



## Ontario believes that residents 65 or over, the blind and the disabled should have an income of at least \$2600 a year.

In July, Ontario will introduce a Special Benefits program. It will place extra funds *on top* of federal Guaranteed Income Supplements—enough to guarantee the elderly who are qualified residents of Ontario an income of \$2600 a year. Blind and disabled people who qualify for Family Benefits will also be entitled to these special benefits.

Beginning September 1, approved drugs prescribed by a doctor or dentist will be available, free of charge, to those qualifying for the special benefits outlined above, Family Benefits or the federal Guaranteed Income Supplement. Drug cards will be mailed automatically. You don't have to apply for them.

### Who will receive these special benefits?

If you are 65 or over (with an annual income of less than \$2600)...and you now receive both Old Age Security and the Guaranteed Income Supplement...

you will receive your benefits cheque each month, automatically. You do not have to apply for it.

### AUXILIARY TO THE MCCAUSLAND HOSPITAL

Twenty-three members of the McCausland Hospital Auxiliary met at Rossport School Recreation Centre Monday evening for the regular meeting. Members from Rossport, Schreiber and Terrace Bay were present with the president Joan Nugent presiding.

Following the Hospital Auxiliary prayer Mrs. Nugent welcomed the members and expressed her appreciation for the excellent turnout for this last meeting of the term before the summer recess. Minutes were read by Gerbachin Sidhu in the absence of Donna Gorham. Mrs. Farrow presented a favourable financial statement and the correspondant secretary, Lily Christie read the letters and communications.

A report was heard on services for the hospital such as mending, hairdressing, and new equipment to be purchased. A cheque for \$179. was presented to the Auxiliary president by the Rossport Members suggesting that a couple of bed tables could be purchased with it.

It was decided not to send delegates to the three day conference for Hospital Auxiliaries at North Bay but to have a good representation from the organization to attend the one day planning meeting to be held in Thunder Bay in September.

A very encouraging report was heard from Margaret Gander on the Tuck Shop progress. The radio raffle will take place on Canada Day in Terrace Bay.

Mrs. Nugent asked the members for rags that can be baled to sell to local garages as a fund raising project.

Several projects were discussed for further consideration such as strawberry socials, festival booths, flea markets, pioneer night, wine and cheese party, music from the forties, garage sale, hamper draws, wedding dress fashion show, etc. The members were asked to think on any of the suggestions during vacation time and come prepared to decide on which ones to work on and come prepared to work to