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Editorials

Chokecherry Syrup
An old-timer who has great faith in the curative value of chokecherry syrup says: "It's a lifesaver, a sure cure for rheumatism, boils, pimples, falling hair and arches."

Canadian Medical Association Endorses National Health Week
Playing as it does, a leading role in Canada's year-round "crusade for health," the Canadian Medical Association is pleased to join with the Health League of Canada in commending to all Canadians the spirit of National Health Week.

National Health Week brings into clear focus the importance of good health and spotlights the need for greater effort by each of us to secure and ensure individual and community health.

What do we mean by health? Health is a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease. In the achievement of this state, we should seek for ourselves and our fellow Canadians adequate nutrition; good housing and healthful environmental conditions generally; and facilities for education, exercise and leisure.

Whitchurch Offer Just

No municipality wishes to give away its assessment were the words expressed by the Whitchurch Township reeve in discussing the proposed annexation of township land by Stouffville. The township, in our opinion, has made a reasonable offer as the price for support of the annexation to Stouffville.

Stouffville is badly in need of industrial and commercial assessment and with the exception of a few small areas which have been available for years, there are too few good industrial sites. The sewerage system now being installed should provide a real drawing card to get industry to locate here.

Whitchurch in giving up the assessment along our north boundary has asked that should any development take place west of the proposed area of annexation, that this development be given the opportunity to purchase the much needed services of water and sewers from the town. They have also asked that that portion of the 9th con. be kept up to the new boundaries of the town. This later request is negligible and should receive no argument from the town council. It is in Stouffville's interest to have well-kept approach roads into town from all directions and the small section involved should receive no quibble from town.

At the same time as the Whitchurch annexation is being formulated, an eye should be given to the corner of Markham Township bordered by the 9th con. and the highway so that the Stouffville municipal boundaries could be straightened in this direction. The suggestion that Markham Township be approached regarding annexation of this corner area was recommended by the Metro Planning Board a year ago.

Whether or not both annexations could be handled by the Municipal Board, at one time, at a saving in cost, we do not know, but it should definitely be investigated. A majority of the property owners in this Markham corner are anxious to have the area annexed we have been given to understand.

IN OUR MAIL BOX

Toronto, Jan. 14, 1957
Editor, The Tribune
Dear Sir:
That Gordon Report is very interesting - not for what it says, but for what it does not say. It is very clearly a Class Document: University people on it - advocating world topper University standards - 50% increases, or else DOUBLED salaries for University teachers, with an increase of "pay differential" between "skilled" and "unskilled" workers.

LAFF OF THE WEEK



"Golly—I miss the patter of those little feet, already!"

BETWEEN OURSELVES BY Archer Wallace

Juvenile Delinquency
SEVERAL YEARS ago a lady asked me to visit her 19-year-old boy who was in jail awaiting sentence on a charge of car theft. She said he was lonely and discouraged. You will find him shy and not easy to get acquainted with.

I FOUND HIM much as she had said. He seemed frightened and resentful and as his mother had said - not too bright in many ways. I gave him some chocolate bars and gradually he thawed out and was grateful and somewhat less resentful. He made no excuse for his conduct and I gathered he had often been in trouble. Soon after he was given a stiff sentence of several years; as he and his companions had guns; and society had to be protected. His was not a new story but I found myself perplexed and bewildered.

THE ONE HOPEFUL thing is that many of the best minds in the country are deeply concerned over juvenile delinquency, and practical ways of help are being tried.

ON MY LAST VISIT to England, I spoke to a group of 600 children in a school in the east end of London. It was at that time a sordid district and the pastor of the church, who had been 27 years there, told me that the record showed that every fourth child got into trouble with the police. "It is the record of this area," said the pastor, "for over a century."

I ONCE READ a book by the psychologist Dr. Addington Bruce, too lengthy even to summarize here, but I laid it down feeling grateful that so many wise and good people are sympathetic especially where, as the lady said about her boy, some are not too bright. One may read the newspaper accounts of young people's conduct but they are not wholly to blame; environment and careless home training and other factors are to be taken into consideration.

ONE WRITER says that Solomon would have taken little notice of a child, whereas today we are all disposed to do what Jesus did when "He put a little child in the midst of them." Probably the church has made no discovery in modern years greater than the tremendous significance of little children.

PURE MILK FOR BABIES, supervised playgrounds, better schools and a larger place in church life, all indicate anxiety on the part of adults, to safeguard the citizen of tomorrow. A century ago there were no state schools, and juvenile delinquency was much more pronounced than today; children were sent to work at a very early age and were often brutally treated. Here is a verse I have often repeated:

Sweeter shall the roses grow,
In those far off, those other years,
And children weep, when we lie low
Far fewer tears, far softer tears.

OUR QUOTATION FOR TODAY was a criticism of Thomas Arnold: "All his geese were swans."

FOR PARENTS ONLY Obstinate Child by Nancy Cleaver

"That which is called firmness in a king is called obstinacy in a donkey," Lord Erskine once pointed out. The stubborn child may, as he grows, stop his battles with individuals. He may redirect his energy into struggling with real problems. Some of our greatest reformers, some of our most brilliant research scientists, were likely dubbed obstinate in their childhood! But they learned, by wise guidance and their own experience not to be easily discouraged. They managed to persevere, in the face of obstacles, until they reached their goal.

Bad Cheque Toll Has Hit Two Million Dollars

A well-dressed, middle-aged man walks briskly to a counter and orders some of the finest cigars. "I'll have to give you this," he tells the clerk, handing him an endorsed cheque for perhaps \$35. "Someone broke into my hotel room last night and stole my wallet. It's a lucky thing they didn't get my identification."

The clerk glances again at the expensive-looking suit and perhaps spies a good car parked out side. Reassured, he hands over the cigars and some \$30 in cash.

And so another citizen falls victim to Canada's \$2,000,000-a-year plague, the phony-cheque racket. The RCMP says the professional swindler is usually a most presentable person with a plausible story.

About 85 percent of the bad cheques passed in Canada are cashed by stores and other business establishments. Banks are harder to victimize. To warn the public the RCMP has issued a free booklet, "Beware of Bad Cheques."

The professional swindler will usually have some identification, which may be either forged or stolen. The RCMP warns that oil company credit cards and drivers' licences are easily come by, and hence are not positive identification.

Before a cheque is cashed, the merchant should insist on seeing it endorsed. If the cheque already has been signed, he should demand that it be re-endorsed.

The RCMP also offers the following tips: 1. Do not cash cheques that show alterations. A large portion of the yearly loss is from raised cheques and money orders.

2. Do not leave company cheques where they can be stolen. 3. Do not accept a certified cheque without the usual identification. Some swindlers make their own rubber acceptance stamps.

Post office stamps can also be forged and stolen post office money orders often are cashed in the same way. 4. Telephone verification of a bank account balance is not tantamount to certification.

5. There are gangs of cheque passers who spend a weekend "doing" a town. Watch for them. 6. Check your own bank balance regularly, to make sure no one has cashed a forged cheque on your account.

It's strange how often the things that are included in a big sale are the ones you don't need.

From our EARLY FILES

January 20, 1925
Mr. Ambrose Stover, our enterprising baker, has installed an up-to-date steam boiler designed to heat the bake shop and his residence adjoining. In addition, one of the prime objects for installing the new system is to radiate steam in the coke oven where the bread is baked.

Book Talk - by Betty Bangay

THE WORLD OUTDOORS
By Mike Bennett
Novelists and short story writers have long taken advantage of the broad appeal of the words "The Great Outdoors." It makes a wonderful-sounding phrase for the jacket of any book that devotes a chapter or two to a camping trip in the Adirondacks or a chase of the robbers through the Everglades.

Lake Erie in Winter

O lonely lake, with lovely summer gone,
The wild waves tossed by winds do sadly moan
Where people gather all the summer long
When echoes can be heard, of laugh, or song.

In summer, there the grass is always green.
Wild flowers by the woods can too, be seen.
Now waves and winds are rising in distress.
And all around is snow and loneliness.

O'erhead the clouds are leaden in the sky.
All round the cold and wintry air is nigh.
This scene, so calm in gentle summer hours,
Is bleak and drear, with withered grass and flowers.

A little churchyard, close beside the lake,
Where gulls all summer long weird noises make—
In winter's cold no longer do they cry.
The moaning of the waves is ever nigh.

On colder days, waves muted by the ice
All bright and glittering, reflect the skies
Till comes a storm; then wind and waves rise high.
In all these scenes the Master still is nigh.

He still commands the winds and tossing waves.
They hear His voice as in the olden days.
So when we sorrow, let us bear in mind:
If winter comes, can spring be far behind?
—Mrs. A. Weber

SHAW'S ALPHABET APPEARS DOOMED

One of eccentric playwright George Bernard Shaw's most cherished brainstorms — drastic revision of the English alphabet — appears doomed to failure as literary enthusiasts throughout the world prepare to commemorate the 100th anniversary of his birth.

Shaw, the man who deliberately made himself the great eccentric, wanted the alphabet revised to include 40 instead of 26 letters. More than \$100,000 (\$280,000) — the bulk of the amount left in his estate after death duties — was put aside to explore possibilities of having the changes made.

His new alphabet featured an entirely new form of half-long-hand, half-short-hand writing. Shaw, who died in 1950, ordained that if the scheme failed, the money should be given in equal shares to the British Museum, the National Gallery of Ireland and London's Royal Academy of Dramatic Art.

But the British public trustee, in whose hands Shaw's estate and request for the new alphabet were left, has announced that Shaw's will will be placed before a court for a decision.

A spokesman for the trustee says: "We hope this court session will be held before Christmas. If it is decided the plan is not good, we shall distribute the money in the way Mr. Shaw directed."

Shaw was born in Dublin, Ireland July 26, 1856. On Thursday, exactly 100 years from that date, members of Shavian societies on both sides of the Atlantic and in democratic and Communist countries will hold meetings and banquets to honor his memory.

Foreign countries increased their sales in the Canadian market by 26 percent in the first eight months of 1956 compared to the same period of 1955.

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