

Editorial

Watch The Complaints Pour In

It is rather amusing to sit through dozens of town and township council meetings and listen to the host of complaints that are filed almost weekly by indignant ratepayers. It is sometimes even more amusing to hear the lengthy debate that may surround a solution to the problems.

All ratepayers are constantly clamoring for industrial and commercial assessment but listen to them holler if the smoke nuisance taints their Monday morning wash or the noise disturbs Fido from a mid-afternoon nap. The subdivision resident is aggravated if his road is blocked full of snow and he must walk six blocks to work but listen to him cry if the plow fills in his freshly shovelled driveway. The purchase of a new fire truck is a shameful waste of taxpayers' money, but the machine is expected to arrive in three minutes flat to extinguish a blaze in three feet of dead grass fanned by a twenty-mile-per-hour wind.

You can't please them all. The roads are too icy but they shouldn't be sanded because the calcium is hard

Open Air Church Service Could Prove Popular

With attendance at evening church services at a low ebb, especially during the summer vacation period, we believe that Rev. Alfred Rees of Markham-Dickson's Hill charge of the United Missionary Church has hit upon a wise plan that could benefit not only his own congregation members, but an entire community. We refer to his announcement published in The Tribune last week with regard to Sunday night open-air worship at the Marakham Shopping Plaza. It will commence on July 2nd and conclude at the end of August.

In these days of ever-changing trends, the church, like other services must adapt its program to meet the needs of an ever-changing public. It

Road Completion Could Be Marked By Celebration

To date there has been no mention of any form of celebration to mark the completion of our new highway in town. The finish of this project will be an end to five years of continual upheaval as well as completing one of the finest improvement projects in town.

Thirty years ago when the first curbed street was laid, the occasion was used for a special celebration, a street dance and other entertainment which drew hundreds to town from miles around. We recall that our neighboring town of Newmarket held a similar "big night" when their new

Should Clean House At Home

It is rather difficult to understand how the United States, as a world power, can hope to attain recognition as a promoter of friendly relations in many of today's strife-torn countries when her own backyard is a veritable battleground of race hatred and violence.

The Kennedy administration, like the Eisenhower regime, appears hesitant at taking a firm stand on the issue or even act in the roll of mediator to solve the dispute. The governors in many of these southern states have set themselves up as

So Little Time For Breakfast

It is regrettable that so many of us nowadays don't find time to eat a good breakfast. Having just returned from a newspaper convention in Ottawa where we had ample example of what a good breakfast could really be like, we are prompted to make a few comments on the subject.

An article in an Ottawa newspaper happens to reveal that nearly a fourth of the youngsters south of the border eat no breakfast, and only about 7% who do eat, have anything but very scanty fare.

The deciding factor whether to eat or not to eat is time. The typical breakfast is just a three-minute shuffle, with a little more substantial

on cars; the dogs are running in droves, but a dog catcher's fee is too high; a police officer couldn't be reached to settle a domestic squabble, but the very idea of radio-equipped cars is preposterous; we throw up our hands in horror at the steady increase in alcohol consumption but we favour the establishment of a local liquor store; we favour a neighbour's application for a kennel license, then sign a petition to have it cancelled two days later; we think the reeve is doing an excellent job, but an increase in salary? — ridiculous; we think fluoridation is an excellent idea, but don't put it in our drinking water; the teacher in our one-room public school must be highly qualified, but the year's salary cannot exceed \$3,500; a farmer's cow is shot, his fences are broken and his crops trampled, but a ban on hunting? — never. This is the continuous shuffle that occupies many council man-hours for twelve months of the year. What some approve, others will disapprove. What is desirable to one, is undesirable to another. To take a solid stand will mean a step on someone's toes.

is an accepted fact that the church, in many areas, holds little attraction at summer evening services. Closed doors are quite common. Is it therefore not correct to assume that if the people do not wish to go to church, then the church must go to the people? We feel that Rev. Rees must have arrived at a similar decision before embarking on such a project. We would commend him for his originality.

There is something about congregating in the great outdoors that seems to add a note of inspiration to people with a purpose. We sincerely hope that the public will accept this church's open invitation and make this community program a summer season of services to remember.

Main St. widening was completed a few years back.

These are milestones in the history of the community and should not be allowed to go by without some special recognition. Here in Stouffville, the completion of the road, scheduled for August 1st, is even more significant because it marks the end of a long list of public works improvements.

Such an undertaking should be handled by council with possible assistance from our local service club, the businessmen's organization and others.

little tin gods and openly defy their senior authority to meddle in their affairs. The very meaning of freedom and democracy, life and liberty, supposedly the foundation of the American nation is daily defied by its hypocritical state leaders. In spite of these mounting problems, the U.S. continues to influence decisions in distant nations such as Laos, the Congo and Cuba. Instead of marshalling troops to clean up these conditions, Mr. and Mrs. America would do well to concentrate on some house-cleaning at home.

Dad may be an orange juice and coffee man. Mother is on a diet and skips breakfast. Doctors tell us too, that the lack of a good breakfast is not made up by between-meal snacks. They recommend a good breakfast, not only to get the day into gear but to maintain health. Some even go so far as to say that it's the most important meal of the day. However, all this sound counsel seems to have little effect on young or old.

It isn't fun getting up in the morning, no matter what the hour, but we must admit that an early riser at least gives himself a better chance of having that substantial breakfast.

ANOTHER SATURDAY MORNING LECTURE



For Parents Only

A DAUGHTER'S WARDROBE

Younger teen age girls often have a rather low opinion of their mothers' taste in clothes. Some times adolescents bristle with independence. A mother needs a great deal of tact in making any suggestions. But it is quite possible a girl might co-operate in and benefit from a discussion on "stick to your type"—and so might a mother! Girls who dress well are not always those who spend the most money. Knowledge of what is becoming and suitable, forms a basis for the selection of clothes. A girl should decide what type she is and then stick to her type in planning her wardrobe. It should not be difficult to discover which group she belongs to — short-stout, short-thin, tall-stout or tall-thin.

The short girl, for instance, looks "overbalanced" by too large a hat. She should keep to smaller hats. A feather or a high hat ornament gives the illusion of added inches. A dress is a better choice for a very short girl than a suit, but if a suit is chosen it should have a short coat. A dress with unbroken lines and a fitted dress without a belt are becoming. Contrasting coat and skirt which cut the figure in two must be avoided. The tall girl is apt to be self-conscious and a bit awkward. If only she would carry her height proudly it would give her distinction. Unlike her short sister, the tall girl does well to wear her skirts on the short side, which are fashionable just now. A long line of buttons all the way down the front or vertical stripes should not be worn. Odd jackets and sweaters of a contrasting color to the skirt are an excellent choice. Tunics and box coats also fit into the tall girl's wardrobe. The plump girl is also apt to be very sensitive about her size, therefore horizontal stripes or plaids are not for her. Too tight clothes, light colors in odd shades, shiny material, bold prints or large polka dots are also taboo. Heavy tweeds and such fabrics as satin or velvet

add pounds to a girl's appearance. The stout girl must depend on simplicity of outline, dark colours, and small all-over patterns to look her best. Shoes are important to everyone, but a stout girl especially needs a well-fitting, conservative shoe. Nothing looks worse than a too tight, flashy pump on a fat ankle. The slight girl has an easier time choosing her clothes than the other types because so many dresses and suits at the present time are planned for slender models. A well-cut suit of good material is a particularly good buy in these days when there are so many dainty, washable blouses and pretty sweaters in the shops. The thin girl looks well in bright colored sweaters and plaid skirts. Whatever type your daughter is, encourage her to stick to it and resolve not to copy others who are different. She would find a personal scrap book on clothes fun to make and a great help in choosing clothes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(Lesson for June 4)
A SEARCH FOR LIFE'S MEANING
Nehemiah 8:10; Eccles. 1:12-18; 3:1-14; 5

GOLDEN TEXT — In the world ye shall have tribulation; but he of good cheer; I have overcome the world. — John 16:33

THE LESSON AS A WHOLE — The true significance of life's best lies in our acceptance of God's clearly marked path. The returned exiles from Babylon learned this, when, in Jerusalem, they submissively bowed to the full authority of the Word of Jehovah, their God. This Word, commanding their conscience and will, produced repentance and fresh dedication of heart and life, and this, in turn, brought revival, renewal, and joy.

On the other hand, Solomon was permitted to explore a path of his own choosing. Carving it out by himself, he found it to be thornier and more rugged the farther he went. The experiment was most disappointing, and the conclusions arrived at spelled out emptiness and complete futility. The forfeit that he paid was disillusionment and bewilderment.

Life need not be a tantalizing riddle. It ought not to be a complex puzzle. However, it will be such if we elbow God out of our reckoning and insist on mapping out our own destiny. Thus pride and self-confidence may bring us to ruin, and at the end of the road the anguished words of the hapless king Saul be wrung from our hearts, "I have played the fool, and have erred exceedingly." 1 Sam. 26:21.

On the other hand, by renouncing all self-reliance and putting our heart's trust in the Lord alone, we can become radiant Christians. Ours then will be a life of victory. The sin question all settled, the past will no more haunt us. The present clouded world horizon will not unduly disturb us. The future will beckon us on with confidence, causing us to "rejoice in hope of the glory of God" (Rom. 5:2).

The Heart of the Lesson — When God made man He made a creature that was quite distinct from the animal. We know, of course, that both man and beast shared and share a dust body. But here the common element terminates. Man is much more than mere body. The Creator has implanted within the human creature a moral nature with its consciousness of moral values. He senses a difference between right and wrong. Moreover, he has a built-in sense of immortality. Despite his sinful depravity, he possesses a God-consciousness, and also an awareness that he is not a creature of time alone.

His possession, therefore, of a moral and spiritual consciousness completely distinguishes him from the animal. Man cannot live by bread alone. Life is much more than that material philosophy that is content with the answers to the questions, "What shall we eat? or What shall we drink? or, Wherewith shall we be clothed?" (Matt. 6:31).

Solomon makes a significant assertion when he states that God "hath set the world in their heart" (Eccles. 3:11). And more significant is the rendering of the American Standard Version where the reading runs, "He hath set eternity in their heart." This translation makes it clear that because of this, man cannot be satisfied with material things, even though God has made everything beautiful in its time. No monotonous round of time changes, involving merely physical and temporal considerations can really satisfy a creature who was made for God and eternity.

Only God revealed in Christ can set the human heart at rest. It is still true that "he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness" — Psalm 107:9.

Answers to such questions will be useful to farm organizations, to industry which supplies goods and services to farmers, and to Federal and Provincial departments of agriculture in deciding on farm policies. Census totals, collected from everyone, are available to everyone. But, of course, the facts on any individual farmer are held in strict confidence.

Vanishing Farms

Canadian farms are becoming fewer, but at the same time larger. According to previous censuses, the number of farms in Canada has dropped consistently in recent years. The 677,500 farms of 1941 had fallen to 619,400 in 1951 and to just 572,600 in 1956. That's a drop of 15 per cent in 15 years. Despite the drop in number of farms, the total area of farmland remained practically unchanged. The reason: the size of remaining farms expanded — from 127 acres in 1941 to 302.5 in 1956. Census officials expect the

1961 UXBRIDGE TOWNSHIP TAX NOTICES

were mailed out on May 10th, 1961. This is the only Tax Notice for 1961 that you will receive. **FIRST INSTALMENT** due and payable at par on or before June 15th, 1961. interest at the rate of 1% per month or part thereof will be charged following June 15th for non-payment. **SECOND INSTALMENT** If paid on or before June 15th, 1961, a discount of 3% will be allowed on second instalment only. Positively no discount after June 15th. The Toronto-Dominion Bank at Uxbridge has been added to the list where taxes may be paid with no additional charge. The Township Office will remain open the following additional hours for your convenience: Saturday, June 3rd & 10th, 10.00 A.M. - 4.00 P.M. June 13 - 14 - 15 evenings — 7.00 P.M. - 9.00 P.M. J. E. FOSKETT, Tax Collector, Goodwood.

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SUGAR and SPICE

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Tomorrow, I'll be forty-one. It occurs to me that the last four decades have been an interesting period, not only for me, but for the world. Let's have a look back and see what happened to the pair of us.

When my mother presented my father with a red-faced, under-sized, squalling brat in June, 1920, the world was a fine place. The Great War was over, democracy had triumphed, prices were good, and that great leveler of society, the Model T, was about to start turning pious, sober men into red-faced, cursing nannies.

The next decade was the time of the self-styled "lost generation" — the era of the flapper, the coonskin coat, the rumble seat, the hip-flask and jazz. But I'm afraid they didn't mean much to a skinny kid with freckles, growing up in a small town.

The things I remember are: the old silent movies, with the piano thumping out the William Tell overture as the climax neared; endless summers of hot blue sky; two fat, homely little girls who used to gang up on me and kiss me after school; off for a family picnic every Sunday in the 1923 Chev with the side-curtains; and my kid brother following me everywhere I went, to my unutterable rage and disgust.

That must have been just about the best decade the world and I ever had, a headless and happy time. My parents were as solid as the earth itself. My dad was always good for a dime, if I worked him carefully. My mother was always there with a kiss or a hug or a cool hand, when I was hurt or scared or sick.

The world was a pleasant place then, too. What I remember most vividly is that it was so quiet and easy-going, compared to the world of today. Men worked 48 or 50 hours a week. But very few of them had ulcers. Women had none of the appliances they have today. But they didn't need sleeping pills. People walked more. Everybody put his car up on blocks in the winter, and nobody drove at night, unless he had to. On summer evenings, people sat on their verandas, and visited

census which begins June 1 will show a continuation of these patterns. And the results will also help clarify a host of related trends, both for the whole of Canada and its various regions. For example, how significantly has contract farming grown? How much farther has specialized farming advanced?

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A loaf is an attempt to make both weekends meet.

Mummy!

How about telling Daddy that he needs more life insurance now that I'm around! There's a Sun Life representative in town, and Sun Life, you know, is one of the world's great life insurance companies. Why not ask Daddy to call him today?



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