

Lord's Prayer no longer exclusive

Students in Lincoln County Board of Education schools will no longer begin the day with a recitation of the Lord's Prayer.

The board decided last week to follow a Ministry of Education edict and drop its Christian prayer tradition.

The ministry informed school boards throughout the province last month that they should abide by the Ontario Court of Appeal ruling that struck school prayers down as unconstitutional.

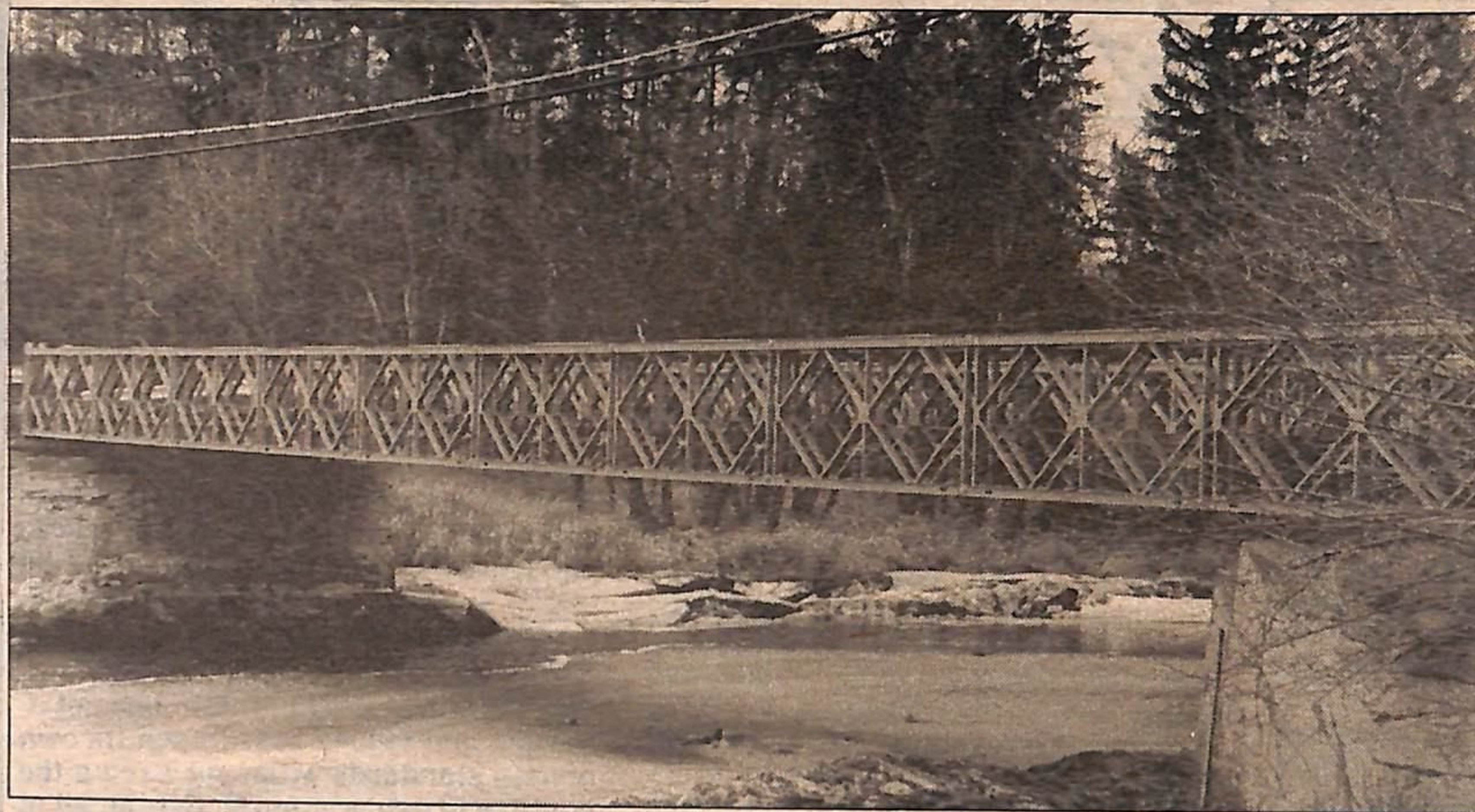
The Lincoln County board had been one of the few boards to defy the Court of Appeal ruling and use the Lord's Prayer exclusively.

Despite following the ministry guideline, trustees are putting their support behind the prayer and a court challenge of the ruling that the Peel board of education is hoping to launch.

Schools can still include Christian readings in their exercises but they must be interchanged with readings or education on other beliefs to reflect the multi-cultural nature of the province.

The Peel board would like to have the Lord's Prayer reinstated and has asked other boards to support it. However, the expense of the appeal may make it impossible for the Peel board to follow through.

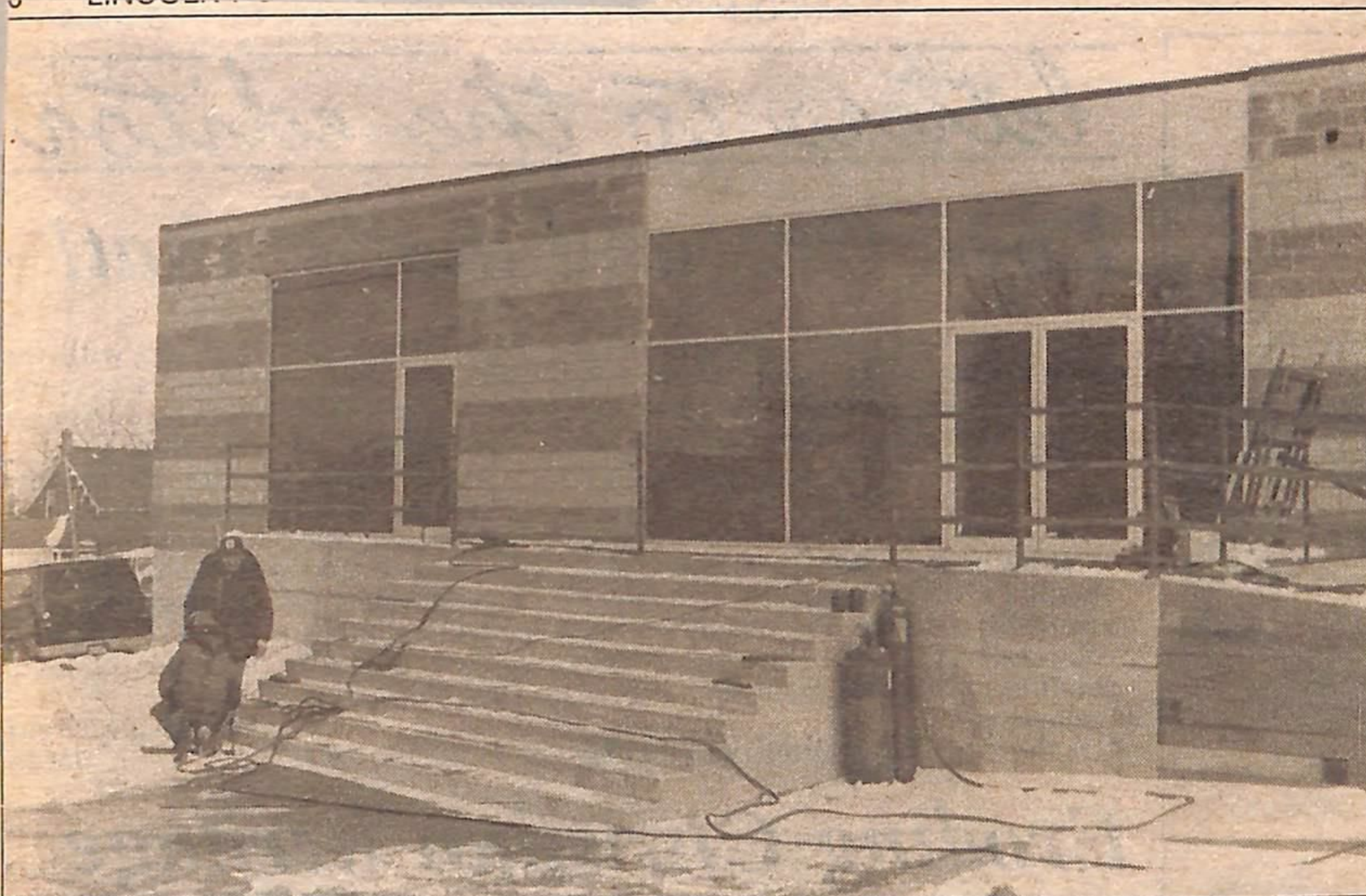
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A NEW LOOK FOR THE BAILEY BRIDGE?

If the Jordan Society for a Covered Bridge has its way, the bailey bridge on 21st Street in Jordan may soon become a covered bridge, making it only the second such bridge in existence in Ontario and, it is hoped, a major tourist attraction in Lincoln.

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Construction crews are working to complete the new Beamsville medical centre on Hixon Street in time for its opening on March 13. The new centre will include expanded health services and after-hours service.

New medical centre will open next week

New and improved comes in many forms and the new Beamsville medical centre is no exception.

On March 13, the Beamsville Medical Centre will be opened for business at its new location at 4279 Hixon Street.

The centre's existing office on King Street West will be closed on March 10, although emergency service will still be available, said medical centre spokesman Mary Campbell.

"We feel really good about the new centre," she said. "We're really looking forward to it and hope it's going to provide the community with extended health care."

"With the (population) growth there has been in the community, we always felt there was the need for an expanded medical centre," added Mrs. Campbell.

The new two-storey building

will offer patients several new health care services, including an expanded laboratory, a sports medicine clinic, a dentist office, an X-ray department, a pharmacy and extended after-hours service.

The laboratory will be able to perform electrocardiograms for the heart as well as spirometry, which are tests for people with chronic lung diseases.

Although the sports medicine clinic will not be opened until July 1, the service will include physiotherapy — such as heat and ice treatment, hydrotherapy, weights and exercises — under the supervision of a sports medicine therapist.

Treatment of injuries by the therapist, for such things as sprains or broken bones, need not be sports related, stressed Mrs. Campbell.