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## Let Mail Delivery Go Ahead

The inconsistency of the Diefenbaker Government's austerity program is borne out by its decision to halt, for the time being at least, the planned introduction of house to house mail delivery in the Richvale-Yongehurst area. Word was received last week that Ottawa had cancelled this extended service just on the eve of its introduction.

Ostensibly the service was cancelled in order to save money. Yet the new-Postmaster General Mrs. Ellen Fairclough didn't hesitate to waste over twenty thousand dollars in public funds in tearing down a perfectly good brick wall in the newly constructed Hamilton Post Office rebuilding it with stone. Following the austerity instructions senior officials in the post office had decided to use brick instead of stone in the new building. But Mrs. Fairclough intervened and ordered the wall rebuilt with stone. Mrs. Fairclough was wrong in her action, while her departmental officials were right.

## Oral French Is Desirable

At Easter, Markham Township School Area No. 1, which controls four multi-roomed elementary schools, introduced teaching of Oral French in the senior grades. Reports at the end of June indicated that the children receiving this instruction were most enthusiastic and appeared to be rapidly acquiring a sizable vocabulary in their second language.

couraged. If introduction of the second language on an oral basis in earlier grades will assist in arousing interest and increase the proficiency of French students in later grades, we feel that it might well be included in the Ontario elementary school curriculum. (Tests conducted by Oakville and some areas in British Columbia over a period of some years indicate that such a plan is most beneficial.)

## Don't Be A Hindrance

A lesson we all might learn from recent disasters in this area is that throngs of curious sight- and thrill-seekers pouring into disaster areas constitute a threat to the safety of themselves and citizens of the district involved.

mediately cars collected from all directions, effectively blocking area roads. An ambulance, called to carry the injured driver of the vehicle to hospital, was delayed for a lengthy period. Fortunately the man survived, but the delay might have been fatal.

## '63 Ontario Rose Show To Be Held Richmond Hill

(By Elisabeth Grant)  
The August show of the horticultural society, held as usual in the Lions' Community Hall, proved to be the largest of the season. It featured the many garden flowers now at their best and there was also a section for vegetables.

ident in lavish displays of color. There were gloriosa daisies in yellow and bronze which matched exactly the tones of a border of bushy marigolds. The zinnias were almost incredible in their size and perfection of bloom. A foundation planting of tuberous begonias was set off by a border of the new red variety of sweet basil.

## Rambling Around

by Elizabeth Kelson

September will witness volunteers of many social activities establishing themselves into committees and boards so that they may make their ultimate contributions to our democratic way of life. The volunteer is the answer to the mechanization and automation of our society. The volunteer is a human being who helps to keep others "human".

There are social and personal values in voluntary service. Personal values will be first of all what the volunteer seeks when he joins an organization whether it be for the relief of need, treatment of the ill and the care of the deserted or for the participation and encouragement of the arts.

First of all, the volunteer appreciates the opportunity to share viewpoints with others, to work with them in the pursuit of both individual and common goals. Volunteer work can give you a sense of accomplishment; for the adventure of something new; for a change of pace from the workaday world; for self-expression or only to find that sense of belonging. There is no better way to banish the blues or to counteract the poison of world crises than by engaging in thoughtful work with and for others.

The end result is self-fulfillment which is on a higher plane than self-interest. The volunteer can help shape the world with his ideas, opinions and ability to contribute.

It is through action that we become a part of the setting around us and participate in the transaction of living. If we wish to develop fully into participating human beings, we can do so by locating a social need and offer our help that is in our powers to give.

**MISTER! CAN YOU SPARE A MATCH?**  
The next time you strike a match, whether it is against a box, a stove, or the seat of your pants, you are doing just the same thing that primitive man did thousands of years ago.

The common match is probably the most universally used of manufactured products. Because they are produced in such large quantities, they are taken for granted. Fire-making in ancient times was just as important as it is now. It was essential to many phases of daily living. In primitive times, the cave-man was believed to have made fire by striking two stones together to touch off brushwood or leaves. The method of making fire by rubbing dry sticks together, still practised by Boy Scouts, was practically unknown to the ancient Egyptians and Babylonians. The term match as we know it was first recorded as being used in Ghent in 1313. It was made from hemp. In Latin America, waxed hemp matches are still in use.

When European explorers began to penetrate the New World in the fifteenth century, they discovered the Indians making fire by working stick against stick, and also using flint for the same purpose. The Europeans already used to flint devised tinder boxes holding flint, steel and charred linen, fungus or moss to catch the spark. A large tinder box was a standard fixture on every colonial fireplace mantel, but it was a hard task to get sparks from them and fan them into a workable blaze.

In 1669, Hennig Brandt, a German alchemist, seeking a cheap way of making gold, produced instead a glowing material called phosphorus. He sold his formula and it took 160 years for it to find its way to the head of a friction match.

One English experimenter brought out special phosphorus light-makers at \$250 an ounce. Only the wealthy could afford them. Another discovered that fire could be made by drawing sulphur-tipped splinters of wood through a fold of paper that had been coated with phosphorus. Other impractical gimmicks followed. One was the Ethereal Match, a sealed glass containing wax paper or string dipped in phosphorus. When the glass broke it was supposed to cause a flame. Five years later, the Pocket Luminary, a bottle with an inside coating of phosphorus was introduced in Italy. A splint tipped with sulphur pushed against this lining, ignited when pulled out.

Meanwhile, many experiments with friction matches were going on. Finally on April 7, 1827, John Walker, an English apothecary, recorded the first sale of a box of matches. Walker called his lighters "Congreves" after Sir William Congreve, noted English inventor. They were three inches long, and tipped with antimony sulphide, gum arabic and starch, and were drawn through a pleat of sandpaper. Soon they were manufactured on a large scale with the trade name of "Lucifer".

Phosphorus matches were introduced in America in 1836. In 1855, a Swedish scientist conceived the idea of painting red or amorphous phosphorus on the striking surface of boxes and tipping the match heads with chlorite of potash. Without the box, the match wouldn't light. Thus the safety match was born.

The paper book match was the third major type of match to be developed. It was invented in 1892 by Joshua Pusey. Book matches with their advertising covers now sell every conceivable product. For years, Sweden and Germany monopolized the match manufacturing. The United States and Canada did not become major matchmakers until after World War I. Now most of the world's matches are made on this side of the ocean.

## "Dear Mr. Editor"

WISHES TO CORRECT WRONG IMPRESSION

Dear Mr. Editor:  
The report under the title "I'm Not English Anymore", which appeared in last week's edition of "The Liberal", is entirely inaccurate as to my true feelings following a recent visit I made to the United Kingdom.

I emphatically deny having said "I'm not English anymore", and further, there are a number of instances where statements have been culled from the contexts in which they were used. These have resulted in giving an entirely different picture to that which I wanted to convey.

In an interview which lasted an hour, there were inevitably many examples given and comparisons made to bring out certain points of interest; but your reporter, in condensing all the facts to 2 1/2 minutes of reading, has unfortunately seen fit to stress some of my comments by simply quoting them without the modifications used at the time. By doing this, emphasis has been laid on the wrong side of the scales and the true balance has been completely lost.

Since I am utterly disgusted with the article which appeared in your paper and as the overall impression given is quite erroneous and contrary to my personal opinions, I trust you will immediately rectify the situation by bringing this letter to public notice.

Yours very truly,  
Pauline Bracey-Gibbon

Vaughan 1862 - 1961

## Past Century Sees Many Changes

(By Doris M. FitzGerald)

For those not mathematically inclined an annual financial report is often a rather dry document but we have two, issued 99 years apart, which make very interesting reading, if only for comparison. Both were published by the Municipality of the Township of Vaughan, and, between them, show something of the progress and great changes that have taken place in this little corner of the world during the last century.

The first, printed in pamphlet form, covers the year 1862. Recently widowed Queen Victoria was in the 25th year of her reign, and Abraham Lincoln was president of the United States then divided by a bitter civil war. Closer to home Robert J. Arnold, a Thornhill farmer, was reeve of Vaughan, and the other members of the council were Wm. Cook, John Brown, H. S. Howland and A. Jeffrey. For each township meeting attended in those horse and buggy days they received \$1.25, or a possible salary of \$15.00 a year. The township clerk and treasurer was paid \$320. a year, and the two auditors, Matthew Teffy (Richmond Hill postmaster), and John Nattress, each drew \$6.00 for their services.

The statement prepared by the township for 1862 shows receipts for 1862 totalling \$14,965.06 and made up as follows:

Balances of taxes for 1861	\$3,771.69
On account taxes 1862	2,153.56
Tavern licenses (28)	1,053.34
Shop licenses (8)	230.00
Interest on debentures	1,403.57
Instalment from Clergy Reserve Fund	1,055.60
Fines, (including \$10 permit to show a circus)	32.50
Non-resident taxes	114.80
Treasurer of East Nisour for redemption of Debentures	4,995.00
Expenses incurred in 1862 amounting to \$12,247.43 and included:	
Appropriation money on roads	\$1,735.71
Taxes to county	2,074.00
Returned taxes	79.26
Selectors of jurors	18.00
School sections, (20) and assessments	2,780.36
Salaries to:	
Councillors	70.50
Inspectors	56.00
Assessor	100.00
Returning Officers	23.00
Auditors	12.00
Clerk and treasurer	320.00
Debentures	4,086.00
Incidental expenses	892.60
The incidental expenses included \$76.00 for printing; \$16.61 to clerk for postage, stationery and journeys to Toronto for the year; \$5.80 for work on the stove in the town hall; and \$255.00 for the relief of destitute persons who were cared for in private homes for various lengths of time for \$1.00 a week each.	
The assets of Vaughan Township were listed at \$24,399.10, with a balance of \$20,535.28 above the liabilities, but the auditors respectfully suggested to the council that annual insertion among the assets of the large balance of unpaid taxes since 1851 conveyed a somewhat erroneous impression of the real assets of the municipality.	
Becomes Big Business	
The second report mentioned is the financial statement of the Municipality of Vaughan for 1961 prepared by Wilton Eddis & Company, chartered accountants. It occupied a full page in "The Liberal" of June 7th, 1962, but, being a condensed version deals with totals rather than individual items. However, one glance is enough to show the reader that Vaughan Township has advanced in a field of business calculated in millions, rather than hundreds of dollars, and is providing services such as water, fire and police protection, health, welfare and recreation that were undreamed of a few years ago.	
The revenue for 1961 was \$2,161,248.39 of which \$1,710,839.32 came from taxation;	

\$257,714.55 from Province of Ontario subsidies, and \$17,117.25 from license and permit fees. Expenditures for the year totalled \$2,132,295.18. Among them were \$984,716.09 for education, including debt charges, \$299,049.01 for public works; \$121,284.42 for fire and police protection, warble fly and weed control; \$42,257.27 for relief; \$4,384.50 for conservation of health; and \$173,133.08 for general government. No longer can the affairs of the township be conducted at leisurely meetings once a month. Reeve A. H. Rutherford attends close to 200 business meetings a year, the councillors, a minimum of 104, and in his department J. M. McDonald, the township clerk and treasurer, requires a staff of 10 to handle the mass of detail work.

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## Second Thoughts...

by George Mayes  
● Yesterday's news is not necessarily dead.

Big heading in last week's "Liberal": Vaughan Board Agrees To Investigate Oral French... Come now, surely SOME of them have tried French kissing!

A coroner's jury has found that many kinds of life jackets approved by the Department of Transport are not safe, and some of the newest approved types are worse than the old... So the problem of which life jacket to buy is a puzzle — a DOT puzzle.

A stereo phonograph is being run continuously at the Richmond Heights Centre in a guess-when-it-will-stop "Marathon Contest"... Workers within earshot are more likely to consider it an endurance contest.

York County's 21 fire brigades have asked the county council to equip them with a short-wave radio network... They want either short wave or long hoses.

A Star report on the successful growth of a sky-advertising firm says "one of their first accounts was with John Diefenbaker who had them ask for votes in five languages over the exhibition grounds"... But they kept quiet about it!

A Toronto paper says "3,000 Fire Chiefs and their wives from all over the world will convene here late this month"... and their wives from all over the world?... Like sailors?

We were amused at the efficiency report of the English furniture-moving firm supplying its crockery wrappers with foreign-language newspapers until we had the second thought that around Toronto the innovation could easily be reversed.

Gene Autry's 30,000-acre Melody Ranch has been completely destroyed by fire... Man, what a single alone!

U.S. Nazi leader George Lincoln Rockwell, being interviewed prior to his Berlin trip, said: "A foreign government is helping to get me over there part way"... We sort of hoped they had somewhere about mid-Atlantic in mind.

Quebec Provincial Police are investigating the use of "pep pills" by football players. The pills are said to induce feelings of "elation, boldness and friendliness"... Friendliness?... Well, that certainly describes the way our Argos play.

CKOC in Hamilton is keeping abreast of the times with announcements like: "Stay tuned for the news. There's plenty of interesting things happening in the world and surrounding districts!"

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