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WOMEN FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD

The request from the local Women's Institute that a woman be appointed by the council to the Richmond Hill School Board fell short of realization on Monday night, but this should not be taken in any measure as a discouragement of the ideal of the women's organization.

Richmond Hill Board of Education was once graced with the presence of a female member and her tenure of office was unquestionably a credit to herself and to women generally and was of benefit to the Board. That again in the near future other women will give the educational problems the benefit of their viewpoint we earnestly hope, and feel sure that such will be the case.

The women's request at this time was met by unusual circumstances and the council must not be taken to task too severely for their action. Two men of estimable qualifications were available for appointment and the councillors we believe were actuated by the best motives in making the choice of Magistrate G. H. Duncan and Ex-Reeve T. H. Trench. Magistrate Duncan by virtue of his long and efficient service on the board was a very desirable appointment and Ex-Reeve Trench will bring to the Board the rich experience of many years in public life and a thorough knowledge municipal financing.

We prefer to think that the council was influenced by the wealth of timber available rather than by any antagonism to the appointment of women to the Board. At a future time the council would be well advised to consider the appointment of women to a Board where their counsel and advice should be of valuable assistance in solving the educational problems of the day. Then of course the annual nomination meeting and elections when three trustees are annually elected by the people offer to every one an equal chance to secure representation on the Board.

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

At this the open season for annual meetings, elections and board meetings the question of LEADERSHIP naturally comes to the front. The success of any organization whether it be municipal, church, state, or army depends to a large extent on leadership.

The councils of Richmond Hill and neighbouring municipalities in York County held their inaugural meetings on Monday. The accomplishments attained in these various communities in a public way will depend on the leadership of the councils. The annual meeting of the Richmond Hill Board of Trade will be held on Friday night. Its success in the coming year will depend in a large measure on the quality of the leadership selected at the meeting. The Richmond Hill Agricultural Society will meet in annual session on Saturday. For nearly eighty years this Society has progressed and prospered due to the fine leadership of men who have served the organization as officers and directors. It will continue just as long as that leadership is given.

Like everything else worth while LEADERSHIP makes severe demands upon those who attain it, among the most important of which is a willingness to undergo hard work.

The man who stands in the "rank and file" can take the "get-by" attitude but this can never be the attitude of the LEADER. The greatest asset any community can boast is GOOD LEADERSHIP.

Leadership requires a physical capacity to stand hard work. Those who are born with weakened bodies are handicapped in the beginning. Theodore Roosevelt possessed other qualities, but was without this one. He went from college to a western cattle ranch and built himself up.

Napoleon had four hours a day of sleep, Edison in his laboratory 24 hours at a time without food or rest, Ford building his first automobile after a ten hour day of his regular employment, represent samples of the demands which leadership makes on the human frame.

Then there must be a clear cut purpose or aim. Although this aspect is best evidenced by careers of military and State leaders, it nevertheless applies in greater or lesser degree to leadership in all fields. Many never achieve leadership in any field because they do not realize what they want to do—they are unable to make up their minds.

Then the ability has to be developed to make use of obstacles as steps to success. Another outstanding characteristic of the average man is what the boys on the football team term as "alibi." It is so easy to blame the other fellow that few are willing to assume the responsibility for their own difficulties. The leader recognizes he is master of his own conduct, that he cannot control the conduct of others, and by his mistakes he learns. George Washington who was rated as one of the great generals in history, was frequently defeated but by each defeat he learned.

The fifth necessary qualification is the ability to get along with people. The sixth characteristic of the leader is the outstanding capacity to identify himself with the cause.

Our best wish for the Board of Trade, the Richmond Hill Agricultural Society and every other organization which aims at the betterment of the community or the promotion of any worthy cause is that they may be blessed with GOOD LEADERSHIP.

GOODS NOT ORDERED

Considerable annoyance is often caused by the practice of certain firms which send goods by mail to persons who have not ordered them. Sometimes the goods are accompanied by stamps for their return in case the recipient does not desire to keep and pay for them. But the rewrapping and return of these packages is unnecessary, according to the National Better Business Bureau, which has obtained legal opinions on the subject.

"So long as unordered goods are not used by the recipient, he need neither return nor pay for them," says the Bureau. All that can be expected is that the recipient hold the goods ready to be returned in case a representative of the sender calls for them. And if they are not called for within a reasonable time, the recipient may have a claim for storage.

While no one would ordinarily desire to keep goods for which payment had not been made, the paying for unordered merchandise, or even its return to the sender, simply encourages the practice of trying to force goods upon the public. If everyone would follow the advice here given, the nuisance would be stopped in short order.

THE BOARD OF TRADE ABOUT TO SET SAIL ON 1930 VOYAGE

The annual meeting of the Richmond Hill Board of Trade will be held on FRIDAY EVENING, in the council chamber. The PAST with its noble aspirations, its successes, its failures, its shortcomings, is a closed book its pages bearing forever an indelible record of our effort or lack of effort. No use regret or remorse or even satisfaction. No use bemoaning the past. Let's look to the future. Old Father Time has moved on and carried on into the recesses of history the story of our past and we can only change the future.

What then about the New Year's book with its three hundred and sixty-five unsold pages of opportunity on which the Board will enter Friday night? It contains opportunities for avoiding the mistakes of the past, opportunities for greater striving for ideals hitherto aimed at but not attained. True success for the Board of Trade for 1930, as ever, will demand scourage, steady purpose and even sacrifice.

Shall we not as citizens of this district accept the challenge of the future with true heart. Let every citizen who has faith in this community and is willing to back up that faith with real honest effort to promote the progress and well-being of the town turn out to the annual meeting on Friday night.

If you can only see the mistakes of the past or can only see what the organization has failed to accomplish in other years, there will be little need for your attendance at the meeting. Your place then must be with the closed and dusty volumes on the shelf.

If you feel that by co-operative effort some contribution can be made to the welfare of this community and are willing to put a shoulder to the wheel along with other workers, then your place on Friday evening is at the Board of Trade Meeting.

Towns and communities which are making progress today are making that progress as the logical result of intelligent effort on the part of interested and public spirited citizens. The same can be accomplished in Richmond Hill.

"Let us then be up and doing, With a heart for any fate; Still achieving, still pursuing, Learn to labor and to wait."

It is announced officially that the Ontario Legislature is to meet on February 5th. The interest taken in the proceedings will be keen in all parts of the province and there is much speculation as to the nature of any new legislation which may be introduced. Municipalities are anxiously awaiting some move to relieve them of some of the burden of provincial roads and then there was the election promise of more liberal grant to township councils for road work.

AN INCONSISTENT PEOPLE

Meaford Mirror—We are a very inconsistent people. We yell for good roads and then we yell about paying for them.

Maple

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. A. Lawrie. There was a good attendance and an interesting programme was given. Rev. C. H. Bowman gave an address on "Friendliness" which was much appreciated. Afternoon tea was served by the ladies.

The monthly meeting of the W. M. S. of St. Andrew's Church was held last Friday at the home of Mrs. R. D. McNaughton. The programme of the Presbyterian Women's Day of Prayer was followed and Rev. C. H. Bowman gave a short address.

Rev. E. C. Currie, of Sault Ste. Marie, spent the week-end with his daughter, Mrs. G. W. Bailey.

After a long illness, Margaret McDonald, widow of the late J. A. McMurachy passed away on Monday afternoon. The late Mrs. McMurachy took an active interest in church work, being a member of the W. M. S. and the choir of St. Andrew's Church, and in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the village. Her many friends here regret deeply her passing and sympathize with the relatives in their bereavement. The funeral was held on Wednesday from St. Andrew's Church, to the Maple cemetery.

CANADA'S CANDY BILL ENORMOUS

The annual candy bill of the Dominion of Canada as issued by the Department of Commerce represents a large outlay of money for confectionery sugar products. For candy, confectionery and chewing gum the amount spent in the last year amounted to \$53,128,000 and this amount is nearly the average of the past eight years. Candy and confectionery include biscuits, chocolate cocoa, ice cream, pop corn, and sugar products.

There were 12,486 employees of these manufactures and the amount spent in the wages was seven and a half million dollars. The capital invested is \$50,000.

HE SAW THE LIGHT

Here is a rather good story told by the Midland Free Press about a Wyebridge youth that saw the light; A farmer of the Wyebridge district had seventeen children, all boys. When they came of age they voted uniformly the Tory ticket, all except one. The father was asked to explain this very evident fall from grace. "Well," said he, "I've always tried to bring them boys up right and Tory to the bone, but John, the onery cuss, went to school and got some larnin'."

HEADFORD

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lee and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Brodie on Saturday.

Miss Elinor Barker, of Richmond Hill spent the week-end with her cousins here.

We are sorry to learn of the illness of our Sunday School Superintendent Mr. Carl James. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

A very pleasant time was spent on Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Boynton, Dollar, when they entertained a number of friends to a Fowl Supper.

Mr. Enoch Batty, of Toronto, and Miss S. Winch, of Richmond Hill, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. Freeman Barker.

Mr. Jacobs, of Newtonbrook, spent a few days last week with his daughter, Mrs. Fred Sloan.

Miss Gwen Smith celebrated her birthday on Monday, January 13th. We all wish Gwen many happy returns.

Messrs Edgar and Norman Bell are spending a few days with their parents.

The annual meeting for the election of officers for the Sunday School and Y. P. Society for the coming year will be held at the home of Mr. Freeman Barker on Thursday night. Since the New Year the Young People intend holding their meetings at the homes.

One of our young ladies has purchased a splendid toboggan. All she is wishing for now is a good fall of snow.

BANDITRY IS REAL SCIENCE IN THE SOUTH

The country to the south of Canada is confronted at the present time with difficulties with which Canada knows very little about. Towers, gates, and sentries with machine guns, are asked by an Indiana Governor as a means of coping with bank robberies and banditry in his state.

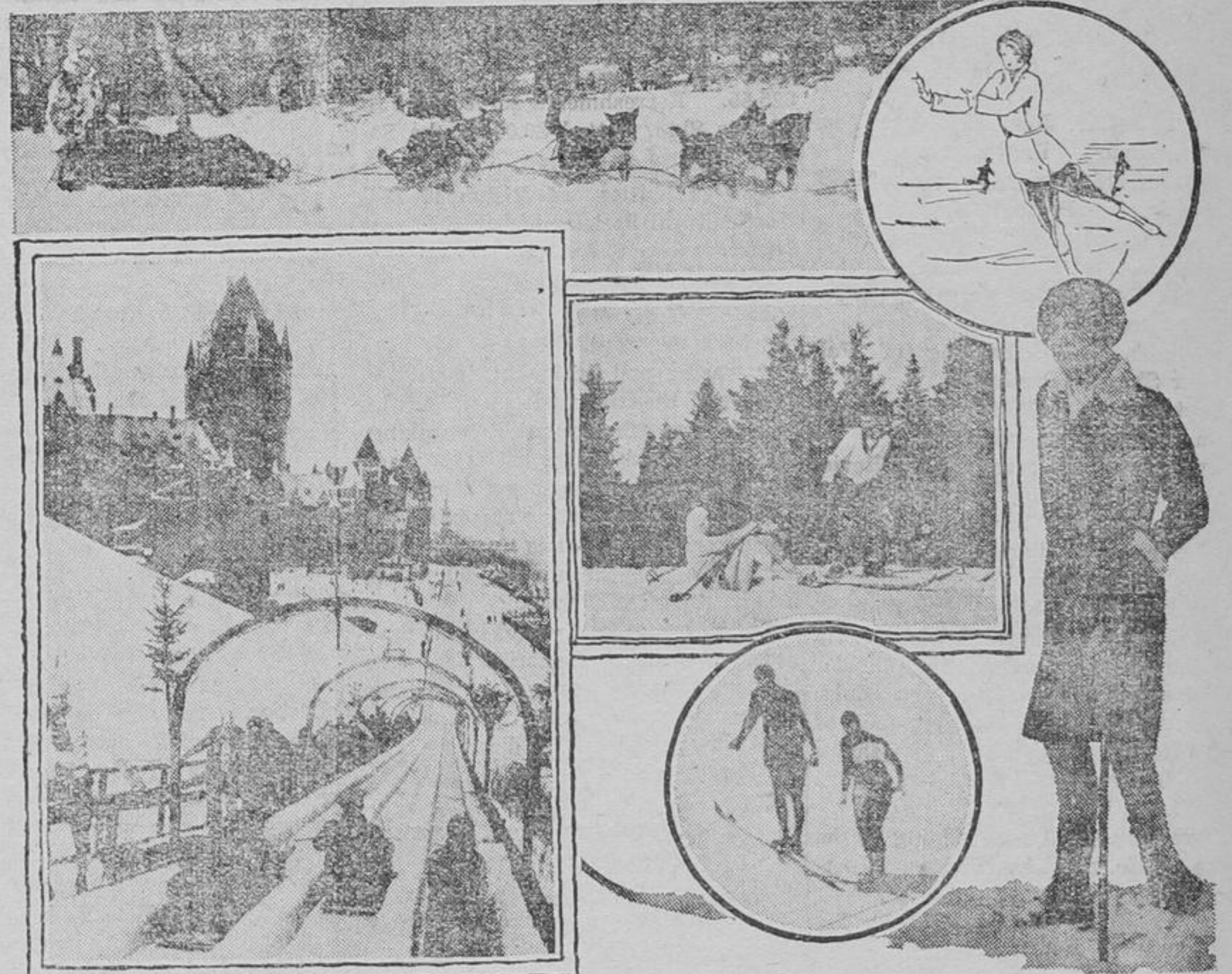
Bullet-proof towers and lever-operated gates at the State line on all principal highways, with sentries armed with machine guns are embodied in his request. "Every new state-paved road is a new tool or weapon in the hand of the bandit," the Governor declares. "Statistics show that the city that is accessible most easily by paved roads has the most crime. It is because the roads offer an easy avenue of escape."

WIT AND WISDOM

"Why are you standing over there throwing stones at the poor little boy?"

"Because I don't care to go any closer, Miss, He has whooping cough." Life's darkest moment—Barbara (whose first tooth has just dropped out) "Mummy, Mummy, quick, I'm coming to pieces."—Passing Show, London.

Quebec Winter Sports



Vive Carnival! Vivent les sports d'hiver! In these few words may be summed up the spirit of Quebec in winter-time. Here for many years have gathered lovers of winter sports and frolics from all parts of the western hemisphere.

The ancient capital of Canada is the American continent's metropolis for skiing, ski-joring, ski-jumping, tobogganing, bob-sledding, skating, snow-shoeing, dog-team driving, curling, and hockey, during the winter months, and in addition has a unique attraction to offer the visitor in February when the International Dog Sled Derby annually takes place.

Winter-sports activities radiate from the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec's famous hostelry, where Jack Strathdee will again be winter-sports director. This season he has a new attraction to offer during the Ice Pageant, February 12 and 13, when 24 girl members of the Toronto Skating Club will perform an ice-dance to be known as the "Danse Moderne". This will be a veritable "Ziegfeld production on ice."

In all about two hundred skaters will take part in this ever attractive and beautiful Pageant.

A record list of entries is promised for the Dog Sled Derby this season. Arthur Beauvais, driver of the Chateau team, announces that he will have a better team than ever. His new huskies were bred at Caughnawaga, the Indian reservation near Montreal. At the Dog Derby, February 20, 21, and 22, the visitor will see such famous mushers as St. Goddard, winner of last year's Derby; Seppala, Norwegian hero of many an epic drive; Frank Dupuis, and many another well-known figures in action for three days over a 123 mile course, mushing 41 miles a day.

Three internationally famous ski-ing instructors will be on the staff of the Chateau Frontenac this winter. They are Ivid Nelson, Hans Gunnarsen, and Orrice Higgs, of Revelstoke, British Columbia. Burnett Burke formerly of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, will be instructor at the Chateau's skating rink.

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