

It's quite an acrobatic stunt, but many women have succeeded in kicking their husbands up the ladder to success.

500 Canvassers in Action For Thornhaven School

From Agincourt to Woodbridge on the south and from Stouffville to King on the north, the Canvassers for Thornhaven School for Retarded Children, are on the march. They need \$30,000 to keep the School operating for the next two years. Thornhaven covers south York County and Willowdale and must get additional funds by public canvassing to keep their doors open.

Every two years the School comes to the public for help. Realizing the heavy demands made on the community pocket-book, they try to do this on the premise that people are having heavy demands made on them annually by other commitments.

Over and above the municipal and provincial grants, another \$15,000 is needed annually to keep the School in operation. It costs nearly \$150 per day to operate Thornhaven, of which \$90 is supplied by grants and donations, and a further \$60 is needed to cover the balance. The school buses, two of them, travel 161 miles per day; the teaching staff for forty pupils; books, lighting, heating and maintenance soon eat into the budget. All this takes money.

The beautiful school is paid for but owing to the pressing need to help Retarded Children and the increasing enrolment, the overhead is going up. Until such time as the Provincial and Federal and Municipal Governments move in to subsidize, the School will need Public Support to keep its door open. Your help is urgently needed.

York County Welfare Cost Over \$20 Million

Welfare services, to which the Ontario Government contributed the greatest sum, cost \$20,141,317 in York County during the 1958-59 fiscal year, a detailed analysis just completed by the Welfare Department at Queen's Park shows.

On the basis of an assessed population of 1,509,792, the per capita cost works out to \$13.34. The Province provided \$9,281,507 or 46.1 percent of the total. The Federal Government contributed 30.6 percent, the municipalities 20.4 percent and other sources 2.9 percent.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(Lesson for December 11)
GOD'S PROMISE OF A SAVIOUR
Isa. 9; Matt. 4:12-17, 23:25; Galatians 4:4-7

GOLDEN TEXT — For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace—Isa. 9:6

THE LESSON AS A WHOLE
Because the people of Israel had concluded a military alliance with heathen Syria and had aggravated this by coming under the influence of evil spirits, God was about to visit His wrath upon them. Darkness would be their portion, and the desperate conditions described in the concluding verses of chapter eight of Isaiah would be the consequences of this condemnation.

This darkness, however, would not be unrelieved, nor would it be permanent. Into this very area — Gentile Galilee — light would burst. And with this light would come abounding joy. The enemy would be vanquished and the people delivered. The storm would be followed by calm and light.

Just as Galilee, in the northern part of Palestine, was the corridor down which the invader usually marched toward Jerusalem, so now Galilee would be the first to introduce deliverance and the deliverer.

This deliverer is the supernatural and unique Christ, the Son of God and the Son of David. He is the true King whose Kingdom will ultimately bring righteousness and peace to the troubled earth.

Appearing on the horizon of human affairs in "the fullness of the time," He would be perfectly human as well as perfectly divine. By His death He would redeem the condemned ones of the outraged Law, and actually make them sons of God.

In addition to this new relationship, they would be dowered by His very Spirit, and thus become God's distinguished heirs.

The Heart of the Lesson
Our study today concerns a great messianic prophecy and a great fulfillment. Perhaps it would be more accurate to state, however, that the fulfillment is partial, and that certain elements

await the future for their complete realization.

The Old Testament has Israel chiefly in view, and its prophets consistently envisage the glorious future of the people under the scepter of the Messiah. Some of these predictions have to do with Messiah's first advent, and some with His second. Those concerning the former were fulfilled to the exact detail. We may have every confidence that those affecting the latter will be just as exactly consummated.

Christ was sent not only to redeem Israel as a nation but also as individuals. This necessitated His redeeming sacrifice on the cross, and the settling of the sin question. Thus forgiveness could be righteously proffered.

Another need remained, however, and that was the matter of relationship. Not as cringing criminals who have been just pardoned, God undertook to make us actual sons in the family—sons who are also His heirs and worshipers. But this required another gift—that of the Spirit of His Son, the Holy Spirit.

Thus Bethlehem was in view of Calvary, and Calvary was in view of Pentecost.

This involves the most intimate of relationships and should produce the fullest of praise.

CEDAR GROVE

Names with soft, strange sounds representing far away places were entered in Cedar Grove School Visitors Book last Friday afternoon. Mrs. Smith and the children were introduced to Sarjini Menon from Malaya, Lucia Moh from Free China, Mahmuda Ahmed from Pakistan, Herbert Bulley of the Ministry of Education in Ghana, Luther Hines of the Education Department of Jamaica, West Indies and Isaac Lanay, also from Ghana. The thrill of meeting these world travellers was enhanced by the fact that Miss Menon and Mr. Ahmed wore their colourful native costume. There was a certain amount of contriving on the children's parts to feel the exotic materials which were apparently "soooo soft". Miss Moh left her signature and her address on the blackboard in Chinese.

The Columbia Plan is responsible for enabling young people from all parts of the world to study our methods of education and Mr. Hallman is responsible for their being at SS 20. They had never before seen an ungraded school and were keenly interested in seeing one in operation. None of the questions Mrs. Smith had anticipated were asked but she was faced with dozens she had never been called upon to answer for any previous group.

Perhaps because of the oriental 'save face' philosophy, they were surprised that small children who knew so little could be comfortable and unembarrassed in a room with older ones who knew so much. It impressed them to learn that the older

HALF-PAST TEEN



ones were encouraged to help the little ones and the system avoided any difficulty along those lines.

All the visitors and Mr. Flower, of the Ontario College of Education, spent time talking to the children individually, so by the time the visit ended, there had been a good exchange of conversation and ideas.

Some of the ladies' groups in the village have been asked to contribute small Christmas presents to the Canadian Mental Health Assoc. in order to provide a more pleasant Christmas for patients both in hospitals and homes. Anyone wishing to contribute small parcels for this purpose may put them in the box provided in Chuck McCarty's.

The Mitten Tree, which has become a traditional part of Christmas in Cedar Grove, will appear at Zion Church from Dec. 11th to 18th. Mittens will be forwarded to the Save the Children Fund as usual. Please tie your mittens to the tree and help to make it well decorated.

The November meeting of the Community Club was held after a Pot Luck Supper in Zion Church basement. The long and lovely fall prompted a combined Harvest-Christmas motif. Films were shown for the children while the meeting was in progress.

Won Prizes At Chicago

Canadian bred Holsteins dominated the International Dairy Show at Chicago, December 1 and 2, winning twelve firsts in twenty-one classes, including both male and female Grand Championships, and the Best Uddered Female trophy.

Romandale Farms, Unionville, Ontario, won both the Premier Breeder and Premier Exhibitor awards, showed the Reserve Grand Champion female, and took five firsts, including first and second prize in the senior get-of-sire class.

REPORT from OTTAWA

By Michael Starr, M.P.
Minister of Labour

Parliament has now before it legislation that will create more jobs.

Amendments to the National Housing Act, guaranteed loan assistance to small business, increased grants for vocational training to enable young people to obtain technical training, tremendous works projects including (with the co-operation of the provinces) the Columbia River project and the Winnipeg Floodway, as well as the Pine Point Railway and the railway to Mattagami in Quebec.

These, and other matters on the legislative agenda, are being considered by Parliament at a rate of speed unparalleled in recent years.

This is not to suggest that measures are being rushed through. Careful consideration is being given. But measures which in previous years would have entailed all sorts of repetitive discussion with each member speaking his full allotted time, are now being approved with a minimum of down-to-earth, brass tacks discussion.

Among the measures to win a degree of approval from all sides have been the proposed loans to small businesses. This is meeting with a great deal of approval both inside and outside the House.

The particular application to the tourist industry is being welcomed by members of that industry across Canada.

One member who is particularly happy with the measure is Gordon Aiken, Progressive Conservative member for Muskoka-Parry Sound, who first introduced the measure as a private bill in 1958.

On Friday, the House went into committee to consider a Resolution sponsored by the Minister of Labour, which would have the effect of authorizing substantial Government contributions to new vocational and technical training institutions across Canada.

The purpose of such action would be, of course, to provide increased facilities for young Canadians to acquire vocational and technical training so necessary at a time when new methods and processes are imposing a greater need for skilled workers.

At the same time there was considerable discussion on a government proposal to contribute to the erection of student residences for Canadian universities.

The purpose of both measures tends to the same end — to provide a needed shot in the arm to Canadian educational facilities.

The progress made in the Soviet Union in scientific and technical endeavour has brought home to many Canadians the need for a close look at the facilities which are available in this country, particularly in the technical and vocational field, and the present measures are the Government's attempt to meet the situation and to bring home to Parliament and the country the urgency of further progress in this direction.

At the first of the week the Government brought down legislation to deal with the threatened railway strike. The legislation would have the effect of postponing a decision in the matter until after the report of the Royal Commission on Transportation was received in the Spring.

Dealing with the freight rate structure, the Royal Commission Report would materially affect the atmosphere in which wage negotiations could be carried on.

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CANADIAN NATIONAL

The House came to grips with the delaying legislation in an atmosphere in which it was generally agreed that a nationwide cessation of railway operations at this time would be in the nature of a national calamity. Meanwhile, following the railway issue, the House will return to consideration of the many and important pieces of legislation foreshadowed in the Speech from the Throne. The sense of urgency which was evident at the opening of Parliament has continued, with members of all sides anxious to put into effect measures to provide jobs for as many Canadians as possible as quickly as possible.

"Temporarily, the sense of hearing is considerably dulled by eating," says a physician. Kindly nature does the best she can to protect us against after-dinner speakers.

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