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GENERAL NEWS AND VIEWS

You can help win the war by buy-
ing war savings stamps.
A toast for 1941—"Here's to Brit-
ain, down with the Dictators."

The Nazis are erecting fortifica-
tions along the French and Belgian
coast to secure it against attack by
the British. The invasion business
must have got turned around, some-
how.—Woodstock Sentinel.

The thermometer hit 11 below
Monday night for the record low of
the present winter.

George Walwin of Richmond Hill
shot his third fox of the season last
Saturday. When it comes to shoot-
ing foxes, the slogan is "let George
do it".

Two ladies were in Richmond Hill
last week making a sidewalk survey
of public opinion on Ontario Liquor
laws. For what organization they
worked is not known.

The Canadian Jewish Chronicle in
a recent issue quotes Jimmy Dorsey's
comment:—"The only thing
that I Duce can lick is Hitler's
boots."

In recent times it seems as if ev-
ery time that President Roosevelt
makes a public speech Hitler and
Mussolini make a run for the dug-
outs, fearing the bombshells.

The Village of Bolton has gone
into the hotel business, for the reason
that the owners of the property
defaulted in their taxes and the
council had nothing else to do but
to take it over. Being the only
hotel in the village, the council
thought it better to keep it running
than to close it up.

This is a true story of an incident
in the life of a Richmond Hill student
attending University. Going to
the gym for a game of "squash",
(nothing whatsoever to do with
vegetables), he placed his street
clothes in his locker and enjoyed a
period of exercise. Returning he was
startled by the realization that he
must have locked his key in the
locker along with his trouser pocket-
ets. After all efforts at lock-picking
failed, he finally called an attendant
who with a sharp file laboriously
ruined the lock and allowed the door
to fling open. Imagine his surprise
on finding the locker empty. Con-
sternation reigned for a few minutes,
when by chance he opened the
door of the next locker which was
unlocked, and there safe and un-
harmed were his clothes and belong-
ings. Was his face red?

The annual meeting of the Union-
ville Horticultural Society was held
last week at the home of Mr. and
Mrs. Edwin Dixon. A review of the
1940 business revealed the Society
had a successful year. The treasurer
reported a balance of \$50.00 on
hand. It was decided to give a dona-
tion of \$10 to the British War Vic-
tims Fund. Among the duties car-
ried out by the members last year
were caring for the C.N.R. Station
yard, helping to plant trees in the
village, and looking after the
grounds of the following rural
schools: Milliken, Hagerman, Union-
ville, Buttonville and German Mills.
The following officers were elected:
President, Mrs. R. L. Stiver; Vice-
Presidents, Miss M. Sommerville, Mr.
Edwin Dixon; Directors, Mrs. Edwin
Dixon, Mrs. N. Ogden, Mr. L. H. H-
Thomson; Auditors, G. G. Maynard,
R. L. Stiver.

Some excitement has been caused
in Whitechurch township during the
past few days when an agent for a
private concern approached farmers
on the second concession seeking per-
mission to drill for oil on their farms.
The area is said to extend along
the second concession about three
and three quarter miles extending
east to Vandorf and north of Aurora
sideroad, taking in about 2,000 acres.
Ground tests and the general geol-
ogy of the land lead experts to be-
lieve there may be oil in this neigh-
bourhood.

The farmers will be guaranteed
against loss to their crops through
men drilling on their property and if
oil is located they will receive an
eighth of the revenue. It is expect-
ed that a second meeting will be
held in the near future.

A representative of the company
states that they are not selling
shares, ask no bonus and are pre-
pared to pay their way through their
own resources.

"It is essential to preserve civil
liberties as it is to track down
those who engage in espionage and
sabotage."
—J. Edgar Hoover.

WAY BACK IN THE LIBERAL FILES

FORTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of Jan. 18th, 1900
The long-talked-of post office has
been opened in the store of Naught-
on Bros., Elgin Mills, Mr. Michael
Naughton being postmaster. Letters
posted in this village for Elgin Mills
and vice versa must go to Toronto
and back.

The following officers have been
elected for the Markham Township
Agricultural Society: President, Robert
Ash; First Vice-President, Wm. H. Noble;
Second Vice-President, Moses
Hemmingway; Sec.-Treas., John F.
Davison; Directors, Alexander Rus-
sell, Alexander Pringle, E. A. Pen-
nell, William Grant, George Gorm-
ley, Isaac Elliott, Edward Kirk,
John F. Davison and J. B. Gould.

Two Rinks from Thornhill Curling
Club came up Friday afternoon and
played a friendly game with the
curlers here. The visitors were de-
feated by 10 points, but at another
match in the evening they won from
their opponents by 10 shots, thus
making a draw for the two matches.

At the Farmers' Institute held at
Maple on Monday several subjects
of interest to farmers were discus-
sed by several speakers. At the ev-
ening meeting the hall was crowd-
ed. The Hope Male Chorus Club was
present in the evening and sang a
number of patriotic and other selec-
tions.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of Jan. 12th, 1911
Both skaters and spectators were
delighted with the Skating Evening
under the auspices of the Willing
Workers' Mission Band Monday ev-
ening. The receipts amounted to
more than \$40.00.

Mr. Wm. Meek, well known in
Markham Township, died at his home
at Victoria Square Friday afternoon
after a lingering illness. Deceased
was 72 years of age. He is sur-
vived by a widow, four sons, Will-
iam, Alonzo, Fred and Albert, and a
daughter, Mrs. Thomas Read. Inter-
ment took place in Victoria Square
cemetery Monday afternoon.

The hockey outlook in Richmond
Hill this season is unusually bright.
Since organization the boys have
been turning out well to practice
and have had already several good
try outs. They are full of enthusi-
asm and are trying to play clean
hockey, not "rough house"—a very
difficult matter in such a rink as
ours owing to the narrowness of the
ice sheet—some forty feet wide—
anything like team play is almost
impossible. To this is added the fact
that the sides of the rink are not
boarded which makes it more or less
dangerous to the players. In spite
of these drawbacks the local team
will give a good account of them-
selves in the home matches with out-
side teams. The boys are a husky
lot and with three practices a week
they will improve greatly in the mat-
ter of speed, shooting, playing their
proper positions and a measure of
combination so far as possible in
such close quarters. The personnel
of the players is as follows:

H. Carroll—A good stick handler
with considerable experience who
knows some of the fine points of
the game. He will likely captain
the team in the matches.

Stanley Tyndall—A speedy, strong
player with a good deal of dash who
with more practice in shooting ought
to make it interesting to a goal-
keeper.

J. G. Abrey—Of the Standard Bank
a former member of the New Ham-
burgh team, a good bunch — is a
stalwart striking figure on the ice
and appears to understand combina-
tion work. He will make good.

Victor Brown, Jack and Willie
Naughton and H. Palmer—All prom-
ise well, Brown and Willie Naught-
on are both fast, handle the puck
well and after they leave to play in
their positions will develop into
first-class players.

In addition to the above are the
following: Earl Fairry, Wes Palmer,
Norman Boyle, Stanley McConaghy,
Karl and Percy Hill, N. Tyndall and
D. Atkinson in Goal. Some of whom
with practice may find a position on
the team. Taking the bunch as a
whole there is splendid material for
a septette. It is hoped that the
citizens will show their interest in
this manly sport which from a spec-
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