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## Easter Seal Campaign

This is the time of year for the Easter Seal Campaign, and thousands of people throughout this district will heed with generous donations the appeal of Crippled Children.

In this day and age there are many appeals, and sometimes it is not to be wondered at that people weary in well doing. However the Easter Seals Campaign is one sure of a warm welcome, and there are few causes which so touch the hearts and purse-strings of citizens generally.

The 14,191 crippled children in the province, living on farms or in city homes or in remote northern hamlets know that the 1960 Easter Seal Campaign means hope. To them the Easter Seals bring treatment and training, a possibility of independence and a relief from the physical handicaps that birth, illness or accident have left them.

Last year the Ontario Society for Crippled Children, whose only annual appeal for funds is made in the Easter Seal Campaign by 222 service clubs, carried out its biggest program in all its

history. This year, the more than 14,000 youngsters who are listed on the society's rolls as "active" cases will have increased because Ontario's swiftly growing population means hundreds of new cases each year. The provincial objective of this year's Easter Seal Campaign, March 17th to April 17th is \$850,000.00.

The organization that cares for this number of children is amazingly small. A tightly knit office staff at headquarters in Toronto, a score of highly trained and nurses, a core of volunteer doctors and an army of public spirited citizens who give freely of their time. The result is a volume of service out of all proportion to the money spent in the work.

The Easter Seal Campaign in Richmond Hill, Thornhill, Maple, King City, Oak Ridges and Victoria Square is sponsored by the Lions Clubs. Through these organizations hundreds of volunteer men and women will be working for a better future for Timmy and all his pals. Your contribution to the Easter Seal Campaign is needed; don't delay, send it today.

## — Speaking Personally —

EDUCATION BUDGET NIGHT  
(By Jane Fort Manning)

By Jane Fort Manning  
Mr. Maynard Hallman, Public School Inspector for York 3, is to be congratulated for arranging the stimulating and helpful "Budget Night" last Thursday for the school trustees of his district. Markham Township Council sponsors this unique event. It does much to pave a road of understanding between council and trustees concerning the problems school trustees have to face as they prepare financial estimates for the year ahead.

A bountiful turkey dinner prepared by the Womens Institute at the Buttonville Hall put everyone in a receptive and expansive mood to hear the speakers, Mr. Murray Jones and Dr. F. G. Ridges.

Reeve W. S. Clarke, who is of course, also Mayor of York County, brought greetings and in his remarks commented that he regretted the provincial grant on school sites, inaugurated this year, was not going to be very large after all. (The grant will be \$100 an acre, or six acres, \$600.) Reeve Clark said the lowest price for an acre of land in the township at present that he was aware of was \$2,000, and he'd heard of \$10,000 an acre.

Deputy-reeve W. Dean asked Dr. Ridges, who is planning Director of North York Board of Education, whether he thought "one or more school boards made planning in a municipality easier?" Dr. Ridges answered by saying, "Planning of services is simpler with one board, and especially easier with secondary schools when you have to consider what the neighbors are doing."

Mr. F. J. Hodge, Separate School Inspector, introduced Dr. Ridges and commented on the youthfulness of both Dr. Ridges and Mr. Jones, Metro's Planning Director. However, municipal planning especially in this part of the world has come into

prominence only in the last decade or two, so I guess the majority of persons in the profession are on the fair side of time. The thick and map riddled Metropolitan planning report was available for the trustees to look over and it is interesting to try to visualize the use of our familiar land twenty years hence. For the trustees responsible for education for the next twenty years, it is an invaluable tool for sensible planning ahead.

Dr. Ridges made the main speech of the evening. Many of his solutions to planning problems in North York may save our fringe municipalities expensive "trial and error" experience in the years ahead. Dr. Ridges strongly advocates a pattern of buying sites for schools well in advance of need so that land can be secured before it is developed and the price is high.

After pointing out how the probable provincial grant for each school can be worked out, Mr. Hallman had the trustees go into two groups. Most of the smaller boards worked on their budgets and the graded boards went to the municipal chambers for a lively discussion on salaries, gifted children, and senior schools.

Trustee John Honsberger of Markham led the discussion on what is needed to enrich the education of a fast learner. He believes parents will be the spur to see that special courses for the gifted are added to the curriculum.

Principal M. J. Hampton of Weston Senior Public School outlined his curriculum, and pointed out a dedicated staff was the prime requisite for success. His figures seemed to prove, that in Weston at least, senior school experience made for better high school work.

Mr. Hallman left no doubt as to his stand, he was greatly in favor of senior schools.

## "Dear Mr. Editor"

Thanks Workers

Dear Mr. Editor:

I would like to express my thanks on behalf of our committee for the interest and energetic effort given us by many citizens of Vaughan Township in favour of the affirmative side of the question in the recent plebiscite. Because of their sincere work we were able to obtain the majority vote on two of the questions presented.

Although the repeal of the by-law required a 60 per cent majority they can feel as I do that we were justified in asking for the question to be presented to the voters.

The wish of the people in the suburban areas for the repeal of the by-law clearly indicates their concern for the need of increased commercial assessment in the township and their rejection of the old by-law.

The rural areas indicated their favouring retention of the by-law. It is interesting to note the marked division of opinion between these groups.

I would also like to thank your newspaper for the careful and unbiased presentation of the facts to the voters, so they could weigh all the information and express themselves in this democratic way.

Yours sincerely,  
B. Bailey

## Facts and Faith



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

### No Plus Signs To Christ

The Letter of Paul to the Christians in Galatia, has been termed "The Magna Carta of Christian Freedom." In this book of six chapters, Paul sets forth in absolute terms the exclusiveness of the Christian Gospel.

Why is this letter necessary? Isn't this the kind of faith you would expect to find in any Christian Church? It is important to keep in mind that the great mass of early Christian believers came from the Jewish synagogue. In fact, whenever Paul went out on missionary work, and came to a new city, the first place he preached was in the synagogue. There he declared that the Messiah of Old Testament prophecy had come, and that Jesus Christ was His Name. There was always a response to his preaching. People became Christian and the Church was started.

This is what happened in Galatia. However, the influence of Judaism was still strong. In the Church there was a party called the Judaizers, who claimed that belief in Jesus was not enough to make a person a Christian. It was also necessary to keep the law of Moses, to be circumcised. With out these things Christian faith was inadequate and immature.

It was to refute this position, that Paul penned his great letter of Christian freedom. He stated in terms no one could misunderstand, that Jesus Christ was all sufficient for the salvation of anyone who trusted in Him. This being so, it was necessary to add plus signs to Christ, be it in the form of the law of Moses, circumcision, or any other religious custom. In fact, by adding these things to faith in Christ, you actually minimized the importance of all that He has accomplished for His people. A Christian is one who trusts in Christ alone. Acceptance by God does not depend on law keeping or ethical and moral conduct. Man cannot keep the law, nor live acceptably to God on his own. He must look to Christ as a divine Saviour from sin, and in so doing he will be given a new basis for righteous living, Not duty, but love.

Paul's letter to the Galatians is still needed today in the Church. Many professing Christians add their own plus signs to Christ. It may not be the law of Moses or circumcision. But what about such things as baptism, confirmation, church membership, good works, giving up certain so called worldly pleasures. There are people who imagine that unless these things are taken into consideration that a person cannot be a Christian. Paul would heartily disagree. If your faith and trust in Christ are real and sincere, if a man looks to Him for divine forgiveness, and a place in the Kingdom of God, these other things have no bearing on salvation. It is Christ who redeems and changes a man's life, not religious customs, techniques, or any other device. They must have a place in the life of a Christian, but they do not form the basis of his acceptance by God. Faith and faith alone justifies.

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And when our course on Earth is run,  
We'll look back from the other shore  
And see the good we might have done.  
How easy now to live for self,  
For food to eat and clothes to wear,  
And never listen to the moan  
Of fellow humans in despair.  
How thoughtlessly we pass along,  
Unmindful of a brother's need,  
When we might help and blessing be  
By doing some small, kindly deed.  
An interest in another's woes,  
A word of cheer, a friendly smile,  
Will brighten someone's lonely hours  
And also make our lives worth while.  
So let us seek to serve and give  
While shines for us our earthly sun;  
Lest we look back with vain regret  
Upon the good we might have done.

Albert Maglum

## Mill-Hand's Gift Of Libraries

by Loraine Porter

Nearly a hundred years ago a little boy named John Hallam was too poor to buy books and go to school. Only the privileged few had access to libraries in those days, and young John had a difficult time to find books just to teach himself to read and write.

The small boy started to work in a cotton mill under labor conditions akin to slavery. But in his heart was a dream: — THAT SOMEDAY THERE WOULD BE A FREE LIBRARY WITH BOOKS FOR THE POOR AS WELL AS THE RICH — BOOKS FOR THE MERCHANT, FARMER, LABORER, AND THE PROFESSIONAL MAN.

John Hallam sailed across the sea to Canada and settled in Toronto. Over the years he worked hard until he had saved enough money to start his own wool business. As he became prosperous he began to turn his dream of a free library into reality, and championed the free library movement in Toronto. It is seventy-five years since this Father of the Toronto Public Library championed the by-law for the establishment of the free library.

Today our Library on Wright Street in Richmond Hill is part of this public library system. The only key you need is your registration card, which you receive when you walk into the library and say the magic words, "I wish to become a member." Your wish comes true in seconds.

Books of every variety are on the shelves, and grouped together according to their content for your convenience. If you are looking for a good mystery you will find books of this type in one section. Or perhaps you like to read of faraway places, then you'll go to the section marked "Travel" in large letters.

A tidy-minded man named Melvil Dewey is responsible for this systematic order, called the Dewey Decimal System. The result is that people can go from one library to another and be reasonably certain of finding the same work listed under the same heading. Dewey divided the things people are interested in — those topics authors write about — into ten classes — general works, philosophy, religion, social sciences, language, pure science, technology, the arts, literature, and history. And these ten classes are divided into tens again: for example, under history there's geography, travel, biography, and so on.

A card catalogue, similar to a filing cabinet in a business office, is in the library for your convenience. It contains a record of the library's holdings. If you know your ABC's you can use this card catalogue. You look alphabetically under author, or title, for the book you want. If a card lists this book you know the library has it. If the library hasn't the particular volume you want, the librarian may be able to recommend a similar book that is on the shelf for you right now.

The library wants to serve you. Whatever your occupation there is a book waiting for you at the Richmond Hill Library.

Today there are all kinds of books for all kinds of people because a boy named John Hallam realized that books are necessary for the welfare of man and the true progress of nations.

The mill-hand's gift of a free library serves rich and poor — the merchant, farmer, laborer, and the professional man.

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