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The northern route would see gravel trucks travel south on the Second Line to Five Sideroad, west to the First Line, north to 10 Sideroad, east to Guelph Line and south to Highway 401.

On Tuesday, engineer Robert Blay of the firm of McCormick Rankin and Associates estimated road reconstruction costs for the northern route at \$93,000 for 3,000 feet down the Second Line, and \$450,000 for the balance.

The only road alternative is for the trucks to rumble east along Five Sideroad and through the village to 401, for the Ministry of Transportation and Communications in 1974 advised Milton that no special hook-up roads would be permitted between the quarry and Highway 401.

What about a special road linking the quarry with the Guelph Line just south of the 401 interchange?, asked the town. The MTC replied that the special road would have to hit the Guelph Line no less than 700 feet south of the interchange. A branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia stands at the 700-foot mark.

Users on line
Yet the rail transfer of aggregate remains a possibility, and Ms. Yundt, the consultant who testified Monday, said there were eight major aggregate users located on the CP Rail line in Metro Toronto.

Milton lawyer Terry Baines, in his summation Friday, testified that "rail haulage is competitive if sufficient volume is involved" and praised the "obvious proximity of this form of transportation" as a credible solution to the dilemma.

"But," he said, "Springbank chose to disregard it." Baines said CP Rail has said the rail siding on the quarry site is feasible, and suggested the rail idea compared to the use of trucks would save fuel, lessen pollution, lessen noise and increase safety.

Baines envisaged one or two trains per day as being sufficient to serve the quarry. "Coup de grace?"

What about gravel trucks travelling through the village of Campbellville at the rate of one every two or three minutes?

The following are representative comments heard by the two OMB members:

Milton lawyer Baines: "I suggest that this would be the coup de grace for the village if permitted." Earlier he said "the quality and enjoyment of life in Campbellville will decline."

Halton lawyer Noel Bates: "What is the cost of accommodating? What do people get back when things like environment are taken away? What are the benefits to the community? There are none!"

And what did some other witnesses think of Campbellville?

Campbell Thompson, Milton deputy-clerk: "It's an ideal example of rural hamlet settlement that has kept up with the times."

Bob Zsadyani, Milton Planner: "It (truck traffic) would destroy the environment and the type of settlement pattern envisioned by the former township of Nassagaweya."

Mrs. Milou Erickson, housewife, Five Sideroad: "We love it! It's super! We'd hate to see it change!"



A CANADA CORD, highest honor in Guiding and the culmination of three years of work, was presented last week to Valerie Johnson of 2nd Milton Guide Co. Her parents Mr. and Mrs. Cec Rowley hold some of her gifts, left and Mrs. Yvonne Andress, Valerie's first Brown Owl when she joined Brownies seven years ago is pictured at right after making the presentation. Valerie collected 41 badges on her way to the top and at 14 is one of the youngest to ever receive the honor. The presentation was made following a pot luck dinner organized by her company for the girls and their mothers. Division Commissioner Mrs. Joy Cox, her Deputy Mrs. J. McBride, District Commissioner Mrs. Thornton, Camp Advisor Mrs. B. Ginger, Captain Mrs. Jean Greig, Lt. Mrs. Mary Jane Stevens and St. Paul's Minister Rev. W. L. Brown also attended the ceremony.

Duffs split

—Please be careful with fire over the holiday season, urges your Milton Fire Department.

Two early Streetsville goals forced the Milton minor midge Dufferins to come from behind to win 6-2 in Mississauga Saturday night. Duffs dropped a 5-4 decision in Guelph Sunday evening after taking a 4-2 lead.

Dan Nadalin and Rob Champoux each scored twice for the Duffs in Streetsville with Dave Harnden and Carl Caputo each scoring once. Nadalin, Harnden, Bill Lyons, Randy MacDonald and Kevin Smith each picked up an assist.

Penalties cost the Duffs the win in Guelph after goals by MacDonald, Nadalin, Lyons and Brett Patterson. Milton assists were distributed among Bill Goencz, Greg Orpen and Mike Ellis.

increase.
Robert Baldwin School in Milton is a prime example. That school is overcrowded now and there are still new families moving into that area.

Instead of being able to walk to Baldwin, youngsters moving into the area will have to be bussed to Stewarttown and Pineview where growth pressures don't exist and classroom space is available.

Christmas

A time for songs
And endless cheer.

A time for friends
Both far and near

A time for faith
To lead the way.

A time for hope
Each time we pray.

A time for blessings
From above.

Yes, Christmas is
A time for love!



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Choose Rev. Lewis to ring bell

A Presbyterian minister whose community service goes far beyond his own two churches, Rev. W. R. "Rod" Lewis has been named Milton's official New Year's Eve bell-ringer.

The New Year's Eve ceremony, a tradition in Milton since Canada's centennial was rung in on the eve of 1967, is sponsored by the Milton and District Kinsmen Club. The fact Rod Lewis is a former Kinsman and recently was

named an honorary member of the local club chairman Lester Wood.

"We asked him to do the honors, in recognition of ALL his community service in a multitude of areas," he said.

Recovery house
Besides serving Boston and Omagh Presbyterian Churches, Lewis recently headed up two versions of Milton's Santa Claus Parade. He is also actively working on a recovery house for alcoholics,

works as a chaplain at the jail and is a frequent visitor at Halton Manor and Milton District Hospital.

The honor of ringing the bell usually goes to some civic-minded citizen.

The New Year's ceremony is a brief one. The crowd will gather at the town hall on Main St. between 11.30 and 11.45 p.m. next Thursday, Dec. 31 and "Auld Lang Syne" will be sung on the street at the midnight countdown. Rev. Lewis will be

stationed on the second floor of the town hall and pull the rope that activates the old tower bell on the stroke of midnight.

Kinsmen will serve coffee and donuts. The event is free and open to all.

—Streets are slippery, drive carefully over the holidays.

—The Champion office will be closed Dec. 25 to 28 for the holiday.

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Our thanks and best wishes at Christmas.

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Province shifts . . .

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five-year period 1970-75, spending by local government increased by 70 per cent. That is to say, municipalities, school boards and local agencies increased their spending from \$3.6 billion to \$6.1 billion," Wells said.

"A very large part of this increase has been financed directly by greatly-increased provincial grants—which have doubled from \$1.4 billion to \$2.8 billion in five years.

Better services
"The result of this has been that local government has been able to achieve expanded and improved local services with only moderate increases in local mill rates.

"In other words, with the province pouring more and more money into local government, municipalities have had to raise property taxes only minimally.

"The figures bear this out. Over the 1970-75 period, local mill rate increases averaged

only about three per cent a year, even though local government spending increased by 70 per cent in the same period.

"This is obviously not the time to initiate costly new programs, however innovative they might be, unless those can be offset by making reductions elsewhere in budgets. Nor is it time to be allocating funds for new projects and activities which may be viewed as relatively remote from the actual learning process in the classroom," Wells said.

Bussing pressure
The Minister's announcement is expected to cause additional pressures on the board to bus students to schools in the region where space is available.

In many parts of the region schools are facing crowded conditions and growth projections indicate that pressures on schools in those areas will

CHRISTMAS

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Joyous CHRISTMAS

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