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Editorials

Handkerchief Once Badge of Rank

An item of convenience, and sometimes decoration, that is taken for granted by modern men and women was considered a badge of rank and class by Europeans of the 14th, 15th and 16th century. The simple handkerchief in those days was considered as indispensable to the lady of fashion as her jewels.

These extravagant "mouchoirs" — decorated with deep borders of finest lace — were carried strictly for "show." Personal hygiene was not an important part of the lives of Renaissance ladies and their methods of laundering were too drastic for even some of the sturdier fabrics, not to mention laces.

The first handkerchief was probably the Roman "sudarium," which was used to wipe the perspiration from Roman faces and to hold in front of the mouth to prevent the spread of infection.

These hygienic and thoughtful uses were discarded in the dark and dirty middle ages when the kerchief was used only as an extravagant accessory to rank and fashion.

At first white — or as close to white as could be attained in those days — was the standard color for handkerchiefs. The practice of snuff-taking enhanced the popularity of colored handkerchiefs, since the snuff stains were camouflaged by the colors.

Today, with approximately 3,000 synthetic dye-stuffs available and speedy and economical printing methods, modern men and women have an infinite variety of dyed and color-printed handkerchiefs to choose from.

Must Make Special Effort

Business right now has two strikes against it, the tense world situation and the hobbeswitch the government has imposed on investment and development. To add to these business in Stouffville has another strike making three, that being the condition of the town due to the sewer development. Despite our good stores, the town has become an undesirable place to shop by virtue of the fact that off-street parking has been negligible with streets closed and others a sea of mud.

Stouffville merchants must liken themselves to Yonge St. business people during the time the Toronto subway was being constructed.

However there is a brighter side and business must rise above the obstacles which are only temporary and help the public in its dilemma of finding parking lots in town. We know of at least five good off-street parking lots in town. Three of them are open to the public without question and the other two would undoubtedly be with a word to the owners.

Next week merchants hope to see the town jammed with Christmas shoppers for the annual Santa Claus Parade. It is hoped that the Businessmen's Association will act now to let the public know that their parking needs will be well taken care of in Stouffville next weekend. The town is going through a trying period, businesswise, and every effort should be made to offset these parking drawbacks and to acquaint the public with the provisions being made for them.

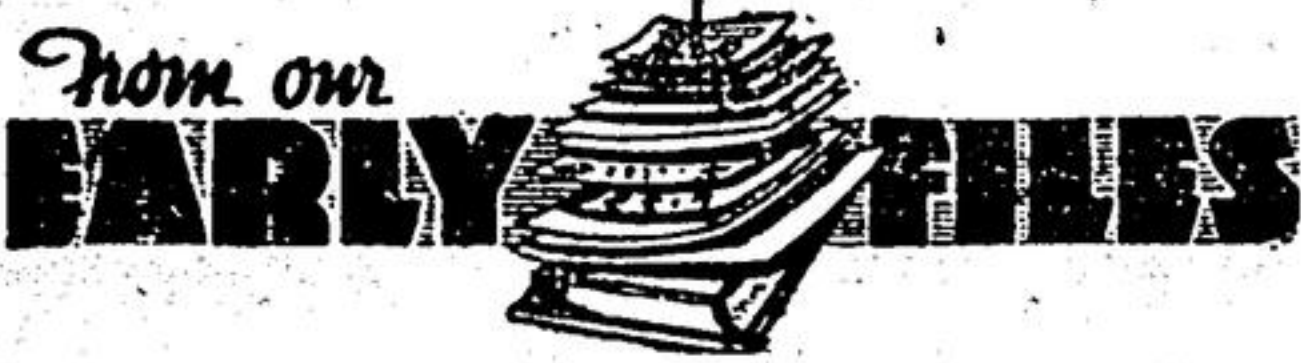
Time Is Getting Short

This week, Friday evening, nominations will be received in Stouffville for reeve, deputy-reeve, and council and other municipal offices to be filled by the voters on election day, Dec. 3rd. That means little time is left for prospective candidates to make up their minds whether they intend to offer their services.

To date there has been a woeful lack of interest in the municipal election, considering it is only a few days off. One would naturally expect that with mounting municipal taxes year after year and with no reversal in the trend in sight, the electors would be aroused more audibly. If the taxpayers feel their affairs have not been administered as competently as they expect, now is the time to do something about it.

The interests of Stouffville can best be promoted if the most capable men and women can be induced to stand for civic office. That is the first requisite if the voters are to do a good job in the forthcoming election. It is to be hoped that more than the usual number with sound administrative ability will signify their intention of getting into the municipal contest.

Probably never before in the history of the town has it been so imperative to have individuals with keen foresight, sound judgment and good business ability to direct our affairs. Fortunately we have a number of citizens who measure up to these requirements. It remains to persuade more of them to enter municipal life.



From Our Early Files

Nov. 18th, 1926
It is estimated that thirty homes in Stouffville have a radio installed, several sets being placed last week. It is necessary to have a license in order to own a radio, which is issued by local dealers and costs \$1.00 per year.
The sudden drop in the thermometer on Wednesday night last week came as a surprise to the early in the season. The ground was covered with snow on Thursday morning and froze quite a depth. Many vegetables not in winter quarters were nipped heavily. There was little moderation in the weather until Saturday when it turned much milder.
Hon. George S. Henry, Minister of Public Works and Highways, was unanimously re-nominated for the Legislature on Saturday afternoon last when the East York Conservative Association held its Convention in the R. H. McGregor school, East York. More than 400 citizens were in attendance and no other name was offered to the Chair.
The price of wood has kept pace with the price of coal and the owner of a good bush is a fortunate person. On Saturday Miss Nellie Lapp offered ten acres of standing timber on Lot 6, Con. 5, Scarborough by auction. The whole ten acres brought \$1,282. One quarter acre brought \$76, and four of the best quarter acre lots aggregated \$266.
The village of Cookstown with 500 or less people boasts of nine gasoline pumps on its main street. Stouffville with over double this population, is well supplied with 6 such pumping stations.

LAFF OF THE WEEK



"I really don't care about learning anything—I'm just coming to get a husband."

BETWEEN OURSELVES

BY Anchor Wallace

Face The Facts

SOME YEARS AGO, a friend of mine underwent a medical examination and on his return home, said to his wife: "I don't want you to worry and I do not intend to do so myself. I have cancer but we will do our best and leave the rest with God." He did that thing, never even speaking of the shadow over his life, but cheerfully carrying on for over four years when his time on earth was done and he was laid to rest. He faced the facts and his widow told me that he was keenly interested in everyday living. I did not know at the time that he had cancer and in the local church I have seen him discuss the merest details of affairs with skill and great tolerance.

STUDENTS OF HISTORY know that Queen Elizabeth, the First, would not allow those around her to speak of advancing years, nor would she look into a mirror which revealed her wrinkles; the proud arrogant queen refused to face the truth.

IN THE DAYS OF NEHEMIAH, he was apprehensive when he had to enter the King's presence with a sad countenance and when he did so was reprimanded by the King who demanded an explanation. But there are facts of life that to ignore is sheer folly. I do not mean that we should cease to take a lively interest in life but to take a superficial view of the facts is to live in a fool's paradise. Like my friend we must accept the will of God. Knowing as Socrates said to his judges, "no evil thing can befall a good man."

THE GREAT CHARLES DARWIN repudiated the thought of annihilation and said: "Believing as I do that man will be a far more perfect creature than he is now, I believe that in the future, he will continue his spiritual progress and to this faith, I heartily subscribe." I have before me a list of wise and useful men, many of whom died in early life, but their faith like that of Darwin's, gave them strength and they believed that life would be vastly better, further on.

WHEN SIR WALTER SCOTT knew that the end of his life was near, he asked to be taken once again over the grounds at Abbotsford. "I have seen many beautiful places," he said, "but nothing to compare to my beautiful home." Then to his son-in-law, Lockhart, he asked that his favourite book be read; "Which Book?" asked Lockhart. Sir Walter said: "There is only one book now, read to me the works of Jesus in John 14th. 'Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid, in my Father's house are many mansions.'"

THERE IS MUCH to bewilder us in this life, a great deal we cannot understand, but we all know in our hearts that we can await our Father's loving care and mercy. No doubt many of our fears will have been fruitless and unnecessary. When Charles Kingsley was dying, he said, "How beautiful God is." Sir Walter Scott's last words to young Lockhart were: "Be a good man, be a religious man, when you come to lie here as I do, nothing else will give you comfort."

OUR QUOTATION TODAY is by Hugh Black: "The end of life is the test of life."

In The Editor's Mail

Glenburn Farms, Unionville Nov. 13

To the Residents of Markham Township,
My second term as Councillor for Ward 2 is nearly completed. Unfortunately it is not possible to call on everyone in Ward 2 and this letter is an attempt to review the year's work. Many controversial issues have come before Council during this year and on several occasions lengthy discussions failed to resolve our differences of opinion.
In my opinion, the men Council appointed this year to the Planning Board, the Rink Board and the High School Board have made valuable contributions to their respective bodies. It is gratifying to find willingness on the part of many citizens of Markham Township to accept unpaid positions of responsibility which often lead at some time to public controversy. Council has managed to keep

expenses under its control including General Administration, Road Maintenance, Police and Fire costs quite close to 1955 levels. This is not easy, owing to the pressure for increased salaries and services. Roads could be greatly improved, but with taxes more than four times 1946 levels, the Road Committee must restrict itself to seeing that our equipment and materials are used to best advantage.

The development of sewer services in the southwest corner of the Township has been deferred owing to Mr. Fred Gardiner's concern over further contamination of the Don River which might result from a sewage disposal plant. I hold the opinion that all services likely to be needed in a subdivision should be installed and paid for at the beginning by the subdivider. Requirements of residents in new sections are often much greater than those in established areas. It is unfortunate that the controversy over the Sabiston pit could not have been resolved by the two parties involved without reference to the courts. Attempts in this direction only resulted in misunderstanding on both sides.

Some important commercial and industrial concerns have already built, or have made plans to build in the Township during the year. This should provide important new sources of tax revenue without increasing education costs. A folder has been prepared to help promote further development of this kind.

Education costs have been in the limelight at many Council meetings. Council is unanimous in its desire to see costs of education kept within reason, but in the Ross Doan School case, we differed on the method of bringing this about.
In the forthcoming election, I am again prepared to stand

HUNGARIAN RELIEF

Reply

The Canadian Hungarian Relief Fund has been organized to collect funds for use by the International Red Cross in Hungary. Mr. G. S. Thorvaldson, Q.C., past president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce and senior partner in a Winnipeg law firm, is co-chairman with Mr. G. C. Temešvary, president of the Canadian Hungarian Federation.

All money collected by the Fund will be used to provide medical supplies, food and other material aid for Hungarian refugees who have escaped to Austria and other points, and for the relief of the wounded and homeless in Hungary itself.

In a telegram received from the Canadian Red Cross representative in Vienna, it is reported that two thousand Hungarian refugees are arriving in Austria daily; the total now being 21,000. The Hungarian Government has now okayed regular Red Cross convoys into Hungary, and road transport is being supplemented with Danube barges. There is a very urgent need for funds to supply these convoys.

The Canadian Red Cross Society has placed all its administrative resources at the disposal of the Canadian Hungarian Relief Fund for the purchasing, transportation and distribution of relief to the people of Hungary through the International Committee of the Red Cross, which is the established neutral intermediary in times of conflict.

There will be no house-to-house canvassing. All contributions of money only should be sent to the nearest branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society, or to the National Red Cross Headquarters, Toronto, Ont. All donations will be acknowledged by an official receipt valid for income tax purposes.

The Canadian Red Cross Society cannot accept gifts in kind as it is not feasible nor economical to pay transportation on miscellaneous collections. As far as used clothing is concerned, it has been determined over and over that the cost of sorting, cleaning, baling and shipping exceeds the value of the goods.

No Roasts

With these beautiful clear nights when the air has only the faint tang of late fall, and the skies are clear and starlit, do your boys and girls gather around an open fire for a "roast" as they did in former years? Do they know the joy of gathering about the blazing fire and singing the old songs, Harvest Moon or Let Me Call You Sweetheart, and those other melodies which have been passed down through

The Twins

A pair of twins, two little girls,
A lovely gift from God,
Their hair alike in dark brown curls
Like two peas in a pod.
They walked together hand in hand
To school, to church and play
In joy or sorrow, rain or shine
From morn till close of day.
Two maidens now, still dressed the same
Wherever they would go.
And never parted, hearts aflame
With youth and love, and so—
Together gave their hearts to God
To work in Jesus' name,
Together then their vows they made
To God and church, the same.
Now treading with reluctant feet
On portals sweet and rare,
Where womanhood and girlhood meet,
Two brides came down the stair
And met there, waiting in the hall,
Their bridegrooms good and true.
Their wedding day, how sweet to all—
The guests and parents, too.
Now years have passed, their children grown,
Two boys, two girls for each,
One little grave for each, o'er-grown
With grass, and memories, teach—
That life is short and but a dream.
Two widows now in tears
And all the time the same
'twould seem,
Death—after many years—
Now took the husbands home to God
And left these twins alone,
Now still alike in widowhood,
Their loving partners gone.
—Mrs. A. Weber

(Sent in by request of a friend who received permission of the twins, Mrs. (Rev.) Oscar Burkholder and Mrs. Joe Fretz whose husbands both died recently. The sisters were Mary and Martha Reesor of Cherrywood, now living near Kitchener.)
for office. If the electorate indicates by their support that they believe I can be of further service to the Township, I shall continue to act to the best of my ability.
Yours faithfully,
Donald M. Deacon

For Parents Only

Sudden Outbursts

By Nancy Cleaver

"How I wish I knew what causes these sudden outbursts so I could do the right thing about them," a young mother sighed.
"Teddy is so small to have such terrible tantrums! Mother says I had a quick temper when I was young and that I grew out of it, and so will he. I wish I could be sure of that. Yesterday when Aunt Sara was visiting he climbed onto her knee like a little cherub. But later he flew into a passionate rage. His aunt said no one would know it was the same child. She insisted that I punish him by spanking. That only made him worse."

Adults usually find in the daily vexations and frustrations of life that it is hard enough to be emotionally stable. Parents, remembering their own difficulties should have more patience with their children's temper. A serene spirit, an intelligent approach, trying to discover causes, rather than an emotional approach of meeting anger with anger, is of utmost importance in dealing with children.
A child should never become the centre of attraction through temper tantrums. How much harm has been done to children by parents discussing their faults in front of them! If a child creates a great flurry of excitement by a temper tantrum he is likely to enjoy it!

A child should always feel that no matter how naughty he is, mother still loves him and believes that he can learn to overcome his fault, whether it be temper tantrums or any other undesirable behavior. The more responsibility a child has for his own good actions the more he will grow. The inner control of a person taking responsibility for his own life is one of the goals of education. It is part of a child's heritage.

Discipline of anger and dispelling fear must come from within and not from outside restraints. When a child is grown up he may forget this fits of temper, but will always remember that his mother was never too busy to be a homemaker as well.

Bad luck doesn't seem to take a crack at the folks who always manage to keep busy.

SATURDAY EXCURSIONS

to
TORONTO by CNR

LOW FARES EVERY SATURDAY (TO AND INCL. DEC. 15)
Tickets good going and returning same Saturday only.

EXCURSION FARES FROM:	LINDSAY	\$ 2.70
BARRIE	\$ 2.50	
ALLANDALE	2.45	SUNDERLAND 2.05
BRADFORD	1.00	BLACKWATER 2.00
HOLLAND LANDING	1.50	UNBRIDGE 1.05
NEWMARKET	1.35	STOUFFVILLE 1.10
AURORA	1.20	PETERBORO 3.00

FULL INFORMATION FROM AGENTS

NOMINATIONS

for Candidates for the Civic Elections in

STOUFFVILLE

will be conducted in
THE VETERANS' HALL
This Friday Evening
at 7.30 p.m.

Stouffville is growing. The administration of your village council is BIG BUSINESS. Make sure Stouffville gets capable members of council — school trustees — and commissioners for water and cemetery. Nominate the candidate of your choice.

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