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Visit The Trade Fair

Richmond Hill Trade Fair first held last year, was an outstanding success, and there is every indication that this year's Fair on Friday and Saturday of this week will not only live up to the records of last year, but will be in every sense bigger and better than ever.

The Trade Fair sponsored by the Richmond Hill Business Men's Association merits the support and whole-hearted co-operation of the people of the district. Seeing is believing, and at this Fair Richmond Hill business people show what they have to offer in the way of goods and

services. That such goods and services are as good or better than offered anywhere we have no doubt, but on this occasion the business people invite everyone to come down to the Richmond Hill arena as often as possible on Friday and Saturday and see for themselves.

There will be displays of almost every line of merchandise and in addition many feature entertainment attractions, beautiful floral displays and hundreds of lucky number prizes will go to lucky ticket holders. The array of lucky ticket prizes is in itself a collection worth seeing and certainly worth winning.

The Trade Fair is a community project designed to foster a healthy and active interest in local business and as such merits the support of all interested in community betterment.

The best way to support the Fair now is to talk it up to your friends and neighbours and invite friends from other communities to attend. The best way to support the Fair Friday and Saturday is to attend as often as possible. You will be made very welcome by Richmond Hill business people and we know you will not be disappointed.

Father's Day

Sunday is Father's Day.

There will be the usual frivolous editorials, cartoons and neck-ties.

The light-hearted approach has become both traditional and characteristic of the difference between the way we celebrate Father's Day and the much more full-hearted warmth we associate with Mother's Day.

There is an obvious reason for the distinction. The editorialists, cartoonists and jokesters are all fathers themselves. It is, therefore, natural enough that they exploit the more sentimental adjectives when paying their annual tribute to the nation's Mothers, and just as natural that they reach for the funny adjectives to cover their self-consciousness about the idea of taking Father's Day at all seriously.

Behind this surface levity there is, however, a begrudging admission that when the laughs are all over at Dad's expense, the basic idea of a small annual tribute to Fatherhood is worth at least a passing nod.

Comical as he may look in his favourite bowler (long since outmoded),

or incongruous as he may seem in his new beach-robe (the very height of fashion), and willing as he so often is to allow the female of the species her unnatural claim to the bright plumage — he is still the Head of the Family, the Bread-Winner, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Domestic Relations.

His rewards are small, but important. He is the "pater familias" of a small world which he calls Home and Family. Here he has the pleasant fiction if not the actual fact of power, authority, the final word. In the larger world he may have none of these things. More likely than not he is the victim of them in all his working hours at office or factory—a fact by the way which explains why he so seldom abuses his power and authority at home. If he is a farmer, of course, he has the great intangible asset, never fully understood by city fathers, of exercising the traditional prerogatives of his estate in all his hours more fully than the Chairman of the largest Board.

It is one of his cutest tricks to pretend that he actually has no author-

ity whatever at home. His partner in the dual-monarchy of the family dons the mantle of imperialism with more flair than he does, and he senses that the psychological uplift of the purple does her far more good than it would ever do him.

Hence the fiction of Father as The Little Man, a fiction which he not only invented but keeps alive with a cunning obstinacy. It solves a lot of problems, saves a heap of argument.

We are thinking, of course, of the North American Father. Europeans tell us that they find him impossible to understand. They keep saying that we let our womenfolk dominate us. "In Europe it is different. We keep women in their place."

Perhaps. But we North American Fathers think we also do a pretty fair job of keeping our women in their place. And if it is high on a pedestal at times, if it takes all we can earn in a day or a week or a year to keep them there, if it is idealistic, atavistic, maternalistic — we are content.

We think we know what we're doing.

Sure, we'll settle for a neck-tie on Sunday.

Congratulations

in Montreal last week.

The Era & Express, published at Newmarket, won the Walter Legge Memorial Trophy for the best all round weekly in the two provinces, and The Banner, published at Aurora, the Stephenson Memorial Trophy for the best weekly published in towns of 4500 or less.

The newspapers are judged by a board of examiners with competition points being awarded for general news coverage, typography, features, photos, advertising, general make-up, etc.

To win prizes requires enterprise

on the part of the publishers and the co-operation and the best effort of loyal staff members, contributors, correspondents and readers.

It is noteworthy that three major prize winners in a competition open to the two provinces of Ontario and Quebec should come from this immediate district in the County of York.

Again congratulations to our contemporaries on winning first awards, and to our staff, contributors, and correspondents thanks for loyal co-operation which enabled us to win such a high rating among the weeklies of two provinces.

Guest Editorial

(Ottawa Morning Citizen)

Expansion of the armed services and of defence industries has caused a labor shortage in some fields, particularly agriculture, logging, and the skilled metal-working trades.

As Canada's defence program gains momentum, shortages may be expected to grow. Yet unless the country is willing to undertake military conscription and compulsory allocation of labor, it would be putting the cart before the horse to institute national registration at this time. The recommendation by the government's Advisory Council on Manpower, that national registration is not needed at this time, is sound. Unless the government was prepared to act upon such a registration, little would be accomplished. The information ob-

tained would not even be of much use in a future emergency, for the employment picture continually changes. A national registration would classify each Canadian as to occupation, with a view to directing individuals either into the armed forces or into essential work. It is not needed in order to obtain information on the country's labor requirements, for much of this information is already obtainable through the National Employment Service.

If Canada could not meet its present defence commitments without conscription, or if the country became engaged in all-out war, then the compulsory direction of labor would no doubt become necessary, and national registration would be needed. Men

Landscaping Talk

Members of the Elmwood Park (West Section) Ratepayers Association learned a lot about landscaping their home surroundings at the June meeting last week. Speaker was Ernest Kohler of the Thornhill Horticultural Society.

In a most interesting talk, Mr. Kohler described methods of soil preparation, establishing a lawn, the various types of shrubs and shade trees most suitable for this area and also discussed flowers and vegetables.

Members also heard that some progress is being made in installing water meters in homes in the new water area. The master meter at Church St. S. and Markham Rd. has been installed. They were also informed that the domestic rate would be 60¢ per 1,000 gals. (The village of Richmond Hill will charge the Township at the rate of 25¢ per 1,000 gallons as registered by the master meter.) It was also said that it was understood that

there would be a service charge of \$2 per quarter in addition to the gallonage levy.

Engineers for the township were reported to be making preliminary sketches for the Palmer Ave. water area and for grading and graveling of Ruggles and Lawrence Aves.

Correspondence with the Township Council regarding building by-laws was read. The Association had requested details on this matter, mentioning the matter of temporary residences in particular. The Council said that the Building Inspector had been requested to inspect the area and report to Council on his findings.

WILL MEET SUNDAY
 A general meeting of the Oak Ridges and Lake Wilcox Ratepayers Association and the Lake Wilcox Association will be held in the community hall, Lake Wilcox, at 2 p. m. Sunday, June 17 for the purpose of nominating officers for the coming year and discussing matters connected with the amalgamation of the two associations.

Vast Resources In North

Untold resources of metals Creek, once nothing, now the capital of Canada's new mineral empire. By the time the railroad gets there in 1954 it will find mines ready to deliver, for men and machines are now being flown in. Ten million tons of ore a year are expected.

Grand Falls, in Labrador, is one of the world's biggest cataracts, with a potential five million horsepower (equal to three Niagaras). The smaller Muskrat Falls, a hundred miles east of Grand, is capable of developing one and a half million horsepower. Eventually this tremendous force will provide energy for mining, hauling and smelting ore and for pulp mills.

Canadian and U.S. companies are today bisecting the Saguenay country with a 360-mile railroad costing \$100,000,000, primarily to bring out iron ore. Shorter spur lines of track will tap titanium deposits. At the northern end of the 360-mile stretch lies burning

U.N. Staff Buys Food for India



Within two weeks after receiving an appeal to aid famine-stricken India, United Nations staff members had contributed over \$11,000 to buy grain for India. Here, Dr. Ralph Bunche, Director of the U.N. Trusteeship Division and Chairman of the U.N. Secretariat's Committee for Food Relief to India, presents a check to George E. H. Marshall of UNICEF. Looking on, from left to right, are: T. A. Raman of India, Secretary of the U.N. Secretariat Committee for Food Relief to India; U.N. Secretary-General Trygve Lie, and Assistant Secretary-General Shamaldhree Lall, also of India.

OTTAWA LETTER



by
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Canada is to provide a pension of \$20 monthly to all at the age of 70 without a means test. Registration for the new pension will commence throughout the country on July 1. This was announced in the House this week by Prime Minister St. Laurent.

The government will also shortly introduce legislation to enable it to make agreements with the provinces to provide old age security to persons in need between the ages of 65 and 70 years.

The administrative plan for the application of this new old age security program are already going forward. Registration forms with respect to the universal pensions plan are being prepared and it is proposed to have the necessary supplies of these forms printed within the next few weeks. A small amount of additional staff will very shortly be recruited to deal with applications for the universal pensions which will be administered by the federal authorities.

Arrangements are now being discussed with the various provincial governments to take from their present old age pensions records the information which will be required to pay the universal pension after January 1, 1952, to the approximately 300,000 persons now receiving old age pensions under the previous legislation. For these persons, no additional applications for the universal pension will be required.

The government wishes to see in a position to commence as soon as possible after July 1, registration of the others — probably some 400,000 persons — seventy years of age or over who are not at present receiving old age pensions. The Department of National Health and Welfare plans in the six months, between July 1 of this year and January 1, 1952, to deal with these applications through the present family allowance offices with the small additions to staff which are contemplated, and to have their records in shape to enable payments to be made in the first month of the new calendar year.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The reading public is increasingly attracted to autobiography. Readers want to know what life has taught men and women and if the lessons have value for them. It is a healthy sign of the times.

One thing is clear; of those who contemplate their career, nearly all agree that life has been strewn with blessings in disguise; experiences which at the time seemed crushing and devastating but which, seen after the lapse of years, proved to be stepping-stones to a better life. What one wrote of history can be applied to individual lives: "The crooked lives of history are the master-strokes of God."

The list of those whose apparent misfortunes turned out to be for the best, is a very long one and includes many of the most illustrious people who ever lived. From among them let us take the case of Thomas A. Edison.

When Edison was a twelve-year-old boy, he became greatly interested in making chemical experiments. Some of these tests were not enjoyable. For instance, he persuaded his chum that if he took enough Seiditz powders, the gas generated would enable him to fly. The boy tried the experiment with disastrous results.

Still keen on experiments and anxious to earn enough money with which to buy chemicals, Edison persuaded his parents to allow him to sell newspapers and magazines on the train that ran between Port Huron and Detroit. He also sold bread, candy and fruit, and soon he was able to buy all the chemicals he needed.

reached Mount Clemens. Edison's delicate health and his slowness at school had seemed a severe handicap. Now added to this was deafness, which threatened to make his progress in life harder than ever.

His expulsion from the train was a humiliating experience for Edison, but he was by no means discouraged. Once more he fitted up his laboratory at home and resumed his experiments. There were many protests from some members of the family who feared chemical experiments, but his mother had great faith in him and met objections by saying: "Thomas is all right. Nothing will happen to him, God is taking care of him."

It was unjust for the conductor to hit young Edison as he did but the deafness which resulted had its compensations. He was able to concentrate on his inventive work, so that he became known the world over as "The Wizard of Invention." When he was well advanced in years, this is what he wrote about his affliction: "This deafness has been a great advantage to me in many ways. When in a telegraph office I could hear only the instrument directly on the table at which I sat, and unlike the other operators I was not bothered by the other instruments. . . . Again, my nerves have been preserved intact. Broadway is as quiet to me as a country village is to a person with normal hearing."

The experience of Edison was not unusual, but because he was so famous the facts are well-known.

There is nothing new in all this but it is something of which we need to remind ourselves again and again. What a devout Jew wrote years ago is a common experience: "It is good for me that I have been afflicted." (Psalm 119:71). One of the most valuable functions of religion is to help us take long views of life. What can happen to others may well happen to us. This knowledge should check our impatience and relieve our despair.

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Our quotation today is by Oliver Goldsmith. "Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall."