

## Poverty trip

from NURSE on page 1 with her," she recalls. "Some had teeth rotting out of their heads." Although the Guatemalans lived in "total poverty," says Ms DiNatale, "they were sweet people and were grateful for anything you did for them."

Ms DiNatale, who had always wished to take such a trip, worked in a remote area in the hills of the country — about a 30-minute drive from Guatemala City.

She was among 30 other Canadian and American citizens. A small group worked in the medical clinic, and the rest helped build bigger and better homes for the people. The volunteers brought their own food and slept on a concrete floor.

Before she left Canada Dec. 30, the mother of two collected donations of medical and dental equipment from local doctors. The supplies, outdated in Canada, had already been sent to Guatemala when she arrived.

Before she went south, she learned some Spanish which improved over the 10 days, she says. She said she hopes to take a similar trip to help out citizens of another underdeveloped country in the fall.



Ellen DiNatale recently returned from Guatemala where she helped set up a medical clinic for its citizens.

## Expansion waits 'til 1997

from GO TRAIN on page 1 how primitive the station may be."

But GO project engineer Jim Goff was ready for that. "It would be very difficult to provide service to Campbellville." Milton is the end of the line for GO, and in order to push on to Campbellville "it would require additional track," the same third line that is being installed elsewhere, Mr. Goff explained.

That would be "very expensive" and could have "environmental impacts" on the Niagara Escarpment. And while there is "some demand" for the service it is "Not significant enough to warrant the expenditure on a station."

Councillor Colin Best pressed the GO representatives to throw some money Milton's way in order to upgrade bumpy level crossings. "You are causing an impact on our roads." The train crossing at Fourth Line south of James Snow Parkway, which GO uses, "is enough to take your transmission out."

Councillor Brad Clements complained that trains parked on tracks near intersections, including GO trains — they usually park to let someone else clear a track ahead — set off crossing alarms in the downtown area, a source of annoyance to motorists who wait at crossings for

trains that don't come.

The GO officials listened to the Milton complaints and requests, but they were basically there to inform councillors about the project, and that's all. Milton public works director John Matthews noted the other concerns, and said he'd investigate them and report back.

GO is holding a public meeting to explain its plan at the Herigate Inn in Milton on Tuesday, Feb. 4, from 4 to 8 p.m.

## Tax arrears

from TOWN'S on page 1 there are 34 properties eligible for tax sale in Milton, Ms Turbitt said. But she only expects to have to seize three of them. "The rest have paid or made satisfactory arrangements to pay."

People in arrears pay 15 per cent simple interest as a surcharge on their tax bill.

"Those individuals do pay a penalty and a fairly hefty one as well," Mayor Krantz stressed. "And there's always the threat of registration (seizure and sale). That's not very nice, when some person may lose their home. I want to assure those who are paying their taxes that they are not being penalized by those who cannot, or will not."

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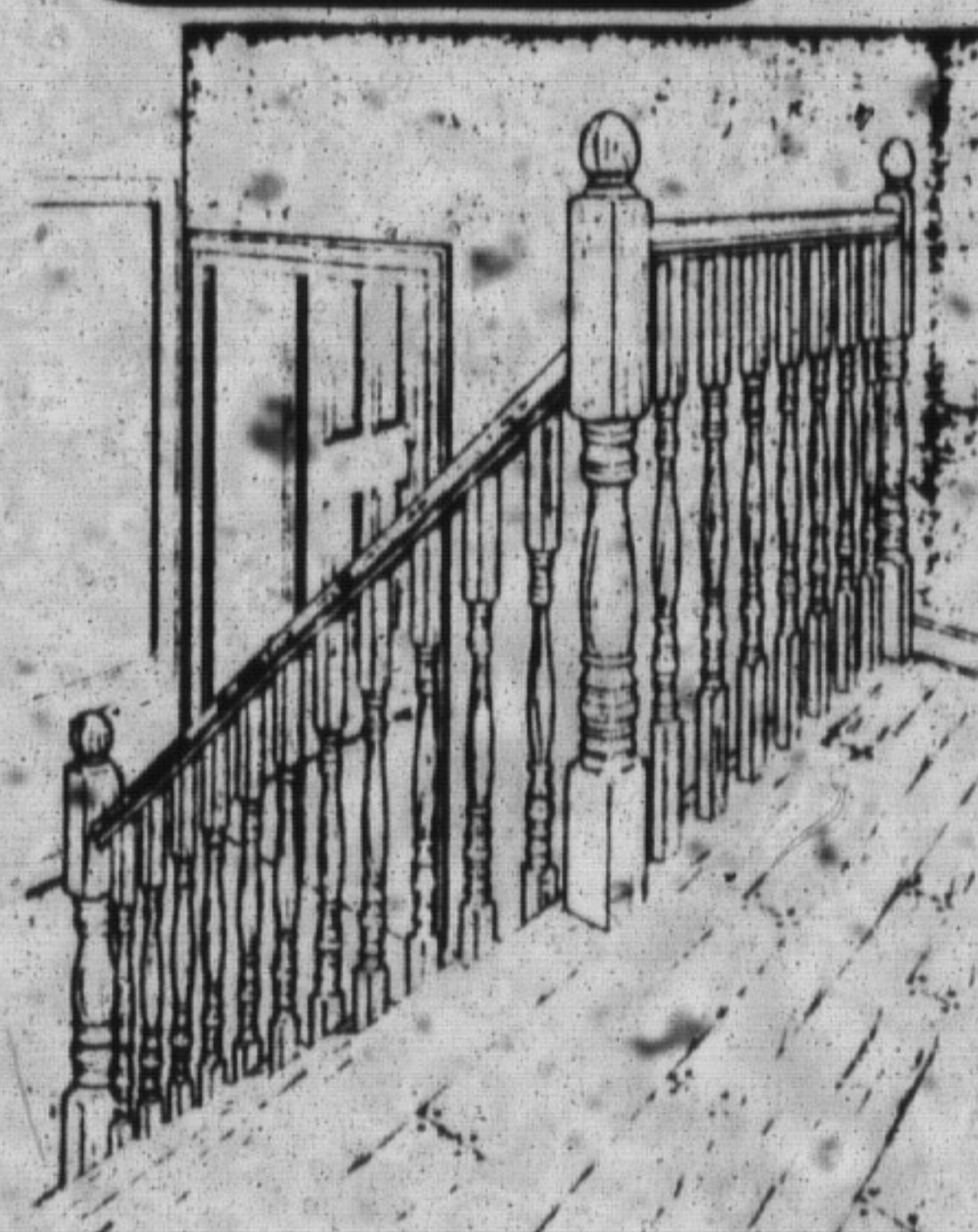
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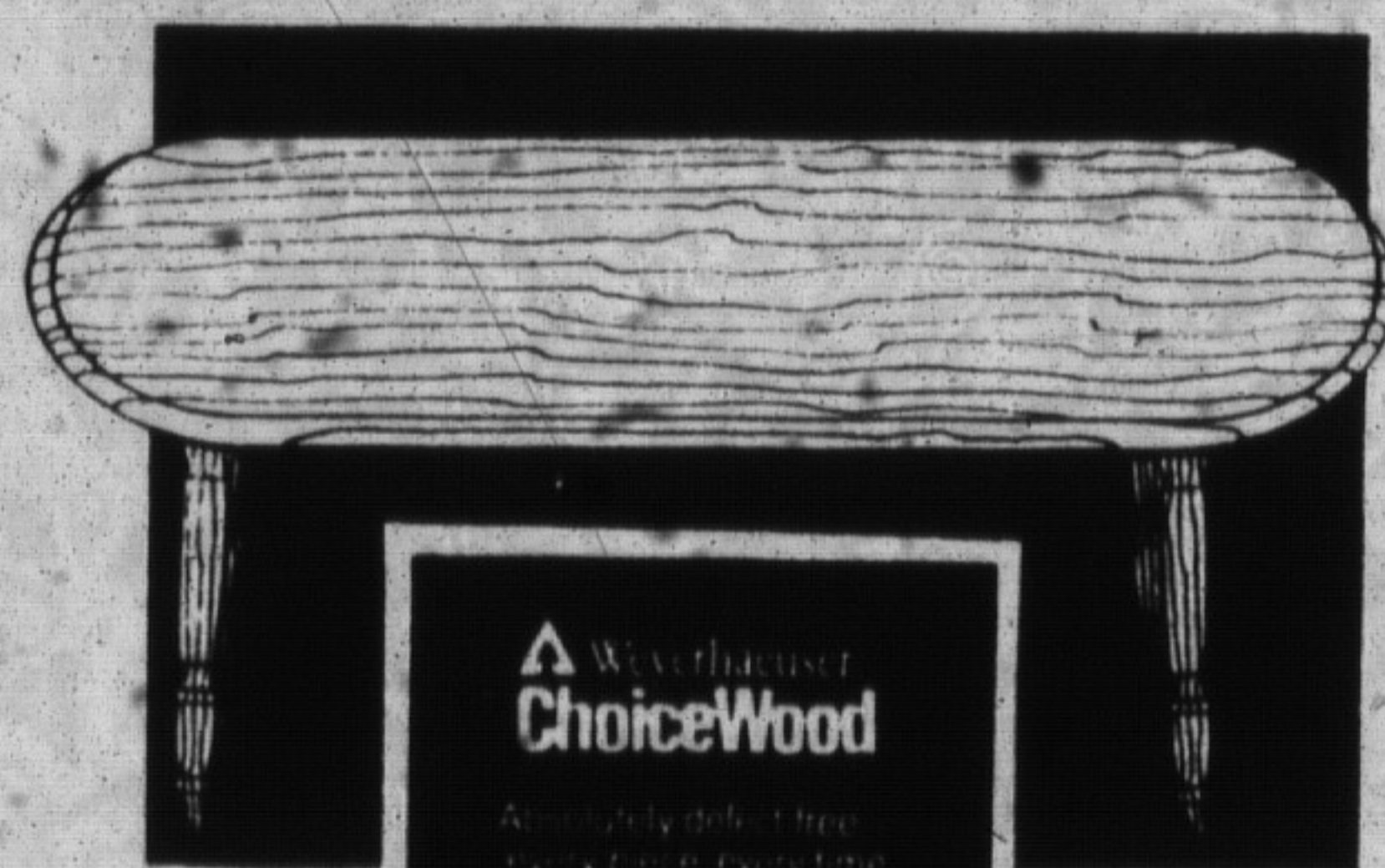
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