Hutt - Election of one member to the Hutt Valley Electric Power Board. Pursuant to Section 32 of the Local Elections and Polls Act 1925 I hereby give notice that the number of votes received by each Candidate for the election of one Member to the Hutt Valley Electric Power Board is as follows – James Blewman 305, William Greig 495, William McArlay 198, Angus John McCurdy 588, Informal 62 - And I hereby declare the said Angus John McCurdy to be duly elected to such office. Dated at Upper Hutt this 11th day of May 1935 R C Major Returning Officer.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 14 May 1935)

Francis Percy KEYS was Councillor for Upper Hutt Borough Council from 1935 to 1938

1935 & 1938 Wairarapa Electoral Roll

- Francis Percy KEYS Main Road Upper Hutt clerk NZR
- Agnes Edith KEYS Main Road Upper Hutt married

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

Evening Post newspaper 30 May 1939

Upper Hutt Mayoralty - Nominations close today for the election of Mayor of Upper Hutt. The vacancy was caused by the death of Mr P Robertson. The following were nominated - Messrs J Blewman, Francis Percy Keys, Angus John McCurdy, John Purvis, and Charles Arthur Rendle.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 30 May 1939)

Evening Post newspaper 09 April 1940

Two Candidates Upper Hutt Council - Nominations for candidates to fill the vacancy on the Upper Hutt Borough Council caused by the death of Mr W Greig closed at noon today. There are two candidates, Francis Percy Keys and William Arthur Stewart. Mr Keys has had seven years' experience on the council, including five as Deputy Mayor. Mr Stewart is the official Labour candidate.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 09 April 1940)

1946 & 1949 Otaki Electoral Roll

- Francis Percy KEYS Main Road Upper Hutt clerk NZR
- Agnes Edith KEYS Main Road Upper Hutt married

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1954 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

- Francis Percy KEYS 215 Main Road Upper Hutt clerk
- Agnes Edith KEYS 215 Main Road Upper Hutt married
- Peter Neville KEYS Main Road Upper Hutt farm assistant

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1954 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

- Francis Percy KEYS 215 Main Road Upper Hutt retired
- Agnes Edith KEYS 215 Main Road Upper Hutt married
- Peter Neville KEYS 215 Main Road Upper Hutt dairy farmer

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

1963 Heretaunga Electoral Roll

- Francis P KEYS 215 Main Road Upper Hutt retired
- Agnes E KEYS 215 Main Road Upper Hutt married
- Peter N KEYS 194 Main Road North Upper Hutt dairy farmer
- Ruth Clare KEYS 194 Main Road Upper Hutt married

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

Francis Percy KEYS died 1969 New Zealand

(Reference RGO NZ death registration 1969 folio website 1969/24897 age 74 born about 1895)

Agnes Edith KEYS died 1980 New Zealand

(Reference RGO NZ death registration 1980 folio website 1980/54221 born 29 July 1898)

Akatarawa cemetery block C plot 735-736 Upper Hutt

Francis Percy KEYS dearly loved husband of Agnes Edith and father of Peter
died 23 December 1968 aged 74
Agnes Edith KEYS dearly loved wife of Francis Percy
mother of Peter, mother-in-law of Ruth & grandmother of Janice
died 20 August 1980 aged 82 years.

Francis Percy and Agnes Edith KEYS their children and descendants

0- Peter Neville KEYS born 19 November 1927 New Zealand died 08 May 2023 Lower Hutt Hospital New Zealand married Ruth Clare surname unknown born 08 August 1931 New Zealand died 02 June 1997 New Zealand
#Ruth Clare KEYS died 02 June 1997 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1997 folio website 1997/41518 born 08 August 1931
#Peter Neville KEYS died 08 May 2023 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 2023 folio website 2023/13927 born 19 November 1927
