## Christmas at Kelly Nursing Home

The Christmas spirit at the Kelly Nursing Home could be summed up in two words "Dignity and Happiness".

During the week Captain Strongitharm and the Girl Guides sang carols and presented a gift made by each guide to a resident, two guides have grandmothers in

The following afternoon Mrs. Allen and Sunday school children, sang carols accompanied by a real cutie playing a guitar (another Johnny Cash), and the remainder of the afternoon was spent socializing.
These children remind people the truth
about latter years is that quality is not a
chronological affair, there is youth in the old and oldness in the young.

Churchill choir echoed the Christmas charm, also bringing memories of the late Stanley Swackhammer.

Former members of organizations were presented with gifts from Duke of Devonshire I. O. D. E., Third Order of St.

Francis and Knox Presbyterian Church. Trinity United Church deserves special mention not only for their Christmas cheer but for the cheer they bring all through the year. (Thank you Mrs. Shoemaker Sr. Miss

Dorothy Simmons and Mrs. Helen Pickett). Mrs Isobel Weir, Milton; Mrs. Mary Mac Kay, Hornby and Mrs. Helen Robertson, Guelph are appreciated not only for the Christmas gifts but more important their positive attitude toward wisdom and dignity of our older residents.

Mr. Allen and Mr. Miller representing the Lions Club arrived ladened with goodles for all the patients, taking time to converse with each person individually, which means so much to be recognized.

Mr. Braida of Beardmore and Co. donated a huge Christmas assortment with a special greeting for Sam Hubble and wives of

former employees. Blue Springs Flower Shop (Elsie Syme) for five huge poinsettias which were a sight to behold, was a conversation piece for both residents and visitors.

As we all realize Christmas is the most important day of the year but in our present culture Santa Claus is a must. The jolly old fellow arrived with a ho-ho-ho- greeting for one and all, giving each patient a gift and a feeling of participating in the festive season (Thanks Margie Mc Ivor).

Yes, the week before Christmas was filled with activity and as I am told good wine and champagne improve with age, believe it is this way with our patients.

Thanks to the Medical Group for not only medical attention but psychological reassurance to all.

Acton Pharmacy deserves special mention for their efficient service and delivery (sorry about the midnight deliveries) 24 hr. service is a real asset in times of deep snow and a long laneway.

I also wish to express my appreciation to the Reliable Taxi for their concern in dealing with the residents from the Kelly Nursing Home.

The staff deserves a gold star for their devotion throughout the Season as their prime concern was to make Christmas 1970 one to remember.

All the consideration and devotion from the community reminds me of Kennedy's famous quotation, "Ask not what yourcountry can do for you but what you can do for your country."

#### Reader offers bouquet

R.R. 2 Guelph

Jan. 15, 1971.

Dear Sir: As an avid reader of your paper, although a little tardy with my greetings, I congratulate all the staff and all those concerned with the production of your paper. It states the facts, offers comments, gives local news coverage and its columns are open to all. -

The latter is something which all newspapers do not practice. Still that's how people become millionaires and receive titles by keeping in the right circles.

So once again I say congratulations. It is

I am, sir, Yours very truly,

#### papers such as yours that can make great contributions to the health and welfare of our great country, Canada.

### Andrew E. Welch.

### Calls taxation reduction program "bribe"

Hillsburgh, Ont.

Jan. 11, 1971

The Editor, The Acton Free Press.

The Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario is now on a full-scale program to bribe the citizens of Ontario into voting them back into power in the next provincial election and they are using the voters' own money to do it.

I am speaking, of course, about the socalled tax reduction program for the owners of farms. Considerable money is being spent on the news media informing people about this scheme even though the recipients have to do nothing at all to collect their money.

What is most ludicrous and annoying about this whole scheme is that the government will take money from the taxpayer, deduct the cost of administration, and then return what is left to the taxpayer. And all this is called local tax reform.

I sincerely trust that the lessons of this bit of charlatanism will not be lost on the voting public in the next provincial election.

> Yours truly, Alan Rimmer NDP Candidate. Wellington-Dufferin





THIS "PERMISSIVE" SOCIETY

By Rev. A. Walter Fosbury Churchill Community Church

Following the days of the Second World War, the cry was raised by the more "liberal" elements of society that the younger generation be encouraged to follow the course of "self-expression". Such a course, as is the case with any other way of life, requires guidelines to keep it within the bounds of decency and common courtesy.

With the general practice of both parents being "gainfully" employed at some job or other, there was a loosening of the bonds of family ties, which in the past, had made the family a well-ordered unit of society. This developed eventually into a far too widespread breakdown of the recognition of authority and this has taken place all along

Now it is considered quite the thing for people to bypass authority of any kind and to go their own way without regard to anyone else. Yet, as we have indicated on another occasion, liberty is not licentiousness. True liberty recognizes the need for the observance of guidelines or the following of certain laws. Otherwise chaos must be the inevitable result. The rule of "every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost" results in disorder of the worst kind.

Self-expression? Yes, but self-expression which has regard for the rights and feelings of others. Not the type of self-expression evidenced by Gordon Sinclair some time ago on "Front Page Challenge" during an interview with a truly wholesome young sportslady. There is always the need of the use of common courtesy.

You and I ought to be aware of this very prevalent fact that self-expression has run riot in our time. The advocation of the of government by violent means, as advanced by some groups among us; the hijacking of planes on an international scale; the many cases of contempt of court; the kidnapping of foreign diplomats to force governments to recognize the claims of revolutionary groups - all these things are a natural outcome, when carried to the extreme, of self-expression without the observance of guidelines to give order to man's way of life.

A recent press article informs us that the Board of Education of Metro Toronto has decided to allow the Gideons to continue to distribute copies of the Bible to public school students because so many parents expressed the desire that this be done. That same article indicated that it had considered banning such distribution because of the objection of a group led by June Callwood. Yet this same person feels that there is greater need for folk in general to be concerned about the hippies and their problems.

How inconsistent can one be?

Surely, if there is any source which encourages the spirit of the brotherhood of man, that source is the Scriptures. Why all this movement to get rid of that which has come down to us from the past?

After all, past generations and discoveries have made their contributions to present day knowledge. We owe them our gratitude and respect. Indeed, we stand in their debt, for we could not be as far advanced as we are without their efforts and sacrifices.

"The present stands with one foot on the past."

We are too inclined to do our own "thing" without consideration of what this means to our neighbour or society at large. The attitude of so many among us is "Let us be free to do just what we want, regardless of anybody else."

So we have such presentations as "Hair" being acclaimed by many as quite the thing for these days of enlightenment. And this, in spite of the fact that it ridicules the older generation, serves as a vehicle for the advancement of political problems that are not ours but our neighbour's the United States, and employs at very low pay a group of young people who are victimized at a very handsome profit by decidedly astute manipulators.

There are, of course, besides all this the frequent use of indecent four letter words and the degrading of the human body. Well might Puck of Shakespearian days exclaim, "What fools these mortals be!"

# new Bell directories

Approximately 2850 copies of the new Bell Canada telephone directory will be distributed in Acton beginning this week, an increase of 160 over distribution last year.

L. G. Denby, Bell's community relations manager in Guelph, said the multi-colored cover is designed to encourage customers to consult the directory for telephone number information before calling the directory

assistance operator.
Approximately 75 per cent of the calls for directory assistance last year were for numbers in the telephone directory, he said.

New wrinkle Mr. Denby said customers have another reason for looking in the book as well. Bell has begun to include customers' apartment and suite numbers in the directory listings. This was started in co-operation with the post office in Ottawa as an aid to those who refer to the directory for mailing addresses.

Apartment and suite numbers will normally be added only when a directory listing is revised because of a new street address or change in telephone number.



At their regular meeting Monday, Esquesing Council:

-Received a letter from Milton Recreation Committee, requesting renewal of financial support for minor hockey players living in Esquesing and using Milton facilities. The letter also informed council skiing and community swimming are part of the town's recreation program. The committee hopes to eliminate non-resident fees in all sports. Last year, council made cash donations available to Milton, Georgetown and Acton to help pay the way of minor hockey players from the township using

town facilities. -Decided to increase the number of mills for road expenditures from 8.5 to 10. A recent roads study recommended the township set aside 12 mills for roads.

-Decided not to join the Association of Mayors and



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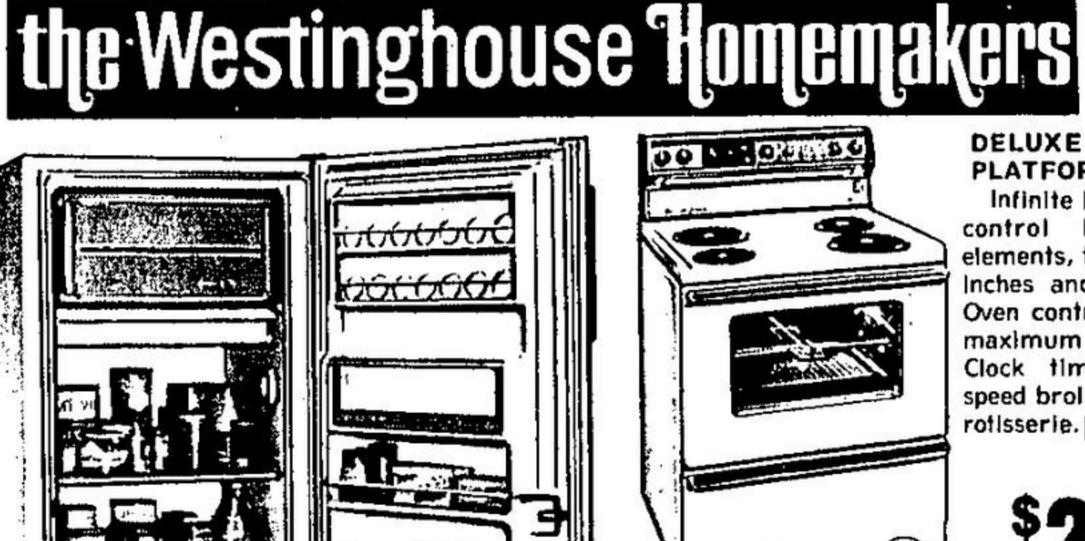
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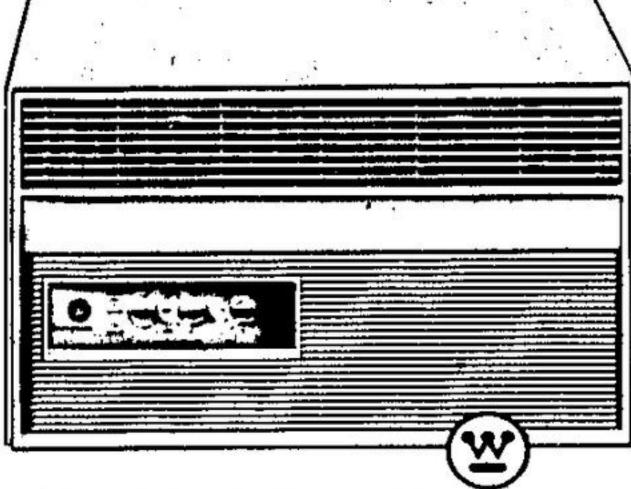
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