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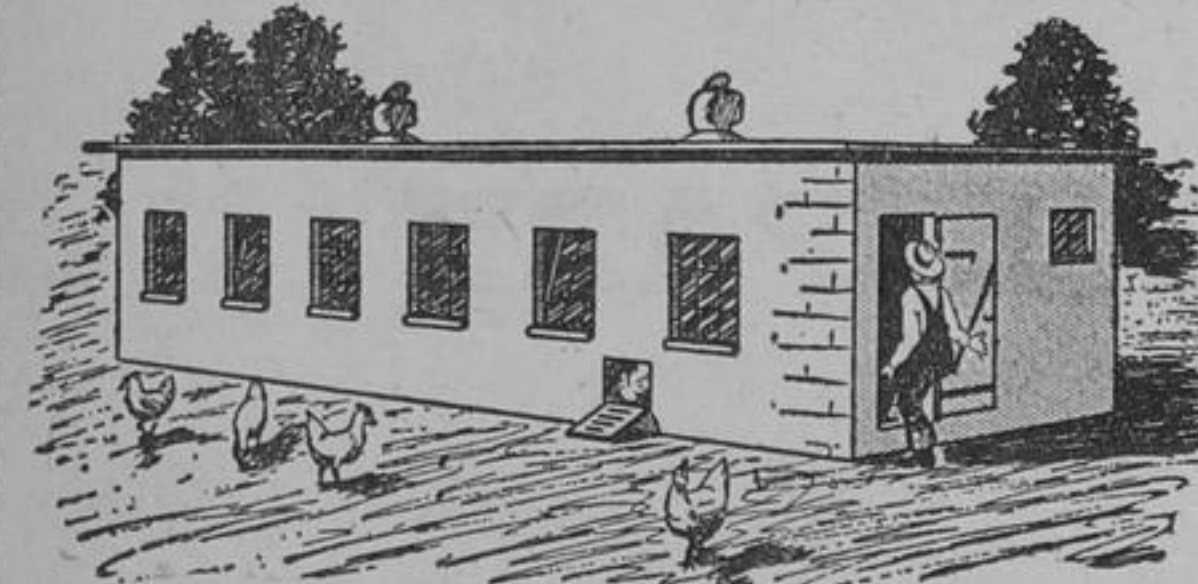
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"Way Back When"

Excerpts from the files of The Liberal Home paper of the Richmond Hill district since 1878

10 YEARS AGO
July 31 and Aug. 7, 1941
The International Water Supply Company struck a flowing well which promises to take care of Richmond Hill's needs for many years.

Markham Twp. Taxes for 1941 are 1.2 mills lower than last year.

Vaughan Twp. taxes remain the same as in 1940.

Richmond Hill is to construct a drain on Church and Centre Streets to take care of drainage which has been the subject of much trouble and litigation.

Councillor Cameron E. Walkington of King Township finished cutting his crop on July 30 and August 5 had completed harvesting and threshing.

20 YEARS AGO
July 30, 1931
Sidney Jones of Maple won the Field Crop Competition in oats sponsored by the Richmond Hill Agricultural Society, receiving 92 points for his stand of O.A.C. 144.

Harvest is well advanced in this district, the cutting of grain will be almost completed this week which is a record for the grain to be cut during the month of July.

A traffic stoplight signal will be erected in a few days at Lansing on Yonge Street.

Miss Marion D. Ramer has been successful in passing the A.T.C.M. pianoforte examination held in June by the Toronto Conservatory of Music.

30 YEARS AGO
June 23, 1921
Rev. Mr. Lambert of Flesherton will be the new pastor of the Maple Presbyterian Church, succeeding Rev. T. W. Leggett.

Bryant Sharpless had the top of his thumb and part of his first finger taken off when he caught the fingers of his left hand in the chain of his motorcycle.

Richmond Hill Fire Brigade will participate in the tournament at Weston on August 3.

40 YEARS AGO
July 27, 1911
Mr. C. Topper, Elgin Mills, has purchased an E.M.F. Flanders 30 auto with torpedo body from T. H. Trench, the agent.

Miss Marjorie Wright won the scholarship awarded by the Richmond Hill Board of Education to the pupil taking the highest marks at the entrance examination.

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An old boys and girls reunion in Richmond Hill is planned for the Saturday of the first week of the Toronto Exhibition.

Wm. Pratt, Richmond Hill, was named president and managing director of the Wilcox Lake Brick Co., organized with an authorized capital of \$100,000.

Mr. Reginald Cooper and Mr. Elmore Reaman left Monday evening for England. Mr. Reaman will attend University in Leipzig Germany.

50 YEARS AGO
July 25 1901
9 lbs. of rolled oats 25c; 8 lbs. rolled wheat 25c; Swiss food 14c; Farinosa 14c; grape nuts 15c; shredded wheat biscuits 15c; A.D. C. flaked wheat, peas, rice and barley, 10c; Best Santos coffee, ground fresh, 15c; Lynx salmon, 2 for 27c; cheese, either old or new, 2 lb. for 25c; pure Concord grape vinegar, 50c gal. Atkinson and Switzer.

A Civic Holiday excursion to the Pan-American exhibition at Buffalo is planned for Richmond Hillites under the auspices of the Fire Brigade.

Dr. E. J. Stubbs, late resident physician at Western and Grace hospitals, Toronto, has located in Thornhill.

The local dairy has installed a rotary pump which works by means of cog wheels and lessens the labor of pumping water. In May and June they paid 16c lb. for July and August 18c; September and October 20c. Mr. Hopkins, the proprietor, makes in Toronto about 10,000 gallons of ice cream per year and most of the cream is sent from Richmond Hill.

60 YEARS AGO
July 24, 1891
T. Eaton & Co., Toronto, advertised flannel shirts for boys 25c to 75c; for men 50c to \$2.50.

Carrville farmers have finished haying and are whetting knives and trimming machines preparatory to the onslaught on the grain.

Quite a number of "the boys" of Victoria Square take a lively interest in playing cricket.

The machinery erected by Thos. Cook at his mill at Carrville to utilize the water for power a second time by means of a rope drive is a pronounced success. It is the first of its kind to be used in Ontario.

Mr. A. Muldoon, Thornhill, has purchased a first class threshing machine and is now prepared to take orders for the season's work at \$10 a day.

Own Clinic Conducted By Dr. Cicely Wilson

Dr. Cicely Wilson who for some time has been conducting the Second Animal Clinic branch on the Elgin sideroad west at Dufferin Street announced this week that she is now conducting the clinic in her own name. Formerly associated with the Secord Clinic, Dr. Wilson is especially well qualified having obtained her degrees in England before coming to Canada where she is licensed to practice in Ontario and Manitoba.

For letting people know about your euvre or bridge try the "Coming Events" column of The Liberal. Telephone Richmond Hill 9.

HERE'S HEALTH



Grandpa, nudging ninety-five, Was asked what keeps him so ALIVE "Meals that Canada's Food Rules suggest, Plus good fresh air and lots of rest"
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Freedom Fires Burn August 1st

The Swiss people will commemorate on August 1 the "oath of eternal alliance taken in the year 1291 by a rugged little band of mountaineers meeting in a meadow overlooking the Lake of Lucerne.

"With one voice do we swear and promise not to tolerate in our valleys the dominion of foreign overlords," proclaimed the bearded, crossbow-toting rebels of the Rutili meadow.

True to their word, they booted the haughty and tyrannical Habsburgs out of the Alps.

This year, as every year, the Swiss will celebrate August 1 as their day of Independence. There will be bands and bunting, parades, firecrackers and speeches, picnics and street dancing. It will be much like Dominion Day in Canada, or Bastille Day in France, with the addition of a great deal of yodelling, alphorn blowing and flag swinging.

On the 60th anniversary of their independence, the Swiss will also cast a weather eye beyond the boundaries of their tiny democracy at the gathering clouds of a new threat to their freedom.

Many will go to church and pray. All of their hearts, and perhaps only in their hearts, will solemnly repeat the words of the oath. They are words which every Swiss schoolchild knows by heart:

"In the name of God, Amen. We the people of Uri, Schwyz and Unterwalden, considering the evil times that are upon us, and the better to protect and defend ourselves, swear upon oath to aid and succor one another mutually with our deeds and counsel, with our strong right arms and earthly goods, with all our might and soul, against each and all who do us hurt and wrong.

"With one voice do we swear and promise not to tolerate in our valleys the dominion of foreign overlords.

"None of us shall do harm unto a comrade, whether to his body or to his possessions. He amongst us who shall be judged blameworthy shall repair his wrongdoing. Should discord arise between confederates, then shall our elders foregather and act as mediators.

"This our covenant is drawn up for the good of all and shall with God's help endure forever.

"Delivered in the year of Our Lord 1291 in the beginning of the month of August."

That was in the days when the legend of William Tell got its start. The details of the story, as romanticized centuries later by Friedrich Schiller, are impossible to pin down historically, since there are no records pointing to the existence of either William Tell or Sheriff Gessler. But early in 1291 a bailiff named Conrad Von Tellenburg was assassinated in that area, and the Tell legend is believed to be based on that event.

In any case, the historical meaning of the William Tell story is accurate. Whether the hardy old archer actually shot an apple from his son's head, reserving a second arrow for the breast of the tyrant, is immaterial. Certainly some such event happened to touch off the rebellion of the three Swiss cantons against the Habsburgs, and the Tell legend persists to remind present-day Swiss of their forefathers' fight for freedom.

As it has been every August First for the past 53 years, the William Tell drama will be re-enacted Independence Day this year by the natives of Atdorf, the village at the southern tip of Lake Lucerne where Tell reputedly performed his feat of archery.

A number of incidents such as the slaying of Conrad von Tellenburg by a man whose name was, in the course of retelling distorted to "William Tell", combined with the even sterner measures of repression taken by the Habsburgs, led directly to the signing of the confederate pact of the Rutili meadow.

According to tradition, that very night bonfires were lighted on the Alpine heights as a signal to rise and drive out the Austrians. Every year on the evening of August 1 bonfires are lighted throughout Switzerland, in towns and villages, and especially in the mountains.

Lighting up the night sky over the Alps, the August First bonfires will reflect the unquenchable fire of freedom in the hearts of the Swiss people, still burning bright after 600 years.

Stoles are this year's top fashion accessory and are being worn over everything from evening dresses to bathing suits. If you decide to make your own, your local sewing center has a wide selection of trimmings which you can experiment with. Fancy buttons or rick-rack braid, plus a little imagination can add a highly personal touch to your work.



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