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## OUR EDITORIAL COMMENT

### Are We Priced Out Of The Market?

Is the land in and around Stouffville becoming too expensive for industry to buy? We only pose this question as a number of facts have come to light this year which causes one to wonder.

As far back as last fall, a member of Pickering Township Council asserted in a public council meeting that farmers were pricing their land out of the market for industrial purposes. Last spring an Oshawa firm visited Stouffville with a view to establishing a plant here. The firm representative later visited this writer and stated that the land here was double the price which serviced land could be obtained on the outskirts of Oshawa. Needless to say the factory went elsewhere.

Again this spring, a new plant was established on the 8th con. of Markham, in a rural area. Efforts to locate this firm within the boundaries of the villages of Markham or Stouffville came up with the same result — the land was too expensive.

It would appear that "the honeymoon is over," and the day of fabulous prices for local land has passed. True, such agencies as schools are

still paying a big price for land, they have no alternative. But when it comes to industry which has a choice, it's a buyer's market, and unless the land can be made available at a reasonable figure, it will not be sold.

A large developer of both residential and industrial land advises us that millions are being held in various city banking establishments by foreign industrial firms ready for the movement of their concerns to this country. However, these investors are looking much farther afield than Toronto and Stouffville for cheaper land, he tells us. Good serviced land can be bought in western Ontario towns for less than a thousand dollars an acre.

Only recently we visited one of these Ontario towns of some 3500 population where \$60,000 had been invested in a farm on the edge of town and this land was being offered, with services to the property line to industry. This is "tough" competition for municipalities such as Stouffville which has little land to offer and what there is, is in the higher price bracket.

### Patronize Local Tradesmen, It's Much More Economical

Whatever the outcome of the case against the London man who is charged with false pretenses in connection with the repair of chimneys and roof of a Hensall home, the incident proves again that it is always wiser, usually more economical and certainly more satisfactory to employ a local tradesman to do your repairing rather than hiring a firm with which you are not familiar.

Whether the man is guilty or not, the price he charged was more than three times the estimates submitted by two district tradesmen who were witnesses for the crown. The city man charged \$451; the estimates from the district men ranged between \$140 and \$150.

In this particular case, it should be pointed out that the proprietors of the house did negotiate with a local man to have the job done. When he did not appear at the pre-arranged time to start the work, they employed

the London man in good faith.

A number of people in Stouffville have had to pay excessive charges for work done by transient tradesmen. It is hoped that these experiences, in addition to the one in Hensall, have been sufficiently publicized that no other resident will become a victim to these opportunists. We hope all homeowners will be careful about giving authority to unknown firms to perform such services.

Part of the problem, of course, is that such unethical incidents cast suspicion on all tradesmen or firms who do similar work. This is most unfair because the majority of them are responsible and honest. Probably the most satisfactory and economical protection for the homeowner in such cases is to secure references from the person who is bidding for the job. A quick check with those who have had experience in dealing with the firm will usually reveal its reliability.

## LAFF OF THE WEEK



"Every day reveals some fascinating, new facet of your personality!"

### FOR PARENTS ONLY

## Children and Money

by Nancy Cleaver

Have you often agreed with the quotation used by Bacon: "Money is a good servant but a bad master"? Is your child learning this? Money is important in a child's world as well as in an adult's. How does your child get the money he wants? By asking you for every cent at the time? From an allowance? From gifts from relatives? By earning it? Another vital question which you, as parents, should consider is — How does your child think of money? His ideas are bound to be colored to a great extent by your own attitude to it.

In your home, do mother and father work together as partners in planning the family budget? Are you "good managers"? Do you spend too freely? Are you on the miserly side? Do you act as if money is the most important thing in life, which can buy everything you want? Or do you look on money as a tool to be used wisely in building a good life?

Parents keep coins out of a baby's reach so he won't put a copper in his mouth. The danger of choking is too great. Money fascinates a small child. He likes to handle it, put it into little piles, pretend to count it! It is fun to "play store" with real money. But, being a child, he is apt to hide it in a "safe" place and forget where he put it, or lose it altogether.

Children soon learn that grownups attach special importance to money. Little Margaret finds her Mother's purse on the bureau one day and takes the compact out to play with it. Mother is amused at the powder on her chin. The next day Margaret is delighted to find coppers to play with loose in Mother's purse. The child is surprised when mother is annoyed and scolds her for touching her money!

Mother and Dad should not leave purses or change lying around the house. A small child, with no real idea of "stealing", may be used by an older neighbour's child to take this money out to him. Then they both can go on a spending spree, with the younger child warned not to "tell". Children realize at an early age that money gives them

the power to purchase candy or ice cream or other desirable treats.

Children learn to handle money through their own experiences. That is why an allowance, begun about the time a child starts to school, is so important. Even if it must be a small amount, five or six cents a week, Junior should receive a definite sum at a certain time on a set day. He can do as he likes with this money. His allowance is not taken away as a punishment. Nor is he forced to set aside part of his money as savings.

When children are given an allowance they do not have to whine or bargain for spare cash. Parents should not pay money as a reward for good behavior or high marks. Neither should a child be paid for home chores. These are part of the child's contribution to the family welfare. But payment can be made for extra tasks quite apart from regular home duties.

It is unreasonable to ask a child to save for technical training or a college education. A child discovers that he must deny himself the pleasure of buying one thing if he wants to save and have the fun of purchasing a different object.

Impatience is a youthful characteristic, and saving has to be for a goal which can be reached before too long. The total amount of savings for a young child should be small. The lesson of discipline is lost if the child "borrows" the additional sum he needs from an indulgent parent. "Pay as you go" is a sound slogan.

Financial authorities in Canada are concerned over the rapid expansion of consumer credit. Last year consumers' borrowing reached a record high of \$2,469 million. If children are "pressurized" parents into buying articles they want "on time", the June bulletin of the Canadian Association of Consumers lists important points to consider before borrowing. The pros and cons of buying on credit would make a good topic for discussion in a Family Council where there are older school age children in the home.

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## From the Tribune Files

Sept. 2, 1926

Work on the construction of the mile and a quarter of new road between Stouffville and Ringwood is underway. The A. E. Jupp Construction Co. are the constructors.

The Stouffville voters' lists posted up for inspection, and which will be used in the coming election, contain the names of 752 persons entitled to vote. Of course this list is subject to revision between now and six o'clock on Saturday evening.

Edw. Morris, son of Mr. Carman Morris, a farmer just east of Stouffville, received a fracture of the collar-bone while engaged in a wrestling match one day last week.

The more settled condition of the weather which cleared up on Saturday, has been the salvation of the crops in this district. As it is, much of the grain is spoiled, and there will be some fields where the hail struck north of town a few weeks ago that will be unfit for harvest. This is the best harvest week so far and farmers are cutting and hustling in the grain with a double shuffle.

Sports, Scottish dancing and musical selections featured the third annual reunion of the Clan Forsythe which was held on Saturday in the Memorial Park, Clarendon. About 300 members of the Clan were present, including a number from the sister

society in the United States. The principal address was given by P. B. Forsythe of Washington, D.C. who dealt with the history of the Clan in Canada; and a number of other speakers addressed the meeting. The gathering is the result of an effort to link together all Forsythes and to form a branch of the Clan Forsythe, which already exists in Scotland and was called by G. M. Forsythe two years ago at his home in Clarendon with some 200 members in attendance. It is proposed to continue research into the history of the Clan, which has already been traced back to 1335.

The Stouffville Creamery have been distinguishing themselves in the Canadian butter market for the excellency of their product. At the Ottawa Fall last week, the local manufacturers carried off a first prize in a large field, open to any Canadian Creamery. The exhibit was made in a solid fourteen pound block and the competition was a very keen one. The company will also exhibit this year at the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto and at the London, Ontario Fair.

Coffee, tea, cocoa and the caffeine type tablets widely used by car drivers all contain caffeine, which is found in a large number of plants that grow in many parts of the world.

## EDITOR'S MAIL

Toronto, Aug. 30  
Editor, The Tribune,

Dear Sir:  
As your informative editorial on "Farm Machinery Accidents" grimly but factually expresses it: "Farm machines, designed and built to make farm life more rewarding and productive, have cost our agricultural industry a great deal in terms of lost fingers, arms, time and even lives."

With the revolution taking place "down on the farm" in the direction of mechanical power, especially during the past fifteen years, the above editorial warning is apt and very timely. Only last month I saw a ghastly "farm casualty list" prepared by the well-posted U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, spotlighting the dismal fact that "within the 5-year period, 1951-1955, no less than 70,000 people on U.S. farms lost their lives on the farms, on rural roads and in farm homes; i.e., a yearly accident death toll of 14,000 Americans—men, women and children — at work in the nation's fields, barns and rural homes!" (Farm Journal).

Much is appearing these days in the newspapers, daily, weekly, and farm press intimating that the farm people (in the U.S. and Canada) "have not been sharing as they should in the general prosperity." I think this fact merits top level attention now, rather than permitting things to drift into the Valley of Depression.

But the point I want to make clear, stems from the above editorial dealing with the mechanization of Agriculture. Perhaps I can compress the picture into a few lines, thus: (a)—Value of farm capital invested in implements and machinery (1951 figures) is officially listed as being \$1,334,000,000 on Canadian farms from coast to coast. — from Quick Canadian Facts, 1957; and yet, one of the farm editors quotes the farm implement sales in Canada, at wholesale prices, according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics as follows, in millions of dollars, for the years shown: 1955—155; 1954—146; 1953—238; 1952—250; and 1951—235; making a total for the period of \$1,024,000,000. In addition, the farmers invested a further \$150,000,000 "on repairs and spare parts and retail mark-up" in those same five years!

Both in terms of lives and money, our mechanized agriculture is both costly and increasingly dangerous.

—CHEAP (!) FOOD

## Mistaken Values

A round silver dollar and a little red cent slipped from a pocket and a rolling went. Out into the world where their value is known, Out where the dollar soon came into his own. "You little copper penny," as they slowed to a walk, Said the boastful shiny dollar, (for dollars will talk). "I've no respect for you, you worthless little guy. It takes a hundred of you to do the same as I. I'm welcomed to places where you are not known; I bring smiles to faces while you bring a frown. I'm fondled, caressed, and hugged up tight, I'm jingled in pockets, for my name spells might. I visit the night clubs, lounge on the beach, I frequent all night spots far out of your reach. Silk is my cover where I snuggle in, To travel the world over, where you've never been. "All that," sighed the penny, "I cannot deny, But you don't go to church as often as I."

## GORMLEY

Mrs. C. Milsted and Mrs. Nelson Thompson of Edmonton, Alta., spent the weekend with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thompson, Misses Joan Barrett, Lois Moorby and Luella Winger started Teachers' College in Toronto on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Doner and Dale accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Ken Jones and family to Blind River where they visited Mr. and Mrs. T. Christlaver for the weekend.

Mrs. Victor Stover of Markham spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Doner. Miss Elizabeth Langstaff and Master Miles Langstaff had supper on Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brillinger.

Helse Hill Sewing Circle met on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Edgar Sticklely.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Steckley and Mary Elizabeth were guests at a reception for Mr. and Mrs. John Eyer at his parents' home in Elizabethtown, Penna., on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Scharbach and family of Midland spent Monday with Mrs. W. B. Henderson and girls.

## A Child's Sorrow

Oh! bring my brother back to me,  
I cannot play alone.  
I want him back to help me play,  
Where is our baby gone?  
Nice birdie einging in the tree,  
That is a happy song.  
But—bring my brother back to me.  
He has been gone so long.  
Kind stranger walking down the street,  
Please tell me, do you know,  
(He had such cunning hands and feet)  
Where did our baby go?  
Come, Mama, come let us pretend  
Our baby's back today.  
We'll bring his beddy down again.

That will be fun to play.  
I'll ask my Daddy when he comes,  
For no one seems to know  
(He had such tiny hands — and thumbs)  
Where did our baby go?  
My darling, with your pleading eyes,  
So soon, an aching heart,  
How can I tell, beyond the  
Our baby's there, sweet?  
For God loves little girls and boys  
And sometimes calls one home.  
Now they are sharing Heaven's joys,  
With angels near His throne.

—Mrs. A. Weber

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## High Moments in Life

Once when the Scotch philosopher, Thomas Carlyle, was in charge of the humble cottage in the Highlands where he lived with his parents a shabby beggar came to the door seeking assistance. The lad was too young to prepare a meal but he had a money-box. He opened the box and gave the distressed man all he had. Many years later, in thinking of his life he wrote: "That outburst of childish goodwill was my first idea of heaven; I have seldom been as happy as when I poured into the beggar's hand all I had in the world."

Probably the lad did not realize the connection between the two, but the old philosopher knew that the generous impulse was the meaning of heaven and it was a lesson he never forgot. It is when we forget ourselves that we enter into a condition that brings supreme happiness.

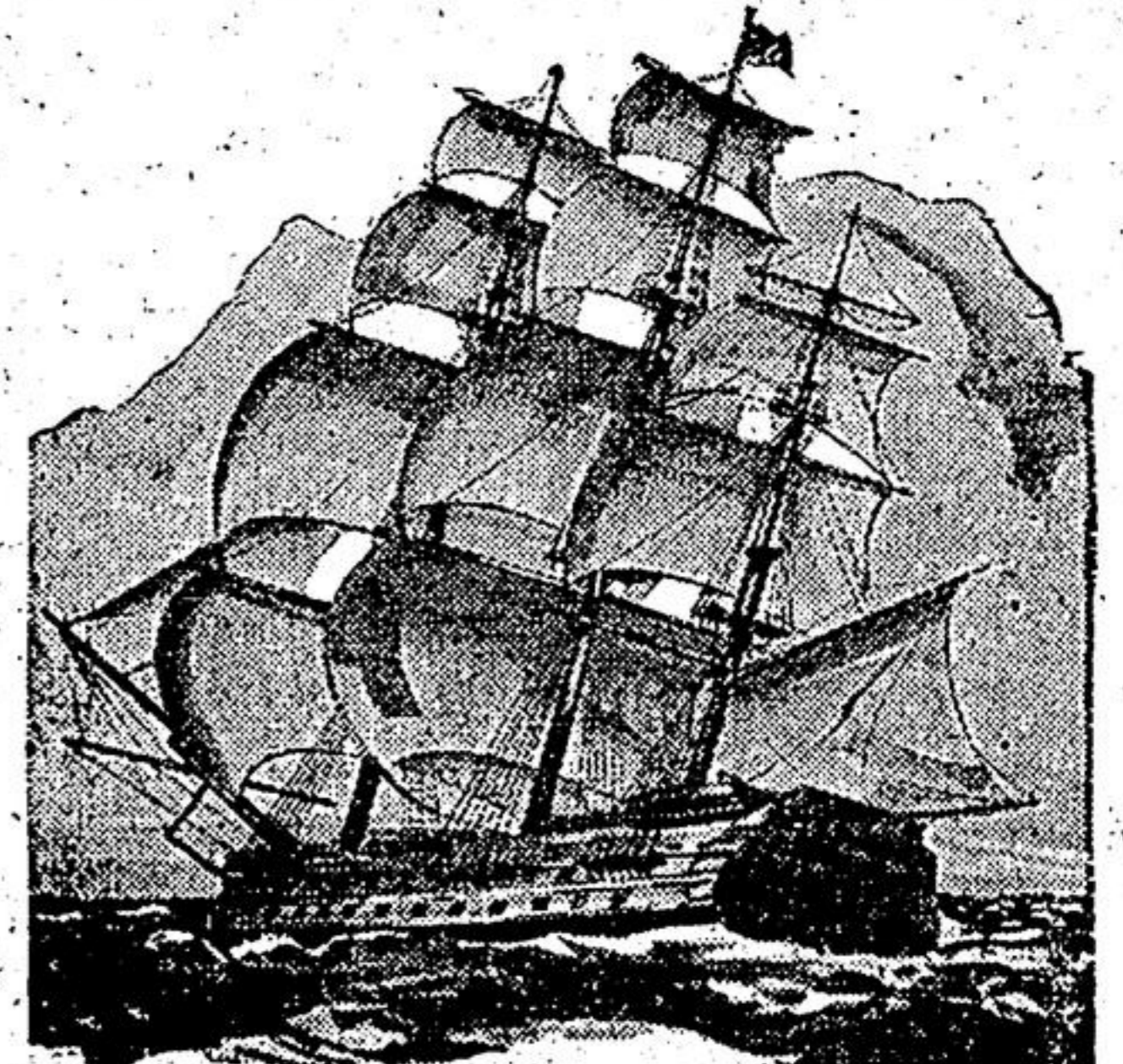
I once talked with a man in England who had been used by God to do much good. He told me that when he was a little lad he was sent by his mother to buy some tea. He saw a church door open, and a missionary meeting was in progress. The speaker gave some idea of conditions in Africa where he had spent several years. The boy was carried away by the speaker and put the price of the tea on the offering plate and had to try to explain to his mother where the money had gone. She was a sensible woman and commended her boy on his generosity.

We all have high moments and later we recognize they were occasions when we were at our best. When the famous writer, A. E. Benson was very near to death during a serious illness he wrote: "That which gave me pleasure was not the fact that I was the author of several books and was distinguished in many ways, but that over a lengthy period I had taught a class of boys in a local Sunday School and had given them all I had in the way of downright service. Many seemed deeply significant."

The philosopher, Herbert Spencer, discovered a device by which he could stop his ears and remain deaf to the people who bored him. No doubt we have often felt the need of closing off meaningless conversation. Perhaps we shut our ears to much that is important and engage in mere trash. We read that: "God gave Solomon largeness of heart." It is a great gift when God opens the hearts of men to sympathy and understanding and makes man quick to respond to the cries of those who need them. High moments come to all of us, but only God can reveal what is worthwhile and important.

Our quotation today is by Dr. Hugh Black: "The end of life is the test of life."

—W.A.L.



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