

# End-to-end hike along Bruce Trail

Members of the Toronto Bruce Trail Club are preparing for their sixth annual end-to-end hike of the 26-mile Halton section of the Bruce Trail for which the club is responsible. It will be held on Sunday, April 23 and the strenuous hike is expected to last all day.

Hikers are to meet at the Fifth Line Nassagaweya just south of Five Sideroad at 7.30 a.m. They'll leave their cars there and be bussed to Terra Cotta, then walk back to the cars. Fred Turner is leader for the annual end-to-

ender. "Nature Walk Day" The club has planned a hike from Limehouse to Speyside on Saturday, May 6 to celebrate "Nature Walk Day". The Federation of Ontario Naturalists has proclaimed this as one day when all organizations or individuals interested in nature, conservation or outdoors should show their interest by planning walks. The club's bus will pick up hikers in Toronto and transport them to Limehouse.

On the same day, some Toronto

Club members will be taking a 25-mile end-to-end in the Dufferin section near Mono Centre. Only Bruce Trail members are eligible to receive a chevron for completing that walk.

**U. S. Visitors**  
A hike, dinner and social evening with International connotations are being lined up for Saturday, May 13 when members of the Genesee Valley Hiking Club from Rochester, N.Y. visit the Toronto group for a day's hike and social weekend. The Rochester group hosted many Ontarians to a hiking weekend recently.

The Rochester group will arrive on Friday evening and spend the night in homes of Toronto members. Hiking starts at 9.45 a.m. at the Halton Country

Inn on Sixth Line Nassagaweya and the two hikes are being offered, one of six miles and one of eight miles in length. Both hikes will end at the Inn and the day will conclude with a steak dinner, socializing and a slide talk on a hike to the Mount Everest Base Camp in the Himalayas, by Don Sutherland.

A June 4 hike will follow five miles of the old Guelph-to-Acton radial line trail.

## Report confuses health board

# McKenzie continues campaign for improved health service

Acton Deputy Reeve Pat McKenzie is far from satisfied with efforts by Halton county

Health Unit to improve health services in the northern part of the county.

Near the end of a somewhat exasperating meeting of the Halton County Board of Health where this matter was discussed, McKenzie tore up a written report on the subject drafted by Director of Nursing Grace J. Leavey. McKenzie said the report did not indicate how the unit was attempting to provide solutions.

Members repeatedly asked Medical Officer of Health Dr. J. H. Chamberlain how many Public Health Nurses were on staff and how many the Health Unit intended to hire, but after the better part of an hour's discussion they were unable to determine a clear picture of the situation.

**Free Press**  
Spurred on by an article in The Acton Free Press and The Canadian Champion about three months ago, McKenzie has been fighting a battle to have health services increased in the northern part of the county.

He claimed inadequacies occurred in the positioning of nurses, noting there was one nurse for every 5,200 people in Oakville, one for every 6,700 in Burlington and just one serving Esquesing and Acton with a joint population of about 15,000.

He said there was additional



PAT MCKENZIE

Health and the Health Unit were in need of a real public relations job. He told of a chance meeting with a public health nurse in Owen Sound who remarked to him about the problems in Halton. She referred to the grey listing which occurred in 1966.

McKenzie felt money was a small part of the problem of hiring nurses. He felt nurses were being overworked in the northern part of the county and couldn't physically do a proper job unless more nurses were made available to share the load.

**Challenges report**  
He challenged a point in Mrs. Leavey's report that said each public health nurse is in her respective schools as long as she is required. McKenzie, principal of an Acton Public School, said there was a nurse in his school for part of one half day per week.

He said he had letters from principals of North Halton schools disputing Miss Leavey's statement.

Acting board chairman Reeve Tom Hill ordered Dr. Chamberlain to provide a comprehensive, accurate report on the number of nurses employed, on leave and about to be hired and where they will be placed. "I want it to come from you. Miss Leavey has us so confused we don't know if we're coming or going. If she wants to write any more reports, tell her to put them in file 13."

travel in the north and the ratio should be higher not lower. Although a report under the signature of the director of nursing indicated there was a problem getting interviews with potential applicants to fill vacancies, Dr. Chamberlain said there wasn't any difficulty getting interviews but most applicants wanted to know what they would receive as pay. Because the negotiations are underway between the nurses and the county, no specific answer can be given, he said.

P.R. Job

McKenzie said the Board of

# Small rate increase Esquesing township

Esquesing township ratepayers in all three fire areas will face a small mill rate increase, as a result of the 1972 budget, approved by council at a meeting last week.

Farm and residential mill rate for ratepayers in the Acton fire area will be 62.02, an increase of 1.81 over last year. Commercial and industrial rate for the Acton fire area has increased 1.5 mills to 68.95.

Milton fire area farm and residential rate is up 2.05 mills to 62.02 from last year's 59.97, lowest of all three areas then. Commercial and industrial rate in the Milton area jumped 1.74 to 68.95.

**Only fraction**  
Rates in the Georgetown fire area are up only a fraction of a mill. Farm and residential rate increased only .88 mills, while commercial and industrial rate is up only slightly over half a mill.

Reeve Tom Hill revealed major road improvement plans council has in mind to account for the slight mill rate increase. Council added exactly one mill to the roads budget.

"We have a new bridge to construct on the Sixth Line and a new culvert to install on the Third Line as well," the reeve pointed out. "We're also going to continue our program of paving streets in the hamlets, as much as we can."

**Pave road**  
Hill said a stretch of the Fifth Line near Limehouse from the conservation area, north to the location of the Twin's Woodworking shop will be paved this year. Residents have complained to council about the stretch.

Decreases in the elementary school levy for all parts of the township helped balance off the necessary township levy hikes of approximately four mills. Secondary school rates increased only a fraction of a mill.

Milton Heights residents will have an additional 1.65 mills placed on top of their rate to pay for street lighting, which will be installed there. Ratepayers in Glen Williams, Norval, Stewarttown and Ballinafad, where

street lights have already been installed, will welcome small decreases on the street lighting

portion of their total mill rate. Esquesing's Halton County levy rose less than half a mill.

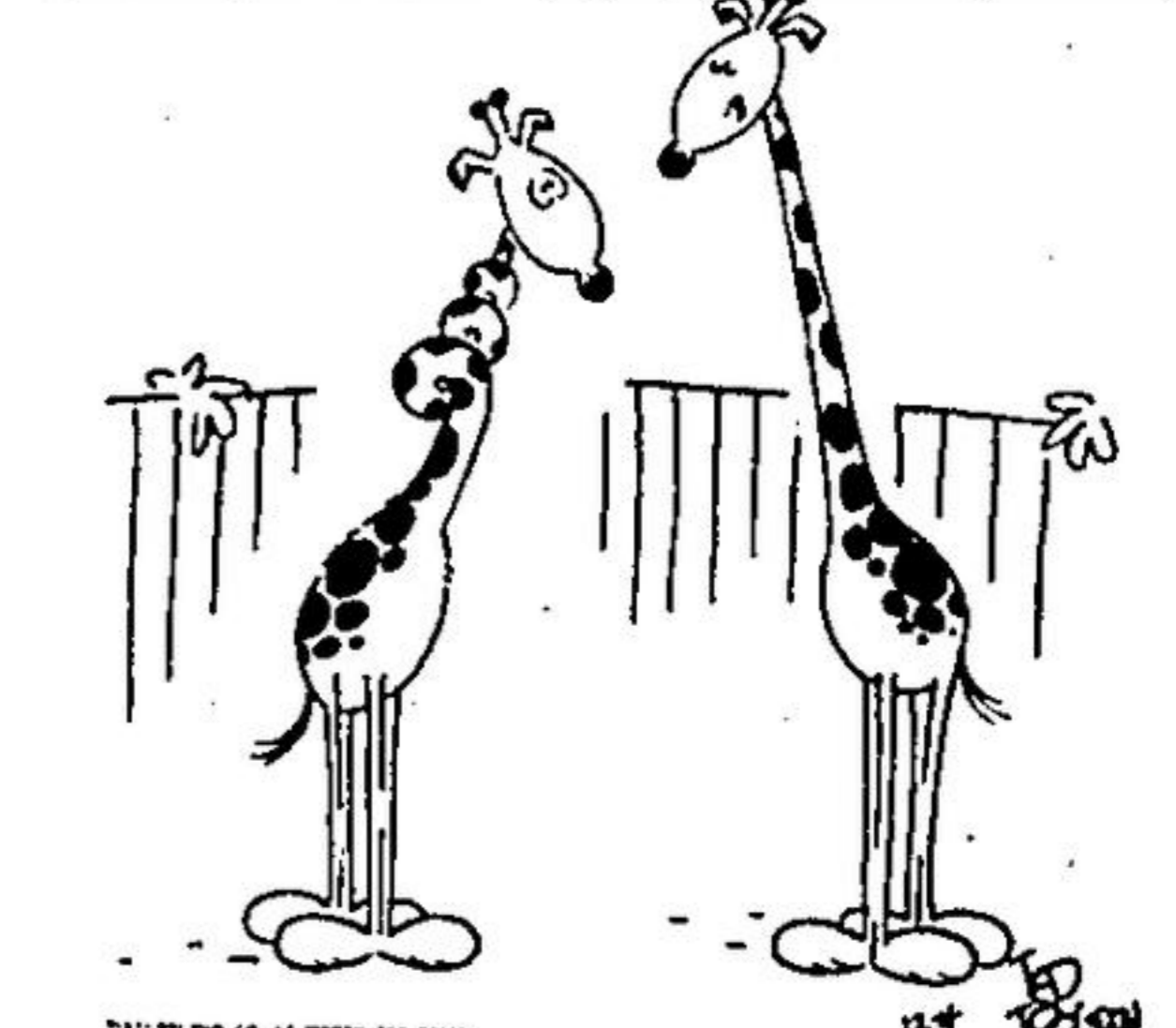
TOWNSHIP OF ESQUESING PROPOSED MILL RATE FOR 1972

	1971 Mill Rate	Proposed 1972 Mill Rate	Change
<b>TOWNSHIP:</b>			
Farm and Residential	11.56	16.30	+ 4.74
Commercial and Industrial	14.34	18.96	+ 4.62
<b>COUNTY:</b>			
Farm and Residential	8.77	7.22	+ .45
Commercial and Industrial	6.77	7.22	+ .45
<b>PUBLIC SCHOOL:</b>			
Farm & Residential	23.88	21.55	- 2.33
Commercial and Industrial	26.53	23.94	- 2.59
<b>SEPARATE SCHOOL:</b>			
Farm and Residential	23.88	19.50	- 4.38
Commercial and Industrial	26.53	22.00	- 4.53
<b>SECONDARY SCHOOL:</b>			
Farm and Residential	16.29	16.96	+ .66
Commercial and Industrial	18.10	18.83	+ .73
<b>STREET LIGHTS:</b>			
Glen Williams	1.78	1.77	-.01
Norval	1.81	1.69	-.12
Stewarttown	1.27	.85	-.42
Ballinafad	4.29	4.00	-.29
Milton Heights	-	1.65	-.29
<b>FIRE AREAS</b>			
Acton	1.71	1.87	+ .16
Georgetown	2.64	1.91	-.73
Milton	1.47	1.65	+ .18

**TOTAL MILL RATE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF STREET LIGHTS:**

<b>ACTON FIRE AREA</b>			
Farm and Residential	60.21	62.02	+ 1.81
Commercial and Industrial	67.45	68.95	+ 1.50
<b>GEORGETOWN FIRE AREA</b>			
Farm and Residential	61.14	62.02	+ .88
Commercial and Industrial	68.38	68.95	+ .57
<b>MILTON FIRE AREA</b>			
Farm and Residential	59.97	62.02	+ 2.05
Commercial and Industrial	67.21	68.95	+ 1.74

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