

THE THREE KINGS - David Fisher, Peter Hark- week. Mrs. F. Sloski was director for the play ness and Ricky Wilson — brought gifts for the and she was assisted by Mrs. J. Saunders, Miss Baby Jesus when the Junior School students L. Niven, Mrs. P. Kennedy and Miss P. Matat the O.S.D. performed the Nativity play this thews.

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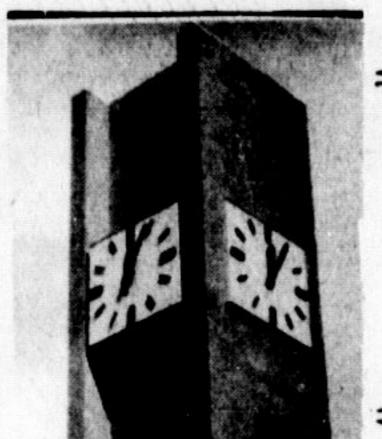
TAMMY TIMMINS was the Angel as 34 Junior School students presented the Nativity play at the Ontario School for the Deaf.

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# O.S.D. Students enjoy yuletide activities



News from O. S. D.

a report on activities at Ontario School for the Deaf, Milton

RESIDENCE COUNSELLORS RECEIVE CERTIFICATES

At an assembly held at O.S. D., Milton, Wednesday morning, December 7, W. R. Stewart, Assistant Deputy Minister of the Department of Education, presented certificates to 20 residence counsellors on the O.S. D. staff.

To qualify for the Residence Counsellor's certificate, the person must have completed successfully a five-week departmental summer course and have had at least one year of successful experience as a counsellor.

Other basic requirements are Grade 12 standing, and ability in such skills as crafts, sports, indoor recreation activities, club work (Brownies, Guides, Scouts, Cubs, etc.), and hobbies. Regular in-service training is also a requirement and is given during weekly lectures or other form of instruction such as observation of school classes, and discussion groups.

Mr. Stewart presented certificates to the following counsellors:

Miss A. Blokland, Mrs. M. Deboer, Miss D. Koomans, Miss D. Walker, Mrs. Sharon Devlin, Mrs. R. Braman, Mrs. M. Elford, Mrs. M. A. Elliott, Mrs. K. Hunter, Mrs. L. McDonald, Mrs. M. Scott, Miss Thompson, Miss M. Van-Staalduinen, Mrs. L. Hinchliffe, A. F. Fisher, T. G. Nye, G. R. Baird, D. J. Brunette.

W. K. Clarke, Administrator, Schools for the Blind and Deaf Division, D. E. Kennedy, Superintendent and W. J. Fox, Dean of Residence, assisted in the presentation.

#### LIFE IN THE JUNIOR RESIDENCE By Kathleen Hunter, Residence Counsellor

There are seven dormitories in the junior residence. Three are occupied by girls, three by boys, and then there is my favorite dormitory, which accommodates 16 boys and 13 girls, whose ages range from 5 to 7 years.

Each dormitory bears the name of an animal, and this particular one, which I would like to tell you something about is named "The Bears". It is identified as such by a small bear figure, which stands at the entrance to the dormi-

When these little five-yearolds entered our residence in September, it was with some misgivings, but very soon they became happily adjusted to their new surroundings.

There are three residence counsellors in the dormitory,

### CHRISTMAS PLANT

The brilliant star - shaped poinsettia which brightens the Yuletide is a highly modified petal-life leaf and not really a flower at all. The wild poinsettia grows as high as a house but with chemical growth regulators, they have been tailored to a 12 to 24 inch potted variety that is sturdier, healthier and holds its leaves for months longer than the wild plant.

two being on duty at all times. The day commences at 7 a.m., with the same daily routine each morning. This consists of dressing neatly, bed-making and walking to the dining hall for breakfast. After eating they go back to the dormitory to brush their teeth, collect coats, caps, mitts, etc., before walking to school.

At 3.30 p.m., when school is over, however, activities are varied from day to day. The children can enjoy free play on the well-equipped playground which is provided for them. They have their choice of swings, teeter-totter, shoot, merry - go - round and hop scotch, or they can ride their own bicycles.

On other days, we have organized simple games with balls and skipping ropes. Some time is also spent in their beautiful playroom, where they have a wide selection of toys with which they can play, or do some simple crafts. They also enjoy short periods of suitable, action-filled television

programs. Now that Christmas is drawing close, they are busy helping to decorate the playroom, and outside, pretty soon "they hope", their playground equipment and the bicycles will be replaced by toboggans and skates. The latter are in use all winter through, as each Wednesday afternoon they go by bus to the Milton Arena.

In closing this slight summary of our busy and happy program, I would like to extend to all, our very best wishes for a Merry Christmas from all the Baby Bears and the three Mama Bears.



DRESSED IN COLORFUL COSTUMES, the Junior Buller, left, played the kind man, Benny Dyk School students pleased large audiences with was Joseph and Vinci Giancola played Mary. their production of the Nativity play. Barry

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MILTON, ONTARIO, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1966

Second Section



-Staff Photo SHEPHERDS Joan Coupland, Jan Chase, Connie Harrison, Jamie Anne Coombs, Danny Pufall and Cathy Sullivan kept watch on the sheep—Simca Tjeerdsma.



-Staff Photo CROWNED THE PRINCESS of the Ontario School for the Deaf senior students' Christmas party Saturday night was Linda Anderson. Here Teddy Scott places the silver crown on her head while her escort Brian Dymond looks on at left. Over 100 students enjoyed the dance, highlight of which was a visit by Santa Claus.



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A GUITAR-PLAYING SANTA dropped in at the Christmas formal dance staged by senior students of Ontario School for the Deaf Saturday evening, and sang "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" and other Chrismas-y selections, accompanying himself on the electric guitar. Those who saw through the fuzzy whiskers recognized residence counsellor Jeff Seffinga playing



the Junior School's Christmas concert. Cathy Jeff Geddes.

'AN OLD FASHIONED DANCE" performed by White is shown here as she straightens a beaming youngsters in bow ties and little youngster's tie. Boys in the photo are Jimmy girls in colorful dresses was a highlight of Jordan, Michael Brown, John Dagenais and