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WAY BACK IN THE LIBERAL FILES

FORTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of Nov. 28th, 1901
Archie Campbell of Toronto Junction
was the unanimous choice of the
West York Liberals at the conven-
tion held in Weston to name a candi-
date to contest the by-election, caus-
ed by the death of Clarke Wallace.
Workmen in Vaughan Township
received \$1.25 per day.
Premier Ross has been invited to
drive the last spike in the Ontario
and Rainy River Railroad.
Smallpox was reported as spread-
ing rapidly in several sections of
Quebec province.

Dr. J. R. Campbell, V.S., moved
to Thornhill from Milton, buying out
the practice of Dr. Gallanough
Hon. N. Clarke Wallace, M.P., who
died at Woodbridge on October 8th
left an estate valued at \$34,000.
York County Council session open-
ed with Warden Chester presiding.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of Nov. 23rd, 1911
A meeting of the Richmond Hill
Hockey Club was held in Lorne Hall
and the following officers elected:
Honorary president, Reeve W. H.
Pugsley; president, L. E. Hand;
vice-president, H. Glover; 2nd vice-
president, E. Metcalfe; secretary, C.
Hill; treasurer, Percy Hill; manager,
Wesley Palmer; managing commit-
tee, J. Davidson, W. Holmes, W.
Patton; Patrons, Ed. Grainger, W. C.
Savage, T. H. Trench and A. G.
Savage.

J. C. Steckley has been appointed
Agricultural Representative for the
County succeeding W. E. J. Ed-
wards.

East York Liberals decided to sup-
port the independent candidature of
W. J. Lawrence in the provincial
elections.

There were highway accidents in
those days too. Dr. James F. W.
Ross, Toronto surgeon, died at the
home of Dr. Langstaff from injuries
received when his automobile turned
over in the ditch just south of Rich-
mond Hill.

Mrs. Timothy Eaton announced
her intention to build a \$200,000
church in Toronto in memory of her
late husband.

The T. Eaton Company Santa
Claus parade passed through Rich-
mond Hill on Saturday.

Mr. John Hamilton and five re-
formed drunkards from the Work-
ingman's Home, Toronto, attended
the weekly prayer meeting at the
Richmond Hill Methodist Church.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

From our Issue of Nov. 25th, 1926
W. Bro. J. Sanders was elected
W.M. of Richmond Hill L.O.L. 2368.
A feature of the evening was the
presentation of a cane to J. H. Sand-
erson marking the fiftieth anniver-
sary of his joining the Lodge.

The opening of the Bedford
Theatre in North Toronto was an-
nounced in this issue.

Father Malon of Richmond Hill
was injured Sunday evening when he
was struck by a car on Yonge St.
at Elgin Mills.

Mr. H. N. Stanford was appointed
caretaker of Richmond Hill High
School.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McDonald
celebrated their sixtieth wedding an-
niversary at Maple.

W. Bro. William Riddell occupied
the chair at Past Masters Night at
Patterson Lodge at Thornhill.

LIFE SENTENCE

Last week a Montreal judge sen-
tenced a man charged with two sepa-
rate crimes to a life term for each
offence. Fortunately the judge was
kind-hearted and made the two terms
concurrent. If the sentences had been
made consecutive the convicted man
would have had to turn around after
spending his whole life in prison and
do it all over again. The incident
recalls another story of a judge—
this time, a British judge. He had
just sentenced a man to a life term,
and the prisoner burst into tears.
"I can't stand it," sobbed the pris-
oner, "I know I won't live that long."
The kind-hearted judge comforted the
sobbing fellow. "Never mind, my
poor fellow," the judge said, "it
won't take nearly as long as you
expect. Anyway don't worry. Just
do the best you can!"

GENERAL NEWS AND VIEWS

There will be no municipal elec-
tions this year in North York, Mark-
ham or King Townships, the present
councils having been elected for two
years.

In municipalities where there is no
municipal election this year the coun-
cil are required to call a public meet-
ing to present a financial statement.
Just how much interest is taken in
these meetings was shown at Weston
last Friday night when one lone citi-
zen attended the meeting.

Mayor Dr. L. W. Dales and all
members of Newmarket municipal
council were re-elected by acclama-
tion for another year. The nomina-
tion meeting was held Friday night.

Reeve Ross McMillan and all mem-
bers of the North Gwillimbury Coun-
cil were accorded an acclamation at
the nomination meeting held in Kes-
wick last Friday.

Peter Wade of Langstaff Public
School who won the oratorical hon-
ors in the North York Inspectorate
placed third in the County competi-
tion last Friday. His subject was
"The Child's Part in the War for
Our Empire". The first prize win-
ner was Isobel Benn of Leaside.

Ex-warden W. E. MacDonald re-
turns in 1942 to York County Council
having been elected Reeve of New
Toronto by acclamation. He is likely
to live in and lengthen the County
Council sessions as the ex-warden is
not noted for his silence.

Corp. Peter Walker of this district
who has been overseas for some time
was heard in a broadcast from Eng-
land recently. It's a nice feeling to
hear the voice of one of the boys
"over there".

York County Council is in session
and the boys are on their annual
talk fest. With all the war interest
it's hard for the County Councillors
to hit the headlines. They could
make a headline and earn the thanks
of the people by adjourning in about
half the usual time.

Gravel is a hoodoo for Vaughan
Township this year. The contractor
who was given the job of putting on
the gravel got so busy with war he
was unable to carry out the original
contract. With the season wearing
on the council let the job to a new
contractor and he has been getting
on with the work. Last Thursday
some of the pit employees got tight
and engaged in a pitched battle which
resulted in three landing in police
custody.

It's amazing the number of people
who think printers can live on fresh
air and sunshine. The number of
people in a week who besiege this
office for free advertising is astound-
ing. Once again we repeat, that a
notice about any coming event which
is designed to raise money is AD-
VERTISING and must be paid for.
No matter how worthy the cause,
advertising space is our stock in
trade, is what we have to sell, and
if we are to live we must be paid
for it.

Toronto Kiwanis Club presented
Scholarships to eight York County
Junior Farmers this week. The
scholarships pay the fees of recipi-
ents at O.A.C. short course at Guelph.
The winners were: Murray Mason,
Agincourt; George McGowan, Mill-
iken; Lloyd Penny, Markham; David
Weddell, Sharon; Gordon Cook, Ket-
tleby; Bruce Snider, Maple; Wesley
Whittaker, Downsview, and James
Bagg, Edgeley.

This is the time of year the weath-
er prophets get in their fine work.
They are already predicting an early
and hard winter and base their
pessimistic expectations on all sorts
of things. These chaps know about
as much about the severity of the
coming winter or otherwise, as the
squirrels, muskrats and other fur-
bearing animals, and they don't
know a thing.—Sterling Argus.

Charlie Rowntree will again coach
the Aurora Junior Hockey team.
Charlie is a Woodbridge boy well
known around here as a member of
the Richmond Hill Young Canadians
Lacrosse team.

James Ley, Markham village
blacksmith, celebrated his 96th
birthday last Thursday.

In Owen Sound hospital for six
weeks after a porcupine quill was
removed from his throat, Thomas
Skippen, 61, of Heathcote, died re-
cently. It was thought the quill had
lodged there through eating meat in
which the quill had been embedded.

Newmarket citizens vote Decem-
ber 1st on the establishment of beer
parlors in the town. By a recent
ruling trainees at the Military Camp
do not vote. About 175 members of
the permanent staff of the camp
will have votes.

Efficient grading methods is the
reason for the good sale of Prince
Edward Island potatoes stated Reeve
R. W. Scott of Vaughan Township at
York County Council sessions this
week. Ontario farmers are losing
out he said by not grading their
potatoes.

Port McNicoll has offered a bounty
of fifty cents apiece on skunks. Pity
the Chief of Police, as claimants
must bring the odiferous animals
to him. We don't blame him if he
says: "My job these days isn't worth
a scent." It may also interest our
readers to know that a skunk can't
spray if it hasn't its feet on the
ground. Pick up a skunk by the
tail and it is harmless, but be sure
you pick it up soon enough, or else
—well, don't say we didn't tell you.

Alfred Rettinger, while motoring
a short distance from his home in
Curloss last week, was given an un-
usual surprise when a large buck
deer contested the right of way with
him. The animal, which would weigh
nearly 400 lbs., stood fifteen feet in
front of and facing the machine,
pawing the ground ferociously, and
emitted loud, challenging roars at
the car. Mr. Rettinger promptly
stopped the car, and allowed the an-
imal to roar and paw his anger out,
after which it ambled away. The
motorist was afraid for a time that
the deer was going to make a sav-
age attack on his car radiator.—
Mildmay Gazette.

Kiwanis Club Banquets Farm Boys

The Kiwanis Club of Toronto for
the 15th consecutive year entertain-
ed the members of the Boys' Calf
Clubs of York County at their regu-
lar luncheon on Wednesday last.
About sixty club members, their
leaders and the officers of the Mark-
ham Agricultural Society were royally
entertained by their hosts.

Eight scholarships of \$10 at the
regular O.A.C. short course New
Year's week were presented to the
highest ranking boys over sixteen
years of age. These were presented
by President Ed. Cross of the Ki-
wanis Club who congratulated the
boys on having completed their club
project successfully. He pointed out
also that the members of his club
were behind any movement on be-
half of the farmers to assure them
of at least cost of production or a
little better.

The winners of the scholarships
were David Weddell, Sharon; Gordon
Cook, Kettleby; Murray Mason, Agin-
court; George McGowan, Milliken;
Lloyd Penny, Markham; Bruce Snid-
er, Maple; Wesley Whittaker, Downs-
view and James Bagg, Edgeley. Head
table guests included H. C. Hamill
and George Freeman of Markham
whose farms had been visited by the
club as guests of the Markham Fair
Board, also Mr. Jas. Rennie, Stouff-
ville, president of Markham Agricul-
tural Society, W. M. Cockburn and
assistant Agricultural Representa-
tive T. R. Hilliard, of Newmarket.

FARMER FINDS PURSES WHILE PLOWING

An unusual discovery was made by
a Victoria, Centre Road, farmer,
James McKane, who recently found
thirteen purses (ladies') while plow-
ing. The purses were all different
in design and may have all been
used. County Officer Barry Farrell,
who is investigating, admits it is
one of the most mysterious cases in
some time as no thefts of this na-
ture have been reported.

OBITUARY

LATE GEORGE T. GALL
George T. Gall, a resident of
Richvale for the past seven years
died at his home Tuesday morning
after an illness of about 2 months.
In his 80th year the late Mr. Gall
was born at Fyvie, Scotland and
came to Canada 28 years ago. He
is survived by his widow, four sons
Alex in Northern Ontario, Harry in
Montreal, George in Cornwall and
Bill at home, and two daughters
Margaret in Salt Lake City, U.S.A.
and Elizabeth at home. One son
John died about twelve years ago.
The funeral was held Thursday af-
ternoon and was conducted by Rev.
S. W. Hirtle of Richmond Hill Pres-
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place in Richmond Hill cemetery.

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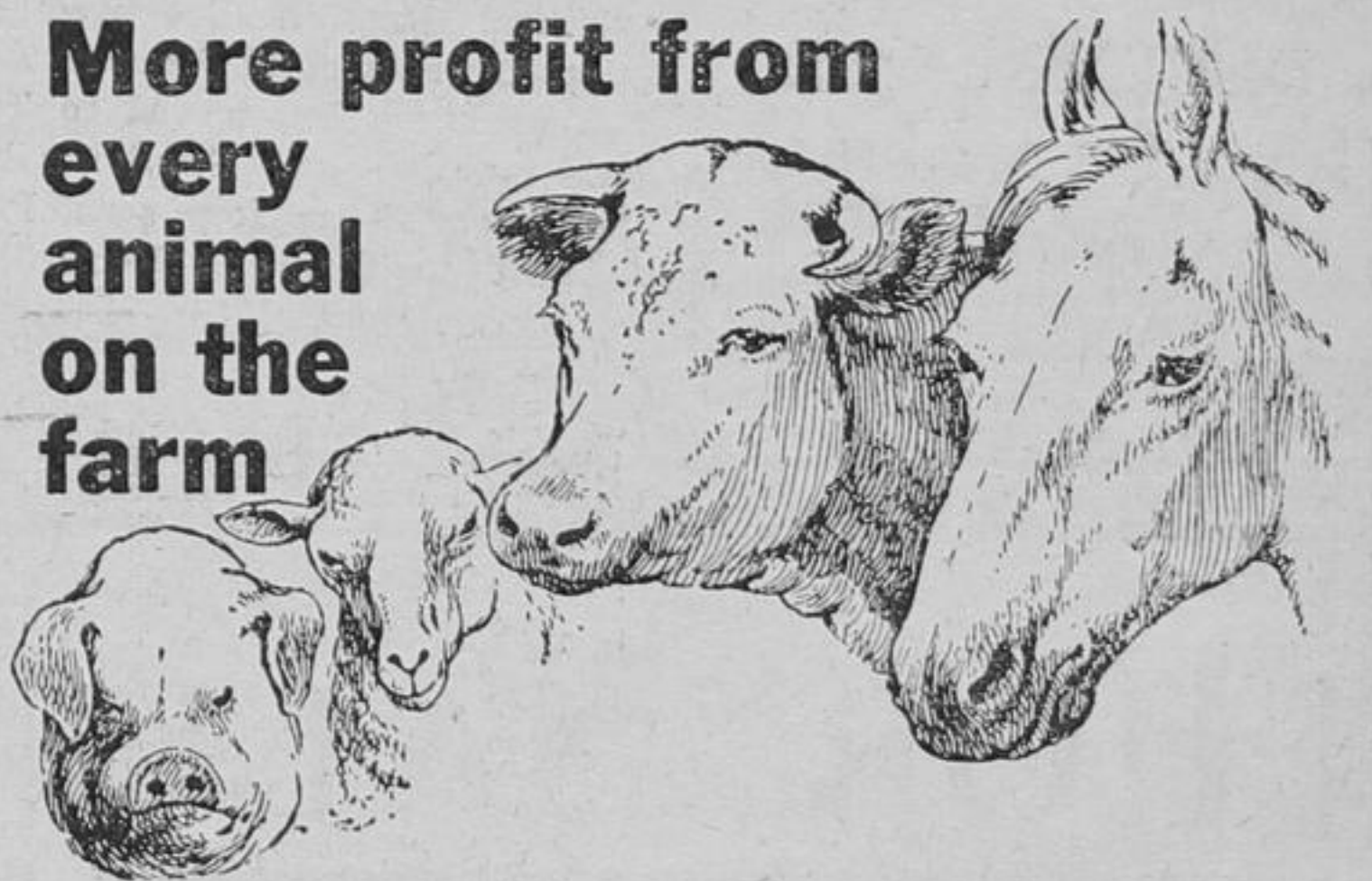
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