

● MILTON

The Milton Board of Selectmen's hopes were bolstered yesterday with the report of two possible breakthroughs in their three-year battle to relocate the Southwest Expressway to a more desirable site.

Boston Mayor Kevin H. White has declared that it is important that the State Public Works Dept. withdraw State approved plans for the I-95 route now pending before the Federal Dept. of Transportation, John A. Cronin, executive secretary to the selectmen said.

The mayor said many vital programs are jeopardized by the existing Southwest Expressway route location, he said.

The Milton selectmen's second hope is in a recent consultant's report to the MBTA Study Committee urging the State to "consider an alternate location."

Building the combination expressway and transit line — as urged by the state DPW — said the report by R. L. Banks and Assoc. of Washington, D.C., would be "a serious mistake" and shortsighted.

● WALPOLE

WALPOLE — Linwood J. Newman, 36, of 159 Mystic av., Arlington, president of the N.E. Equipment Co. here, was arrested here yesterday afternoon after a State Police raid and charged with receiving stolen property.

Discovered at the N.E. Equipment Corp. office was a tractor trailer containing \$15,000 worth of motor oil. The rig was stolen Jan. 18 in Erie, Pa., police said.

The raid was led by State Police Capt John Kulik.

Newman, being held in \$15,000 bail, will be arraigned today in Foxboro District Court.