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### FORTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of April 19th, 1900  
The auctioneers, Messrs. Saigeon and McEwen, had a successful auction sale of Clydesdale stallions and thoroughbred cattle, the property of the estate of the late John Bell, on Friday. Stallions went beyond \$1400, and milch cows \$50. The proceeds of the sale were about \$8000.

The Methodist Church was lighted by acetylene gas on Sunday evening. The light was fairly satisfactory, although the system is not yet completed. The Trustees have added a centre chandelier of sixteen lights in the body of the church this week, and when the system is thoroughly understood they have no doubt that every part of the building will be well lighted. A chandelier of three lights has also been placed in the centre of the School Room.

The village council met in the clerk's office on April 19th. Present, the Reeve and Councillors Glass and Innes. Minutes of the

26th of March were read and approved, and accounts ordered paid.

Mr. Innes moved, seconded by Mr. Glass, that the clerk is hereby instructed to write the councils of Vaughan and Markham and claim one-third of the rent of each of the toll-houses collected by them, as published in their printed accounts. Carried.

The council adjourned. M. Teefy, Clerk.

Mr. John Duncan raised a new barn on Saturday.

### THIRTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of April 21st, 1910  
Mr. Reid, station agent, is to be commended for making two very neat flower beds, diamond shaped, in front of the Metropolitan Waiting Room. The flowers, when they begin to bloom, will add to the attractiveness of that busy corner. The station is also much improved by a new coat of paint.

Mr. J. O. Herity, editor of the Markham Sun, in partnership with a brother-in-law, has purchased the Belleville Chronicle, a daily and weekly publication. Mr. Herity will continue for a time to edit the Markham Sun, until other arrangements are made.

The Evening Globe of Monday contained a good photograph of Mr. Marshall H. Brown, General Freight Agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Toronto, who has been elected president of the Canadian Freight Association.

The newly-elected President is a son of Mr. S. M. Brown of this village.

Mr. A. Duffy has purchased a building lot on Railroad St., Maple, from Mr. T. Cousins and intends building a residence this summer.

### FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

From our Issue of April 23rd, 1925  
Ladies' Night at the Masonic Hall, Friday evening, April 17th, was a very enjoyable event in every particular. The guests to the number of about eighty were received by W.M. A. E. Glass in the Lodge room which was unusually attractive, having been recently redecorated and refurnished. Down stairs every effort had been put forth to make the room beautiful by the use of flags, plants and flowers. The entertainment which was of a very high order consisted of vocal and violin solos also readings. After refreshments, dancing and cards were the forms of entertainment.

Durant Motors of Canada, Limited, report that cars are being built at the rate of 75 cars per day at their Leaside plant now and efforts are being made to increase this production to 100 cars per day. Difficulty is being encountered in getting sufficient material for that production. Unfilled orders for the new Star Brougham alone total over 500. Profits shown on business for the month of March were highly satisfactory. Dealers, who are coming to the factory in large numbers to drive cars away, report business prospects exceptionally bright.

The York County Junior Farmers and Junior Women held their annual Judging Competition on Thursday, April 16th. Stimulation of new interest coupled with ideal weather conditions made this the biggest competition ever held in York County and probably the biggest of its kind in Ontario. The Girls' Competition which was held in Mrs. Stong's Hall at Richmond Hill was under the supervision of Mrs. Florence Rowland, Walkerton, assisted by judges of the Institute Branch. In all fifty-four girls judged and the competition was exceedingly keen in all classes. The winners in each class will receive as a prize, a free trip to the Girls' Conference at Guelph starting April 23rd, while the next three will receive cash prizes of \$3, \$2 and \$1. The girls standing 1st and 2nd in the general standing will get a free trip to the Chicago International Show. The contest closed by a most enjoyable banquet which was held in the School Room of the Methodist Church, the supper being provided by the Ladies' Aid of the church.

News items from any part of the territory we cover are always welcome. Lists of elected officers and brief items on activities of the various organizations are particularly welcome. Senders are required only to sign their name.

## General News & Views

### Richmond Hill Fair, May 24th

Watch for The Lion's Liberal next week.

Buy Canadian, Buy British, Help Win the War.

Remember to put the clock on an hour Saturday night.

This is the clean-up season. A community clean-up and paint up campaign could do much to make any community more attractive.

The slot machine and its "iron bandit" partner, the pin table, were put on trial recently in an experiment conducted by radio station WKRC in Cincinnati. Two of the machines were kept in operation all day, and reports on the play were given periodically. The day's percentage showed a return of only forty cents to the player for every dollar invested. On the basis of the day's play, chances of hitting the jack pot figured to be 1 in 1,398. The experiment seemed to prove pretty conclusively that you can not win.

A Scotsman from the remote Highlands paid his first visit to London. On arriving at Euston, a voice immediately said, "Taxi, sir?"

Donald shook his head.

After exploring London, our Scots friend went on to Bristol. On emerging from the station he heard the familiar hail, "Taxi, sir?"

"No, thank ye," he bawled. "I said 'No' in London, and I meant it. Now stop following me about."

Hon. C. D. Howe, Canada's Minister of Munitions and Supply, has wider power than any previous government department head since the advent of responsible government in the Dominion.

The minister will not only be in charge of making all war purchases, but has full power to control all production and supply of essential materials during duration of the conflict. If he deems it advisable he can take over any stocks or materials in Canada, can regulate distribution of all necessary supplies and can take possession of any factory or warehouse in the Dominion and appoint a controller to operate them in order to speed up or improve output during the war.

Lord Woolton, minister of food, told Britons they "need have no fear that food supplies will be seriously interfered with" as a result of the Nazi invasion of Denmark and Norway.

The food minister said bacon is in ample supply and the butter situation is satisfactory.

Britain is taking all the bacon and ham that Canada can produce and make available for export during the war under agreement announced last December 4th.

Similarly, she has bargained for the entire exportable surplus of bacon and butter from Eire and butter from New Zealand.

The Earl of Athlone, soldier, diplomat and sportsman, will come to Canada early in June as the Dominion's 16th governor-general since Confederation.

The new appointee succeeds Lord Tweedsmuir who died in office last February, and whose term would have expired normally this summer. In announcing the appointment, Prime Minister Mackenzie King said it would be impossible for the Earl to reach Canada before June and that he would thus be unable to officiate at opening of the new Parliament now expected to meet the second or third week in May.

Brother of the Queen Mother, the Earl of Athlone will be 66 next April 14. He is the former Prince Alexander of Teck. The earldom was created in 1917.

Because of wartime restrictions no publicity will be given the departure of the new governor-general from England and the customary reception and swearing-in ceremony at the port of debarkation in Canada will be omitted.

Glen Moody, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Moody, of Schomberg, has returned home after being a patient in a Toronto hospital for several weeks and is reported as progressing satisfactorily.

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