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## WAY BACK IN LIBERAL FILES

### FORTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of January 5th, 1899  
You can now send letters to any part of the British Empire or the United States for 2 cents. This seems to have been given by the Postmaster General as a New Year's gift.

Councillor J. H. Kirby of Maple, who headed the poll at the municipal election in Vaughan on Monday, was serenaded by the Vellore band on Tuesday night. After giving several choice selections, the musicians left for home, the treasurer of the band taking with him a paper on which was printed the letter V.

Mr. Wm. Harrison who for forty years has held the position of Superintendent of the Methodist Sabbath School has resigned. We doubt if there is another Sabbath School in the country that has worked under the same superintendent for so long a time without a break. Mr. Harrison has done faithful and efficient work for the school and he retires with honors.

### Firemen's Concert

A good house greeted the Firemen on New Year's Night. The program consisted of music by some of the best home talent and a very laughable comedy entitled "The District School". The musical part of the program was furnished by Miss Edith Switzer, Messrs. A. J. Hume, E. Mason, F. Redditt, H. Sanderson and the Mendelssohn Choristers. Some members of the Choristers sang solos and trios, and Messrs. Mason and Hume gave an excellent instrumental duet. Mr. John Sanderson was stage manager, and deserves much of the credit for the successful organization and management of the local company which gave such a pleasurable entertainment. We cannot speak of the individual parts in full, as space will not permit, suffice it to say that every part was well taken. The first scene was hiring a teacher. The school committee was composed of Messrs. H. A. Nicholls, F. Johnston and E. Mason. The applicants were Mrs. Coombs, Miss B. Redditt, Miss Teefy and Mr. Coombs. The latter, after a careful perusal of many yards of testimonials by the committee, was chosen as teacher. He accordingly directed the work of the school in the next scene. The dinner scene was real good and provoked much applause. The last scene was examination day, and in this scene the school was visited by the school committee and by several parents. During the play many local hits were made. Albert Glass acted Sim Dipsey, and was the bad boy of the school. Mehitable Jones, taken by Miss M. Redditt, was "sweet" on the teacher. Charlie Wiley was the infant of the school. Mehitable Jones and Sim Dipsey were prominent characters, and were both cleverly performed, but as there did not appear to be a weak place in the cast, it would be unfair for us to particularize. If laughing makes people fat, the citizens of this Village must have put on several pounds of flesh on Monday night. The proceeds amounted to nearly \$50.00.

### Village Elections

At the close of the poll at the election for four village councillors on Monday, the result was as follows: John Palmer 88, T. H. Trench 84, Wm. Innes 70, David Hill 64, H. F. Hopper 64. The two last named being even Mr. Hopper requested Mr. Teefy, Returning Officer, to break the tie in favor of Mr. Hill which was accordingly done. Master Charles Wiley, The Liberal Carrier Boy, reports that his customers were pleased with their New Year's Calendar, and requests us to thank his friends for their liberality in assisting so materially in swelling his bank account on the first day of the New Year.

### THIRTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of Dec. 31st, 1908  
Mr. Wm. D. Scott has purchased the Colville farm a short distance south of this Village, and will move there with his family in the near future.  
The officers of the new County of York Curling League decided to play home and home matches, and will give to the club making the highest number of points a pair of curling stones, and a pair of handles to the club winning second place. Two rinks from each club will play at home and two away from home on the following dates, and other matches will follow Saturday, Jan.

## General News & Views

And now for a better 1939.

If Tim Buck hadn't been a candidate Toronto Municipal elections would have been tame fare for New Years.

Skiing enthusiasts made Yonge Street a busy highway over the week-end.

"The fate of society is determined almost altogether by the wisdom and work of its leaders." — Frank P. Graves.

Food, clothing and shelter used to be called the basic essentials of life. Now they seem to include gas for the car.

People are asked what kind of fish they like best. If like seeks like, as is often said, there are many who ought to like suckers.

The indolent folks would probably deny they are lazy. They merely need time for philosophical meditation on the folly of hurry, scurry and worry.

Among the folks who need "purging" are those who try to get newspaper publicity, which costs the newspaper good money, without paying for it.

Bill Powell, the movie star, who has spent seven months in a hospital, has signed up to make another "Thin Man" picture. Bill ought to be able to qualify for that role.

The would-be safe-cracker who knocked the dial off the Steeltown town hall vault the other night is just an old meanie. The vault hasn't been opened since 1917 when Steeltown amalgamated with Sault Ste. Marie and the combination got lost. Officials were quite sentimental about it, too.

An American citizen has gone all the way to Brazil to hunt for an oversized ant. "It is a long way to go for a picnic," observes the Christian Science Monitor.

The Jews have suffered in Germany but the Germans have suffered all over the world, observes an English writer.

The Town of Uxbridge has rescinded the by-law forcing all business places to close every Wednesday afternoon throughout the year. Many of the merchants who signed a petition for compulsory closing decided it was all a mistake and now there will be no afternoon holiday during the winter months. The by-law was killed when a counter petition was sent in to the municipal body.

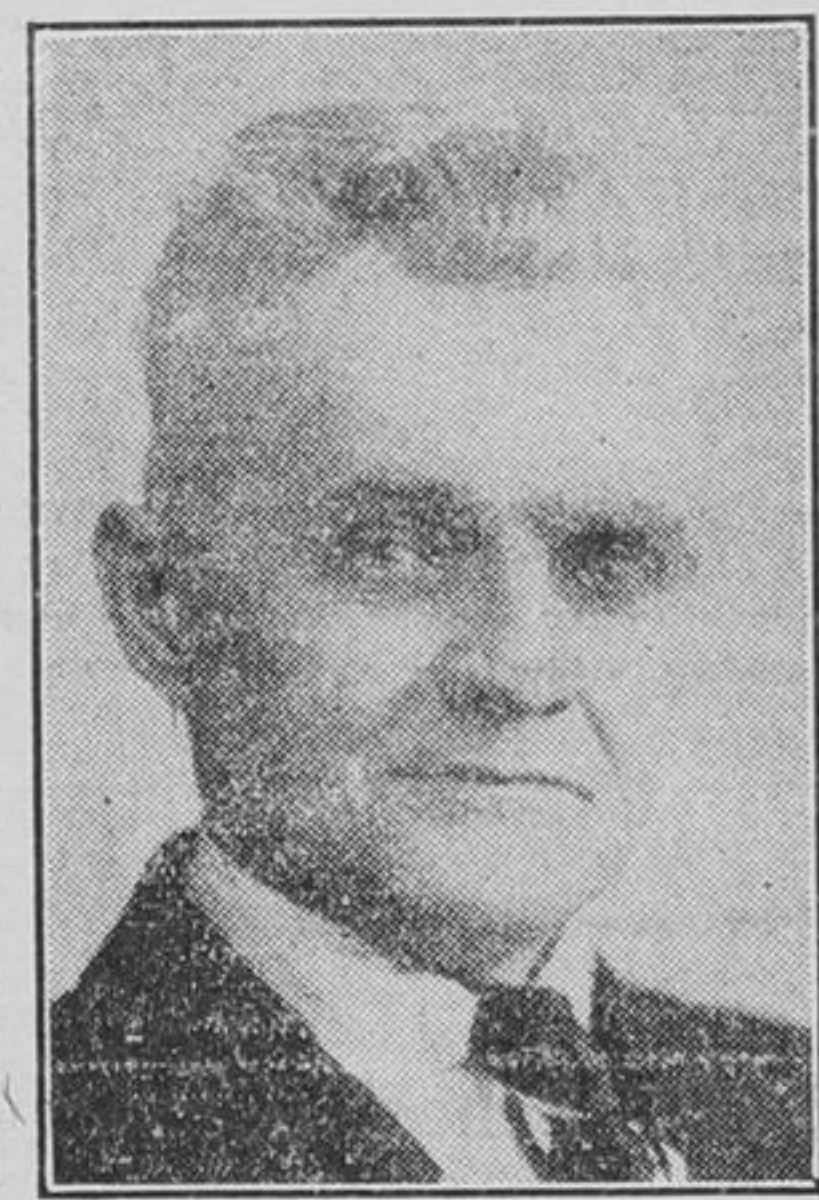
Clothing has now become so scarce in Soviet Russia that husbands and wives take turns in wearing the family trousers. Elderly men and women, unfit for other work, earn from 10 to 15 roubles per day standing in line before clothing shops. Yet Dictator Stalin instructs the people to repeat after him the slogan: "Life has become better, comrades, life has become more joyous."

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Mr. J. G. McDonald has purchased the brick residence from Mr. J. C. Clubine, Maple and will take possession March 1st.

Italy has been visited by another earthquake, the most disastrous of modern times. It is estimated that 100,000 people are dead in the ruins. Mr. and Mrs. L. Nichols, Victoria Square, will remove to their new home this week.



J. A. DICK

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Here's a new tale from Germany, which reveals the terror of state worship. A young Canadian woman married a German national at Kitchener and thus became a German citizen. The young couple went last summer to visit the husband's parents in Germany. At the German border on their return it was discovered that the wife was about to become a mother. The husband was allowed to leave the country and is back at work in Kitchener, but the young woman must wait in Germany until the baby is born. If it is a boy the state will keep him in Germany and make a soldier of him. If it should be a girl the mother and infant will be allowed to leave Germany.

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