

# Fairview Mennonite Home

799 Concession Rd.

Preston · Ontario

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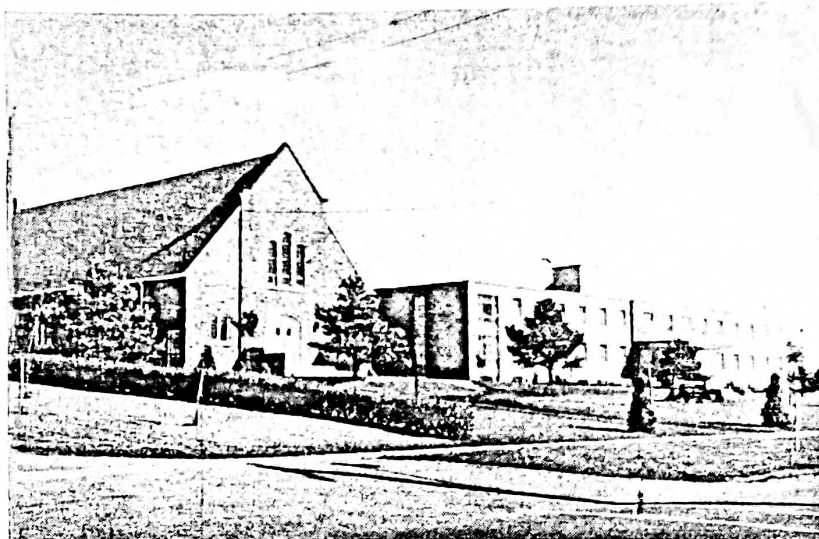
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"In My Father's House are many rooms."



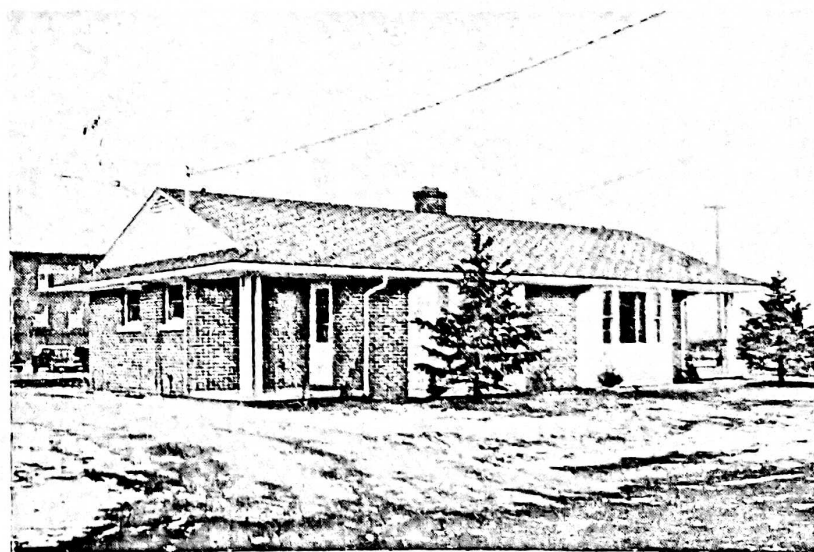
Church and Home

*Grow old along with me,  
The best is yet to be—  
The last of life for which the first was made  
Our times are in His hand,  
Who saith, "A whole I planned."  
Youth shows but half; trust God,  
See all, nor be afraid!*

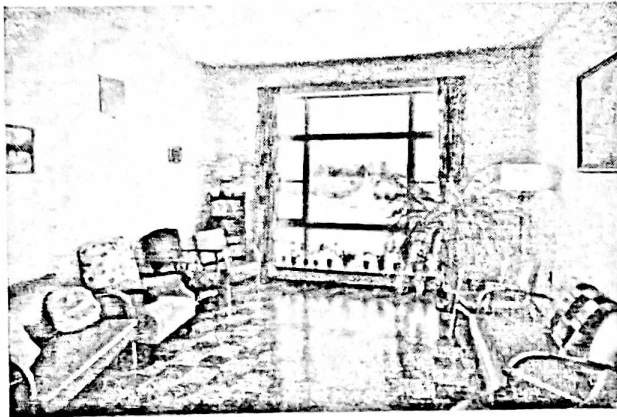
—Robt. Browning.

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Fairview Mennonite Home is located in the Town of Preston, Ontario, a town of over 10,000 population, situated in a fertile agricultural area in the County of Waterloo, eight miles south-east of the City of Kitchener, Ontario. This institution had its beginning in the former Braeside Home, also



Cottage



Ladies' Sitting Room

in Preston, where it operated for nearly thirteen years, with a resident capacity of twenty-six.

The three and one-half acre site on which the Home stands is at one of the highest points overlooking the town and adjoins the Preston Mennonite Church. The building is of brick and concrete construction, in the form of a T, and has three floors. Ample fire protection is afforded, there being four fire-proof stair-wells that provide safe exits, fire extinguishers conveniently placed in every section of the building, each floor having also four two-inch fire hose of sufficient length to reach every area. A modern fire alarm system with automatic detectors in hazardous areas and having direct connection with the town's Fire Hall, adds further protection.

Since the opening of the Home in January, 1956, three duplex cottages have been added to the accommodation facilities of the Home. Each cottage unit consists of a combination kitchen and dinette, living-room, bed-room and bath. There are laundry facilities in the basement and one oil furnace heats both units.



Men's Sitting Room



Bed Care - Sitting Room, showing one Cottage

The breakdown of resident accommodation is as follows:

Normal Care:

- 36 single rooms.
- 7 double rooms.
- 3 semi-private suites.

Total capacity is 56.

Bed Care:

- 8 rooms with two beds.
  - 1 room with four beds.
- Total capacity is 20.

Cottages:

Two persons to each unit.

Total resident accommodation:

Main building .....	76
Two cottages .....	8
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	84



Nurse Kehl with Bed Patient



Guest Dining Room

The well equipped Bed care wing, on the main floor, is supervised by a registered nurse who, along with four other full-time and one part-time nurse, provide a high standard of efficient and loving care. There are eight hospital beds for patients requiring maximum nursing care and twelve standard low beds for up-patients.

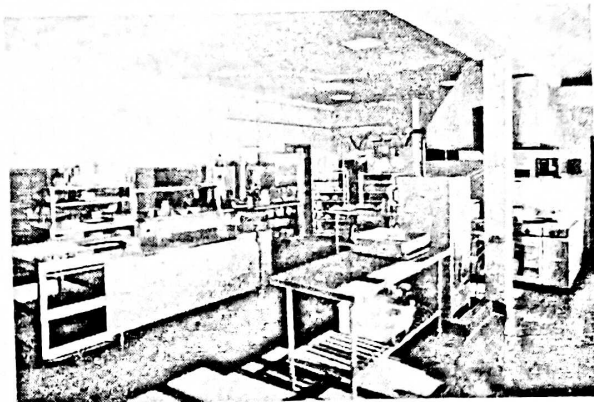
Five well lighted guest sitting-rooms, serving various sections of the building, are very inviting and command beautiful views of several sections of the town.

A modern 3000 lb. capacity automatic elevator serves the three floors.

The large well lighted kitchen, on the ground floor, has a complete line of modern equipment. A competent staff provides appetizing and well balanced meals. The dining-room, adjoining the kitchen, has two large 10 ft. by 6 ft. windows overlooking the Church grounds. It is equipped with modern furniture and will accommodate sixty persons, four to a table.

An intercommunication system with twenty-three call stations throughout the building, including the staff cottage, makes possible communications to and from all of these stations. In connection with this, there is also a Public Address system connected with the adjoining Church. This permits services held in the Church to be heard by the residents in the Home, over ten speakers placed conveniently throughout the building.

An Auxiliary, organized by the Women's Missionary and Service Auxiliary of the Mennonite Conference of Ontario, also performs a splendid service. On the first Tuesday of each month, pictures are shown; on the second Tuesday, a Craft class is conducted for the benefit of ladies who are interest-



Kitchen

ed in quilting, knitting and in making various types of articles for Relief; on the third Tuesday, a birthday party is given for all who have birthdays within the month; and on the fourth Tuesday, a social evening is provided. When a fifth Tuesday in a month occurs, a variety program is given, usually by a Children's or Youth group. Students from the Ontario Mennonite Bible Institute conduct several services during their School term. A weekly Sunday School lesson study is also conducted by the Home Pastor, Rev. Simon B. Martin. The foregoing activities are all conducted in a large Assembly room on the ground floor. The Auxiliary also provides a monthly shopping service for personal needs of residents, as well as an occasional outing for those who are able to go. All these services are greatly appreciated and add much to the comfort and happiness of the residents.

In spite of the greatly increased capacity in the new building, it is still impossible to satisfy all requests for accommodation. It is apparent also, that the greater need lies in the area of care for convalescents and the chronically ill. With this in mind, it is the aim of the management to do as much as possible to provide for such with the facilities it has. It is their aim also, to operate as economically as possible, so as to keep the rates at a minimum figure.

### Investment Opportunities

An opportunity is open to both residents and non-residents who may wish to make permanent investments. A common form in use is known as a "Trust Agreement", somewhat similar to an Annuity Contract. This is a legal document providing regular inter-