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**Editorial Comment**

**ENTITLED TO YOUR SUPPORT**

The Stanley Theatre, Stouffville, in co-operation with all moving picture houses over Ontario will contribute a worth-while effort in the sale of war stamps in the action they have taken to put on a free show on Monday, July 15. All you have to do to gain a complimentary ticket is to invest in two war saving stamps at the regular price of 25c each. These must be procured at the theatre any time before the show. The stamps, as most people know, will help win the war. When you have 16 of them, \$4 worth, you can obtain a certificate for \$5.00 redeemable in seven years by the Dominion government. The \$1 you gain is interest on the loan. Everybody may well get behind the generous gesture of the management of the Stanley and start saving war stamps.

**LONG ESTABLISHED WEEKLY CHANGES HANDS**

On its 58th birthday the Markham Economist & Sun passes from the ownership of the Corson Estate into the hands of Messrs. John Whetter and M. Williams, and we hasten to congratulate the new owners on their wisdom in acquiring this old established newspaper in which they have been employed for some years. Our neighboring weekly has a large field to cover, and the opportunities for usefulness and influence are many.

Mr. Whetter brings youth and courage to a line of business that needs plenty of it in these days, while Mr. Williams' mature judgment and able pen will have its full scope in moulding the future of the village and district it serves.

Although our closest neighbors in the newspaper field, we count its new owners among our friends whom we have always found ready to co-operate and help when that help was asked for. May the Economist & Sun live long to flourish under new management.

**A CLEAN VILLAGE ALL THE YEAR ROUND**

It came to the attention of the Stouffville Council the other evening someone from this town had been guilty of carrying old tins and other rubbish to a rural section and dumping it on a sideroad. As is usually the case when this kind of thing happens, the offender was caught, and will have the humiliating experience of going back and picking up the stuff and taking it to the village dump which is provided for such material.

The idea was advanced that Stouffville ought to have a bylaw prohibiting anyone but an authorized person, to pick up dumping material and take it away. Further, it was suggested that there should be a pickup in town, at least once every three months, by the person authorized to do this work. Householders could pay their 25 cents, or whatever the amount less than this is set for the job.

This paper heartily approves a quarterly cleanup of this kind. The bit of change each one would pay would never be noticed, and it would eliminate piling up waste material for 12 months as at present. If the council can enter into some such arrangement, with a trucker, and seal it with a bylaw, it would be an advanced step, and one in the interest of better health.

**THE CHURCH TAKES A HOLIDAY**

The Whitby Gazette in an able editorial last week, condemns the action of certain churches that close their doors for the summer months. Fortunately none of them, go that far around Stouffville, although many of them confine the Sabbath worship to one service on that day, usually dropping the evening worship. The Whitby editor will find a responsive cord in his opposition, but there is one thing that he did not tell us how to cope with, and that is the service of worship where the people just do not come to worship, the service where a normal congregation of 160 on Sunday dwindles to 20 or 25 people. All in all, the subject should be a live one in these days when so many people feel indifferent to the House of God. The Gazette raises its voice in the following words:

"Already papers all over the country are announcing curtailment and in some cases cessation of church and Sunday School services for the summer months. In other words, the church is preparing to take a holiday. Ministers are planning their long vacations, and substitutes are being found for their pulpits. In some places like Whitby, two congregations are uniting for July and August. In country correspondence this notice will undoubtedly appear before long, "Our church will be closed while our pastor is away on his vacation."

Other years these church holidays do not seem out of place, but this year, with the war on and people more in need of spiritual comfort and consolation to be found in the church, and with emphasis being laid on the need for a return to God, we believe that it is a mistake. If the people seeking these spiritual blessings turn to the church for guidance and leadership and find the doors closed, what will they do? They may retire to their own closets, but will they turn their backs on the church? We ask this question in all seriousness. We may be criticized for venturing to even suggest such a thing."

**GRACEFUL DIVERS WIN CUPS AT CEDAR BEACH, MUSS ELMAN'S LAKE, ON JULY 1.**



Grace and beauty were much in evidence at Musselman's Lake on Dominion Day as girls from many parts of Ontario competed for diving and swimming championships. May Looney, world's champion long distance professional swimmer, presented trophies for swimming achievement. Left to Right, Miss Looney, Irene Barr of Hamilton, junior champion, Margaret Thompson of Hamilton, first in the quarter mile for 15 and under, Bernice Looney of the Lakeshore Club, first in the minnow class. There were fancy diving numbers for men and women and a gala program all afternoon.

**Over 5,000 Children Expected by July 25**

From 5,000 to 5,500 British children, between the ages of 5 and 15 years inclusive, will be given refuge here from war-torn Europe, during the course of the month of July, according to an announcement in the House of Commons by Hon. T. A. Crerar, Minister of Mines and Resources. They will be placed in good Canadian homes for the duration of the war.

Offers to take these children in and give them a comfortable home have been pouring in to the provincial organizations set

**THERE'LL ALWAYS BE AN ENGLAND**

There'll always be an England, while there's a country lane  
Wherever there's a cottage small, beside a field of grain.  
There'll always be an England, while there's a busy street,  
Wherever there's a turning wheel, a million marching feet  
Red, White and Blue, what does it mean to you?  
Surely you're proud — shout it aloud—Britain's awake  
The Empire too; we can depend on you.  
Freedom remains, these are the chains nothing can break.  
There'll always be an England, and England shall be free  
If England means as much to you, as England means to me.

**TRAGEDY**

Line fences bothered Dan and Joe, must be some twenty years ago, they argued quite a lot; Dan said the line fence wasn't straight Joe chanted too his verse of hate, and they were rather hot.

For years they'd lived there side by side, and to each house there'd come a bride, good neighbors there for years; there was a short-cut path between, so much 'twas used never green, shared joys and griefs and fears.

That line fence seemed to get his goat, it stuck right square inside Dan's throat, he couldn't gee nor haw; and hot words flowed across his chin, he said that Joe was cheating him, and so he'd go to law.

Joe didn't know what Dan might do, and so he got a lawyer too, the case went into court; they hired an engineer to come, to find just where the fence should run, he made a long report.

Dan got a bill and so did Joe, as much is all the wheat they'd grow, and they both began to groan; they read the judgment through and through, it said the only thing to do, was leave the fence alone.

That path that used to be kept bare, you wouldn't know 'twas ever there, no feet on it so long; and Dan was stubborn in his way, for all he'd have to do was say—he knew that he was wrong.

up for that purpose. The number of offers far exceeds the demands for the present time.

The children are to be sent to Canada only with the full approval of their parents or guardians. The Dominion Government will use its medical officers and its immigration authorities overseas for examination of the children before sailing. It will take charge of their reception at Canadian ocean ports, and provide transportation and care en-route to provincial distribution centres. Welfare organizations in the provinces will co-operate with the Dominion Government in their placement and after-supervision.

More than half of the initial contingent of children will be placed in Ontario and Quebec, the remainder being distributed in other provinces on a pro rata population basis.

A communication from the Canadian High Commissioner states, that about 3,000 avacuees will arrive in Canada about the middle of July and a further 750 every five days thereafter to July 25.

The number allotted to any community like Stouffville will depend on the facilities for schooling. If our schools in this village only have accommodation for 30 more children than those regularly attending, then our overseas allotment, would be confined to that number.

**NEW EXCHANGE TAX HITS THE COAL BINS**

Everybody is trying to accept the new taxes imposed for prosecuting the war with the best of favor, but when the government comes along and bangs down 10 per cent on coal in conformity with all other imported goods from foreign countries, a roar of opposition goes up like thunder. It is a vicious tax on the poor man who can least afford to pay it.

Dealers estimate it will advance the price of coal 60 or 75c per ton. This increase on top of the 11 per cent jump some time ago due to exchange between Canada and the United States, is going to leave some people out in the cold this coming winter.

Coal in many parts of this province is just as vital to the needs of the people as is butter and other food products. Many communities in old Ontario are dependent on U.S. coal, and everybody is free to admit that a tax on coal is unfair. In view of the fact that we cannot find a person in favor of the tax in this behalf, one wonders why those who have the "say so" at Ottawa antagonish their support in this way.

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