

REGISTERED NURSE HONORED



On Monday, April 21, 1980, the Board of Governors honoured Mrs. Ella Carnegie, Registered Nurse, for her 30 years of continuing service to the County of Bruce General Hospital. Mrs. Carnegie, left, was

presented with a beautiful inscribed silver tray by Mrs. Ruth Rosevear, chairman of the Public Relations Committee of the Board of Governors of the County of Bruce General Hospital.

PRESENTATIONS ARE MADE RETIRING EDITOR AND WIFE

Publisher and editor of the Walkerton Herald-Times for 31 years, Harold Wesley and his wife, Irene, were the recipients of mementoes, presented by the newspaper staff, at a Christmas party held at the Wesley home on Saturday evening, December 22nd.

Following a turkey dinner served buffet style, there was an enjoyable exchange of gifts beside the Christmas tree. During this, Harold was presented with a framed engraved printing plate of the front page of the December 5th, 1984, edition of the Herald-Times, which car-

ried the announcement and article pertaining to the Walkerton newspaper's change of ownership, after a span of 101 years in the family.

The editor and his wife were also the recipients of a beautiful engraved silver tray, while John Wesley received a wrist watch, the latter two presents bearing the names of fellow and staff members at the newspaper office. Mrs. Wesley was likewise given a lovely silver brooch with a musical significance.

Games were participated in, and the very pleasant evening concluded with a luncheon.



CLOSES PRACTICE--After 28 years of practice in Walkerton, Dr. Clifford James has retired. He will continue serving communities in Northern Ontario by relieving doctors who wish to take a break. Dr. Dave Ponesse, of Clifford, has taken over James' practice. (Stull photo)

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when he was young. While a medical student at the University of Toronto, Dr. James worked on lake boats in this area.

"At that time I thought someday, when I'm through medicine, that's where I'd like to live. Since Walkerton was the county town of Bruce County, I chose to practice here."

After graduating from school in 1947, Dr. James worked at one of the first hospitals in Saskatchewan for 14 years. He and his wife, Fran, originally planned to stay out west for two years, "but we enjoyed it very much and the stay turned into 14 years."

In 1961 he returned to practice in Ontario because doctors were having problems with the government in Alberta at that time.

Upon coming to Walkerton he first worked with Dr. O'Toole. He then went into a solo practice, but "worked as a team with everyone in town."

After practicing for 28 years, going into the office in the afternoons and working at the hospital in the mornings became a habit.

"That's the way I lived. Then you reach a point where you feel as though you're pretty much in a rut.

"I never liked a rigid routine, day in and day out. I like variety."

He got away regularly for courses and took time for holidays and relaxing, which he says is important.

During the past few years he also broke the day to day routine by relieving doctors in northern Ontario when they needed a break. He'll continue to do so on an individual, voluntary basis.

"Northern communities are always underdoctored and pleading for more medical help."

Doctors generally tend to set up practice in southern Ontario because of "very good hospitals."

Dr. James' children, three girls and two boys, all attended school in Walkerton and now live in various parts of Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia.

"Medicine has been good to me. I like to do what I can to make it work."

Dr. Dave Ponesse, formerly practicing in Clifford, took over Dr. James' practice on March 15.

"He (Dr. Ponesse) had carried on for me when I went north to work. He was well received and did excellent work.

"He was the logical successor for me."