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Just 27 Left

The number is now down to 27. It's really true - there are only 27 shopping days

left until Christmas. It won't be long now. We want to remind readers that you'll profit by shopping early - and by shopping in your home com-

By picking out your gifts now, you'll enjoy the best selection, a longer time to choose, better service from your local stores, and more time to wrap the presents.

By shopping at home, you'll keep those valuable dollars in the spot where they'll benefit us all. They'll help build schools, roads, and finance many other improvements.

Shop early — shop at home.

Choose Wisely This Election

The secret of good municipal government lies in the ability of the ratepayers to select trustworthy and able citizens to act as their officials. For more than seventy-five years annual nominations and elections have been held in Stouffville, and citizens have given unselfishly of their time and ability to serve on town council and school board. Due greatly to the able leadership of many of these officials Stouffville has developed into a community of which we are all proud.

Formerly the municipal administration was rather a simple affair. However, as the years have passed, the duties and responsibilities of our elected representatives have increased greatly and have become more involved. At the present time members of Council must be prepared to give a good deal of time and thought to their duties.

Unless this unselfish service continues, government at the municipal level will disappear and our town affairs will be controlled completely by outside departments. This, surely, would be a backward step. It would seem obvious that an elected group of our own citizens, is in a better position to understand the wishes and needs of our ratepayers. However, if the time comes when able citizens are not willing to accept the responsibilities of self government, that right of self government may be lost.

It is true, the remuneration paid to elected officials is small, and some, such as members of the school board receive nothing at all. But there are benefits. Each member of Council or Board has the personal satisfaction of being of service to his town and fellow citizens. He can find municipal government an interesting, educational and broadening experience. He has the opportunity of introducing his personal ideas for the betterment of his community. His office gives him a standing in the community.

While it is not possible for all citizens to offer their services, it is the duty of all to show an interest in the affairs of the municipality.

Nominations will be held in the Legion Hall this Friday evening. It is an important date. Be sure you keep it.

Not Enough Real Thinking

When we were a young gaffer, Dad used to tell us that there wasn't enough real, thinking going on in the world. His contention was that the modern way of life just wasn't conducive to producing great minds He might have had something there.

. He never made a great deal of money but we never knew anyone who could get more enjoyment out of a good book, a sunset or a stroll through the woods. The trouble today seems to be that people can pass

their whole leisure time and most of their working hours without any mental exertion whatsoever. Methinks the whole world would be better off if a lot of people would do a lot more thinking.

Probably the most revolting development of modern times is the mass intoxication of radio and television that makes it easier for everyone to derive an almost endless store of congenial, fatuous entertainment from the popular press, best selling novels, brighter radio and television programs. None of these makes any claim whatever on a man's mental powers.

Possibly, if you were to suggest to most people that they never really thought about anything, they would be quite indignant. But, figure it out. Most people might think that they are thinking when they are only imbibing ideas of others and absorbing them like a sick sponge. Or when they are day dreaming reviving some pleasant episode of the past or projecting even more agreeable ideas of the future.

That really isn't thinking.

The average man has lots of ideas and opinions on all sorts of things from elephants to elbows; from wars to hockey players. He's ready with confident answers to questions for a few minutes. But five minutes after the discussion on any one subject begins, you feel you have heard the answers before. He gives himself away when asked to justify his answers. They came from last night's Jackie Gleason Show or Edward R. Murrow's program. Or from the sports pages of yesterday's Globe and Mail. Or even this week's Sig-

He didn't get the answers by thinking. Possibly the only way to start right on this thinking business is to begin when you are young. If the habit of real thinking isn't acquired in youth, it is extremely unlikely that it will ever be acquired at all.

The reason for this harangue may not be obvious to many readers. However, we believe that the power of any society depends on the power of its members to think for themselves. Every progress in the long march of civilization has been initiated by some person or group of persons who apply a critical mind to institutions and ideas which everyone else has taken for granted.

Those rebels and pioneers may not have been too popular at times, but without them and their own thinking, there would have been no progress whatever. Only stagnation. -Elmira Signet.

Pushing buttons to change canisters. Cut off short lengths gears on a , car is too much of scotch tape, roll one end trouble. Means should be pro- back and understo give a sticky vided so we could change gears surface all around the tape. wave, of course.

You can give your newly dec- seams. Wrap the wallpaper arorated kitchen a look of con- ound, pressing it tightly against tinuity by using leftover pieces the tape to give a smooth apof wallpaper to cover kitchen pearance.

vals around the top and bottom of the canisters and at the

by a wave of the hand -a slight Stick these bits of tape at inter-



WHO MOVES IN

JESUS TOLD A STORY of a house which had been cleaned and garnished and an evil spirit had been cast out. The house remained empty and the evil spirit found seven other deals and the last stage was worse than the first. Thus Jesus taught that an empty heart is dangerous to itself as well as to others.

LIFE WITHOUT PURPOSE is one looking for trouble; we have a very old proverb: "Satan finds mischief for idle hands to do." A writer of long ago said: "The horse in the stable that never travels; the hawk in the mew that never flies; are both subject to serious evils from which they might be free."

HERE THEN IS A PERIL facing all who wish to make the most of life. It is not enough to get rid of evil; we must do something worth-while. The best way to get rid of evil is to have some worth-while ambition for which to live. When your heart is cleansed - who moves in?

IF THE HOUSE had been occupied when the evil spirit came to see how things were, there would have been no room for it, and it would have gone away. But a house is built for someone to live in it: no one intends a house to stand empty.

THE BEST WAY to keep evil out of our lives is to be active in doing good. There is an old saying that: "The devil himself can't fill you bag with beans if you have filled it with peas." There just isn't room in the bag for beans. When people's lives are filled with noble purposes and active good deeds they have neither time nor inclination for wrong-doing.

WHEN THE FIRST General Booth was asked for a good motto for his followers at the beginning of a new year he suggested the one word: "Others." It was an excellent suggestion because in a world like this, with so much suffering and so many sorely in need of help and encouragement, there is plenty to do for willing people, and it is when we are engaged in service that we become happy as well as useful.

ALL SEAMEN KNOW that a ship is much safer when moving ahead than when standing still. A ship not making progress is in danger; ships are not made to stand still. One of the rules of the Boy Scouts is that each scout should do at least one good deed every day. That is a good rule for all Christians, and no doubt Charles Wesley had such thoughts in mind when he wrote;

To serve the present age, My calling to fulfill;

O may it all my powers engage To do my Master's will.

A BRITISH WRITER SAYS: "There are several hundred thousand people singing in the choirs of British Churches each Sabbath and it is a mighty good thing for them. It is a grand wholesome occupation and keeps their minds healthy. That is not the chief object of church attendance but it is something, we had not thought about. What about the hundreds of other things that people do. People spend their time doing what seems to me, silly things - but perhaps they think that of me! Let's not judge each other but let us keep busy in a healthy way; we are better and happier when we are occupied."

Some MEN ARE TIRED at the end of the day; others insist on helping with the dishes - God bless them.

OUR QUOTATION TODAY is from Corinthians: "Ye are labourers together with God."



For Parents Only United Nations Flag

By Nancy Cleaver

white flag! Where did it come the Old Testament, there are a from?" asked Jim. tions flag.

bates of the UN General As- on a long glided spear was fa- in the Haliburton district. this banner.

languages and living in five tianity. design there are no crowns or from earliest times, groups of niece, Mrs. Morby at Gormley. stars or swords representing so- people have been represented vereignty or conquest. Rather by animals or other designs Clure's home with a good atthe polar projection shows one borne on poles. After weaving tendance, Mrs. Baxter gave a world, surrounded by the olive wreath of friendship and peace. half the width of the flag and staff. The early Vikings made ronto visited Mrs. Rae Mctimes as long as it is wide.

United Nations, there was one other popular design - four short red perpendicular bars on a white ground, representing the four freedoms (freedom from want, from fear, freedom of speech, freedom to worship) which more and more boys and Meadows, where a session was girls now recognize, was given first'choice.

It is true that the use of flags or ensigns came into use

"Why, that's the United Na- children of Israel using ensigns doing. or flags. Twelve centuries be-A flag never fails to interest fore the birth of Christ the a boy or girl and in countless Chinese used flags, and in later countries all around the world. years so did the Assyrians and The ground color is a lovely Egyptians. The Roman soldiers blue, symbolic of hope and with their standards and their peace, as well as the common dragon banner marched north, sky over all the world. The south, east and west to conother color, white, stands for quer. The Emperor Constanloyalty. Although five "official" tine's standard with its purple languages are used in the de- cloth fluttering from a crossbar sembly, there is no wording on mous. It bore the Greek letters Alpha and Omega, signifying It belongs to people of many this ruler's conversion to Chris- last week in our community.

and dyeing came into common splendid report of the convenuse, the emblems were often tion. made of cloth fluttering on a the flag itself is one and a half their sea voyages flying a Raven emblem and Saxons chose In selecting a flag for the as their symbol a White Horse. Reliigous symbols, such as the cross, were incorporated into leen Fair of Toronto. Mr. C. many national flags.

Without any fuss or demonstration, at noon on Oct. 21, 1947, the UN flag was hoisted at the same time at the General Assembly Building at Flushing being held, and over the Seccess a Security Guard raised it.

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INIOL BANK ACCOUNT

Here is an illustration of the trouble and confusion which often follows the death of one of the owners of a joint bank account. In this case the deceased owner had the account set up with her cousin, who resided in Michigan, as joint lowner with right of survivorship set out in the signature card signed by both parties. It is impossible now to determine whether or not it was actually intended that in event of death the cousin should become the because she was not allowed, as were separated? the surviving owner, to with- Probably you can recover

(1) A joint bank account cre- facts. pendent child).

sumed to be solely entitled and husband's life? upon his death the surviving In one recent case a wife left or beneficiaries, of the deceased when drunk resorted to viol-

of the bank account. in this, as him. There were no children. witnessed. Any other method nothing was done about it. of leaving money or other as. The Court awarded her \$3.-

PINE ORCHARD

(Held over) Mrs. Walter Johnston Mrs. Wesley Lundy spent a in Toronto.

Donald Johnston and Bil Mr. Jim Tidman of Port Ar

Mr. and Mrs. E. Sheppard atin the history of the nations | tended the funeral of their

Miss Phyllis White of To-Weekend visitors with Mr.

Misses Jean Johnston and Ei-Ross, Bobby and Jimmy of Duncan, B.C., also Mr. James to add to his face value. So easy Fair of Bailiboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Armitage are the proud grandparents of a wee granddaughter.

If the children have played retariat Building at Lake Suc- havoc with the panels of their bedroom door, cover the marred surfaces with the wallpaper used to decorate the room, being sure the pattern lines up with that on the walls.

Our men in Korea saw it often In less than 10 years it has become the symbol in the eyes of millions of people of mankind's desire for peace.

English, French, Spanish, Russian and Chinese are all "working" languages in UN debates. But unlike the "Ordem e Permanent Waving Progresso" slogan on Brazil's flag, or the declaration of Moslem faith in Arabic on the banner of Saudi Arabia, the UN flag carries no wording. It belongs to all peoples, desiring peace whatever their mother

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What's the

I left my husband several sole owner of the account. In years ago because he drank any case, the bank permitted too much and threatened me. the account to be closed out by I have received no support the executor of the deceased from him since. Several times party; and to add another comp- we discussed trying it again lication, the executor distrib but I didn't dare leave my job uted the estate to the residuary until I was sure he would keep beneficiary in California (who his promises. A few months has since died). All this was ago he died in a motor accident done before the surviving cous- where the other driver was in in took any steps to claim the the wrong. Does the law give account and she is aggrieved me damages even though we

draw the balance in the ac- damages if the other driver was negligent. The facts of no two Joint bank accounts serve a cases are the same. You should useful purpose if properly used discuss it with your lawyer, by those who fully understand and be sure to tell him everytheir implications. Not many thing you know about the case. persons, however, are aware of He can't give you sound advice the following legal principles. | unless you give him all the

ated by a husband for his wife, The law permits a widow to or by a father for his child, is, recover damages in such cirupon his death, presumed to be- cumstances where she has suflong to the surviving wife or fered financial loss or where child (there is some legal doubt she would have reasonable exas to whether the same rule pectation of financial benefit may apply to an account cre- from the continuance of her ated by a mother for her de- husband's life. Have you suffered financial loss by his death? OFFICE: Corner of O'Brien & (2) In all other cases, the per- Did you have a reasonable exson who actually places the pectation of financial benefit money in the account is pre- from the continuance of your

party is presumed to hold the her husband who drank excessmoney in trust for the estate, ively and who on occasion ence. Even while living to-In the case referred to above, gether he failed to provide for therefore, it would seem that her. After she left her husband the surviving cousin cannot the wife supported herself and successfully claim the proceeds received no contribution from

in many similar cases, the re- About two years after leavsults may appear harsh and, ing her husband the wife took no doubt, are often directly con- a job as housekeeper for antrary to the wishes of the per- other man and was still so emsons who set up the accounts. ployed some five years later However, the law provides a when her husband was killed in suitable method for a person to a motor accident. During these Wednesday-office closed in a.m. dispose of his estate upon death years, there had been some disand that, of course, is by last cussions between husband and Will and Testament properly wife about a reconciliation, but

sets, such as by the creation of 500 in damages. Since she could a joint account, should be used have sued her husband in his See, Mother! See the blue and during military campaigns. In sparingly, and only by those lifetime for support, she sufferthoroughly familiar with the ed a potential financial loss number of references to the implications of what they are when his death deprived her of this legal right. And since the evidence showed some reasonable probability of a reconciliation she had a reasonable expectation of financial benefit had her husband lived.

In another recent case the Court held that even though a couple of days with Miss White wife in a formal separation agreement had renounced all claim for maintenance from Dike enjoyed a week's hunting her husband, she could nevertheless recover damages on his death caused by the negligence thur was calling on old friends of another motorist. The evidence showed a reasonable probability of reconciliation, had death not intervened. In this way the widow had suffered a pecuniary loss through her husband's death.

Of course, if there are dependent children, damages can be recovered in such cases on their behalf even if the wife has assumed full responsibility for their support. A father cannot contract himself out of his oband Mrs. Walt Johnston were ligation to support his children.

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