

## GENERAL NEWS AND VIEWS

Newmarket Old Home Week Committee showed a credit balance of \$217.00 at the conclusion of their activities.

Bumper crops of peaches are being picked this season in Ontario and British Columbia. A preliminary estimate places the 1939 crop in Ontario at more than 650,000 bushels, a 15 per cent. increase over the 1938 crop, which was a good one, and in British Columbia at 142,000 bushels, 10 per cent. more than last year. This year's peaches, now on the market, are of the very highest quality, for conditions have been particularly favorable for producing large, luscious fruit.

We wish Hitler would read the works of Milton. It was the British poet who said many years ago: "For what can war but endless war still breed?"—Hanover Post.

Client: She's been saying the most dreadful things about my face.  
Solicitor: Yes, but I advise you not to sue. It would cost you more than the thing is worth.

"There's plenty of time for Joan to think of getting married," said the husband. "Let her wait until the right man comes along."  
"I don't see why she should wait that long," answered the wife. "I didn't."

In these critical days, the words of Abraham Lincoln hold for us a new meaning: "Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith let us dare to do our duty as we understand it."

A Pittsburgh boy is said to have hitch-hiked to San Francisco to see the Exhibition, and then hitch-hiked back without going in. Which reminds us of the Scotchman who walked all the way from Aberdeen to Dundee to see a football match, and was too tired to climb the fence when he got there.

It is reported that Councillor W. J. Thorburn will be appointed deputy-reeve of York Township for the balance of the year to fill the vacancy made by the death last week of Col. Stuart.

## WOODBRIDGE TAX RATE IS AGAIN REDUCED

Two and a half mills were cut from the previous year's rate when Woodbridge Village council set a rate of 28.5 mills for 1939 Tuesday evening. 31 mills was the rate in 1938.

The 28.5 rate is further reduced to 27 mills by the 1 1/2 mill subsidy from the provincial government. An estimated \$11,572.70 will be raised by the 1939 levy.

The rate for county purposes, to raise \$3,925.59, is down from 10.6 to 9.7; the school rate, to raise \$3,260.00, is raised from 7.9 to 8.1; the Robinson debenture rate, to raise \$267.78, remains at .7 mills, and the village rate, to raise \$4,119.33, is down from 11.8 to 10 mills.

Premier Mitchell F. Hepburn celebrated his 43rd birthday on August 12th.

## WAY BACK IN LIBERAL FILES

### FORTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of Sept. 14, 1899  
The outside woodwork of the Methodist church is being repainted this week, and other improvements made to the interior of the building.

Two of our citizens were united in the bonds of matrimony Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock in the persons of Mr. R. B. McCleary and Mrs. Anne Carr.

The Metropolitan Railway are putting in a switch at the Elgin Mills. This will prove a great convenience as passengers had frequently to be transferred from one car to another along that part of

the road.

Sunny Hill Farm, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Savage, was the scene of a very pleasant gathering last Thursday night, the occasion being the 25th anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Savage. More than 30 guests were present and a most enjoyable time was spent in various games and social intercourse.

Last Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Wm. G. Marsh celebrated the 25th anniversary of their marriage at their lovely home "Elms Lea". The guests present numbered fully 100, and it is safe to say no livelier nor better looking company ever assembled along historic Yonge Street from a social standpoint and from every standpoint the pleasing affair was a great success, and the entertainment afforded was enjoyed by both old and young. Mr. and Mrs. Marsh as host and hostess succeeded admirably in making the guests feel at home.

Cornelius Vanderbilt Sr., the Railway capitalist, died suddenly at his home in New York Tuesday morning, the result of a paralytic stroke.

### THIRTY YEARS AGO

There was no issue of The Liberal on September 9th, 1909

### FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

From our Issue of Sept. 11th, 1924

The Board of Education held a meeting in the High School Monday evening. The following members were present: Dr. Langstaff (chairman), G. H. Duncan, G. Cowie, J. P. Glass, George Gee, W. A. Wright, George Sims, J. Atkinson, Dr. Wilson. Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. A large number of accounts were read, and payment ordered. Representation from several firms were present introducing a new frame for window blinds, new desks, seats and tables, and electric lights. An order of 80 desks and seats was given Mr. Adams and an order for teachers' desks and chairs for the new High School building to be opened the latter part of October was given to a firm in Preston. Mr. Harper, Principal of the Public school, reported that the rooms were full and that no outside pupils could be admitted.

Sincere sympathy is felt for the family of Mrs. Daniel Stong who passed away Sunday last, following her husband who was laid to rest in the Village Cemetery on the 12th of July. The funeral service Tuesday afternoon was conducted by Rev. H. S. Warren, who spoke feelingly of the loss sustained. Deceased is survived by two daughters, Mrs. J. A. Greene and Mrs. J. Wigmore, and one son, Louis, all of Richmond Hill.

The farmers of York County are reaping a bountiful harvest. As a rule hay, grain and roots are more than an average crop and fruit has been plentiful. The rain during the week has retarded hauling in, but a week of sunshine would see most of the harvest in the barns. Frost in two or three nights has been dangerously close, but little damage has been reported.

Two rinks from the Richmond Hill Bowling Club took part in the Globe Scotch Doubles competition, played in Toronto last week. In the first round G. Willis and A. E. Glass defeated J. Craig and J. B. Ball of the Toronto Thistles by a score of 15 to 12; and G. Moodie and J. McLean defeated Shaw and Stewart of London, Ontario, by 24 to 7. The trophy was finally won by Oakwood.

The Dionne quintuplets, now five years and three months old, each year are proving more and more an attraction for tourists. Official estimates showed that in the past four years some 1,500,000 persons have viewed their childish antics in the playground of their nursery home, Dafoe Hospital. By the end of 1939, the number of visitors to the nursery will have risen to more than 2,000,000 according to estimates of Dr. A. R. Dafoe, personal physician to the Quints since their birth, May 28th, 1934. Keith Munro, business manager for Cecile, Annette, Yvonne, Emilie and Marie, said 500,000 persons each year watch them play. "We only keep track of the number of visitors in the summer months," said Munro. "But many view the Quints in the Spring and Fall months. We estimate 500,000 people are viewing the children annually and by the end of this year the number of people probably will run over 2,000,000."

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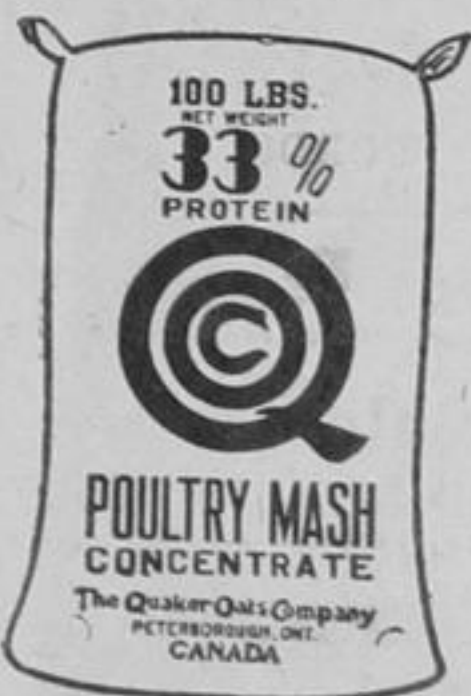
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