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## Fire engine practice set for 'some evening soon'

Here again are some items of interest called up from issues of *The Tribune* of years gone by: 100 years ago

**June 7, 1889:** The annual meeting of the village fire brigade was held in Daley's Hall on Saturday evening, Chief Burkholder presiding. The engine committee reported the two engines complete except handles for No. 1. It was resolved to have a list of the various fire companies printed at once and a copy placed in each member's hands, and to have a practice with the engines some evening soon. Citizens will not feel alarmed if they hear the bell and see the men hurrying for their positions.

**50 years ago**  
**June 15, 1939:** While expressing complete satisfaction with the public school staff at the regular board meeting on Monday evening, the trustees went on record as not in favor of any salary increases at this time. It was said by members of the board that when the matter is opened, a general revision would be considered.

Dr. Freil was absent from the meeting, attending the MOH convention in Toronto. Rev. C. E. McLeod was away. A. V. Nolan acted as chairman and those present were Messrs. McMullen, Ambrose Stover and Lloyd Turner.

Mr. Watson, principal, while



## BYGONE DAYS

Walter Waterston

not asking for an increase, pointed out the unfairness in salaries over such a county as York. One teacher on the staff here is getting \$900, but has a sister doing exactly the same work in East York, receiving \$1,300. East York was a defaulting municipality only recently yet the larger centres do not hesitate to spend money they cannot raise, while places like Stouffville are more hesitant.

**25 years ago**  
**June 4, 1964:** A charge of indiscriminate use of liquor around the premises of a recently reopened dance hall at Musselman's Lake was pointed out to members of the Whitchurch Twp. Council on Monday night. Mr. Patrick Cashman, a member of the executive of the Musselman's Lake Ratepayers' Association, said that a delegation wished to speak on this and other problems at the next meeting on June 8th.

Mr. Cashman said that the dance pavilion in question had been closed for several years but

had started up again on the weekend. He said that no police officers were seen in the area.

The Clerk, Thos. Kerr said that the new Police Chief was quite aware of the dance hall problem at this particular location.

**10 years ago**  
**June 7, 1979: CLAREMONT** — The recent death of fish in a Claremont creek has generated the fear of chemical pollution and sparked cries of protest from local residents.

A meeting of the Claremont and District Community Association, May 30, heard first-hand accounts from residents about the death of approximately 150 fish on the May 25 weekend.

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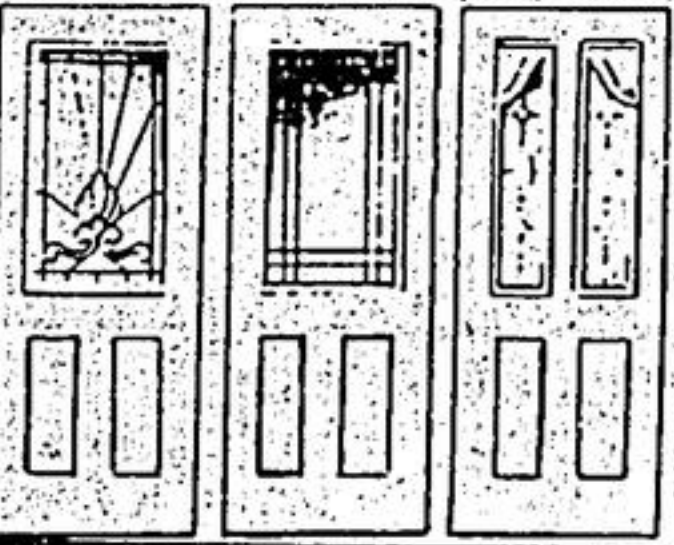
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