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OUR EDITORIAL COMMENT

Moving in Right Direction

Stouffville municipal council is moving in the right direction in appraising new type street lights in town, and we trust, preparing to purchase some of these new fixtures. Two of the new lights are already installed as samples and two more of a different type are on the way.

Stouffville on the whole is very poorly lighted, particularly in the residential areas. There are instances

where there are entire blocks of homes with only a single light at each end of the street. The wattage is small and should be hoisted, particularly at intersections. Most streets have in use the same type of fixture that was used here thirty years ago, and even these are hung on the poles so low to the ground that they light only a small circle immediately below the lamp.

Necessary Rain

The generous rainfall last week was easily soaked up by the parched earth and was highly welcome in this district where precipitation since early in the year has been much below normal. The intermittent showers were like a benediction from heaven. It was indeed a million dollar rain. And that is probably an understatement in these days of inflation.

The rain, although it hindered

outdoor activities, brought joy. It had a pleasant sound on the roof. It sang in the eaves. As it rushed from waterspout it had a sound of abandon as though it were happy to be released from clouds and permitted once more to seek deep wells and underground caverns, or move into brooks and rivers.

Rain may keep us indoors. But when growing things are thirsty it confers a favor with its presence.

Tranquilizers

Here's one we filched from The Elmira Signet. Hope you like it.

Some months ago an expert on home furnishings was quoted in a national home magazine. He remarked that not one home in twenty has a rocking chair. Or maybe he said not one in 90 — we forget.

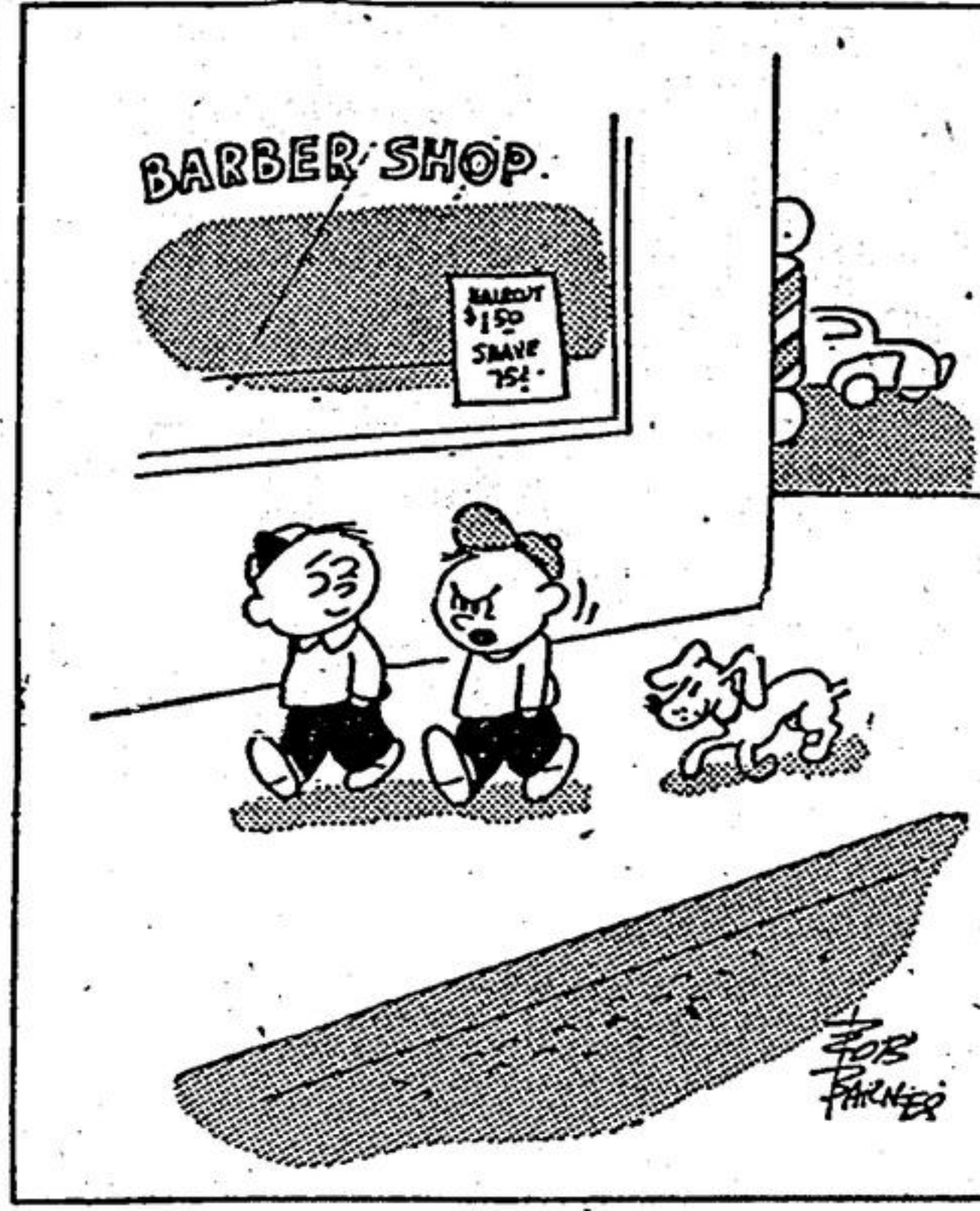
It was not always so. Fifty years ago a home was poor indeed if it did not have one, or several. When company came to call good manners told you to offer the rocking chair. More comfortable.

Chairs were distinguished in those days as "straight" chairs and rockers. Mother rocked as she crocheted and mended. Babies were rocked on the front porch, moving with the sun, now and then shifting off a creaking board.

Rocking had a soothing sort of effect in the early 1900's.

Nowadays Mom and Dad take a tranquilizer instead. Somehow the rocking chair has been replaced by a tin of green pills. If the truth were known, most people would prefer the rocking chair.

LAFF OF THE WEEK



"Wipe your feet! ... Wipe your nose! ... Wipe the dishes! That's the story of my life!"



Uneventful Living

At the turn of the century a lad in the north of England met with a serious accident which has affected his whole life. While playing with some other boys he injured his knee so badly that his leg had to be amputated. A few months later the disease spread to his left arm, and it also led to further amputation. For fifty-five years this man, now seventy years of age, has made the best of life — in the main, cheerful and without bitterness.

I have corresponded with him for many years but a letter he wrote last Christmas saddened me. He said: "I have dragged myself through an uneventful and unsuccessful life for over half a century." Actually his life has not been uneventful. Until his retirement recently he has worked regularly, taken an active part in the life of his Church, and made hundreds of friends who respect and love him. He has never married nor been able to follow the usual recreations of other men, but has counted for a good deal in a wide circle.

In the hundreds of letters I have had from him, I cannot recall one line of bitterness or self-pity. He has won a supreme victory, and has never worn any crepe on the doorbell. His wounds have been invisible. Like King Hezekiah written of in 2 Kings 6:30 "He wore sackcloth 'within' upon his flesh." Only at that moment did the people realize that underneath his purple splendor the king was wearing the coarse irritating sackcloth.

Recently I read some thing about a really great man whom I admire, but one sentence disappointed me. His biographer said: "He has never understood unsuccessful men; in fact he has no patience with them." I suppose that most men who have been very successful feel much the same way. They think what they have done, others should be able to do.

But who is going to say what is a successful life and what is uneventful living? The late George Jackson said: "Life is often compared to a race, but one thing is certain, we don't start off evenly." A verse in the Bible that should be a comfort to us is: "Shall not the judge of all the earth do right?"

I never see a volume of "Who's Who", without wondering on what basis the selections are made. Only God knows who are the people of distinction in any country, and whose lives are eventful or otherwise. When I was a lad we had successive ministers in our local church, and one of these men I remember clearly; his chief characteristic was his belief in the decency and dignity of people. People, in his eyes, seemed so much better than they were reputed to be and thought themselves to be; no life appeared to be uneventful or unsuccessful.

It is the really great man, as G. K. Chesterton said, who makes others feel great. The big man never disparages others. Napoleon spent the closing months of his life on St. Helena wondering how many pages future historians would devote to his career. It is a sorry spectacle to think of a man with eyes thus turned inward. Probably the most far-reaching events of history have never been written. The most valuable members of society have been like the foundation stones of some giant bridge — unseen but necessary. That was a timely reminder that Ella Wheeler Wilcox made for the disappointed ones:

"There are songs enough for the hero
Who dwells on the heights of fame;
I sing of the disappointed—
For those who have missed their aim.
I sing for the breathless runner,
The eager, anxious soul,
Who falls with his strength exhausted,
Almost in sight of the goal;
And I know the solar system
Must somewhere keep in space
A prize for that spent runner
Who barely lost the race.
For the plan would be imperfect
Unless it held some sphere
That paid for the toil and talent
And love that are wasted here.

Our quotation today is by W. L. Walkinson: "Every day of living determines what the soul will do in a crisis."

For and About Teenagers

The Problem of Teenage Marriages

What is the answer, or is, without proper education or job there an answer, to the question of teenage marriages?

This is a much too difficult problem to come up with a straight "it is all right" or "teenagers should not get married." To begin with, many teenagers are too immature for marriage; mentally they are still children. On the other hand, I have known many successful marriages where both parties were teenagers when they married. Most important, I think, is for the teenager who is considering marriage to seek the advice and counsel of his parents and minister. They have the experience and ability to help the teenager with his problem.

The economic problems created by teenage marriage are many and not easily overcome. From this point of view, the teenager should take a long, steady look at the future before he or she plans a wedding. It is the boy's duty and responsibility to support the family. In this competitive world this is sometimes most difficult in the body.

Australia leads the world in wool production. The annual clip from the country's 131,000,000 sheep sells for about nine hundred million dollars.

The power of sight is one of the matchless wonders of Nature. Some ten times a second, 36,000 times an hour, an image can be received by your eyes, interpreted in any of 150 colors, flashed to the brain, and made the basis of instant commands to any of a thousand muscles.

Closer Inspection of Whitchurch Twp. Sub-division Roads

A joint meeting of Whitchurch Planning Board and Council was held last week to give consideration to a more stringent check on sub-division roads. It was suggested that the roads in any sub-division, or that part under development, be graded and covered with gravel to a depth of four inches. When this is completed, the developer would be asked to place a bond of sufficient amount to cover the cost of the balance of construction to meet the requirements of the Road Supt. or the Engineer.

In order to determine the cost of construction, it was suggested that the Road Supt. inspect all sub-division roads of not more than 20 rods in length, and the Engineer should inspect all roads in excess of 20 rods, also any shorter road with any drainage or grading problem.

In addition, it was proposed that before final approval of the Planning Board is given to a proposed sub-division plan, a bond be posted with the township to take care of the cost of construction of the road or roads as determined by the Road Supt. or Engineer.

Clerk Crawford was instructed to arrange for a meeting of the Engineer, the solicitor, council and planning board.

Sixteen Fox Bounties In Two Months

Clerk Jack Crawford advised council last week that he had paid bounty on nine foxes in May and another seven in June. County Council reimburses the township for such bounty.

Culvert Tenders
Four tenders were opened for the new Bogartown culvert at lot 30 & 31, con. 2. A representative of Babcock, Scriveners, engineers was present and Mr. Flinder of the Dept. of Highways.

The four bids on the work varied from a high of nearly \$15,000, down to \$7,500, and prices on the extra work to be done, varied just as much. The Engineers' representative, Mr. Chrysler was instructed to report in a week on the tender most beneficial to the township.

Population over 7,000
The Dept. of Municipal Affairs advised council that the population on which the unconditional grant was being paid in Whitchurch this year, was 7,254 at \$3.25 per person.

Ballotnae Taxed
Victor Paxton applied for a taxi license to operate out of Ballantree. Reeve Legge said he did not think council would object, providing the applicant met all the requirements.

Cash Relief
The amount of cash relief paid by the township in June totalled \$1,301.32. The township pays 20% of this figure.

WORLD OUTDOORS

Sink an old boat or drop an old car body in the ocean and you may be helping the fishing situation. Sounds odd, but it isn't, according to the California Department of Game and Fish.

Marine Biologist John G. Carlisle, Jr., notes that there are underwater "deserts" along California's southern coast—flat, sandy or mud bottoms where little visible marine life exists. Along other sections, notably Southern California's rocky shores, underwater kelp forests sometimes exceed 100 feet in height. Here, where there is ample food and convenient shelter, there are fish in numberless variety.

California biologists are considering the possibilities of transforming the underwater "deserts" into lush "gardens." They will seek the answer to such things as the effect of creating artificial undersea banks by sinking ships and other large objects. Young kelp plants will be transplanted to these artificial banks and to other suitable barren areas in an effort to establish new beds which in turn will help to attract more fish.

ATTENTION

HOG PRODUCERS

A vote on the continuance of the Ontario Hog Producers' Marketing plan will be held on Friday, July 25th.

Polls will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., local time.

A list of voters is being prepared by your Municipal Clerk. If you are a hog producer make sure your name is listed. Remember you must vote in the Township in which you reside.

The Ontario Farm Products Marketing Board has directed a letter to all producers on the voters' list. If you have not received a letter, check to make certain you are registered.

Consult the voters' list or check with your Municipal Clerk for the location of your polling booth.

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For Parents Only —

The Summer Job

by Nancy Cleaver

A summer job often gives an older boy or girl not only money but the chance to learn more about the choices of life work that lie ahead of them.

The decision about a vocation is one of the most important a young person makes. Often it is hard to persuade a teenage boy to stay on at school and study for his matriculation, after tasting the satisfaction of money of his own earned on a summer job. Young people long to be independent financially and otherwise, and one of the greatest services parents can perform for their children is to make staying on at school as attractive as possible. In later life a man or woman often bitterly regrets not being able to qualify for a particular job because of lack of education.

Some families are so hard pressed for money that the children must add to the income as soon as they are able, but nowadays the family allowance plan makes it possible for many children to remain at school until they are sixteen.

Scholarships and bursaries bring further study within the reach of many talented scholars and one of the resolutions of the National Conference on Education which met in Ottawa early this year dealt with an adequate student aid program from provincial and federal governments and industrial, business and other institutions.

A librarian at a public library will often recommend helpful reading on different vocations. Books on biography give interesting glimpses of people at work. "Famous Women" by Byrne Hope Saunders, published recently by Clarke Irwin is an outstanding book of this type which would be a fine addition to a family library.

Parents need to be quietly helpful, understanding and yet not too dominant, as they watch their children choose their careers. Parents should guide, rather than arbitrarily select a vocation, for the world is full of men and women whose careers were chosen for them by parents, and who were miserable all their working days.

Even if older folk are disappointed by a young person's selection, they should comfort themselves with the thought that they tried their best to guide their children aright. Many young persons are not sure what they want to do, and this period of indecision is hard on all concerned. Nevertheless, there should be no haste, and it may well be that the youngster would be well advised to try several jobs before making a final choice.

The first full-time job is of great importance to your son or daughter. The success of this work experience may color an adolescent's attitude to earning a living throughout the rest of his life.

On the day a boy or girl sets

out to apply for a job, a mother should make certain the youth presents a good appearance. Clean, neat and suitable clothes make a favorable impression on the business executive. A pleasant manner and a quiet self-confidence make a good impression, too. If the first job suits the requirements of the son or daughter, parents should do everything possible to encourage the youngster to apply himself and prepare for advancement.

There is a certain amount of drudgery to every job, and since tomorrow's promotion is built on today's honest labor, the young employee should adapt himself to his work, determined to do the drudgery with the same thoroughness that he would give to a well-liked piece of work. In time, the drudgery will quietly fade to the background and the youngster then will attack these unattractive pieces of work as just something that is a part of the day's work.

After the youngster has settled down to his job, parents can make an important contribution by making his home life as pleasant as possible, by showing an interest in the many facts of his work, by encouraging him to put everything he has into the job, so that when the time for promotion draws near he will be ready for a better job.

When this achievement has been reached, the youngster will have his foot on the bottom rung of the ladder to success, and parents will rejoice that they had a hand in preparing him.

County Home Auxiliary To Hold Garden Party

The residents of York Manor and members of the Home Auxiliary are busy getting ready for their bazaar and garden party to be held on the Manor grounds Wednesday, July 23rd, 7 to 9 p.m.

The Handicraft classes held in June were well attended, and as a result the conveners and their committees are now ready to work with the residents, and hope to have a good display of the handicrafts at the bazaar. There will be several attractions such as a fish pond, wheel chair parade, refreshment booth and parcel post booth (parcels valued at 25¢ may be mailed to Mrs. C.T.A. Henshaw, R.R. 3, King). Last but not least, the York County Citizens Band will be there and tea and cookies will be served. The next general meeting will be on August 28th. (Please note: no July meeting). There will be an executive meeting at Mrs. Wilbert Jennings' home, R.R. 3, King, on July 21 at 2:30 p.m.

Audley School June Promotions

Following are the promotions of Audley public school pupils, listed alphabetically.

To Grade 2—
Frank Mitchell, Tommy Puckrin, Barbara Smith, Beverly Smith, Dickie Winter.

To Grade 3—
Penny Harrison, Kenny Hendren, Gary Kirkpatrick, Grace Powell, Arthur Puckrin, Lynda Puckrin, Rickey Puckrin, Susan Richards, Shirley Smith, Shirley Thompson.

To Grade 4—
June Ansell, Bob Ansell, Sandra Broadfoot, Teddy Kinsman, Douglas Smith, Glenn Squire, Marilyn Tapscott, Eleanor Thompson, Ruby Thompson.

To Grade 5—
Colleen Harrison, Linda Izatt, Bobby Richards, Ronald Smith, Stanley Wonnacott.

Teacher—Miss Lucille Parks

To Grade 6—
Maureen Harrison, Alan Powell, Douglas Saunders, Larry Virgin, Wayne Virgin.

To Grade 7—
Jo Astley, Joy Astley, Jimmy Izatt, Gail Mitchell, Nancy Puckrin, Joyce Smith, Rita Sorenson.

To Grade 8—
Jeanette Astley, Marilyn Cowie, Paul Bennis, Renne Desautels, Willie Fallalze, Dianne Hendren, Shirley Hendren, Keith Puckrin, Roy Puckrin, Jean Stone.

To Grade 9—
Eric Bennis, Andy Czap, Billy Puckrin, Bobby Puckrin, John Rapsey, Herbie Richards, Helen Stone, Sandra Tapscott, Richard Thompson, Ruth Thompson, Carolyn Wonnacott.

Teacher, Mrs. Marie Pratt

BAGGOTSVILLE SCHOOL
Following are the promotions of Baggotsville public school pupils, listed alphabetically.

To Grade 2—
John Bell, Tom Hüller, Donald White, Michael Zdanowicz.

To Grade 3—
Dennis Doner, Karen Smith.

To Grade 4—
Susanne Campbell, Lynda Hopps.

To Grade 5—
Peter Guthrie, Peter Norton, Bill Seto, Darlene White, Keith White.

To Grade 6—
Randy Doner, Coleen Long, Grace Peckover, Helen Seto, Irene Seto, Shirley White.

To Grade 7—
Douglas Bell, Anne Guthrie, Pete Hopps, Wayne White.

To Grade 8—
Joe Maln, Lynda Seto.

To Grade 9—
Bob Campbell.
Teacher, Mr. R. Kerr

Trinidad was discovered by Columbus on his third voyage in 1498. He named the island "La Trinidad" for the three hills around the harbor where he anchored.

Kite flying is the favorite sport on the Maldivé Islands, a British-protected sultanate in the Indian Ocean. Men as well as boys sail the big toys in monsoon winds. Noisemakers attached to the kite frames roar like jets and whine like sawmills.

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