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GENERAL NEWS AND VIEWS

A Happy Easter.

Go to Church Easter Sunday. Every soul needs an altar and a faith in these testing times.

Gasoline rationing came into effect Wednesday. Local dealers report a brisk "fill-up" business up until seven o'clock Tuesday.

Newmarket Lions Club has endorsed the proposal of having a public health nurse in that town.

Horses were selling at cut rate prices last fall but now are in keen demand and commanding good prices.

Too many motorists have been thinking about how much gas they could get, rather than how much they could do without.

Wonder who it was that got the idea to decree that there was going to be a saving by restricting men to one pair of trousers to a suit of clothes. As the Bracebridge Gazette remarks, if this regulation is persisted in "the net result will be that they will use just the same number of trousers as heretofore, but twice as many coats and vests."

The war may bring a return of the old-fashioned soap kettle to rural America. Predicting a shortage of soap, a Red Cross committee in Potsdam, U.S.A., has proposed that an expert soap-maker be hired to instruct housewives how to supply their needs. Economical use of cleaning materials is urged by the Farm Security Administration, with the warning that the war in the Pacific has already cut off 1,200,000,000 pounds of fat imports.

New restrictions on the use of metals in Canada make wooden bathtubs a possibility. To the danger of stepping on the soap this would add another hazard—splinters.

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We've heard from a naval officer who got promoted recently, which necessitated a re-shuffling of his insignia. When his stars were removed, he found, on the back of each, a label reading "Made in Japan". He sent one to us, for evidence. You can come and look at it, but we wouldn't part with it for anything.—New Yorker.

As to the matter of rubber the old-time pedestrian may reflect that after all there's nothing like leather—as long as we've got leather.—Vancouver Province.

Dr. Goebbels says that the recent R. A. F. raids on France are very irritating to German public opinion. We didn't know that the German public had an opinion.—Peterborough Examiner.

Sunday visiting up at the farm is likely to be cut down this year, says Thomas Richard Henry in the Evening Telegram.

Sunday was always a bright and interesting day to the farmer's wife after she had a grown-up family.

The morning was taken up with church and chores, and there were always anything from two to 22 visitors from the city for Sunday afternoon. Most of them came from a distance and found it convenient to stay for dinner and supper, too. This wasn't any great inconvenience to the farmer's wife, because she could put the dinner on before going to church and while she was washing the dishes in the afternoon the city visitors employed themselves by filling their car with whatever was in season — apples, sweet corn — even wood from the pile that had been cut back in the bush and hauled up to the farm house.

Then usually, because it was some considerable distance back to the city, the visitors left before the supper dishes were done.

But now with gas and tires being conserved the Sunday afternoons on the farm will not be so full. Less often will there be that line-up of cars in the orchard. The women on the farm will not have so many meals to prepare or dishes to wash — and the funny part of it is they will probably long for the old days back again, when the folks can come and see them of a Sunday afternoon.

WAY BACK IN LIBERAL FILES

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

From our Issue of March 31, 1927
NEWTONBROOK — Mr. Bert Moore is receiving the congratulations of his friends on his success in the Oratorical Contest at the Richmond Hill Home and School Club last Wednesday when he came second place among seven competitors.

VICTORIA SQUARE — The syrup makers, Messrs. Anson Nichols and Harry Bennet are having a "sweet" time this week. Even though the evaporator is kept boiling day and night, the flow of sap is so abundant that the pans can scarcely keep pace with the supply.

THORNHILL — The annual Thank-offering meeting of the W. M. S. of the United Church was held in the Sunday School room on March 29th. Mrs. (Rev.) J. W. McIntosh of Richmond Hill gave an interesting address on missions. The thank-offering collection amounted to \$160.00.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of April 4th, 1912
The appointment by the Ontario Government of Rev. Wm. B. Finley of St. Enoch's Presbyterian Church, Toronto, to the position of Governor of the City's new Industrial Farm a mile south of Richmond Hill, seems to give general satisfaction.

There was a pleasant social gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kirby on the evening of the first when their friends in Maple and vicinity made them a presentation of a cut glass water pitcher, 12 goblets and plateau. The address was read by Mr. Saigeon and the presentation made by Mr. Cousins. Mr. Saigeon, who was Master of Ceremonies, called upon a number of those present, all of whom spoke in the highest terms of Mr. and Mrs. Kirby and family, expressing regrets that they were about to remove from them. The following responded: Rev. J. W. Morgan, Dr. Routley, T. Cousins, J. A. Cameron, J. B. McLean, G. Lawrie, Mr. Gray and others. Mr. Kirby replied feelingly on behalf of himself, wife and family. Before separating the company sang Auld Lang Syne and God Save the King.

FORTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of April 3, 1902
Thirty-seven sealers of fruit and

Easter Greetings From Thornhill United Church

"Fear not, I am the first and the last; I am he that liveth, and was dead; and behold, I am alive for evermore."—Revelations 1:18.

A man who loved flowers was working in his greenhouse one day. As he toiled in the happiness of the morning hours a favorite plant fell from its place to the floor. The reddish clay around the plant was broken by the fall, but the flower was not injured in the slightest way. With loving hands the man picked it up and gave it larger space in which to grow, and before long the same plant was a wonderful mass of beautiful bloom.

This is the Parable of Easter. We are tenants living in molds of fragile clay. Some day the claim will come for greater room, and then the "outgrown shell" will fall away. If in the youthful morning, and not the afternoon of age, the signal hour should appear, it need not be made sombrous by the mist of doubt and fear; it need not be so in any event! God has a place for every soul, be it soon or late, where it may reach the summit of the self it longs and prays to be. All uncompleted dreams and goodness shall come to fruition there, and sooner or later, each shall share in the joy of all.

"If a man die, shall he live again?" Yes, definitely! "Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept." "I am the resurrection and the life; because I live, ye shall live also." These are the words that ostracise the thought of death and give assurance of life that is "forever".

"Thanks be unto God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

"Lift up your hands, ye sorrowing ones
And be ye glad of heart!
For Calvary and Easter Day—
Earth's saddest day and gladdest day—
Were just one day apart!"

So do we wish you all the joys of this happy Eastertide, and express the hope that you may find peace, happiness and inspiration in the Church of your choice on Easter Day!

You are warmly invited to worship with us at any or all of our Easter services. Morning Worship will be at 11 a.m., Evening Worship will be at 7 p.m., and on each occasion the service will be marked by special Easter music. Immediately following the Evening Service, there will be a Fellowship Period in the Sunday School room in which you are invited to participate.

Looking forward to having you with us on these joyous occasions and with every good wish for your happiness at Easter,

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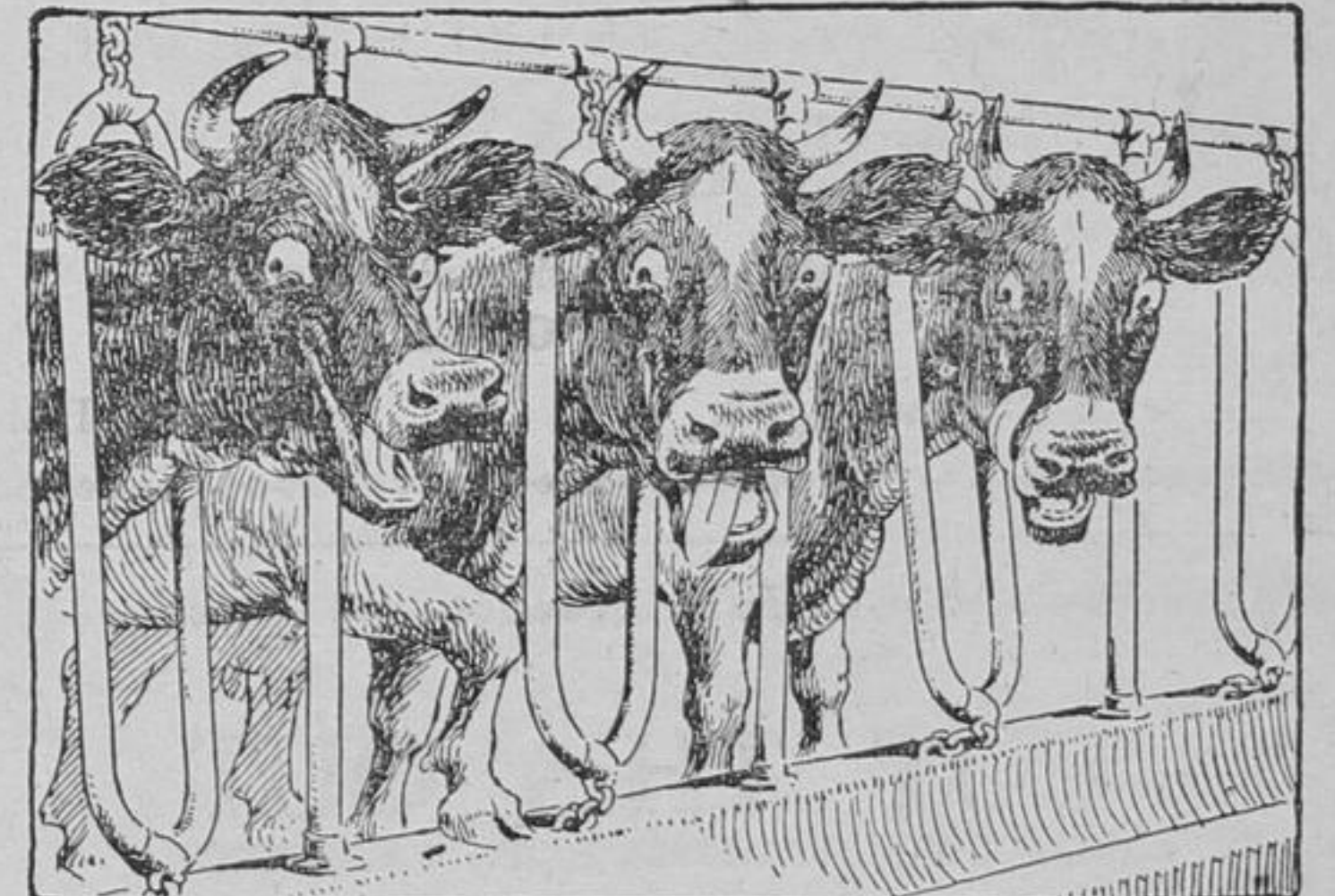
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