

Pancake festival

STOUFFVILLE — International tractors and implements are synonymous with pancakes and maple syrup. Well, maybe not everywhere, but certainly in Stouffville. The location is Chas. Richards and Sons, Main Street West.

On Tuesday, (March 27), an estimated 350 people will call at the local IHC dealership to celebrate Pancake Day and the approach of spring. They might even buy a tractor or two. "We never sell too many tractors," Don Richards told The Tribune, "it's

our way of meeting old customers and making new friends." The event starts at 10 a.m. and continues through until five or, as they say at church socials, "until all are served". The chief flap-jack flippers are Grant Nesbitt and Dave Painter; two of the "back shop boys". If the lineup becomes a little long, other staffers are pressed into service. The "big rush" usually occurs at noon, Don said. Richards of Stouffville has been hosting the pancake 'feed' close to 20 years. Their sister agency at Barrie does the same.

Is there a limit per customer? Don was asked. "They can come back as many times as they like," he replied. Servings are usually four pancakes per plate but this may be cut back to three if things get a bit rushed, he explained. The way to a farmer's heart is through his stomach, Don agrees. However, the 'heart' of the Richards project is "to get to know what our customers want and how we can best meet their needs."

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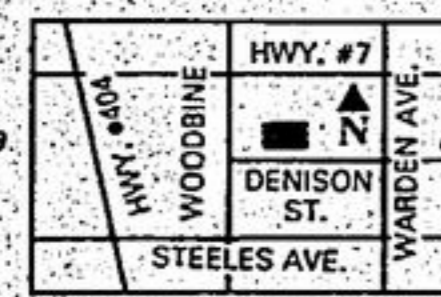
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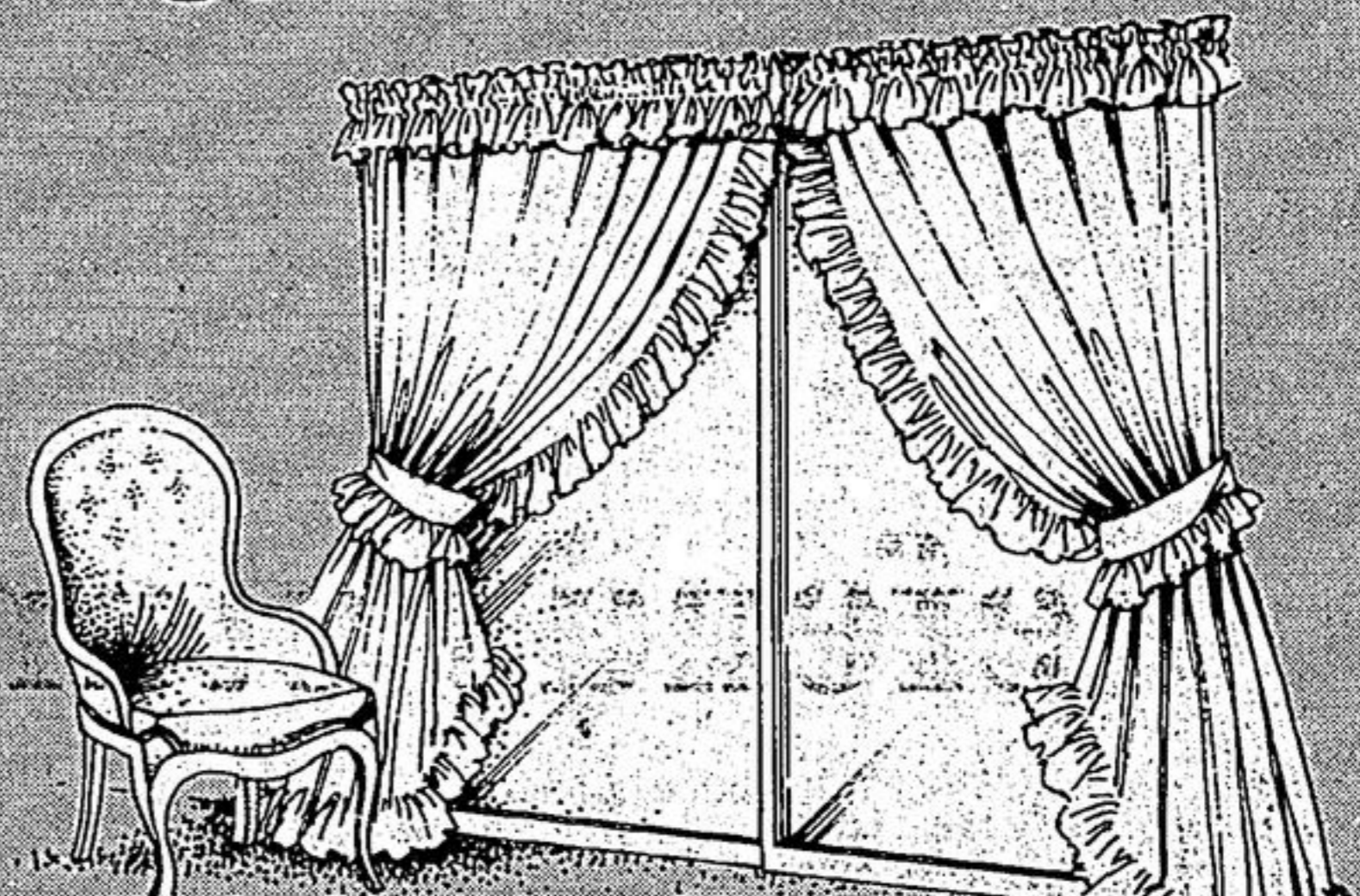


See-through umbrella at Jubilee sale

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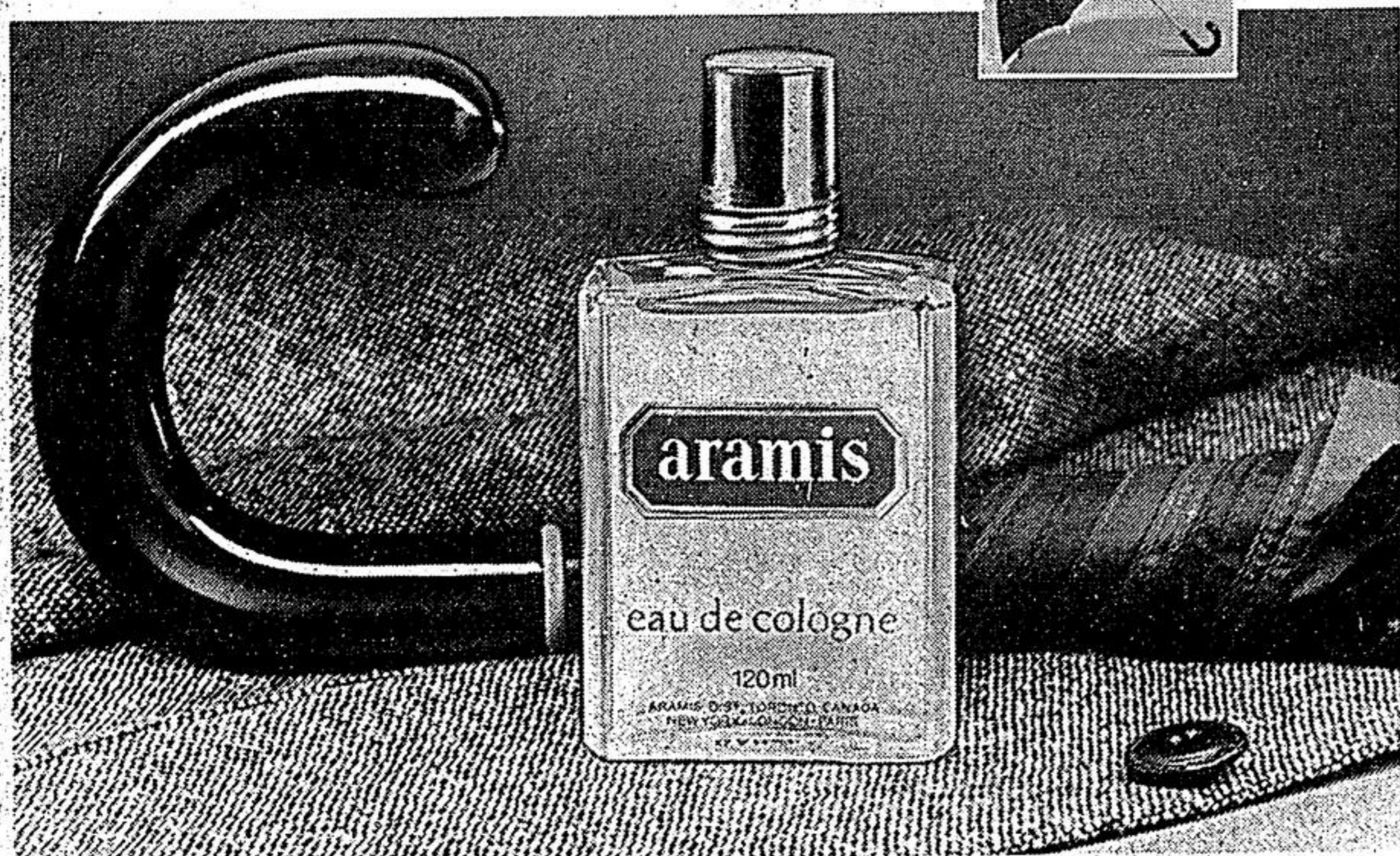
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