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## Threshold Of 100 Years

When the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association meets this week in Toronto for its 39th annual convention, delegates will have in mind that association of weekly editors and publishers as a group is almost 100 years old. Next September, 1959, will see the 100th birthday of the founding of the Canadian Press Association which included weeklies as well as daily newspapers.

There are in Canada today, more than a dozen weekly newspapers that were charter members of the Canadian Press Association when it was formed in 1859. A number of years ago the dailies and weeklies separated to form their own associations, and thus the CWNA and the Canadian Daily Newspapers Association were born. Both groups of course, still retain membership in the century-old Canadian Press Association.

To put it another way, Canadian weeklies have stood together as a fraternity since long before Confederation, enlarging their membership as the various provinces came into being. Today the CWNA has 517 members from coast to coast representing every province and virtually every community.

Delegates to this week's convention will come from far away Newfoundland and from Vancouver Island. They will meet to discuss common problems in publishing Canada's well read weeklies.

It can be truly said that there are men and women on the staffs of daily newspapers, in radio and TV work and in the advertising world, and for that matter, in all walks of life, who can take more than a passing interest in the CWNA annual get-together, for many of them got their start on the hometown weekly. Because of this they are strong boosters, conscious of the importance of the weekly in many small communities.

Like all conventions the CWNA get-together will have its social side when delegates will greet old friends and make new ones. But over and through these pleasures will run the serious thread of discussion in the interests of members and the public.

And lest we be thought ungrateful, may we say as we have before, that the faithful subscriber is still the keystone of a newspaper's being.

## "Dear Mr. Editor"

Suggests Stand-By Pump

Dear Mr. Editor:

Just one more evasion of taxpayers' rights by council and builders is the sewage installation in Pleasantville.

Two years ago council was approached concerning a stand-by pump for the pump house, evasive action by council and developers' engineer was taken and an apparent intent of installation was made, sufficient to say that residents were satisfied that the protection of a stand-by pump against flooding during Hydro cut-offs was assured, and no further action was taken.

On Sunday, August 31, at 2 p.m. a power cut-off occurred during a heavy storm, at 3 p.m. the sewage man was checking the installation for signs of a back-up. If a gas driven stand-by pump had been installed, he would not be forced to remain on call 365 days a year in case of a power cut-off.

Why are our own residents not considered before bringing in more people to overload our sewage system which would be adequate if the rules and regulations of our town were adhered to, instead we find the developers' engineer looking two ways and doing nothing for a council and everything for the developer. Preventing the town engineer from acting for any developer could stop a recurrence of such an error.

Now the town must spend \$2,000 of taxpayers' money to rectify one more oversight in a developers' favour.

Obviously it is high time action be taken for the ratepayers, instead of the ratepayers being taken by any developer who cares to wave a plan before council who seem to be hypnotized into giving way on any contentious point.

Maybe this situation combined with the box drain situation on the east side of town might force a glimmering of reason into our town fathers, and make them look a little closer at the next offer made to put Richmond Hill on the spot.

Geo. W. Spratt,  
298 Kerrybrook Drive,  
Richmond Hill

## Over Hill, Over Dale

by Cicely Thomson

Last week in this column I was concerned with the Victorian Order of Nurses and the background or foundation, of sacrifice, determination and leadership that had been bequeathed to the order by the women of its early beginnings.

From the few pioneer nurses of the early 1900s who went about their district nursing care, the V.O.N. has grown until today's army of nurses last year paid over a million visits to more than one hundred and twenty-five thousand patients, in the same year increasing the nursing staff by 22.

Richmond Hill has become one of the 118 communities across Canada that benefit by the skilled at-home nursing of the V.O.N. services. Last spring, when Mrs. Malcolm Thomson, now chairman of the local board was seeking for skilled nursing care for her mother, she was asked by a Toronto friend why she didn't have a V.O.N. come in. Dr. Langstaff informed her that their services extended only to the limits of Metropolitan Toronto.

She then telephoned their headquarters in Toronto, making a general inquiry as to what would be necessary if Richmond Hill wanted the full-time services of a V.O. Nurse. The regional director, Miss Catherine Ross made an appointment to meet Mrs. Thomson, Dr. J. Wynne, Mr. Ken Tomlin, Dr. and Mrs. J. Langstaff and Dr. Lillian Langstaff, following which she then met with all the doctors in the town and returned in October for ten days speaking to as many organizations as possible on the Order and what it could mean to those of us who are in need of skilled nursing care in our homes, whether for a chronic invalid, a boy's damaged knee or for a newborn baby bathing routine!

On the last evening of Miss Ross's visit a public meeting was held in the Lions' Hall, chaired by our now-mayor Mr. Tomlin, and a provisional board was elected.

The financial set-up for all districts has been arranged on a three-fold system: first a canvas of the entire community desiring the service, then a donation from the municipal council, and thirdly the fees paid by the patients. For the canvass, the Lions' Club, the Kinsmen and the Rotary took over, contacting the businessmen and householders. Several handsome gifts of \$25.00 swelled the pot which totalled four thousand dollars, and A. V. Roe sent \$340.00 from their welfare fund. The municipal council granted \$2,000.00 and R. D. Little and Son gave the use of a car for one year. In addition to all these sums the provincial government grant of 10c per call is made. The charge per visit is \$2.00 locally, although the cost throughout the province averages \$2.48.

We also have to thank the women's institute and the catholic women's group who made the aprons for the nurse to wear.

She is on call 24 hours a day although only emergency calls are attended at night. The phone answering service would otherwise have cost us over \$300. a year.

Miss Woodbyrne reiterated to me the broad aims of the service which are threefold: to give bedside nursing care with health teaching in the home on a visit basis; to assist in the prevention of diseases; to assist in the education of future public health personnel, in fact the V.O.N. offers bursaries for nurses wishing to train in the public health field.

In her pleasant office in the Hydro section of the Municipal Hall, Miss Woodbyrne makes up her reports nightly. She must attend all the local board meetings to give detailed reports, no names, as well as reporting directly to Ottawa. In cases where the family is not able to meet the full fee per visit, she must make the decision as to what partial payment, if any, should be paid.

In addition to the average seven to eight visits a day in Richmond Hill she receives many requests from surrounding districts, such as Maple, but in order for these communities to make use of the V.O.N. in Richmond Hill these communities must have their councils contact the local board and arrange a suitable donation from their council to make up the difference between the \$2.00 charge and the cost of the service.

While in the early days it seemed, from looking at the reports, that a V.O. Nurse was expected to work until she dropped, now we are able to see to it that our nurse works an average working week, with a very capable relief nurse, Mrs. Willock, to take over so that we have a seven-day service. The full-time employment of another nurse would depend not only on the need of the community but also on the amount raised in the annual canvass.

Miss Woodbyrne meets her patients away from the environment of the hospital ward: she has the challenge of working with the family as well for the benefit of her charge. Whenever I thank her on her rounds I am filled with a sense of usefulness that she is here for our need . . . remembering the times in the past when her nursing care would have made all the difference to our family.



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## FACTS and FAITH

A Weekly Comment On Christian Life And Action  
— By Calvin H. Chambers —

This week, millions of children and young people made their way back to school. Teachers took their places in the classroom, and the "battle of the books" began again.

Why do we educate our children? Is there any necessity for a person to spend up to thirteen years of his life, being instructed in subjects which the school regards basic. A small minority would probably say 'no'. The majority feels that education is just as necessary to human happiness as health. It is one of the things we feel justified in paying million of dollars of tax money to maintain. We feel that our children should have the opportunity to learn, and thus be able to take their place in the world as reasonable citizens. Man was made to know after truth. He has an inquisitive spirit. He wants to know.

But what is education? Is it merely giving a child instruction in a lot of unrelated facts about this world in which we live? What difference will it make to a child to know that two plus two equals four, or that Australia is in the southern hemisphere, or that Jacques Cartier sailed from France for the New World in 1530. Is education just a matter of learning facts like these?

There have been many definitions of education. One prominent educator writes, "Education is the study of the past which gives mastery over the present". This definition assumes that education aims to help a person make the best of his life. But immediately we have to ask, "What is life? What does it mean to live fully?" This ultimately forces us to face the whole meaning of human existence. Why are we here? Is there any purpose to life? If so, what is it?

It is at this point that the Christian believes he has something to say. He is the author of life, indeed He is Life. Thus, life can only have meaning when it is personally related to the living God in saving faith and obedient service. Real death is to be cut off from God.

If this is true, how must we view our educational system. Can the school fulfill its function — fitting a person for life — if it ignores spiritual truth? This is a question which teachers and educators must take seriously. If the school room fails to relate God to the curriculum, how can the other facts of life have any meaning, except in a purely materialistic way? The Christian conviction is that any philosophy of education which by-passes the living God, who has revealed Himself in the person and work of Jesus Christ, cannot properly educate a child to take his place in life. Education which ignores the religious nature of man cannot produce the noblest type of person. It may even result in the production of what the Duke of Wellington called, "a race of clever devils".

But there are those who say that religious education is the duty of the home and the Church, and not the school. Leave education to the school, and religion to the Church!

On the surface this seems like sound advice. But, if we keep in mind that life must be related to God, if it is to be full and satisfying, how can you divorce a child's education from the truth of God? Granted, the school room is not a Sunday school class. But neither is the Church school a place where a child is indoctrinated in religious subjects irrelevant to his whole way of life. The Church presents Jesus Christ as the Saviour and Giver of new life. It is only when men are properly related to Christ that they feel they have found "the truth".

Now, if a child is brought up in a school system where Jesus Christ is never mentioned, except in the school pageant at Christmas, he is given the impression that Christ has nothing to do with the events of every

day life. By the time he reaches high school, he may even look upon Christianity as "kids stuff".

A child should be educated in such a way that he comes to believe in God as the author of all truth. He should be introduced to the fact that the God who made the world according to divine plan also made him, and has a plan and purpose for his life, if he will fit into it. It is only when we give our children a God-centered education that they will leave high school with a sense of direction, and a desire to make a contribution to life — not "just a living".

## Answers Criticism

# Warden Says No Stop Signs For Markham Road

Answering criticism by members of Richmond Hill town council concerning the delay in the County of York taking over Markham Road, Warden Fred D. Armstrong issued a statement this week which makes it clear that the understanding on the County's assumption of the road in January of this year was that Richmond Hill agreed to be responsible for maintenance until January 1959. He also stated the County will not stand for stop signs or traffic restrictions.

The statement by Warden Armstrong is as follows:  
"Due to so many wild statements coming from Richmond Hill, regarding the County road, east of Yonge Street, known as the Markham road, we, the County, are accused of assuming same in 1957 and until this fall of 1958 no action has been taken. These are the facts:

- (1) The Markham road was recommended in 1957 by Richmond Hill's very capable reeve Tom Taylor, who put forth a lot of effort.
- (2) In January 1958 the County council agreed to assume the road but Richmond Hill was to maintain the same until January 1959.
- (3) The Toronto and York Road Commission play no part until it becomes a Toronto and York road and that request has not been made as yet.
- (4) There will be no stop signs anywhere along the said road that would defeat the purpose of an artery. Furthermore if it is necessary to erect signs the road will go back to Richmond Hill on January 1st, 1959, as we don't want another Yonge Street which is all stop signs and approximate-

## Fallen Elm on Yonge Causes Power Failure West Side Of Town

Richmond Hill Hydro Superintendent Verno Snider said that a Hydro breakdown on the west side of town, for an hour and a half last Sunday afternoon, was caused when an ancient elm tree on the lawn in front of Mr. Matthew Paton's home, Bl'way 11 at Elgin Mills, was blown down across the hydro wires which supply power to that side of town.

Fred Bovaird, Town Road Foreman, said Sunday's storm caused the usual flooding on Neal Drive, Beverley Acres, and natural sinkage in sewage system in some newer subdivisions, but there was no wind damage reported although the wind blew the odd branch in town down at the height of the storm.

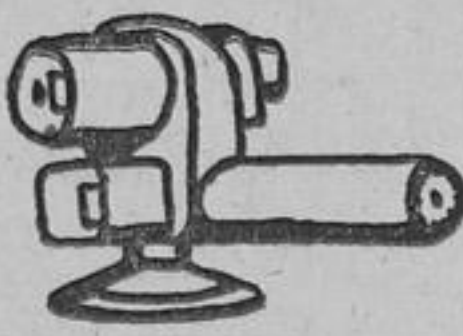
## Photos By Lagerquist

The photos of the new Richmond Hill water tower, and the Junior Chamber of Commerce officers which appeared on our front page last week were—like most of the news photos which appear in The Liberal—by Lagerquist. The Lagerquist Studio is located at 93 Yonge St. South, Richmond Hill.

## Narrow Escape

John "Scotty" Robertson, a well known long time resident of Richmond Hill is in Dunlap Clinic, Toronto, recovering from severe burns suffered when his improvised shelter shed near the C.N.R. was destroyed by fire early last Friday morning. Some- one saw smoke and rang the fire alarm and firemen arrived in time to save the occupant, "Scotty" was a familiar figure on Yonge Street as he read his paper on one of the benches. Local firemen have taken a kindly interest in providing him with the necessities.

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## Notice To Creditors AND OTHERS

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Immediately after the said last mentioned date, the assets of the said estate will be distributed amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice.

Dated at Richmond Hill, Ontario, this 28th day of August, 1958.

Russell Lynett and John Reid McAllister, Executors,

By their solicitor, JOSEPH RABINOWITZ, 65 Yonge Street, South, Richmond Hill, Ontario

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## TOWNSHIP OF MARKHAM Contract No. 1147

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Sealed tenders marked as to contents, and addressed to the Clerk, Township of Markham, R. R. No. 2 Gormley, Ontario, will be received until 5 o'clock p.m. E.D.S.T., Monday, September 22, 1958, for the improvement of Main Street in the Police Village of Unionville from the C.N.R. crossing north some 1800 feet, to an existing concrete bridge, including storm drainage.

Information for Tenderers, Forms of Tender, Agreement and Bond, Plans and Specifications may be obtained on or after Tuesday, September 9, 1958, at the office of the Consulting Engineers, H. A. Babcock and Company Limited, 119 Isabella Street, Toronto 5.

A marked cheque in the amount of \$25.00 payable to H. A. Babcock Company Limited will be required in deposit. The deposit will be refunded upon return of the Plans and Specifications.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

H. C. T. CRISP, Clerk  
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