



ANGLICAN NUN Sister Juliana led the congregations of St. John's and St. George's Churches in the singing of "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" during the Sunday morning Thanksgiving services. With her are children of the day care centre of St. Matthew's House in Hamilton, as well as choir members of St. John's Nassagaweya.

## Churches give thanks by sharing produce

Harvest-time is traditionally a time of thanksgiving and the congregations of St. John's Anglican Church, Nassagaweya and St. George's, Lowville put their thanks into action this year. Against the background of garden produce decorating the churches the parishioners added frozen produce for use in St. Matthew's House in Hamilton. St. John's parish previously gave a freezer to the house.

A guest at the Sunday morning services at both churches was St. Matthews' chaplain Rev. Joe Rogers. Explaining the need for the work of the house in "down-town Hamilton, Rev. Rogers said, "Every day the noose is tightened tighter around the necks of the poor. The most helpless are the children, their lives show no hope. Five million Canadians will remain forever in the poverty level." Each day meals are served at a day-care centre at St. Matthew's house for the

children of the working poor.

**Poverty**  
Claiming poverty to be the most serious social issue of the times Rev. Rogers supports the work within St. Matthew's house of the Citizens Action Group. Funded by the Department of Manpower and Immigration, the organization helps persons who are finding difficulty seeking work to get full-time positions. Some of the clientele referred from agencies to St. Matthew's house are welfare recipients, ex-psychiatric patients, ex-convicts, and persons on probation. The majority are persons who have suffered a loss of confidence or are not putting whatever skills they have to the best use.

"Once on welfare it's hard to escape the system," Rev. Rogers explained. "80 per cent on welfare are unable to earn a living for themselves and they are stripped of their dignity and classified as second class citizens."

He claims poverty mainly stems from a permanent or chronic illness, insufficient income to meet expenses of the family (family too large and salary too small), alcoholism, marriage problems, and lack of education or preparation for employment.

**Alcohol**  
St. Matthew's house is presently trying to engage an alcoholic counsellor to help families deal with problems resulting from alcohol as well as with other marriage problems. "We want to restore the person to a dignified place in our land," Rev. Rogers said. "I see Christ in the laughing eyes of the people as well as in their forlorn faces. I see Him in the weeping and laughing eyes of the children raised in a society more inclined to take care of the rich rather than the poor."

Rev. Rogers was accompanied by Sister Juliana who invited the children of



HARVEST-TIME at St. John's Anglican Church, Nassagaweya was an opportunity for the members to give thanks in a tangible way. As well as donating the garden produce decorating the church, the parishioners added frozen produce for use in St. Matthew's House in Hamilton.

the congregations to join her in singing "He's Got the Whole World in His Arms" as she played the guitar. Ester Walsh, the director of the day care centre of St. Matthew's House, and Margaret Forsythe, the house secretary, brought children from the Hamilton day care centre to the services at Lowville and Nassagaweya.

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## Library film festival runs through October

There's still time to take advantage of the film festival being offered free of charge at Milton Central Library Tuesday evenings throughout October. Close to 50 people each night enjoyed The Rowdyman and Goin' Down the Road Oct. 1 and 8, in the new community room.

The series, part of a festival of Canadian films sponsored by the South Central Regional Library System, will run for three more weeks. Next Tuesday, Oct. 15, Mon Oncle Antoine will be shown. A French language film, it walked away with eight Canadian Film Awards in 1971 and director Jutra also recently received the Rosenthal Foundation Prize from the National Society of film critics in New York.

**The Visitor**  
October 22 is the date for The Visitor. It is the first feature film written and directed by John Wright. Its world premiere was at Film Expo in the National Arts Centre, Ottawa last October. Filmed on location at Heritage Park in Calgary, The Visitor is a fascinating

story of a young girl who finds herself locked in a world of the past.

The final film of the series is La Vie Revee (The Dreamed Life) on Oct. 29. It was made by Mireille Dandrea and was awarded a special jury prize in the Cinema of Today category at the ninth Toulon International Encounter of Young Cinema. La Vie Revee is a portrayal of the friendship of two girls in their twenties, Virginia and Isabelle, and particularly of the attempt to free themselves from the overwhelming power of publicity and its efforts to see everything from consumer goods to freedom, love, education and the ideal man. All French language films

—Thanksgiving Monday, Oct. 14 will be a general holiday in Milton.

—Writers of letters to be published in The Champion must sign their names. A pen name can be used but the writer's identity must be known.

shown will have English subtitles. Starting time is 8 p.m.

—Fall colors are reaching their peak this week.

—Service clubs in town have resumed their fall activities.

—Classes in first aid are being offered in Milton by the St. John Ambulance. They start Oct. 15 at the hospital.

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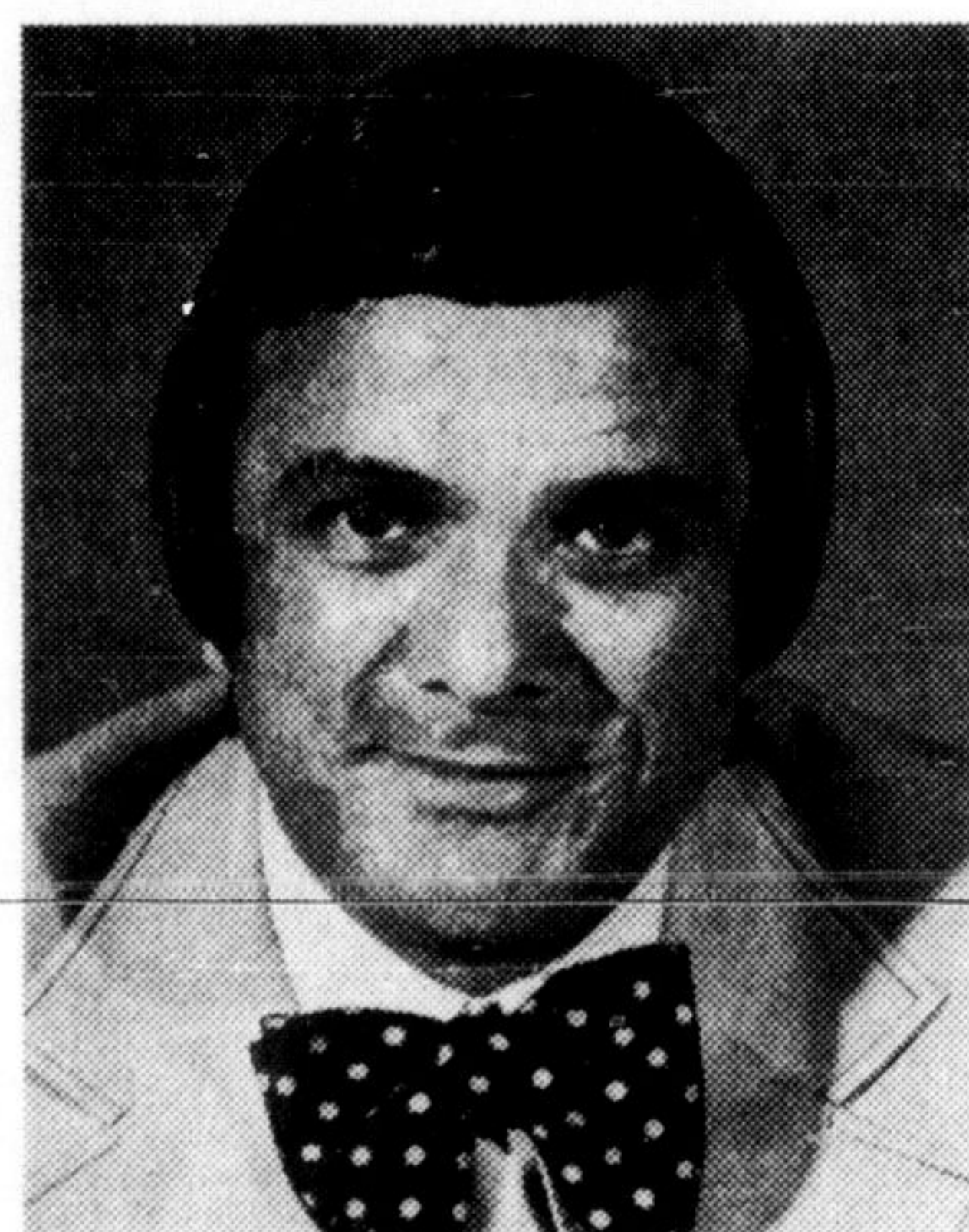
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## I'm a pop astrologer.

BY ALLEN SPRAGGETT

Some people collect African tribal masks, raise alligators for pets, or become chess champion of the block; well, I cast horoscopes. It's more fun and it tells you a lot more about people.

I don't profess to delve into the profundities of astrology on CFRB, but aim to inform, amuse, and if possible occasionally amaze my listeners. (Sometimes I even amaze myself by making an accurate prediction!)



But there's a more or less serious purpose behind what I do. You see, I happen to think that astrology is true.

By "true" I mean that scientific investigation provides growing support for astrology's claim that our lives are governed by cosmic cycles...that the real and often colourful differences in people's personalities are not merely accidental.

The facts?  
Well, the great psychiatrist, Dr. Carl Jung, found astrology so accurate in judging people that he often had horoscopes cast for his patients. French psychologist, Michel Gauquelin, found that even people's occupations are statistically related to the hour of birth.

Dr. Robert Becker, a New York biophysicist, discovered that admissions to psychiatric hospitals are correlated with both moon phases and bursts of

sunspot activity. And a three-year study by Dr. Leonard Ravitz at the University of Pennsylvania revealed that crimes of violence were significantly more frequent at the time of the full moon.

A Czech gynecologist, Dr. Eguen Jonas, uses astrology as a method of birth control since his discovery that a woman's fertility cycle coincides with the three-day period each month when the sun and moon are in the same relative positions as at the hour of her birth.

These bits of data are but a small part of the evidence for astrology which continues to come from many branches of science.

Mind you, astrology itself is not a science. *Not yet.* But I think it's fair to call it an ancient wisdom evolving toward a modern science.

The credo of astrology—a sublime one, really, which recognizes man's oneness with the universe—was summed up by D. H. Lawrence:

"The cosmos is a vast living body of which we are parts. The sun is a great heart whose tremors run through our smallest veins. The moon is a great nerve-centre from which we quiver forever."

*Personally yours,*  
*Allen Spraggett*