

### Forescore edition inside

Today's Evening Herald contains a special 44-page edition looking at the new decade. Forescore is an advance look at the '80s. Its homonym, four score, also means 80. The edition offers some insight into the attitudes of area leaders as the penultimate decade of the 20th century begins. Extra copies are on sale at the Herald office.

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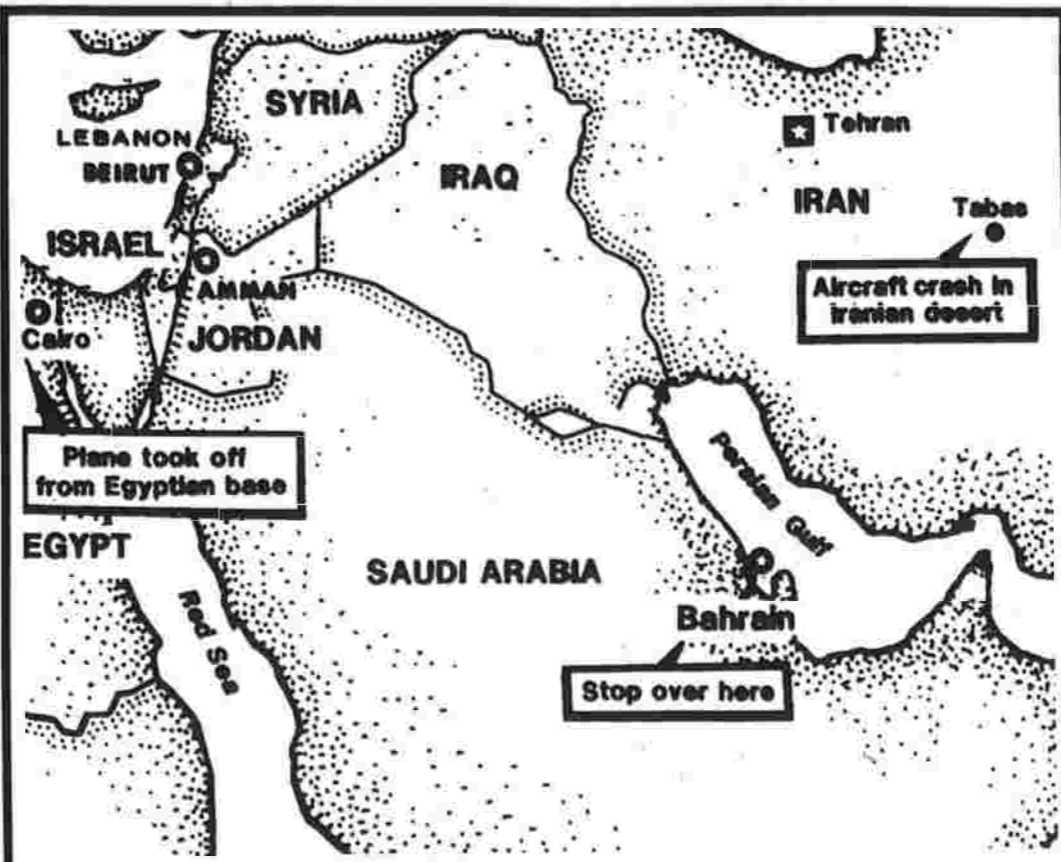
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## Daring effort ends in tragedy



President Carter this morning expressed "deep regret" at the death of eight American crewmen in the crash of two U.S. aircraft on a remote desert in Iran during withdrawal of a force which had been slated to attempt a rescue of the 53 American hostages being held in the U.S. embassy in Tehran. (UPI photo)



The United States apparently used an Egyptian air base as a staging area for the aborted rescue attempt in Iran. The U.S. aircraft stopped in Bahrain on their way to Iran, radio reports said. Two aircraft crashed on the ground near the remote desert town of Tabas, reports said. Iran claimed its jets had pursued the U.S. planes to the crash site. (UPI map)

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A daring effort to rescue 53 American hostages in Tehran ended in tragedy even before it began today when two U.S. military aircraft collided on a remote Iranian desert, killing eight Americans, the White House announced.

"The responsibility is fully my own," President Carter said in a statement on national television. He said he called off the action when the Americans had trouble with their helicopters — apparently some 300 miles from Tehran.

Carter said some others involved in the operation were injured in the crash and all of the Americans were quickly evacuated. But Iran claimed 300 U.S. troops in Iranian uniforms were left behind and fled into the desert.

Foreign Minister Sadegh Ghotbzadeh said the Americans would be treated as prisoners of war if captured. He urged militants holding the U.S. hostages not to harm them in retaliation for the raid.

The mission — which drew quick fire from some hostage families and members of Congress — was apparently mounted from Egypt, with giant C-130 aircraft flying to the small Iranian town of Tabas to unload helicopters for a lightning raid on the embassy.

But the White House, in announcing the mission's failure at 1:15 a.m. EST, said Carter was forced to abort the mission due to mechanical problems with the helicopters. Iran radio said the helicopters became mired in mud at Tabas, which is 300 miles southeast of Tehran.

Carter said two aircraft — believed to be a helicopter and a Giant C-130 cargo plane — collided on the ground after he aborted the mission and ordered a retreat.

The ground crash also injured a number of other Americans, who Carter said were expected "to recover."

"The responsibility is fully my own," Carter in a nationally televised statement at 7 a.m. EST, some six hours after the White House first reported the abortive attempt involving giant C-130 aircraft and helicopters.

"It was my decision to attempt the operation. It was my decision to cancel," said Carter, who looked drawn and tired after staying up all night to monitor the rescue attempt for the hostages, now in their 174th day of captivity.

There was no indication from Iran that the hostages have been harmed by their militant captors after the American forces pulled out, reportedly leaving aircraft wreckage in the desert area near the little town of Tabas some 300 miles southeast of Tehran.

Iran compared the raid to the Nazi invasion of Austria in World War II and Moscow warned the United States it was flirting with war in the Persian Gulf area.

A huge crowd gathered outside the embassy after Tehran radio charged that Iranian air force planes broke up the raid by "agents of the CIA and Marines."

But Carter said the mission was aborted due to "mechanical failure" and that the crash — believed to involve a helicopter and a C-130 — occurred after it was decided to retreat.

In Tel Aviv, Israeli Radio reported the United States used an Egyptian air base as a staging area, and flew — See Page 10

## Iran contradicts U.S. story

By United Press International

Iran claimed today an attempt to rescue U.S. hostages in Tehran failed because two American aircraft carrying Marines and CIA agents crashed in flames under attack by Iranian warplanes.

Foreign Minister Sadegh Ghotbzadeh said "some American" troops were left behind and fled into the desert. He said they would be treated as prisoners of war if captured. A Iranian radio report said as many as 300 Americans dressed in Iranian uniforms fled into the desert. A later Tehran radio broadcast, a joint army staff statement, asked people near the central city of Tabas to be on the alert for any Americans and said Iranian aircraft were flying over the area.

President Carter said eight Americans were killed and an unspecified number injured in a ground

collision of two aircraft in the desert 300 miles from Tehran. He said all Americans, included some injured, were evacuated before the Iranians learned of the aborted mission.

He said the rescue mission was called off because of equipment failure and, before the strike force could withdraw, a C-130 transport and a helicopter collided on the ground.

Iran contradicted the U.S. version of the Entebbe-style rescue attempt, saying the aircraft crashed in the air during a chase by Iranian air force planes.

Ghotbzadeh said he appealed to the militants holding the 50 hostages in the U.S. Embassy for 174 days to demonstrate restraint. The militants had vowed to harm the captives if the United States took any military action against Iran.

He said Iranian President

Abolhassan Bani-Sadr had flown over the site of the collision near the desert town of Tabas, about 300 miles southeast of Tehran, and reported seeing five burning helicopters, tents and blankets.

In a commentary of the aborted mission, Tehran Radio said Iran "has inflicted a defeat and flight on the Americans and their mercenaries unprecedented in their history and the history of the world."

"Their planes have fallen, their helicopters have got stuck in the mud," the radio said. "They themselves have become prisoners in the boundless prison of the desert."

While the Iranian military asserted the U.S. aircraft were downed during a pursuit by its planes, Carter said Iranian officials had no knowledge of the raid "until several hours after all Americans were withdrawn from Iran."

Ghotbzadeh said the foray "has put in danger the lives of the hostages" and thousands of Iranians gathered outside the occupied embassy to celebrate the U.S. failure.

Carter said the mission was "humanitarian" and intended to alleviate international tensions created by the near half-year crisis.

But Ghotbzadeh declared the U.S. mission amounted to an "act of war" and said: "I now compare this to the Hitler invasion of Austria. It is the same with excuses offered for such acts."

As Tehran radio reported the abortive mission, jubilant Iranians demonstrated in front of the U.S. Embassy and raced cars through the city, blaring horns and flashing lights.

Moslem militants holding 50 of the 53 hostages called reinforcements of revolutionary guards to build up the

24-hour patrol around the beleaguered embassy.

But the militants had no immediate comment about the failed American mission.

UPI Reporter Donal O'Higgins said militant guards outside the embassy "showed their undisguised delight with large grins lighting their faces." He said the mood was "more of jubilation than hostility or approaching catastrophe."

The militant guards, brandishing automatic weapons, threw candy to the milling crowd. They told the cheering crowd the Iranian air force had shot the planes down.

A huge banner proclaiming "Vive Khomeini — Death to Carter" set the background to the jubilation.

"We have won again," shouted the demonstrators. "America has been disgraced," they yelled.

## Carter could be in deep trouble

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Calling for a "full investigation," Chairman Frank Church of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee accused President Carter today of ignoring the War Powers Act for not consulting Congress before ordering the abortive hostage rescue mission.

The 1973 act calls on presidents to consult lawmakers in most cases before introducing U.S. military forces into a situation which could result in combat.

"I was not advised. To my knowledge, no member of Congress

was advised," said Church, D-Idaho. He said Carter thus "disregarded" the provisions of the act.

"I think he might have been dissuaded because of the high risks of such a mission and the ominous consequences of failure," Church said in an interview on NBC-TV.

"At the proper time," Church said, his committee should make "a full investigation" of Carter's unilateral decision.

"I don't understand the timing of such a military operation because our allies were backing up our

economic sanctions — presumably on the assumption that these would foreclose military action," said Church.

Leaders of the Foreign Relations Committee had pressed the administration Thursday to consult Congress on any military options in the hostage crisis.

Prompted by Carter's earlier threat of military force against Iran, Church and ranking Republican Jacob Javits, R-N.Y., wrote Secretary of State Cyrus Vance to begin consultations at "an early

date," promising full confidentiality. Independent presidential candidate Rep. John Anderson, R-Ill., also said today the Carter action "comes very close of violating the spirit, if not the letter, of the War Powers Act."

Administration sources said neither the Defense Department nor State Department legal offices had even begun consultations among themselves on how the 1973 War Powers Act would apply to the rescue operation.

The War Powers Act, approved on Nov. 7, 1973, grew out of the Vietnam

War. It states that no president may go to war or commit U.S. forces overseas without involving Congress in the decision-making process.

The law, congressional sources pointed out, applies specifically to cases where no declaration of war has been approved by Congress.

The law directs the president to inform congressional leaders within 48 hours of the commitment of troops and asserts that troops must be withdrawn in 60 days unless the action is approved by Congress.

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#### The weather

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#### In sports

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## Solons seeking rail funds

By MARTIN KEARNS Herald Reporter

MANCHESTER — A last minute scramble for funds could save the Manchester to Hartford rail corridor from a year of inactivity.

Legislators are expected to introduce an amendment to existing mass transit bills that would release about \$750,000 in bonding to study, and later to implement, service along the line.

Earlier this month the Legislature's Finance Committee declined to authorize bonding for the project, in effect, killing the issue for the current legislative session. Local legislators and the Transportation Committee of the Legislature had asked for a \$10 million appropriation to reestablish commuter service into Hartford. The failure of the bill was

attributed to a tight state budget which contained no monies for new mass transit projects.

But coalition of legislators, including state Reps. Walter H. Joyner, R-Manchester, and Aloysius Ahearn, D-Bolton, were working Thursday to align the rail project with existing legislation. The amendment, which could be voted by the General Assembly this weekend, would take advantage of existing but unused transit funds voted in 1974.

The bill is also endorsed by Transportation Committee Chairman Thom Serrani, and is reported to have the influential support of Deputy Majority Leader Timothy Moynihan, D-East Hartford.

Rep. Joyner said today that the \$750,000 would be sufficient to both study and implement service. Included in the plan would be con-

struction of commuter parking lots in Manchester and East Hartford, where commuter stops would be made. The feasibility study could be completed by fall, Joyner said.

The funding would bring the line up to Class III codes, enabling rail cars to reach speeds of 60 mph, Joyner said. Speeds along the line are now restricted to about 20 mph.

In a related move, another amendment will be introduced to include the Manchester to Willimantic rail line among a list of projects that will be sent to the state Department of Transportation.

Rebecca Doty, a spokeswoman for Rep. Toby Moffett, D-Sixth District, whose mass transit task force has been pressing for transportation improvements, said the state DOT will be asked to investigate the line for freight service. The bill, however,

does not require the department to take any action on the projects, although funds would be available.

The state DOT has established as its priority for the coming year service along the Waterbury to Hartford rail line. State funds available for rail projects have been marked for the project's completion, expected in two years. Extension of the line into New Britain and west to Manchester is envisioned by legislators introducing new transit options.

Another bill to be put before the legislature will mark \$75,000 for the Capitol Region Council of Governments to conduct an analysis of transportation alternatives, including rail improvements. The funds would be used as seed money generating an 80 percent match from the federal government.

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Business



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Phone 'magic' in human hands

At Southern New England Telephone Co. the people behind the sophisticated machinery and electronics are the key to reliable service.

In tandem with the Evening Herald's special "Foreseeers" edition a look at the people behind the scenes at SNET headquarters in Manchester reveals the human side of telephone service.

Michael H. Landry of South Windsor is an installer working in the Manchester area. During his tenure with the telephone company, he has noticed a change in the people's approach to the telephone.

He said many persons today look upon their telephone not just as a necessity, but as a part of their interior decorating plan.

He said new styles and color combinations make it easier to coordinate the telephone with almost any decorating idea.

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MANCHESTER — The Square Circle Club of Manchester Lodge of Masons will sponsor an open house Monday from 10 a. m. to noon at the Masonic Temple, East Center Street.

There will be cards, pool, chess, conversation and refreshments. All Masons and their friends are invited.

Hale explains sources of the money crunch

MANCHESTER — The historic trend of the increasing rate of home ownership is being buffeted by the winds of inflation, high interest and short-sightedness in Washington according to William H. Hale, president of Heritage Savings and Loan Association.

In tracing the source of today's home financing credit crunch, Hale points out that one reason America enjoys the world's highest rate of home ownership is that for years we have subsidized the purchase of a home.

He also praised the recent increase in federal insurance of deposits to \$100,000 as a measure that effectively deals with the effects of inflation on the insurance side of the depositor's picture.

Finally, Hale roundly criticized a legislative proposal which would require banks to withhold the interest earned on savings accounts from payment to depositors for federal income tax purposes. He called the step "incredibly inept."



Promoted at bank

HARTFORD — Lawrence Rampellini, assistant vice president and area manager for Connecticut Bank and Trust Co. Danielson-Willimantic corporate-commercial area, has been elected a vice president.

Rampellini joined CBT in the branch training program in 1968 and the next year was named assistant manager in the Mansfield office.

To manage branch

SAN FRANCISCO — Donald R. Kennedy has been appointed vice president and manager of the Pruneyard branch of Bank of America.

Wins prize at show

HARTFORD — Kathy Custis of 655 Talcottville Road, Vernon, won a Frigidaire microwave oven in a drawing at the Hartford Civic Center during the recent Home Show.

Finishes survey

VERNON — Profiles Research & Consulting Groups Inc., has recently completed a major research and assessment survey for the U.S. Department of Commerce, Marine Fisheries, a division of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, selected this firm over 34 other contractors.

Heads really office

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### Officials end search for lost light plane

HARTFORD (UPI) — Civil Air Patrol officials have suspended a four-day 100-hour search over four states for a missing light plane that disappeared on a flight from New York to Newport, R.I., last weekend.

Student pilot Rose Heinlein, 55, of Ronkonkoma, N.Y., left from nearby Sayport, N.Y., Saturday in a white Cessna 150. Her plane was not sighted after takeoff.

CAP spokesman Lt. Charles Perrault said the search was suspended at 4 p.m., Thursday after "thoroughly investigating all leads." But he said if any new information is received, the search will resume.

CAP squads also suspended their efforts in Rhode Island, Massachusetts and New York, he said.

Five planes searched for the missing craft Thursday — one in New York and four in Connecticut. "Nothing panned out at all," Perrault said.

He said searchers had covered the middle and southern portions of Connecticut and southern Rhode Island.

## New Haven has a birthday party

NEW HAVEN (UPI) — Mayor Biagio DiIieto spoke near the site where a group of colonists ended their voyage from England 342 years ago to settle in the New World as residents across the city honored their home town's birthday.

"Happy Birthday" rang from a downtown carillon, restaurants served colonial desserts and officials gathered at harbor-side Thursday in tribute to the Puritans who settled New Haven.

DiIieto proclaimed First Settlers Day at city birthday ceremonies near the site where 46 colonists ended their voyage from England in the ship Hector and named their new home "Quinnipiack."

From the edge of New Haven harbor, the Italian-American mayor hailed the "great ethnic diversity of the city" and recounted the arrival of its original settlers on April 24, 1637. He told about 150 officials and residents how the settlers survived sickness, poverty and attacks from Dutch marauders to establish a colony on a 16-acre plot, now the city's downtown Green.

Their colony, laid out in nine squares by surveyor John Brockett after an arrangement in Londonderry, Ireland, grew to become the nation's first planned city — home to colonial deserter Benedict Arnold; rubber giant Charles Goodyear, inventor Eli Whitney; ac-

tor Ernest Borgnine; basketball player John Williamson; Pulitzer prize-winning writer John Hersey and baseball Hall-of-Famer Smokey Joe Wood.

"New Haveners have always risen to meet the challenges, have acted courageously and decisively and in the end have always prevailed. We shall prevail," said DiIieto.

A 3-by-3-foot green-frosted square cake, decorated with reproductions of three churches on the city's green and with a giant 342 in the center, was served while Yale University's famed Wilfennop group sang "Happy Birthday, New Haven," "The Star Spangled Banner" and a medley of Yale songs.

A panorama of the harbor depicting scenes from the settlers' arrival was erected at the Long Wharf Information Center, where the ceremony took place in brisk winds off the harbor.

"It was just a little nifty little observation," said Byrne Stoddard of the city's Visitors and Convention Bureau at Long Wharf, who organized the ceremonies. "Basically it was just to remind New Haveners of their colonial heritage."

Guests included Aldridge Edwards, the director of the New Haven Downtown Council, who traces his ancestors to the city's original settlers.

### Coliseum scrutiny involved

HARTFORD (UPI) — The firm that rebuilt Hartford Civic Center Coliseum says it had the two-year \$11 million job to do over again, it would try harder to build public confidence in the arena.

The coliseum was so important to the people of Hartford that they "wanted to know every detail about the rebuilding process," said James F. Murphy, vice president of the George A. Fuller Co.

If the company had realized that before it started, it would have treated the public — and the press — differently, Murphy told the New England Chapter of the American Public Works Association Thursday.

The coliseum was reopened Feb. 6 — more than two years after its roof collapsed under tons of ice and snow a few hours after a college basketball game.

"We would make sure that early on, a spokesperson would be appointed to represent the entire construction team," he said.

"This one spokesperson would diminish chances for mixed messages and misconceptions. Most importantly, the spokesperson would maintain public confidence in the project."

The coliseum was the longest on-going media event in the city of Hartford. More inches of type were devoted to the project than I have ever seen in 20 years in the industry," he said.

"An enormous amount of national interest was generated by the fact that this roof was the first to collapse, and it happened very dramatically. It is also the first to be rebuilt, though not as dramatically, I'm happy to say."

He said "the major complicating factor" in rebuilding the coliseum was that it was a public project, and "public projects receive more play in the media and more public scrutiny than private projects normally do."

Murphy said because reporters are not familiar with construction terminology or experts in the field, "a number of points about the job which are necessarily flexible sounded as though they were cast in concrete when they appeared in the media."

"The public also feared about safety when they saw several stories about inspection," he said. "They did not understand that thorough inspection and testing procedures are a routine part of every construction job. Again, the public does not hear as much about inspection on private jobs."



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Four score years have passed since the century last turned. Another score lies ahead before the century closes and another begins.

In this section, leaders of our communities talk about problems and solutions as far reaching as race relations among peoples in Manchester and surrounds. An industrial climate that is developing in South Windsor, an exciting new complex for J.C. Penney, a search for industry in Coventry and efforts to make government more accountable in Vernon, as well as some thoughts on education in the area.

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EVENING HERALD, Fri., April 25, 1980

# History, impact of race relations outlined to teachers

By LAUREN DAVIS SHEA  
Herald Reporter

**MANCHESTER** — The educators of this town's children recently attended a lecture by a former Black Nationalist. The subject was the history of race relations, and more specifically, the impact of educators have on impressionable youths regarding race relations.

This town has locked horns with the issue. Placed with charges by the U.S. Justice Department of having racial motivations when by a 3-to-1 margin it decided to drop out of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Block Grant Program, and regularly put in the position of trying to deny 1970 census figures that show the town is 88 and one-half percent white, Manchester residents are keenly aware of race relations.

Under a federally funded Title VI program having as its goal the development of healthy multicultural relationships, Iling Junior High School invited Howard Stanback to speak.

Stanback is currently the assistant dean of the University of Connecticut's School of Social Work, and is pursuing a doctorate degree in economics. By his own admission, he spent the sixties as a Black Nationalist.

Stanback's most startling contention compared racial relations in various parts of the country. "The south is better today than the north. During the 1960's, despite desegregation orders, a substantial number of white families did not flee. Enough did not let the issue scare them, and the south became integrated. But the north is very parochial," Stanback said.

Stanback, who is from the south, questioned how the north would handle the desegregation move. He prodded teachers to give serious thought to how they would handle having minority students in classes that had been almost entirely white.

"What is going to be expected of the child coming in from the North End of Hartford? Is this child going to be considered an imposition, or an asset? Is the teacher going to feel that this child is someone who will have to be especially catered to? Is the child going to mean the teacher has to read a little bit of black history?" Stanback contends teacher attitudes will be critical in how children handle black and white interaction. He said not only busing students from Hartford is in the cards, but also busing suburban students to Hartford.

"Whether you buy busing or not—it is a federal mandate. So if you're going to bus, let's bus both ways," Stanback declared.

Stanback said his southern upbringing translated into his having all black teachers until college, that he had no doubt that blacks had great leadership capability and the Black is Beautiful movement of the 60s was "icing on the cake."

But he condemned the lack of black role models for minority children in the north. "The odds are, they've never had a black teacher. Their images of black leadership come through the church — and if they've missed that, they've missed it all. To stress this point, Stanback asked for a show of hands on how many people had been interviewed for a job by a black person. The number raising a hand was less than 10 percent.

Stanback cited the enormous influence this has on a child's self-image. Stanback also decried the current practice of Black History Month, saying black history should be integrated into straight American History.

"Until a new generation is taught about blacks, along with Irish, Poles, Jews, Italians, and everybody else, race relations will remain antagonistic," he predicted.

Stanback also discussed the influence the economy plays on race relations. While the 1960s was a boom economy "because of the Vietnam War, I'm sorry to say" the 1980s follows a period when the economy has "limped at best."

Stanback said this means the economy is unable to meet the needs of the majority, which carries with it a decreased interest in minorities.

"Today, people are caught up in a life and death struggle over dwindling resources and when that happens, people move to defend what they have, based on race."

He cited the Bakke reverse discrimination case as an example of shoring up the reserves, saying "By attacking the system that allows correction of inequalities, the forward movement is being hurt."

Stanback not only criticized, he offered alternatives to the present methods of coping with the trying economic times. Agreeing that anyone owning property is concerned about taxes, Stanback nonetheless said Proposition 13 style cuts is not the way to go.

He said while this method cuts public service jobs across the board, it hits social workers and teachers hardest. These are the two professions with the highest concentration of blacks, Stanback said, as he emphasized that cutting here would shoot a hole in the black middle class.

He suggested instead that all people concentrate their tax reform efforts on changing the tax structure from a regressive one, that impacts hardest on the middle class and poor, to a progressive one, that takes a realer chunk from the rich.

While Stanback backed away from calling the Proposition 13 cuts racist, he said "In protecting their own interests, these people wind up hurting the minorities. Although not directly designed to hurt them, it does."

Stanback said the economic issue can even be seen in the changing literature of the Ku Klux Klan. He said 15 years ago the KKK declared "We're here to keep the niggers out."

"Now the Klan is saying 'We're here to protect the interests of white people.'"

"The Klan has moved away from cultural myths and they're coming right out with it — they're saying 'we're here to protect what we got.'"

While much of Stanback's commentary concentrated on current and future trends, he began his talk with a discussion of the history of racism. He said the notions of racial superiority began with the slave trade "when people needed a rationale for buying and selling human beings."

He suggested that even the church position was that blacks were subhuman, incapable of thought and acting only on instinct. "Blacks as beasts of burden form the core of racism," Stanback said.

As race relations developed in Brazil and the West Indies, a number of threats to slavery emerged, both within and outside of the system. The abolitionists represented the external threat, while the slaves themselves presented an internal challenge.

The interaction between white and black people led to the breakdown of "the old myth of subhuman beings." Not only were the old myths not holding water in the face of years of contact, but the blacks were also holding a disproportionate number of jobs in skilled labor.

Stanback cited architects in New Orleans, draftsmen in Atlanta, dockworkers in Charleston, and blacksmiths in South Carolina.

In response to these developments, Stanback said a new rationale for keeping slaves was developed. This rationale said blacks were an inferior human race. They were capable of manual labor but only low level intellectual tasks.

"This led to the view of the slave as child. Slaves had to be protected from themselves, because they were adults with children's thought processes," Stanback said.

After slavery was abolished, Stanback said another view of the black man developed, one which he contends has lasted to the present time. This view, is "the philosophy of the culturally disadvantaged."

Stanback said that while slavery was abolished, the black man's capacity for high level intellectual thought, but disparaging of the nonwhite culture. "White people had this view that, 'what we've got to do is go in and civilize you,'" Stanback said.

While Stanback said the attitude led to his "hating all of you" during the 1960s, he said he had grappled with the issue of race relations and realized that attitude didn't touch the crux of the matter. "We can't eliminate all the whites anyway, so we better learn to deal with each other," Stanback said in jest, as he characterized his own growth.

That intense internal conflict over race relations and eventual resolution was urged on the gathering of approximately 40 teachers by Stanback who declared, "That kind of struggle has to take place."



Teachers Convene

The staff from Iling Junior High School met to review the history of race relations and how that history impacts on the future, specifically as it relates to Manchester.

Howard Stanback, was guest speaker, and the group gave him their close attention. (Herald photo by Shea).



Howard Stanback

# Eighth District updates; doesn't reject

By KEVIN FOLEY  
Herald Reporter

**MANCHESTER** — In a day when society is geared to a throw-away mentality, one group is finding a way to fit what is supposedly obsolete into its future.

"That's the case with the Eighth District Fire Department and a pair of old-fashioned pumps. The Eighth has refurbished the old engine and made them important additions to its front line apparatus."

Assistant Chief Frank Mordavsky, a District firefighter since 1938, looks at the two old-timers as friends deserving a second chance. Mordavsky was there the day they rolled the American LaFrance pumper into the station house garage back in 1948. When that engine became outdated, it wasn't fed into a car crusher or subjected to the indignation of being stripped. Engine No. 2 was updated by the District firefighters themselves and now supplements the department's more modern fire equipment.

The LaFrance's gleaming red side. The stainless steel hose fittings and brass nozzles stand ready as they did 31 years ago. The assistant chief climbs into the cab. The motor roars to life on the first try.

"It's nice to be able to go out and buy new equipment whenever you want," Mordavsky said. "But the workmanship and material in this truck is a lot better than what you get in the newer stuff ... no plastics or alloys."

The LaFrance has been rebuilt and refitted and often sees duty from the Eighth District firehouse at Hilliard and Main streets.

The department's most ambitious project, however, stands at the back of the garage. A 1969 Ford pumper is in the process of being rewired and just received a coat of bright red paint. Stainless steel gauges and hose reels will be added soon, and the fire engine many would have given up on long ago will be a proud member of the department's firefighting equipment once again.

been a pet project. The engine was overhauled and he expects the truck to be ready in several weeks for service. He points out that all of the work has been performed not by professional refitters, but by volunteer firemen.

"The guys who like to do a little extra are the ones who've helped out on the truck," Mordavsky said. "They want to do something good for the community."

Instead of thousands of dollars for refitting, the Eighth District will spend between \$500 and \$1,000 on old Engine 3.

"I just hope the taxpayers appreciate what we're doing. We could spend up to \$150,000 for a new piece of equipment," Mordavsky remarked.



Fire truck

Far from being put to pasture, the Eighth Utilities District has refurbished this paratus. Old No. 2 is ready and waiting. 1948 American LaFrance pumper which

# Town officials optimistic about new leadership

**SOUTH WINDSOR** — Local residents and officials are optimistic that the town will be run smoothly and efficiently under the guidance of new Town Manager Richard J. Sartor.

Sartor accepted the position this month, following the screening of some 74 candidates applying for the job left vacant when former Town Manager Allan Young resigned in November. Young served less than a year, and accepted a similar position in Dennis, Mass.

Members of the Town Council have praised Sartor as a "capable and responsible manager" and have said that they feel his leadership and drive will be an inspiration to all town employees.

As Town Manager, Sartor will inherit some overwhelming problems in the area of transportation.

Massive development at the town's southern border will create traffic problems for local streets — many of which are little more than rural roadways, inadequate to handle the influx of traffic expected in the early 1980s.

The serious problems are expected to begin with the opening of the J.C. Penney complex in 1981, and complicated by the proposed Buckland Commons Mall.

problems because of its quicksand base in some sections, will be hardest hit. Also greatly affected by traffic will be Pleasant Valley and Chapel roads.

Recommendations of consulting firm Brown, Donald and Donald of Farmington include the absolute necessity of a bypass road near the Manchester development, to divert traffic from local streets.

The problem facing local officials, however, is that proposed road would straddle the town boundary.

The Town Council has appropriated some \$18,500 for temporary repairs to the town's only public swimming facility in an effort to open the pool this summer. Some \$200,000 however is needed, according to Public Works Director Richard Slattuck, in order to renovate the facility. This would include the reconstruction of the pavilion and the construction of bath houses.

The South Windsor Police Department will be run under the direction of newly appointed Chief of Police William Ryan during the 1980s. Ryan succeeded former Chief John J. Kerrigan. Ryan is no newcomer to the local department, having served in the department for many years.

Ryan was promoted to the rank of captain, and then to assistant chief of police, prior to being appointed as chief.

would like to see the project brought before the voters.

He said recently that the town has \$214,000 in insurance money from the old community hall which burned down a decade ago. A state grant could also fund up to 45 percent of the project.

Proposals to increase recreational opportunities in South Windsor will undoubtedly include consideration of massive improvements to Veteran's Memorial Park and the Spring Pond swimming area.

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"It seems the people want more police protection and more recreation," Havens said.

The Town Council is presently looking into the possibility of constructing an indoor pool which would also include an assembly room. The project, which could run in excess of \$2.5 million, has not been endorsed by the Town Council to date.

Republican Town Councilman Lincoln Streeter has led rekindling interest in the project, stating that he

calculated \$613,922 for the town in 1985. Costs to the town related to the development would be \$88,865, according to the report — meaning an overall benefit of \$525,000 for the town in five years.

Costs to the town would be the result of police, fire and highway services. Basing its study on a projection of the potential sales volume of the huge mall, CRCOC planners estimate the 1984 sale would exceed \$110 million and projects that by 1989 that figure would be up in the area of \$125 million per year.

A decision which would bring a portion of the mall to South Windsor will most likely draw some adamant opposition from residents in the area, however. Developers, MAP Associates of Houston, have indicated that they intend to build the entire mall in Manchester if South Windsor denies approval. Such a move would deny the town revenue from the project, without eliminating

problems from the development. Traffic resulting from the Buckland Commons Mall would still be felt on South Windsor streets.

A proposal by Gerber Scientific Inc. to widen Kelly Road is also being fought by residents of the area who argue that such a move would tend to increase the traffic on the already much used roadway. The company intends to go ahead with up to \$7 million worth of new construction, but required Town Council approval of the concept.

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# Complex making big numbers materialize

By KEVIN FOLEY  
Herald Reporter

**MANCHESTER** — Forty-six acres under one roof, two million square feet. Only numbers? Maybe, until you walk through the door of J.C. Penney Co.'s new Catalog Distribution Center off Meekville Road, and see those numbers drastically materialize.

Adjectives don't do justice to an engineering feat of this proportion. Space is the only word that adequately describes the interior. Space enough to make things like pick-up trucks and railroad cars look like toys.

But in about a year and a half, this tremendous space will be filled. Merchandise, employees and machinery will be there, taking up the void. And it's one of just six Penney catalog centers devoted to filling the orders of customers nationwide.

Brian Adams likes to tell people business is good. Adams is the engineering manager at the Manchester Penney warehouse and the man who wears any number of different hats these days. Recently he served as a public relations man, discussing his work, the plans of J.C. Penney in Manchester, and the impact this multi-million dollar enterprise will have on "the city of village charm."

"Few people realize how large our catalog business is," Adams said in his office overlooking a vast flatland of steel racks yet to be completed and small piles of leftover materials. "And the common misconception is that we're mail order. The fact is, only 15 percent of our business is mail order. Most of what we'll do here is 'will call' orders from catalog centers located in the retail stores."

Customers, Adams said, place their orders for items at the centers

and they're processed in catalog distribution centers. Adams helped build and supply the center at Kansas City before coming to Manchester, and he says the Kansas City distribution house is identical to the one in Buckland.

"Our Kansas City location was successful although the suburban area it's located in dragged its feet at first," Adams said. "But I can't imagine anything cleaner than this type of operation. There will be no production waste and we plan to recycle packing materials we use here."

Adams pointed out that, although 50 to 100 incoming and outgoing trucks will use the center, their arrivals and departures will be staggered. Since Penney's contracts commercial carriers, no fleets of trucks will call the former tobacco field home.

Perhaps the most important aspects for the future of the Penney warehouse is jobs, 1,500 of them. Adams says only management personnel will be transferred into the Manchester location.

"When we open in August, 1981," Adams said, "we'll hire about 800 people at the outset. At that time we'll be approaching our peak Christmas season and we'll need another 400 employees for 12-week seasonal jobs. At the end of that peak period, those seasonal employees who wish to stay on can. By the time we get to Christmas 1982, we'll be ready to go with a full capacity operation of 1,500 employees."

Adams said he has received numerous phone calls asking about jobs, but added that no hiring will be done until early 1981.

"The majority of the jobs we'll have here will be non-skilled," Adams noted. "And then there will be semi-skilled maintenance jobs, technical openings, clerical and

secretarial jobs, kitchen jobs and, of course, data processing jobs. I don't anticipate expansion, so the 1,500 employees will be the status quo. But the people we hire initially will have seniority, and that's always the tie breaker."

J.C. Penney will conduct a survey of pay scales in the Hartford area to determine what wages will be paid, Adams said they are sure to be competitive.

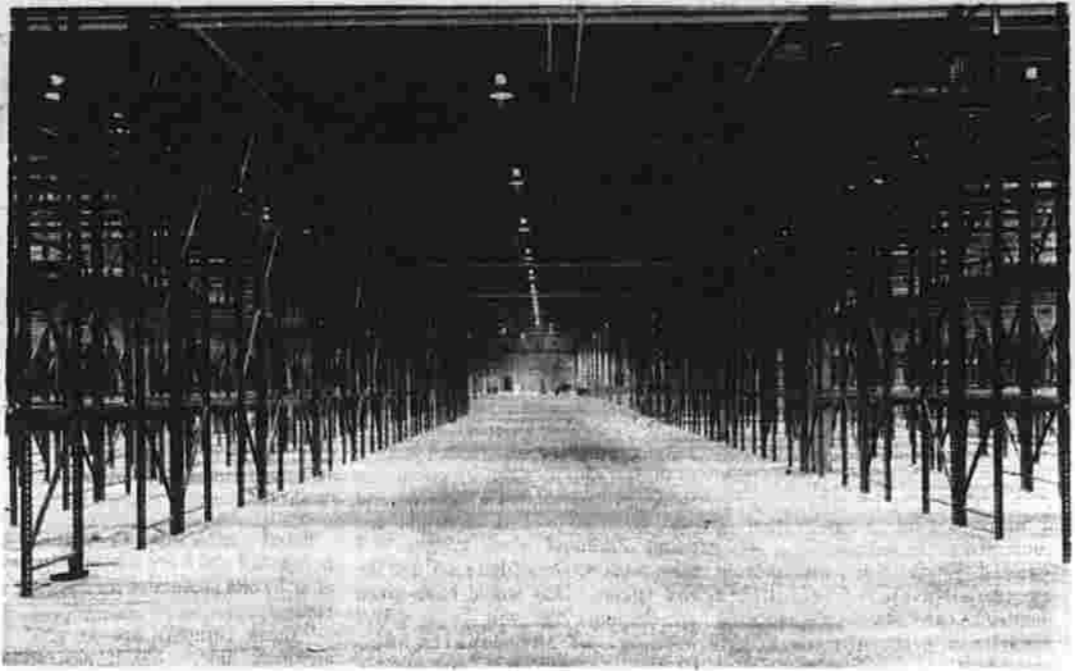
A problem many opponents of the Penney warehouse fear will be huge amounts of bumper to bumper traffic around the industrial park at the beginning and end of the work day. Adams said shifts of the work day. However, Adams said there will be only one main shift per day, and it will be broken up because each department — shipping, receiving, packing, etc. — must come in at different times as a matter of course.

Penney's will also install a UC-80 program in the building's computers to help hold down peak electrical demands.

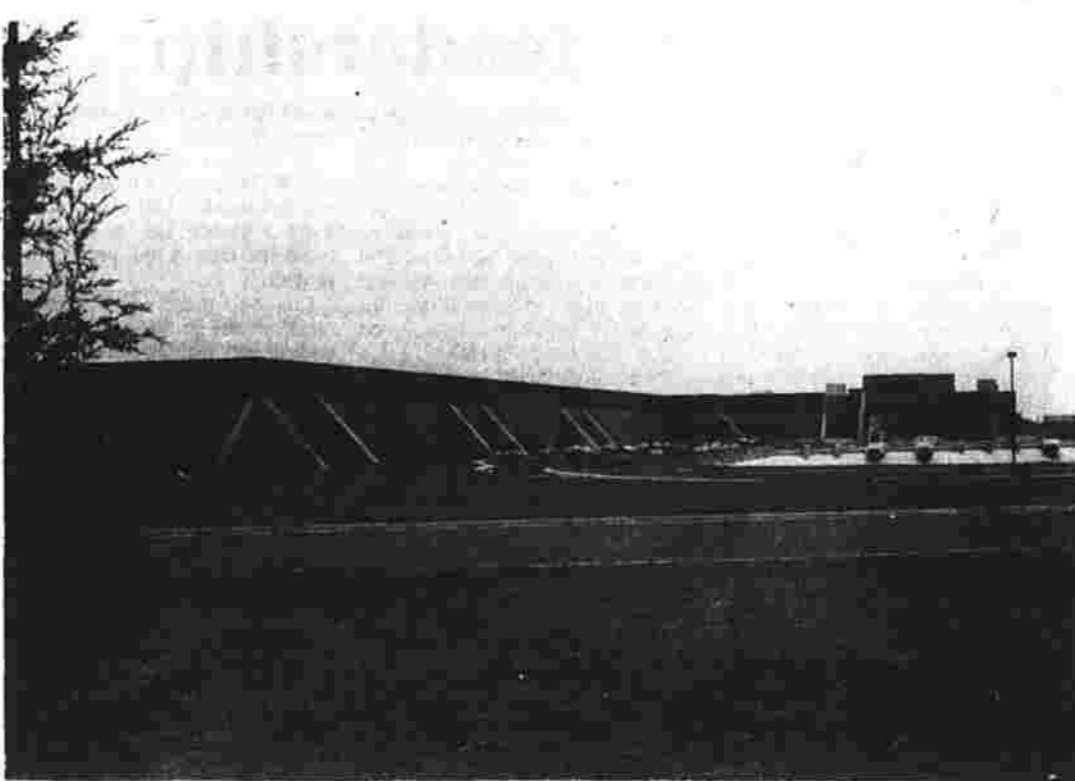
Heat will be generated in a system of efficient boilers and even lighting has been taken into account, according to Adams.

Approximately 85 percent of the employees will have the advantage of air conditioning while they work, Adams said, and a number of the job opportunities will be oriented toward women, and particularly housewives. Penney has installed two hot food cafeterias as well as five coffee break areas around the building.

"J.C. Penney is a great company for promotion from within," Adams said. "I have a feeling the people of Manchester will be very satisfied with the way we run things."



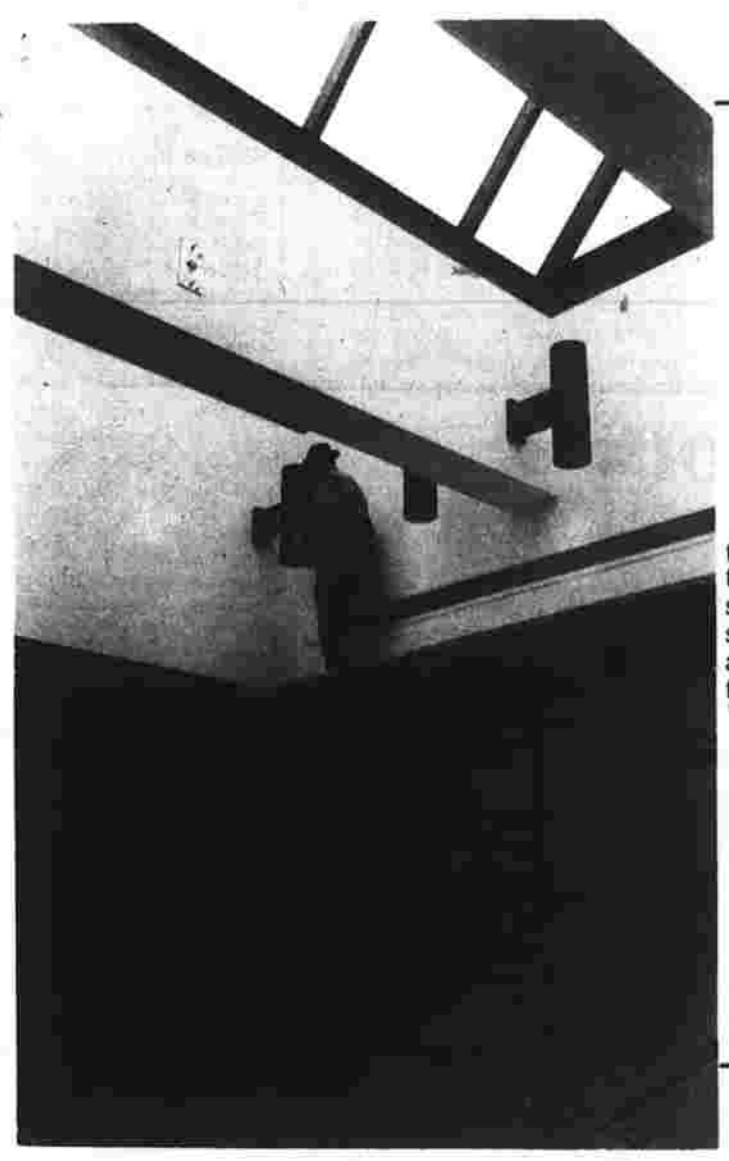
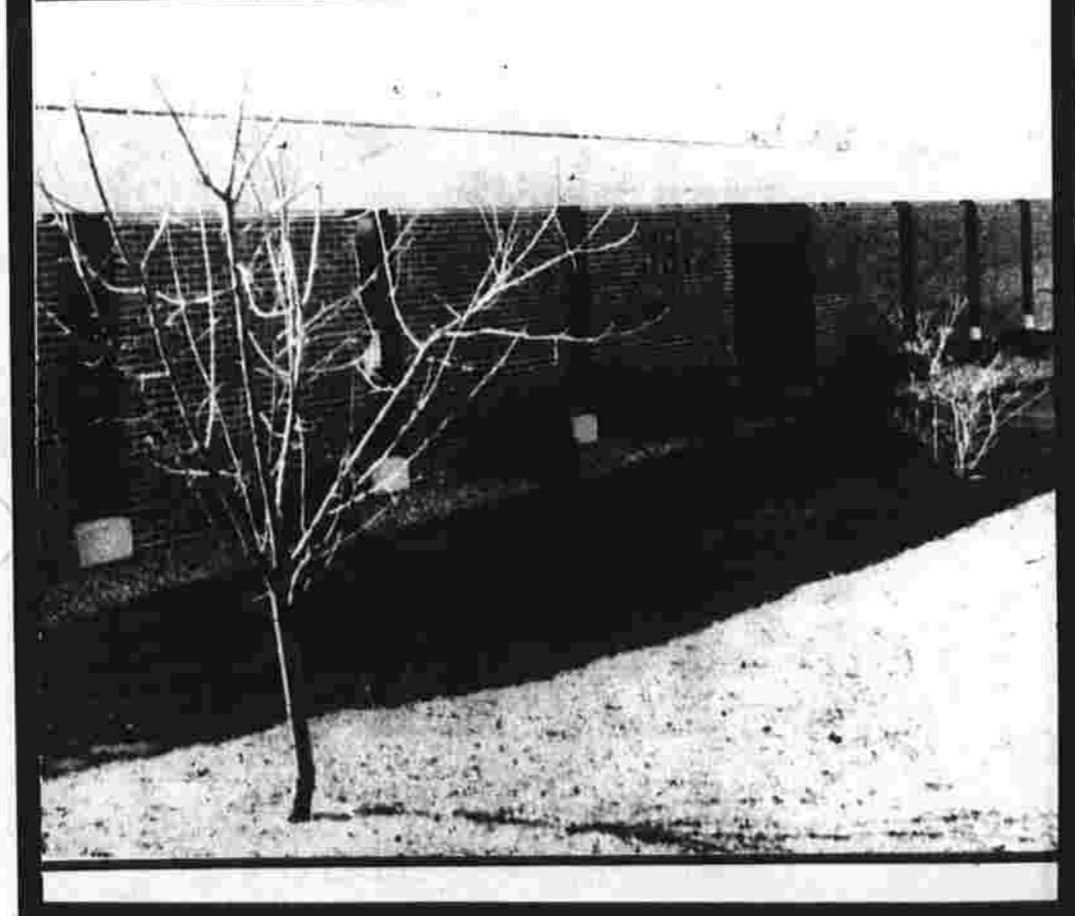
Storage space almost as far as the eye can see. Racks on the left and right sides of this aisle will contain large or bulky goods such as televisions, tires and washers and dryers. The far wall will be one of several shipping and receiving areas.



In August, 1981, the J. C. Penney Catalog Distribution Center in Buckland will usher in an era of prosperity many are predicting for Manchester. The two-million square-foot warehouse will be the working place of some 1,500 people by Christmas, 1982.

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# School's sound, despite problems

By DAVE LAVALLEE  
Herald Reporter

**GLASTONBURY** — As the new decade unfolds, most persons responsible for running the town's schools agree that the school system must face several difficult issues.

Teacher resignations are a concern; per pupil spending is dramatically low when compared with other towns and a budget process was just completed during which cooperation between the administration and the Board of Education was lacking.

Despite all this, Board of Education Chairman Diane Twachtman and Superintendent Larry Ashley both have indicated the Glastonbury school system will be able to provide quality education throughout the upcoming years.

Even though Glastonbury ranks 100th in per pupil spending among 169 municipalities in the state and ninth among area schools with comparable enrollments, Mrs. Twachtman said the system will still provide quality education.

"I don't feel quality education is directly proportional to the quantity

of money spent. We do have a quality education program and the credit goes to the staff and the teachers," Mrs. Twachtman said.

A question facing board members is how much longer staff and administrators will continue to operate effectively in a town that spends less on education than surrounding communities?

"I think it is a definite challenge to provide quality education during these financially difficult times. The board will do everything it can to make sure quality education continues," Mrs. Twachtman said.

"I sure hope that teachers still want to come to Glastonbury," Mrs. Twachtman said. "I hope the teachers believe that Glastonbury is special enough to come and teach here."

Mrs. Twachtman said the Board of Education might have to become involved in a community awareness program to let people know how inflation is affecting the school budget.

"The general public is going to have to become aware of these things. The board is going to have to get involved in community education programs," she said.

Ashley is in the process of completing his first full year as the superintendent. He began his duties last year on May 1.

During the summer, Ashley reorganized the central administration and business offices, which saved the system \$10,765 and he also conducted a review of the town's insurance policies which resulted in savings of \$21,000 for the town.

However, it hasn't all been sunshine.

He proposed a reorganization of the foreign language program which was supported by the board in June.

However, after the November elections, which changed the makeup of the board, the reorganization met with resistance. When asked to cut Grade 3 language study, the board hedged. The board had already decided to cut it from Grade 4.

Ashley's plan had called for the elimination of foreign language study from Grades 4 and 5 and the beginning of language study in Grade 6.

Ashley also reorganized the guidance department. He replaced all of the elementary counselors with 25 school psychologists and 25 academic evaluators. At the time of

the reorganization of both foreign languages and guidance, Mrs. Twachtman called the plan, "the most creative piece of work I have ever seen completed on our school system."

However, when Ashley requested two more psychologists and one more academic evaluator to bolster the program, the board voted to eliminate the extra personnel and save \$52,000 in the budget.

Despite a very long and difficult budget process, Ashley said the school system is in good shape.

"We are being hit hard by inflation, but we have an outstanding administrative and teaching staff. We have been able to teach effectively despite inflation," he said.

Ashley said the system is doing a good job in educating its children, but he said there are certain serious deficiencies in several areas.

"We are understaffed administratively, but we still run the system effectively. We are also losing quality teachers because Glastonbury doesn't pay enough," he said.

Despite the obvious differences

between the board and the administration, both parties agree that children are receiving quality education.

The kindergarten teachers have just developed a new screening process for incoming students and last November, the school system developed a schoolwide reading program, which teachers say has made students much more enthusiastic about reading.

Even though it was eliminated from the budget, this year, board members and Ashley agree that a talented and gifted program should be developed.

Improvements are also scheduled in the special education department, energy conservation and several other areas.

Both teachers and board members are pleased with the work done by Jacqueline Jurris, the director of Special Services and Elementary

Curriculum.

"By having a director of elementary curriculum, we have started something exciting," Mrs. Twachtman said. "The board has been interested in this position for a number of years."

Mrs. Twachtman said she has been trying to foster cooperation between the board and the administration.

"In large measure, the cooperation between the board and the school administrators has already begun," Mrs. Twachtman said.

"With the difficult times we are facing, it is almost essential to have cooperation," she added.

However, despite all of this confidence about improved communication, Mrs. Twachtman would not comment on the work done by Ashley since he began in Glastonbury.

"I can't comment. It is too preliminary to comment on it," she said.



**Talking budget**  
Despite problems with inflation, low pupil spending and low teacher salaries, the Glastonbury Board of Education remains confident that it can maintain quality education during upcoming years. Board members at the table from left to right are: Helen Stern, Chairman Diane Twachtman, Anne Alford and Judy Harper. (Herald photo by Lavallee)

## Organization aim of schools in 80s

By DONNA HOLLAND  
Herald Correspondent

**BOLTON** — The Bolton school system is facing the same problems as other school systems as it looks to the 1980s—that of declining enrollment and rising costs.

Raymond Allen, superintendent of schools, sees one of the big challenges in the 1980s that of organization of the school system, namely a plan for the use of school buildings and for proper placement of students.

The proper placement in the buildings will permit school officials to maintain the high quality instructional programs in terms of what is best for the students and what is financially efficient for the town, Allen said.

He added, "How we are going to move on that involves not only the use of the building but the type of instructional program which we plan for students at all levels."

According to Allen, "The decade of the 80s will be where we must seek additional funding at the state level. We need more funding than state officials are predicting for the next three years," he said.

Allen had several thoughts on the educational situation in general. He

said, "Public education will be facing major problems if we're to maintain quality educational programs."

He said, "It behooves parents and all educators to work very closely together. It will be difficult to maintain a high quality educational program for all students because of inflation and spiraling costs."

He said he thinks this will be the decade where administrators and teacher organizations will need to cooperate together than they have in the past.

Allen said, "Both groups must be the advocates and ombudsmen for children and children's education. They should be advocates together in the local community and at the state and federal levels."

"It's also going to be very important that all educators and parents be aware of and be participants in activities taking place in the state legislature," Allen said.

He said, "More and more we see the legislature mandating programs and activities for the local school system without the necessary finances to implement and operate same. Those kinds of things are causing serious problems at the local level," he said.

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A dam built in 1869 is examined by hikers near the old Peter Adams Paper Mill through which one of the committee's four trails passes. The dam was part of a system of



dikes and ponds which were an integral part of the mill and what contributed to the original disruption and pollution of the river.

Hikers on a recent Hockanum river walk, sponsored by the Hockanum River Linear Park Committee, are shown the bad as well as the good. Here, it is obvious much is left to be done in cleaning debris and litter from the river and its trails in spite of the committee's efforts.

## Progress seen as savior for Hockanum

By KEVIN FOLEY  
Herald Reporter

MANCHESTER — Progress ruined the Hockanum River. The question is, will progress be able to restore it.

If that sounds paradoxical, consider the task facing the Hockanum River Linear Park Committee and its efforts to revive the once picturesque waterway. Led by Chairman Douglas Smith and a handful of diehard conservationists, the committee has made significant strides toward gaining the cooperation of Manchester's many industries and construction firms.

For ten years the committee has sought to save the river by getting people interested in what has happened to it. Perhaps its most important work has been the construction of four hiking trails along the Hockanum's wooded banks. By

acquiring deeds and easements from landowners, the committee developed a unique system of nature trails winding through almost the center of Manchester, and one day Smith hopes the trails will be linked up in a park that will guarantee the Hockanum's beauty to future generations.

The committee, in an effort to rejuvenate its membership roles, schedules guided walks the second Sunday of every month along one of the trails it maintains. Smith says that once people have seen the potential of the Hockanum and its bordering woodlands, they realize just how important it is to the town's future.

On one such recent hike, 20 people gathered for a walk along what Smith termed the most rugged section of trail, from the old Adams Paper Mill to North Main Street and back. Ironically, it was the industries like

Adams that did so much damage to the river's ecology a century or more ago. Today, forests have reclaimed the Adams Mill and its surrounding artificial ponds which are now empty. Wildlife has returned and the river's recreation potential has been discovered in the form of the annual Hockanum River Canoe Race held each April. The hikers were treated to some of the river's primeval beauty, passing magnificent rock ledges and frozen waterfalls.

It's hard to believe that not so long ago factories along the river were pumping in poisons, dye and sewage in the name of progress. Walking among the ruins of the Adams Mill, one wonders how the river has come back from being what one committee member termed a "stink hole." Of course, clean, clear water isn't flowing yet. But pressure by the committee and other concerned groups

along the Hockanum in other towns are forcing industry to do its part in cleaning up the river.

But as the walk progressed, it was clear Smith and other hikers were perturbed. It wasn't just the villains of yesteryear that were bothering them, it was the signs that uncaring individuals had recently left behind at intervals along the trail: piles of beer bottles, rusting sheet metal and broken bicycles lay in pockets amid the mountain laurel and rock formations. This is what Smith's small bands of clean-up crews constantly battle.

At one point Smith shook his head in frustration. "You can see this trail needs a lot more work," he said. "It

isn't our best one. It's a shame, but I guess people just don't care."

Nevertheless, committee members and hikers were picking up what they could as they moved along, but it wasn't nearly enough to help. "With all the people we had out today," Smith said at the hike's conclusion, "I'll probably have two or three volunteers come back to help out on clean up. It's an endless, repetitive job and we need as many people as we can get."

The committee has an educational program which features a slideshow and narration. But even this has not brought volunteers out in sufficient numbers, so Smith relies on civic organizations and the Boy and Girl

Scouts.

"We've made progress in bits and pieces," Smith said. "We have contacted over 100 large and small property holders along the river and most have cooperated. Others have to be coerced with zoning regulations, though, and I feel a lot more can still be done."

There was a time nature had to take a back seat to progress, and industry pre-empted common sense. Today, groups like the Hockanum River Linear Park Committee are attempting to undo the disruption of ecologies upset by other men. Is the Hockanum River worth saving?

"I don't think there's any question about it," Smith said.

## Coventry seeking industry

COVENTRY — "If only Coventry could attract more industry, the mill would certainly go down!" This phrase in various forms has echoed through the meeting rooms of numerous town agencies and public hearings for many years, yet there has been little change in the town's industrial development for more than a decade.

Indeed, the small Sutures plant on Route 31 is the only visible industrial site in the town outside of a butane gas storage facility and a construction firm located in the industrial park near the Mansfield border. Three supermarkets, two convenience grocery stores, seven package stores, two drugstores, three banks, and a few miscellaneous businesses comprise the commercial establishment in town — not a substantial tax base for a town of almost 9,000 persons.

John Ohlund, chairman of the town's Economic Development Commission, hopes this picture will change in the next few years. He has been urging the Planning and Zoning Commission to increase the amount of land set aside for industrial development so that potential contractors will have a choice of locations. A large area known as the Miller property on Bread and Milk Street has been before the commission for almost a year for rezoning to "light industrial." But so far, the rezoning has not gotten off the ground. This association was formed two years ago by Realtor Thomas Welles Sr., who hoped to bring the business community together.

However, two developments might revitalize these and other organizations seeking to attract industrial and commercial development to Coventry. First, the sewer plan will come to referen-

favorable response from the planners to their suggestion of constructing numerous small shops in that section.

A third priority is upgrading the village area on Main Street, the oldest commercial area in town, according to the Economic Development Commission chairman. He believes that the possibility of improving and enlarging the village shopping center will be enhanced if a municipal sewer proposal is implemented that would service it.

Finally, Ohlund is looking into the development of the existing industrial park, which was started by the new Coventry Development Corporation. In the early 1970s, more than 80 townpeople pooled their resources to buy about 23 acres on the southern end of Route 31 in the hope of developing the land for resale to industrial firms.

However, only two of the nine cleared lots were sold, and the corporation ran out of money last year. The bank foreclosed the mortgage and resold the site to a private individual. Ohlund says who runs a string of nursing homes. His commission plans to look into the new owner's intentions for the area.


The Economic Development Commission has been inactive periodically since it was formed a few years ago. Similarly, a private group called the Coventry Business Association never got off the ground. This association was formed two years ago by Realtor Thomas Welles Sr., who hoped to bring the business community together.

Some new businesses in town have proven to be worthwhile investments. The Roller Carnival on Lake Street, a disco roller skating rink renovated two local attorneys, has been attracting record crowds. In fact, public demand has necessitated the institution of several sessions on weekends and holidays to cut down on overcrowding. The Bidwell Tavern and Kelley's Keg, both on Route 31, also are faring well. Recently opened Hill Gasoline Station has added "Pop Shoppe" service to its offerings.

Broken Ballots Citizens of Athens scratched their votes on pieces of broken pottery. Potsherd ballots cast more than 2,400 years ago have been unearthed by archaeologists. Such ballots were known as ostraka, from which the word "ostracize" is derived.

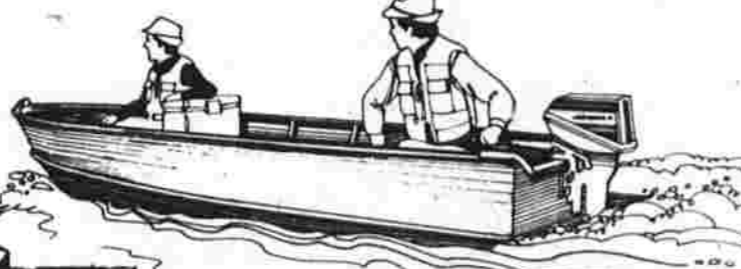
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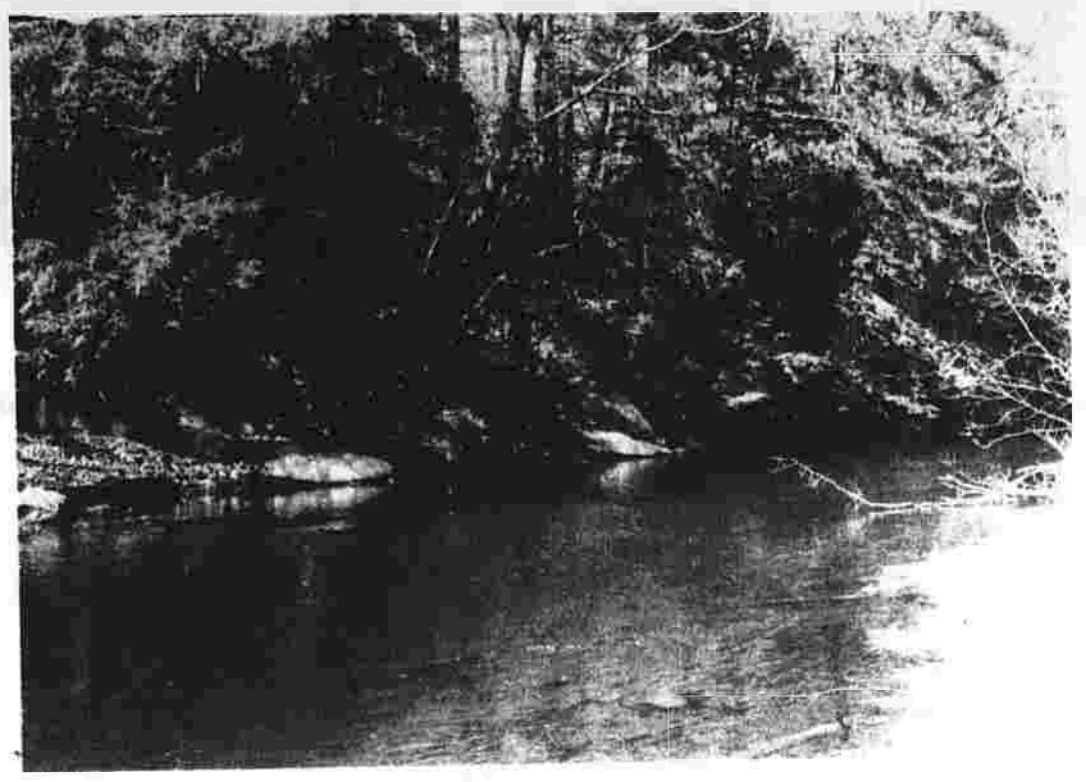
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These are the scenes the committee seeks to preserve for future Manchester residents. Someday, it is hoped the four trails now maintained will be linked up as one park through the town.



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Hikers are also treated to some beautiful riverscapes and even feel, at times, as if they are miles from civilization even though North Main Street is less than a quarter mile away from the above scene.

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# Mayor sees soul searching times

By BARBARA RICHMOND  
Herald Reporter



Downtown Rockville

With a portion of the town green in the foreground, this picture, snapped from the office of Mayor Marie Herbst in the tower of the Memorial Building, Rockville, also shows the redevelopment area, the Tolland County Courthouse, some of the older homes, and in the far skyline, the Fox Hill Tower. (Herald photo by Richmond)

She sees more conservation, not only in the area of energy but in the areas of food, clothing and shelter. "I feel people will be taking a hard look at what they spend their dollars for in their homes and therefore they will be putting a tremendous pressure on the local government to be more accountable for the tax dollars," Mrs. Herbst said. With that in mind she feels people will be more interested in planning for a town government. In the whole area of energy she forecasts there will be a surge of creativity. A return of the "inner city" is another thing the mayor foresees for the 1980s, be it a small city like Rockville or a large city like Hartford. "We're going to see a new elite, the husband and wife working teams and I think a return to the city because cities are offering the things that people are looking for in entertainment and cultural programs," the mayor said. In the area of senior citizens the mayor feels the town is just beginning to tap resources. "We've been trying to 'entertain' them and I don't think that's what they want," she said. She feels they want the opportunity to volunteer or to work part time where their talents can be utilized. Turning to politics, the mayor said she sees people in this decade taking a strong hard look at politics and seeing the need and effect of good strong leadership and if the politicians don't offer this she feels there will be an increase in apathy and open rebellion against leadership. She credits the voters with being very intelligent and knowledgeable. "They won't be misinformed and they are willing to accept responsibility," she said. Teaching on the role of the women, the mayor said women have now been liberated and she sees in the 1980s the absolute need for male-female relationships to be looked at. She questions if male and female are equal in sensitivity. "We have to take a good look at the new woman but because of the new woman men also have to take a look at the new man," she said. She questions what effect the new lifestyle of male and female will have on the young and considers this a very serious problem for the 1980s. In education the mayor sees a "craving need" for the return of the humane factor and she doesn't believe that the more money that is spent the more successful the education program will be. "You can't buy a gentle touch or pay any amount of money to a teacher who opens the mind and heart of a child," she said. "In education, and government, we have to continue to evaluate the programs and services we are offering, re-evaluate our priorities and decide whether programs we had in the 60s and 70s should remain, be removed or replaced. "A reassessment for the 80's," she said. "The 1980s will be a very challenging 10 years, with much soul searching and a need for honest appraisals of ourselves and society," she said. She thinks people are going to see greater participation in the Rockville area with an ever increasing number of volunteer groups. She cited the several neighborhood groups already formed to improve Rockville and said it's a good feeling to have people saying they like to serve. She said people are becoming more vitally interested in the direction the town is going to take "and that's good, it means they're not apathetic." She urges people to also get involved with government on the state and federal levels and to let their government representatives know how they feel about certain legislation before it is passed.



Vernon Mayor Marie Herbst takes students on the Government class at Sykes School on a tour of the Memorial Building. The students are shown gathered in the reception room about to go into the business offices. (Herald photo by Richmond)

# Decline in students threatens Ellsworth

By JUDY KUEHNEL  
Herald Correspondent

**SOUTH WINDSOR** — A steady predictable decline in enrollment in public schools in South Windsor, as well as a tight fiscal budget, will undoubtedly force the Board of Education to once again consider the closing of Ellsworth Middle School in the 1980s. School Superintendent Robert Goldman recommended the closing of Ellsworth some years ago. However, the board then opted to close Wapping Elementary School before closing the small middle school on Main Street. Although the school houses only 174 seventh and eighth grade students, a decision to close Ellsworth will surely draw opposition from some parents who consider the school a favorable alternative to the large Timothy Edwards facility. That was the case when the Board of Education voted to close Wapping Elementary School. Although the closing of unneeded school facilities will undoubtedly unburden a heavy budget, it is unlikely that such a recommendation will draw board approval immediately. The deed, leading Ellsworth Middle School to the town, states that the building may be used by the community as a school only. If it is closed as a school facility, the building will revert to the legal heirs. Enrollment at the South Windsor High School has been rapidly increasing by about 50 students per year, as elementary school enrollment has been decreasing. By 1984-85, it is possible, however, that high school enrollment may also decrease to under 1,000 students. At the present time, however, the administration has been dealing with a space problem at the high school which will be greatly lessened with the renovation of a portion of Wapping Elementary School (closed as a school two years ago) and part of the present high school. The renovated portion of Wapping will be used as an annex to the high school. Areas which will be expanded are food study, industrial arts and technology and graphic arts. Also included in the renovation project are construction for handicapped students, mandated by state law. Because the decrease in public school enrollment will be felt at the high school by mid-80s, it is not unlikely that the administration will then consider moving the ninth grade back into the South Windsor High

school facility on Nevers Road. At one time the administration had explored the idea of creating two high schools, using the present high school and also Timothy Edwards Middle School. Both facilities would have housed Grade 8 through 12, with Grades K-seven housed at the four elementary schools. Inflation, and the rising cost of food, has hit the school system as well as the homemaker. Lunches will increase an additional 10 cents in September 1980 with another possible hike of a nickel by mid-year. Although the Board of Education voted down Goldman's proposal for a satellite lunch program, it is likely the proposal will be reconsidered during the next few years. Goldman told the Board of Education that such a program would reduce prices by vendors, provide for better maintenance on fewer pieces of equipment, allow for better supervision and cut personnel costs. The program would create a central cooking area at Timothy Edwards Middle School, which lunches trucked to the other schools. "Undoubtedly, paper plates will be used within a short time, with the costs of dishwashing and dish replacement rising. The school system, considered by many to be superior despite tremendous budget cuts over the past few years, will most likely continue to place emphasis on math and language skills. Both areas have been emphasized as priority items during the past two years. It is likely that present methods of instruction, combining substantial exploration of concept behind skills with the practice of skills, will be continued during the 1980s. Children at all levels are thoroughly instructed so that each has an understanding of the "why" behind the "how," according to school officials, successfully combating the "back to basics" teaching concept with the realization that children must comprehend the "why" behind each concept. Local teachers are required to attend in-service workshops during the school year, with a variety of programs offered by the administration. Assistant School Superintendent William Perry recently spent time talking with local teachers in an effort to institute workshops and programs in the future which will continue to meet the needs of teaching personnel.

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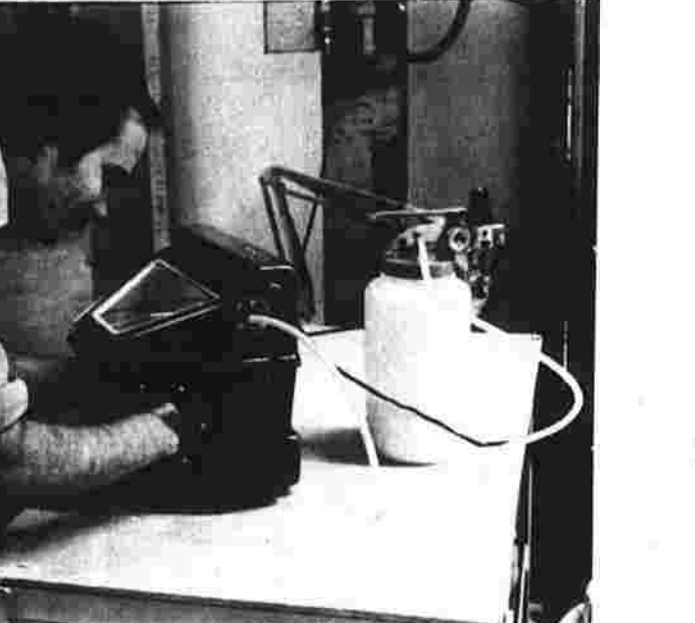
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# Coventry school figures reflect national trend

**COVENTRY** — The town's four schools, with a total enrollment of 1,857 students, have been experiencing a slightly decreasing number of applications in line with the state and national trend. Coventry has two elementary schools for Grades kindergarten through 4. The George Hersey Robertson School on Cross Street, headed by Clarence Edmondson, now has 258 pupils and serves the southern portion of town. For northern residents, the Coventry Grammar School with 429 students

operates on Wrights Mill Road. Its principal is William McDermott. The middle school sits alongside the Town Hall on Route 31 and caters to Grades 5 through 8. The Captain Nathan Hale School, with 534 students, is headed by Edward Mahoney and has suffered from a chronic lack of classroom space as it funnels students from the two elementary schools into the high school. The Coventry High School on Ripley Hill Road behind the Hale School has 526 pupils. Dennis Joy

serves as principal, with George Coon filling in as vice-principal until a replacement is hired for William Troy, who resigned earlier this year. Presiding over the school system is Superintendent Arnold Elman, who has held that post for about six years. He works closely with the Board of Education to establish policies, budgets, and other operating procedures for the schools. The board is presently controlled by a 4-to-3 Republican majority and is headed by Chairman Richard Ashley. Other Republicans are Judy

# Role of town manager expanded during decade

By CLAIRE CONNELLY  
Herald Correspondent

**COVENTRY** — It was only a decade ago that Coventry switched from the board-of-selectmen type of government to the council-manager form. But in that short period the manager's job has grown from errand boy to chief administrator, and much of the development of this function is due to the firm leadership shown by Town Manager Frank Connelly since he assumed the post in 1976. While the population has risen only slightly over the past 10 years — from about 9,000 to almost 9,100 — the municipal bureaucracy and government budget almost doubled as townspeople have come to expect an increasing amount of service and proficiency from its employees. Besides the manager, a major post added is that of full-time town planner, and the part-time recreation director job created three years ago is also growing into fulltime work. Town officials paint a rather optimistic picture for Coventry's future and their role in shaping developments despite harsh economic times that have forced the council to hold the tax rate constant at \$8.5 mills for the past two years. Most Town Hall leaders have swung behind a \$14.5-million sewer proposal put forth by the Water Pollution Control Authority that will bring the town into a compliance with a pollution-abatement order handed down by the state Department of Environmental Protection in 1971. If the sewer proposal passes a planned June referendum, installation could be accomplished within

two years. No one is certain just what effect sewerage of the lake and village areas will have on the town in general. The Planning and Zoning Commission has added safeguards to the local regulations to avoid unwanted additional development of small lots around the lake. However, sewers will permit an expansion of industrial and commercial usage in the area, which may encourage population density. The construction of a new town garage is of top priority to the town's Highway Department and related agencies. Town-owned land has been raised out for a relocation from the present Route 31 site because the only sizable parcels are already heavily developed. The council has directed Connelly to scout out privately owned land that would be suitable for a garage. A proposal from a member of the planning commission would link the garage facility to a new dog pond. Another headache for town officials in the 1980s is expansion of the sanitary landfill or the acquisition of an additional site. Solid waste disposal is a statewide problem, and Coventry also is plagued by the need for additional space. Another problem facing the area is proposed state legislation that would make Eastern Connecticut a dumping ground for hazardous wastes. The town is currently working through the Windham Regional Planning Agency to thwart that possibility. The Parks and Recreation Commission's responsibilities have been expanding with the acquisition of more land earmarked for recreational use. Up until a few years ago, the commission's main concern was the development and maintenance of the Miller-Richardson ballfield on Plains Road, Lisette Park on Route 31, and Sandy Shores off Lake Street. Now Laidlaw Park in North Coventry is in the process of being developed into a major recreational area with playing fields, nature trails, and a picnic area. A 16-acre beachfront parcel purchased from the Salvation Army adjacent to Sandy Shores must be renovated for recreational use. The commission is working with the Coventry Lake Park Advisory Committee to formulate plans for this area. The Housing Authority also has ambitions for expanding the elderly housing project known as Orchard Hill Acres off Route 31. Forty units have been built and occupied, and the authority has a backlog of applications that it would like to fill by obtaining another state grant to build more units. Other apartment complexes are expected to grow out of recent planning commission guidelines that encourage cluster development. This permits housing units to be grouped together while apportioning a certain amount of land for open space. The availability of apartments is expected to alleviate the predicament of residents who can no longer afford private homes in a tidal inflationary trend. A prime building lot in Coventry now goes for about \$15,000 per acre, and the average new home costs \$74,000 on top of that figure, according to local Realtors.



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One of the organizations that cooperates with Manchester schools in bringing variety to the classroom is Lutz Junior Museum. Here students at Bowers School learn something about puppetry. (Herald photo by Pinto)

### Communication called key to support for education

By LAREN DAVIS SHEA

MANCHESTER — People know very little about what happens in public school systems in the United States. That conclusion was drawn by the National School Boards Association in reviewing the 11th annual Gallup poll on the public's attitudes toward the public schools.

Only one in three of the survey participants claimed to know the name of the school superintendent in their communities. James Kennedy is superintendent of Manchester schools.

Only one of eight respondents claimed they knew the cost of educating one child for one year in the public schools. Also, this minority stated a figure substantially lower than the actual national estimate.

Most people said the yearly cost is \$1,200, \$900 short of the actual cost. In Manchester it cost approximately \$1,740 to educate one child for the 1979-80 fiscal year.

local education questions of the area it serves. Suggestions for topics to cover include news about student and school achievements, the means being taken to deal with school problems, and new developments in education.

The poll also asked respondents what they feel are the biggest problems in the local education system. "Lack of discipline" was for the second year in a row the public's number one complaint, followed by "use of dope drugs" and "lack of proper financial support."

According to the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education, the most significant change over the 11 years of surveying is the decreasing number of people (9 percent) who perceive integration/busing as a major problem. Nationally, fewer people are complaining about school relations than have complained about this area in the past.

More Americans than in the past view "poor curriculum poor standards" as a problem (11 percent) with only 2 percent citing "school board policies" as a problem in their communities. "Government interference" and "teacher strikes" were new as major problems surfacing this year. In the past the number of people citing these issues was insufficient to make the list.

college requirements. The teacher and the subjective of the test corrector. Deakin added that he knows of no school district that is considering competency tests in a teacher's field, mainly because of the expense. He said such a test would add an additional layer of state bureaucracy to pay the test givers, markers and filers.

He said with state funds at a premium, he would much prefer to see those funds spent for increasing teacher education program excellence.

Currently, teacher colleges recommend certification of students. Deakin said he believes Manchester officials are confident of this recommendation, and that rather than investing in additional testing of these applicants, the funds be spent in other areas, like special education.

The poll also included suggestions for public relations measures that local school boards and ad-

ministrations could undertake to increase their standing in the eyes of the community. More conferences about the progress and problems of students were recommended, to be held with both fathers and mothers. Special monthly parent meetings and workshops between teachers, administrators, and parents were suggested.

Some respondents suggest that, if more members of the community could serve in a volunteer capacity in the classrooms and elsewhere in the schools, they would lead to better community understanding of the problems faced by the schools. In addition, their involvement in school operations would increase their own interest in educational improvement at the local level.

The poll sampled 1,514 adults, and was conducted during the period of May 7-7, 1979.



One of the annual events at some of Manchester's elementary schools is the launching of balloons in an effort to see how far they will go and what communications they will bring from those who find them. Teachers use the project for various educational purposes. (Herald photo by Pinto)



School board meets

The Vernon Board of Education is shown during one of its regular twice-a-month meetings at the Middle School. Seated, left to right, around the tables are: Robert Schwartz, Lee Belanger, Joy DiPietro, Devra

### Broader education forecast in 80s

By BARBARA RICHMOND

VERNON—Smaller classes at the elementary level, more use of community resources, a broader spectrum of education for students of all persuasions, more state mandates, more responsibilities placed on the schools, these are just some of the things that Vernon school officials foresee for the 1980s.

Dr. Robert Linstone, assistant superintendent of schools, sees a trend toward giving students a broader education, exploring the world of work to gear their lives for later on.

Dr. Linstone said the public is increasingly demanding that children learn the basic three "Rs." He also thinks a little morality should be added. "Not only have institutions related their responsibility to the children, but so have the families," he said.

He said more than half of the mothers have to work because of the economic situation and the schools are not only an educational system but also a social institution, offering sex education, dental and health care, drug counseling and such.

Turning to the area of special education, Dr. Albert Kerkin, also an assistant superintendent, said the elementary special education program will be dealing with a lot of emphasis on the basics of handwriting, spelling, writing reports and basic communication skills, including listening.

Baum, Daniel Woolwich, chairman, JoAnn Worthen, Ginger Freethy, and George Prouty Sr. Board member Harold Cummings was missing when the picture was taken. (Herald photo by Richmond)

Vernon Superintendent of schools, Dr. Bernard Sidman, right and his assistants, Dr. Robert Linstone, center, and Dr. Albert Kerkin, far left Charles Brisson, business manager, foresee many changes for the school system in the 1980s. (Herald photo by Rich-



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Historians well may call them the self-reliant '80s. This section of today's special presentation takes a look at the attitudes and philosophies that are on the minds of leaders in various areas as the new decade opens. Inside are stories and pictures on a number of issues facing Manchester and surrounding towns in this decade. A story outlines how Manchester Community College is changing to try and keep pace with the educational needs of the decade. As individuals and institutions realize more individual independence is developing, new programs are being contemplated to meet some of the unique needs of individuals served. East Hartford's mayor talks about that community's self-image and ways he hopes town residents will develop a better attitude about their town in the next 10 years. Also inside is a look at what Hebron school leaders are thinking and a story about the value of the volunteers who serve Manchester Memorial Hospital.

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Employees of Pratt and Whitney Aircraft in East Hartford do some delicate work here on the augmentor case from an F100 engine. The F100 powers the F-15 and F-16 fighters.

## The Eagle means business and business is booming

By PATRICK REILLY  
Herald Reporter

**EAST HARTFORD** — A bumper sticker can be found on some cars in town that reads "The Eagle means business" referring to the eagle that is the Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Corp. insignia. How true. Not only does Pratt and Whitney mean business, but also jobs, taxes, and a livelihood for some 3,364 people who live in East Hartford. The aircraft company provides more jobs to this town than any other community.

In total employment, Pratt and Whitney, a division of United Technologies, provides 25,000 people with jobs here. P&W also represents thousands of jobs for those machine shops and businesses that supply and manufacture engine parts to the East Hartford-based company.

Locally, the company is the biggest commercial taxpayer. Last year the company represented \$125 million in property value, or about 25 percent of the \$559 million grant list total. A distant second to Pratt & Whitney is Founders Plaza Associates, which leases office buildings, with about \$10.7 million.

If it were only for the taxes and jobs Pratt & Whitney supplies to this state, and especially this town, its importance would be enough. Over the years the huge plant and facilities on South Main Street has become synonymous with East Hartford. Town officials continually look to the corporation's presence here as a drawing card to other interests, commercial, residential and industrial.

So if Pratt & Whitney sees progress in the 1980s, then East Hartford, like many Connecticut towns, can also anticipate progress. The people at the top of the Pratt & Whitney corporate structure see progress ahead despite an imminent aircraft fuel crisis and a decline in planned military spending.

Engage Montany, vice president of strategic planning, said he expects the business in the commercial and military air craft and engine markets to be slightly better in the 1980s than they were in the last ten years.

He said spending in the military market for aircraft and engines will increase slightly. In the 1980s there will be an increase of about \$40 billion in spending for aircraft in the commercial market and about \$20 billion more spent for engines in the commercial market, Montany said.

A binge or sudden stop in military or commercial spending would have direct effects on Pratt and Whitney, but just as important is the money spent to reward perfect attendance during a full quarter of the year, he said. About 4,000 employees in the plant have perfect attendance throughout the year, Willhide said.

"And when I say perfect attendance I mean not one second late," Willhide said. The company also has an in-house television station that broadcasts video taped shows. One show contains about 60 interviews of employees on what they think about their jobs. Another show is on the topic of women who work at P&W.

"One thing to our advantage is we are a big job shop," Willhide said. "We can offer employees challenges and a certain degree of diversity. Our employee turnover is low and that's just because of pay and benefits."

The sale of engines, big and small, has meant 400 to 500 additional people on the payroll during the last two years.

The brisk sale of P&W engines means there are rarely layoffs, but it's not only the weekly checks that keep the employees happy. The company has shown it wants employees to have a positive feeling about working there.

"It's too our advantage to retain good people as long as possible," Willhide said. "Everything we do is for retention."

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Pratt & Whitney supplies engines to aircraft companies in Israel, Egypt, Canada, Europe and the NATO armed forces.

The request for P&W engines usually come after airline companies have asked that the engines be used in the aircraft they are buying from such airplane manufacturers as Airbus and Boeing.

Paul Willhide, vice president of personnel and industrial relations in the manufacturing division, said if the company loses a contract to a competitor the effect on employment won't be seen for years.

Last week P&W received engine orders for \$70, \$40 and \$30 million from Western, China and Sabena Belgium airlines, respectively.

Willhide said the Western and China airlines contracts that totalled \$110 million are routine contracts and needed just to keep the company going.

Bill Bender, a public information director for P&W, said he doesn't write a press release on the news of a contract unless it's over \$20 million. He said there are a myriad of two and three engine contracts the company

## Image change sought

By PATRICK REILLY  
Herald Reporter  
**EAST HARTFORD** — Financially and visually East Hartford residents have a "bad" image of their town, Mayor George A. Dagon said, and he's out to change that.

To change it he must attack the problem on two levels. He must create an optimistic attitude among residents while presenting the town as a place with an optimistic financial future to businesses.

Some businesses don't even like to have their names associated with the town. In a recent study to establish an emergency phone system, Dagon found that several hundred phones at Founders Plaza had Hartford phone numbers so they could be identified with that city.

But Dagon is optimistic, using such phrases as "our time has arrived." He believes that this town can be attractive to commercial and residential interests.

"I can imagine businessmen on the top floor of one of Hartford's tall buildings looking across the river into East Hartford and seeing the opportunity for development along our side of the river," Dagon said.

The best place for development, in Dagon's mind, is the land in East Hartford adjacent to the Connecticut River.

"Hartford can't move towards the river, there's no room there. But we can move towards the river," Dagon said.

Dagon doesn't want just any form of development. A string of fast-food restaurants along Connecticut Blvd. is not his idea of progress. He is looking for controlled development, and if he had it all his way it would be the kind of development that shows up highest on the town's revenue lists.

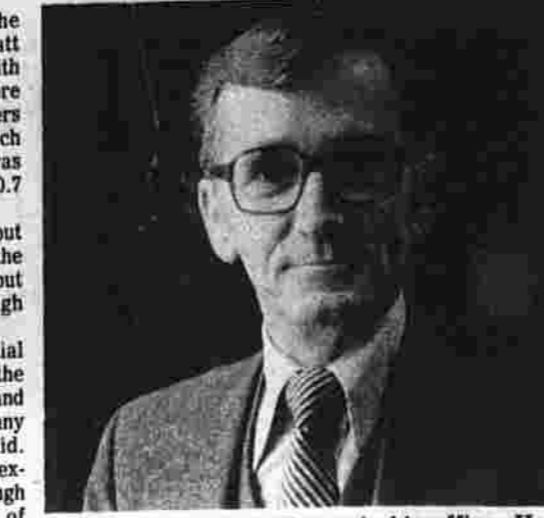
"Hartford has been forced into redevelopment. We can have controlled development," Dagon said. "We are looking to bring in the right taxpayers."

The right taxpayers, Dagon said, would be a mixture of technological industry and heavy industry. In that mix Dagon would also see room for residential housing in the form of apartments.

"IBM (computer company) doesn't even have an office in East Hartford, yet they show up second on the town's grant list, because they lease so much computer equipment," Dagon said.

Actually, International Business Machines Corp. was third on the list with property valued at \$5 million. Ahead of IBM was Ironrunner United

Technologies Inc., the parent company of Pratt and Whitney Aircraft, with property valued at more than \$125 million. Founders Plaza Associates, which leases office buildings, was second with about \$10.7 million.



Mayor George A. Dagon in his office. He said he is working to turn around East Hartford's "bad" self-image. (Herald photo by Reilly)

Town Planner John Shemo said that municipal staff will take part in the study interviewing Main Street businesses to discover their major concerns and interview shoppers to determine why they shop in town or what they would want in the downtown area.

Dagon said road reconstruction is being planned along Main Street from the Glastonbury town line to Route 2. He is also

hoping the Town Council will pass a building maintenance code that would place stringent rules on businesses and residential housing.

Dagon realizes that an expanded grand list and improved appearances will be what brings progress in the years to come. "The aesthetic appeal to the town must be turned around," Dagon said. "East Hartford must be an affordable and visual attraction."

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## Vernon will woo industry

By BARBARA RICHMOND  
Herald Reporter

**VERNON** — Vernon was once a thriving mill town as testified by some of the old mill buildings still standing and by the spacious homes in the Rockville section which were once the homes of the mill owners.

Most of the old factories are vacant or gone and the large homes have been turned into funeral homes, apartments, clubs, convalescent homes and a hospital.

The mill owners are the ones who were responsible for leaving money and buildings to the town that made it possible to have such things as Rockville General Hospital and the public library.

Vernon had one of the first cotton mills in America and was recognized internationally for its fine woolen mills.

The last of the big mills to either close or move was when the J. P. Stevens Co. owners of the Hockanum Mills complex, closed shop.

The two large mills still left are the Amerbelle Corp., which has been located in Rockville since 1936 and involved in processing of goods primarily to be used as linings in clothing and luggage.

The other is the Roosevelt Mills, manufacturers of knitted goods, and primarily sweaters. Its products are sold all over the world.

One of the most recent industries to leave town was the U. S. Envelope Co. The large factory located on West Main Street in Rockville has been bought by developers and turned

into a large apartment complex for the elderly. The face of the town has changed since all of these industries have closed. Most of the residents of Vernon now go out of town for employment.

The town now has one industrial park which is almost filled with small industrial plants and the Zoning Commission, the mayor, the Town Council, the Planning Commission, the Economic Development Commission and the town planner are all making an effort to find land and to explore the

feasibility and ways in which another major industrial park could be promoted. The town is looking to the 1980s to hopefully obtain new industries to help the taxpayers to support the town.

Officials feel that Vernon is an ideal spot for industry because of its closeness to a major highway which is now in the process of being expanded and due to the closeness to Bradley Field, a major international airport.

The Roosevelt Mills on E. Main Street in Rockville is one of Vernon's major industrial plants and one of the very few large in-

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## Bolton foresees no change in form of town government

By DONNA HOLLAND  
Herald Correspondent

**BOLTON** — Bolton's town government will probably remain status quo through the 1980s if a projection by First Selectman Henry Ryba is correct.

Ryba said he doesn't see many changes in the town government. "I expect Bolton will have a five-member Board of Selectmen through the 1980s and an administrative assistant to help the board," Ryba said.

He said the only change he sees is in additional paper work. He said he expects even more because of state and federal government requirements. Earlier this year the position of administrative

assistant was filled and "is working out great" according to Ryba. When asked if Bolton could possibly have a paid recreation and/or park director in the 1980s, Ryba said he didn't think so. "Maybe down the road but not now," he said.

Ryba said the town may possibly buy a central site for a public safety complex, highway garage and dog pound in the 1980s. He said the entire complex is included in the board's proposed five-year plan.

He thinks the 80s should see a solution to Bolton's waste disposal problem which has been an ongoing one for years.

Bolton currently uses the Andover Disposal area but plans are underway to join the Windham Regional

Solid Waste Disposal System. Under that system, Bolton's trash will be trucked to a plant in Windham where it will be converted to steam.

Ryba said, "Through the 1980s Bolton will continue working on its civil defense improved emergency capabilities. That's an ongoing thing."

Ryba cited as one of the biggest problems in Bolton, that of the condition of the roads and he said this is caused by another big problem, that of being proper drainage for the roads.

He said the town has established a progressive maintenance program for the roads and hopes to continue with it.

Ryba added, "We've also established priorities for

repairing the roads. The first on the list are Plymouth Lane and Colonial Road. Ryba also foresees a

revision of the town charter in the 1980s. He said the town's first charter is now three years old.

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Al Cashman (left) has been with the store for 9 years and assists Joe Garman in buying the menswear. Ellen Schmidding (center) is manager of the store and has been with Joe for 19 years and does all the buying of the Womenswear. Pictured on the right is Joe Garman (owner).



The mens shop downstairs carries all very traditional natural shoulder clothing featuring famous brand names like H. Freeman, Corbin, Majer and Sero shirts. We import sweaters from Scotland, Ireland and England — Rainwear from England and we're known throughout the area for our great selection of neckwear patterns.

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# Changes seen for college to keep pace

At a recent informal meeting, several Manchester Community College administrators discussed the ways in which the college can be expected to change during the 1980s. There was agreement that community colleges in general and MCC in particular are now in a transition period, and that significant changes will take place in this decade.

"We will become more involved in more aspects of community life in the years ahead," said James O. Tatro, associate dean of Community Services. "Already, the college is providing programs and services that were not previously considered part of the traditional role of higher education. As community needs change and grow, and the public increases its perception of the college as a community resource as well as an academic institution, we will inevitably be called upon to provide a wider range of services."

"With the services already offered by Manchester Community College, it is entirely conceivable that an individual's association with the college can begin at age five and continue throughout his or her lifetime," Tatro continued. "From pre-school learning in the MCC Child Development Center to activities and cooperative programs for senior citizens, from youth sports clinics to a variety of services for small business people, from vocational counseling to retirement planning, MCC is now serving the needs of people at all phases of their lives."

"The college is an active participant in the general life of the community today," he said, "and we expect to be an even more important community resource in the years ahead."

Four-year colleges and universities are predominantly attended by 18- to 22-year-old full-time students who come to them directly after graduation from high school. Enrollments are declining in these institutions because, as a result of the lower birth rate that followed the post-war "baby boom," there is a decreasing number of people reaching traditional college age.

Community colleges serve a significantly different student population. The average community college student in Connecticut today is nearly 30 years old and comes to college after a considerable period of time away from the formal education process. A high percentage are married and more than half are employed full-time. There are more than twice as many part-time students as full-time students, and women comprise approximately two-thirds of the total community college student population. A majority is taking courses and programs designed to prepare them for specific vocational fields.

"There is definitely an increasing interest in higher education among older, employed people with family responsibilities," said Harry Meisel, MCC dean of student affairs. "Every year, we see more of them coming to Manchester Community

College and, as the demands of the job market in Connecticut become more specialized and more complex in the years ahead, we expect this trend to continue. During the 1980s, our student population will grow rather than decline, and it will become even more like a cross-section of the general community population than it is today."

Community colleges refer to themselves as "open door" colleges, because there are no admissions requirements for most academic programs, and people are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The higher education establishment and other critics often referred to community colleges as "revolving door" colleges because fewer of their students complete degree requirements and graduate than is true of more traditional institutions.

"Today, this is not viewed as negative," Meisel continued. "More and more people are coming to the college for one or more courses with the intention of pursuing a degree program, including an increasing number who already have bachelor's and advanced degrees. They are coming to acquire specific job-related skills, to prepare for a career change, or just because they are interested in the subject matter."

"Certainly, it is a good thing for individuals and for society that education no longer has to be a full-time endeavor that proceeds continuously to a bachelor's degree, and then stops," Meisel said. "You should be encouraged to participate in higher education to whatever extent you need and want it, and at whatever time in your life those needs and wants occur."

"The traditional full-time student pursuing a degree or planning to transfer to a four-year school will always be a vital part of Manchester Community College," Meisel continued. "But during this decade, we will certainly see major changes, particularly in scheduling, to accommodate the increasing number of students that are now considered by many to be non-traditional. We will be adapting to provide the things students need and want at whatever times the students are available to take them."

Anticipated scheduling changes include some classes starting and ending at times that do not correspond to traditional semester periods and an increasing number of classes being offered on weekends and during late-night hours. Longer classes that meet less frequently, similar to present summer session offerings, may also be scheduled throughout the year. The college expects an increase in the number of classes using television, newspapers, correspondence and audio-visual material methods. These non-traditional teaching methods permit a student to work independently at his own pace under the supervision of regular college instructors. They are especially attractive to students with significant outside time demands.

Manchester Community College

now offers evening classes in public school classrooms in East Hartford, Vernon and South Windsor, and at Mansfield Training School. A rotating schedule of credit course offerings permits students to complete all requirements for an associate degree in General Studies and most of the requirements for many other MCC degree programs. These courses are offered to the general public by the Community Services Division of Manchester Community College and nearly 600 students are enrolled in them.

The Community Services Division is also teaching credit courses for employees of Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, Connecticut Mutual Insurance Company and Connecticut General Insurance Company. These classes are held in the facilities of these companies at hours that accommodate employee work schedules. They are part of company training and employee development programs and include general academic subjects as well as subjects that are job-related. Approximately 550 students are enrolled in these classes.

"During the 1980s, we can definitely look forward to expansion of the off-campus offerings to the college," said Dean Tatro. "We expect to be developing both credit and non-credit programs in cooperation with boards of education and adult education departments in towns throughout our service area, as well as with industrial and commercial firms."

"I anticipate that we will also expand the kinds of services we offer at off-campus locations," Tatro said. "At the present time, we are primarily offering credit courses that are traditionally academic in nature. In the future, we hope to include seminars, workshops and programs about a variety of subjects that will meet a range of cultural, vocational, social and leisure hour needs."

"For the general public, the college might extend to off-campus locations vocational counseling, income tax assistance, preparation for retirement, bridge lessons, job-seeking techniques, art instruction and a wide range of such programs and services," Tatro continued. "We can provide some of them ourselves, but we expect to work frequently in cooperation with government agencies and community organizations."

"There is increasing interest in broadening our cooperative efforts with industrial and commercial firms and business organizations," Tatro said. "We expect to be working with many more companies in providing college credit courses and degree programs for their employees, and we also plan to expand the kinds of things we can offer to include a greater variety of services. Non-credit courses and training in specific job skills are two definite possibilities."

While off-campus options are being explored, college officials are also working on the college's permanent facility. Manchester Community

College is anxiously anticipating legislative approval and the start of construction of its planned 150,000 square foot building. The new structure will be located on the MCC Main Campus adjacent to Wetherell Street and will be the first permanent building on that campus. Construction funding of \$11.5 million is recommended in the governor's 1980 capital projects budget proposal.

Projected time schedules call for completion by September, 1982. In addition to classrooms, laboratories and offices, the building will contain a multi-purpose program center, meeting rooms and dining areas that will be available for community use.

"The new building will provide solutions to a great many critical space problems at the College," said Dr. Herbert Bandes, MCC dean of administration. "It will also permit us to phase out the leased Hartford Road building which will save considerable money in each year's operating budget."

"However, the new building should not be construed as a signal that the college is planning to consolidate its operation on the campus," Bandes continued. "Rather, it should be viewed as providing a more adequate operating core from which we will continue to expand our 'outreach' efforts."

"An integral part of the community college mission and an important aspect of the future of Manchester Community College is the process of taking college services and programs out into the community," Bandes said. "As the college becomes more of a general community resource in the years ahead, we will certainly be taking more of the college out to the people. At the same time, our new building will provide much more suitable facilities for those services that can best be done on campus."

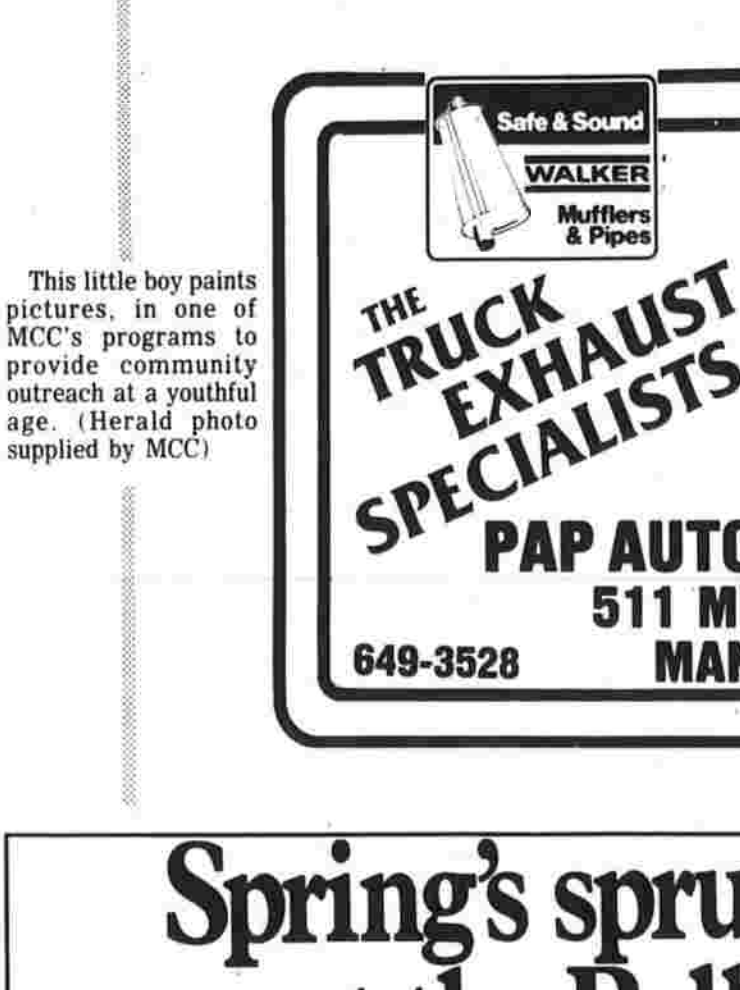
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This little boy paints pictures, in one of MCC's programs to provide community outreach at a youthful age. (Herald photo supplied by MCC)

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# Many factors affect Hebron schools' future

By PATRICIA MULLIGAN Herald Correspondent  
HEBRON—David Cattanaich, superintendent of schools, feels that any predictions about the school system for the next 10 years should be made with caution.

He said there are so many unknowns which will shape the future of education. These unknowns include state, national and worldwide economic events, energy problems,

the continued lower birth rate, and the effects of increasing state involvement in the educational process, as well as the funding of programs which are mandated as an outgrowth of law.

Cattanaich also cited the increased federal control of education as a result of the new cabinet-level Department of Education, as well as the lower birth rates combined with a housing slump because of the

general economy and high interest rates. He said all of these forces will affect education in Hebron and Regional District 8 in the future.

He said educational costs will continue to grow or programs must be curtailed. "If teacher salary increases don't approximate the inflation rate, then more good teachers will be leaving our schools for new opportunities which are more financially rewarding and fewer of the better college students will enter the

educational field," Cattanaich said. Cattanaich sees as another problem to be faced by the schools in the coming years, that of those related to energy. He said the high costs could mean reductions in transportation services for pupils or a curtailment in the use of schools after school hours. He said while greater efforts will be required to conserve energy, energy costs will absorb greater percentages of budgets as time goes on.

Cattanaich cited the increasing involvement of both the state and federal governments in the education process. He predicted that the local authority or local control situation will be unable to resist continued federal and local encroachment in these areas.

Education in the 1980s will cost more and will necessitate a virtual elimination of new programs which would add costs and will require a closer scrutiny of existing programs.

"It should prove to be an interesting decade for all of us in education," board members, superintendents, principals, teachers, and students," Cattanaich said.

He said he doesn't see the institution of any new educational programs in the near future but said he is much encouraged by the additional funding that Hebron and the regional district are about to obtain under the state equalization formula.

## Town aims to retain its style

PATRICIA MULLIGAN Herald Correspondent  
HEBRON—Hebron, a bedroom community with a rural atmosphere, stands on the edge of potential growth—has the same economic pressures being experienced by other towns and has only a modest tax base with which to work.

Hebron and its residents face many challenges for the coming decade. Some of these will be based on the effects of inflation, the ever-increasing demands placed by the residents themselves as well as the burgeoning growth of state and federal government requests.

To date, Hebron, with a population of a little over 5,000 has retained its rural atmosphere while providing adequate education for the children as well as services to the residents.

However, like any of the sister towns, nothing remains static. The initial change for Hebron has begun with the change in leadership in the role of first selectman when for the first time in 10 years the Republicans have taken over town leadership.

First Selectman Raymond Burt has an attitude of fiscal conservatism. His budget proposal for the coming fiscal year shows almost no increase over the current budget. He has produced a reduction in his own salary and has also offered to take over the job of road superintendent.

Burt has also indicated his desire to maintain the town's level of service while continuing the process of shopping for the best bargain and making the Board of Finance aware of the potential savings.

The town's Economic Development Committee has decided, after a full year of deliberations, to seek the status of commission so it can get to work in the future to determine whether or not Hebron can attract modest commercial development, which would in turn broaden the tax base and possibly provide some tax relief in the future.

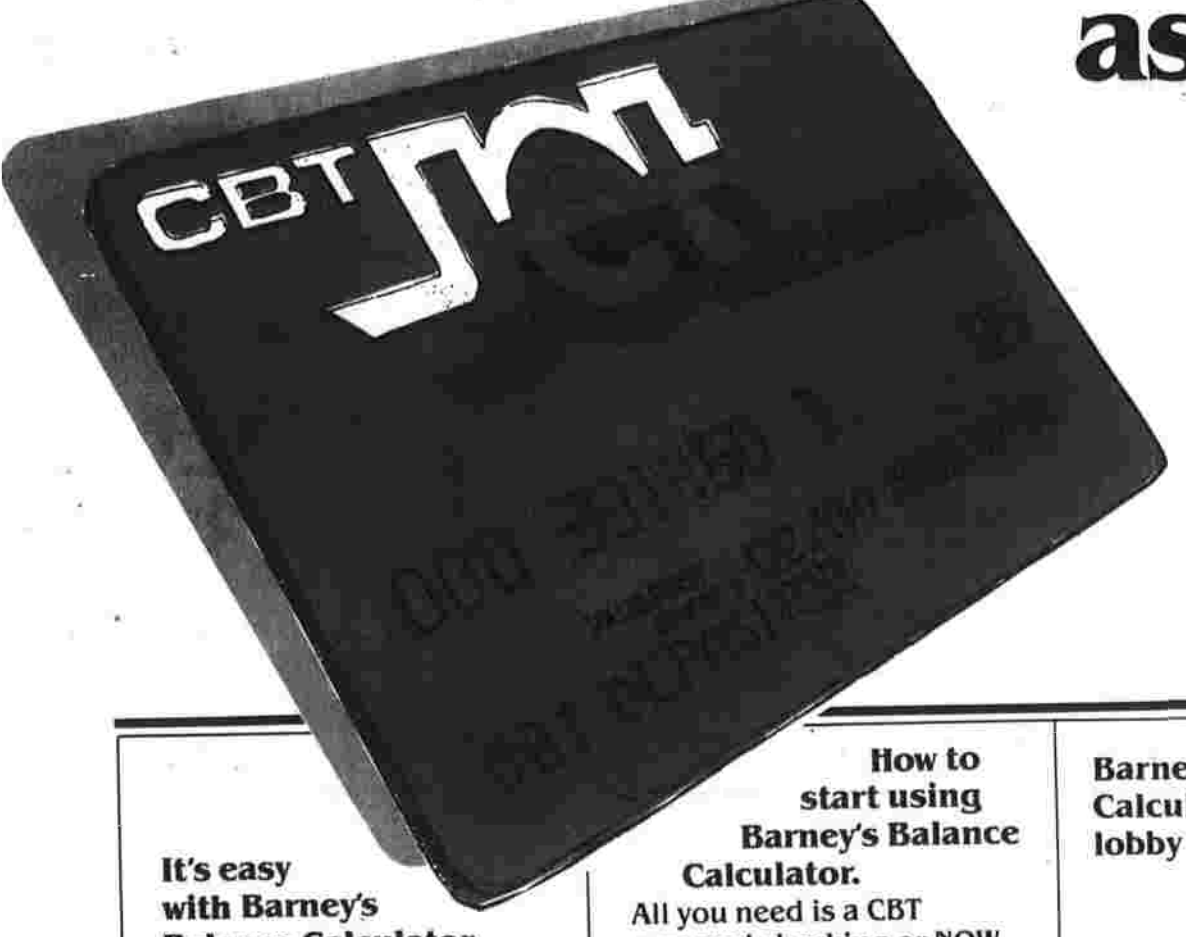
Within the coming few years the Historical District Study Committee will be working to determine if the town has areas that could be designated as historical districts.

A Town Office Building Addition Study Committee is working on plans for the addition. It has already been determined that the addition is needed.

A Water Pollution Control Authority has been appointed for the purpose of hiring an engineering firm to develop Phase I of a facilities plan in response to an abatement order served on the town by the state Department of Environmental Protection.

At this time it would seem that Hebron's single most problem for the future will be maintenance of its rural identity, with a minimal tax base, as well as the ability to provide needed services. To balance all of these conflicting demands, all boards, both new and old, must work together in order to provide a cohesive, permanent sense of growth.

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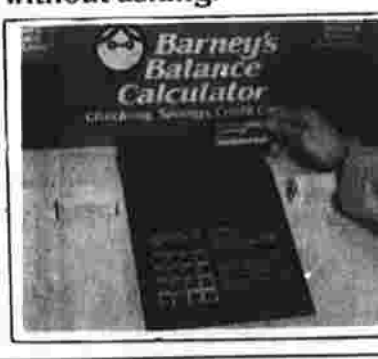
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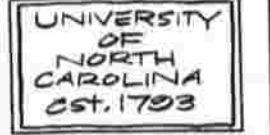


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# School's role in the 80s will reflect social change

By LAUREN DAVIS SHEA

**Herald Reporter**  
**MANCHESTER** — As more women enter the job market, local education officials predict the decade of the 80s will produce increasingly self-reliant students with the role of the schools they attend also changing to reflect the shifting values of society.

Anne Beecher, director of guidance at Manchester High School, said recently, "Our students are not as docile in the classroom as they used to be. We've encouraged them to discuss and question, rather than to be accepting."

This acceptance in the schools is shadowed by an independence at home. Ms. Beecher said the growing number of working mothers may lead to younger people who shoulder responsibility at younger ages, as the children cook, care for younger siblings, and assume other household chores.

Students of the 80s may also bear some of the casualties of the changing roles. Ms. Beecher said the schools are seeing an increase in single parent families because of divorce or separation.

Divorce has caused problems in young people's motivation. Ms. Beecher said. While some students fail to attend classes because of this, others are physically in class but they've left their attention at home.

Others are increasingly deciding to make their home away from their parents. "There are more kids than I remember before who are living alone, although I don't have the statistics," Ms. Beecher said.

This lifestyle places enormous time demands on the student, because to live alone, he must support himself, in addition to trying to finish school.

The student ends up working longer hours than we feel are advisable," Ms. Beecher said. This in turn causes grades to drop.

One trend of the 80s that may help bring grades up is the effect of declining enrollments. While Ms. Beecher said she fails to see this aiding education because often teachers are laid off as a response, the school administration sees this issue differently.

Superintendent of Schools James Kennedy said while Ms. Beecher sees the classes that come over or under the goal of 25 students per teacher, he sees the overall trend. He says the effect of declining enrollments has helped decrease the use of hard drugs, but that usage of drugs in general, and of alcohol in particular, have increased, which Kennedy said reflects society's values.

"The schools have been charged with educating students about the basics, about drugs and sex, about economics and law. I can keep rattling off our responsibilities. But I'm hopeful that in the '80s we'll get a clearer definition of what the schools should do," Kennedy said.

"Every problem cannot be blamed on the schools, just as the population cannot turn to the schools as a sole solution. Using drug education as an example, we have a support role, but we aren't the prime responsible agency," Kennedy said.

One area teachers and administrators are increasingly responsible for keeping records. "It's a paperwork world," Dr. Kennedy said, predicting that lawsuits over special education, sexually equal programs, comprehensive testing, and other state and federally mandated programs would increase.

Ms. Beecher said the increased paperwork hits teachers, as new attendance requirements obligate them to keep more accurate records. Ms. Beecher believed that this generation of school children, if left to themselves, would as a whole cut classes more often than earlier groups, but the teachers must meet the challenge of keeping the records that keep the students in class.

Ms. Beecher traced part of the reason the students cut classes more often to lax parental discipline. Adding that many parents are very conscientious, Ms. Beecher said another cause may be increased peer pressure.

Besides paperwork, another high pressure area is finding good teachers, which Dr. Kennedy said is becoming increasingly difficult in the fields of math, science, and vocational education. Partly because of the fears of several years ago that teaching positions would be hard to get, but mostly because of higher salaries in private industry, the administration is finding it's a seller's market.

"A young person can come to us to teach math or science and we can offer a beginning salary of about \$10,000. He can certainly find a job in private industry offering at a minimum half again as much," Kennedy said.

Not only are new teachers difficult to attract. Teachers in the system for five or seven years are being wooed away by the attractive financial offers of institutions now, to four-year school. "We may be able to get our high school down to a manageable size. It has been too big," Kennedy said, as he spoke of some of the benefits of declining enrollments.

Another of Kennedy's predictions is the end to mandatory retirement for teachers. "This fits in with the type of thinking we seem to have. The handicapped, women and minorities are all being accepted not on the basis of these factors, but on whether they can do the job. I think this concept will expand to age. I mean, when a major presidential contender is one year away from mandatory teaching retirement age of 70, you have to consider this," Kennedy said.

"Progress is halting, it isn't even," Kennedy declared. But clearly, casting a bad situation like declining enrollments a good one, is possible. It's all how you look at it.

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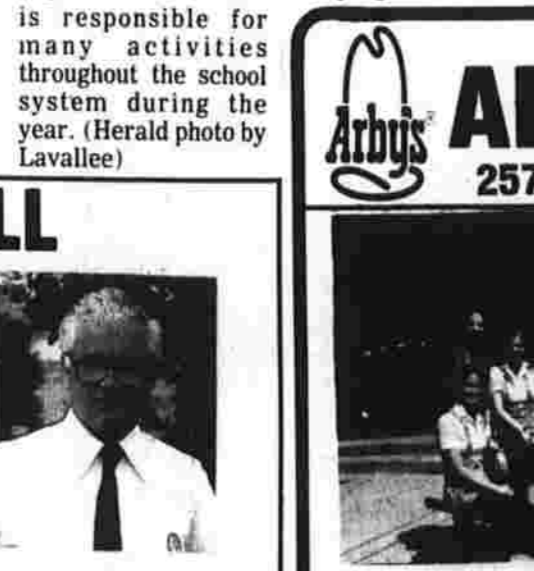


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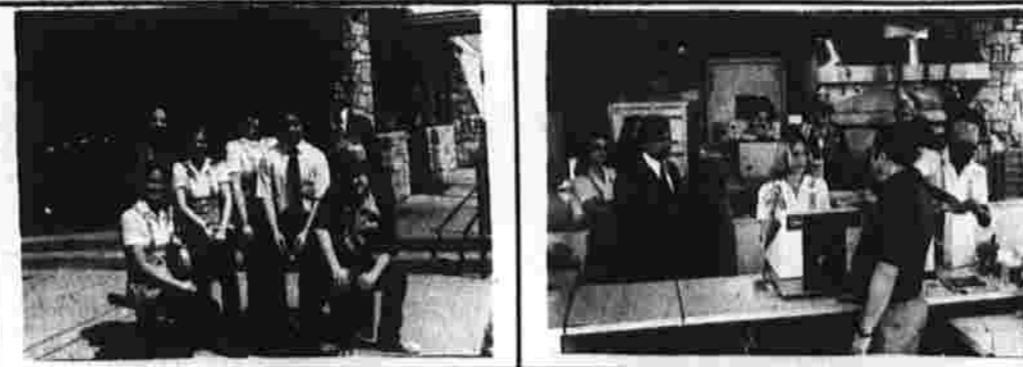
This youngster prepares to bite into a tasty treat from Mexico at Naubuc School in Glastonbury. The experience was part of a program sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Organization's Cultural Arts program, which



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# Role of Vo-Ag education growing more important

By DAVE LAVALLEE

**Herald Reporter**  
**GLASTONBURY** — Vocational education is becoming increasingly important as higher education becomes more expensive.

To the students enrolled in the Regional Vocational Agriculture Center at Glastonbury High School, vocational education is not only important, but also enjoyable.

During the week of March 24 to March 28, students held their annual Open House and showed off several projects and displays to the community.

Students from towns including Glastonbury, Manchester, East Hartford, Marlborough, Newington, Wethersfield and Rocky Hill participate in the program.

Chris Smith, a senior in the program and also the president of the Future Farmers of America, said most of the students have set their career goals.

"Most of the kids have a pretty good idea about where they are going," she said.

The program is designed for four years and along with their studies in agriculture, the students take the required number of high school courses.

Miss Smith said the students spend two class periods a day in the agriculture center and they average four meetings a week. There are 90

students to four teachers, according to Miss Smith.

students to four teachers, according to Miss Smith. Miss Smith said students are prepared for a career when they graduate from high school or future study at the college level. "I would say about 50 percent of our students go on to college," she said.

"This program is not geared for morose. It is geared for the intelligent student. I have studied things like genetics in my agriculture courses," she said.

Miss Smith said many persons graduating from the program go into farming. However, students can branch into fields such as animal care and breeding, forestry, trapping, feed research, and animal health, to name a few.

According to Miss Smith, most of the students in the program want to be in school and work hard at gaining knowledge.

"I am in advanced algebra and trigonometry, because they are important," she said.

The students participate in experiments which are conducted in a manner similar to any average high school chemistry lab.

Miss Smith is an opinionated student and she has some strong ideas about the future of farming and agriculture in the state.

"I am capable of feeding myself and with proper preserving procedures, we could probably

make it through the winters. However, towns that used to be rural in nature, like Glastonbury, are turning into development disasters," she emphasized.

Miss Smith emphasized the importance of education in agriculture. "I don't think people realize the importance of agriculture, but they really need it," she said.

Peter Wolcott, director of the program, said there is a future for the youngster trained in agriculture in the Hartford area.

"There are as many jobs in the Hartford area relating to agriculture as you will find anywhere," Wolcott said.

Wolcott said there are many possible choices and some of them include animal care, kennel operation, supplies and feeding.

Wolcott said there are two objectives of the program. He said one is that the teachers try to provide the necessary training so that when a student graduates from high school, he or she will be able to enter an entry-level position relating to agriculture. The other is to give students who are preparing to go to college, a basic background in the subject areas.

"After coming out of this program, a student is able to go both ways," Wolcott said.

"We stress the fact, that students who go into agriculture can branch out into almost any field," Wolcott said.



Agriculture at Glastonbury High  
 These youngsters take a look at some of the animals on display at the Regional Vocational Agriculture Center's Open House at Glastonbury High. These students are from Naubuc school. (Herald photo by Pinto)

# Cost control measures geared to fight inflation

By MARTIN KEARNS

**Herald Reporter**  
**MANCHESTER** — Rising inflation is certainly expected to take hospital costs up with it.

Although Manchester Memorial Hospital cannot regulate the effects of rising costs on the price of its care, George Roy, assistant director and chief financial officer at the hospital, said March 28 that the institution has adopted measures to help control costs.

About 10 years ago, Roy said, the hospital formed a Cost Containment Committee. Its members, averaging about 50 each, are drawn from the Board of Trustees, hospital physicians, administrators, incinerators and a representative from the operating room staff. Its purpose is to provide advice and seek solutions to issues affecting hospital finances.

To reduce costs passed on to consumers, Manchester Memorial takes advantage of an informal cost-sharing arrangement that exists between area medical institutions. Certain costs, such as clothing, food, and medical instruments, Roy said, are bought in such large quantities that the institutions realize savings from the prices they would have to pay individually.

The hospital has plans to share future laundry, purchasing, engineering and computer costs.

In addition, Roy said, Manchester Memorial engages in what he called the prime-vendor concept. Certain products, which must be purchased by the local hospital alone, are contracted for a single vendor. This practice, he said, affords a savings that goes along with any purchase of mass quantities.

Not surprisingly, one of the hospital's biggest expenses is energy, about \$500,000 a year. Last year the hospital purchased and installed a fuel converter at a cost of more than \$20,000. The device allows the energy source between oil and gas. In five months, Roy estimated, the new system has saved some \$32,000 in energy costs.

In another energy-related move, the hospital has installed what Public Relations Director Andy Beck called "heat wheels." This system, he intimated, allows the hospital to maximize the efficiency of its heating system. Heated air in the winter, and cooled air in the summer, is caught as it is about to be discharged from the ven-

tilation system and recirculated through it, reducing the amount of energy needed to change the air.

Beck also said the hospital had applied to the Commission on Hospital and Health Care's Energy Audit program which makes funds available to institutions for construction projects aimed at energy efficiency.

Eligibility is determined after several "energy audits" are conducted. The hospital, he said, has yet to be audited but has taken the necessary steps. Its application has been certified by the Energy Division of the state Department of Policy and Management.

A similar system in the hospital's two-story laundry complex allows for additional savings. A heat recovery system, which recycles hot steam, was included in that building's design and, according to George Roy, has spelled energy-cost reductions.

Despite these hospital measures, inflation is the ultimate factor to be dealt with. The two major hospital bills, daily room rates and medical tests (physician charges are not billed by the hospital, except in Emergency Room cases) are determined in large part by the price the hospital must pay for food, staff salaries, chemicals, and of course, heat and gas.

And the inflation rate rushes toward the 20 percent mark, even the sternest cost-containment measures are destined to generate only limited results.

Consumers traditionally look to the Commission on Hospitals and Health Care for relief. The commission regulates the amount of profit which hospitals and other health care facilities can earn in a given year.

Relations between hospitals and the commission have become increasingly tense because of health care cost rises.

The increasing presence of the commission was attested to by Roy, who said the compliance with new regulations demanded greater staff involvement. This he translated into more time and additional monies.

But at present, the hospital is seeking to raise its staff's awareness of increasing costs and their role in deterring any unnecessary ones. One member of the Cost Containment Commission has compiled and circulated a listing of the more frequent laboratory tests and their respective costs. This, Roy said, was done to increase physicians' understanding of their patients' situation and, hopefully, to reduce unnecessary testing.

In a related activity the hospital will sponsor an Employee Awareness

Week from May 11 through the 17th. Beck said, to inform staff of the cost of the items they work with, and he added, to let them know that "cost containment involves everyone."

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One of the first projects planned by the Pitkin Glass Works, Inc. is the pointing of the stone. In so doing, the corporation hopes to strengthen the walls so they can support reconstruction. (Herald photo by Kearns)



Pitkin Glass Works, Inc. is hoping to redevelop the glass works that are now visible only from behind this wire fence. The arduous task of raising interest and money to support the restoration has recently begun. (Herald photo by Kearns)

# Historic glass works a focus of the decade

By MARTIN KEARNS  
Herald Reporter

MANCHESTER — Guardians of the Pitkin Glass Works are quietly drafting plans for the preservation of this historic link with our nation's colonial past.

As with other historic sites, the '80s will be a decade of increased activity at this, one of the earliest American industrial sites.

In 1777 the Pitkin Glass Works, Inc. was organized as a non-profit corporation dedicated to preserving the ruins of Connecticut's prime supplier of gunpowder during the Revolutionary War. Later the owners would branch into the glass making business that put them on the map.

The glassworks is now included in the National Register of Historic Places and the corporation is turning its sights toward redevelopment.

Aaron Cook, president of the group, said recently, "There is no limit whatsoever to where we might go." He added that he would not be surprised if the next ten years brought with it the "total reconstruction" of the original structure, whose ruins are found near the corner of Porter and Parker Streets.

Already the corporation has begun talks with archeologists who are interested in excavating the kilns, believed to lie some eight to twelve inches below ground. The kilns were used to fire glass in the 18th century factory.

Cook said, "Everyone in the world appears interested in salvaging the kilns' foundations, but added that more work had to be done with experts before any major effort was initiated. He did say that a preliminary dig would take place within a year's time, adding that the project has drawn considerable attention from historians within the state.

The corporation has more definite plans for this summer, when they expect to market a very limited edi-

tion of reproduced Pitkin glass bottles. They have tentatively planned to produce 500, at a cost of \$15 per bottle. Corporation members are concerned that the edition be collectors' items.

Pitkin bottles were known for their fine quality of glass. This was accomplished by importing a fine sand from New Jersey. The sand was shipped up the Connecticut River and taken by ox-drawn cart to the factory in what was then known as East Hartford. Transportation costs made the local product expensive in comparison with other glass products.

The bottles were distinguished by the ribbing or swirl which circumscribed them in an ascending style.

Plans call for the reproduction of another Pitkin product six years after the first is introduced. In this manner, corporate members hope to sustain interest in the glassworks.

Pitkin-style ink wells have been mentioned as a possibility for the next edition.

Before any restoration could be undertaken, the walls of the original structure, now in ruin, would have to be repaired. In their present condition they would not support their own roof.

The corporation has decided to repair the walls, using sand and cement of exact likeness to the original. In pointing the walls, it is hoped that the original color of the structure can be retained.

Other plans, also in the development stage, would place educational billboards on the grounds of the ruins. The display boards, estimated to have dimensions of 8 feet by 5 feet, would include a history of the works. Edison Bailey past president of the Manchester Historical Society, has been working with a local historical artist to develop sketches of the original structure.

More immediately, the Vintage

Chevrolet Club of America will call attention to the glassworks by including it as a stop along their April 27 tour of Manchester. If weather permits, the cars will drive onto the grounds of the historical site for individual portraits.

As with most historical organizations, the size of the corporation's treasury restricts the vision of its members.

A membership drive is now under way, and the corporation is hoping to increase its limited coffers. Membership options are available to individuals, groups, corporations, and both sustaining and life members.

The corporate bylaws prevent the use of grant monies for restoration of the glassworks. All funds must be realized through public contributions.

## Early history sought

MANCHESTER — Members of the Pitkin Glass Works, Inc. have asked that anyone with information relating to early factory history contact the corporation.

All correspondence should be addressed to Herbert Bengston, Glass Works' Historian, 253 Gardner St., Manchester.

The society is registered with the Connecticut State Historical Society. And even though it is responsible for the administration of historic grants issued through the state Department of Commerce, it is a "loosely" structured organization. Its members are held together by one of those strong but intangible bonds. In this case it is an interest in history and Manchester.

The society offers a forum in which members can pursue their individual interests. They are free to learn, exchange ideas, and most importantly, to work for the preservation of local historic landmarks.

One such landmark, the Cheney Homestead, has of late demanded the bulk of the society's efforts. The society's President, Richard Eagan, said that assuring its continued, safe existence is a well-established priority.

However, the condition of the Homestead, and the limited funds available for its preservation, threaten to prevent the society from fully embracing other projects. Needless to say, the Homestead is and probably will remain for some time the society's focal point.

A \$50,000 trust fund, which Eagan said was established to provide for the care and display of historic artifacts that more wholly represent the entire town. The site, potential headquarters for the society, would not be directly related to the Homestead, which is dominated by Cheney history.

Town and Cheney history, Eagan acknowledged, are intimately connected. But in Manchester, he added, "typified" the most manufacturing enterprises



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# Giles measures progress in very concrete terms

By MARY KITZMANN  
Herald Reporter

MANCHESTER — Progress, for Jay Giles, director of public works, is concrete. It can be measured in new roads, and water systems, and seen as one walks through Manchester.

Giles defines "progress" in specifics, such as the \$20-million water system improvement program, a \$2-million water drainage program, and \$1.5 million road improvement program.

It is a source of pride for him to say "I've never had a referendum proposal refused by the voters." "So far I have been able to get enough information out to the people. Then they were able to see the need for the project."

It is a source of satisfaction for Giles to know that when it rains this year, he "won't be getting calls from White Street and Thompson Road about flooding, because those areas have been improved."

Although he measures the town's progress in specifics, Giles says he doesn't plan them. He has no yearly goals or long-range plans. The projects are planned as he becomes aware of the problem, and the possible solutions. They are part of a general goal.

"I suppose my goal is hard to express," Giles says. "I just want to

have everything working perfectly. I work toward having everything in the town work smoothly. He noted that while some roads no longer have drainage problems, he still received calls from Bremen Road and Wood-bridge Street.

"The problem areas are becoming smaller now," Giles says "But there is a long way to go, as we tackle various problems."

Solving the problems, and coordinating through five public works divisions, is the challenge for Giles since he became the director nine years ago. He says he ponders moving, but always decides "Manchester carries enough problems, has a lot of challenge" for him.

"The biggest frustration is that I can't work fast enough," he says. "There is always something to be done."

In coming years, Giles says the things to be done by the Public Works Department, as leaning more toward maintenance and less toward services. "We have to concentrate on areas that we can do more efficiently," Giles says.

"Many services can be done by the private sector more efficiently. I see our role as maintaining the sewer system, the buildings, and improving storm drainage."

We can do efficiently. And always the emphasis will be on energy conservation. The test of a project or a problem will be how can it be done using the least energy, and the least amount of red tape."

Some specifics the town does more efficiently according to Giles is water and sewer improvements, billing, road pavement and repair, glass and paper recycling, and sidewalk maintenance.

Giles says advanced technology aided the town's progress in many areas. New equipment, such as a "hot box" for asphalt was purchased four years ago, makes the projects easier.

In solving the problems, such as a limited budget in the face of skyrocketing inflation, Giles says the new equipment, and the courage to use it are what's needed.

His philosophy is "not to be afraid of something new."

People say "who else is using it or doing something," he says. "I always say let's give it a shot! Why can't Manchester be the first to try something?"

He loves formulating and trying new ideas to "help things run perfectly smooth."

Some of his ideas, such as the water improvement program, met with little resistance. Others such as a proposal for cleaning sidewalks

24 hours after a storm, and giving the town eminent domain rights for sewer easement have sparked opposition.

But it doesn't matter, Giles says he'll still come up with more ideas. "Although the Board of Directors and the people might not like a certain proposal, that doesn't mean they hold it against me for proposing it," Giles said. "We just go on to something else. I'm not afraid a proposition will make me unpopular."

The day I stop coming up with proposals, because it might make me unpopular is the day I ought to think about giving up the job."

Giles says "he has plans for all sorts of things." Mainly they involve various types of studies such as formulating a master drainage plan, and a master plan for road improvements. These are needed, to help the town know where it's progressing.

Giles says the past years have gone quickly, and have been personally satisfying. "People call and talk about all sorts of things," he said. "I try to refer them or to answer questions. When they see me on the street, it feels good to have them know who I am. I like that."

"It's nice driving through town, looking at this road and that bridge to know I did something."



Public Works Director Jay Giles at his office in the Lincoln Center. Giles thinks of progress in terms of problems solved and of problems to be solved. (Herald photo by Adamson)

# Historic society will strive for continued enthusiasm

By MARTIN KEARNS  
Herald Reporter

MANCHESTER — The 350 members of the Manchester Historical Society are hoping that the '80s will sustain the town's interest in the town's history.

The society is registered with the Connecticut State Historical Society. And even though it is responsible for the administration of historic grants issued through the state Department of Commerce, it is a "loosely" structured organization. Its members are held together by one of those strong but intangible bonds. In this case it is an interest in history and Manchester.

The society offers a forum in which members can pursue their individual interests. They are free to learn, exchange ideas, and most importantly, to work for the preservation of local historic landmarks.

One such landmark, the Cheney Homestead, has of late demanded the bulk of the society's efforts. The society's President, Richard Eagan, said that assuring its continued, safe existence is a well-established priority.

However, the condition of the Homestead, and the limited funds available for its preservation, threaten to prevent the society from fully embracing other projects. Needless to say, the Homestead is and probably will remain for some time the society's focal point.

A \$50,000 trust fund, which Eagan said was established to provide for the care and display of historic artifacts that more wholly represent the entire town. The site, potential headquarters for the society, would not be directly related to the Homestead, which is dominated by Cheney history.



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established by about 35 people, supports the building's maintenance. But the building's antiquated heating system, and the repairs that accompany any aging structure, he said, have rendered the fund almost insignificant. A new roof, for instance, is needed.

"It's a case of the tail wagging the dog," the president said. Eagan added that the Homestead was first envisioned as an operation that would be maintained by a separate committee of the society.

Problems, at the Homestead, however, have required more of the society's time than was originally planned. While local artists have helped in the preservation effort, Eagan said additional monies would provide for the regular maintenance that is so needed.

This is not to imply that the society has stood still under the weight of the Cheney Homestead. Eagan said the local group was hoping to establish a proper building for the care and display of historic artifacts that more wholly represent the entire town. The site, potential headquarters for the society, would not be directly related to the Homestead, which is dominated by Cheney history.

Town and Cheney history, Eagan acknowledged, are intimately connected. But in Manchester, he added, "typified" the most manufacturing enterprises

in all of Connecticut, including gunpowder, silk, glass, and early energy generating plants." What added to the town's status, he said, was that "it all existed in a relatively small geographic area of limited population."

Raising an increased awareness of the town's history has always been a goal of the society. To accomplish this, it has begun publicizing historic sites with markers identifying their value.

Edison Bailey, a past president, and the late Herbert Swanson, a noted member from the society, relatively young past, began the project by researching the old tax records that bear the town's history. Most of the markers include the name of the original owner and builder, as well as the year of its construction. Their efforts had been, and continue to be, complicated by a 25-year-gap of missing records.

Services such as these, Eagan said, typify this sort of thankless service performed by members who have a genuine love of local history. It also points up

the freedom and support that is given to the interests of its members.

Transcribing the town's oral history is another project now in progress. This effort involves the identification of the community's older residents, whose knowledge and experiences are a valuable piece of the past. In committing their remembrances to print, the society hopes to preserve the details and legends of local history.

The historic society was also instrumental in the town's securing national historic landmark status for the Cheney Mill district. Again under the leadership of the late Herb Swanson, the society identified Cheney Hall as an important relic of a past that might yet be reborn. At the society's urging, Eagan said, the research that led to the hall, and

later the district, receiving the national landmark designation, was begun. The town later formed the National Cheney Historic District Commission. Activities such as these are what the society hopes to find both the time and money for in the next decade. Eagan expressed hope that membership, which is open to anyone, would expand. New and younger blood, he said, is necessary to ensure the guarded passage of the current generation's projects.

Eagan wondered why the same gambling and aggressive spirit that drove the town's early years could not be devoted to the preservation of its historic sites. Catching that spirit, he said, would be the mandate of a new generation which has yet to take its place alongside the society's catalyst.



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# Town to face challenge of historic district

**By MARTIN KEARNS**  
Herald Reporter

**MANCHESTER** — The consultants have concluded their six-month study of the Cheney Mill district with a report that encourages its restoration. The ball is once again in the town's court.

The precarious fate of the decaying mill district will probably hinge on the town's disposition toward federal Housing and Urban Development grants.

The consulting firm of Anderson Nottor Flinagold has endorsed the mill's redevelopment, provided the town commits itself to a development plan. Success, they say, depends on a first phase rehabilitation of about a quarter of the district.

The consultants go on to say that phase one, the development of about 400 housing units, would require federal subsidies. The grants are necessary, they say, to guarantee developers a profit. Since the mill's redevelopment has never before been attempted, the consultants call it a gamble for developers. The grants would be used to offset the risks involved.

Tim Anderson, president of the Boston-based consulting firm, pointed directly to Section 8 monies in his final report to the Historic District Commission. These, of course, are the same monies rejected by the Housing Authority earlier this year because of the restrictions they would place on the local authority.

The consultants recommended a plan they termed practical but what Manchester residents might label as bold. They suggested a housing mix involving condominiums,

apartments, and the housing which Anderson described as "non-locally funded."

The condominiums, he said, would provide the town the highest tax yield, 72 cents per square foot, of any housing alternative. The subsidized housing, however, would guarantee a level of first phase redevelopment.

At that final meeting residents previewed the debate which could well decide the history of the mill district.

Some questioned the marketability of the town's plan. The consultants answered that it has been successfully accomplished along Boston's redeveloped North End waterfront.

Judge William FitzGerald, vice-chairman of the Historic Commission, said it would be a developer's decision to apply for federal subsidies and not the town's. He added that it would then be left to the town to decide if the benefits from a redeveloped mill district would render federal subsidies acceptable.

The town, FitzGerald said, would be required to make improvements to the roads and public utilities, perhaps through grants. Already the town has applied for \$156,000 in Urban Action funds for traffic and bus improvements in the district.

No timeline has yet been set for deciding the next step. The town manager, however, has recommended that the commission continue to coordinate the redevelopment plans.

The consultants' plans, contained in their final report which is

available in the town municipal building, calls for development of about 1200 housing units. Other uses for the redeveloped mills would be corporate and commercial.

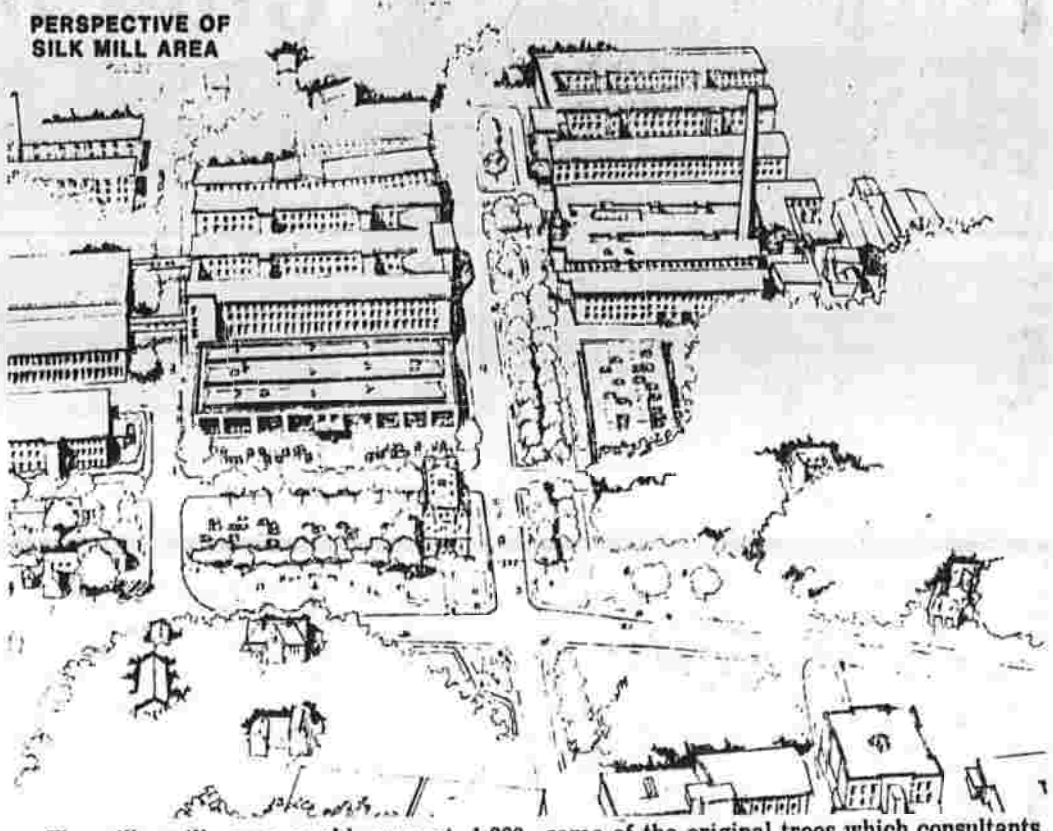
Office space would yield the highest tax return, but is considered unlikely. The report, however, shows that 500,000 square feet of office space exists in the 13 million square-foot complex. The region, they say, could potentially absorb that amount. They have recommended, therefore, that the town aggressively promote the space but that it not count on attracting a corporate tenant.

The first target of redevelopment would be Cheney Hall, a structure that has been called the gateway to the district. Its condition is perilous and the consultants warn that any delays in its rehabilitation could prove fatal.

The master plan reclaims the former grounds of the parking lot that is adjacent to the hall. Parking would be provided in a partially submerged garage that also has potential for federal subsidies. The trees which originally surrounded Cheney Hall would also be replaced.

Elm Street, along with the entire downtown redevelopment. The two were viewed in the final report to the commission as allies. The consultants were careful to stress the cooperative nature of the projects, adding that one would benefit from the other.

Also preserved would be the



The silk mill area could support 1,200 some of the original trees which consultants sketch shows say should be planted again.

# Expansion to mark decade

**By MARTIN KEARNS**  
Herald Reporter

**MANCHESTER** — Manchester Memorial Hospital's proposed \$26 million expansion is the second phase of the hospital's Long Range Plan accepted by its Board of Directors in 1969. It is this second phase that will chart the institution's expansion into the '80s.

Phase two is highlighted by the construction of a new mental health building to consolidate the current psychiatric facilities that are spread between the main complex and a hospital owned home across Hayes Street.

Expansion of the mental health services is also part of a program for the '80s in which Executive Director Edward M. Kenney said the hospital will become the focus of health care in this area.

Kenney has envisioned the hospital becoming more specialized, incorporating new treatment modalities, and attracting newer physicians with expertise in the more severe illnesses that he said would be associated with an older population.

Hospital statistics show decreases in the size of the youth population and increases in that of the older age groups. Between 1970 and 1985, the hospital has estimated that the age groups 15 to 44, 45 to 65 and over, will increase by 28.9 percent, 14.6 percent, and 36.6 percent, respectively.

The major causes of death are expected to be heart and cancer related. Heart disease, at present, accounts for about half the deaths in this region.

Areas in which the

expansion expects to add physicians include neurosurgery, plastic surgery, family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, oncology and psychiatry. Many of the new physicians will replace retiring staff members.

As a backdrop Kenney added, "Despite our best efforts, costs will continue to rise." The new mental health facility, Kenney anticipated, will increase overall operating costs by 3.62 percent in 1985.

Of little significance to the rising costs will be the increase in out-patient services which Kenney also foresees. Out-patient services eliminate costly hospital stays for those treatments which do not require that patients be closely monitored.

The new mental health center will provide 36 beds for inpatient care, an increase of 10. The present facility, Kenney said, maintains an occupancy rate of 56 percent, which he called extremely high.

Kenney predicted the increased use of community mental health centers, and an accompanying shift away from state institutions. State officials have become increasingly reluctant to accept patients into their facilities, saying the system is already glutted.

Bill Evans, director of human services at the hospital, is seeking to establish a half-way house for recovering alcoholics, and has complained about state institutions' refusal to accept his patients. He considers community-based care a proper alternative.

Kenney said that con-

struction will hopefully begin October of this year. Step one will be expansion of the parking facilities across from the hospital. The town's Zoning and Planning Advisory Board has already granted the hospital a zoning variance that will allow for expansion of the lot now bounded by Hayes, Russell and Memorial streets.

Formal application for the 110,000 square-foot expansion must be made to the Commission on Hospitals and Health Care. The application, known as a Certificate of Need, will detail the hospital's plans. It was hoped that the certificate, estimated to exceed 600 pages, would be made before April 1st. At the time of this writing that deadline was in doubt.

The plans, which must be approved by the commission, call for construction of new space, renovation of 38,000 square feet of existing space, and the demolition of 28,000 square feet of the hospital's original structure, built in 1923.

Additional maternity services and bed space will be constructed above the present intensive care-special care unit. This will necessitate an additional two floors. In addition, a new pediatrics unit will be created.

The original structure is also slated for demolition, allowing for the construction of a new entrance. The space is now used for administrative offices and bed space.

A major reason cited for the expansion is that it will bring the hospital in line with the standards of the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Hospitals.

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Moshe Paranov works with high school students from Glastonbury and Windsor as part of the music program at Glastonbury High. Paranov is the director emeritus of Hartt College of Music and he has worked with the youngsters in past years. (Herald photo by Lavallee)

# Hospital depends on volunteers

**By MARTIN KEARNS**  
Herald Reporter

**MANCHESTER** — That Manchester Memorial Hospital relies on the efforts of its volunteers is no understatement.

Look at the Board of Directors. They are ultimately responsible for the operation of the hospital, an "awesome responsibility," according to Public Relations Director Andy Beck. They are volunteers.

The same is true of the incorporators who, as community representatives, sit on many of the hospital's committees.

But patients are perhaps most aware of the daily services provided by a volunteer staff of almost 500. Their days are often hospital days, defined by the human needs of this microcosmic society.

Volunteer services grew out of the hospital's Auxiliary. The Auxiliary supports the hospital through outreach programs and fund raising activities.

Shirley McCray, president of the Auxiliary, recently said, "Volunteerism adds another dimension of care to patients, a humane one."

The Auxiliary helps organize much of the department's function, but the Volunteer Services Division does its own planning.

Obviously, the two work closely together and their distinctions are secondary to patient services.

Elizabeth Tomucci is the hospital's director of volunteer services. Together with volunteer services assistant, Elizabeth Lauder, a part-time employee, she directs the

department's operations. The director's position, itself, is only a 30-hour-a-week job.

Mrs. Tomucci said the hospital's services are divided among three main programs, the adult, junior and summer programs.

She estimated that some 364 volunteers were enrolled in the adult program. Among the services she identified were: staffing the two giftshops and coffee carts; providing hostess services in the Miller Building, a self-care wing; guiding visitors and groups through the 303-bed hospital; wheeling patients confined to wheel chairs, and lending clerical services.

Other adults, and anyone, she said, could participate, donate their skills to clear plastic vials. It is recommended that it be kept in a refrigerator, the last place to succumb to fire. Responders are then able to care for victims with some knowledge of their past medical history.

Mrs. McCray said the first population identified by the Auxiliary was the elderly. To date some 10,000, she estimated, have been dispensed. Manchester's program, McCray added, was the second of its kind in the state.

A Career Day is also sponsored by the Auxiliary to assist ninth graders in this major life decision with the help of qualified counselors.

Another program designed for the area's youth is the annual Children's Health Week. This year's program ran from April 8 to 11. It sponsors a visit by the Lutz Museum for children kindergarten through third grade.

By sharing these two community services, the Auxiliary hopes to orient children to the hospital. In doing so they strive to allay their fears and misconceptions. By presenting health services in a non-threatening manner, it is anticipated, Mrs. McCray said, that better prevention will be accomplished.

Last year's programs attracted 600 children.

The Auxiliary also operates the Penny Saver, a thrift shop located on Purnell Place, off Main Street. The shop makes clothing, appliances and

equipment available at bargain prices. Here again, all profits are used for capital needs.

To sustain these activities the hospital has developed what can be termed a volunteer philosophy which McCray said was based on recruitment, retention and recognition.

She called essential, the policy of providing different vehicles for making volunteers part of the whole hospital operation. One such avenue, she said, was the opportunities that are made available for career choices.

In looking toward the future, Mrs. Tomucci anticipated a continued increase in the amount of volunteer

turn-over. The economy, she said, is such that some volunteers enjoy the opportunity to get out of the house and do something meaningful, would later decide to pursue a career, as their children's age and their personal circumstances make such action desirable.

Another future trend which she cited, was an increase in male volunteers. Traditional stereotypes fade, she said, as men approach retirement at an earlier age.

In addition, she said, the economy again has limited what people can do with their spare time. As a result, she added, people are turning to volunteer activities.



Marion McKay, right, is one of many well-received volunteer hostesses in the hospital's Miller Building. Standing here with her is in the lounge of the self care unit is Olga St. Germaine, left. This is just one of many services provided by about 500 hospital volunteers. (Herald photo by Kearns)



A healthy smile from volunteer Phyllis library cart which Mrs. Ballok operates is a Ballok and a good magazine seem to have service made possible by volunteers. (Herald photo by Kearns)



Singing with Moshe. These students from Glastonbury and Paranov of the Hartt College of Music. Windsor high schools sing for a large (Herald photo by Lavallee) audience under the direction of Moshe



Volunteers staff the hospital's gift shops, two of the few revenue-producing operations they are involved in. Profits are given to the Development Fund for capital improvements. Here, Isabella Reid, left, and Marty Russell, right, lend some advice to a gift shop patron. (Herald photo by Kearns)

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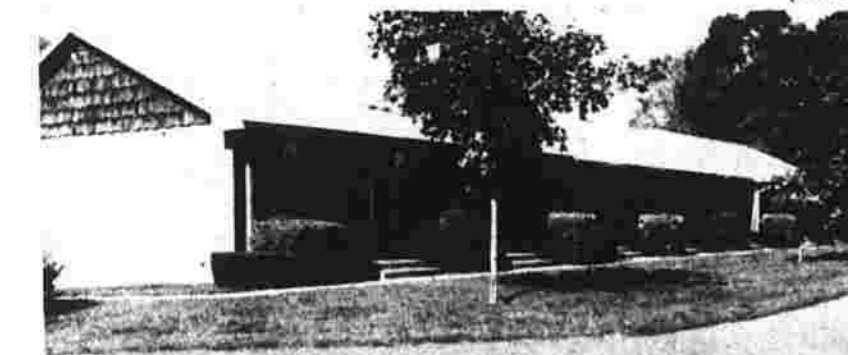
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### A decade for discovery III

Entering a new decade is an experience and an opportunity to reflect on the accomplishments of past years and put a perspective on the future.

It's largely psychological, but those who stop to ponder the future and plan for the eventualities the new decade might bring are planning ahead.

Of course, nobody can predict the future, but putting ideas for the next 10 years into words helps give a general feeling of the directions society will take. Among the many stories in this section of today's special Herald presentation are some thoughts from Manchester Democrats and Republicans on the political future of the town, speculation that East Hartford may eventually combine two high schools into one institution, a discussion of divergent philosophies of industrial development in Glastonbury, views from the Manchester Fire Fighters Union on service quality and an overview of special education services.

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Ted Cummings in a moment of elation at election time.

# Dems to pursue local issues

By MARY KITZMANN  
Herald Reporter

MANCHESTER — The natural progression of political parties in the near future is more involvement in local issues, Ted Cummings, Democratic Town Committee chairman, says.

Cummings sees party leadership on local issues, such as buying new fire equipment, or replacing and building bridges, as an important aspect of maintaining the government's cohesiveness during a period of electorate independence.

"We've chosen to take care of ourselves, through the Community Development vote," he says. "Now

we have to do with ourselves and our dollars."

"Down the road I see the town building elderly housing, providing services etc. It's been going this way for a long time."

It is the party's increased responsibility, Cummings says that will combat the diverse effect of special interest groups. These groups divide the voters by serving only one interest. Cummings, active in politics for about 25 years, noted the only way to maintain the party structure and influence is to serve the people's interest better than a special interest group.

A firm believer in the two-party system, Cummings says that "primaries are here to stay and will

increase rather than decrease."

"Party power is eroded by primaries," Cummings said. "They give more force to the people and the party has to adapt."

However, while being more responsive to individual needs, the Manchester Democrat sees the difference between the two parties blurring, becoming too close to taking the same viewpoint.

"We have to prevent that," he said. "If they become too close the voters do not have much of a choice."

But he says there will always be a natural break in philosophies, the Democrats watching out for human needs, and the Republicans more oriented toward business concerns.

Within the Democratic Party, Cummings sees the opposite progression. Many factions are developing, with varying degrees of liberal and conservative viewpoints.

Cummings, who has become known for his ability to smooth dissension says "glue" is the only sure way to keep the party unity.

"It get harder as I become older," he says. "Perhaps there is a tendency to become more vindictive. I've threatened to leave a dozen times. But then I always return to my belief position is and that we can handle it."

"However, we will be taking stands on issues that show the voters what our position is and that we can handle it."

"The (party) do not care if I'm conservative, if I go out and get the job done."

Finding that, getting things done in politics is the challenge for me."

"It is building, in the face of those that want to tear down, that keeps me in politics. It means giving up a great deal of family life."

Although winning elections is a primary goal of the party chairman, he says unless values back politics, the win is meaningless.

The town has been operating under a council-manager strategy since 1960, and according to several town leaders, the setup will continue to serve the town's needs throughout the 80s.

In 1980, the town switched from a selectman-town meeting form to the council-manager form.

"I don't think we are ever going to go back to the selectman form, but I think it would be very difficult for us to find qualified people for a mayor-council form," Town Council Chairman Constantine said.

Constantine said as long as the council remains as the policy group and the manager takes care of the administrative work, the system should work well.

Constantine sees the town beginning another charter revision process to iron out some of the present problems in the charter, but he said there will be no major changes to it.

The council approved of putting only five charter changes on last November's ballot and only one was approved by the voters.

It was apparent that the citizens were pleased with the structure and operation of the town's government.

Town Council Minority Leader Henry Kinne said the town will not go back to the selectman form of government.

"That form has too many problems with continuity. With the insecurity of the positions, it was always tough to get qualified people to run the town," Kinne said.

According to Kinne, the town manager form is more able to deal with complex issues than the selectman setup.

"This system works well because we have good citizen input and I think the administrative branch is sensitive to the feelings of the town," Kinne said.

"We do a good job in keeping politics out of the running of the town," he said.

When asked if the council members will be receiving pay for their work during the coming decade, both seemed to agree that it would not be a good idea.



# GOP resurgence predicted

By MARY KITZMANN  
Herald Reporter

MANCHESTER — Although the Republican Party isn't changing its view, the voters are, and the coming years will see a GOP resurgence, Robert Von Deck, GOP town committee chairman, said.

The GOP Party has and probably will always oppose "big government spending," according to the recently elected town leader. But ever since Franklin Roosevelt the majority of voters have been in favor of this. Von Deck says this is changing.

"Voters are beginning to realize that pouring in federal dollars does not solve problems," he says. "It is the leading, but not the only, cause of inflation."

The people's attitude has been to apply for every federal grant the town could get. Von Deck noted, without realizing that these are tax dollars, and we pay for it.

What they also didn't realize was the loss of local control. "More people are now returning to the view that we can do a better job administering programs locally," Von Deck said. "And that we can take care of ourselves. More people want to rely on themselves."

Von Deck says that people are realizing that local control has been abdicated, and wish to have more local control.

It is a return to the Republican philosophy that the local can be accomplished with local control and thinking."

Von Deck believes that the private sector, church groups and volunteers

will fill part of the federal government's human services role.

"This is the way it used to be, and probably will be again," Von Deck says.

Von Deck, who was elected town chairman amid grumblings that he was too conservative, admits that he "does have conservative leanings."

"I always have to laugh when it comes up," he says. "Being conservative has nothing to do with setting goals and being able to lead and get the job done."

"I suppose this is a type of election-year name-calling. Being conservative isn't a bad thing, just as being called a liberal isn't bad. When I was younger I was as far to the left as anyone could be. But you change."

"The (party) do not care if I'm conservative, if I go out and get the job done."

Von Deck's job is winning elections. This will be accomplished by registering more voters, and taking advantage of the "natural swing."

Von Deck believes is happening.

Another aspect of the party's resurgence will be opening it to more members. Von Deck says this year's town committee election by caucus, instead of old members electing the new, will greatly help the party.

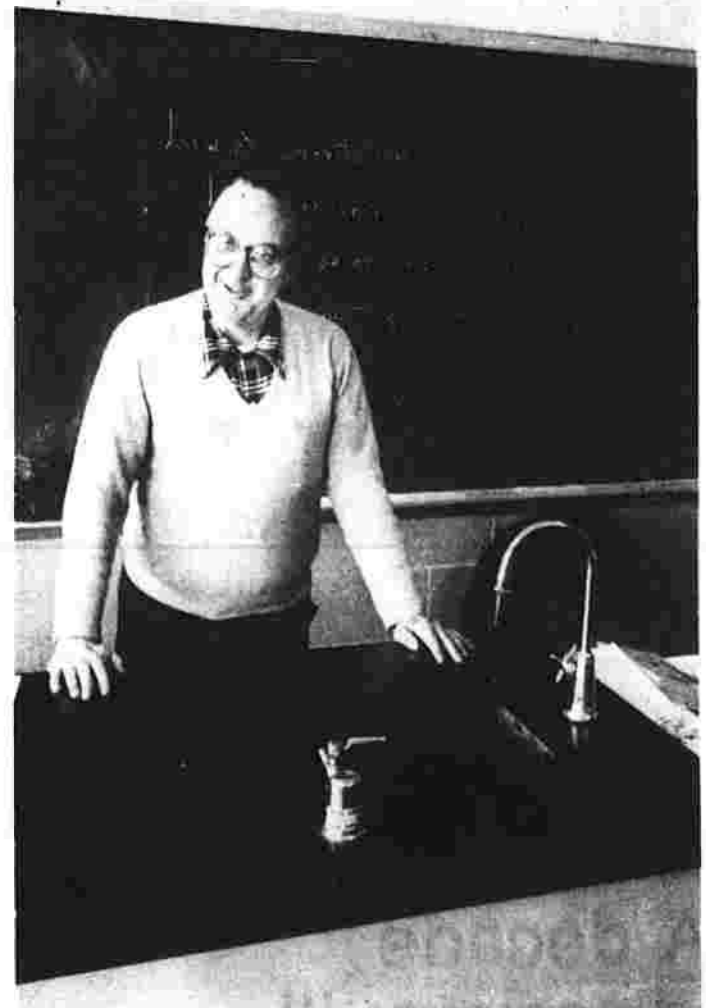
"When you're the minority party, you really can't take an active role in policy setting," Von Deck says. "Our goal is winning more elections so we can have a greater impact."

"However, we will be taking stands on issues that show the voters what our position is and that we can handle it."

"The (party) do not care if I'm conservative, if I go out and get the job done."

"There are many blue collar, hardworking people here," he says. "I've seen the mood become more anti-government and more conservative. The Community Development vote wasn't a matter of keeping low-income people out, it was a matter of economics. I believe that most townpeople care about others. It's that they look big government spending out of their pocketbooks."

Von Deck says this is the first time since the 1964 election in which our party, many Republican liberals were alienated. Then Watergate didn't help either. I see a period in the future that we will begin to get over all of this."



Robert Von Deck, at his teaching station in Manchester High School.



To the golden years  
Manchester Community College is expanding its student population to include non-traditional elements. This senior citizen happily greets a fellow graduate of the college. (Herald photo supplied by MCC)

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Town Council Chairman Constantine Constantine



Town Manager Richard Borden (left) and Wendy McVey look over the refrigeration equipment at the former Glastonbury Skating Arena. The Board of Finance declined to take action on the appropriation of \$5,350 to remove the equipment until the Town Council makes a final decision on it. (Herald photo by Lavallee).

# Many changes predicted for 80s but governments will remain same

By DAVE LAVALLEE  
Herald Reporter

GLASTONBURY — Things continue to change in town. No longer is it cheap to run a school system and the town's population continues to grow. Industry will probably be a major development in the 1980s, but one thing won't change—the form of government.

The town has been operating under a council-manager strategy since 1960, and according to several town leaders, the setup will continue to serve the town's needs throughout the 80s.

In 1980, the town switched from a selectman-town meeting form to the council-manager form.

"I don't think we are ever going to go back to the selectman form, but I think it would be very difficult for us to find qualified people for a mayor-council form," Town Council Chairman Constantine said.

Constantine said as long as the council remains as the policy group and the manager takes care of the administrative work, the system should work well.

Constantine sees the town beginning another charter revision process to iron out some of the present problems in the charter, but he said there will be no major changes to it.

The council approved of putting only five charter changes on last November's ballot and only one was approved by the voters.

It was apparent that the citizens were pleased with the structure and operation of the town's government.

Town Council Minority Leader Henry Kinne said the town will not go back to the selectman form of government.

"That form has too many problems with continuity. With the insecurity of the positions, it was always tough to get qualified people to run the town," Kinne said.

According to Kinne, the town manager form is more able to deal with complex issues than the selectman setup.

"This system works well because we have good citizen input and I think the administrative branch is sensitive to the feelings of the town," Kinne said.

"We do a good job in keeping politics out of the running of the town," he said.

When asked if the council members will be receiving pay for their work during the coming decade, both seemed to agree that it would not be a good idea.

"This is not going to happen while I am around," Constantine said. "This is a labor of love and I don't think the people should be paid."

Kinne agreed. "You like to think people are here because they want to be. I work on the council because I like it and I enjoy the people," Kinne said.

"Pay just wets the whistle for other compensation," Kinne added.

Constantine listed a capital improvements plan, alternatives for solid waste, mass transit and industrial development as key issues for the 80s.

"We have to have a plan for taking care of equipment replacement and projects. We can't just put out the fires," he said.

The town does not currently have a capital improvement plan. Funds for projects are appropriated on a spot basis through the Reserve Fund.

According to Constantine, mass transit has to be considered, but for immediate energy savings, he said the town is going to have to cut down on its use of vehicles.

Both Kinne and he agree that the issue of solid waste has to be examined. The town landfill is nearly obsolete and alternate sources of disposing waste must be considered.

Constantine indicated that solid waste recovery might not be the answer. He said it costs \$20 a ton for recycling goods, but the town can dispose of waste at \$5 a ton.

"I think we are going to have to start moving waste to South Glastonbury. I am not sure that resource recovery is the answer because of the high cost," he said.

Kinne differs on this matter.

"We can struggle with our present situation for a while, but eventually we would like to get our garbage taken care of in Hartford at a recycling center," Kinne said.

Kinne said the citizens are going to have to become responsible for recycling.

Both Kinne and Constantine said industrial development will be a factor in lowering the town's tax base.

Town Manager Richard Borden represents the other side of the council-manager form in Glastonbury. When he was hired in September, he represented the start of a new age in the town.

He had replaced a man who had been the town's first and only town manager since 1966—Donald C. Peach.

Borden said he doesn't think the government will change that much over the decade.

"We may have to take care of some housekeeping problems" like zoning and budgetary procedures, Borden said.

I am not sure any suburban communities can satisfy the complaints about housing communities. No one can wave a magic wand," he said.

Borden said the financial crunch is going to be very important.

"The system is not extravagant right now. We are going to have to investigate equipment for better efficiency, but we are going to have to spend money to save money," Borden said.

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# Firefighters' union head foresees future problem

By KEVIN FOLEY

**Herald Reporter**  
**MANCHESTER** Bob Martin wants to be optimistic about the future. But he's also pragmatic. "The quality of the firefighter in the town of Manchester has right now is excellent," Martin said. "But that might not be the case in the near future."  
 Martin is president of the Professional Firefighter Local 1579, and he's making no bones about what he feels lies ahead for both the professional fireman and Manchester where money and adequate fire protection are concerned.  
 "There was a time men were attracted to public service because of the security. But now, I feel there is less job security than there ever was in this business," he said.  
 Martin noted that although the town is growing and will probably continue to grow, the Manchester Fire Department will undoubtedly stay right where it is in both man-power and equipment levels. He contends it is a dangerous precedent.  
 "Firefighters are people, too," Martin said. "The top pay in Manchester is \$16,000, but there's a residency requirement, and Manchester is an expensive town."  
 Martin finds himself in a bind many Americans experience, but for firemen the bind is particularly imposing since they are required to sacrifice just a little more than most others.

"I have a wife and three kids," Martin said, "and that spreads my income pretty thin. I enjoy my job and I don't think I would have become a fireman to get rich. But then, who wants to work Christmas and Thanksgiving?"  
 A Manchester fireman's schedule is grueling at best, Martin pointed out, and it leaves little time to enjoy the family life others do.  
 "I work two days on, then I get a day off. Then it's two nights on and finally three days off," he said.  
 Martin said he feels the schedule defers many a would-be firefighter with a young family.  
 "You've heard the old stories about firemen moonlighting?" Martin asked. "It's true. We've gotta figure out ways to make more money on a part time basis to make ends meet."  
 But, as a union president, Martin also recognizes the problems of Manchester as a town with only so much money as it can spend for fire protection.  
 "Manchester has to rely on a tax base made up largely of homeowners rather than industry," he said. "Our firefighters are understanding and we try to keep our union and politics apart, but we also need more men. In some cases our guys are doing the jobs of two men. They do a belluosa job, but I don't think it's fair."  
 With Interstate 84 and Interstate 86 both cutting through Manchester, Martin sees yet another problem for

future firemen.  
 "There's more hazardous material being moved over the highways now than there ever was," he said. "You've got chemicals and nuclear waste being transported and you have to have men who can deal with those kinds of things."  
 With all the negatives, one wonders why anyone would chose firefighting as a vocation.  
 "Guys become firemen because it's a way of helping people without getting a Good Samaritan label. That's the basic motivation, I think. Why would paid firemen respond to alarms on their off-duty time? We don't get anything extra, but it's a little like the retired firehorse out to pasture. When you hear the bell, you go to the fire," he said.  
 Martin calls it professional pride. But that very professionalism he's so proud of is something he worries about losing.  
 "I would hate to see firefighting become 'just a job,'" Martin added. "We're firefighters because that's what we want to be."  
 Then, as a union president and a professional firefighter, how does Martin view the recent strike by Chicago firemen and the deaths that resulted from lack of fire protection? And more importantly, can it happen here?  
 "I certainly don't condone people dying in fires," Martin said. "But I understand why the firefighters went out. I blame the city because they're inexperienced. In the past, those firemen had a handsake agreement with Mayor Daley. The firefighters were driven to the strike because of the inexperience on the part of the new mayor and its own leadership. There was no arbitration so both sides got boxed in."  
 "We have always bargained in good faith with Manchester," Martin added, "and I don't ever see that happening in our town."



**Confused canoeists**

Participants in the annual Hockanum River Canoe Race on April 13 look a little confused in the rapids behind Economy Electric under the watchful eyes of three race monitors as they try to remove their canoe from rocks. (Herald photo by Burbank)



# Computer wins acceptance

By MARY KITZMANN  
**Herald Reporter**

**MANCHESTER** — It's the acceptance of computers, not the innovation itself which made the most progress in the town Data Processing Center.  
 Paul Juttner, director, says department heads are now asking how the data processing center can help.  
 "Before the past several years the truth was I go out and tell them about an application and I could depend on the department heads not going along with it," Juttner says.  
 The problem was, Juttner says, that people

are usually wary of new processes. But as the benefits of computers became apparent the town departments began using the IBM computer in the basement of Bennet Junior High School more. The workload has increased 130 percent in 9 years.  
 And Juttner is still looking for more uses, or application as he calls them, for the computer as the town grows.  
 The Data Processing Center began about 12 years ago when Manchester and several other towns jointly purchased the computer. Since then the other towns,

except Glastonbury, developed their own centers, and the center began processing more Manchester information.  
 The center processes data on the Board of Education, teachers' payroll and report cards. It also handles the computer needs of the Manchester Community College.  
 The center originally processed this education information. It is in new applications for town departments that has expanded the workload.  
 For the Highway Department Juttner says the center is beginning more cost-accounting, telling the

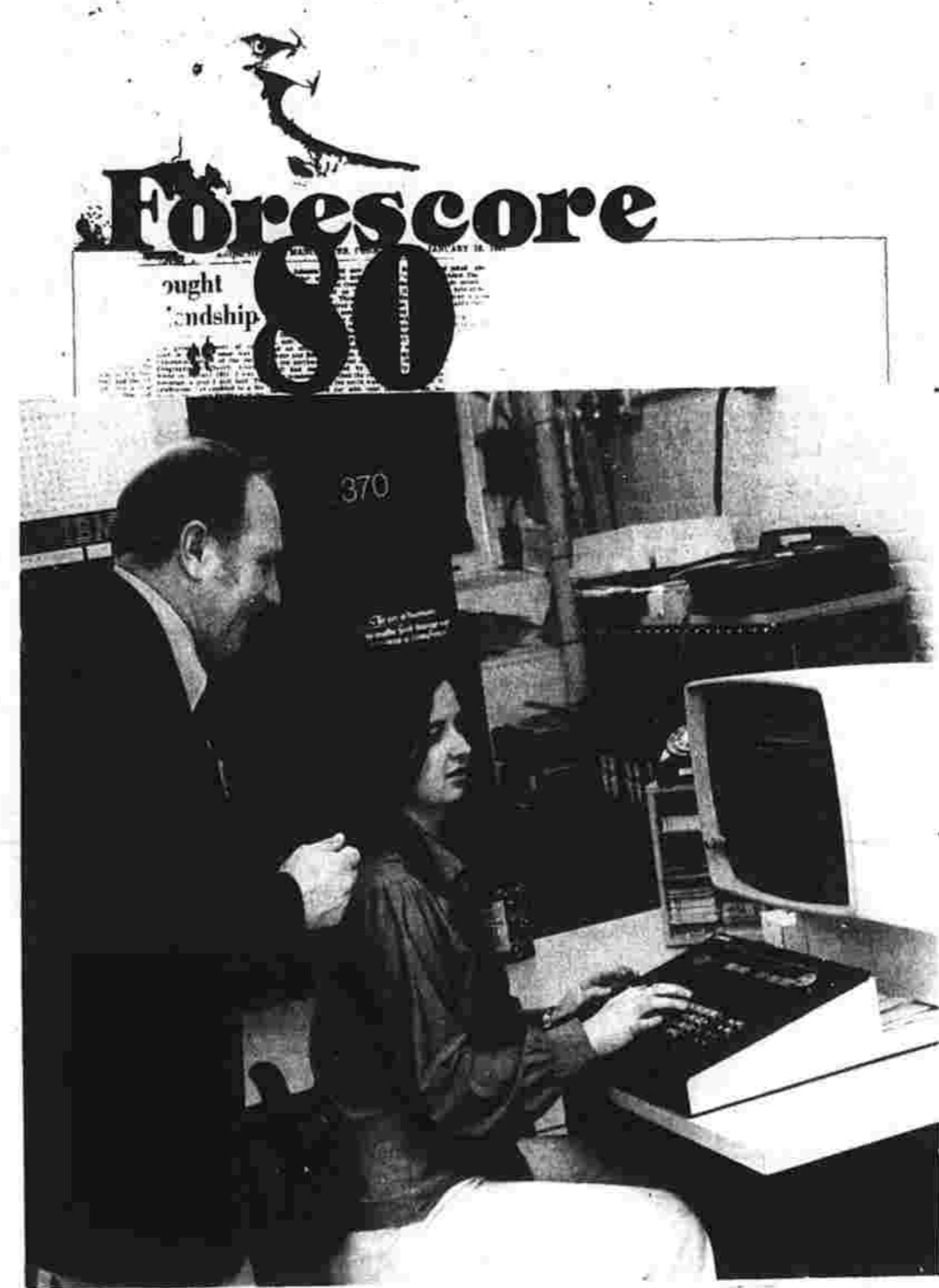
department how much each material and project costs.  
 The Library now has its list of books on file at the center, making ordering, cataloging and keeping track of the books much easier.  
 Recreation Department participants will be on file soon, keeping track of how many more persons can enroll in a program, and totals on how many residents participate. Until the center begins keeping these figures "there are just estimates" on how many persons used the rec program.  
 The center processes

water and sewer bills, and accounts for revenue at the Tax Collector's Office.  
 "Before tax information would take 11 days to find," Juttner says. "Now it takes one day."  
 Juttner sees the office, as in the shadows of town government, and yet providing one of the most important services, information.  
 "They don't think about the process it goes through," Juttner said. "It's like the project is accomplished without their realizing. When Phase-1 began, we developed the program, and it was done, without one complaint."  
 "When the Eighth District had tax repayments, we did it. All of a sudden it's done."  
 Sometimes Juttner, who has been center director 10 years, discovers an application he offers to the department.  
 "Sometimes we can do something, but an employee can do it in less time and with less money," Juttner says. "Before we start an

application I make sure that it is something we can do most efficiently."  
 The computers, according to Juttner, are only extensions of people.  
 "Every step the computer goes through, a person thought of," he says.  
 "After the steps are finished, the computer takes over and does it faster and more efficiently."  
 The challenge for Juttner, is finding the applications.  
 "It's doing what someone says is impossible for the computer to do," he says. "I never accomplish everything I attempt for a year. But I find it rewarding."

Juttner says to update himself on the rapidly changing computer industry he attends courses. And he notes other towns' computer centers.  
 "I used to steal ideas and programs, and use them here," he says. "But now it seems as if they steal more from us."  
 "I'm pleased that the center has grown and developed the way it has. We've good departmental support and that's the main thing."  
 Juttner says his main problem now is that "so many people want information. We have to decide if they really need it," he laughs.

To cope with the demands, Juttner proposes to purchase a new Central Processing Unit, (CPU) with a larger memory and which takes up less space. But as Juttner says, the new demands are evidence of acceptance of the computer's role. "I don't think we will ever run out of work," he chuckles.



Paul Juttner, data processing director, and Doretta O'Hara explain that the data processing center in Bennet School has an increasingly heavy workload. The center's capabilities become more in demand, Juttner says, as acceptance of computers grows. (Herald photo by Pinto)

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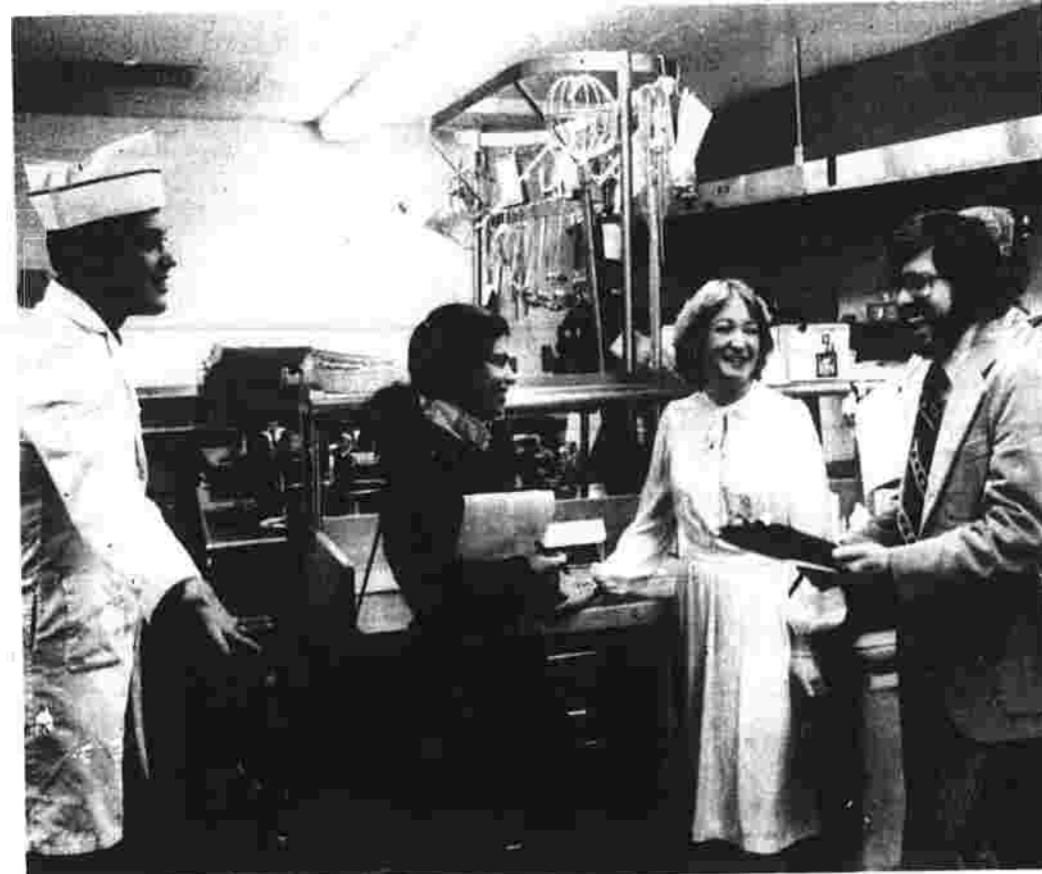
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# Special education has a place for all



Scott MacLaughlin adjusts controls of the wheelchair bound students. It was built new greenhouse which he urged at the Regional Occupational Training Center. Built with the help of students, the greenhouse has wide concrete aisles to allow for use by



The food service kitchen at the Regional Occupational Training Center offers an opportunity for students to have hands-on experience in the field. Here, a student shares a laugh with federal researcher William Barley. He and his associate, (carrying a pad) Elinor Gollay, came to the school because it has been so successful in obtaining operating grants. Taking them on the tour, in white, is Vocational Consultant Donna Blanchard. (Herald photo by Pinto).

LAUREN DAVIS SHEA  
Herald Reporter

—Imagine a world in which everyone had a place. A world in which no one was rejected. A world where the mentally retarded, and the physically handicapped, and the emotionally disabled are welcomed for their unique contributions. This is the world of zero rejects and it is the aim and direction of the special education programs in town.

Alan Chesterton, director of pupil personnel services, said the tactics to reach this goal are many. He said children are being identified as having special needs at younger and younger ages, so that they can be quickly placed in a program right for them. As Chesterton said, children are now being identified at age three, but there are those who think identification can be accomplished on the delivery table. He cited Down's Syndrome mongianism as an even identifiable problem but said all children will be identified younger than three, if not quite on the delivery table.

Chesterton specifically cited Public Act 94-142, passed on the federal level in 1975. This is the law that mandates mainstreaming the less severely handicapped children into the regular school system among other things. He also cited Section 10-79 of the Connecticut General Statutes passed in 1967 and currently being revised as having a large impact. The mainstreaming idea is strongly supported by Norman Fendell, director of the Regional Occupational Training Center. He predicts that the school, which he

founded, will serve more of the severely handicapped population due to this law. But Fendell is still concerned about the marginally handicapped, even if they will not make up so large a proportion of his school's makeup in the future. He confidently predicts that many more handicapped will be living independently in the future. To provide support for this initiative, the ROTC offers a program that in many areas is geared to independent living.

The students are taught to cook, repair and make clothing, and to go grocery shopping. To learn how to handle the money involved in grocery shopping, students run a store that carries items they've made.

Not only is the ROTC concerned about living skills, the thrust of the program is on teaching the handicapped vocational skills they can bring to a tight marketplace. Some of the areas Fendell sees as expanding are: horticulture, food service, and caring for growing elderly population. The ROTC has recently built, with the students help, a greenhouse. Like the well-known greenhouse at Mansfield Training Center, this greenhouse can provide employment opportunities and the chance for the handicapped to experience the joys of gardening.

Another career field that the ROTC has been involved in for some time and sees expanding is the aid the handicapped can provide the elderly. Currently, ROTC participates in a Workshop Without Walls program, where their students provide housekeeping, food service and errand running for the homebound elderly. "Within the next five to ten years, 20 percent of the population will be considered senior citizens. We'll have to develop a lot of services so these people can remain in their homes. I see this as a great area for employment of the handicapped," Fendell said.

Another big employment area the ROTC trains its students in is food service. Currently, the special education students prepare and serve low-cost and nutritious meals to the elderly at the Senior Citizens Center.

White Fendell mentioned other areas as those that could employ the handicapped, such as lawn mowing, factory bench work, and minor repair work. He said the increasing automation of society hampers the handicapped most.

He said as automation increasingly takes up the work requiring lower skills, there will be more leisure time. Thus, Fendell called for increasing the recreational programs available to this group.

While many of these programs mentioned by both Fendell and Chesterton reflect a growing awareness on the part of professional educators to the special needs of the handicapped, Fendell said the public at large is sharing in this expanded consciousness.

"Just look at all the ramps at public buildings," Fendell said. "Especially in Manchester, there is a great understanding of the problems of the handicapped," he said.

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# High school consolidation possible during decade

By PATRICK REILLY  
Herald Reporter

**EAST HARTFORD**—The word on the future of high school education in East Hartford slipped out at a Town Council meeting recently.

It was when Chairman of the Board of Education Lawrence DePonte almost begrudgingly told the council that the two high schools, Penney and East Hartford High may consolidate within the next decade.

Consolidation—It is actually the most dramatic result of what's been going on in the East Hartford school system for years. The birthrate is down so eventually the number of children going to school will go down. School officials don't expect any sudden surges in the student population at the grade or high school level, and, in fact are expecting continual decline.

"I am not looking forward to consolidation; smaller high schools are more educationally sound," East Hartford High School Principal Douglas Willett said.

"But school officials are only being realistic when they speak of consolidation. Declining enrollment has meant layoffs for teachers; School Superintendent Sam J. Leone recommended elimination of 217 staff positions from next year's budget.

There are some school officials who feel the declining enrollment in the high schools aren't the only schools experiencing declining enrollment; it's also in the towns elementary schools. The Board of Education has scheduled McCartin and Willowbrook schools to close in June. School officials are hoping to turn McCartin School into an Alternative Learning Center, but are waiting for the approval of renovation funding.

Mrs. DeK said there is a total of 874 students in the school system. DePonte said if the enrollment figures "hold up" with the decline trend, it

would certainly justify consolidation. And if the Board of Education has its way that well-behaved atmosphere will prevail. In a February board meeting a more strict and uniform student conduct code was tentatively approved.

"I congratulate the superintendent on a code that recognizes parental responsibility is important in the administering of the code," DePonte said.

Leone said the conduct code will be talked about within the schools and monitored daily for any changes that need to be made. He said copies of the student conduct code will be going to parents and students soon.

"There's nothing new about these rules, but it is an attempt to articulate the rules and make them uniform in both high schools. They say there has been less vandalism and better conduct among the students, a trend Willett and Penney Principal

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St. James School students gather around the kindergarten students with hospital Manchester Memorial Hospital Auxiliary procedures using a specially staged convolutes, Ruth Paine, left, and Mary ference room to simulate hospital conditions. Cavendon, right. The women helped acquaint (Herald photo by Pinto)

Dawn Scavetta studies the mini-cast she received Tuesday at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The cast was applied by hospital auxiliary members to help acustom local students to the hospital. Throughout this week students from local schools attended orientation activities directed by hospital volunteers. (Herald photo by Pinto)

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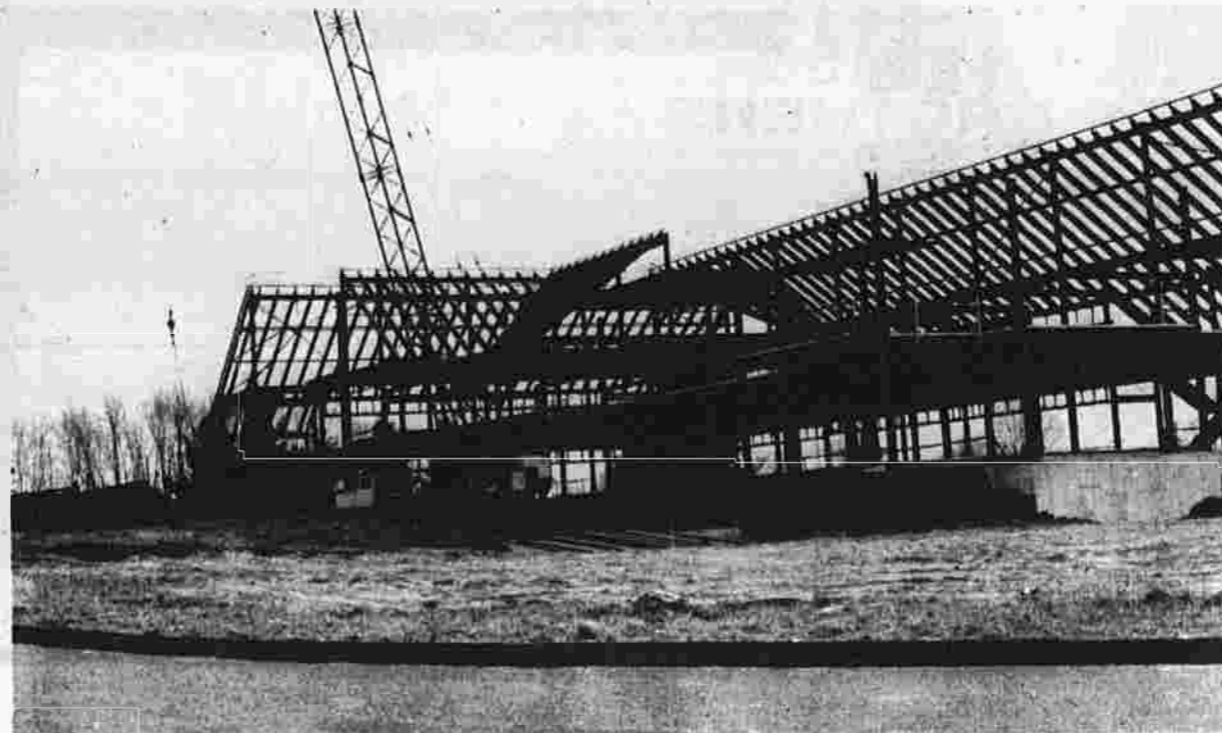
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## Glastonbury residents sensitive to industrial developments

By DAVE LAVALLEE  
Herald Reporter

Glastonbury is a sensitive issue. Many town and elected officials have indicated there is a need to develop industry.

However, some residents argue against the building of large plants and commercial centers. They want to see the town retain its rural character.

The question then facing the town in the upcoming decade is how much industrial development will be allowed to occur?

The town had been applying for a \$2.3 million grant with the state to build a 220-acre industrial park along Hebron Avenue, but that application was stalled when the Capital Region Council of Governments rejected it.

CRCOG officials cited the town's lack of commitment to provide low-cost housing for its workers as the reason for rejection. Now the development of the park is in limbo.

"I am not sure the decision on this is going anywhere," W. Michael Low, the chairman of the Economic Development Commission said.

The town has been waiting for a ruling from the state attorney general on whether the town can pursue the grant application without approval from the regional planning agency, (CRCOG). In the meantime, the issue has been sent to a council subcommittee for further study.

Decisions made by the council and the attorney general could determine the quickness with which the industrial park is developed in the 1980's. According to the project plan, the industrial park is slated to be completed in 10 to 15 years.

"There has been a lot of time wasted on this proposal. I am not sure I know what the town wants to do in this area," Low said.

Whatever the town decides to do, it will affect the industrial future of the parcel of land located in the area of Eastern and Western boulevards.

"In the interim, we are trying to entice businesses to come to Glastonbury. We don't have a particular formula, but we are going to try to help business and try to smooth the processing problems," Low said.

The council may decide to develop the park independently. According to Community Development Director Richard Eigen, if it can be shown that a developer will return a certain amount to the town tax revenues in a short time, the town would probably be willing to help business locate and develop.

Currently the Amica Insurance Co. is constructing a 68,000 square-foot office building in the new industrial area and when the firm begins operation, it is expected to bring in \$100,000 in tax revenue, according to Eigen.

Low is of the opinion that the town has to improve its procedures for processing applications.

"Glastonbury is not known for its quickness in processing applications," Low said.

"The town is going to be looking more toward corporate development rather than industrial in the future.

"We will be favoring corporate office types of development, but we would take a mixture of industry and corporate if it was feasible," Low said.

"Everything is going very well with Amica and we are open to any other suggestions to use the park. This is a prime location because it is right off Route 2. The town also has a lot to offer," he said.

Eigen agreed with Low, saying the town is leaning toward office development rather than industrial development.

"However, we would take any clean industry. Our regulations do not allow industry that pollutes," Eigen said.

He said he does not believe the town will be relaxing its environmental standards in the future.

Eigen said the industrial development of Glastonbury is a little lower than surrounding communities.

He suggested the town will probably try to confine development in the northern section of town along the industrial park area on Hebron Avenue.

"I think there is a good feeling in this town that we need to develop industry. I think there has to be more multi-family housing because industrial development is taking place not only in Glastonbury, but also in surrounding towns.

"I think there has to be more multi-family housing. We have to provide some moderate-income housing. It is getting more and more difficult to find housing," Eigen said.

The town has been cited for its failure to provide low and moderate-cost housing on several occasions by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and CRCOG.

The U.S. Department of Justice is currently investigating the town's housing record.

"When you talk industrial growth, you have to talk housing," Eigen said.

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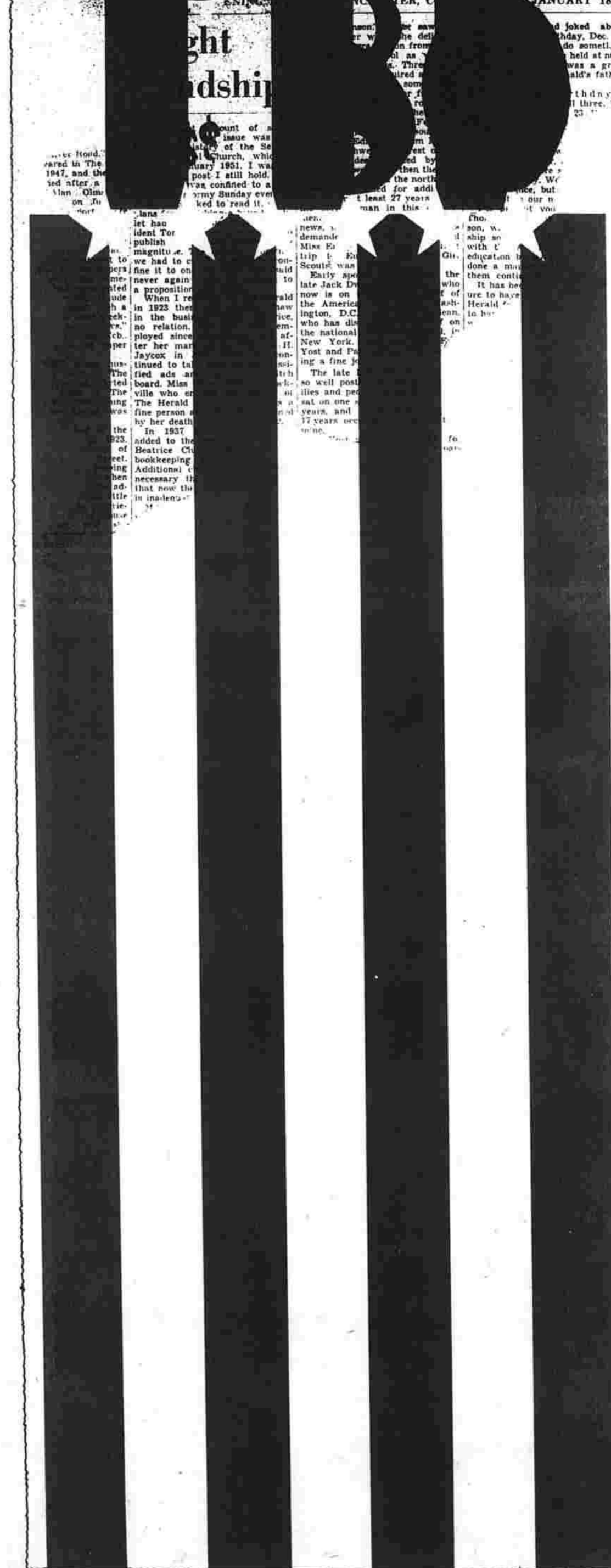
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# Forescore



## A decade for discovery IV

The impact of past decisions on the future can be positive or negative.

In this section of today's special "Forescore" edition, stories on the role of vocational education, the future of the University of Connecticut, police concerns for the '80s and the potential impact of Manchester's HUD block grant moratorium are discussed.

The Herald staff has devoted much time and effort preparing this special section. The name "Forescore" was adopted for its special meaning. The prefix "fore" means prior or before and the root "score" means to record.

There also is significance in our title's homonym Four score which stands for the number 80. As our society is in the 80th year of the 20th Century, with another score of years to spend before the 21st Century begins, it is time to pause, reflecting on our society and look to the future.

Those who worked on this special presentation hope those who read it will enjoy it as much as we have in bringing it to conclusion.

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**\*Fire anniversary**

Students at Manchester Community College participated in the First Annual Fire Day at the college in April. The celebration marked the anniversary of the fire which destroyed the former student center and the new center which is expected to serve students at the school during the coming decade. (Herald photo by Pinto).



**Construction**

Evidence of a community's growth is shown in this photo of construction of sewer service at the intersection of Deming and Avery Streets. Construction projects for several programs are expected to continue in the 1980s. (Herald photo by Pinto).

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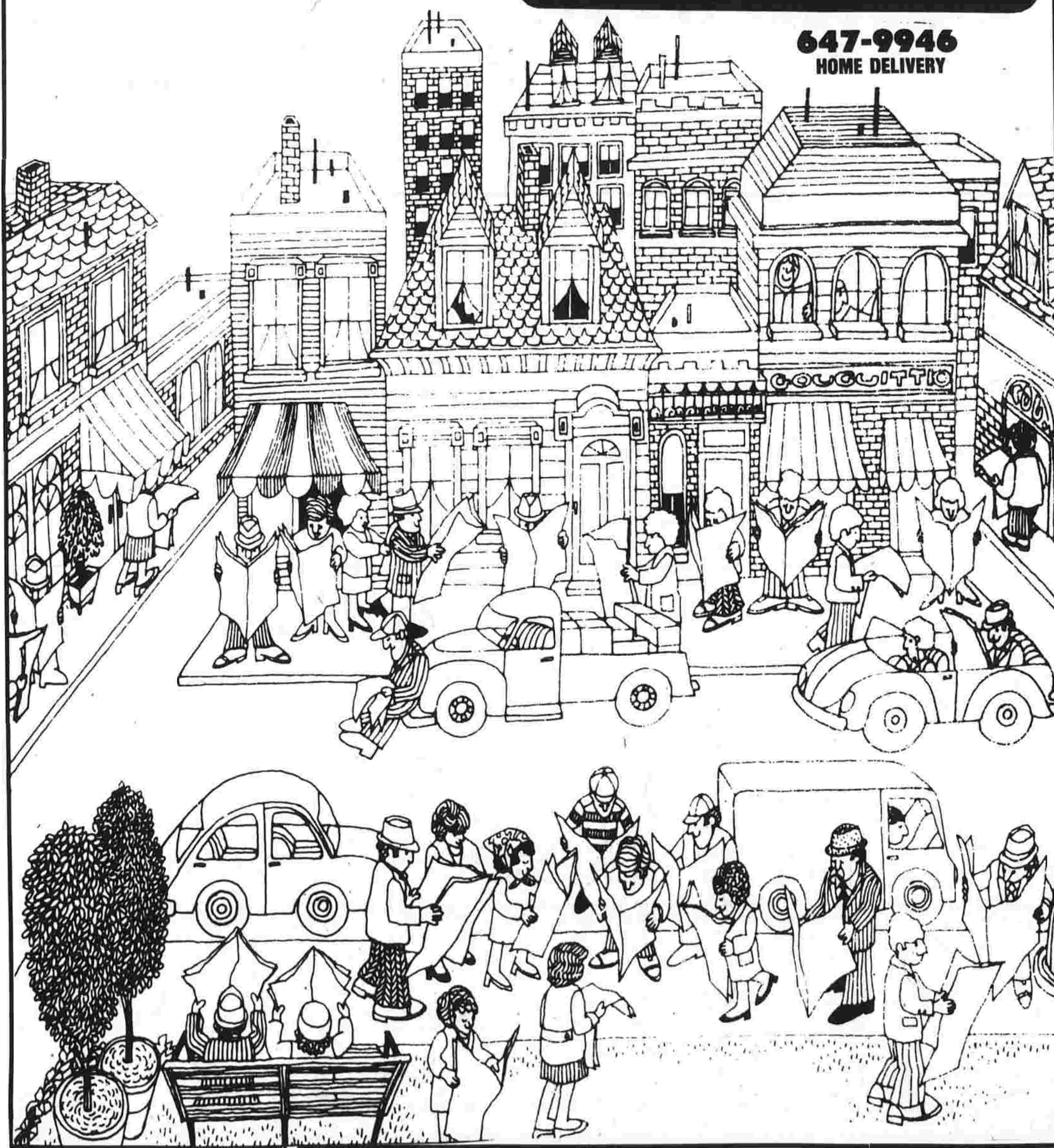
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## Growth of community reflected by police

By KEVIN FOLEY  
Herald Reporter

MANCHESTER — It's a busy afternoon at Manchester police headquarters. The telephone in Chief Robert Lannan's office won't stop ringing and, finally, exasperated with the incessant interruptions, Lannan snatches his coat and leads the way to his car.

If he can't talk in his office, he'll talk while he drives the streets of the town he's responsible for. Ironically, the annoying phone calls were coming from irate citizens who object to the latest police budget they feel takes too big a slice of the taxpayer pie. For a man who takes his job and department seriously, it's just one more instance of the misconceptions which exist for a citizenry that wants more and more protection and less and less government spending.

The financial hammerlock other police forces experience across the state is felt by Manchester's finest and Lannan contends the more for less equation simply doesn't work, particularly where the police are concerned.

So where will it lead? In a town growing at a steady pace, can policemen perform their jobs effectively in the face of inflation? Expansion is a subject that gets Lannan talking. "Growth," he asks incredulously. "In light of all the budget restraints, I feel lucky just to be able to maintain what we have now. People who call me and complain concern me. And police work hindered to the point of liability concerns me, too."

The squeeze of the bottom line not only threatens growth, according to Lannan, it threatens the morale of a force made up largely of "professionals," as Lannan puts it. "Manchester officers work in a good community; they have unswerving reputations," Lannan says. "We have a nucleus of highly skilled individuals and I see my job as that of a bailiwick manager. We're thin now, and there has to be growth to maintain that level of professionalism."

Lannan is quick to point out his successors, many of whom have earned bachelor or masters degrees, will carry on the standards he has set up since taking over the job nearly five years ago.

In a sense, Lannan believes the young policeman of today is the untapped resource of tomorrow. He rejects the notion that the potential policeman is anything but a community service oriented individual. His job is to ensure the potential officer will still be motivated ten years from now.

"Our training program is geared for input," Lannan said. We talk to our men to see what they want and often the opinions of the top and bottom are the same. When I share the decision making process with the men, my job becomes that much easier."

The addition of a computer to the Manchester police force several years ago — another Lannan innovation — is the cornerstone of what Lannan says will be the centralization of information for not only the town, but surrounding towns as well.

"Right now we use it for storing records but I hope to include forecasting of traffic patterns, enhancing the fire department's capability to know what dangerous substances are stored in what buildings, store wants and warrants on cars and people and centralize other important information," Lannan said.

In addition to the computer, Lannan envisions a fine tuning in major areas of growth in Manchester, most importantly the J.C. Penney vicinity and perhaps the addition of a third story at police headquarters.

Safety is another overriding question Lannan addresses himself to, particularly toward the citizen, but also the rank and file police officer. With assaults against patrolmen on the rise, Lannan diagnoses the problem as people acting out their hostilities toward the government in general.

"Society has become antagonized with itself," Lannan said. "They distrust government and take it out on the policemen who cross our lives everyday."

"I want what's right for the majority of Manchester," Lannan said as he pulled the car into his slot behind police headquarters. "I live by that. Only history will show what kind of police chief Bob Lannan was, and to the people who say the police think of themselves as better than everyone else, I say thank you."

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Ray Kimball (left) and Bonnie Walker look over their projects that they just completed in their Grade 4 classes at Naubuc. (Herald photo by Lavallee).

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# HUD moratorium spawned many effects

By MARY KITZMANN  
Herald Reporter

**MANCHESTER —** A year of shifting political winds, a year in which some programs died and others were completed, a year ago that Manchester withdrew, by a 3-1 majority, from the Community Development Block Grant Program.

The two-year moratorium, beginning in the program's fourth year, brought Manchester national attention and closer scrutiny of its other programs. It prompted a suit, crying discrimination, from three residents and caused the Hartford City Council to request all other federal funding be withheld.

When the council was persuaded not to pursue the requests, Hartford's former deputy mayor, Nicholas Carbone, died.

While the town prepares to spend at least \$50,000 in a court battle and answer the complaints, the residents who fought to refuse the \$1 million, and the strings attached, still maintain the issue was not limiting low-income housing that the program encouraged.

They see the moratorium as the town's right not to be controlled by the federal government. As the controversy continues, many of the programs that were to be funded, along with housing rehabilitation, do not continue.

However, while refusing HUD money, other sources of federal funds were sought for some. Local tax dollars are the only way to fund several.

Renovating Green School into a Senior Citizens Center, used a grant from the federal Older Americans Act, after CD funds were cut off.

This grant was requested after the Hartford Foundation for Giving refused funding. Its reasoning was that rare community-generated money should not replace spurned federal funds.

Another public works project, it is a serious setback. "I wouldn't say that the funds were the key to the project," Alan Lamson, town planner, said.

The improvements were recommended by a CD-funded study. The study, after the funds were withdrawn, was completed using a \$23,000 gift from a resident to the town. It would not have been done

without the gift. The downtown coordinator is now included in an ambitious bond and loan program to revive the downtown area, which is still in the conceptual stages, and apparently at least a year from beginning.

The \$145,000 of Block Grant funds for sidewalk repair for the Spruce and Main Street areas has been included in a comprehensive construction and repair plan.

This \$8 million proposal has been given to the Board of Directors who are considering it for a November bonding referendum.

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January as 42 local lawyers contributed \$1,300 to keep it running, and donated their services. But that was not sufficient.

The other clinic, the dental clinic, which began with the HUD money, continues. However, instead of a separate clinic facility, the program only approves applicants. A group of five private dentists provide services at the Medicaid rates for the approved applicants.

That picture is dramatically changing. The Youth Services Bureau, located in the building on Hibbard Street across from the high school, is being completely renovated for the first time since '83 entered the building eight years ago.

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# Bureau's renovations usher in new decade

By DAVE LAVALLEE  
Herald Reporter

**GLASTONBURY —** Work on the building began last September. Since, then, youngsters rehearsing for plays have had to put up with sawdust in their lungs, secretaries have had to talk over the sounds of buzzing table saws and clients seeking services risked having their confidential chats with staff members heard through the walls and the not-so-complete ceilings.

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private sources, somebody had to install these items and make structural changes. The building was literally sagging in and bulging at the windows from stress. Enter the town Public Works Department.

According to Director S. Robert Pryby, his department spent \$15,000 on window improvements, insulation, paneling and doors. Public works also supplied the labor for the project.

In all of the offices, bright new carpeting has been installed, paneling has been put up and office space has been redesigned for better efficiency.

This is a public-private venture. It represents new thinking in government in terms of funding various projects. Now government officials are looking for the most cost-effective way to do things," Gullotta said.

He said Ralph Mandeville, the superintendent of Sanitation, has been especially cooperative. "I can't speak too highly of the work they have done in this building. They have been very concerned about doing the best possible job," Gullotta said.

Gullotta said the renovations are going to enable staff members at the bureau to provide improved services because of a better environment.

Clients are finally going to be able to come to a clean environment. It is going to be safe and it is going to be enjoyable. Previously, it was the most pitiful building in town," Gullotta said.

One of the major moves was the relocating of the secretaries' offices to the front of the building from the back. In order to get to the clerical area before the changes, persons had to walk through sections where clients were being counseled. That

have been eliminated. The secretaries are now located next to the entrance and people will have to stop there first before they go on.

"With the new location of the clerical offices, there is going to be better supervision of the people who come in here. Previously, it was very difficult for people to talk about their problems when they could be heard next door," Gullotta explained.

"Clients used to have to come in here and whisper, but now they should have the feeling that they are in a professional building working with professional people," Gullotta added.

Before the renovations were begun, open spaces in the suspended ceiling made it very difficult for the staff members to talk to clients in private.

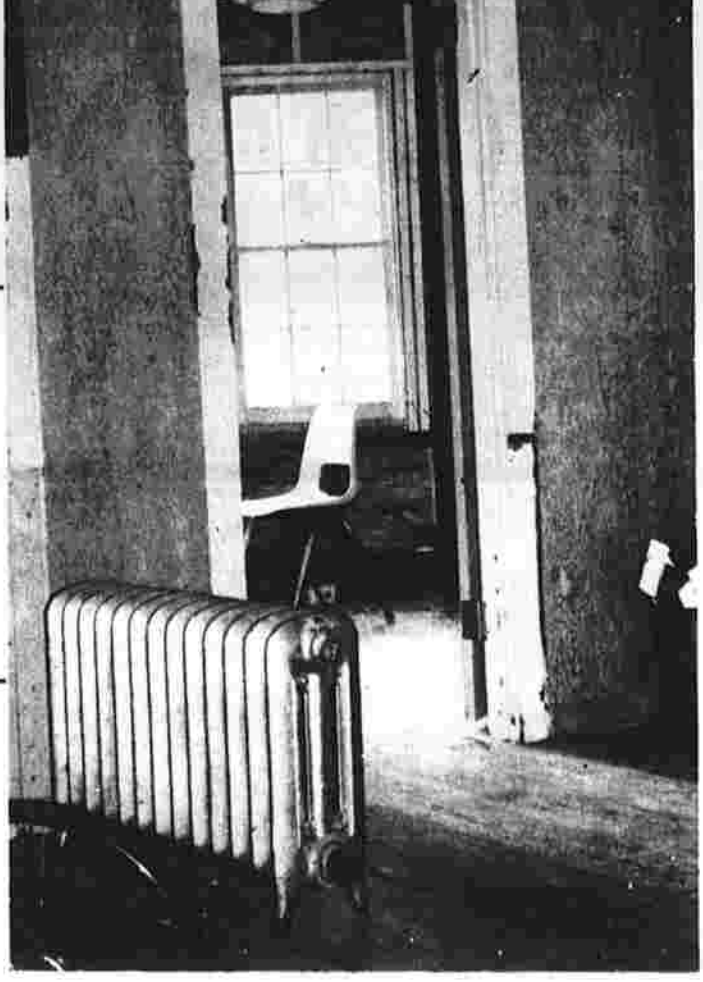
Now with new soundproofing, and new ceilings, that problem has been eliminated, there are 12 total full-time and part-time staff members.

"It has been tough to deliver the services during these past few months, but everyone has kept operating because we all knew that a new building was coming," Gullotta said.

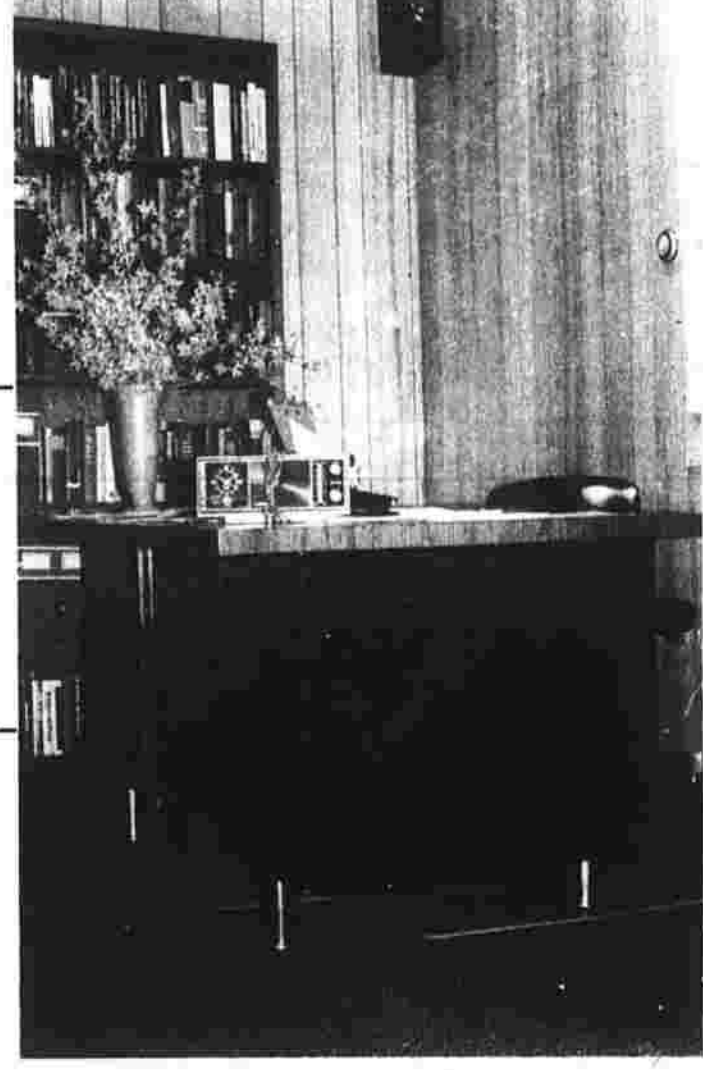
He said he expects to be completed by June. "We are tired, but pleased with the work that has been done," Gullotta said.

According to Gullotta, about 80 persons visit the bureau on a daily basis and there are 12 total full-time and part-time staff members.

"We have tried to do this so it wouldn't have the atmosphere of an institution. This is a building that belongs to the community and we want it to be a comfortable place where people can come and relax," Gullotta said.



This is the only section of the Youth Services Bureau Building that remains to be renovated. New carpeting, windows, lighting fixtures and paneling will be installed. This is the section of the building used for the Creative Experiences Program. (Herald photo by Lavallee).



New carpeting, ceilings, windows and lighting fixtures have been installed in this office at the Youth Services Bureau as part of the major renovation plan. (Herald photo by Lavallee).

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**UConn realizes role for decade**

By LAUREN DAVIS SHEA  
Herald Reporter  
MANCHESTER — The University of Connecticut is a microcosm of the state at large, and to be successful in the coming decade must appreciate the role of the state's major industrial firms. UConn graduates to have mathematical ability, DiBiaggio said one of the major industrial firms, United Technologies, employs 1200 of the school's alumni.

The school's alumni face a bleak future, DiBiaggio contends, as he comments "The 1980s may be one of the most difficult times to assume control over anything." He cited rampant inflation, decreasing supplies of energy, the increasing disenchantment with government, and the deterioration of foreign relations.

Besides these factors, DiBiaggio pointed to the aging population bulge, and the expense of caring for this group. "Colleges and universities will have to adapt to these changes if they are to survive," DiBiaggio said.

While the times and philosophies surrounding the university are changing, so is the composition of its student body.

DiBiaggio admitted that today's schools are turning out some graduates who don't possess the reading, writing and mathematical skills that they should

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