

## Role of Social Work Treating and Curing

What happens when the family falls apart? What becomes of the child and what can be done to save him? These are the searching questions that Mr. Eric I. Smit, executive secretary of the child welfare division of the Canadian Welfare Council, asked when he appealed for more preventive action in speaking to the 25th annual meeting of the Children's Aid Society for Temiskaming last week.

Mr. Smit in his talk was urgent in his appeal for recognition that case work, for the most part is not prevention but treatment and cure. The role of the CAS worker has become that of treating and curing because there is not enough preventive work done. He pointed out that this practical angle must be considered "because you can't force people to be good parents and case work is better than any method yet devised."

The cost of undertaking to bring up underprivileged children to fit into our society and produce responsible citizens is substantial both in manpower and in monetary values, as it is in the raising and educating of any child, but he stressed that it is not as great as commonly conceived by the general public.

Various kinds of services are needed in an industrial community, among them welfare services such as the CAS offers. These are expensive, says Mr. Smit, but they can only be considered "operating costs of our society."

Mrs. Margaret Telfer, acting local director for the Temiskaming Children's Aid Society spoke in another appeal for better provisions for CAS wards, who are released from CAS responsibility at 18.

Mrs. Telfer welcomed the foster parents who were present at the meeting and commended all the foster parents of the Temiskaming district for their wonderful work, but also noted that there were not enough of them. She also drew attention to the fact that this area is more dependent upon the welfare than another part of Ontario, but this is due to economic reasons rather than social reasons. Today recession has effected Northern Ontario more than another region, because of our dependence upon basic economic elements such as mining and lumbering.

A great effort must be expended by organized teams in this district if we are to meet all of our obligations, and the CAS family service must be extensive and put considerable demands on Community Chest and other annual fund-raising efforts. The Case work still needs much assistance in the way of voluntary and skilled staff.

Mrs. Telfer seconded the remarks of board president William Pape of New Liskeard, who noted progress in the society's work with the decrease of children in care from 242 in 1957 to 218 last year. In 1957, 36 children were returned to their parents, compared with 43 last year.

Assistance to children in their own homes decreased in the two years from 299 families (899 children) in 1957 to 220 families (720 children) last year. Brief contact assistance increased from 68 cases to 89 last year, but unmarried parents helped were down to 26 from 37 the previous year.

The CAS is also charged with helping the government in family allowance investigations and in divorce investigations, items for which Mrs. Telfer said the fees paid do not quite cover the work that is required of the society's staff.

### Spent \$157,000

Treasurer H. A. Corrigan of Kirkland Lake read his report, which revealed that Timiskaming CAS spent \$157,152.22 in its various services last year. Of this expenditure, \$94,969.28 was spent in maintenance of children in care.

Municipalities contributed more than 50 per cent of the society's funds. The province of Ontario gave \$22,725.36, or 14.3 per cent, and Community Chest and other

## Famed Rock Cut To Be Removed

Cobalt's famous rock cut, nightmare for tractor-trailer operators,

may soon disappear from the Silvertown, a victim of progress.

When Cobalt built its new public school, the old building that had served the town for so many years was sold, it is to be broken up, and removed from the site by July.

The Board of Education has also sold the property to Tom and Albert Despres, well-known residents of the district, and these men plan to erect a two-bay service station and snack bar on the land.

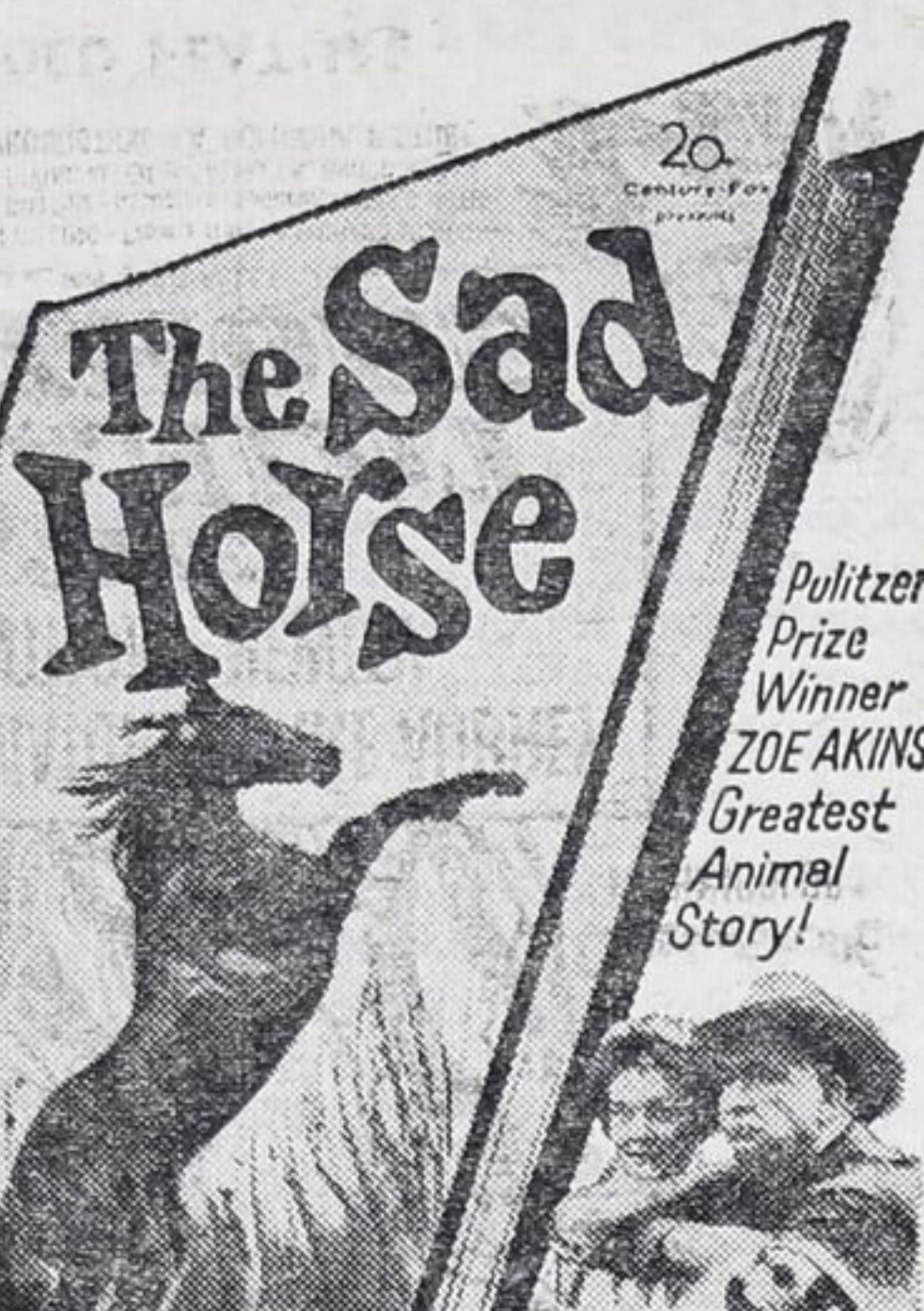
The planning also calls for the removal of the famous rock outcrop on which the school presently

stands. The entire area is to be paved by the new company, a floodlighted building will be erected, and according to Mayor Fulton Purdy, the whole place will be bright and attractive, and a welcome addition to the business section of the town.

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private donations gave \$27,336.55, or 17.2 per cent. The funds donated by Community Chest are used in preventive work, for children in their own homes and for unmarried parents.

The meeting approved the nomination of four new directors to the board, retiring president Mr. Pape, Mrs. M. R. McPherson, Kirkland Lake, F. Lafond, Kirkland Lake and Norman Spencer, Cobalt.

What this country needs is more people raising beans and fewer people spilling them.

## Canada Geese

A. H. Greenwood of Hudson Township dropped in to say that he had seen his first flight of Canada geese on Tuesday morning, heading north across his farm and Fisher's Rock.

This line appears to be a flyway for the giant birds, the Greenwood family can see the birds and hear their honking in the spring when they return to their northern nesting grounds and in the fall on the way south.

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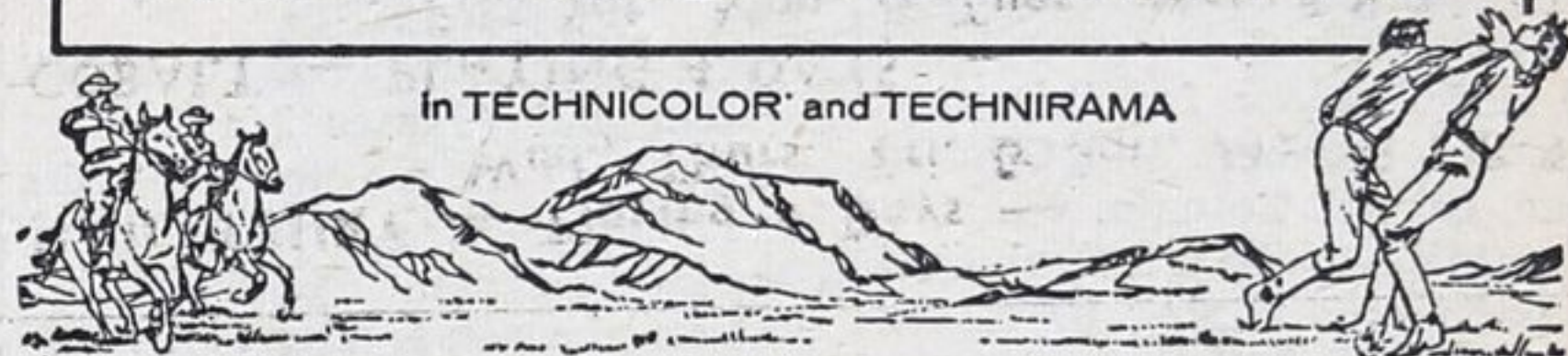


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