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FORTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of August 22, 1901
Reeve Savage in compliance with
a requisition of citizens, having pro-
claimed Thursday, August 29, a Civic
Holiday for the Village of Richmond
Hill, a grand excursion under the
auspices of the Fire Brigade will be
run on that day to Niagara Falls
and Buffalo.

The Public Library Board met in
the council chamber on Monday eve-
ning, August 19th. Members pres-
ent: Messrs. P. G. Savage (chair-
man), W. A. Sanderson, J. H. Bry-
don, H. A. Nicholls and T. F. Mc-
Mahon. Minutes of last meeting
read and adopted. A motion was
passed that the Village council be
requested to levy a tax on munici-
pality of \$80.00, to meet the running
expenses of the Public Library for
the year. Brydon-Savage—That the
Book Committee be authorized to
expend \$100 on books for the Public
Library, and \$50 on magazines,
newspapers, etc. for the Reading
room. Carried. The Board adjourned
after a request that citizens hand
the names, to the secretary or Book
Committee, of any suitable books
they wish to have placed in the
Public Library, to be purchased if
approved of by the committee.

Mr. G. V. McLean, late Mathematic
Master in the Markham High School
has been appointed Principal of the
High School at Harriston.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From Our Issue of August 17, 1911
Mr. George Smith has purchased
Mr. C. Mason's two houses on Rich-
mond Street, and intends moving
into one of them soon.

Mr. A. J. Hume is acting as Lib-
rarian at the Public Library in the
absence of Mr. George Cowie who
is taking a trip through the Cana-
dian West.

Mr. P. Bassingthwaite north of
this Village has sold his property
for a good figure.

Private Wm. J. Clifford of the
10th Royal Grenadiers was accorded
an enthusiastic welcome Monday eve-
ning on his arrival from England
where he won the King's Prize and
the Prince of Wales Prize, compet-
ing against the best shots in the
British Empire. At the C.P.R. sta-
tion, North Toronto, he was met by
Colonel Pellatt and other members
of the Regiment, and escorted by a
decorated carriage to a point where
a procession was formed. The pro-
cession was down Yonge Street and
then to Queen's Park. Bands played
and a general good time followed.
Mayor Geary addressed the crowd
and referred to the honour brought
across the ocean by one of their citi-
zens. Mayor Geary pointed out that
this was the first time on record
that one man had carried off in the
same season both the King's Prize
and the Prince of Wales' Prize. He
then made the presentation on be-
half of the city. It consisted of a
handsome case of silver, standing
about four feet high. A plate on the
case bears the following inscription:
Presented by the Mayor and Coun-
cil of the Corporation of Toronto to
William J. Clifford, winner of the
King's prize and the Prince of Wales'
prize at Bisley. Mr. Clifford mod-
estly replied, returning his sincere
thanks. A number of Richmond Hill
boys went to the city Monday eve-
ning to join in the welcome to their
former townsmen, Mr. W. J. Clif-
ford.

A special meeting of the Village
Council was held in the Clerk's Of-
fice Tuesday evening. In the ab-
sence of the Reeve Mr. J. H. San-
derson presided. Other councillors
present were J. Palmer, J. Tyndall
and G. Sims. Mr. Pratt, president
of the Ratepayers Association, ad-
dressed the council relative to ex-
penses in connection with the Old
Boys Reunion in September. By re-
solution the council agreed to pay
\$20.00 to the Treasurer of the Rate-
payers Association to meet current
expenses, and to be responsible for
any other legitimate expense in con-
nection with the reunion.

The Brampton Banner and Times
gives an interesting account of the
12th convention of the Provincial
Volunteer Firemen's Association held
in Brampton last week. In the street
parade there were 10 brass bands
and 14 fire brigades. The town was
appropriately decorated, and the
whole performance went off without
a hitch. Considering the fact that

Richmond Hill were up against some
of the fastest Fire Brigades in the
Province it must be admitted our
boys did remarkably well. They
brought home \$70, \$40 being for hose
reel race, \$20 for hook and ladder
race, and \$10 for taking the band
with them. In the first race they
were only 2 and 1/15 seconds behind
Paris who won first money, and in
the hook and ladder their time was
only 2 and 9/10 seconds more than
Niagara Falls who won first prize.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

From our Issue of August 19, 1926
Among the many enjoyable little
affairs arranged in honor of Mrs.
Stewart Williams who is leaving for
her home in Winnipeg on Thursday
were a bridge party by Mrs. Mc-
Donald and a verandah tea at the
home of Mrs. A. J. McLatchy with
Mrs. McLatchy and Miss Bertha
Palmer as hostesses. Four tables of
bridge were played on the verandah
with its beautiful southern exposure
and a number of ladies dropped in
during the afternoon for a cup of
tea. Miss Helen Williams delighted
the guests with three piano num-
bers.

Miss M. Denby of Toronto has
taken charge of the hairdressing
parlor at the Davies' Dry Goods
store. Miss Denby has had several
years experience and comes highly
recommended.

Miss Lavina Mortley of Durham,
Ontario has been appointed to the
public school staff to fill the vacan-
cy caused by the resignation of
Miss Martin.

Mrs. Anne Anderson Perry has
been attending the Canadian Auth-
ors' Convention in Vancouver. A
despatch to the Toronto Globe lists
her name among the guests at a
delightful garden party given by Mr.
and Mrs. R. P. Butchard of Victoria
in honor of the Canadian Authors'
Association.

Mr. Thomas Cousins of Maple has
been threshing during the week and
is well pleased with a yield of fifty
bushels to the acre of his field of
Golden Chaff wheat which won first
prize in the field competition.

A very successful doubles tourna-
ment was held at the local green on
Wednesday afternoon. Thirty-four
rinks took part in the games in-
cluding representatives from Stouff-
ville, Newmarket, Unionville, North
Toronto, Lawrence Park as well as
several local entries. Three games
were played by each rink and sev-
eral handsome prizes were awarded
to the winners. Mrs. J. A. Greene
and George Gee won the first prize
for three wins, beautiful silver gob-
lets suitably engraved donated by
Mr. W. Ward Price and an addition-
al prize of fountain pens; second
prize for three wins Miss I. Wil-
son and Wes. Wellman, cut glass vase
and carving set; first prize for two
wins, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Stephens,
silk umbrellas; first prize for one
win, Mrs. J. E. Smith and F. Sims,
cake plates; first prize for the high-
est score with no wins, Miss Hard-
ing and George Glenn, silver egg
cups and stand.

Extensive preparations are being
made for the annual international
plowing match which will be held
this year at Niagara on the Lake on
the site of Lundy's Lane battle field.
That this district will be well re-
presented is evidenced by the num-
ber of trophies presented by prom-
inent men of this district as well
as the interest which is being taken
by local plowmen. Colonel Deacon,
of Unionville has offered a hand-
some silver cup for boys under
eighteen years of age plowing in sod.
Mr. Bowman has also given a hand-
some silver trophy which will be
placed by the Association in one of
the sod events. Mr. E. T. Stephens
has very generously donated a forty
dollar silver trophy to be awarded
to the best team and equipment on
the grounds at the match.

Mrs. Stewart Williams gave a
farewell bridge party of three tables
prior to her departure for her home
in Winnipeg. We are sorry to lose
from our midst Miss Helen Williams,
her gifted young daughter whose
playing has delighted those fortunate
enough to hear her during her three
years in Richmond Hill. Music lovers
in the Village will watch her career
with interest.

Liberal classified "ads" pay good
dividends.

GENERAL NEWS AND VIEWS

V for Victory.

Allied forces need gasoline—save
as much as possible for them.

Strict rationing of gas is very
likely to come in Canada before very
long.

Britain is collecting weekly 150-
000 tons of kitchen waste for pig
and poultry feed.

"Run on Ladies' Stockings," says
a United States newspaper heading.
There's been "runs" on ladies' stock-
ings for a long time.

To laugh is easy, so they say,
So don't but be glum...instead be
gay,
And practise laughing every day
For humour is a habit.

Harvest operations throughout
York County are pretty well com-
pleted. In the main the grain crops
in this district have been good.
Crops were much easier to handle
than last year.

A boy had fallen into a river and
the kind old lady stopped until he
was safely on the bank.

"How did you come to fall in?"
she asked.

"I didn't come to fall in," he said,
"I came to fish."

North York Township is consider-
ing the change of building restric-
tions. It was felt that more small-
er-sized homes were needed in the
North York area to house low-wage
earners.

Bicycle sales have increased away
beyond normal expectations in To-
ronto. The request of the Federal
Government that gasoline be con-
served, has been the cause of the
increased demand.

Education and military training
will be linked together at the Uni-
versity of Toronto when the fall ter-
m opens. Some of the students
will be trained for the various posts
and duties in the R.C.A.F.

Dates for the agricultural societ-
ies' fairs and exhibitions for this
year in this section of Ontario are:
Alliston, Sept. 18-18; Barrie, Sept.
15-17; Caledon, Sept. 19-20; Schom-
berg, Sept. 26-27; Beeton, Sept. 30-
Oct. 1; Bolton, Oct. 3-4; Cooksville,
Sept. 30-Oct. 1; Markham, Oct. 2-4;
Woodbridge, Oct. 10-13; Beaverton,
Sept. 19-20; Udora, Oct. 1.

That four-year-old story about the
Japanese and Chinese might be told
now about the Russians and the Ger-
mans. Remember it? A Chinese
general wrote a letter to a friend
about the Sino-Japanese war:

"Two years ago 1,000,000 Chinese
died, and 500,000 Japs are killed in
this war. Last year 1,500,000 Chi-
nese die and 1,500,000 Japs. This
year maybe 2,000,000 Chinese die
and 1,500,000 Japs. Pretty soon war
over—No more Japanese." — Sud-
bury Star.

Greater Ukraine, toward which
Hitler has long looked with eager
eyes, annually produces 600,000,000
tons of coal, 14,000,000 tons of iron
ore, 1,500,000 tons of petroleum, 6-
000,000 tons of pig iron, 5,300,000
tons of steel, 1,100,000 tons of man-
ganes ore. It is the world's largest
producer of hydro-electric energy
and fourth largest of sugar. It pro-
duces a surplus of flax, cotton,
wheat, maize, potatoes, rye, barley,
oats and sugar beets. It is the
centre of the aluminum industry and
other important Soviet war indus-
tries.

A denizen of the hills of East
Tennessee, who was appearing as a
witness in a law suit, was being
questioned as to his educational
qualifications by the plaintiff's law-
yer.

"Can you write?" asked the law-
yer.

"Nope."

"Can you read?"

"Wa'al, I kin read figgers pretty
well, but I don't do so good with
writin'."

"How is that?"

"Wa'al, take these here signs a-
long the road when I want to go
somers; I kin read how fur, but not
whurto."

Motorists should keep in mind
that the new regulations for the pur-
chase of gasoline are designed to cut
down consumption by fifty per cent,
not just to change gas buying hours.

A "bareleg beauty bar" was open-
ed in London last week for women
who wish to save clothing coupons.
For threepence a leg, they can have
artificial stockings of rainproof sun-
tan lotion sprayed on.

A certain editor in an obituary
of a man who died in the communi-
ty said: "A long procession follow-
ed the remains to their last roast-
ing place." Of course the family
rushed to the newspaper office to
have the error corrected. The editor
explained he could not do it until
the back subscription the deceased
owed had been paid.

Prices of most farm products have
been gradually increasing states the
Current Review on Agricultural Con-
ditions in Canada, and in June, 1941,
were considerably above those of a
year ago.

Most rapid increases have been in
animal produce prices, particularly
cheese, butter, hogs, beef cattle and
eggs. Several of these products also
receive price bonuses from either
the Dominion or Provincial govern-
ments, or from both. Grain prices
generally have shown little change,
the market being dominated by the
wheat situation.

The shepherd's daughter was go-
ing to marry a town-dweller. Wishing
to make her father look smart at
the ceremony, she got him to agree
to wear a hat. The shepherd went
into a store.

Clerk—"What size please?"

Shepherd—"I don't know."

Clerk—"We'll try a six and a half
first."

Shepherd — "Six and a half be
hanged. I wear a 16 collar, and I
know my head is bigger than my
neck."

Muskoka Herald: One interesting
fact gleaned from the Patrolman's
Conference in Bracebridge recently
was that all these men, who patrol
the roads of Muskoka under direc-
tion of the Department of Highways
are qualified to give first-aid in case
of highway accidents. All of them
have passed St. John Ambulance
tests, and have taken the various re-
freshers courses. The safety of the
motorist as far as the road condi-
tion itself is concerned is in their
hands, and beyond that they are
prepared to give extra service when
any of the travelling public get into
trouble through accident. Credit is
due to the men and their superiors
who have brought into effect this
feature of the Highways Depart-
ment services.

Teacher: You all know what a
mirror is for. Now, Jackie, where
do you look if you want to know
that you're clean?

Jackie: At the towel, miss.

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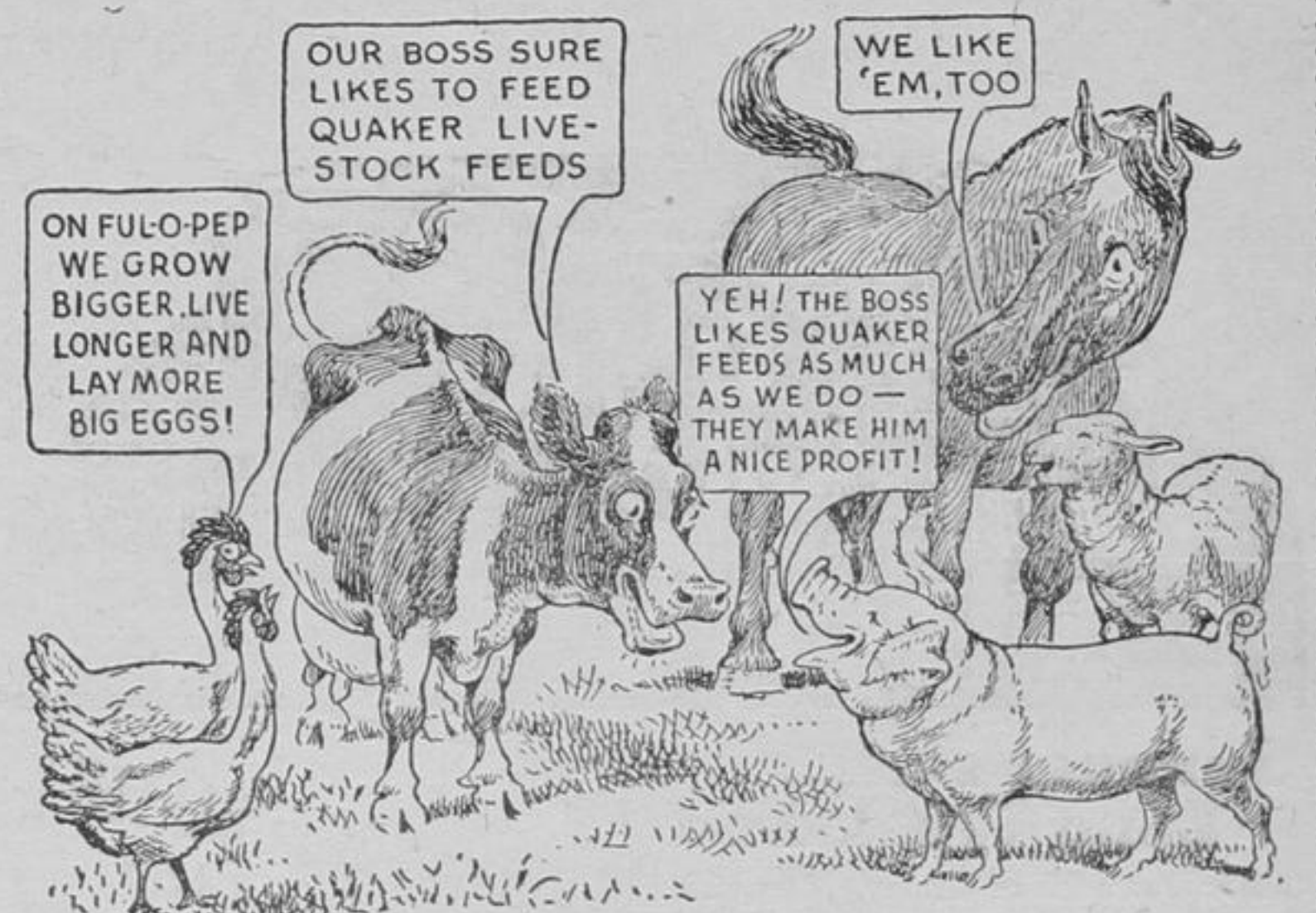
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