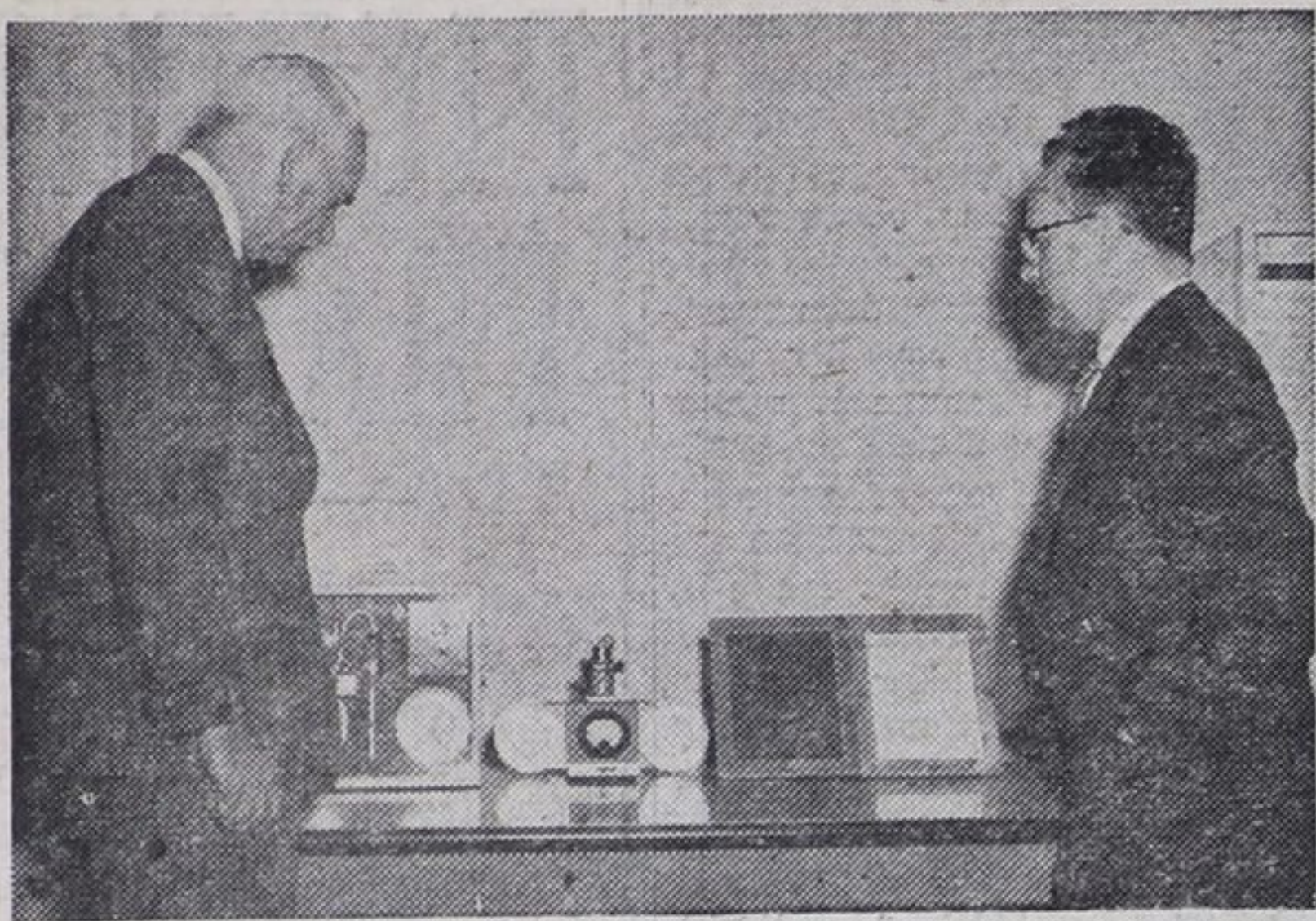


**Dymond Discusses Health in Ontario**



Ontario Health Minister Dymond, right, and Dr. C. M. Jephcott, left, Director of the Health Department's Air Pollution Control Branch, examine some of the latest scientific equipment used to measure air pollution.

**Air Pollution Survey Completed**

Matthew B. Dymond, MD, CM.  
Ontario Minister of Health

A survey of air pollution from Niagara-on-the-Lake to Fort Erie along the Canadian side of the Niagara River has just been concluded. The survey was carried out by the Air Pollution Control Branch of the Ontario Department of Health.

This branch, only three years old, is the province's investigator and advisor on air pollution, and this survey which has just been completed is typical of the field investigation work it carries out.

Six air sampling stations were set up for the survey: two at Niagara Falls and one each at Chippawa, Stamford Township, Queenston and Fort Erie. Data was collected on the type and quantity of the different kinds of air contaminants which are being released into the atmosphere in this region and air pollution levels were determined at each of the six sites over a period of one year. The survey was particularly important since this area is heavily polluted from several sources.

The survey was carried out in conjunction with one being made on the other side of the river by the Air Pollution Control Board of the State of New York. The two studies combined will give a good idea of how contaminants are blown across the international boundary.

Any questions on the work of the Department of Health in this field, or suggested topics for these columns, should be sent to the Director of Information and Publicity, Ontario Department of Health, Queen's Park, Toronto.

Everywhere in the province that there is an air pollution problem the control branch of the Ontario Department of Health is ready to make an assessment and recommend appropriate control measures.

Crop damage in the Port Colborne area was believed to be due to air pollution. The branch investigated and found that evidence pointed to the stack of a nearby industry as being responsible. With the co-operation of the company concerned, measures were taken to reduce the amount of pollution.

Legislation allows Ontario municipalities to pass a by-law controlling air pollution and the control branch assists them in every way. It loans equipment for testing air pollution levels, makes recommendations on the basis of the findings, advises on the writing of the by-law itself, and also trains local staff to enforce the by-law's provisions.

Personnel from the branch lecture to public health groups and professional bodies.

In its own laboratory at 67 College Street, Toronto, the control branch is carrying out important research using and evaluating the latest equipment obtainable. The work it does here and in its specialized investigations through the province helps to combat this serious health menace.

**Home And School Groups Arrive At Crossroads**

A group of well-known press people were talking socially on November 17th when word came that the Executive of The Canadian Home and School and Parent-Teacher Federation had decided to:

"meet with leaders of the major Canadian political parties, for the purpose of discussing specific proposals that would mobilize Home and School members to give leadership to all parents in their universal desire for peace."

The immediate reaction of the journalists was explosive: "Nuclear disarmament is nothing to do with Home and School. Why don't they mind their own business!" This reaction reflects the incorrect view, that is held generally, of the scope of Home and School objectives. Leaders in the movement admit, with some regret, that this misconception — which is widely held by Home and School members themselves, as well as the general public — is a natural outcome of Home and School's long inaction in important areas embraced by the terms of its constitution.

Home and School's first Object is: "To promote the welfare of children and youth". (Note: concern for the welfare of children is not limited to matters of education) The 8th and last Object is: "To foster high ideals of citizenship and patriotism; and to promote, through educational means, international good will and peace."

These Objects, laid down by the Constitution, make it very clear that concern over the existing nuclear threat to the welfare — indeed the very existence — of children and youth, is certainly, the "business" of Home and School. Whether the organization can do anything constructive and effective about this threat is, of course, another matter. It is a matter on which opinions are likely to be sharply divided, both inside and outside the organization.

No final decision has yet been made to enlist the weight of Home and School's 325,000 members in a concerted, continuing, effort for the relaxation of international tension. President Douglas Walkington of Hudson, Quebec, says: "Considerable thought has already been given to the advisability, and practicability, of Home and School undertaking a responsibility of this magnitude. The present position is that the Executive has decided to bring specific proposals for action to the Annual Meeting, to be held in Montreal June 4th - 9th, 1961. These proposals will undoubtedly be influenced by the conversations we intend to hold in the near future with Canadian political leaders. There is no Home and School commitment beyond bringing forward the proposals, and it will be entirely in the hands of the Annual Meeting to decide whether, and to what extent, the proposals will be implemented."

"What we are suggesting is to offer the nation-wide influence of Home and School to back up stated Government policy on the question of nuclear armaments. However, since we are a non-political group the clarification should be made that we are not offering blanket support to the Government, as such; we are offering immediate support for the present

policy of the present Government — which is also, we believe, much the same policy on the nuclear question as that of the other major political parties."

Kenneth Parker of Charlottetown, P.E.I., is Chairman of the International Committee, and will formulate the specific proposals to be discussed with Canadian political leaders. Max Bedford brought forward the original "People for Peace" motion, aimed at "adding parent power to political power" to reduce world tensions. In the vision of some Federation leaders this motion could eventually lead to the establishment in Canada of a Secretariat for an international federation of parent organizations, having the relaxation of international strain as one of its main objectives. But it is also contemplated that such an organization, through educational means, could serve the welfare of the children of the world in many ways.

Home and School leaders in every Province realize that the vote on the International project may be one of the most important decisions in the history of the movement. Home and School will stand at the crossroads in Montreal, in June 1961.

**Mrs. A. Stesko**

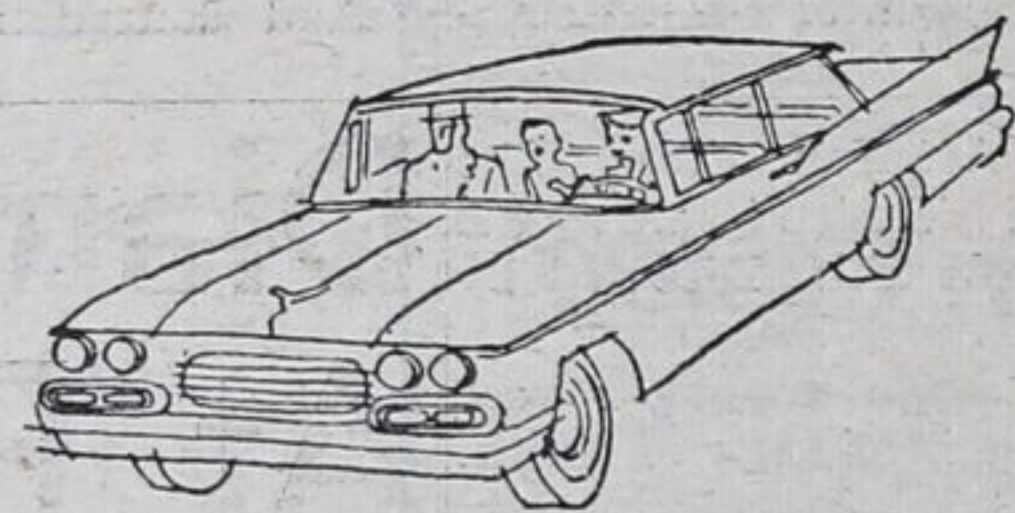
A resident of Cobalt for the past 52 years, Mrs. Antonia Stesko passed away at the Misericordia Hospital on Saturday, November 26, after a very short illness. The former Antonia Waronuk, she was born in Bokovonia 77 years ago, coming to Canada in 1908, where she lived for a while in Montreal. It was in Montreal that she married Mytro Stesko and shortly after moved to Cobalt where they have resided ever since.

She is survived by her husband Mytro, four sons, John of North Bay, George of Sudbury, Michael of Vancouver, and Harry of Toronto, three daughters, (Anne) Mrs. George Mertens, New Liskeard, (Lea) Mrs. J. Rudell, and Mary, Sudbury.

Friends paid their respects at the Buffam Funeral Home in Cobalt until time for the funeral service which was held at St. Patrick's Church on Tuesday, November 29th, at 9:30 a.m. with Father Jeffrey, parish priest, and Father T. Kavanaugh of Kirkland Lake officiating.

Pallbearers were Joe Yanyk, Reddy Tessolini, Gaeton Massicotte, Michael Melnick, Claude Lacroix, and Steve Sedetsky. Burial took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery in Sudbury.

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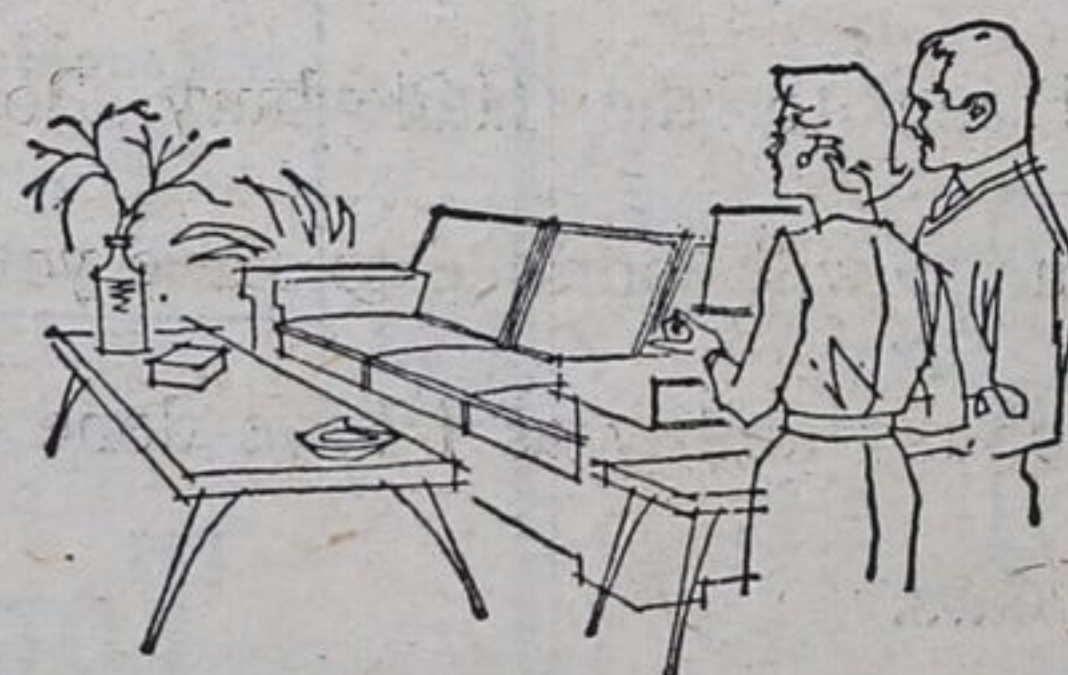
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**Combined Services At Baptist Church**

Sunday night a combined service was held in the Haileybury Baptist Church when members of St. Andrew's United Church attended.

Two films relating to Bible Society Work were shown by Fraser Reavell. The films were entitled "The Apostles' Island", showing life on the Island of Cyprus. The other was "Another Beatitude".

The president of the local Bible Society, W. T. Joy, spoke briefly regarding the work of the Society.