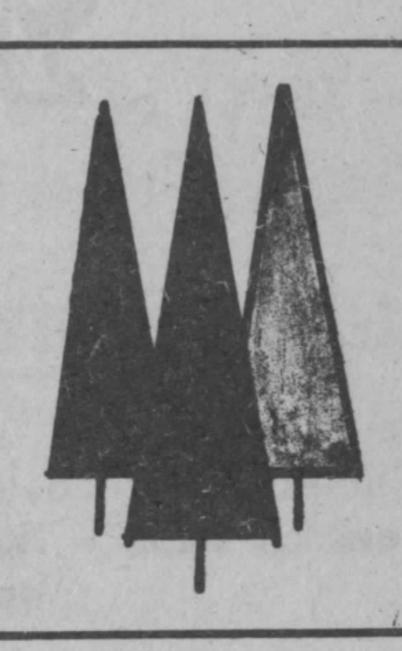


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## STOKES' QUOTES ON OHSIP

It is most regrettable that the Provincial Government is not going to use any of the estimated \$175,000,000.00 to be received annually from the Federal Government under the Medicare Plan to reduce the present excessively high and regressive OMSIP premiums which will become standard throughout the province on October 1st.

It is also clear that the government will not raise the inadequately low level at which people receive relief in whole or in part from payment of premiums. These levels have not been changed in three years while the cost of living has reduced the purchasing power of the \$4,000.00 limit by more than 11%.

I welcome the crash program which the Minister announced to develop health resources which are so badly needed in Northern Ontario.

The OHSIP rates effective October 1st, 1969 will be the highest in Canada, a single person will pay \$70.80, couple \$141.60 and family \$177.00.

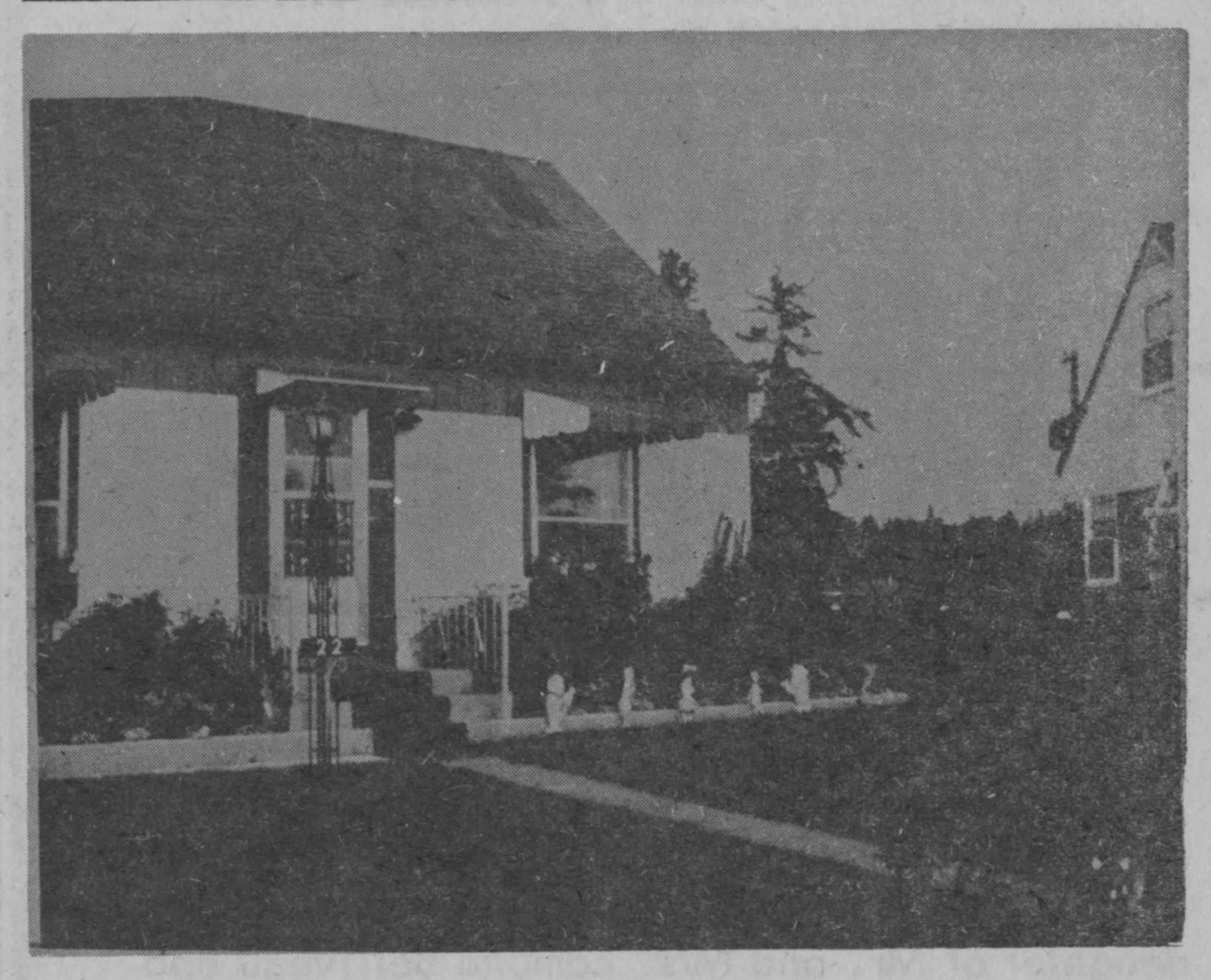
In particular I welcome a better distribution of health personnel and alternative methods for the delivery of health services and geographic consolidation.

I think it is valid to suggest that the cost of travel or transportation of patients to medical centres should be covered under the Medicare plan. This should apply to everyone who has to travel in excess of 40 miles to avail himself of the nec-

essary health services. Dr. Dymond also talks about "an establishment of practice fund".

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BEAUTY IN TERRACE BAY



Around this time of year we usually enjoy driving or walking around the crescents of Terrace Bay enjoying the beauty that summer brings, both to the beautifully landscaped homes and the areas where there are few buildings. In the latter areas purple fire weed and white daisies stand out against the green foliage - a delight to the eye.

We happened to have our camera along on Sunday and snapped the two photos shown but

> black and white just doesn't do justice to either one of them.

It made us think, however, that nothing has been done to encourage this. We have prizes for the best decorated homes at Christmas. Why not a reward for the beauty Continued page 12 .....

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