

## Capitol THEATRE YONGE AT CASTLEFIELD NORTH TORONTO

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,  
January 4, 5, 6

## CONSTANCE TALMADGE

— IN —  
"Her Sister From Paris"  
COMEDY—"THE INNOCENT HUSBAND"

Thursday, Friday, Saturday  
December 31, January 1, 2

## RAMON NOVARRO

— IN —  
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### Willowdale (Special to The Liberal)

Willowdale, Dec. 31.—Hockeyists are now holding regular practices and getting into form for the Junior O.H.A. games scheduled. Players are being recruited from the district between Thornhill and the city.

The Baptist Church at Finch's Cor-

ners held an entertainment Tuesday night.

A dance is being given this (Thursday) evening in the Municipal Hall, Willowdale, by the Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association.

North York's municipal candidates addressed a meeting Wednesday night in Municipal Hall.

## FOUR IN FIELD FOR REEVESHIP

Candidates Present Views At  
Largely Attended Nomination Meeting.

NOMINATIONS FOR REEVE  
J. Lunau.  
David Hill.  
James McLean.  
W. H. Pugsley.  
FOR COUNCILLORS  
W. G. Baldock.  
J. K. Herrington.  
J. A. Greene.  
Albert Chapman.  
G. H. Sloan.  
A. J. McLatchy.  
FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
(Acclamation)  
Garnet Duncan.  
George Cowie.  
Frank Atkinson.

With almost a record number of ratepayers in attendance, nominations for reeve, councillors and school trustees for Richmond Hill took place Monday evening in Masonic Hall.

As forecast in the last issue of The Liberal, four candidates entered the field for the reeveship, giving promise of the liveliest municipal contest in the history of the village. Problems confronting the municipality in 1926 were dealt with earnestly and ably by the speakers, all of whom received attentive hearings, indicative of a quickened public interest in municipal affairs.

Following the announcement of the nominations, A. J. Hume, Clerk and Treasurer, took the chair on motion of T. H. Trench, retiring Reeve, seconded by J. H. Sanderson.

Mr. Hume in a few introductory remarks dealt analytically with the Treasurer's Statement for the present year, pointing out the heavy debt payments now being borne by the village and sounding a word of warning of the need to keep a sharp watch on expenditures.

Mr. Lunau presented an interesting review of the work of the Council this year, citing the fact that 670 feet of walk had been laid. The North Yonge Street sewer had been constructed, relieving the dwellers in that section of much annoyance and damage. The expenditure upon the new fire truck had increased the security of the whole village and had obviated the necessity of building new mains at a cost probably in excess of that of the truck. As a solution of the water problem, he suggested piping between the head of the stream and the intake. With a paper like The Liberal alert to serve the interests of the village, the speaker believed that the School Board should report to the public its various activities as they were related to the Village Council. Mr. Lunau was opposed to expenditures on Yonge Street improvements at this time beyond those necessary to maintain the roadway in good repair.

Henry Moyle sought to present to the speakers an inquiry relative to their position on the prohibition question, but the interpellation was ruled out of order by the Chairman.

David Hill pointed out his extended service on both the Council and School Board. He had now considerable time which he would be glad to devote to the service of the village. With regard to the question of Yonge Street improvement, he recognized that it would be years before the thoroughfare could be put into completely satisfactory condition and he did not favor expenditures upon it now beyond those necessary to keep it in a good state of repair. Mr. Hill indicated that he favored a policy of strict economy combined with a progressive outlook.

James McLean believed that this winter would see a decided improvement in the returns from the Arena. He reviewed his work in Council in the matter of local improvements in the village and foresaw a stimulation to building in consequence of the new drainage facilities in Centre Street and North Yonge. As a result of his activities on the Board of Trade, he asserted, the village had been saved large sums on lumber and coal freight costs. Past Councils, he declared, had been remiss in caring for back streets when labor and material costs were low. He believed a small grader should be employed to keep these roadways in better condition. Attractive grounds for American motor tourists should be provided, and every effort should be put forward to advertise the village with a view to bringing in industries.

W. H. Pugsley explained that in entering the field he could expect no honors beyond those he had already enjoyed. He agreed with the Clerk that expenditures must be carefully guarded. He urged a larger measure of co-operation between School Board and Council and advised the latter body against expenditures on "frills." He was opposed to the system which permitted Hydro dictation in the matter of electric rates and thought the village should endeavor to obtain con-

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## Sequel to the Spelling Match

Mr. L. L. Nichols of Victoria Square sends to The Liberal the following interesting sequel to an item which appeared last week:

In reading "The Liberal" of last week we notice an account of a spelling match twenty years ago. While scanning the list of names mentioned in it, we are compelled to think that this earth is not our abiding home. The chairman of that gathering and four others who contributed have gone to their long home. The boys and girls who took part are scattered far and wide, many of them hold positions of trust and responsibility. One of the star spellers of No. 6 remains with us and she has ever since been a good speller, Miss Ethel Mortson.

Mr. Editor, we commend you in your efforts to make The Liberal so worth while.

## 12 AT GORMLEY LIVED 111 YEARS

Heise Hill Cemetery Records  
Disclose Remarkable Instances of Longevity.

(Special to The Liberal.)  
Gormley, Dec. 28.—Frank Thompson and Sister Cora, with their families, at their Christmas dinner under the parental roof of Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson.

W. B. Henderson, after spending Christmas Day with his family and returning to his duties on the York Radial, and while crossing the C.N.R. at Gormley, successfully avoided a collision with the motor coach by heading his machine for the ditch, from which it required half a dozen men to extricate it.

Mrs. M. A. Baker (Grandma) spent her Christmas at the home of D. W. Heise, in her 91st year. Grandma has been preserved in a very remarkable way both physically and mentally, and is able to discuss matters of community history intelligently indeed, considering her advanced years.

Surely, "Thou carriest them away as with a flood." A lifelong resident of Gormley recently gave us the following information: During his recollection, covering a period of 60 years, there lived on either side of the Fourth Concession of Markham in one mile and a quarter south from Gormley, no less than 215 people of various ages, all of whom have passed into the Great Beyond, in addition to quite a number that at one time were resident on this thoroughfare that have moved elsewhere, of whom it is not known by our informant whether they are still living or otherwise. Surely, "when a few years are come, then I shall go the way whence I shall not return." In this connection our informant stated that one family personally known to him, comprising five generations; the first (pioneers), the second and the third have all passed away, a considerable percentage of the fourth, and quite a number of the fifth, all within the recollection of the writer.

Comparatively few people reach the age of ninety years. There are, however, buried in the "Heise Hill Cemetery" twelve people whose combined ages aggregate 1,111 (one thousand one hundred and eleven) years, an average of 92½ years.

Something that cannot be found in every community by way of continuous succession of land title and residence can be found near Gormley, where in two cases the sixth generation is now resident on these two farms without interruption covering a period of one hundred and twenty-one years.

### AT THE CAPITOL

A galaxy of talent has been assembled by Manager McClelland, for the big New Year's Eve show at the Capitol Theatre, North Toronto. With a long list of vaudeville acts and two feature pictures, the crowd at the Capitol is certain to greet the New

## Girls Present Sacred Playlet

(Special to The Liberal)  
Thornhill, Dec. 31.—The Sunday School Christmas entertainment, held in the United Church, was a decided success. The programme opened with a splendid chorus by the school, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing." A sacred playlet by several girls, portraying the heralding of the birth of Christ, was very well interpreted. Another play was given, showing how the Christmas spirit should prevail in every home. Recitations, a piano solo by Dorothy Train, and several songs, were all well received by the large audience. Santa Claus made his initial appearance at the close of the programme, giving the usual delights to all the little folk. Rev. Mr. Strangways and Superintendent Galbraith were presented with Christmas turkeys. The generous offering received will establish a gift fund for the scholars' annual entertainment.

A large number attended the Presbyterian Christmas tree and entertainment. A good programme was given by the scholars of the school, consisting of dialogues, solos and recitations. Santa Claus again played his favorite role.

A quiet wedding took place on December the 19th, at the home of Mr. Stanley B. Elson, when Cora L. Kirby, of St. Thomas, became the bride of Reginald H. Arnold, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Arnold, of Ivy, Ont. The Rev. Newton St. John, of Clinton Street United Church, officiated.

Mrs. W. D. Scott, and daughter Irene, have gone to spend the winter at Lakeland, Florida.

The many friends of Miss F. Bowes are pleased to hear her health is improving.

Mrs. O. Brillinger held a family reunion Christmas Day.

It looks as if Thornhill is going to pass another uneventful winter as far as hockey is concerned, as our players are practising with Willowdale.

Do not forget the second annual entertainment given by the Young Men's Class in the United Church New Year's evening. A splendid programme has been prepared, consisting of a play entitled "An Economical Boomerang"; a pantomime, "Merinda's Beaus"; Miss Marguerite Boyle, elocutionist; Miss Aileen Atkinson, violinist; Miss E. Barker, soprano; Miss R. Strangways, contralto, and Mr. Cecil Martin, cornetist, will assist in the programme. The admission is 35c. for adults and 25c. for children.

Mr. Rutherford Farr, of Chicago, is spending the holiday season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Farr.

Year in merry fashion.

Next week, Constance Talmadge, in "Her Sister from Paris," will provide spice and fun for the Capitol's patrons. Ronald Colman heads the support in this rollicking picture story of a man who elopes with his own wife.

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## LIVELY CONTESTS IN YORK COUNTY

Elections in Markham, King,  
North York and Two  
Gwillimburys

Nominations in York County Monday brought forth few surprises. In several municipalities the councils were re-elected by acclamation, notably Aurora, Vaughan and Whitchurch. In addition to that in Richmond Hill, contests of a more or less lively order are in prospect in King, Markham Village and Township and North Gwillimbury. Nominations were as follows:

**WHITCHURCH TOWNSHIP**  
Except Councillor W. H. Dennis, who retired, the present Council was returned by acclamation: Reeve, Morgan Baker; Deputy Reeve, George H. Leary; Councillors, Abner Baker, William Crawford and Herman Kidd.

**MARKHAM TOWNSHIP**  
For Reeve—Wesley G. Gohn and George P. Padgett. For First Deputy Reeve—J. R. Campbell, W. H. Lapp, R. A. Smith and J. A. Mitchell. For Second Deputy Reeve—R. L. Stiver, R. A. Smith and John Turner. For Councillors—J. S. Heney, E. J. Jarvis, Fred Coakwell, Edgar Nye (withdrew) and John Turne (withdrew).

**MARKHAM VILLAGE**  
For Reeve—A. F. Wilson, George W. Wilson and T. W. Underwood. For Councillor—G. W. Crosby, W. A. Ferrer, James Torrance, Albert Wideman, Alex. Douglas, Frank Latta, James Malcolm, W. H. Myers, Frank Nighswander, James Peake and J. W. Phillips. For School Trustees—James Malcolm, William Payne, H. S. Snyder and G. L. Williamson.

**UNIONVILLE VILLAGE**  
Trustees (three to be elected)—H. Parkinson, T. O. Harding, A. G. Gormley, Milton Findley, Dr. Kennedy, L. Lunau.

**AURORA**  
The whole Council received an acclamation as follows: Mayor, Jesse M. Walton; Reeve, T. R. Legge; Deputy Reeve, Hancock, and Councillors Andrews, Billrough, Knowles, Taylor and Thompson.

**NEWMARKET**  
For Mayor, J. E. Nesbitt (acclamation); for Reeve, P. W. Pearson (acclamation); First Deputy Reeve, Fred A. Lundy (acclamation); for Second Deputy Reeve, C. S. McCauley (acclamation); for Councillors, Harry Doyle, George Barker, W. J. Riley, F. N. Smith, A. J. Davis, A. B. Currie, W. W. Osborne, Fred Bowser and George Lewsky; for School Trustees, Dr. S. J. Boyd, Frank Bothwell and R. E. Manning (all three elected by acclamation).

**SUTTON**  
For Reeve—Arthur Pugsley and Walker Heiborn. For Councillors—Frank Burroughes, James Burch, Arthur Saunders, H. R. Osborne, H. Cameron, H. Burnham and John King.

**KING TOWNSHIP**  
Reeve—E. W. Legge, King City; Alex. McMurchy, Strange. First Deputy—Thomas McMurchy, King rural route; A. B. Wells, King rural route. Second Deputy—Thomas McMurchy, King rural route; Joseph Duggan, Lloydtown; Alex. Cameron, Schomberg. Councillors—Elton Armstrong, Newmarket; Cornelius McCae, Schomberg; F. A. Egan, King City; Henry Hamby, King City; G. S. Fox, Kettleby; J. J. Edwards, Schomberg (two to be elected).

**NORTH GWILLIMBURY**  
For Reeve—John E. Hopkins and Charles E. Willoughby. For Deputy Reeve—Ernest Morton (accl.). For Councillors—Robert Davidson, Russell Glover, Frank Williamson, Barton Ward, Charles Willoughby, Frank Williamson and Jack McPhie.

**EAST GWILLIMBURY**  
For Reeve—S. A. Osborne and George Broderick. For Deputy Reeve—J. A. Cole and Ira Norton. Councillors (elected by acclamation)—J. Harrison, W. Lewis and W. Wilmott.

**VAUGHAN TOWNSHIP**  
Present Council returned by acclamation: Reeve, Berwick Weldrick; First Deputy Reeve, George Kellam; Second Deputy Reeve, James H. Robson; Councillors, Thomas M. Baker and Arthur W. Farr.

**VILLAGE OF STOUFFVILLE**  
Reeve—S. W. Silvester (acclamation). For Councillors—J. Borinsky, J. W. Cleaver, S. W. Silversides, H. W. Sanders, W. Brillinger and J. Davey (withdrew). For School Trustees—A. E. Booth, E. Lloyd, F. Winn, F. H. Sangster, Edward Baker, A. V. Nolan, N. Stouffer and A. J. Ward.

**WOODBRIDGE VILLAGE**  
Reeve—W. J. Mitchell (acclamation). Council—Major A. A. McKenzie, Dr. G. D. McLean, F. Baggs, Thos. Cole (acclamation). Hydro Commissioner—L. Wallace (acclamation). School Trustees—W. J. Blake, W. Frankham, Bert Cousins (acclamation).

**NEWTON BROOK**

Mr. Edgar Wall will have charge of the services on the Richvale Circuit on January 3, as the pastor, Mr. Kell, is attending a Students' Conference in Evanston, Illinois.

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