

The Fine New Home Built in St. Marys in 1970



ON WATERLOO ST., EAST WARD — the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doug. Forster.

A Need For "Better People" *Jan. 6 1971*

One thing that has stood out in the past year are the number of times people have commented concerning our youth, and people of all ages also, that the troubles in society are caused by a very small minority.

Writing in the current issue of the United Church Observer, we notice that the Rev. Andrew Lawson, of Timothy Eaton Memorial Church, Toronto, has these comments to make, with which many of us will wholeheartedly agree, when he says:—

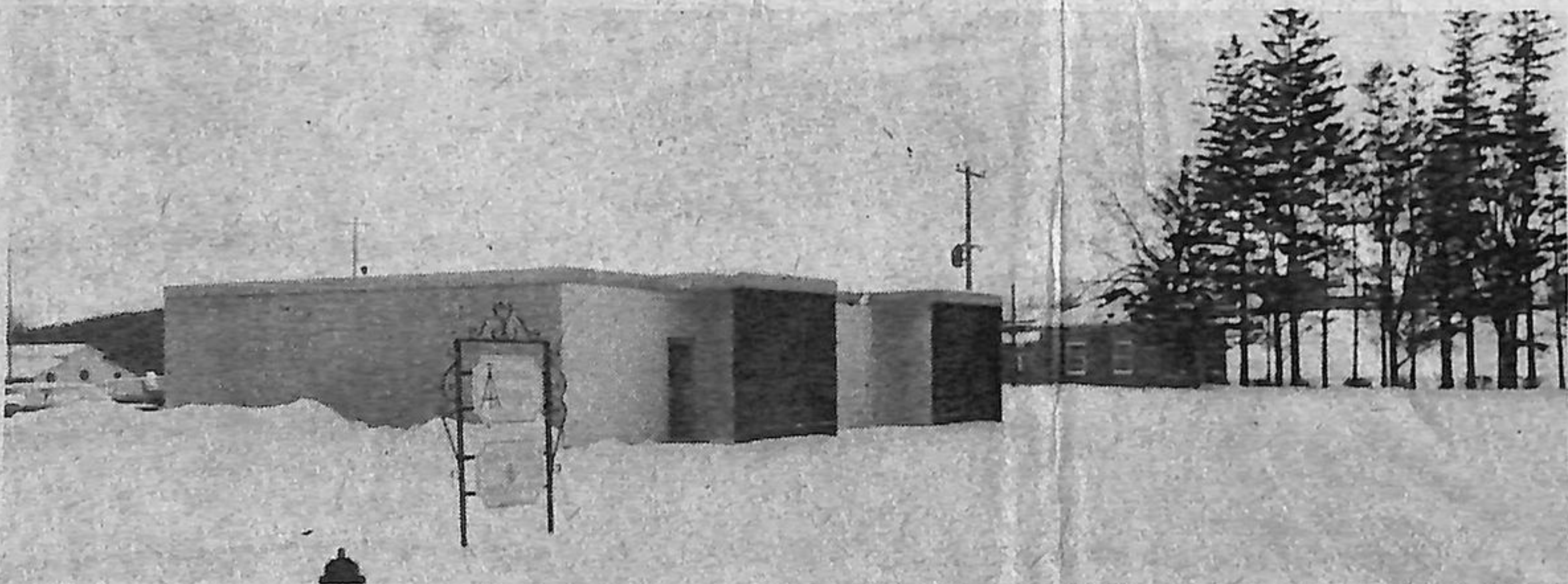
"I am convinced that the promoters and believers in violence, as a means of change, represent a very small portion of our society; yet they get an inordinate amount of space in the media. If one did not know better, one would come to the conclusion that this was the opinion of the majority. I believe the vast majority of our citizens are good, honest, creative and useful."

Where do these latter people come

from? Rev. Mr. Lawson suggests that apparently no organization in the world except the Christian Church is dedicated to the task of producing such people. "Unfortunately", he adds, "there does not appear to be any mass turning to the church. The move seems to be in the opposite direction . . ."

"Better people" are necessary for a "better society", he emphasizes, and concludes:—"To think that we can have a new and beautiful society by violent revolution is simply stupid, as long as people remain the same. It is people who must be changed before there can be any real, lasting change for the better in society. You cannot even force better things on people if they do not want them. Not for long, you can't! This is why all this talk about violence as a means to a better world is infantile babble. To permanently have a better society we must have better people."

Two New Commercial Enterprises Opened in St. Marys in 1970



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BAIRD LUMBER — This is the fine new replacement for the building destroyed by fire early in 1970.

Brown's Corners

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Arthur attended the 45th wedding anniversary in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Tate at the home of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Corbin Pearson. Mrs. Allan Sims assisted Mrs. Pearson.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Schutt were New Years guests of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Maguire, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Muir and Mr. John Muir were received into Brown's United Church by transfer, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Brown of Thorndale and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Palmer and family were New Years guests at the Reg Harris home.

A Christmas dance, put on by the Christian Education Committee of the Pastoral Charge and the Young People's Dance Committee was held in the school-house at Brown's last Tuesday night. One might conclude that the generation gap was not very prominent as young and not-so-young joined together in a variety of dance steps, as the building echoed with fun and laughter, while everyone enjoyed the music of the Dave Harris family of Dorchester. During the evening, a most delicious smorgasbord luncheon was served in the church basement, followed by more dancing. The committees in charge were: From Brown's, John Conway, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Towle, Mrs. Fred Arthur, Dennis Kingdon, Ruth-Anne Beavers and Elizabeth Beavers; from Wellburn, Donald Lamond, Leonard Wakem, Mrs. Denzil Paterson and Gordon Switzer; from North Nissouri, Donald Knapton. Carol Facey as convener of the decorating committee was in charge of the festive appearance of the building, being assisted by several girls. Another highlight of the evening was the breaking of the "Pinata" which was made by Heather Paterson. It was filled with goodies and suspended from the ceiling. The following took a swing at it, while blind-folded: Patsy Conn, David Arthur and Beverly West, who was successful in breaking it, after which Rev. Mr. Chapman passed the treats around. Part of the decoration also included a large painting, done by Donald Hutton. A sincere word of thanks goes out to all the committee, both for the lovely dance and also the abundant lunch. The evening could certainly be called a real success, and according to comments heard from all age groups, another one may be held in the not-too-distant future.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Schutt were Mr. and Mrs. Warren Beavers, Jamie and Jennifer of London, and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin McCorquodale, also of London. *JAN. 6/71*