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Flushing Meadow

SOMETHING in the Moses tradition of park development is going to emerge from Flushing Meadow one of these days. The park commissioner who gave us Jones Beach, Cunningham and Alley Pond Parks, among others, has big plans for what once was one of the most gigantically outlandish ash and garbage dumps the city has ever seen.

The World Fair nine years ago started the ball rolling toward a realization of Commissioner Moses' plans for a Flushing Meadow Park which would be not only one of the largest in the city, but one of the most complete.

Had the war not intervened, it is probable that Flushing Meadow today would be much farther along toward development into what the commissioner has envisioned for it. Save for some areas around its margin, it is not even very much to look at now, much less to use for . recreational purposes.

The commissioner's hope now is that Flushing Meadow Park can come into full use within five years through a series of annual appropriations to carry out his plans step by step. Because the commissioner has had a way of getting what he wanted, that is a hopeful augury for a complete Flushing Meadow Park in fewer years than hitherto has seemed possible.

The Moses blueprint focuses first attention on the section of the 1,200-acre tract north of Horace Harding boulevard where the City Building, now the United Nations' temporary meeting place, will be restored to use as a skating rink.

At the northern end of the tract, the sommissioner plans to retain a 2,500-car parking field and to add baseball, softball and football fields, tennis courts and a stadium. (Let's hope the stadium is large enough to accommodate a crowd of thousands!)

The area around the World Fair's Gardens on Farade, which has become Oueens Botanical Gardens, also is to be iandscaped and will have playgrounds, baseball diamonds and parking facilities.

The other end of the tract-south of Horace Harding boulevard where the fair's amphitheatre provides public bathing facilities-the commissioner plans to turn into a picnic area overlooking meadow lake.

Commissioner Moses has yet to accede to suggestions from Queens that space be made available for an arts and crafts center and a children's museum, possibly in the New Jersey building which is used in part now as a police station. Nor has he changed his mind, publicly, at least, about the prospective location of a zoo he plans

Every time it mentions the Queens zoo project, the Park Department states it will be in Forest Park. A zoo may be some time away, but when the department gets down to the actual task of establishing one, Flushing Meadow Park would seem to be by far the more suitable loca-

For one thing, it would be more easily reached there from all parts of the borough. For another, Flushing Meadow, being largely undeveloped now, would lend itself more readily to spacious zoo plan-ning than Forest Park, where the development is all but complete.

An arts and crafts center and a zoo would be attractive additions to Flushing Meadow Park. Together with the facilities proposed, they would make that area without any question one of the finest public parks in the city if not in the entire

Cerebral Palsy

THE STORY of a Flushing-Hillcrest boy winning a great victory over cerebral palsy must have hit home with many a parent who has been spared the ordeal this boy's mother and father went through.

When Stephen Dickter was 3 years old, a medical specialist said he was mentally deficient and belonged in an institution. This was a bitter blow to his parents.

They did not, however, heed the specialist's advice. Under expert guidance, and with outside help, they worked over their boy tirelessly, day after day, month after month, year after year.

What they did for him, no one but a parent would do.

Today, at the age of 6, Stephen not only talks well but reads, too. He loves to tinker at his own workbench in his

Up to a few years ago, there could have been no such story. Thanks to neurological research, much more is known now about cerebral palsy.

And more is being done to combat it. Stephen's progress dates from the day he started attending the Cerebral Palsy Recreation Center, a nursery school operated by the Committee for the Rehabilitation of Crippled Children.

Queens parents of afflicted children have formed a Cerebral Palsy Society to pool information and to campaign for appropriations to help set up new ways of helping these pathetically eager children, most of them above average in intelligence, weighed down by an affliction which torments them every minute of the

Their cause is a worthy one, if ever a cause deserved that name.

THE INQUIRING

THE QUESTION:

Do you put off until tomorrow what you can do today?

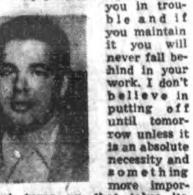
THE PLACE: At Broadway and Elmhurst ovenue, Elmhurst.

MATHIAS CSEKITS, 51-28 Ireland street, Elmhurst, accountant: I never put off any-

until tomorrow if I can help it because I think it is a very poor practice and holds you back. I never like to let any work pile up with the idea of getting it done tomor-

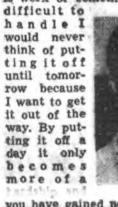
row because you never know what tomorrow will bring and then you have twice as much work. I like to be consistent about everything, such as appointments for the dentist, and keep the date right then and there and not wait until another time.

IRVING STEINBACH, 83-06 Victor avenue, Elmhurst, furrier: A steady program will never get



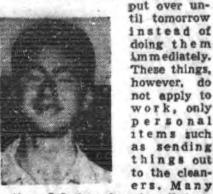
tant turns up that takes its place. In a case like that you are not exactly at fault and no one can say you are putting it over for another day because you are accomplishing something.

IRA ROSE, 83-06 Victor avenue, Elmhurst, accountant: If it is work or something hard and



you have gained nothing, so roll up your sleeves and eliminate it immediately. If, however, it is pleasure or an easy task, you

can put off until the next day. JAY MOSS, 41-37 73rd street, Jackson Heights, artist: Yes, there are certain things that I



however, do not apply to work, only personal items such as sending things out to the cleaners. Many times I find my laundry piled up

because I delayed sending it out. I always say that I will take the suit to the cleaners tomorrow and another day passes and it doesn't go. This does not apply to my work because I get that done immediately. DON RICKLES, 89-09 32nd

avenue, Jackson Heights, entertainer: When I say I put off un-

til tomorrow I am referring to my business as master of ceremonies. My trouble is that I wait until the last minute before I brush up on my routine instead of doing it sooner.

As a result of putting it off for awhile, most of my act is extemporaneous, but fortunately I think that it helps because you become good at ad-libbing.

JERRY GREEN, 83-06 Victor avenue, Elmhurst, buyer: In my business I cannot put off until



business calls for up to the minute styles and prices. It is like the stock market. and skirt lengths go up and down like market quotations. You just cannot put any-

thing over in this business. It must be done right away. I am lax however on dental appointments, but keep dates and social appointments pretty well.

ANDREW GOULD, 35-17 89th street, Jackson Heights, promotion: My desk in the office is clear when I



may get very busy or even snowed under, Se to make sure I never let anything pile up on me. Why leave work on the desk overnight? When you come in tomorrow you face it and more work.

Just Folks By EDGAR A. GUEST -

The state of the s

TEARS Why should tears so pow-

erful be Is ever a mystery to me.

And pretend I hadn't heard:

I can laugh away a sneer, But I cannot stand a tear.

And my Nellie's tears to

Brought the bitterest pain to me.

Now with thinning hair

and gray, Still I find it so today. If the children start to cry, There is nothing I won't buy.

Had Us Alarmed for a Minute Letters



More Foreign Air Advocated the present national debt of \$250

SURPLUSES

This expansion and assump-

tion of unprecedented world re-

sponsibilities would be nothing

more than an across-the-sea ex-

tension of the New Deal-Fair

Deal philosophy in the domestic

As an alternative to billions

spent on artificial and unproduc-

tive subsidies, or a make-work

or leaf-raking enterprise like the

PWA and WPA of depression

days, it is believed that a "bold

sive than President Truman's

Inauguration Day proposal,

would make for healthy recon-struction of Western Europe,

South America, the Mediter-

ranean region, North Africa and

man envisages tremendous bene-

ECA Administrator Paul Hoff-

program" far more exten-

WASHINGTON-The present and prospective failure of the Marshall Plan to achieve European recovery has inspired the suggestion in official and unofficial circles of the greatest influence that the United States must continue this form of aid for ten or 20 years, perhaps, longer, at the rate of at least four billion dollars annually.

The foreign aid program would be shifted from a temporary, emergency and relief basis into a semi - permanent expression of broad foreign policy. The cost would

Ray Tucker

of an economically and militarily powerful, anti-Communist community, are expected to com-

the announcement of our gran-diose purpose staved off a which would probably double

Sharing

OUR CHILDREN By Angelo Patri a position of helplessness, derided by those who stripped him.

When a child allows others to take his things and push him aside he needs help to strengthen himself sufficiently to defend his rights. The one who puts his arms around his heap of belongings needs to be helped to see that the things of themselves are useless. To be of any service to him they must be used, and to do that other children must enter into the project. None of us can live alone and be happy. Sharing is the better way.

the Middle East.

When a boy who owns a fine baseball equipment insist upon being "inner up" out of his turn, throws down his glove and mask and shouts, "I'm through. Gimme that ball and that bat, and that glove, too. I'm going home," because he has been struck out, he needs re-conditioning badly. Allowed to follow his pattern of might and force and domination through possession, he will become an unhappy failure. He will make a poor husband and father, a poor employer, a poor neighbor and a poor citizen. His philosophy of living will not work in

practice. Teach children, by slow gradual steps, as they grow, that possession should not close the owner in and the neighbors out but rather widen the space for the owner's living, enrich his friendships, open his heart and his hands, so that the life may flow him as it flows.

NATIONAL WHIRLIGIG By Ray Tucker

Plan can raise the annual income of individual beneficiaries from the present figure of \$320 to \$500 annually.

It is believed that advancement of such a scheme would be the surest way to crack the "Iron Curtain" through it appeal to nations which Moscow cannot aid with money or ma-terials, as recent events demonstrate.

fail of its objective. hold, Poland, Eastern Germany,

Czechosolvakia, Hungary, Bulgaria and Albania in line, if their pro-Soviet attitude deprives them of a more or less long-term guarantee of American assistance.

This seemingly fantastic idea is not the fevered brain-child of administration politicians seek-Greece and Turkey, prolonged and costly occupation of Germany and Japan and the North

the need for more drastic action. Nor is it the federal spenders' solution for a threatened recession on the odmestic front. Its effect would not be felt soon enough to halt any further drop in 1949 or early 1950, although it might provide a psychological check.

INDUSTRIALISTS

Nor is it the American answer to Sir Stafford Cripps' determination to curtail British purchases of our major products in order to stimulate England's recovery, although some view his statement in Commons as a sort of shakedown and diplomatic blackmail.

considered opinion of hard-headed business men and industrialists, whose experiences since World War I convince them that the United States cannot live alone in a shattered universe, and like it or profit by such isolation.

SUGGESTIONS

The White House, of course, will not advance such a proposal at the present session of Congress, for it would receive scant consideration from overheated legislators seeking a speedy exit from the Capital's furnace heat. In fact, there is no need of

two years ago.

fts to the U.S. if the Marshall

SATELLITES

The Kremlin can persuade or force her satellites to oppose the Marshall Plan now through the argument that it will last only four years, and then probably It would be more difficult to

ing to justify or bolster a collapsing foreign program based on the Marshall Plan, aid to Atlantic Pact. The inadequacy

On the contrary, it is the

mmediate action because the Marshall Plan has two years to run. But it would not be surprising if an important presidential adviser-Secretary Acheson, Secretary Snyder, or Administrator Hoffman - soon broke these confidential suggestions to the American public in the same way that George C. Marshall broached the germ of the idea at Harvard University

Winging Their Way to Marriage



harmony and peace of mind.

Emphatically no, say Drs. Emily and Arthur Rautman In Mental Hygiene, They say that when adults meet a four or five year old, they take over the whole show, talk patronizingly, praise the "little darling" then flounce off, leaving the kid be a "show-off." Adults having a quiet, homey restaurant meal with their five-year-old suddenly have the whole scene disrupted by some passing stranger stopping to rumple up the child's hair and talk baby talk. From then on the child is either a "show-off" or refuses to eat-These experienced suthorities beg others to let parents rear their own children in their own way. For that I'm.

To the

OPA RED TAPE, SHE SAYS, HAS 'HOG TIED' HER How can you permit the OPA to become such a monster? Look

what it has done to me, a small property owner: Recently, I was notified by the OPA that my four-room apart-ment (furnished) can only rent for \$7 a week-occupied by three small children and man and wife. After spending weeks worrying and filling out all their red tape and standing on line for hours, I am informed that is all the rent I am entitled to. Why, it is a known fact that usually one room furnished to one person is \$10 a week. How can the OPA say that four rooms furnished accommodating

Before I furnished this apartment. I wrote to the OPA and asked them what they would allow me. My letter was never answered. I got tired of waiting and furnished It. I thought I was being very kind when I rented it to a family with three small children, the oldest 4 years old. Just how many people would do that? I charged them \$12 a week and I definitely feel that is reasonable.

five people are only worth \$7 a

Shortly after that, I filled out the registration application and sent it in. I telephoned one time to inquire about it and I was told that I should not call or write, that they were very busy and they would get around to me. They did after a year and a half. They tell me now that it is possible the application went astray. Well, why should I be responsible for their carelessness? Furthermore, if I had known that they would only allow \$8 a month to furnish a four room apartment, I never would have gone to that expense.

I spent a long time getting a list of my furniture and other articles. Which amounted to over \$500 over a period of time that I had purchased these things. So the OPA informs the horrible landlord that all he can charge is \$7 a week for four rooms and I must return all the rent I charged over the \$7 for the past year and a half. Is this a just law?

My husband and I are the type of citizens that are supposed to be the backbone of the nation. We saved our mony by being thrifty and planned ahead for a future. It took us many years to have a few thousands dollars. erty. I went to see the rent di-

rents. He stated, "Repair the house and we will give you s raise." So my husband spent over \$2,000 on repairs. I returned to the rent director and, after running back and forth and rewriting dozens and dozens of applications, he informs us, "You are not entitled to a penny."

I returned a year later to have my case re-appealed. Again, more applications and this time it was only four months of running back and forth and the many hours of waiting on line and again we were turned down.

I made a third attempt recent-

ly to obtain a raise through comparabilities." I went about my neighborhood and found apartments almost like mine but the rents were twice and three times as much as mine. When I reported that to the OPA, they quickly figured it out and said was entitled to more than a dollar, and that I should not bother for such a small amount, When I checked the figures, they had made an error of \$2 which actually means I was rightfully entitled to over \$3 a month per tenant. Then they found an excuse of having the inspector look it over again, etc. Again I waited-Yes, I was turned down again.

I guess I am a fool for having tried so hard and so many times, but it was because I tried to do the right thing. OPA has "hog tied" me. OPA is dragging decent, respectable citizens down. Is this the American way? LORRAINE FULCHER

25-20 Newtown avenue, Astoria.

The Handy Man By HUBBARD COBB

CORNER BOARDS

There are probably any number of ways that outside window casings and corner boards can be attached to a house with wood siding or wood shingle



is to nail them right over the siding or the shingles. This leaves a nice little triangular hole between the back of the casing or corner board and the shingle or sidings. And this is one place you don't want a nice little triangular hole because it will allow air to get in not to mention water which will not only damage the siding and casing but may go to work on the inside wall. One way to fill these holes is

to pack them with oakum and then cover this with caulking compound. The casing or corner board can be removed or left in place while this work is going on. A somewhat better solution is to get a strip of wood, a couple of inches thick, which is notched on the underside so that it can be placed over the siding and the notched out parts will cover the triangular openings. This board should be butted close to the casing or corner board and then nailed securely.

Pursuit of Happiness-Wise Trip

By HUBBARD and ISABELLE HOOVER

"The Moffits are leaving next Monday for the mountains, Isabelle. Sam told me they would stay away this year for their full two weeks.

"That's certainly a change for them, Hubbard. They've always claimed that just staying home and making faces at the alarm clock in the morning was all the

vacation they wanted. And that they'd much rather spend a hot summer night on their wide comfortable beds than on some lumpy little affair in a crowded summer hotel, with parti-tions so thin that nobody can go to sleep until everybody goes to sleep, "Besides, Sam has always counted on his vacation

time and money to fix up their house and yard. He and Nora have painted and plastered and moved things around every summer to Lab make their place perpetually new and interesting. They always seemed so well-satisfied with their way of doing that I'm greatly surprised at this change.

"Well, they discovered this year that no mat-

ter how much you rest at home, it isn't the same

thing as getting away. They had an unusual number of colds last winter and when they went to the doctor he found them both somewhat anemic. Nothing serious-just enough to make them feel low spirited and tired. "When he learned that they hadn't taken a vacation away from home for years, he talked

to them very sternly. Told them that the first essential for a real vacation was a complete change of scene, and that a change of altitude would make it so much the better. "They weren't wholly sold on the idea but de-cided to try it out. Early in the spring they went for a long weekend with a friend to open up a

little shack he has in the woods. They were shocked and dismayed to find how primitive the accommodations were. But they cleared the field mice nests out of cupboards and bureau drawers, dragged in broken tree limbs for the fireplace, and cooked their din-ner on a little two-lid potbellied stove. They went to bed about 9 o'clock and slept soundly on hard narrow cots until the birds began their morning

"Three days later they came home sore in every muscle, but the soreness felt good to them. Proved they could rough it and like it. They were completely refreshed in body and mind. And coming home was a pleasant change, too. Their home looked new and wonderful to them. The sight of unlimited hot water pouring into the big white bathtub filled them with delight.

chorus and the sun looked in the windows.

"Sam and Nora are now convinced that a good vacation means a complete change in your way of life. More or less comfort has little to do with Sam wants to do some fishing-hasn't fished for years-and there are some fine trout streams near this little mountain resort. Nora wants to forget she knows how to cook. The place they have chosen has a good restaurant.

"They plan to yield completely to the vaca-tion mood and to spend each day with the light-hearted irresponsibility of children."

By PAUL F. ELLIS

SAN ANGELO, Tex. (UP) - Polio struck this town in the heart of the great plains of Texas almost without warning.

True, the community has had isolated cases of the disease for some months, but the number was insignificant.

But early in May the incidence began to worry health officials. Civic leaders, physicians and rep resentatives of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis met. They frankly discussed the possibility that the number of cases was reaching the epidemic state-20 cases for 100,000 popu-

Meanwhile more and more cases were being eported. Doctors were treating numerous susicious cases in homes.

On May 27 there were 26 cases of pollo. Some were being brought in from far outside Tom Green County because hospital facilities here are ex-Local authorities asked the National Founda-

tion for help. Funds contributed in the local March of Dimes drive last January were quickly expended. Beds, nurses, material for hot packs and iron lung respirators were needed quickly. The Foundation found the beds and lungs They asked the Red Cross for nurses for tem porary duty in San Angelo. Air Force flyers from

country to bring back the lungs, hospital beds and other equipment. Nurses and physical therapists were flown in. The Foundation's national headquarters poured cash into the city. As of now \$47,200 has been sent here to help pay the cost of medical treatment. Equipment sent in was valued at \$25,000.

Goodfellow Field raced to various sections of the

A state of epidemic was declared May 27 and immediately led to concern among the town's 45,000 population. The citizens demanded drastic action by city officials to end the epidemic. However demands do not stop the spread of pollo. Scientists for years have been trying to deter-

mine just how the disease spreads and what can be done about it. San Angelo is quiet now, even with some 84 active cases in hospitals here. But in the words of Mayor E. A. Veutrain, "feeling was so tense I

might have been hanged."

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PETITIONING REQUIRED TO GET STREET GRADED Q .- Has any date been set for the lowering of

the grade of 3rd avenue between 148th and 149th streets, Whitestone?-F. S., Beechhurst. A .- The Interceptor Collector Sewer is now being constructed in 3rd avenue between 148th and 149th streets, but no provision has been made

in the sewer contract for lowering the grade of The grading of streets is carried out only when the Board of Estimate grants authorization based on petitions, signed by the property owners who

will be assessed. These first are submitted to the Queens Board of Improvements. Since such an improvement has not yet been initiated in the local board, there is no way of stating when the surface of the street in question is likely to be lowered to the established grade, dclared Martin Nelson, engineer of sewers, Borough Hall, Kew Gardens,

NO IMPROVEMENT PLANNED

Q.-I noticed city surveyors measuring property along 93rd avenue between 168th street and 168th place recently. Do you know whether there are any proposed projects which would affect my property in that area?-J. B., Jamaica. A .- There is no proposed project on the part

of the city that would affect the property on \$3rd avenue between 168th street and 168th place at the present time, according to Thomas P. Cunningham, engineer-in-charge, Topographical Bureau, Borough Hall, Kew Gardens.

-Let's Explore Your Mind

These companies report they lose more stewardesses every month by marriage than women in any other occupation. The marriage "casualties" are so great as to be a real proplem. Seems natural. Stewardesses have to be highly intelligent and attractive. They also have to spend a lot of time looking after the men on the planesespecially feeding the brutes. Most of the men are weil-to-do or wealthy-well, the stage is all set for Dan Cupid! Unfortunately there are only a few hundred such jobs open. But girls, if you went a husband, as you should, you must go where

men are-which is the misfor-

tune of many women-librar-

ians, teachers, welfare workers,

Answer to Question No. 1

Stewardess on an airplane.

Answer to Question No. 2 Have Dad and Mom disrppear for a day without letting the children know where they are, This is Donald Laird's suggestion in Household. This impresses the kids with how important it is for all members of the fam-Ily to know who is where and doing what. A bulletin hanging in the kitchen where each member of the family who goes out for any length of time can record where they're going-and

Bing. U. S. Pot. Off. © 1949 by John F. Dille Co. for how long-works for family

Answer to Question No. 3 either in a panic or wanting to



field-namely, what the federal government must use all its power and resources to preserve production, employment and prosperity. It is pointed out that our present high level and potential of business, industrial and agricultural activity cannot be maintained unless we increase foreign outlets for our mounting surpluses. Even in lush times, it is argued, domestic consumption will not be able to absorb the products of our factories, farms, forests and mines.

be included in the budget as an annual charge like the regular yearly bill for operating the government or subsidizing agriculture. Savings resulting from a gradual decline in national defense expenditures, based on creation

pensate for these additional outlava overseas. Final argument is that the investment would be justified if "shooting war" with Russia,

Children young enough to play with toys like palls and shovels, sand toys and balloons are possessive. They enjoy the feeling of ownership. It makes them feel bigger and surer. With that feeling of w nership comes one of authority. "You let that

alone. It's mine." There is no need to be distressed about this attitude: It is to be acceptof a child's growth; and while for this stage we encourage the little ones to share their belongings with

one is to be happy.

and they are few on earth.

giving must come before taking This pride of ownership remains through life and is one of the props of a personality. To own nothing is to be poor in spirit as well as in body. Only the saints can embrace complete poverty and be strong in spirit; Like all other phases of life,

playmates, we do not force that

idea. We keep suggesting that

there must be a happy medium here. Either too much of holding or too much of giving will destroy the personality. Holding grimly to all one can grasp ends in misery. Giving everything to everyone who holds out his hands-and there are few who won't do that when occasion offers-leaves the hapless one in

through them freely, enriching "With all thy getting get un-

By ALBERT E. WIGGAM, D. Sc. _

