The attainment of the Federated Charities objective of \$776,000 means much more than just food and shelter to the thousands dependent on these thirty-two agencies.

It means also all those forms of assistance that are helping people back along the road to health and decent living. It means nursing and convalescent care for the sick, protection for homeless children, playgrounds and neighbourhood clubs to keep boys and girls off the streets. It means "another chance" to the discharged prisoner and to the boy or girl in trouble.

It means employment services and legal aid for the destitute, health clinics for babies and children, and security for old people in their declining years.

The Federated Charities require more funds to meet the increased calls upon them and it is unthinkable that we should fail to stand behind these charities when their services are most urgently needed.

I appeal to each of you personally to give more if you can, or if you have never given before, to subscribe generously to the Charities this year.