

## Easter Seal campaign seeks funds for crippled

Ontario Society for Crippled Children is seeking \$1,600,000 from the 1970 Ontario Easter Seal campaign which will extend from Feb. 26 to Mar. 29, Easter Sunday.

Announcement of the objective and dates were made by W. Deny Whitaker, Ontario campaign chairman. Mr. Whitaker said an objective of

\$500,000 has been set for the Metropolitan Toronto area with the balance to be raised throughout the remainder of the province.

The campaign is sponsored by the Society in conjunction with 230 Easter Seal service clubs throughout Ontario including Milton Rotary Club. One half

of the funds raised by each club is retained by it for services and supplies for local needy handicapped youngsters.

The balance of the funds are used by the Ontario Society for Crippled Children to supply such province-wide services as nursing (the Society has 37 specially-trained nurses in 21 regional offices throughout Ontario), travelling clinics of medical specialists, research into crippling disorders of children and the operation and maintenance of the five summer camps owned by the Society.

Upon request, the Society will provide advice and assistance wherever possible to various active treatment centres throughout Ontario and, in addition, subsidizes the operating deficits of the Ontario Crippled Children's Centre in Toronto.

The latter is a world-renowned treatment and rehabilitation centre offering a complete range of services to the youngsters, including diagnostic and assessment services, a 105-bed hospital, a 17-room school, dental clinic, therapy, recreational facilities, psychological and social services, and orthotic and prosthetic research and development.

Mr. Whitaker emphasized that the Society's funds are used to provide services and supplies that extend beyond those covered by official hospitalization or health programs.

"Easter Seal contributions," he said, "provide a direct opportunity to assist the more than 14,000 handicapped youngsters in Ontario to take an active part in the life of the community."

## Mexico, good or bad depends on visitor

It seems travelling is similar to eating out, in some ways. There are a million and one ways in which each can be enjoyed and in both cases individual tastes differ. Not too long ago a disillusioned local youth reported to The Champion the inconveniences he was experiencing on his jaunt through Mexico. More recently The Champion received a report from a couple who feel Mexico is nothing short of wonderful. Their letter comes via their Milton friend Louis Reichert of Milton.

According to Mr. and Mrs. V. Hoppel, the last two weeks of January provided splendid weather, "even better than Florida", they said. They report temperatures of 70 in the morning, rising to 82 in the heat of the day and water temperatures of 78 degrees.

While they find the people are poor in most areas of Mexico and especially in the rural district, the Hoppels said they found them friendly and felt safe to go anywhere—unlike some situations in United States.

They noted differences in the Canadian and Mexican diets. "There is no comparison, the Mexican eats mostly a kind of a thin round piece of freshly made bread out of corn meal and the ingredients are rolled up in it. We have had some in a good restaurant and it is very tasty when it's filled with meats and other things. Many meats are fried (chicken, beef, pork) and rolled up in corn bread. Fruits are plentiful, lots of variety and very much tastier than at home because they ripen naturally," the Gravenhurst couple wrote. Transportation is cheap. A six and a half mile ride costs only

## Addiction Foundation names Halton adviser

A permanent representative from the Addiction Research Foundation of Ontario has been assigned to Oakville, and will serve Halton County. The appointment is effective immediately.

Mrs. Peggy Palmer, 3½ cents but the buses are very old and "one cannot imagine them getting to the end of the trip."

Due to the lack of refrigeration all meats and food which might spoil are bought at the market daily. The letter continues to tell about the neat but not plush facilities that can be rented on the Pacific Ocean for \$65 a month.

The letter writer closes by saying he can't believe he has really seen the Pacific Ocean and that he is thinking of his Milton friends and all the white snow

community consultant will be available to assist existing community agencies in devising educational and treatment programs concerning the growing problem of drug abuse. The Foundation office will be located at 331 Sheddon Avenue Suite 17, Oakville; telephone 845-6854.

Mrs. Palmer, who has lived Oakville for 20 years, stressed that her role in the community will not absolve other agencies from their responsibility regarding drug abuse. She will, however, provide an outlet for Foundation information about drugs and will assist in organizing more effective community response.

Paper clothing was imported to Canada from Germany 3 years ago.



TIMMY, symbol of the 1970 Easter Seal Campaign to aid crippled children, is Stephen Francis, a 10-year-old Grade 5 student at Toronto's Sunnyview Public School. The Campaign in aid of the Ontario Society for Crippled Children, runs from Feb. 26 to March 29.

## Community control topic for Rotarians

How can we obtain better control over our community affairs? Are we tending to develop inaccessible forms of government? How can we attract more good men to lead us?

These were some of the questions discussed by Donald Deacon, MPP for York Centre, guest speaker last week at the Milton Rotary Club.

Mr. Deacon advocated a decentralized form of government while stressing the importance of developing the community as a unit of government, with greater

authority and responsibility in managing its own affairs. He felt that the local form of government should be responsible for assessing and taxing properties and should have unconditional authority to spend the per capita tax-sharing grants from the province.

He also urged more participation by residents in local affairs stressing the need to foster that all-important community spirit by joining together to solve common problems and provide needed improvements in the community.

## Complaint on water surprises committee

A complaint on water rates drew some surprises from the town's waterworks committee Monday.

Mrs. Clarissa Howe complained the water rate system is "grossly unfair". She pointed out in her Oak St. residence there is one meter and the minimum bill for the two tenants is \$8.86 "which is daylight robbery as I have one flush toilet and one tap so that I would never use the minimum allowance of water".

She suggested \$4.43 for the whole house would be a more reasonable amount.

Councillor C. Fay, chairman of the water committee

expressed surprise that each tenant was receiving a separate bill. He said he understood the bill went to the owner and could then be divided among the tenants. He noted this was the case with his own property.

Mayor B. Best recalled the legislation had been amended last October so each dwelling unit received the minimum bill. He suggested it would take two years' experience before it could be determined if the minimum bill could be reduced and still yield enough revenue to cover operating costs.

Mrs. Howe was to be advised of this.

## Will widen QEW build third lane

Jim Snow, MPP for Halton East today announced that tenders are to be called during the week of March 2 for a contract to complete grading drainage granular base and paving of the Queen Elizabeth Highway from the Bronte Road interchange, west to the Guelph Line interchange, a distance of 4.8 miles.

When this contract is completed, along with the completion of the contracts already underway in the Oakville area, the Queen Elizabeth Highway will then be completely widened to three lanes from Toronto to Hamilton.

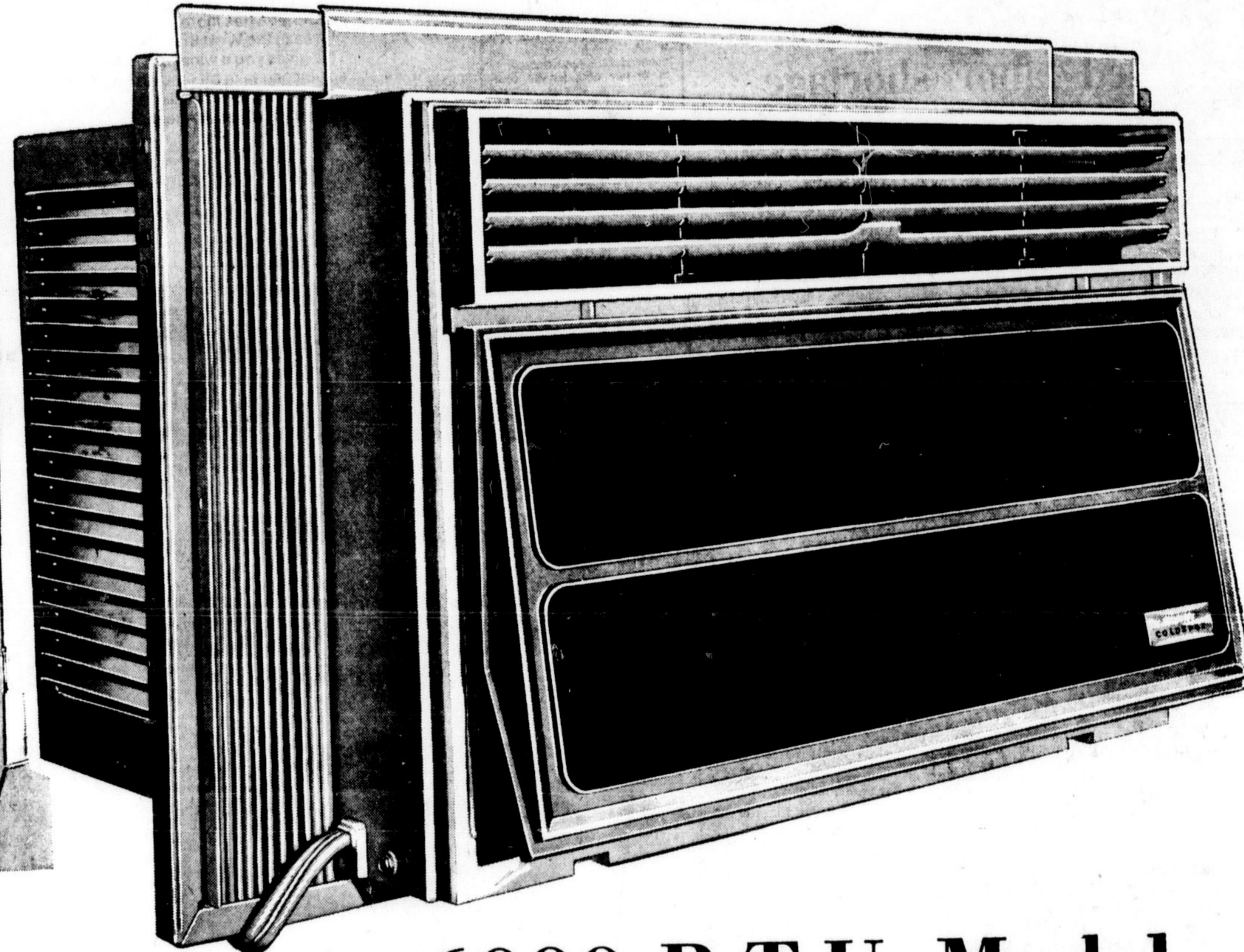
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