

### TORONTO TOWNSHIP DEBATES MERITS OF GAME PRESERVE

Advisability of designating Toronto Township as a regulated game preserve which would allow an annual two-day pheasant shoot is being studied by members of township council following a recommendation submitted by Don G. Sutherland, Essex County Game Warden.

The recommendation, Mr. Sutherland explained, had been discussed with provincial police. He pointed out that shooting conditions at the

present time in the township are decidedly dangerous and cited an instance where two youths had a narrow escape from serious injury or death due to a hunter's carelessness.

"If a regulated game preserve were created here, careless shooting could be far more effectively controlled. The municipality would be armed with a by-law to control the issuing of gun licenses," he said. Successful results have been ob-

### THORNHILL

Thornhill United Church Y.P.U. Hold Successful Play

Lawrence Memorial Hall, Thornhill, was packed with enthusiastic listeners who greeted the players of the 3-act play entitled "Here Comes the Prince". The players were: Prince, Ross Dean; Joan (Mr. Halliday's niece, Helen Burlton; Mr. Halliday, Robert Bennett; Carol Halliday, Elizabeth Smellie; Grandmother Halliday, Lorraine Davidson; Terry, Donald Davidson; Mrs. Love Joy, Marion Halfyard; Wanda Love Joy, Jean Hicks; Sonya, Mary Morton; Winks (butler), Arthur Morton; Prof. Chipper, Gordon Weden. Piano duets were given between acts by Mr. and Mrs. S. Floyd Davies.

The play was directed by Miss Marguerite Boyle, elocutionist, who also delighted the audience with several dramatic readings.

The Langstaff Boys' hockey team have been held up in practices, due to the mild weather, but are looking forward to a successful year. They are planning to hold a Euchre and Bridge on January 24th to help the team along financially. They also wish to acknowledge with thanks, the donations received from so many of the residents of the village.

The young Ladies' Guild of the United Church met last Thursday night at the home of Miss Elizabeth Smellie. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Marwood, Miss E. Smellie, 1st vice-president, was in charge of the meeting. Miss Ruby Jeffries was fortunate in securing, as speaker, Miss Hewitt, Registered Nurse from the Mother Craft Society, Toronto, who gave an exceptionally fine talk on her work and other amusing incidents pertaining to her work. Miss Lorraine Davidson played a piano solo. A concert, "Stories and Restaurants in Toronto," was enjoyed. Refreshments were served at the close. Twenty-three members were present.

The Guild at Christmas time sent out a number of baskets of fruit for the sick and shut-ins and looked after several needy families in the district.

Charles M. Passmore, beloved husband of Louise A. Devlin, passed away at Southampton, Ont., on Sunday, January 8. Service was held at the Trull Funeral Home Chapel on Wednesday, January 11th. Interment took place at Thornhill Cemetery. Mr. Passmore was an old resident here and lived on the farm now owned by Mr. Leonard Redman. He was organist in the Presbyterian Church for a number of years.

The annual meeting of the Thornhill Horticultural Society will be held on Wednesday evening, January 18 at 8 o'clock in the Sunday School room of the United Church.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will be held on Thursday, January 19th at 2.30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. A. Hall. Mrs. R. Simpson is convener of the program committee. Topic, Historical Research and Current Events. Roll Call will be "What I first remembered and when." The hostesses will be Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Johnson. All ladies interested in Institute work are invited to attend.

The golf novice had not made much progress, but he was a man of iron determination.

"I'll move heaven and earth to play this game properly," he said, as for the fifth stroke in succession he pulled up the turf.

The caddie smiled. "Well," he said, "you haven't much farther to go. You've only heaven to move now."

tained in the township of Chingwacousy and Caledon by giving them the status of regulated preserves and a similar report has been received from other municipalities. He claimed that hunters incapable of using a gun could be weeded out better than at present.

Council will seek further information before making a decision at the February meeting.

Picked at random over the southern section of the township, several residents' views were sought. They declared the plan a sound one. The only complaint of the residents in the district is of the carelessness of hunters, who trample gardens and lawns and break fences and who have on numerous occasions shot chickens, ducks, geese and small animals.

Market gardeners have suffered from the pheasants during the summer months. During the past five years some growers have found it almost impossible to keep seed in the ground before the pheasants have scratched it up for food. Matured crops have likewise suffered, the birds having destroyed corn, berries, flowers and even root crops.

Others expressed indignation over the plan that an open season be allowed on pheasants. In many cases the birds have lived entirely upon food thrown out by householders and have become regarded as pets.

### A FASCINATING STORY

A congregation that filled the auditorium of the United Church last Sunday evening listened to a graphic and gripping story of the work being done by Canadian missionaries in China, India and other parts of the Orient. The story was illustrated by moving pictures and told by Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Moffat of Weston. This worthy couple took an extended holiday a year ago and decided to see at first hand the why and wherefore of Christian Missions. Motion pictures of the various fields visited tell their own story with such point and vividness as to leave no room for doubt concerning the need, and also the success of the great work our representatives are doing in the East. One could see the workers—native and foreign—at their daily tasks, and some well known faces were recognized by many in the congregation. Mr. and Mrs. T. Edgar Plewman of the Printing Press in Chentu, China; Miss Caroline Wellwood of Chung King, the present temporary capital; Dr. Gaikwad, head of the United Church hospital at Mandleshwar, India—all very well known in Richmond Hill, and many others were seen in the midst of their activities among the people.

At the request of the congregation Mr. Moffat took us to Palestine and gave us a glimpse of that historic and much-read-of country today. Jerusalem, Hebron, Bethany and other Biblical spots were seen on the screen, as well as the famous Black Watch regiment in full dress uniform parading to church. The pastor, Rev. C. W. Follett, presided and expressed the appreciation of the audience for the very delightful evening.

There was an old man of Colquhoun

Who built an enormous balquhoun. It rose to the skies And nearly bumped into the mquhoun.

"Have you much room in your new flat?"

"Heavens, no. My kitchen and dining room are so small that I have to live on condensed milk and shortbread."

### A Native of Richmond Hill in Who Was Who.

Canadian "Who Was Who" 1875 to 1937 published by the Trans Canada Press, Toronto has the following reference to one of the distinguished sons of Richmond Hill, Dr. R. M. Coulter, a brother of Mrs. A. Campbell, Richmond St., Richmond Hill, who made a notable name for himself as Deputy Postmaster-general of Canada from 1897 to 1923. COULTER, Robert Miller (1857-1926), physician and deputy postmaster-general (1897-1923) was born at Richmond Hill, Ontario, on 9 September 1857. He was the second son and eighth child of John Coulter, formerly of County Down, Ireland, by his wife, Agnes Miller, of the same county. Coulter was educated at the Richmond Hill High School and graduated M.B. from the University of Toronto in 1882, and M.D. from Victoria University in the same year. From then till 1897 he practised medicine in Aurora, Ont.

A Liberal in politics, Coulter took a prominent part in the public affairs of his locality. He was a member of the municipal council and of the school board, organized the North York Young Liberal Club and at one time was vice-president of the North York Reform Association. Following the federal Liberal victory of 1896, the prominent part Coulter had played in public affairs and his services to the party were rewarded by the new government. In 1897 he received the appointment of deputy postmaster-general under Sir William Mulock. This post he held till his retirement in 1923.

In 1906 Coulter gained considerable prominence for the outstanding part he played as a delegate to the Universal Postal Union at Rome. For his services in this connection he was created C.M.G. Two years later, in 1908, he went to Australia and New Zealand in the interests of the 'All Red Route' project and was successful in negotiating favourable treaties with those countries. Many of the great Canadian postal reforms were introduced during Coulter's tenure of office and owed a large measure of their success to his foresight and energy. Shortly af-

ter his appointment, penny postage was introduced and pushed through. In 1908 he was responsible for the introduction of rural free delivery and in 1914 helped in a very material way to bring about the present parcel post system. In 1920 he represented Canada at the great Postal Conference at Madrid.

During the war years Coulter performed signal service for Canada. To him fell the arduous task of arranging for the censorship of mails and he served as chairman of the Board of Censors.

Due to the nature of the office, Coulter's career of a quarter century in the service of the government was not so much one of spectacular achievement, as it was a record of quiet efficiency and tireless energy. Few government officials were as widely known outside the Dominion as Coulter and the manner in which he discharged his duties won him respect and admiration both at home and abroad. Coulter possessed a host of friends in every part of Canada and by them was held in the highest esteem and regard. He was of a sincere and kind nature and had a large fund of honour which made him a delightful companion.

In 1879 Coulter married Emma (died 29 June 1902) daughter of Hon. J. P. Wells of King Township, a former member of parliament. By her he was the father of two children, Winnifred, later Mrs. H. Carleton Monk of Ottawa, and one child who died at birth.

Coulter died at Ottawa on 14 February 1926 following a lengthy illness. He was buried in St. George's Anglican Church Cemetery, Aurora. He was survived by his daughter, one brother and three sisters.

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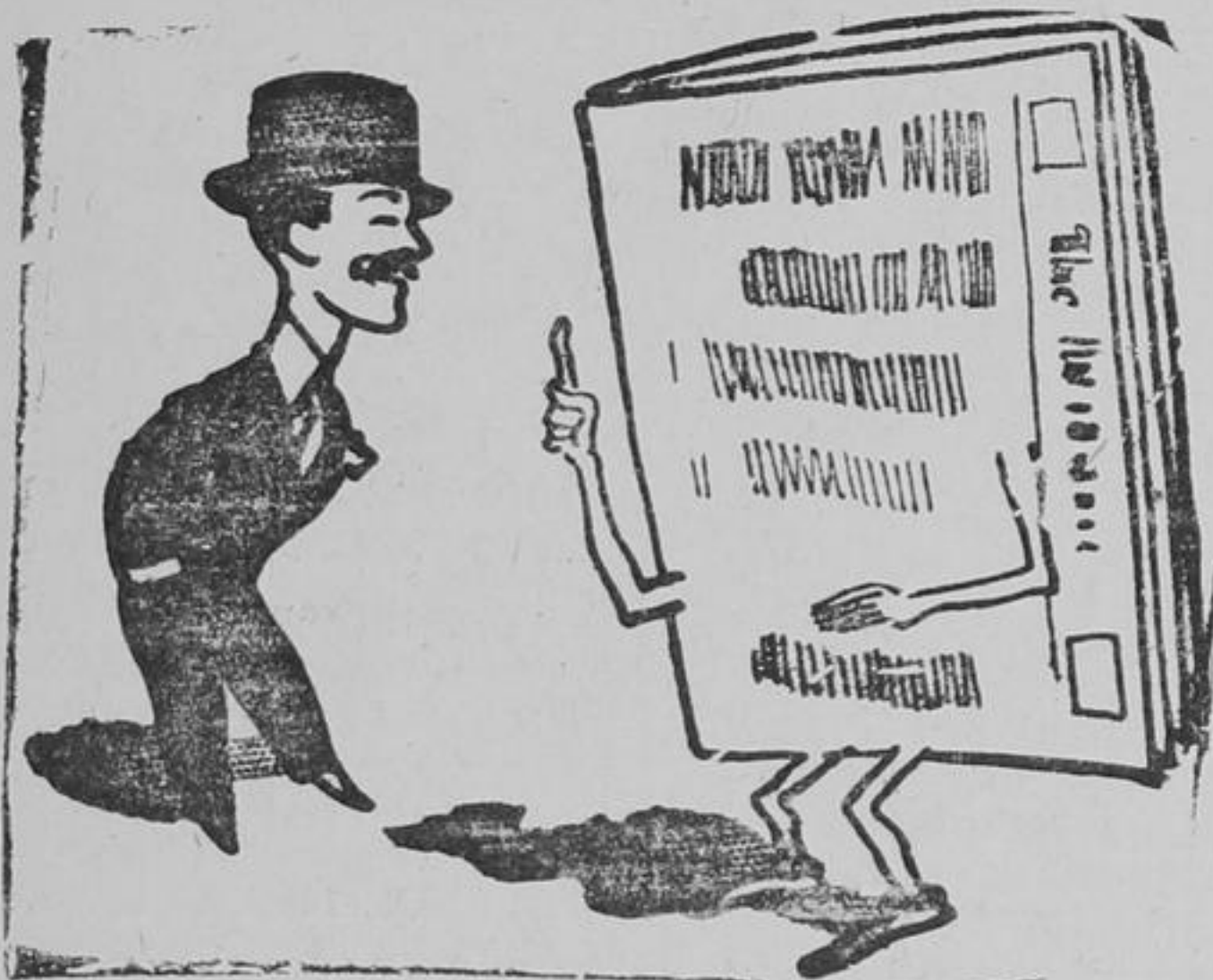
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