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selves," the speaker said.

tion of their worth."

Effective help in seeing that established problems don't re-occur will not take place unless social workers view their clients as important and do not treat them in a derogatory fashion, nor as invisible, Dr. Brian Wharf, of McMaster University, told the annual meeting of York Region Children's Aid Society last week in Aurora.

The most important characteristics for social workers were honesty, openess, friendliness and backbone, Dr. Wharf said.

Most resented by their clients were workers who "looked down on them," used a lot of jargon and didn't take time to explain the policies and practises of the agency.

Also, to improve this level client felt was an emergof preventive service, follow- ency and what the CA often up services to determine out- dealt with as a routine occome and user satisfaction, curence. should be instituted, the "Routinization is then a speaker said. defense mechanism which all

Dr. Wharf based his remarks on what he termed business use to protect themthe "concept of prevention". 889-1646 He said the necessity to deal with constant protection crises relegated prevention to second place. However, it was more ad-

visable to "submerge protection into prevention." The three levels of prevention lined, preventing problems ever, the latter had con- Wharf said from arising and early inter- tributed to it through staff- He said also, that what fully formed. EARLY INTERVENTION

es to the first method; the system where the staff be- ical and to tolerate, even first was accomplished came intimately familiar welcome, criticism from people prior to the onset of difficulties. The second consisted of the development of adequate institutional provisions for everyone, such as employment, income and housing.

Early intervention will be achieved by having CA staff "highly visible in local neighborhoods," working out of "non-stigmatized, social utility type locations such as schools and libraries."

Dr. Wharf said that social workers must be accessible in terms of their approach and attitude toward the people and their prob-

work between consumers and workers sets the tone of the helping relationship," he

also develop informal reand home maker services, he said. These played an iminto major ones.

most of the required skills "Live And Let Die".

The theme to this year's showed any decent form of Grammy Awards seemed to the Awards. But as any folbe one of nationality instead lower of pop music can see, of talent. Every major music the Americans are only part award (except the Best Score of the music industry. Proby Americans. In a matter of the Awards are won only by fact, of the 75 nominees se- Americans is that United lected in the major categories States controls the major of music for awards, only 3 financial proportion of the These were Anne Murray, political scheming and of re-

It would be unfair to deny Stevie Wonder the recognition he deserves for his notable contribution to pop music, and in particular, to

the field of rhythm and blues. He most certainly deserved the Best Male Vocal Performance Award in the Rhythm and Blues category, but the other three awards he won are not really justifiable. As for the poorly selected nominees in the Album Of The Year category, the only album which at all showed any decent from of intelligent lyrics, adequate arrangements and production Simon" by Paul Simon. But strangely enough the winner was a less significant production called "Innervisions" by Stevie Wonder. In the Best Male Vocal Performance category in the field of Pop, Rock and Folk, Paul Simon again should have won although Stevie Wonder did. In this category, single songs 'And I Love You" by Perry Como, "Bad, Bad Leroy Brown" by Jim Croce, "Daniel" by Elton John, "You Are The Sunshine Of My Life" by Stevie Wonder and the entire album "There Goes Rhymin' Simon' by Paul Simon were nominated. Seldom is an album nominated to a category where singles are the nominees. But in this case, where it is, how can you give the Award to a simple love song ("You Are The Sunshine Of My Life") when an entire album, superbly written and produced by

Pop Music in North America. is in the same category? It's a wonder that someone of Paul Simon's superior musical talent would even allow his presence to be seen at such a mickey mouse' operation as the Grammy Awards. This could well be the reason why the Beatles minus Paul, when nominated in the past, had never bothered to attend the Grammys.

Even in the category, Best

probably the best writer in

New Artists, such performers as The Pointer Sisters and Steelers Wheel were not James Sellis, Georgina even nominated. As you well Township, was named to a know Bette Midler won this Award, if not because of her lusty character but because None of the York Regional of her poorly selected lack-Council representatives - lustre opponents. In 1975, Mayor Margaret Britnell, the Grammy Awards or King; Mayor William Lazen- should I say the 'Mickey by, Richmond Hill; Council- Mouse Awards' could hardly lors Harry Crisp, Markham; show as much ignorance as and Robert Pollock, Georgina they have shown this year in Township, attended the meet- their selections of the top music awards. I suppose the only realistic way to calcu-The meeting also paid tri- late what is considered the bute to Mrs. Ellen Smith, best is to allow only the mu-Richmond Hill, a member of sicians and the public the the board of directors, who option to vote. But even so, will be moving to Toronto one must remember that it with her family, her husband, isn't truly possible, after Dr. Robert Smith, having ac- considering the enormous cepted the position of senior number of selections, to calminister at Eglinton United culate what is truly best and what is truly not.

Also, the agencies had been staffed with "one brand of professional and demanded that the non-professional pattern himself after the preferred social work model." This limited the possibility of having a variety of views on services and organizational structures.

Prevention at all levels is a CAS responsibility. Dr. Wharf said. And while the CAS shouldn't assume total responsibility, it could play a leadership role in documenting and forcefully communicating the need for new and more adequate institutional provisions.

It could also assist consumers to develop effective resources at the secondary level and improve its third professionals in the crisis line prevention services.

"I think we have come a long way, but perhaps not This could lead to adverse far enough, in recognizing effects, such as clients ex- that if the CAS does not orperiencing "some derogaganize itself to contribute on the basis of knowledge and the contacts it alone pos-SOCIAL CONSCIENCES This "crisis orientation" sesses, the community will wasn't one of the CA's choos- never be ready to develop included the one already out- ing, Dr. Wharf said. How- the required resources," Dr.

vention before problems were ing and service delivery, and was needed was children's centralizing services in terms aid societies with "highlyof location. These seemed developed social consciences, There were two approach- to militate against a service and a capacity to be self critthrough the identification of with an area and its prob- wide variety of resources."

ROCK TALK

By PAUL JONES

The Mickey Mouse Awards

(Formerly The Grammy Awards)

"A partnership style of For Motion Picture) was won bably the main reason why Workers and clients must people were not Americans, music industry. Because of sources within the area, such Elton John, and Paul Mc- cord companies buying up as temporary foster homes Cartney who himself was the block votes for their own only non-American to win a artists, the National Academy Grammy Award, McCartney, of Recording Arts and Scienportant part in preventing along with a producer, ces has tended to give some minor problems developing George Martin, won an award of the awards to artists who for writing the music score never should have been no-Dr. Wharf said he felt to the James Bond movie minated in the first place.

could be learned by CA If the Grammy Awards workers and didn't have to were given only to American be restricted to graduates of performers because they community work sequences. rightfully deserved them, The third level of pre- there would be no reason for vention dealt with what the so many recording artists to

Older Child Adoptions Increase

The emphasis in adoption | ment of a treatment facility for the "older child" conti- to "better cope with the exnued in York Region through- ploding numbers of problem out the year, with a slight teenage children," and by increase in agency place- developing an innovative faments to 134, Executive Di- mily services program, mak- was "There Goes Rhymin' rector Donald Van Camp ing the services of the agency said in his report to the an- more accessible to people; by nual meeting of the Chil- improving inter-agency comdren's Aid Society in Aurora munication and by experi-He said the total number and inter-agency team ap-

of children in care decreased proaches to the problems of from 252 to 223, while the requests for services to unmarried mothers continued at the "newly-established low of 1972," with little change anticipated in the near future.

He said, also that, while the infant population declined, the teenage group in care continued to increase "dramatically" in number.

Mr. Van Camp said the family services department was "overhauled" in 1973, leading to numerous staff changes and some curtailment in services.

However, the agency now had a full complement of social workers, "who, I feel confident, will bring a much improved family service to the citizens of York," he said. Mr. Van Camp said that much could be done in 1974 by remembering that teen age problems didn't develop overnight and required longrange treatment. This could be done with the establish-

In York Van Camp Tells Meeting menting with shared-space

> service delivery. A breakdown of the financial statement for the year showed that, for every dollar spent, 50 cents went for direct child care cost; 31 cents for other specific costs and protection services; and 19 cents for administration

> The board received 68 cents from the provincial government and 32 cents from the region for every dollar, or a total of \$547,203 from the formek and \$259,783 from the latter.

> > In the treasurer's report,

submitted by Mrs. Margaret Atkinson, it showed that the Society ended the year with a deficit of \$4,108, or .99 percent of the total budget. Mrs. Atkinson said the deficit could be attributed to the great increase in the number of children between

the ages of 11 and 15 brought

Named to the Society's board of directors for threeyear terms were: Mrs. Atkinson, Newmarket; Mrs. Shirley Cruikshank, Woodbridge; Mrs. Terry Farquharson, Oak Ridges; Murray Smith, Newmarket; and Dr. Harvey Socol, Richmond Hill.

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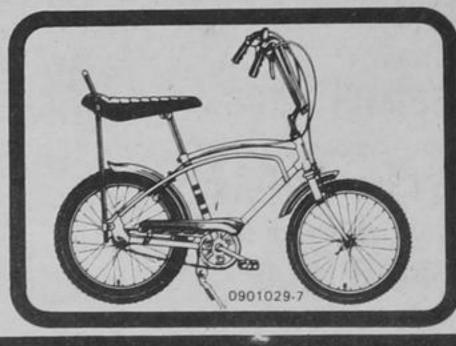
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