CAS Reports Aid To Fewer Unwed Mothers

the Children's Aid Society of York.

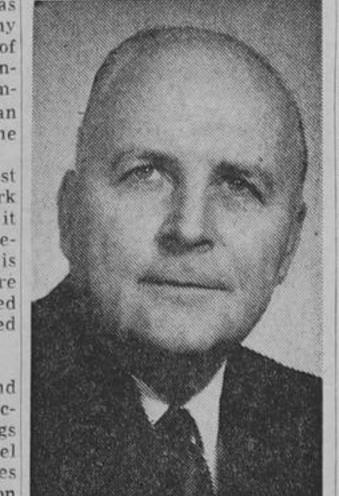
Aurora March 16, Executive Director Donald Van lot of consideration. Camp suggested this could be because of more liberal The agency's services com- one in September. abortion legislation, easy availability of "the pill", mittee, McNaught said, is conimprovements in education, the current trend for cerned over housing problems Aurora reported an overex- and Mrs. Sylvia McClintock of improvements in education, the current trend for unmarried mothers to keep their babies, or any unmarried mothers to keep their babies, or any means of providing adequate year — about 1.7 percent. combination of these factors. In any case, said Van housing for many whose hous-Camp, it happened in 1971 in York, it happened ing standards leave much to be presented a budget figure of year. across Ontario.

Services to unmarried par-was with regret that he was ents and adoption services to leaving the board after many children were at the lowest years of sharing in the work of level in five years. New cases the society. The society's confor protection and prevention stitution provides that no memservices were also lower, but ber may serve for more than admissions of children to care- six consecutive years on the particularly older children- board.

were well above the level of the Because of his keen interest and involvement in the work The Invocation was pronounc- of the society, said McNaught, it ed by Rev. Robert Smith of was not easy for him to re-Richmond Hill United Church, linquish his position, "But it is whose wife, Jean Smith, is sec- necessary because there are ond vice-president of the others who should be involved society. President Rev. Robert and whose services are needed

McNaught of Newmarket intro- in our society" WORK NIGHTS duced the head table, including Mrs. McNaught, Mr. and Mrs. He paid tribute to office and Van Camp, First Vice-President social work staff who, said Mc-Garry Harding, and guest speak- Naught, gave up many evenings er Allen Spraggett and Mrs. and freetime hours to counsel girls in distress, meet families

The president told the assem- in crisis or find accommodation bly of about 150 people that it for children suddenly without it.



DONALD VAN CAMP Executive Director

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MOTHERS

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There has been a dramatic decrease in the | In the past year, McNaught cal and dental care. number of unmarried mothers seeking service from reported, the society has under-Children's Aid Society of York.

Of subsidized adoption. The these older children, and the ling of Mount Albert were also program, he said, warrants a society has budgeted for two re-elected for a second three

\$691,235 to the region, but it Six of the 19 member board overexpenditures in child care. next year. He attributed this to high costs

of providing education, medical The remaining four are ap-

NEW BOARD MEMBERS King Mayor Kenneth Mac-Mrs. Williamson was return- taggart.

more-one to open in July, and year term. New board members are Dr.

> was reduced \$655,914. Though have two of their three year underexpenditures in administration, the board attempted to counterbalance progressive or retirement from the board

and dental care. At the end of pointees from York Regional the year \$668,608 had been Council and will continue to represent the board for a sec-Funds for the CAS come from ond year. They are Georgina the region and the province, Mayor Dr. George Burrows, with the region paying 28 per- Whitchurch-Stouffville Mayor cent and the province 72 per- Kenneth Laushway, Markham Councillor Harold Lawrie and

"We are feeling the im-

pact of an increase in the

police budget of half a mil-

lion dollars. There is no

way any department can in-

crease at that rate without

causing trouble in other de-

Mayor Lazenby also noted

public health department also

dental program it has been try-

ing to introduce for two years

and which is badly needed, he

Council endorsed both pro-

grams and will ask the region

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partments", said Plaxton.

Social Planners Plead YAC, Family Services

Richmond Hill Social Plan- Mayor William Lazenby asning Council is deeply concern-sured the delegation that the Child care staff and home- ed by recent indications from fight would be continued. Regfinders work actively with the York Regional Council that in ional Councillor Don Plaxton foster parents, the executive an effort to cut the budget of also pledged his support, but director reported, and in 1971 the public health department by cautioned that if it came to a established an educational \$100,000, two local social serv- choice between increasing the course which hopefully will help ices YAC and the Family Serv- tax burden to an intolerable foster families in coping with ices will be struck from the level and providing social servproblems presented by children rolls. Both received a 75% ices, he will have to vote to resubsidy from the provincial gov- duce the tax levy at the regional Requests for services to fami-ernment.

lies remained essentially the "We are aware and deeply apsame as in 1970, said Van Camp, preciative of the efforts of the but referrals of teenagers by the Richmond Hill members of regcourt and requests for reports ional council as they fought to increased markedly, occupying have these services restrained, stated Mrs Marylo Graham of the Social Planning Council at the Richmond Hill Council With the changing picture in meeting Monday." "We are here the area of services to unwed tonight to say thank you and that regional council has no mothers, staff made a thorough to ask you to continue your real control over police. The

Mrs. Graham, who was ac- had to cut out \$50,000 for a companied by Chairman Rev. George Young of the Social Planning Council, recalled that town council on two occasions gave funds to tended program of counselling help get YAC established and to keep it running until Although the number of un- it got support from a highmarried mothers counselled in er level of government.

1971 dropped to 79 compared She reported that this year's C with the 152 served in 1970, a budget has been pared from greater percentage of putative \$39,000 last year to \$36,000 this fathers were served by the soc- year and that the province had iety-40 in 1971, 44 in 1970. approved a grant of \$27,000 or Although the number of 75% of the total.

babies available for adoption has declined, the demand has Compensation Denied not deminished. In spite of the Van Camp, those interested in Whitchurch Fireman adopting infants found it very

Ontario's Criminal Injuries difficult to understand and ac-Compensation Board March 23 And although the swing has denied compensation to a been gradual, there is now an former North York fire capincreased interest in adopting tain who suffered a heart attack helping arrest a man near & his Whitchurch-Stouffville Town The older child placement

program takes more time, more skill, more family counselling in heart attack October 11, 1969, Edward Goddard suffered the the group sense. Also, the older child has more deep-seated from his hore than a mile problems and staff must spend from his house to a point where more time in helping to resolve had seen a near-naked man in a 15-year-old girl reported she the bushes. Goddard's daughter had been attacked by a man in All children are not adopt-

the same area a year previously The board, in refusing comporarily. With the older child pensation, said Goddard could there is greater difficulty in not be considered a victim of crime, since the courts found no crime had been committed. It also found Goddard "did not have reasonable grounds to believe that the action taken by him would prevent the commission of a crime."

However, the Whitchurch man was awarded \$110 in legal and transcript costs and the board expressed the hope "that other forms of public assistance will be available to the family".

Goddard, who is only 41, told the board during two hearings that he was forced to resign from the fire department in December 1970, because of his health.



JOHN BARBER

Named To Council

The Association of Ontario Land Surveyors elected John Barber, B.Sc., P.Eng., OLS, DLS, to its council of management at its 80th annual meeting held in Thunder Bay last month. Mr. Barber is a director of J. D. Barnes Ltd., Sur-

vevors, of Willowdale. He and his wife Maureen, and their two children, live in Thornhill at 26 Dalmeny Road.



(Photo by Photique Studio)

Joins Hydro's Quarter Century Club

John (Jack) Pool, 150 Colbourne Avenue, Richmond Hill, was honored recently for 25 years' service with Ontario Hydro. He was presented with a Quarter Century Club Certificate from the commission.

For the past six years Mr. Pool has been Hydro's Central Region fleet supervisor. Born in Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, he came to this country as a boy. He lived in the Niagara Falls area and attended Stamford Township public schools and Stamford Collegiate, graduating in 1938. During World War II he served for four years with the Canadian Armed Forces. He then worked on a temporary basis for Hydro on line construction and in 1941 joined the Niagara Falls Post Office staff, returning to the commission in February, 1947, at Niagara Falls as an operator. He advanced to automobile mechanic and then to auto mechanic foreman for the Niagara Regional fleet, in which capacity he served from 1961 to 1966 when he transferred to his present position in Central Region with headquarters in Willowdale.

He and his wife, Velma, have a son and a daughter. In the picture Mr. Pool is seen in the centre receiving his certificate from George Stewart (right) of the Quarter Century Club, while Station Maintenance Superintendent Bill Kerr (left)

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