

# Headford H. School Chairman Fails to Block Approval of Deb. For a New Technical School

Despite the strong objections of High School Board chairman, Stewart Rumble, Headford, 3rd con. of Markham, the township council gave approval last week to pay their share of a \$425,000 debt for a technical or composite high school at Thornhill.

A deputation, including the chairman, appeared before Markham Township Council, and Mr. Ashforth, a member of the deputation gave council a picture of the need for such a school. He said that the Board, which handles schools at Richmond Hill, Woodbridge and Thornhill, was presently paying Metro for sixteen students attending schools for technical training. He said that there would possibly be more attending such schools if it were not for the fact that the parents had to pay the cost of transportation.

Deputy-reeve Dean and councillor Watson placed a motion before Reeve Clark but before he could put the motion, chairman Rumble spoke out strongly in opposition.

He questioned the concern of the township as to the extent of school costs when without discussion they would pass a motion to raise nearly half a million dollars or at least recommend that the county do so.

He said that while the actual school building did not differ greatly from any ordinary high school, the maintenance costs soared. He said it cost \$200 more to educate one student in this type of school than in academic.

"Just where do you think the costs of education are going? I hope this council knows, but if they do, they are apparently not giving out any information," said Mr. Rumble.

Reeve Clark commented that the Bond Houses had issued a warning against excessive issues of these debentures.

Mrs. Kathleen James, former Markham Twp. councillor, asked why county had an off-again on-again system of passing these school debentures.

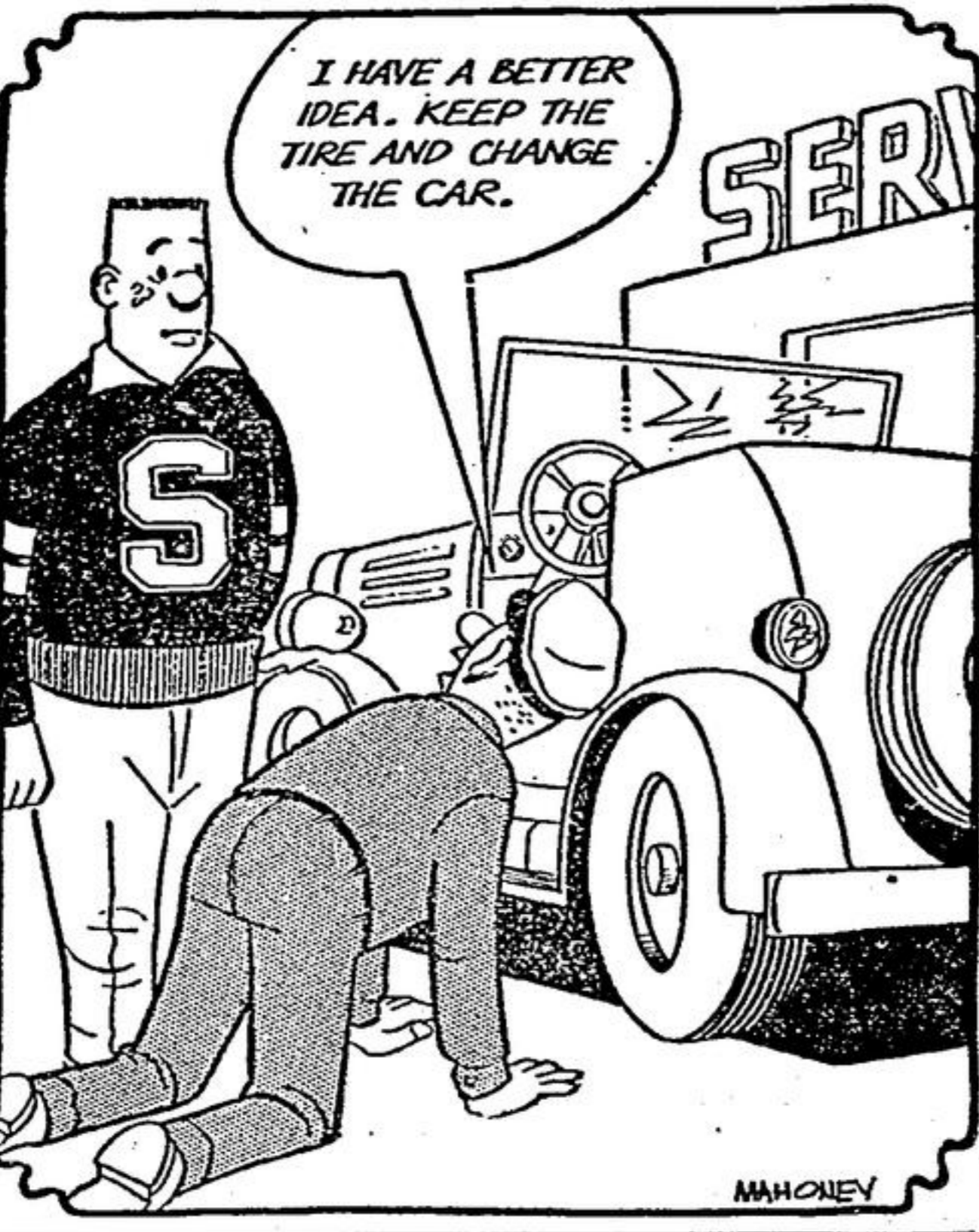
Reeve Clark stated that the policy in county council was to act on a majority vote of the members. He expressed the view that the request seemed a little late this year, and warned that at present, county 6% debentures could not be sold for par.

Mr. Rumble interjected that the Board members were all appointed and no control existed over them except that exercised by council.

"This deputation came here to present a request for the raising of funds, a request passed by the majority of the Board members. I think the chairman is out of order in stating the view of a minority before council at this time," said Mrs. James.

She stated that the children required such a school and

## HALF-PAST TEEN



many would benefit. She realized the extra cost but felt that the present source of funds, the county, might not be available again for some time, and pressed to have council pass the request.

"Maintenance cost of this Board now went up 72% last year," said Mr. Rumble.

Reeve Clark reminded the Board that the Municipal Board could reject the request, and

had done so before when Richmond Hill requested another school.

Reeve Clark placed the motion before council and it passed without a dissenting voice.

Addressing Mr. Rumble, Mrs. James said, "If you know of a better way to do this than by majority vote, you better bring it forward." "I don't know of a worse one, in this case," replied Mr. Rumble.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(Lesson for November 20)  
Psalms 96; 103  
GOLDEN TEXT — Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.—Psalm 103:1, 2.

**THE HEART OF THE LESSON**  
In the sobering record of that awful downgrade movement of the heathen, it is significant that at the top of the list is the sin of unthankfulness (Romans 1:21). From the spring-board of this sin of omission came the downward plunge into the hideous morass of idolatry. Significant also is the prediction that this same sin of ingratitude is to characterize the closing period of this age: "In the last days . . . men shall be . . . unthankful" (2 Tim. 3:1, 2).

This may seem to be a mere trifle. However, this is not so, for it reveals an attitude of indifference. God, the source of all good, is not worth thanking! In thus minimizing and despising His gifts, men minimize and despise Him.

But the Christian is different. He is expected to live the new life in an atmosphere of genuine appreciation. He begins it with "giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made (him) . . . meet (or fit) to be (a partaker) . . . of the inheritance of the saints in light" (Col. 1:12), and continues by "abounding therein with thanksgiving" (Col. 2:7). Hence, every day should be Thanksgiving Day with the child of God. To praise Him with a song magnifies and pleases; "the Lord better than an ox or bullock that hath horns and hoofs" (Psalm 69:30, 31). "O come, let us adore Him!"

**The Heart of the Lesson**  
It is so easy for us all to become more occupied with our blessings than with the Blesser; to permit the gifts to eclipse the Giver.

This is illustrated in the story of the healing of the ten lepers. While ten of them were cleansed by the miracle-working Christ, it was only one of them who returned to give thanks. This evoked our Lord's comment, "Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger" (Luke 17:11-19).

Does this incident provide us with any yardstick? May we conclude that only ten percent of the blessed return to express appreciation to the Blesser?

As with us all, the Lord appreciates appreciation. His love craves our love in return. And He is grieved when we take His gifts for granted, and come before Him only when some desperate need is crowding in upon us.

The majority of human beings today treat God as they would treat the fire extinguisher hanging on the wall—"to be used in case of emergency only."

The Spirit-filled Christian will abound in thanksgivings, not only for his triumphs but also for his trials. After all, this is the real test of Christianity. Look at Paul and Silas in prison with aching heads and lacerated backs. They are the victims of high-handed injustice, and the outlook is bleak, indeed. Yet what are they doing? They are both praying and singing. It is not difficult to understand their praying, but it is thrilling to hear them singing amidst such black circumstances. It has been said that the stoic grins and bears it, but the Christian sings and bears it! This is where true Christianity triumphs.

The Psalms of our lesson today overflow with the soul's gratitude to the great and gracious God who has dealt with the Psalmist so generously.

## Guide and Brownie News

By Irene Lye (Dist. Commissioner)  
Ballantrae Local Association held their election of officers on Monday, November 7th; there was a very good attendance. Retiring chairman Mrs. Dorcen Ogden introduced the Commissioner and then turned the meeting over to her. Secretary-Treasurer Mrs. Simpson read the minutes of the last meeting, also the Financial statement. It was very gratifying to the group as a whole to hear just how much in funds all their hard work of this last year, had raised for the Brownies and Guides. In view of the comfortable balance on hand, it was made a motion that \$50 be given to the Guide Leaders right away to purchase supplies for the new Company and to



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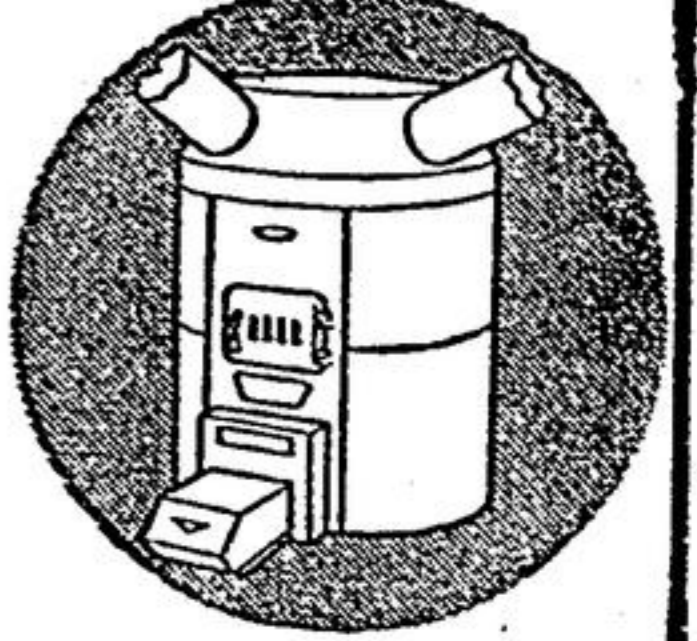
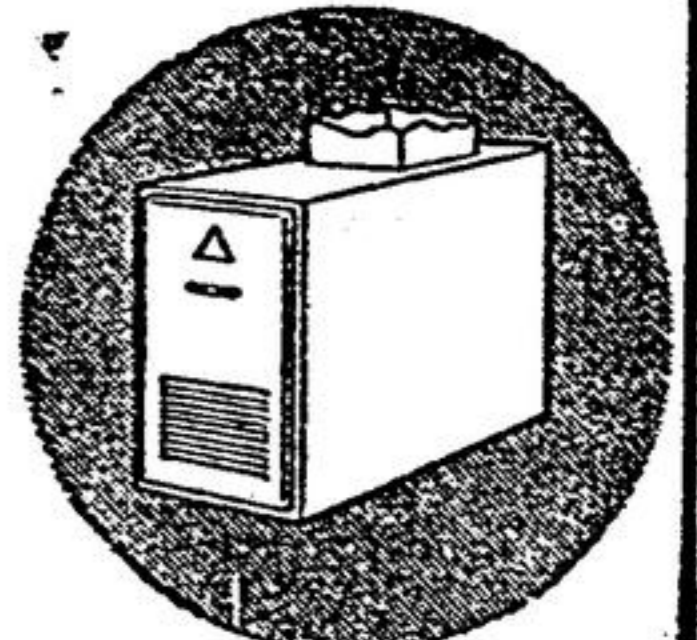
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give them a working fund. The Brownies report cash in hand sufficient to carry them for awhile. New officers elected are, Chairman, Mrs. Montgomery; Asst. Chairman, Mrs. Burrows; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Simpson; Badge-Secretary, Mrs. Jenkins; Social Convener, Mrs. Davies. We wish them a happy and busy year.

The Census forms arrived correct and on time, and it was remarkable to note the various forms of service both Guides and Brownies had given in the community. Our membership is now 159 Girls, 13 Leaders and two interested groups of adult sponsors, namely the Ballantrae L.A. and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Markham Veterans.

Markham First Guide Company were recent hosts to their Commissioner, all the local Guide and Brownie Leaders and Ballantrae Guide Company and Ballantrae Brownie Leaders. The occasion was the enrollment of four new Leaders and three Girl Guides. The Ladies Auxiliary of the Markham Veterans, our sponsoring group, served a delightful lunch and a very happy evening was enjoyed by all.

Markham First Brownies will act as hosts to their Ballantrae sisters on Wednesday, Nov. 9th, and both groups are looking forward to a very interesting meeting.

Attendance at the Richmond Hill Leader training was wonderful, and we hope that L.A. and sponsoring groups will remember the Area training for

them at the Oshawa Y.W.C.A. on Friday, Nov. 25th at 7.30, and that the Leaders will plan to attend the all day session for them at the same place on Saturday, November 26th. If you have a friend who is interested in helping the movement as a Leader, please bring her along.

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## House Plants And Light

If there's light to be had, house plants certainly try to find it. Notice how a plant in a window becomes one-sided and twisted.

This phenomenon (phototropism) is ample proof that light is one of the most important

considerations for the welfare of your favourite house plants. But that doesn't mean that every plant needs as much light as it can get. Too much light is often disastrous, especially to some foliage plants whose natural habitat is one of diffused light, or even extreme shade.

In hot summer, certain care

must be taken in the location of house plants. A hot, sunlit window can make conditions almost unbearable for some plants. But now that winter is coming, you need have no fears about the damaging effects of the sun. In the winter, the daylight period is short, so place plants in the brightest spot in

the house. Some foliage plants, such as Dracaena, Philodendron, Rubber plant and Sansevieria, will tolerate partial light.

To prevent the bending of plants toward sources of light, horticulturists with the Ontario Department of Agriculture suggest giving the pots a quarter turn every day.



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The parent extends his hand—but he cannot reach far enough; alone. Yours is needed too. Mental retardation is not just a problem for the parents involved. It is a problem for everybody. Please help.