

Clerks, treasurers present gift to Miss Margaret Maxted

Clerk Don Brown of Oakville was elected president of Halton County Clerks' and Treasurers' Association when the group held

a business meeting and luncheon at the Charles Hotel in Milton, Wednesday. Mrs. Audrey Brush of Milton was elected vice-

president and Ed Badger of Burlington will serve as secretary-treasurer.

A presentation was made to retiring county treasurer Miss Margaret Maxted of Milton. The Bank of Nova Scotia also made a presentation to Miss Maxted.

Explain problems

Several county councillors were in attendance for the luncheon. Speakers from the Niagara Peninsula outlined some of the problems and pitfalls of Regional Government. That area was one of the first to be ruled on the regional basis in Ontario. The information is pertinent for the Halton clerks and treasurers as they expect the same form of government to be brought in locally in the near future.

Yule carol sheets free at Champion

Christmas is just nine days away and during the festive holiday season neighbors enjoy a casual get-together around the fireplace at home. This year join in the holiday spirit and invite friends in for an evening sing song of Christmas carols.

To join in the Christmas "happening" The Champion offers free Christmas carol song sheets to everyone in Milton. Sheets feature favorites like "Away in a Manger", "The First Noel", "Good King Wenceslas", "Joy to the World" and many others and may be picked up at the office any day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Regular song sheets too

Also available are "Let's All Sing" song sheets featuring many old favorites like "Let Me Call You Sweetheart", "Roamin' In the Gloamin'", "Polly-Wolly-Doodle" and many others.

Join in the fun and pick up your copies of the free song sheets at The Champion office. Make this Christmas another joyous and happy one.

Indian yule customs explained to women

Scotch Block Women's Institute held their December meeting at the home of Mrs. John Hopkins, Court St. with 18 members present. The president Mrs. Chester Service was in the chair.

Mrs. Service read a Christmas poem. Minutes, reports, and business followed. The roll call "An old fashioned Christmas custom I would hate to discard" was well responded to.

Mrs. Doug Robertson, convener of home economics displayed Christmas decorations and told how they were made.

Mrs. William Lawson for citizenship and education informed members that J.

Singleton, Director of Education for Halton County had been chosen by the Canadian government as a delegate to the U.N. 25th anniversary and that this year was to be known as education year.

Mrs. J. Elliot introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Mrs. John Murray, who told of many experiences in India where she and Rev. John Murray spent over 30 years as missionaries. She also told of the culture and customs and especially their Christmas decorations and festivities.

The Institute grace was sung and all enjoyed a social time with tea and Christmas goodies.

Suggest revision dumping by-law

A by-law regulating the dumping of sludge on open land may be revised by Esquering Council, next year.

Halton County Health Unit's issue of a dumping permit to Blue Springs Ltd. R. R. 5, Milton provoked discussion among councillors at Monday's regular meeting. The permit allows the company to dump sludge on the farm of K. Michie, Lot 4 Concession 4.

Questioned by deputy-reeve Tom Hill about regulations contained in the by-law, clerk-treasurer Delmar French informed council the by-law may describe the location sludge may be dumped, the hours within which it may be dumped, the type of vehicle it may be transported in and the route such a vehicle may take. Location must be 1200 feet away from both the nearest dwelling and the nearest well.

Deputy-reeve Hill said he thought sludge should be either cultivated or buried under the earth in some way, within a specified length of time.

Should process materials Councillor Wilfrid Leslie further suggested differentiation of materials being dumped. He pointed out there is a great difference in odor between waste material that has been processed and that which goes untreated.

Councillor Russell Miller indicated concern about the detrimental effect sludge seeping into the ground could have on the township's water supply.

Open house at museum

Halton county museum director Dr. H. J. Newman reports there have been excellent crowds at the weekend at the annual Christmas Open House. Although the museum is open every day there are not too many there on weekdays.

The Open House continues till December 20. The museum is especially decorated.



A FOLK FESTIVAL at Milton District High School Friday night featured entertainers attending the school and some who have graduated. Debbie Walden seated, Stefan Deslaurier, Karen Sonne and Betty Devlin were among those on stage.—(Staff Photo)

Milton Council briefs

During their regular meeting last week, members of Milton Council:

— Approved a sale of peppermint patties by the student council of Milton District High School.

— Petitioned the Ontario Department of Highways to allow studded tires to be used throughout the entire province.

— Asked the parks board to look into a proposal from Williams Ave. residents for a skating rink in that neighborhood. Residents have offered to build and operate the rink if the town supplies materials.

— Sent a letter of appreciation to Halton MP Rud Whiting for supporting the town's protest over the proposed elimination of CPR passenger service on the Toronto to Windsor line.

— Noted the new Municipal Board hearing on the Crisi apartment building rezoning, Martin St., would be heard Dec. 22 in Milton.

— Asked Chaingate Investments to install a complete storm sewer system north of Heslop Rd. before council can give consideration to their townhouse development.

— Learned through Mayor Brian Best that several favorable comments had been received on

the town's proposal to change the name of Base Line Rd. to Steeles Ave.

— Received a letter from Milton Arena Board explaining there was little danger of a roof collapse due to heavy snow, as it is a steel roof and is shovelled off if necessary. The government recently suggested all municipalities have their arena roofs tested for stability, following collapses at two Ontario arenas.

— Noted crosswalk markings had been painted on Ontario St. near the apartment buildings, and a study on legalizing crosswalks in town was to be underway early in the new year.

— Approved new signs directing visitors to Milton District Hospital, to be erected at Main and Martin Sts., Martin St. and Base Line Rd., and Base Line Rd. and Bronte St. The signs were requested by the hospital board.

— Learned the canine control officers had impounded six dogs from Milton and investigated two complaints in eight patrols during November.

— Gave final passing to a five-year program of connecting link road work totalling \$1,850,000. Major project is a subway for Ontario St. under the CPR tracks which the town feels will be necessary in 1975-76, at a cost of \$1,000,000.

— Increased the capital levy fees by \$50 on medium and high density apartment projects. The new rates are \$350 per suite for high rise, \$450 per suite for medium density. The extra \$50 is to be assigned to a special park levy fund.

— Engaged Kleenway Construction to install a sewer to Alliance Building Corporation at a cost of \$8.50 per foot, and Edgar Howden and Sons to install a 12 inch water line to the same firm at \$1.65 per foot.

Wintry walk for hikers more jaunts are planned

Hikers enjoyed a wintry walk along the Bruce Trail around Rattlesnake Point Conservation Area west of Milton Sunday, as the Toronto Bruce Trail Club continued its regular winter hiking program.

They covered eight miles of terrain in their Sunday trek with George Roberts, Ken Young and John McLaughlin as leaders.

Several interesting hikes are planned for Toronto club members on future Sundays. On

Jan. 3 they plan two short hikes in the Limehouse and Hilton Falls areas; Jan. 10 is a six mile hike from Rattlesnake Point to Crawford Lake; Jan. 24 a snowshoe hike five miles in length near Terra Cotta; Feb. 7 a three to five mile hike in the Caledon Hills; Feb. 21 a cross country hike on skis near Speyside; March 14 a circular but strenuous hike three to eight miles long at Cataract; and March 28 an eight miler at Credit Forks.

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window, are staffing the trust company office on Saturdays with manager Don Smith. Asked about working the extra time, both ladies said they weren't worried — the manager has promised them time off in the new year to compensate for the three extra mornings. Mr. Smith said it was a pleasure to offer the Saturday service and it is being well received by the community.

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25% tax rebate is not so rosy

Tax rebates of 25 per cent to farmers are not as rosy as they might appear to be, according to George Pelletterio, a north Burlington farmer and a trustee on the Halton County Board of Education.

Speaking on a motion from the Lambton Board of Education which objected to the concession, Pelletterio said it didn't read amount to 25 per cent.

Loss shelter tax

"If they give farmers the 25 per cent tax rebate we'll lose the per cent shelter rebate, so we only have a 13 per cent rebate. Then we sell the land in 10 years we have to pay back the amount of the rebate with eight per cent interest. So it isn't as rosy as it might seem," Pelletterio said.

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