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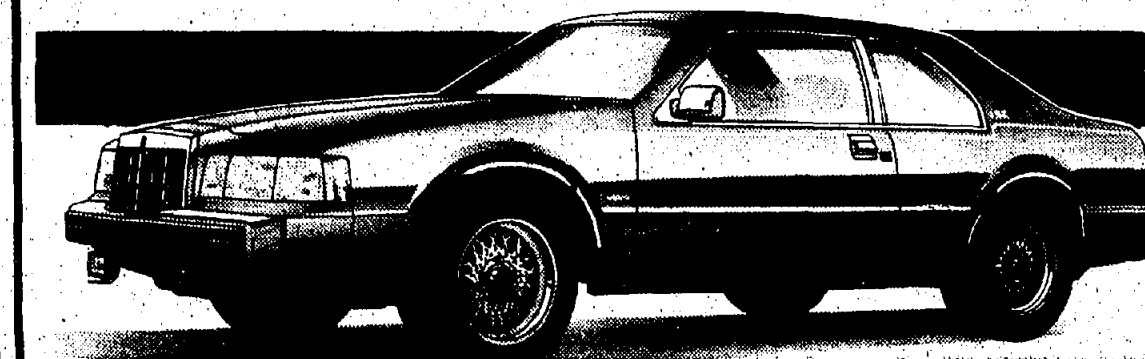
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In brief

Egg hunt

Cranford VFW Post 335 will hold its annual Easter egg hunt Saturday at noon in Unami Park. Rain date is April 14. Children ages 1 to 12 are invited to participate.

Budget hearing

The public hearing on the school board's proposed \$21.76-million budget is at 8 tonight at Lincoln School. This is the public's last chance to speak on the budget before the April 24 election and the board's last opportunity to make changes.

Job fair

College students are invited to a job fair at Union County College today from 10 to 2. Representatives of leading companies will attend.

Garwood

The Planning Board voted down the Plymouth Brethren's request for a meeting house in a residential neighborhood, but the religious order will appeal the decision. McDonough's want to add a children's playland and alter its drive-through access. Page A-8.

Safety idea

Cranford Police Explorer Post is selling an outdoor house light that can be used as a flashing beacon when emergency services are summoned. Page A-5.

Pancakes

The Booster Club will hold its annual pancake breakfast Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon in the Cranford High School cafeteria. Admission is \$3.50.

Holy Week

News about the observance of Holy Week and Passover is on Page A-9.

Candidates

A report about last Thursday's Board of Education candidates night on Page B-7.

Jury duty

Larry Fuhrer had jury duty recently. What was unusual was that it was a jury trying a 100-year-old case: the assassination of President Garfield. Page A-5.

Cat licensing

In an effort to combat the threat of rabies, the township is investigating the possibility of licensing cats and requiring immunization. Page A-5.

Choir festival

Seven high school choirs, including Cranford High School's, will perform in a choral festival at 8 tonight at CHS. Admission is \$3.

Public nuisance

The Township Committee will hold a public hearing Tuesday on declaring the gypsy moth a public nuisance, which is the first step in the process required for eligibility for a state-funded spraying program.

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IN THEIR EASTER BONNETS: Mary Gavin adjusts bonnet of her great-niece Michele Leonard as Megan O'Brien watches and Allison Wischusen holds mirror. Girls are members of Daisy Scout Troop 35 who paraded their millinery creations at senior citizens club meeting March 27.

Towing dispute looms again with Neri Corp. following new bid plan

By Cheryl Moulton

Again this year a towing contract dispute looms between the township and Neri Corp., which is accusing the township of unfair bidding practices in deciding to award its 1990 contract to Benner's Auto Body. Neri's lawsuit on last year's bid award still has not been resolved.

Moments before it was to pass a resolution finalizing the decision last week the Township Committee decided to table the passage of a resolution awarding the contract to Benner's Lawrence Warden, an attorney representing Neri Corp., which owns L&J Auto Body and Fender, Kenilworth, stood before the governing body at last week's formal meeting to defend his client's right to be awarded the towing contract based on the weighted percentage used for bidding this year.

The attorney strongly advised Committee members to table voting on the resolution, saying if the township was "not sure of the new system used in the bidding process, they should investigate it."

He claimed Police Chief Robert Guertin relied heavily on towing and storage in the seven categories used in the bidding, and if he "reallocated" the figures he would see Neri Corp. was far ahead of Benner's.

The seven areas used in determining the awarding of the contract include towing (accident, impounds, disabled vehicles, abandoned), towing-parking violations, towing (mopeds, motorcycles, trucks or buses), towing (municipal vehicles), additional charges (winching, flatbed man hours, linkage), storage, and storage-municipal.

Guertin recommended Benner's at the March 12 Township Committee meeting. He said the acting township clerk, in accordance with legal notice, had received three qualified bids after five sets of specifications were distributed. Of the three, Sevel's Auto Body was disregarded as too high. Benner's gave concise bids in all seven categories, entering a no-charge bid for all towing, a bid of \$10 a day for storage (no charge for municipal vehicles), down from last year's \$12, and \$15 for additional charges.

According to Guertin, Neri also entered a no-charge bid in two towing categories but \$55 for towing for parking violations and of trucks, buses, mopeds and motorcycles. "Entered multiple prices for the category of additional charges, and split his bid proposal on storage. His bid was zero for the first five days of storage and after five days the storage rate would be averaged to be competitive with two adjoining towns, other than Kenilworth," Neri maintained the average car towed is left in storage more than five days.

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Chamber to recognize Skip Winter

Arthur "Skip" Winter, 1989-90 campaign manager for the United Way of Cranford, has been selected 1990 Citizen of the Year by the Cranford Chamber of Commerce. He will be recognized at a dinner on May 2.

Mr. Winter of 210 Oak Lane has been chairman of the United Way campaign for the last three years. He also has served as manager of soccer and baseball leagues and as assistant coordinator of recreation basketball. He was a leader in the YMCA's Indian Guide program and a volunteer for recycling 25 years on the township force; Gerda Geiger of Geiger's Fine Women's Apparel, who organized the Downtown Clean Sweep program and is active in the retailers association and Residents Against the Mall; Fred Moore, who is retiring as the Board of Education's school business administrator in June; and the Rev. Richard Rowe, president of the Cranford Clergy Council, who is leaving First Presbyterian Church after years as assistant pastor for a new assignment in Pakistan.

Community Development Awards for outstanding facade improvements will be given to Frank Romanelli of Cortina Restaurant, 28 North Ave.; Jim Kish, manager of the new Crosslands Savings Bank, 117 North Union Ave.; Michael Marino of Marino's Fish Market, 34 North Ave. W. The awards dinner will take place at the Schering-Plough Corp., Kenilworth. The public is invited and donation is \$40 a person. Joe LaBracca is serving as dinner chairman. His committee includes Brian Leddy, Linda Leifer, Gene Maties and Dan Hadzava. More information can be obtained by calling the chamber office, 272-6114.



BOOKS ON PARADE: Orange Avenue School kindergartner Casey Brown wheels his float depicting the book "Billy Jo Jiv Super Private Eye" during school's annual book float parade March 28. More photos are on Page A-3.

Offensive rap music facing rap from parents

By Joanne McFadden

Rap music is facing a rap in Cranford. There is some indication of the beginnings of a pattern with using the lyrics as reality," he explained.

Angelo Pierri, township counselor and student assistance advisor at Cranford High School, reported that there was one incident in which "students at a party acted out the lyrics of one of these songs." Pierri clarifies that not all rap songs are "bad." Some have positive anti-drug messages," he said.

Leesa Barenboim, elementary intervention teacher who recently

attended a N.J. Education Association workshop on music lyrics, agreed that the music is degrading, violent and especially demeaning to women. On an individual pupil basis, Barenboim addresses the topic if it comes up in conversation. "I try to elicit responses from students regarding how they feel about the values being promoted by these songs and whether they think it's possible for lyrics to influence their behavior," she added. While some children are aware of the lyrics and say they don't agree, others are not and listen simply for the beat, said Barenboim.

Pierri is concerned too. "Without a doubt, music in any form affects our students. The changes we are seeing are subtle attitude changes and responses to stress," he explained. "Kids are vulner-

able and they will gravitate to a group that accepts them and rap music accepts everyone. even the bad," said Pierri.

According to Barenboim, pupils are aware of popular music, including heavy metal groups and rap groups, as early as fourth grade. "What's important is for the parents to determine if the child is buying into the values portrayed as given. They are in the best position to see changes in behavior brought on by any new trend," she said.

Mary Sciarillo, PTA president at Orange Avenue School and mother of three school-aged children, agrees that parental discretion is critical. "As a parent, I am aware as much as possible of what my children are listening to," she said, "so that anything

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Property-tax faces rise of \$310 for average home

By Cheryl Moulton

A 3-2 Township Committee vote sent the \$14.5-million municipal budget, up from \$13.5 million in 1989, on the way for adoption after months of struggling resulted in a 6.17 tax point increase. Financial director Tom Grady has estimated Cranford's new tax rate at \$1.78 per \$100 of assessed valuation. That figure is open to change following the vote on the proposed school budget tonight.

The \$1.78 per \$100 of assessed valuation is broken down into three parts: the municipal rate at 45 cents (up from 39 cents in 1989), the school rate at 64 cents (up from 58 cents), and the county rate (estimated at 59 cents up from 58 cents).

Prior to voting on passage, Grady told governing elders he had done all he could to bring the municipal budget down to a 6 tax point increase, as requested at last week's meeting. A \$12,000 cut was made in the municipal pool budget, and another \$3,000 salvaged from the fire department budget due to a delay in a retirement.

According to Grady, residents will see a yearly increase in taxes of about \$310 per year, based on the average home assessed at \$200,500, down from last year's \$209,100. He said municipal end of that increase is \$118.

The 15.35-percent increase over the 1989 budget was met with displeasure by Democrats Dan Aschenbach and Carolyn Vollero. Aschenbach, who pointedly requested the 1990 budget increase be pared down below the 6 tax point increase voted a resounding "no" to the budget, reiterating his belief "not everything had been done to reduce the budget. I believe more can be done, as I have shown in the 20 item short- and long-term strategies to reduce the budget."

Vollero said she still wanted to see the budget down to a 6 tax point increase and voted "no."

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Politicians holding off on primary candidates

By Cheryl Moulton

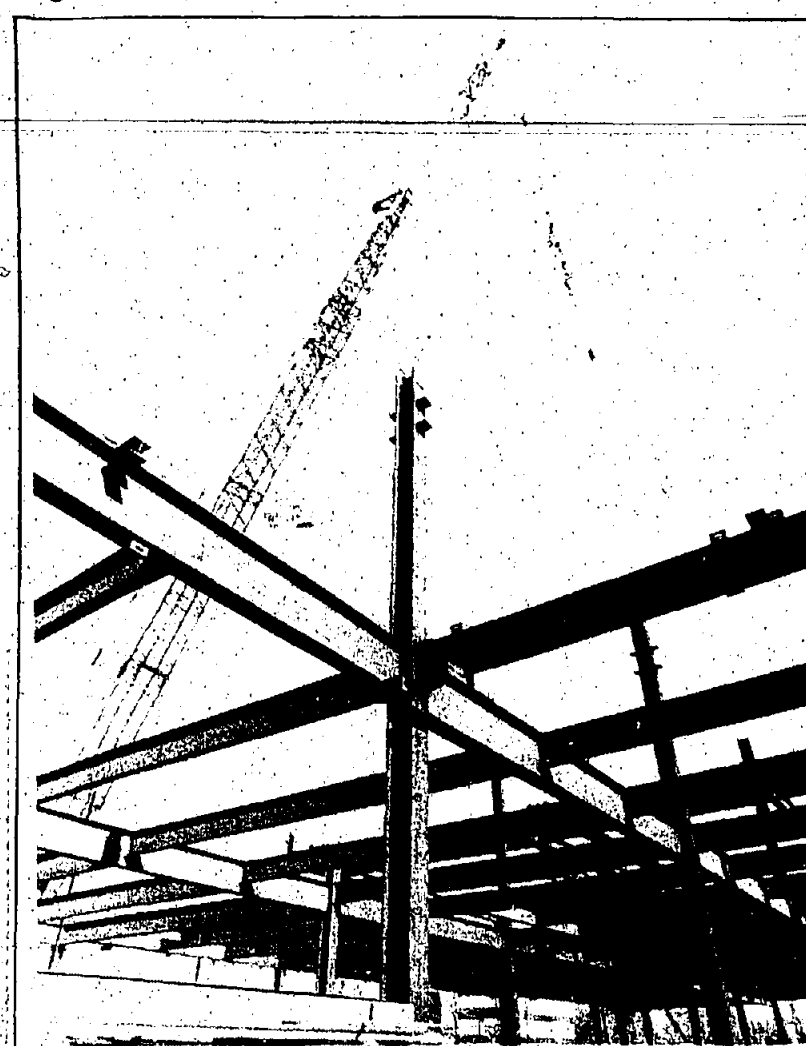
Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his friends for his political life," said Jeremy Thorpe many years ago. As the April 12 deadline for candidates to the petitions for the June 5 primary draws closer, it is anyone's guess as to who else will run, or how they will run. Two seats are up for election on the five-member Township Committee.

In February incumbent Carolyn Vollero, a Democrat, made a maverick political move by declaring her candidacy as an independent off the Democratic line after a split with Democratic municipal chairman Frank Bliger, who won the election in November and became the first woman Republican to become a governing body member. Sources close to the GOP have informed the Chronicle Robert Hoeffler will run with Bligh in this year's contest.

Republican Vince Brinkerhoff, whose term also is ending, announced last fall he would not run a possibility. According to Vollero, a formal announcement will be made within the week.

On the Republican side of the political arena, Mayor Ed Force said his party had selected two candidates Sunday but declined to identify them. A leading contender is Bob Blach, who lost last November's election. Blach's running mate in 1989 was Barbara Bliger, who won the election in November and became the first woman Republican to become a governing body member. Sources close to the GOP have informed the Chronicle Robert Hoeffler will run with Bligh in this year's contest.

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DEVELOPER OF YEAR: Steel is rising for Call Associates' 176,000-square-foot office building at 20 Commerce Dr., one of several projects in the state being constructed by the Cranford-based firm recently named Developer of the Year by the National Association of Industrial and Office Parks.

County cross-acceptance report goes to state commission

Union County has submitted its cross-acceptance report to the State Planning Commission, according to Freeholders Assemblyman Neil Cohen. The report is a comparison of municipal and county plans and regulations with the Preliminary State Development and Redevelopment Plan.

"By submission of the report, the Board of Chosen Freeholders does not approve the Preliminary State Plan but does concur with the concerns expressed by the county's municipalities and the Union County Planning Board," Cohen said.

Among those concerns are the lack of funding for both comprehensive planning necessary to achieve the very general goals and policies set forth in the plan and for capital improvements needed to upgrade municipal and county infrastructure, the plan tends to bypass the home rule concept inherent in the State's existing governmental structure, municipalities and the county should have the right to review the plan and make further comments after it is finalized, the plan does not reconcile the goals and objectives of the Council on Affordable Housing in terms of preserving the character of fully developed communities, and the lack of an economic analysis regarding the plan which should precede the development of a final plan.

Cohen also noted that the final

plan should await the results of the 1990 census. "Such vital and accurate information would supplement what are necessarily speculative conclusions as to population and population densities," he said.

The second stage of the cross-acceptance process, the negotiation stage, will begin Saturday and is expected to continue for approximately six months. "The purpose of this phase," Cohen noted, "is to obtain compatibility between local, county and state plans." In preparation for negotiations, representatives of the State Planning Commission are touring the state so that counties can summarize their reports and discuss the major concerns encountered during the report preparation phase.



GROUND BREAKING: Breaking ground for new parking lot next to Cranford Library are, from left, Paul LaCorte, Vince Sarnowski, library director Penny Brome, Mayor Ed Force, Irma Miranta, trustees president Dan Swinton, Lois Swackhamer and Township Committee members Barbara Bilger, Carolyn Vollerio and Dan Aschenbach.

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Aschenbach lists 20-point budget strategy

By Cheryl Moulton

Township Committee member Dan Aschenbach, a Democrat, presented fellow governing elders a 20-point strategy plan the second year in a row in an attempt to convince Republican majority members further cuts could be made in the 1990 municipal budget.

Many of the 20 points were disputed by Mayor Ed Force who in formed Aschenbach he was taking credit for items he, the mayor, and the governing body had come up with on their own.

Aschenbach suggested beginning assessment changes on Springfield Avenue and Denman Road to reimburse current fund, which according to Force was part of the

governing body's 1990 goals and objectives.

Funding part of the 1990 capital budget with part of the capital fund surplus, cutting the 1990 budget by \$200,000 was rejected by Force because of the depleted state of the township savings account.

Aschenbach also said \$20,000 should be used from the tonnage grant for recycling to fund the Conservation Center, but Force said the money should be put into equipment to defray the cost of hauling recycled materials to the depot.

The hiring of a health benefits consultant to work with financial director Tom Grady to reduce health benefit increases was one of the Committee's goals and ob-

jectives.

The suggestion by Aschenbach town-owned lots on Commerce Drive be sold for \$400,000 brought a negative response from Force.

He said the township should put capital money toward capital expenses and not use it for other town bills.

Suggestions by Aschenbach not disputed by Force included the establishment of a financial trend monitoring system, a user charge based cleanup week, reduction of department manager conferences, increase sewer connection charges to Scotch Plains, finish inventory of township owned odd-lots and auction, renegotiate Union County College lease in lieu of tax payments.



LITERARY FUN: Among the floats in annual book-parade at Orange Avenue School is "The House That Had Enough," above, created by Gregory Jasina and Lauren Davidson. Below, Amanda Kokie, left, and Molly Redlund dress for parts of "Happy Birthday, Little Witch."



ENVIRONMENTAL TIP: Start a backyard composting pit. It's easy to build and turns coffee grounds, grass, leaves, plant clippings and other organic waste into fertilizer for the garden.

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CHS Latin team is second in state

The Cranford High School Latin Club is state runner-up in the annual "College Boy" type of competition.

Having won the northern regional championship, the CHS club faced off March 24 with the winner of the southern region, Gateway Regional High School. CHS led 105-100 going into the 20th and last question, but Gateway was quicker to respond to the final question and two bonus questions to win 120-105.

Members of the CHS team are Thomas Coleman, William Finnegan, Leo Rinaldi and Brian Wilcox. Questions involved Latin grammar, vocabulary, history, Roman life and culture. Alice Aldian is the adviser.



PITCHING IN: Downtown Management Corp. board member Ruth Yabonsky pulls weeds at the triangular memorial garden and Peace Site across from the Post Office where the Dig 'n' Delve Garden Club maintains plantings.

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Towing dispute looms again with Neri

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Joe O'Neill, owner of Benner's Auto Body, said in his experience a car is rarely left in storage longer than five days. "Unless it is an accident they have the cars out of here the next day. We recently towed seven cars off North Avenue for illegal parking and they were gone that day."

Guertin appeared before governing elders Jan. 16 to request an opportunity to review a towing ordinance developed by Union Township. The ordinance would have licensed all qualified tow companies and placed them on a rotating basis. Guertin determined this process would create a "tremendous administrative burden" on the communications center and decided to proceed with the original plans to go out to bid on a new towing contract.

On Jan. 30 he sent a memo to governing elders asking for authorization to go out to bid on the towing contract. In the memo he said after advice from township attorney Ralph Taylor, he had prepared new towing specifications in conformance with recent attorney general opinions.

According to Taylor, Neri's claim of being 19 percent better than Benner's is not valid. "They (Neri Corp.) say they will give storage for five days and after that average out what two other towns are doing to get a price for each day after that. That is not a bid. If push comes to shove, I will say he did not properly bid."

Tuesday Guertin said he re-evaluated the bidding numbers and "I stand behind my original recommendation to award Benner's the towing contract."

The township only recently met with problems regarding towing. For the last 40 years Benner's has done most of the towing for Cranford. In the 1980s the township entered into a contract with two auto body shops on a monthly basis. In 1992 for a period of one year Basile Towing of Roselle Park took over but the township ran into problems and went back to Benner's.

What happened...

Mayor Ed Force proclaimed April Environmental Awareness Month, with the theme, think global, act local.

The swim pool concession contract for 1990 was awarded to Summer Fun Associates of Cranford, who will pay the township \$14,000 for the right to man the lifelines at the pools.

The governing body approved the purchase of a personal computer for the Health Department at a cost of \$6,000.

Firefighter Richard B. Meir was advanced to second class.

A resolution was passed dedicating a trust fund for the purchase of a new senior citizen bus.

The Chamber of Commerce Festival was approved for May 26.

An amended ordinance authorizes the installation of metered parking along South Avenue N., from a point 150 feet west of S. Union Avenue to Washington Place.

Residents Against the Mall (RAM) held a special meeting to decide the position RAM will take on the model ordinance being prepared for the "Southwest Gateway" area of Cranford.

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*Frank Romanelli is the owner of Cortina Restaurant.

Bridal boutique moves to Cranford

Bridals by Athena, owned and operated by Athena Pagoulidou of Cranford, moved to 35 Alden St. this past week from Westfield.

The shop carries formal bridal gowns as well as informal dresses to suit every price range. A large selection of headpieces and bridesmaid dresses also are available.

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Commentary

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By answering questions on the census form mailed to homes last month we can make sure our boroughs, townships, county and state get their fair share of government funding for essential programs and services—for schools, health centers, parks, highways, services for the elderly, child care, employment and training programs and much more.

Census numbers are a basic tool government and private enterprise need to develop public services, new offices, homes and job opportunities.

Census counts are used to decide how many members of Congress states send to the U.S. House of Representatives. Census numbers also are used to determine representation in state, county and local government.

Privacy will not be compromised by participating in the census. Federal law requires that census forms be completed and no one but Census-Bureau employees will see them. No one else—no person, governmental agency, police officer, judge, welfare agency—can have access to them.

Anyone who has not mailed back a completed census form should do so now in the postage-paid envelope. This will save a census taker's home visit. It will also help make everyone count.



Governor should provide full disclosure on budget, taxes

By C. Louis Bassano

After proposing a budget that would implement or increase 11 separate taxes, Gov. Jim Florio has provided little if any information to the public on certain critical points of information related to his spending plan.

Recently I held a press conference on behalf of the Senate's Republican leadership to demand "full disclosure" from the administration of certain information I think the public is entitled to receive about the governor's budget proposal.

During the gubernatorial campaign, when pressed on the question of tax increases, Florio continually said he saw no need for taxes to be raised and said that until an audit of state government showed otherwise, we would not even consider such a move.

It's hard to understand why just two months after taking office, the governor already found it necessary not only to seek increases in the sales and income tax, but to call for the enactment of nine other new or expanded taxes.

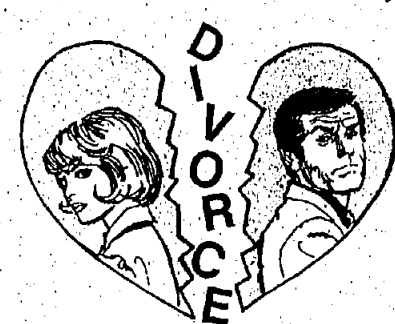
In an effort to get an answer to that question, during my press conference I publicly called on the administration to release the preliminary findings of the first phase of its state audit.

Recovering from divorce often leads to love, remarriage

By Cheryl Moulton

This is the last in an eight-part series on broken marriages. The first time, "The William Tell Overture" is playing in the background. From out of the past come the thundering hoofbeats of the great dream—marriage. Return to those thrilling days of yesteryear. The white knight, or white lady, rides again. You fall in love and start thinking about the "I" word—marriage.

There is nothing more glorious than falling in love. It is a key experience in recovering from divorce. According to Abigail Trafford, author of "Craving Time: Surviving Divorce," it is hard to break the emotional habits of the past, especially if you do not recognize what habits are destructive to a relationship. Most people are unaware of the psychological drama they subconsciously play out in intimate relationships. In a successful psychological divorce you become aware of the emotional baggage you carried around. But you want it to work this time. Sometimes the changes people make through divorce are very small, a fine tuning of their



emotional style. In others the changes are dramatic and they have a tendency to do exactly the opposite of what happened the first time. But no matter, say therapists, what the style, a successful remarriage depends on a successful divorce and the successful emergence of self. Community residents who have divorced and taken the plunge to remarriage explain living happily ever after is as much a myth in the second marriage as it is in the first. Mark, 44, recalls how remarriage happened for him. "A lot of time had gone by. I had been a hermit for two years, dated for four years and decided if I met someone fine, if I didn't, fine. When I met my second wife our relationship just evolved. I was happy, content. I was afraid of only one thing—being hurt again. After awhile that faded. We are married over two years now and, although there have been rough spots, we are happy. Maybe I'm different now, more understanding, more able to express my feelings."

What seems to distinguish successful remarriages are the twin

Calendar of meetings

Thursday, April 5
8 p.m. Cranford Board of Education budget hearing, Lincoln School
8 p.m. Kenilworth Planning Board, Borough Hall
Monday, April 9
7 p.m. Kenilworth Borough Council workshop, Borough Hall
8 p.m. Kenilworth Board of Education, Harding School
Tuesday, April 10
8 p.m. Cranford Board of Education workshop, Lincoln School
8 p.m. Cranford Township Committee, Municipal Building
8 p.m. Garwood Board of Education, Lincoln School
Wednesday, April 11
8 p.m. Kenilworth Board of Adjustment, Borough Hall
Thursday, April 12
7:30 p.m. Garwood Planning Board, Borough Hall

Board, Borough Hall
Tuesday, April 17
7:30 p.m. Cranford Township Committee workshop, Municipal Building
8 p.m. Cranford Board of Education, Lincoln School
Wednesday, April 18
8 p.m. Cranford Planning Board, Municipal Building
Thursday, April 19
7 p.m. Kenilworth Borough Council to hear zoning board appeal, Borough Hall
Monday, April 23
7 p.m. Kenilworth Borough Council workshop, Borough Hall
Tuesday, April 24
8 p.m. Cranford Township Committee, Municipal Building
8 p.m. Kenilworth Borough Council, Borough Hall
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Viewpoint

Attention baseball parents

To the Editor:
Saturday is opening day for our 1990 baseball season, and before we start I just want to take this opportunity to thank all the baseball parents who helped out last season by graciously donating their time in the Memorial Field refreshment stand. Our refreshment stand would not be the success that it is without the help and support of each and every one of you.

The proceeds from this year's stand will help offset the cost of the new lights at our fields which are in the process of being installed. Remember, your cooperation and support is greatly appreciated.

Glinny Weber, chairman
3 Lenhorne Dr.

Looking for answers

To the Editor:
Since the renovation of the train station, with a change in the parking facilities, a couple of questions come to mind that may also trouble other residents of Cranford.

Was it ever considered, by the powers that be, that an outlay of money for a three-month parking permit, is a burden on those of moderate income?

Did anyone check, with the company who sold the 12-hour parking meters, to insure their product would function correctly? Because, in my opinion, those meters do not.

My experiences have been, when a meter malfunctions, upon arriving at my office, I have called the Cranford Police, and reported the problem to Lt. Thomas Kane, or another officer, in the Traffic Division. They have been most cooperative and have seen that a summons is not issued, if the meter is broken.

However as has happened to me, in the past couple of weeks, I have had to put extra quarters in a meter, to obtain the full 12 hours. (Twice, a meter ate seven, when only six are required, and once a meter ate eight). Does the town owe me \$1? How does one prove this? And, is it meanness on my part, to feed the meter extra quarters, just so I deny our infamous meter mauls, the joy of its using another ticket?

Or does DOT, the state, the county and the town discuss the situation and decide to put a sign, to warn the motorist, "Make sure you have extra quarters?"

James G. Noon
50 Mansion Ter.

Construction official responds

To the Editor:
I am writing regarding the "Who watchin' the kids?" commentary which appeared in the March 29 Chronicle. Although township employees are not mentioned by name, I must respond to all your comments of "inability" and "head turning" as functions of building and zoning codes. I suggest that before the Chronicle makes issues out of non-issues it at least investigate the facts before it prints fiction.

This is the same Chronicle which installed its own sign in 1989 without obtaining the required permit approvals or a sign permit. But I forgot, when you violate a regulation it's an oversight, or a misunderstanding. When someone else does it then it's evil.

John A. Gall
Construction official
Township of Cranford

The mighty pen

To the Editor:
I had complimentary phone calls from so many people of Cranford in regard to my letter, "The party is over," which appeared in the March 29 issue of the Chronicle that I felt forced to submit a followup.

In regard to the proposed increase in the income tax, since the administration has already calculated how much revenue

recovery, I would like to thank all those callers who flattered me by telling me it was a well-written letter.

Second, I was pleased to realize that my opinion represented that of the callers, all the little people out there, who for various reasons, may not be able to publicly express themselves. But, if "the pen is mightier than the sword," it is useless if it is not effective. We await positive results.

Dorothy Kramp Rosko
12 Rutgers Rd.

Tribute to Stamler

To the Editor:
There is an old saying, "Never complain about growing old—so many are denied the opportunity." Union County prosecutor John Stamler was one of those who died at the age of 51.

John Stamler was denied the opportunity to attain all the goals he had set for himself and the proud agency and prosecutor's association he so skillfully headed. There was nothing cancer or deceptive about this man. Everyone associated with him knew he had the courage to stand up for what he believed in, regardless of political consequences.

John Stamler did not just like children, he loved them. He was a caring man with vision. He once said to me, "We must continue to search for better ways to investigate suspected child abuse cases."

Yes, John Stamler was denied the opportunity to see his objectives for Union County and New Jersey fully realized. However, those of us who knew him and shared his objectives will hopefully continue his fight to upgrade New Jersey's child abuse investigation system at all levels. The fight can be won only if legislators take the time to listen.

To his family, friends and associates: John left his mark on all of us, and we are all better people because of him.

Harry J. Gaynor
President
National Burn Victim Foundation

About letters

The Chronicle will print as many residents' letters as possible on subjects of local interest. Letters to the editor may be submitted by mail or by fax no later than 5 p.m. Tuesday.

All letters should be typed or clearly written and include the writer's signature, address and daytime telephone number. Unsigned letters will not be published and names will not be withheld from publication.

The editor reserves the right to edit for clarity or because of length or to avoid libel.

Not enough time
To the Editor:
Regarding the article on two-hour parking restrictions—I agree. I find it difficult to go downtown for a permanent—two hours is just not enough time.

What was the matter with the hourly parking system?
Flo Schilling
14 Lexington Ave.

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Cranford historian serves on century-old Garfield jury

Cranford Historical Society vice president Larry Fuhrro recently served on jury duty for two days—a century ago.

Fuhrro, a history buff and collector of early newspapers, paper Americana and presidential memorabilia, was contacted late last year by the Props & Sets Company. The Baltimore-based TV and movie props company had heard about his collections and wanted to see if he could help them with items needed for a forthcoming TV production about the 1981 assassination of President James A. Garfield. The film, "The Stalwart Assassin," is being produced by WGBH in Boston for PBS (Public Broadcasting System).

The docudrama will be part of the "American Experience" series hosted by James McCullough. Fuhrro, who also serves as vice president of the Cranford Chamber of Commerce, was able to supply the film company with dozens of Garfield assassination newspapers, prints, posters, presidential get-well cards (Garfield lingered on for three months after the shooting), as well as a Garfield memorial china and glass.

As a graphic artist, Fuhrro also reproduced White House stationery and period news articles for the filming. When delivering some of this material to the old court-house in Westminster, Md., where the trial of the assassin Charles

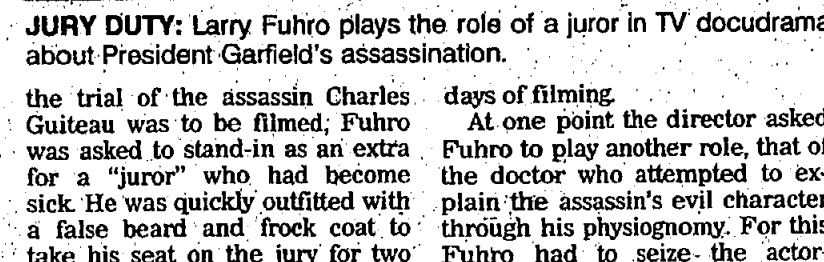
Guiteau was to be filmed, Fuhrro was asked to stand-in as an extra for a "juror" who had become sick. He was quickly outfitted with a false beard and frock coat to take his seat on the jury for two days of filming.

At one point the director asked Fuhrro to play another role, that of the doctor who attempted to explain the assassin's evil character through his physiognomy. For this Fuhrro had to seize the actor's assassin's tongue with a large pair of tusked forceps to explain the fairly facial characteristics of the killer. Fuhrro later remarked on the actor's fortitude through repeated takes.

Getting into the action, Fuhrro decided to stay in Maryland a third day to participate as an extra at the filming of the shooting of the president. The U.S. Customs House at Baltimore's inner harbor was converted into the 1881 Washington train station where Garfield was shot. Here, dressed as a country bumpkin, Fuhrro walks past the presidential party as they come in through the door of the station. Assassin Guiteau walks up and pumps two shots into the president from behind. With look of horror, Fuhrro dashes out the door and returns seconds later with a police officer. As Fuhrro runs back in through the door he must leg up over the fallen president's luggage and disappears off the set.

A couple of weeks after finishing filming in Maryland, Fuhrro received a check in payment for the shooting, as well as a touch of ironic humor the producers had issued the check from the personal account of "Charles Julius Guiteau."

"The Stalwart Assassin" will appear on Channel 13 in September.



JURY DUTY: Larry Fuhrro plays the role of a juror in TV docudrama about President Garfield's assassination.

Township investigating licensing and immunization of cats

By Cheryl Moulton

Cat owners in Cranford may be required to have their pets immunized due to an about-face in the Township Committee's outlook on the threat of rabies to this area.

At last week's Board of Health meeting, health officer Warren Hehl presented an update to governing body members on the rabies outbreak that has hit the state. He explained the disease had been moving at about 25 miles per year, but has moved more rapidly since last October, when it entered New Jersey. The fact that the rabies alert area has been extended to Plainfield and Berkeley Heights shocked Committee member Carolyn Voller, who voiced her concern over the township's not taking preventative measures.

Hehl stressed the need for creation of a "barrier" of immunized domestic animals between the wildlife animal population, and humans. Cases of rabid raccoons attacking pets have been documented in Hunterdon and Warren counties.

After Hehl's March 20 update governing body members did an about-face on their previous stand and requested the health officer to gather further information from other municipalities and Pennsylvania on cat immunization and/or licensing.

Although elders were distressed over the potential spread of the disease among cats in the township they did not feel licensing of cats was necessary.

A rabies clinic is scheduled for Saturday, May 5, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Orange Avenue Pool.

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First Aid Squad recognizes member for contributions

Patty Williams, a three-year member of the Cranford First Aid Squad, has been recognized for her recent contributions to the squad. A certified instructor in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), as well as Standard First Aid, Ms. Williams has taught approximately 150 in these two courses over the last six months.

In addition to her duties as an instructor, Ms. Williams is also the squad's vice president, having responsibility for bylaws as well as all insurance matters. She is also Friday night squad leader and Senior Cadet adviser, overseeing the training of the squad's six-member cadet corps. When the duties of her various offices permit, she also answers calls, both on Friday nights and during the day. During 1989, she led all squad members by responding to 305 calls for assistance.

She sums up her time on the squad by saying, "It has been a great experience, one that I would recommend to anyone."

Lubricant firm appoints Providence

Daniel Provence of Cranford has been appointed sales representative for central New Jersey's Cook's Industrial Lubricants, a subsidiary of Atochem North America. Cook's is a manufacturer of metalworking oils and fluids and machinery lubricants. Provence will be assigned to Union, Middlesex, Somerset and Monmouth counties.

He has six years of sales experience in the metalworking industry as a carbide tool specialist. He is a graduate of Kean College.

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Between them they have five children ranging in age from nine months to six years old. Jim and Andy have a vested interest in the quality of education in Cranford and a desire to make our schools the very best.

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"WIZARD OF OZ" was theme of last week's Reading Is Fundamental program at Harding School. Above, Mickey Pugliese as Tin Man looks for a heart with aide Bonita Noga. Below, Brian MacMillan and Kwang Won Kim read new books while enjoying a snack. Teacher Alice Holter is Cowardly Lion.



Plastic recycling halted till new market found

By Peter Wamsteker

The lack of a market for plastic along with the high cost of storing and sorting plastic soda, water and detergent bottles from other recyclables compelled the borough's Public Works Department to discontinue its plastics recycling program in January.

According to DPW supervisor Frank Plummer, the borough was accepting glass, aluminum and newspapers together with plastic last December and January on a trial basis but when the contractor who agreed to haul the plastic out of the borough stopped conducting business, Plummer found himself without a market and decided to drop the program.

Plummer says he liked the idea of recycling plastics and is looking for a potential market at a Union Carbide plant in Piscataway due to open next year. He says that between the costs in labor to sort the plastics and the fact that the market is currently limited compelled him to drop the program for now.

In the meantime, plastic recycling programs in three Union County municipalities have seen some success since its programs were introduced as long as a year and a half ago. Recycling coordinators have said the success of its programs has depended upon the cooperation of many community organizations and volunteers.

Three towns in Union County—Cranford, Summit and Fanwood—have plastic recycling programs in addition to what is now a regular program of recycling aluminum, glass, newspapers and cardboard. The municipalities depend on the voluntary efforts of their residents to sort "soft" plastics and drop them off at designated depots.

Soft plastics include such household plastics as soda, water and detergent bottles—just about any container with a spout. Recycling coordinators in the three municipalities have said that so-called "hard" plastics made of polystyrene, such as plastic plates

Brevity characterizes school candidates night

By Joanne McFadden

The crowd of 65, comprised mostly of teachers, administrators and board members from parents and residents, witnessed a more lackluster than informative Board of Education candidates night Monday that ended in less than 30 minutes.

A total of four questions was asked of the six candidates who stayed for the duration. Seven of the eight candidates for the April 24 election for four board seats read a two-minute opening statement to begin the forum. Although permitted to make a three-minute closing statement, few needed to summarize, and instead reminded the audience to vote.

Running for the three three-year terms are Catherine Stollen Cohen, William Gutekunst, Charles Lamb, Roger Murphy, Christopher Phenehy and Clifford Rhyner. JoAnn Dillon, concluding a three-year term on the board, is running for the one-year term against Loretta Malina. Cohen left after delivering her opening statement and Lamb was not able to attend.

Gutekunst, who served on the board previously, is a retired businessman who "has the time now to devote to serving the community along with the desire to be involved with the school system." Gutekunst promised to "always sit down and work things out."

Murphy, who has experience as a board member in Cranford and as a teacher and businessman,

didn't make any promises. "I don't have the facts and figures to tell you what I will do, but what I can offer is my qualifications. I know the challenges faced every single day by teachers. I understand the commitment that is necessary to serve on this board and I share the same concerns of businessmen who are trying to get the best product for our budget. I can bring my expertise of the fiscal area of management to the board in order to get quality education and remain responsible for tax dollars."

Phenehy, a six-year resident and husband of present board member Debra Phenehy, became involved in volunteer youth programs because it "was rewarding and fulfilling. In order to ensure our kids we must ensure that the educational process is the best it can be. I will enthusiastically and willingly work towards this goal."

Rhyner told the audience that "a constructive positive force concentrates itself on the entire community. Disregard for others or a certain segment of the population should not exist." Rhyner said he would be "a positive asset to the children, the board and the community. Our goal should be to create a positive environment that allows children to experience all the joys a good education can bring."

Dillon took credit for improvements in curriculum areas as a board member in Cranford and budget cuts made at last Thurs-

day's special meeting of the board. "The administration presented a budget that includes an exorbitant increase and I was strongly opposed to it. At my insistence, the board scheduled more meetings and finally we were able to make more cuts in the budget. Our job is to present the best austere budget we can and because of the many weeks and hours I spent scrutinizing this budget, the deduction was possible. We as a board must be accountable for their actions," she said.

Malina, who ran unsuccessfully last year, said she would like the opportunity to meet the challenges of the job. "I care about the school and its strengths and weaknesses. I will support sound educational policies that will afford the quality education that our children deserve," she said, promising to "act as your representative and your voice on all matters."

Malina promised to "work to minimize the financial burden because it is my sincere belief that our tax dollars will be better spent in the classroom than in the courtroom." The Board of Education was involved in several lawsuits regarding staff in 1989.

Mary Shanhahn, a Kenilworth resident, asked the candidates how they would cut the budget. Gutekunst explained that as a senior citizen he is aware of their plight and responded, "It is impossible to tell you right now how we would cut it. All we can do is to get involved and make suggestions."

Murphy added, "We're in this together. Whatever hits you, hits us. We've got to be more financially accountable to everyone." Dillon defended the present board. "The board has always made a honest effort to provide quality education yet keep taxpayers in mind."

The candidates were asked about the district's reading program and if they had any suggestions to bring the HSPT scores up. Dillon explained that a reading and writing skills curriculum was recently implemented. "It is still new, still being monitored. But hopefully it will have similar results as our math initiatives."

Rhyner also responded. "A child has to have fun while they

are learning. If we are successful at developing this atmosphere, that education is good, then the children will expand their creative talents. That's what's missing, the kind of atmosphere that creates a better outlook for all students."

Rhyner, a music director in Jersey City Public Schools, responded to a question concerning Harding School's music program, which in recent years has been criticized as weak. "I would work closely with the music instructor to further develop the program to ensure that every child receives a good music education. We need to make sure that the staff, administration, parents and students are very supportive of the subject area. We need to develop a well-rounded comprehensive education and I intend to work to that end," he said.

In closing Phenehy said, "I'm willing to listen and be fair. Your child's future is at stake. If you want the best education at a reasonable cost, then support my candidacy."

Dillon concluded, "I will continue to work on improvements in curriculum and will continue to ask questions and get answers with insight and not blind trust."

Cohen, a former high school teacher, stated that she "was dedicated to the educational process in the community. Change for the positive is taking place—our HSPT scores in math are on the rise, we now have the computer room staffed throughout the school day, and we have reinstated our guidance counselor. But more changes need to be made." Cohen who promised to "provide the best education for the student without placing an unreasonable tax burden on the community." Cohen left because of a death in her family.

Lamb, absent from the meeting because of job requirements as a fireman in Ridgewood, sent a statement which was read by principal Fred Rice. "My reasons for running are my three daughters. I want to take an active role in their future and participate in the decision-making process that will affect their future. Lamb's statement read, "Ultimately, the future is our children and they deserve the best education possible."

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Borough briefs

Free Pap tests offered

The Board of Health, in cooperation with Union Hospital, will provide free Pap Smears for female residents over the age of 16. Screening dates are April 17 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and April 19 from 8 to 11 a.m. Tests will be held at the hospital and participants must call 851-7014 during business hours for an appointment. The procedure is used to detect uterine cancer. Breast examinations also will be performed.

Students attend press conference

Fourteen students at David Brearley High School attended the annual Columbia University Scholastic Press Conference recently. They are Stacy Pankiewicz, Crista Rydzewski, Cindy Smith, Mario Viscardi, Tom Penella, James McMenamin, Olivia Rodriguez, Michelle Noble, Rosemary Giacobbe, Chad Radzick, Leon Doneski, Debbie Donahue, Rowena Errazozo and James Sheehan.

Insurance executive honored

Arthur F. Kravetz, president of America's Insurance Center, 562 Boulevard, has been elected to "Who's Who in Executives '89." He was cited for expanding the company from a statewide insurance organization to a national insurance firm with offices in several states and London.

Cake sale at church

St. Theresa Church Rosary Society will sponsor a cake sale after all Masses Saturday and Sunday. The sale will be in the church school.

Chinese auction at AARP

A Chinese auction will be held at the meeting of the Kenilworth American Association of Retired Persons Tuesday 8 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus hall on Market Street. Members should bring new items for the auction. The chapter made donations recently to the public library and rescue squad.

School forum

Regional schools superintendent Donald Merachnik will host a forum for residents of the district, including Garwood and Kenilworth, at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Jonathan Dayton High School, Springfield. Merachnik and representatives of the regional board will answer questions about educational opportunities available to students of the regional schools during 1990-91.



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Kenilworth

Driver faces MV charges in connection with fatality

Motor vehicle violation charges were filed last Thursday against Anthony Colantonio, 22, of N. 24th St., who allegedly struck and killed William Tiernan of N. 23rd St. March 21 while Tiernan was walking his dog on Center Street. Colantonio was charged by Kenilworth police with driving with a suspended driver's license, driving an unlicensed motor vehicle and operating a motor vehicle with a broken windshield.

The incident has been turned over to the Union County prosecutor's office homicide division where Capt. Frank Marranca will review the case to determine if criminal charges will be filed.

Tiernan had been walking his dog on Center Street at approximately 5:45 p.m. when he was struck by a pick-up truck driven by Colantonio, according to the police report. Tiernan had suffered multiple contusions including a broken shoulder, fractured pelvis and internal bleeding, according to his wife, Edith. He died three days later at Union Hospital.

Plastic recycling terminated

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the city receives from other recyclables and because he thinks it's a good idea to recycle plastic.

Lee says the city operates a drop-off center six days a week which is run by city employees. In addition to accepting a variety of plastics, the city also serves as a transfer station and accepts other household garbage including scrap metal, used motor oil and corrugated cardboard. Furthermore, the city also provides a curbside pickup service for glass, aluminum, cans and newspapers.

Plastics recycling in Summit operates on a voluntary basis and is coordinated by a city recycling coordinating committee comprised of residents and government officials.

While Kenilworth continues to seek a market for plastics, the borough will continue to operate its curbside pickup service of glass, aluminum and metal cans, newspaper and cardboard every other week of the month. The next pickup is Monday.

For further information on the recycling program, call the public works department at 276-5073.

Troop places third at Klondike Derby

Boy Scout Troop 82 placed third at the annual Klondike Derby held last month in Watchung.

Participants were Frank Kruger, Andy Fletcher, Eric Chasse, Chris LaAlbo, John Puget Jr., David Rosen and Jimmy LaPrete. Scoutmaster Bill Broeg was governor and assistant scoutmaster Rich Chasse was a mayor. Fathers who prepared lunch were assistant scoutmaster Curt Krazer and Bob LaAlbo. Rescue squad members John Puget and Dawn Schiringer stood by at the derby.

New Scouts Jimmy LaPrete and David Rosen were inducted into the troop at a court of honor March 18. Chris LaAlbo and John Puget Jr. advanced to the rank of tenderfoot.

The troop went camping March 9 to 11 at Camp Winnebago. Troop 82 will celebrate the 50th anniversary of Boy Scouting at a picnic Sept. 15. Anyone who knows former scouts, Eagle Scouts or scoutmasters is asked to call Terri Broeg, 276-2808.

Jeff Barr named Student of Month

Jeff Barr of Kenilworth is the March Student of the Month at David Brearley High School.

The senior is ranked 10th in his class and is a member of the Spanish National Honor Society. He attended the Boy State seminars last summer and plays football and softball at Brearley.

Barr hopes to attend either the University of Rhode Island or University of Connecticut to study computer science.



Jeff Barr

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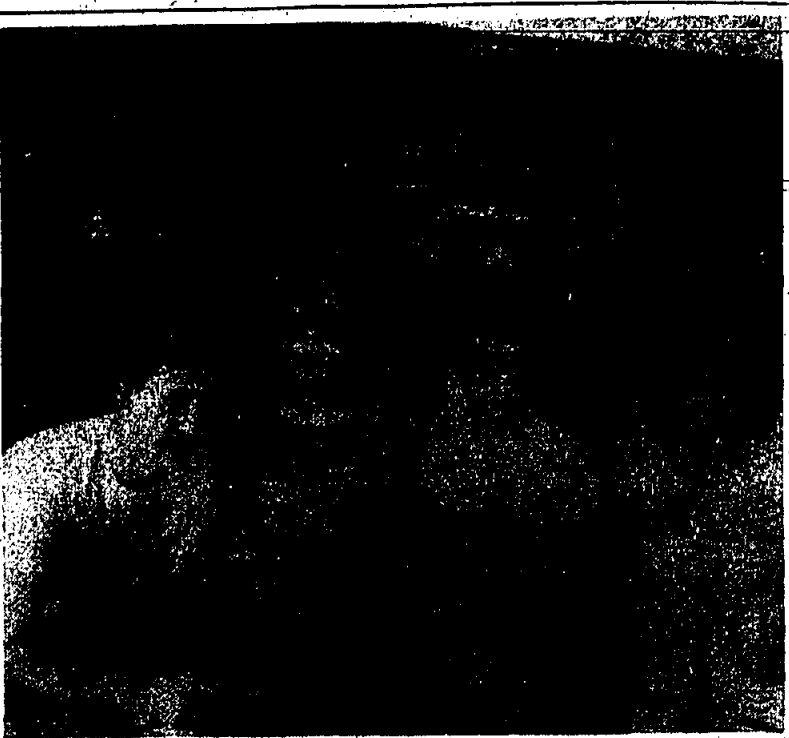
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MEASURING UP: Darren Reed, left, and Don Davis of Robert Loren Inc. demonstrate measuring devices such as a micrometer to Harding School fourth graders, from left, Lisa Malina, Kevin Fay and Jillian Schiano in math program.

Two are appointed to court position

March 27 Borough Council approved acting mayor Gene Peze's appointments of Joanne Szlingewicz as Municipal Court clerk and Sarah Ordner to fill the unexpired term of Dianne Penn on the Local Assistance Board. Penn resigned March 15 for personal reasons.

Police blotter

Residents face theft charges

Two Kenilworth men were arrested March 28 in connection with the theft of two electromagnetic drills and a power pack punch from Westfield Sheet Metal, Monroe Avenue. Charles Taylor, of North 9th St., a former custodian for the firm, was charged with burglary and theft. His housemate, Jerome Elias, was charged with receiving stolen property. They were arrested after Capt. William Dowd and officer Mark David received a search warrant from Superior Court Judge Miriam Span to search a car owned by Elias. The officers found the stolen property in the trunk of the car. Elias was released on his own recognizance by Judge Aldan Markson. Taylor was taken to Union County Jail where he remains in lieu of \$10,000 bail.

Suspects arrested in car burglary

Three juveniles and an adult were arrested Saturday after allegedly taking a radio from a car parked on S. 17th Street. Officer Henry Moll, while off-duty at 8:45 p.m., observed four suspects removing a radio from a Volkswagen Jetta that had been parked on S. 17th Street. With the assistance of patrolman Ken Grady, two 17-year-olds from Passaic and one 16-year-old from Passaic were arrested. They were charged along with Frank Cucinotta, 18, of Passaic with burglary, theft and receiving stolen property. Cucinotta was sent to Union County Jail in lieu of \$2,500 bail. The juveniles were released into the custody of their parents while they await a hearing with the Union County family unit.

Driver fined for drugs

Matthew Cynaria, 27, of Metuchen was found guilty of driving under the influence of drugs and fined \$250 during the March 28 municipal court session. Cynaria was ordered to serve 12 to 18 hours detention and his driver's license was revoked for six months in connection with his Jan. 18 arrest at the Kenilworth exit of the Garden State Parkway.

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Property tax faces rise

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Republican Barbara Bilger, elected for a three-year term last fall, voted for 1990 budget saying, "I would like to see the increase at zero, but I do not want to see it cut into our surplus fund (savings account) any more than we have. We have brought it down a lot."

Republican Vince Brinkerhoff, who is retiring this year after two three-year terms as a governing elder, said, "I've been a cheap-skate for six years, but we can live with this. With much discomfort I vote yes."

Mayor Ed Force said he would vote yes just to get the budget on the way. Force has adamantly fought "robbing Peter to pay Paul" tactics, which he believes puts the town in a "dangerous" position. At Tuesday night's late night meeting Force again told town elders January 1991 would see them attempting to make up \$468,000.

The 1990 municipal budget will be introduced Tuesday at the Township Committee's formal meeting with a public hearing to take place May 8.

Politicians

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again. The former policeman is stepping down after two three-year terms as a governing elder and one term as mayor.

In a primary election each voter may vote only on one party's ballot. After voting in a primary, voters are considered to be members of the party on whose ballot they voted. To change party affiliation a voter must declare the party of choice in writing to the county or municipal clerk by 50 days before the election.

Shop celebrating fifth anniversary

Cobweb Collectible Ephemera and Antiques, 9 Walnut Ave., is celebrating its fifth anniversary in the Cranford-Westfield area. The shop offers a selection of old toys, small furniture, postcards, sheet music, fountain pens, old radios and televisions, and movie-related items. "The newest collectible is old credit cards from companies out of business," said Sheldon Halper, proprietor.

HAS pupil wins area essay contest

Brian Reilly, a seventh grader at Hillside Avenue School, was the first place winner in the Somerset-Union Soil Conservation District's 1990 conservation essay contest. Sixteen schools participated. Brian's essay has been forwarded to a committee of judges to select contest winners. He received a certificate of merit from HAS principal Irwin Fignman and his English teacher, Frank Barto.

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POSTER ART: Winners of poster contest at David Brearley High School to celebrate Foreign Language Week are, in first place through honorable mention, from left, Irene Laschiver, Andy Carvalhais, Michael Wright, Heather Court and Rowena Errazo. Posters promoted benefits of learning a foreign language.

Two school board candidates answer Chronicle questions

The Chronicle invited the eight Garwood Board of Education candidates to respond to two questions for this week's edition. Only two replied, Sharon Legg and Ralph Urrio, both seeking their first three-year terms.

1. Do you support the proposed school budget which requires taxpayers to make up for the cut-back in state funding? Why?

Sharon Legg
As a taxpayer in Garwood, I was dismayed when the state cut the state funding to our school system. The \$80,000 cut in funding will have a major impact on our educational system.

Currently Garwood spends the lowest amount of money on a per pupil basis in Union County. Even with the proposed budget increase Garwood still will spend the lowest amount of money per

McDonald's seeks addition, alteration to take-out lane

By Irving Dickman

Garwood Board of Adjustment will hold a special meeting later this month to vote on an application for variances sought by McDonald's for its premises at 214-220 North Ave. The decision to meet again follows nearly seven hours of testimony by the fast-food chain's experts during the board's March and April regular sessions.

McDonald's has applied to add an enclosed children's play area onto the front of its restaurant, and to alter the take-out lane and parking areas in an effort to alleviate the traffic back-up which sometimes occurs, forcing waiting cars out onto North Avenue.

A report prepared for the zoning board in January by the borough's planning adviser, William Nierstedt, charged that the new site plan not only "does not represent an improvement over existing site conditions," but actually "increases driver confusion and potentially hazardous conditions."

In response to Nierstedt's comment that "the proposed layout requires the driver to make an instantaneous decision upon entering the site, thereby momentarily blocking the entrance area," Robert A. Nelson, an engineer and professional planner brought in by McDonald's testified that the proposed traffic pattern is standard for the chain's restaurants "and will be readily recognized by drivers seeking drive-through service. The proposed design permits drivers immediately to distinguish what service they want," and would, therefore, actually lessen traffic back-up, he indicated.

Noting that the drive-through lane is to be relocated closer to the restaurant, Nierstedt said the drive-through lane is to be relocated closer to the restaurant.

Fire auxiliary
The Ladies Auxiliary of the Garwood Fire Department meets at 7:30 tonight in the fire house. Hostesses are Pat Lawrence, Betty Maloney and Connie Miller.

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Brethren request denied; lawyer to appeal

By Kimberly Bridge

After an intense struggle of over one year, the Garwood Planning Board finally decided not to allow the construction of a Plymouth Brethren meeting house on Spruce Avenue and Maple Street.

By a vote of 7-2 March 28, the board decided that a 50-by-100-foot lot in a residential area was far too small and confined to enable any house of worship to comfortably fit the neighborhood. The two board members voting in favor were chairman Frank Spera and Raymond Wolf.

The denial will be appealed immediately to New Jersey Superior Court, said James Bell, attorney for Plymouth Brethren, and area residents. Church representative Gary Markham stated that while members preach regularly to the public on the street, this would not take place around the neighborhood, but in the downtown area of Garwood.

This point did not seem to bother the neighbors, but they stuck to the ground, pointing out that the small lot size and tiny area would infringe on the rights as citizens. They also questioned whether the values of their homes would decline should a church be built in their neighborhood.

In general, taxpayers are always being asked to support school budgets and parents answer to the call because it involves our children's education. However, we should take one more step in our approach and give a firm look back at whether or not the actual values could decline by thousands of dollars. Garwood must maintain a good school system to attract new families to relocate here.

If our school system were to decline, Garwood would no longer be such a desirable community. If that were to happen our property values could decline by thousands of dollars. Garwood must maintain a good school system to attract new families to relocate here.

With a final decision on actual cutbacks in school budgets statewide still on the table in Trenton this question may not be fully answered with certainty at this time. The governor's plans may or may not result in the full estimated cutback or may mean additional cutbacks. Therefore, until the bottom line is drawn for Garwood,

Ralph Urrio
The school system is an integral part of our community. The superintendent must be an individual who is strong in curriculum development and have an ability to implement that in a positive way. The superintendent also must be able to make fiscally sound judgments in administering our schools.

Sharon Legg
Garwood needs a superintendent who will be a positive, strong leader of our schools. In a small community the superintendent must take a hands-on approach in administering schools.

Ralph Urrio
My response to the question of qualities in a superintendent actually offers an opinion and not an answer. A possibility to save having to increase taxes in order to make up "estimated" cutbacks and at the same time not jeopardize the quality of education, is to look hard at whether or not a little school system like Garwood actually needs a superintendent. The proposed cutbacks for Garwood and the superintendent's salary (plus fringe) are approximately the same.

Also running for the three-year terms are Juanita Austin, Christine Guerrieri, Mary Ann Kietzka, Robert Scherer and incumbent Stephen J. Letevre. Robert McCarrick is the only candidate for the one-year unexpired term to which he recently was appointed until the next re-organizational meeting after April 24 election.

Easter egg hunt set for Saturday
The annual Easter egg hunt for Garwood youngsters from pre-school through third grade will be held Saturday at noon at the Little League Field.

The event is sponsored by the Public Celebrations Committee. Rain date is April 14.

Garwood game
The Garwood board game, similar to Monopoly, has been re-printed and a limited number are available. The cost is \$15 and proceeds will benefit the First Aid Squad. Contact squad members or Al Denise Felice, 789-0298, after 6 p.m.

Rummage sale
The annual rummage sale at St. Paul's United Church of Christ takes place today until 3 p.m. and tomorrow, bag day, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Rosarians holding seder at meeting
A seder will be conducted at tonight's meeting of the Rosary Altar Society of the Church of St. Anne in the school cafeteria following recitation of the rosary and benediction in the church at 7:30 p.m. Officers will be held and year-end committee reports will be presented.

Health screening open to residents
Garwood residents may attend a health day April 14 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Mountainside Municipal Building, 1385 Rt. 22 E. Tests will include SMAC blood analysis, which measures several functions including cholesterol levels, p tests for blood pressure, breast self-exam and take-home tests for blood in the gastrointestinal tract.

Call the health department, 789-0470, by April 12 to register. A \$1 fee for the blood test must be paid in cash at registration.

Free rabies clinic ahead Saturday
The Garwood Board of Health will conduct a free rabies clinic Saturday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the public works building on South Avenue.

Cats and dogs will be inoculated. The board advises pet owners to protect their animals and the community against the possibility of a rabies outbreak, particularly this year when there is a rabies alert.

Borough residents also may avail themselves of a rabies clinic today from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at Westfield Fire Station 2 on Central Avenue. Pet owners unable to attend these clinics may call at Westfield Health Department, 789-4970, for additional immunization dates.

Office equipment stolen in break-in
A fax machine and two computers were reported stolen Monday from Beckley-Mundt Perforating Co., 315 North Ave.

The theft was reported by Angelo Capone of Roselle Park, an employee who told police that when he arrived to work he found a padlock had been cut off the rear door, according to the police report. Officer Bruce Underhill reported finding the door leading to the office area had been opened and a quarter-inch plastic window had been broken.

On a table outside the door leading from the die shop into the office, Underhill also found a hammer which he suspected had been used to break the window.

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hood. Residents also said they did not want to live in a congested environment.

The actual proposal voted on involved some amendments. These included a 715-square-foot gross floor area; use of the building restricted to Sunday mornings from 6 to 7:30, Monday evenings from 7:30 to 9, and 12 "emergency" meetings throughout the year; a 43-person limit; a 12-foot wide driveway; a four-car parking lot consisting of 18 square feet of pavement with a two-foot overhang; adherence to all noise codes, and adding more lighting if needed.

The neighbors' lawyer contended that since so many restrictions were needed, the meeting hall should not be considered to be built there in the first place. The hearing was opened at two occasions for public comment. The first opportunity involved questions from the neighbors to the church lawyers and engineer, who also testified in behalf of the Plymouth Brethren. At the second round, residents said that while they did not hold any religious prejudices against the church, they were concerned only with the traffic, parking, additional pollution involved with the cars coming in and out, additional noise and lack of privacy.

Gurrieri, two incumbents to run
Mayor Georgiana Gurrieri will run for a second four-year term as mayor and Democratic Councilmen Dennis McCarthy and Paul DeVenuto also will seek re-election for three-year terms.

Republican municipal chairman Jack Schmidt said the committee is meeting tonight to endorse candidates for the June 5 primary election. The deadline for filing petitions is April 12. Voters will nominate their party's candidates in the primary for the November general election.

Gurrieri has served in borough government since 1975 when she was appointed to the Borough Council. McCarthy was appointed to an unexpired term four years ago and he and DeVenuto were elected in 1987.

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Services scheduled at St. Michael's
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Good Friday services will begin with Holy Hour from 1 to 2 p.m. followed by the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 2 p.m. Tenebrae service is set for 7:30 p.m.

Confessions will not be heard Holy Saturday. An Easter vigil at 8:30 p.m. will include the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

Alliance to note Palm Sunday
The Rev. Robert Bashium, pastor, will preach on "A Picture of the Cross," Palm Sunday at the 9 a.m. contemporary worship service and 11:15 traditional service at Cranford Alliance church. Soloists will sing special music at each service.

Clark Alliance Church will join the Cranford congregation in a community Good Friday service at 12:10 p.m. in Cranford. An evening service will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. The sanctuary choir will present the cantata "Hallelujah! Hallelujah!" a 58-minute musical written by Phil and Lynne Brower and arranged by Bob Kroppstad. Ruth King will direct. Fellowship and refreshments will follow.

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Religion

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A last-minute search is carried out for traces of leaven, which is burned on the morning before Passover. A fast for first-born Jews is prescribed for that morning, in commemoration of the first-born who died in the last of 10 plagues visited on ancient Egypt. This fast is traditionally followed by a study session that concludes with a feast.

First Presbyterian to host services for Good Friday
Community Good Friday services, sponsored by the Cranford Clergy Council, will take place April 13 from 12:10 p.m. to 12:50 p.m. again at First Presbyterian Church. The 40-minute service differs from last year's three-hour service for the benefit of business people who wish to worship during their lunch hour.

The Rev. Robert Bashium, pastor of Cranford Alliance Church, and the Rev. Doug Miller, pastor of Cranford United Methodist Church, will preach the meditations. The Rev. Bruce Williams, pastor of the host church, will assist. Several soloists will provide music during the worship service.

The service will commemorate Christ's crucifixion and death on the cross as a sacrifice to redeem mankind. A slide presentation titled "Easter Art" will follow at 1 p.m. in the church chapel. The slides and narrative will be an opportunity to continue worship and quiet reflection upon the meaning of Good Friday events. "Easter Art" will conclude by 1:45 p.m.

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Holy Week services at St. Theresa's
Mass of the Lord's Supper will begin at 7:30 p.m. next Thursday with the Adoration of the Holy Eucharist until 10 at St. Theresa Church.

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A last-minute search is carried out for traces of leaven, which is burned on the morning before Passover. A fast for first-born Jews is prescribed for that morning, in commemoration of the first-born who died in the last of 10 plagues visited on ancient Egypt. This fast is traditionally followed by a study session that concludes with a feast.

First Presbyterian to host services for Good Friday
Community Good Friday services, sponsored by the Cranford Clergy Council, will take place April 13 from 12:10 p.m. to 12:50 p.m. again at First Presbyterian Church. The 40-minute service differs from last year's three-hour service for the benefit of business people who wish to worship during their lunch hour.

The Rev. Robert Bashium, pastor of Cranford Alliance Church, and the Rev. Doug Miller, pastor of Cranford United Methodist Church, will preach the meditations. The Rev. Bruce Williams, pastor of the host church, will assist. Several soloists will provide music during the worship service.

The service will commemorate Christ's crucifixion and death on the cross as a sacrifice to redeem mankind. A slide presentation titled "Easter Art" will follow at 1 p.m. in the church chapel. The slides and narrative will be an opportunity to continue worship and quiet reflection upon the meaning of Good Friday events. "Easter Art" will conclude by 1:45 p.m.

The public is invited to attend the service and reflection.

Way of the Cross: Adam Williams, son of the Rev. Bruce Williams, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, prepares for the Sunday school's symbolic Easter Stations of the Cross.

Holy Week rites include sermon, music, journey
The Rev. Bruce Williams, pastor, will preach his sermon "Behold the Lamb of God," "Surely He Hath Borne Our Griefs" and "He Was Despised" will be sung by the chancel choir with mezzo-soprano Gerda Czobor as soloist.

Communion will be shared as a part of the worship sequence and lights will be extinguished one by one depicting the growing darkness of the night. The Stations of the Cross will be followed by the Easter Vigil. The Rev. Sam Purdy will assist.

Trinity Church plans Eucharists
Palm Sunday services at Trinity Episcopal Church will begin at 8 a.m. with the Holy Eucharist followed by a blessing of the palms at 9:45 a.m. A solemn procession will follow at 10 a.m.

Liturgy for Maundy Thursday foot washing and Eucharist will begin at 8 p.m. in the church and will be followed by night watch meditations by the Rev. Sam Purdy.

A Mass of the Pre-Sanctified will begin at 6:30 a.m. Good Friday, April 13, followed by a 7:15 breakfast Liturgy for Good Friday is set for noon. Devotions of the cross will start at 1 p.m. and will include meditation and prayer, the great litany and silent reflection, evening prayer and a second meditation, Stations of the Cross and the Easter Vigil. The Great Vigil of Easter with Holy Baptism will be offered Holy Saturday, April 14, at 5 p.m.

Services scheduled at St. Michael's
begin at 7:30 p.m. Holy Thursday followed by the solemn adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight. A night prayer will begin at 11:30 p.m.

Good Friday services will begin with Holy Hour from 1 to 2 p.m. followed by the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 2 p.m. Tenebrae service is set for 7:30 p.m.

Confessions will not be heard Holy Saturday. An Easter vigil at 8:30 p.m. will include the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

Alliance to note Palm Sunday
The Rev. Robert Bashium, pastor, will preach on "A Picture of the Cross," Palm Sunday at the 9 a.m. contemporary worship service and 11:15 traditional service at Cranford Alliance church. Soloists will sing special music at each service.

Clark Alliance Church will join the Cranford congregation in a community Good Friday service at 12:10 p.m. in Cranford. An evening service will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. The sanctuary choir will present the cantata "Hallelujah! Hallelujah!" a 58-minute musical written by Phil and Lynne Brower and arranged by Bob Kroppstad. Ruth King will direct. Fellowship and refreshments will follow.

United Methodist to conduct various Holy Week events
Palm Sunday activities at Cranford Methodist Church will begin at 7:30 with a breakfast sponsored by the men's fellowship group in Randolph Hall. County assistant prosecutor Peter McClellan will talk about the criminal justice system in a presentation titled "Do the Right Thing?" Those interested in attending should call Rich LeDuc, 381-0437.

The Rev. Doug Miller, pastor, will preach, "Wave to Him—His Name Is Messiah," based on Matthew 21:1-11 at the 10 a.m. worship service. The Joyful Singers and Chancel Choir will feature Easter hymns. The service will end with a tour titled "Road to Easter." The congregation will be invited to leave the sanctuary in small groups and proceed through the education building where they will view dramatizations of Biblical events leading to the Resurrection. Children in the Sunday school program will do the acting.

Child care will be provided for younger children in the nursery. Visiting children will be invited to participate in the "Road to

Activities set for Osceola Church
Osceola Presbyterian Church will join Garwood Presbyterian Church tomorrow in presenting the program "Christ in the Passover" at the latter church.

Robin Styler of Chosen People Ministries will discuss the relationship between the Jewish Passover and the Lord's Supper including the relationship of the Passover feast to the death, burial and Resurrection of the Messiah Jesus. The public is invited. Fellowship and refreshments will be provided.

Nursery offers parenting course
Helen K. Baldwin Nursery School will sponsor the STTP (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting) program on parent-child relationships. It will run April 18 to June 6.

The course is offered either 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. or 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Mezzanine Lounge of First Presbyterian Church.

Karen Murphy will lead the eight-session course on relating to

Religion

Eight-day Passover festival to begin Monday at sundown
Passover, the Jewish festival of freedom, will begin Monday at sundown. The eight-day holiday marks the Jews' exodus from Egypt some 3,400 years ago and the birth of the Jewish nation.

Rabbi Ronald Hoffberg and Cantor Ralph Nussbaum will lead Passover services at Temple Beth-El beginning with the feast of the first-born Monday following the 6:30 a.m. service.

SPECTRUM

Cheryl LaBracio plans bridal in '91

Cheryl Ann LaBracio and Gregory P. Dohn are engaged to be married in April 1991. The future bride is the daughter of Sandra LaBracio of 1 Samoset Rd. and Charles LaBracio Jr. Her fiancé is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sulley of North Brunswick and the late Fred Dohn Jr.

Miss LaBracio, a graduate of Cranford High School, will receive a bachelor's degree in education from Rutgers University in May. She is employed by United Jersey Bank.

Mr. Dohn graduated from North Brunswick High School and attended Rutgers University. He owns Dohn Painting, a wallpapering and painting business.

Miss LaBracio, Mr. Dohn

Births

David and Carol Vosseller of Cranford announce the birth of a daughter, Janeen Marie, Feb. 17 at Rahway Hospital. She joins a sister, Sharon, 2 1/2. Grandmothers are Doris Brennan of Cranford and Lillian Vosseller of North Plainfield. Mary Downey of Cranford is the great-grandmother.

Lois and David Mandell of East Brunswick are the parents of their first child, Jessica Rachel, born Feb. 12 at St. Peter's Hospital, New Brunswick. She is the granddaughter of Doris and Burton Mandell of Cranford and Martin Essner of Clark and Marcia Zimmerman of Plainsboro.

BOOK SALE

The annual book sale of the Friends of the Plainfield Public Library will be Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the library, W. Eighth Street and Park Avenue.

Junior club aids Lupus Foundation

Cranford Junior Woman's Club will send \$500 to the N.J. State Federation of Women's Clubs for the 1989-90 state project, the Lupus Foundation. The club raised the money through a "day at home" tea and also donated books and tapes about lupus to Cranford and Kenilworth libraries.

The club also raised \$300 for a high school senior scholarship and \$250 for a new continuing education scholarship to be awarded to a Cranford woman.

Clubwomen to visit Doris Duke estate

The current affairs department of the Wednesday Morning club will visit the Doris Duke estate Tuesday. Members should call Jane Roberts or Betty Brubaker to make arrangements.

The music department will meet at the home of Ethel Heim, 3 Burchfield Ave., Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. Co-hostess is Chris Nelson.

Thursday club to hear travel agent

Karen Hannan of Camelot Travel will speak at next week's meeting of the Thursday Senior Citizens Club at 1 p.m. at the Community Center.

A group of Cranford singers called Side-by-Siders will entertain at the April 19 meeting.

The club will sponsor a trip to the Fiesta Dinner Theater April 23 to see "Oklahoma."

Members celebrating their birthdays at this month's party are Louise England, Ruth Gessner, Murray Greenspan, Bob Herberster, Chester Kniak, Johanna Kozakiewicz, Verne Maynard, Louise Mazzeo, Helen Oros, Ruth Powell, Kenneth Powell, Georgia Talawski, Lucy Toma, Louis Toma and Jean Ziegler.

Program slated on birding in Africa

Echo Lake Naturalists Club will meet Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Trailside Nature and Science Center, Mountainside. Jean Seabrook will give an illustrated slide presentation on "Birding in Africa."

Upcoming events include birding trips April 14 to Lebanon State Park and April 28 to Walnut PTA takes orders for plants.

Plant orders for the Walnut School PTA Mother's Day sale are being accepted for a variety of annuals and house plants.

Flats of alyssum, marigolds, petunias, begonias, impatiens and tomatoes may be ordered in advance at a cost of \$14, potted geraniums for \$22 per dozen and

The plant sale will be held May 11. Students will be able to make their purchase during school hours; parents may make purchases after school.

Monday seniors plan birthday fete

Six members of the Monday Senior Citizens Club will celebrate their April birthdays at the club's monthly party on the 10th.

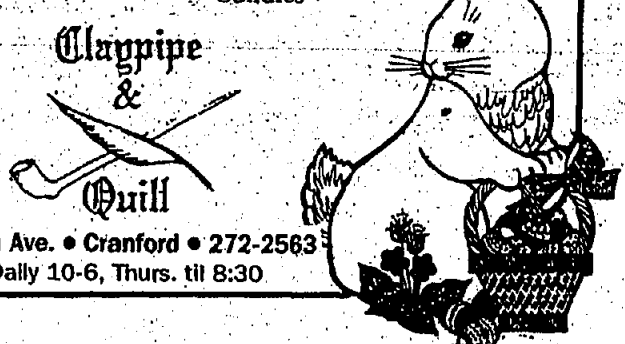
They are Helen Clark, Augusta Cousins, Millie Hubbard, George Schmidt, Mary Sisko and Marion White. Hostesses are Viola Matulewsky and Editha Sandford.

The anniversary luncheon will be held at the Westwood April 28. Edith Hanselman is in charge of tickets.

A bus trip to Hershey, Pa., is planned for May 24, leaving at 9:30 a.m. from Miln Street. Call Pat Dick, 233-6159.

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'April in Paris' video on tap for VIA

Richard Dixon of the Travel Spot will show a video, "April in Paris," at Tuesday's noon meeting of the Village Improvement Association at the Community Center. He also will describe areas of Paris he has visited.

Hostesses Marie Gallagher and Clara Vennari will be assisted by Sally Goodwin, Marilyn Lawson, Elizabeth Melquist, Doty Miller, Doris Pacholok and Annie Ross.

The VIA literature department will meet at the home of Jack Ellis April 12 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss "The Fortune" by Michael Korda.

Wednesday seniors mark birthdays

Twelve members of the Wednesday Senior Citizens Club celebrated their April birthdays at yesterday's meeting.

They are Terry Abraham, Catherine Baldoni, Thomas Byrne, Alice Gray, Pat Hartman, Florence Jackson, Ruth Madas, Edith Merlo, Eleanor O'Brien, Joseph Robertello, Helen Sommerlad and Marjorie Stead.

Karen Hannan of Camelot Travel will present a program about Hawaii at the April 11 meeting.

There are openings for trips to Ottawa and the Thousand Islands June 10 to 14 and the Paramount Hotel in the Catskills Jan. 6 to 10. Call 276-6178.

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Downtown stores to present fashion show on April 25

Several local groups are co-sponsoring an April Showers fashion show, featuring new spring and bridal apparel, April 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

Sponsors are the retail division of the Cranford Chamber of Commerce, Junior Woman's Club and Cranford Recreation and Parks Department.

Seniors plan Lafayette Village trip

The Tuesday Senior Citizens Club will sponsor a trip to Lafayette Village May 18 for a show, dinner and shopping. Non-members are welcome. Call Irma Schrieber, 276-2620.

Members celebrating their birthdays at this month's party are Lydia Byrnes, Mary Flynn, Milan

Lecture set on community gardening

Members of the Garden Club of Cranford will hear a talk on "Gardening for Others" Monday at 1 p.m. at the home of Addie Vogel, 4 Normandie Pl.

Beverly Ayre of Cranford will speak about her experiences when sponsoring and growing a community garden in Newark.

Club to discuss scholarship plan

Fran Casciano, assistant treasurer of the College Women's Club of Cranford, will speak briefly on the club's scholarship process at a meeting Monday at 7:45 p.m. in the youth center of First Presbyterian Church. An informal dessert social will follow.

Program chairman is Marge Szymona and Lee McArthur will be in charge of hospitality. Anyone interested in membership may call 272-6243.

Garage sale

A multi-family garage sale to benefit the Concert Orchestra of Union County has been rescheduled for this weekend, at 58 Spruce St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday.

Camera Club

The Cranford Camera Club will hold a workshop meeting Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Members will critique one another's work and a question and answer session will follow.

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Rap music lyrics facing rap

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They hear on a continuous basis, I've reviewed."

Pierr encourages parents to "become aware of what is out there. Listen to their music, look at the titles of the songs and the words, if available, and examine the pictures. Many of these songs have occult and harmful messages."

He also advises parents to confront their child in a loving honest responsible way. Don't get off focus, remember the goal is to discuss the messages with the child. "Parents should also get to know their children's friends and the families of friends and be involved with the children's life, said Pierr.

While the PTA has not had any workshops regarding discretion and music, for the past two years it has presented programs to help parents determine what is appropriate for their children in television. Pierr is in the process of organizing a presentation in conjunction with Mason for parents on music lyrics. He currently has a filmstrip presentation that he shares with teachers.

Cranford's only music store, Off Pierr's, has received selections from several bands opposed by parents including the 2 Live Crew album which contains "As Nasty As They Wanna Be," ruled X by Newsweek and currently under investigation for alleged violations of obscenity laws in Florida. Another version of the album, by the same performers, is titled, "As Nice As They Wanna Be."

Garwood Turnabout Inc., another area record shop, also sells these rap records and tapes. No one from the shop wished to comment on the issue.

According to Tom Dudek, owner of Off the Record, he stocks only the "Nasty" version because

"that's what sells." He explained that the tape is kept behind the counter, as are all selections. The album is marked with a warning label: "Explicit language contains profanity. The expansion of Lincoln Park to include toddler equipment. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at Geiger's Fine Women's Apparel, Duet Infant and Maternity Boutique, Kasha Lingerie, Cranford Can Can or call Jacqueline Karmol, 276-4812. Additional information is available from Jane Capone at Kasha Lingerie, 272-4826.

Drogowski explained that after listening to the "Nice" version, which she also enjoyed, her daughter went to purchase it and came home with the other version. "It is extremely descriptive in its language and inappropriate for these kids. They are just too young," she said.

"It is probably worse than what we listened to," said Dudek who is 40-something, "but society is that much further along, for better or worse."

Pierr disagrees. "There is not comparison. This music is so blatantly violent and against traditional values, it's too destructive," he said.

Dudek cautions parents not to attack the problem "store by store" but rather through their state legislators who can enact laws that will regulate the selling and placement of X-rated information, as they do certain magazines.

Mason agrees that the key to limiting access to this type of music is our state legislators. "Write a letter supporting the ban or ratification of these records or at least the passing of an age limitation and placement regulations for sales," he said.

Pierr encourages parents to contact Parents Music Resource Center of Arlington, Va., a grassroots organization that lobbies for government initiatives and rating systems, for more information.

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Workshop slated on selling skills

"Developing Successful Selling Skills" will be the topic from 9 a.m. to noon April 27 at a workshop sponsored by the Kean College Small Business Development Center.

The workshop will take place in East Campus Room 120. Mark Reisenberg, president of Human Resources Unlimited, West Orange, will be the speaker.

The fee is \$15 a company. Additional information is available from Dallas Everett, center assistant, 527-2946.

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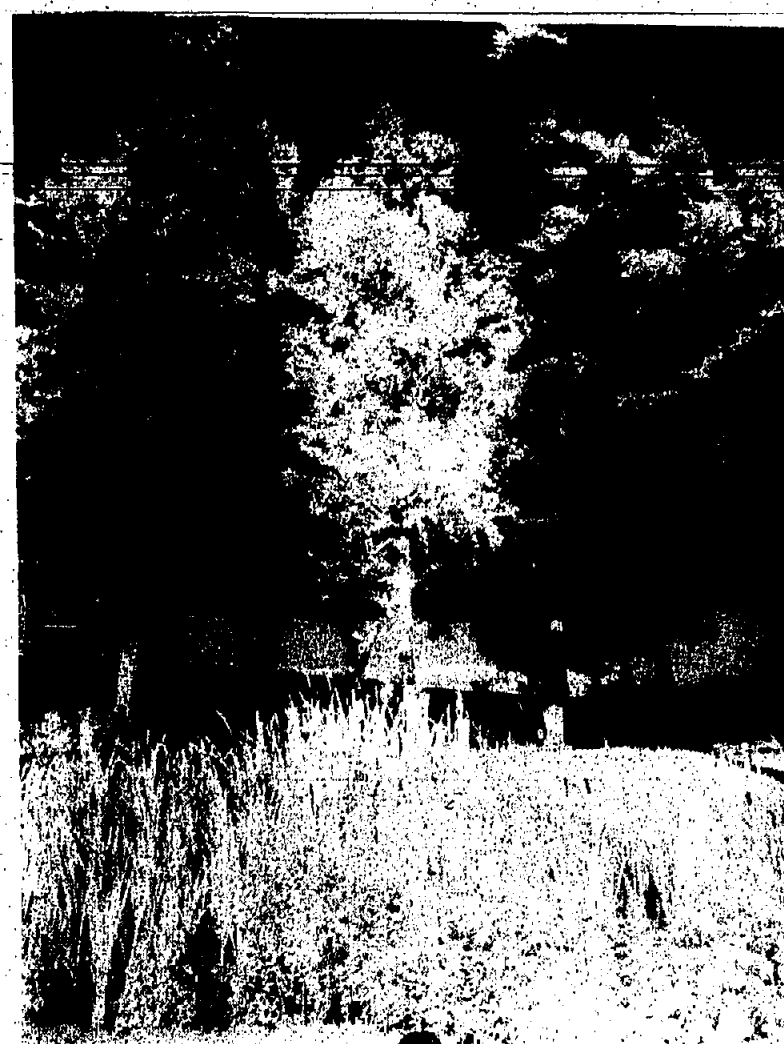
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Ultimate Image is exhibiting Jones' nature photography

The Ultimate Image will have an exhibit by photographer Mike Jones of Cranford titled "The World As I See It." This limited edition exhibition of landscapes in both color and black and white is on display through April. Jones attended Cranford High School where he studied photography with Jay Smith. Now a student at Jersey City State College, Jones is a staff photographer for the Suburban News. "The World As I See It" emphasizes Jones' love of nature. His moody images capture the early morning fog along the Maine coastline and New England woods in first light of day. His images are underscored by use of infrared film. The public is invited to a reception for Jones tomorrow from 7 to 9 p.m. at the studio, 47 Alden St.

Brass quintet

The Eroica Brass quintet will close the Mid-Day Musicales Lenten series Wednesday at noon at First Congregational Church, 125 Elmer St., Westfield. A soup and sandwich lunch will be available after the recital. The quintet made its Carnegie Recital Hall debut in 1986 and has been in residence at the New York Renaissance Festival the last five years.

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Local Irish step dancers to compete in world contest

Two Cranford girls will travel to Ireland this weekend to compete in the 1990 world championship competition in Irish step dancing. Erin Hannon, 13, of Elm Street and Alana Doty, 10, of Retford Avenue will dance in both solo and figure dancing competitions in Cork April 8 to 14. The world competition is held every year in Ireland the week before Easter. Dancers from the United States, Canada, England, Ireland and Australia compete.

Erin is a seventh grader at Hillside Avenue School and Alana is in the fifth grade at Livingston School. Both girls dance with Peter Smith School in Elizabeth. All competitors in the world competition must place in annual regional competition to qualify to dance in Ireland. Both girls qualified in the eastern regional competition in Tarrytown N.Y. in November. This is the first time the girls will compete in Ireland.

Conti to address Friday seniors club

A program about wills, trusts and legal papers will be presented to the Friday Senior Citizens Club by Ann Conti, county surrogate, at 1 p.m. April 20 at the Community Center. Sheriff Ralph Froelich will demonstrate police dogs April 27. Some reservations are available for a June 20 trip to the Jai Alai game in Milford, Conn., at a cost

of \$25. A trip to Tamarack Lodge in New York is scheduled May 20 to 25 with three meals daily at a cost of \$238. Call 276-2849. Members celebrating birthdays at the April party are Peggy Van Schoick, Evelyn Dyas, Edythe Lambert, William Madden, Olive Granitzki, Alexander Zielinski, Frank Hidi, George Holm, Pauline Hadley and Ed Connolly.

Acting Studio registering for spring

Registration for the spring term of The Acting Studio is underway. In-person registration will be Monday and Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. at the studio, 189 North Ave. E. Persons also may sign up by phone or mail. The spring term will run April 16 to June 30. The studio offers classes in acting, musical performance and television for adults, teens and children, from beginners to experienced professionals. Most adult students begin with a class in basic acting techniques. Basic skills are taught for acting in musical, dramatic and comedy productions or commercial. Children's classes are grouped by age, the youngest being 7. Call David Christopher, 276-0276, for a brochure and information.

DAR members at state conference

Three members of Cranford's Ford DAR recently attended the 98th annual spring conference luncheon of the New Jersey DAR at Hyatt Regency Hotel, Cherry Hill. They are Mrs. R.M. Sutton, honorary state regent, and Mrs. J.M. Clarkowski and Mrs. G.B. Young, delegates. The address, given by national DAR president general Mrs. Eldred M. Yochim, was titled "A Century of Service."

Jazz band at Keaton to present concert

The Keaton College jazz band is presenting a free program of contemporary jazz at 8 tonight in Wilkens Theater under the direction of Bob Yurochko, music instructor at the college and in Cranford schools. Senior music major Rob Stasola, on alto saxophone, will perform "When Sunny Gets Blue." Vocal music majors Sandy Corlito of Garwood and Janice George will perform.



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Two Cranford High juniors receive leadership awards

Michele Charney and Karen Mitchell, Juniors at Cranford High School, are recipients of the national I Dare You Leadership Award in recognition of personal integrity, balanced living and motivational leadership.

The award is made each year by the American Youth Foundation in cooperation with high schools across the country. The award was first offered in 1941 by William H. Danforth, founder of the Ralston Purina Co., St. Louis, who dared young people to achieve their highest potential and to influence others through lives of service. The award takes its name from Danforth's book, "I Dare You."

UCC to raise tuition by 9% to cover loss in state funds

Union County College will increase its tuition by 9 percent, effective May 1.

The increased tuition was authorized by the board of trustees at a March 27 meeting.

Acting president Roy Smith reported the college faces a revenue shortfall of nearly \$1 million as the result of a cut in state aid for county colleges in Gov. Florio's 1990-91 budget.

"Overall, the county college apportionment is reduced \$3.8 million in the governor's proposed budget and we estimate this will result in a loss of \$875,000 for Union County College," Smith said. "It is our goal to keep tuition as low as possible to provide greater higher educational opportunities for more people, but we must raise tuition if we are to have a balanced budget in 1990-91."

State school board to laud local members' participation

Cranford Board of Education and seven of its members will receive awards from the New Jersey School Boards Association for their participation in the association's continuing training programs and activities.

The NJSBA will present the school board with a special award for its involvement this year.

Board president Ellen Heller and Union County School Board president Patti Martinielli will receive the NJSBA President's Award for their participation in seminars and activities.

Last June, of the 611 school districts in the state, 27 boards were



Chris Brady

Cranford lad 10th in N.J. spell bee

Christopher Brady of Cranford finished 10th among 32 competitors in the recent state spelling bee sponsored by the junior membership division of the N.J. State Federation of Women's Clubs.

The Orange Avenue School fourth grader qualified for the state event by placing second in the regional spelling bee conducted by the Cranford Junior Woman's Club. He is the son of Bernard and Mary Brady of 14 Summit Rd.

Chris completed 14 rounds in the state bee before being eliminated.

Forensic lab moving to UCC campus

The board of trustees of Union County College recently approved a request of the late county prosecutor John Stamler to use space in the health technologies building at the Scotch Plains campus for a forensic laboratory.

The laboratory currently is located in the Veneri Building in Westfield, which the prosecutor's office determined is inadequate.

About 5,000 square feet in the health technologies building will be allocated for the forensic laboratory, which is used by all Union County police departments to analyze drugs and other substances. The lab will be made available to the college for its forensic science course and will be used for in-service training courses for law enforcement personnel. The lab is expected to be operational in September 1991.

Giant log due at environmental show

One of the world's largest traveling logs, coming straight from the forest of the Pacific Northwest, will be featured in a program that will preview Earth Watch Week at Union County College.

The Ancient Forest Rescue Expedition, consisting of a troupe of musicians and speakers offering a multi-media show to promote awareness of the environment, will present its touring program from noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday. The group, hailing from Washington, uses a giant Douglas fir log measuring eight feet in length and estimated to be 700 years old, as its primary focus for discussion.

The college's celebration of Earth Watch Week will be recognized with a variety of activities April 16 through 22, culminating with an Earth Day celebration.

Pupil qualifies for state competition

David Feder, a fifth grader at Brookside School, has qualified to participate at the state level of the National Geography Bee.

The state bee will be held at Montclair State College.

David, son of Richard and Lynda Feder of 8 Pittsfield St., won the school competition and completed a written test to qualify for the state finals. He is in Linda Thorn's class.

National Geographic Magazine, Amtrak and Kudos Snack sponsor the geography bee for pupils in grades 4 to 8 across the country.

Seminar slated on child care start-up

Persons interested in starting child care operations in Union County are invited to a free seminar April 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Westfield YMCA. There will be a \$15 fee for materials and enrollment is limited.

The seminar is offered by Community Coordinated Child Care (4C) of Union County as part of its mission to improve the quality and quantity of local child care. A non-profit United Way member agency, 4C offers information and referral services to parents, a child care job bank, recruitment and training of child care providers and technical assistance to individuals who start child care operations. Call 272-6780.

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Roasters ^{lb.}
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Curly or Italian Parsley ^{bu.} 49¢
California Carrots In Bulk ^{lbs.} 3/4
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Celery ^{lb.}
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Imported from Chile 99¢
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Cougars spring to the track

By Joe Rafferty

The Cranford High School boys spring track team is well rounded and possesses nice depth. "The potential is there," said head coach John Quinn. "We have a hard-working group of kids. They are putting forth a solid effort. We will be very competitive this season."

The Cougars will be led by senior distance runner Doug Watson, who, unfortunately, is suffering from tendinitis in the knee. Chris Larsen, a senior, who finished third in the 1,600-meter in the Union County Championship during the indoor season, also will be a key performer for the Cougars.

Chris Sharo, a senior, will compete in the high jump, javelin, hurdle and relay events. Sharo took third in the high jump at the UCC during the indoor season and fifth in the javelin at the North Jersey, Section II, Group III championship last spring.

Mike Gachko will participate in the 400m and 800m events, and juniors Mike Burke and Brad Wagner will compete in the long jump. Senior Mark Schiffer and juniors Scott Laidlaw, Franco Montalto and Forrest Padock also will contribute to the team's success.

Jeff Kleinsorgen, Casey Drexler, Dave Dorsett, Anthony Muccia, George Ennesser, Domenic D'Antonio, Eric Shera will compete in the shot put, Jason Alavatore, Sean Waters and Keith Shea will throw the javelin. Billy Hull and Kleinsorgen will toss the discus. Mike Prodeline and Dave

Burg will handle the pole vault.

This spring's Cranford girls' squad is very young. Head coach Ray White has eight freshmen trying out for a spot on the roster.

The Lady Cougars will be led by distance runners Gail Kresko, a senior, and Maggie Morrow, a junior. Kresko and Morrow will compete anywhere from the 400 to the 3,200. Liz Walsh, a senior, also will run in the distance events. Carolyn Gardner, a junior, will participate in the 100, 200, high jump, hurdles and javelin. Gardner qualified for the Meet of Champions in the high jump event during the indoor season. Kristi White, a sophomore, will compete in the hurdles, javelin and high jump. Last season, White made it to the Group III championship.

Senior Jennifer Lusardi, juniors Marlene Toth and Megan Thee and freshmen Leah Hunt and Audra Diziki will run in the distance events. Freshmen Maria Vassallo, Elyse Cagan, Lauren Forlini will run the sprints and participate in some field events. Anne Degenhardt, a junior, will compete in the high jump and discus. Freshmen Jennifer Schultze and Jessica Anderson will add some depth.

"It's been a great turnout," said White, who is assisted by Tom Stagich and Jamie Morris. "When a team's so young, you like to try them out in different events. I think if we keep ourselves healthy we should be competitive."

Scotti belts double in Cougars' victory

The Kean College baseball team completed a 4-6 trip in Florida to raise its overall record to 7-7 this season.

One of the most satisfying wins during the venture had to be the Cougars' 16-7 win over Lowell University (Lowell, Mass.) on March 22 at Deland.

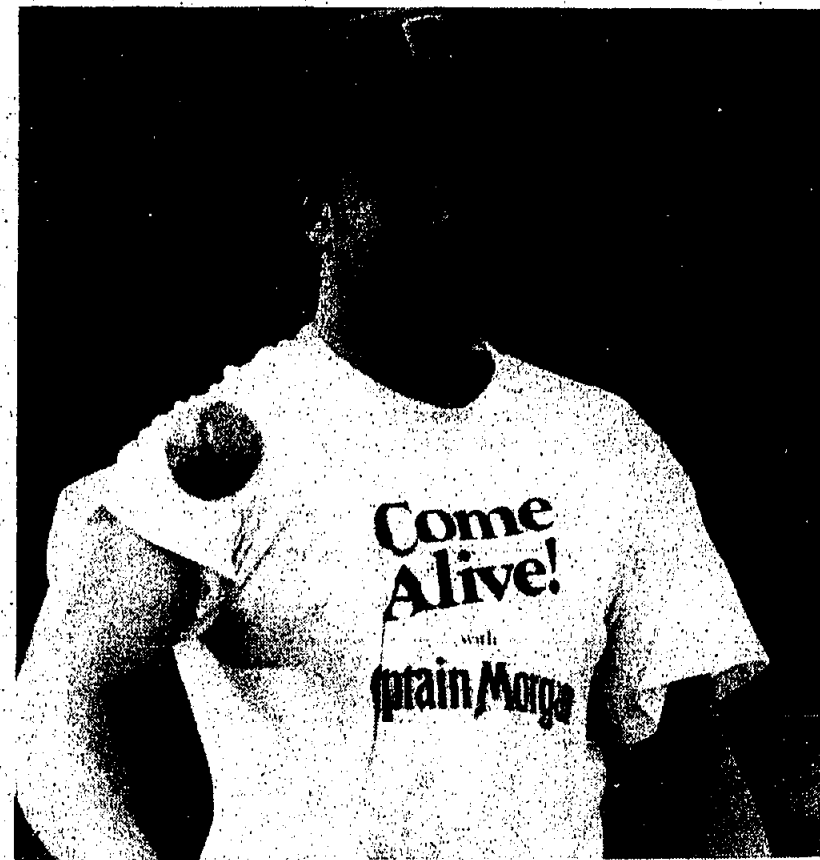
Kean pushed across seven runs in the top of the first inning. Bob Jim Wieworski of Linden and Jeff Scotti of Cranford smacked two-run doubles to trigger the outburst.

Cranford wins season opener

The Cranford High School volleyball team won its opening match of the spring season, sweeping Newark East Side 20-0 Monday afternoon in Cranford.

The Lady Cougars won the initial game 15-1 and clinched the season-opening match with a 15-9 effort in the second game.

Cranford travels to Summit this afternoon at 3:45 p.m. Tomorrow, the Lady Cougars will host Rahway at 3:45.



WASHOUT: Cranford's Carl Cetera tosses the ball during a recent baseball practice. The Cougars' season-opening game against Rahway was rained out Monday afternoon; Cranford will host Shabazz tomorrow at 3:45 p.m.

By Al Lies

"Like this Willie?" Joe Crocca, 7, second grader at Hillside School, looked up from the mat and asked Willie Carpenter, Cranford's newly crowned state wrestling champion, if the move he performed was okay.

Carpenter knows winning a state championship not only brings glory and accolades, but it also means responsibility.

Last week, the 112-pound state champ took the time to attend a recreation league wrestling practice for 7-11 year-olds. He answered the young wrestlers' questions and showed them some of the moves that earned him the state title.

The future Cranford wrestling stars were: John Donofrio, 8, second grader from Walnut Avenue School; Craig Frost, 9, third grader, also from Walnut; Billy Crocca, 10, third grader from Hillside Avenue School; Rick Hyra, 8, third grader from Walnut; Jason Elks, 11, fifth grader from Brookside Avenue School; Josh Evans, 10, fifth grader from Orange Avenue School; Pat Gorman, 11, sixth grader from Brookside; Roman Hyra, 10, fifth grader from Livingston Avenue School; Andy Newkirk, 11, sixth grader also from Livingston.

Ron Ferraro, Cranford's first-year wrestling coach, and his assistants Al Silber and Kirk Bur-

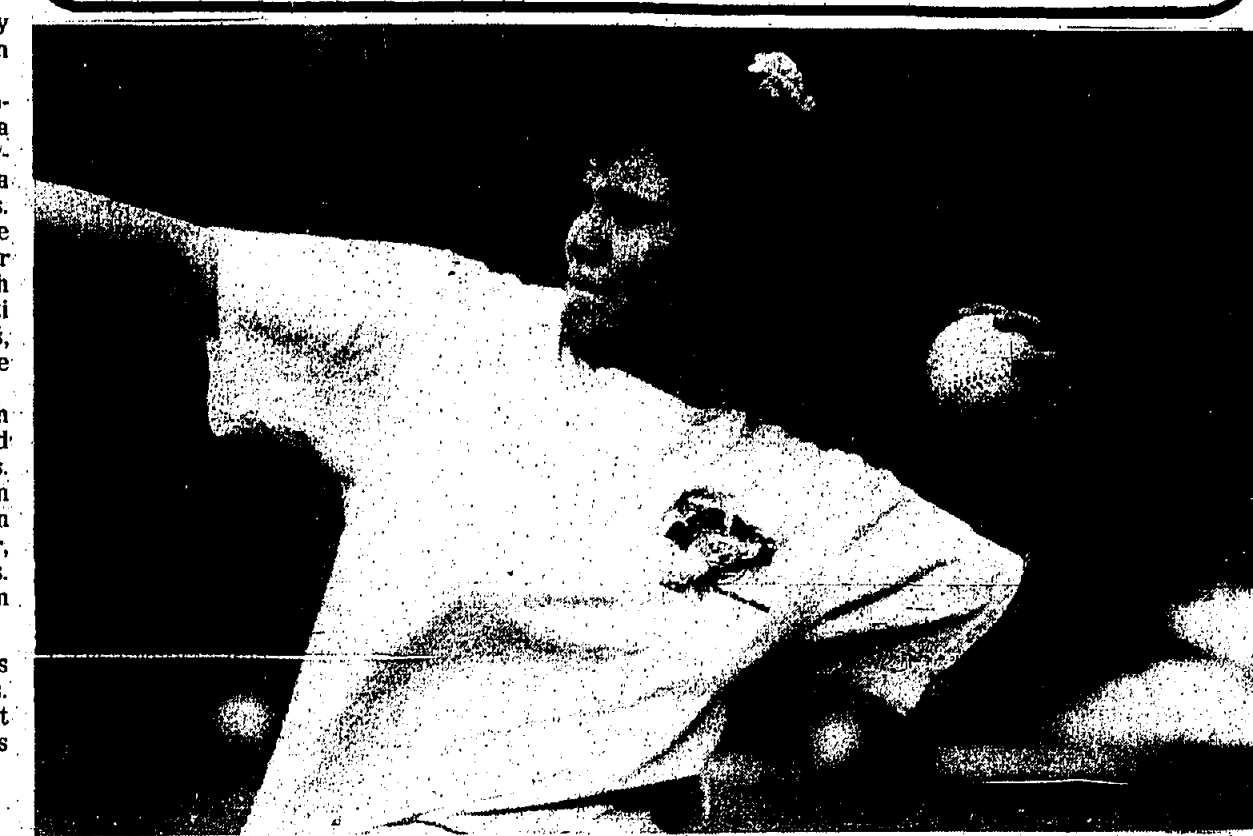
trum also were there to reinforce Carpenter's words and actions, instilling in the boys that it takes hard work and dedication to be a champion.

In the state final, Carpenter defeated Lyndhurst's Mike DeLuca, 7-2. Carpenter concluded the season with an 18-1 record, and DeLuca wound up 29-2-2. During the year, Carpenter's only loss occurred in the Region 3 title bout against Westfield's Chris Jordan.

Carpenter, Cranford's first state champion since 1961, exhibited the same quiet confidence noted at the championship meet, answering each boy's question. "I used to visualize being a state champion," said Carpenter. "It's a dream come true. I gained confidence after each match. Wrestling in front of 7,000 people didn't bother me at all. I now know how important my school work is, and it felt great to make the honor roll last semester."

Joe Crocca echoed the feelings of all the boys when he said, "Willie, we're proud of you. It's great to be on a team with a state champion."

SPORTS



TOP PITCHER: Jill Malkowski will be the No. 1 hurler in the Cranford rotation this season. The Lady Cougars softball squad was scheduled to begin the season Monday afternoon against Rahway but the contest was rained out. Cranford will play Shabazz tomorrow in Newark at 3:45 p.m.

Cranford will apply speed, pitching and unity

By Joe Rafferty

The Cranford High School softball team will rely on speed, pitching and team unity in its quest to equal or surpass last season's 14-7 effort.

"The Lady Cougars have seven returning players from last spring's ball club, including four solid starters."

"This is a very quick team," head coach Kitty White said. "Our pitching is a strength, too. But the key to this season is our ability to come together as a team. We seem to fit together."

Senior lefthander Jill Malkowski will carry the load on the mound. Malkowski is a three-year varsity hurler. Amy DellaSerra, a senior, will play first base, senior Mary Rehill will move from third base to shortstop and junior Laurie Colarusso, who played center field last season, will be behind the plate. All four players competed for White last spring.

The Lady Cougars also have three part-time members back. Allison Hogan, a senior, will patrol center field, junior Fran Litterio will play second base and junior Kerry Williams will man the outfield. Last season, Hogan

separated her shoulder and played in only a couple of games. White also is hoping for junior third baseman Kerrin Reilly, junior pitcher Nicole DeMarco and senior outfielder Chrissy Casciano to contribute to the team's success.

"The kids are working hard," White said. "They are very coachable. The girls are learning how to get the job done on the varsity level. I think the lack of varsity experience will hurt, but that will come as the season goes on."

"I believe we have to play a couple games to see where we

are. In our only scrimmaging against Riverdell, we held our own. We made some mistakes, but that's going to come with inexperience. I didn't feel it was a good test on where we were as a team."

The Lady Cougars finished with a 14-7 record last spring but were eliminated in the first round of the North Jersey, Section II, Group III playoffs and the Union County Tournament. "I hope to equal last season's record," White said. "I feel we're going to do better. I would like to do better in the county and state, and be a force in the Watchung Conference."

Karnaugh earns Goodwill slot

Ron Karnaugh, a member of the Cranford Jersey Gators swimming team, earned a position of the United States swim team which will attend the 1990 Goodwill Games in Seattle. "Washington, this summer."

Karnaugh won the slot based on his first-place finish in the 200-yard individual medley at the U.S. Nationals, which were held at Nashville, Tennessee. His winning

time of 1:46.00 is the second fastest time in the world this year, surpassed only by the world record-holder, Dave Whitton of the University of Southern California. In addition, Karnaugh's effort is a New Jersey State record, breaking the old record set, which was established by Kent Tschannen, by 5.85.

The U.S. swim team member is coached by Louis Petrozziello, who guides the Cranford Jersey Gators. The Gators finished 14th out of the 254 club, college and YMCA teams who had swimmers qualify from all over the U.S.

Hogan wins tennis title

Patty Hogan of Cranford and David Ohlmuller of Montclair teamed up to capture the National Platform Tennis Mixed Doubles Tournament March 4. Hogan and Ohlmuller defeated Gerri Viant of Nyack, N.Y., and Mike Gillespie of Greenwich, Ct. for the title.

Hogan was the No. 1 singles player for the Cranford High School girls tennis team. The Cranford native also played top singles for Rutgers University, where she graduated in 1982.

MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONS: David Ohlmuller, left, of Montclair and Patty Hogan of Cranford teamed up to win the 1990 National Mixed Doubles Platform Tennis Championship.

EFINGER'S

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

JILL MALKOWSKI

The lefthander will be the top hurler for the Cranford High School softball team this spring. The senior is a three-year varsity pitcher for head coach Kitty White. Last season the Lady Cougars finished with a 14-7 record.

EFINGER'S

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

ERIC STINER

Eric Stiner of Cranford is the top racer for the Tri-State Ski Team at Jiminy Peak, Mass. A sophomore at Oratory Prep, he plays left back on the JV soccer team and runs hurdles, the long jump and high jump for the varsity track team.

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Grade 3, 4 and 5

ST. JOHN'S 13, PRINCETON 12

In an exciting but low-scoring game, St. John's defeated Princeton, 13-12, in the first round of the Division I playoffs.

Lynsey Borge was the hero for St. John's with seven points. Abby Dreyer tossed in six. Regan Stempierewicz, Michele Ponton, Kaitlin Chaskey, Jill Reddum and Christine Cavicchioli played great defense.

Laurien Pout drained eight points for Princeton. Natalie Biello, Kelly Schrock, Bianca Jankovic and Karen Savaggio contributed solid defense.

ST. JOHN'S 26, ST. PETER'S 24

St. John's' outlasted St. Peter's, 26-24, in an outstanding offensive show by both teams.

Abby Dreyer triggered St. John's with 11 points. Michele Megan Weiss turned in 12 for St. Peter's.

Regan Stempierewicz, Jill Reddum, Lynsey Borge, Christine DiComo and Amy Pappas were key players for St. John's. Cavicchioli and Michele Ponton sparked the St. John's defense.

Jenny Sands, Tara Kobusz, Mary Ellen Gorman, Christine DiComo and Amy Pappas fueled the St. Peter's defensive effort.

The Cranford PAL 18-and-under squad advanced to the consolation round of the New Jersey State Basketball Tournament with a forfeit victory over North Bergen PAL.

In the consolation round, Cranford was brushed back by Red Bank PAL 65-50, Saturday at Natun High School. The score was knotted heading into the final quarter.

Adam Lightcap and Joe Cassidy led Cranford with 11 apiece. Kr Bender, Kevin Cassidy, Ken Majors, Greg Michaels, Chris Polit, Sean Slattery and Brad Wagner also played well for Cranford.

Cranford took home fourth place in the tournament.

Hillsdale Avenue PTA			Last week's high series were bowled by		
Rowlees	47.5	33.5	Buehler, 481; Riley, 461.		
Plumley	47	33	The Taco Belles won all three games.		
Hillsdale Angels	45.5	34.5			
Rascals	42	42			
Plumley	42	42			
Three at Last -	39	49			
Last week's high games were bowled by					
Dottie Metchenli	161	137	Mary Carvahlo,		
171	154;	Valerie Frangipane,			
160; Marie Lutz,	160; Marie Lutz,				
160; Cheryl Joad,	157; Barbara D.				
160; Lisa Joan Kormorner,	150				
Last week's high series were bowled by					
Evaresto, 446; Metchnik, 482; Carvahlo,					
155; Nancy Alexco, 429; Metchnik, 429;					
Bell, 424; Frangipane, 445; Lutz, 408;					
Rita Stiles, 402.					
Orange Avenue PTA			Brookside PTA		
Whoppers	48	34	Cultured Pines	39	29
Happy Means	47	34	Civil Circumies	38.5	29
Plumley	46.5	34	Art's Toyers	37.5	30
Nuggets	45.5	40.5	Rubies	35.5	32
Burpee Belles	46.5	40.5	Art's Toyers	35.5	32
Three at Last	30.5	25.5	Amethysts	35	32
Last week's high games were bowled by			Diamonds	27.5	40
Carol Riley, 171; Helen Baer, 171;			Topaz	24.5	40
Eleanor Linck, 169; Lillian Bucher,					
150; 154; Lauren Bombard, 162; Nancy					
Moffat, 157.					
Livingston-Walnut PTA			Brookside PTA		
Jeopardy	113.5	61.5	Jeopardy	113.5	61.5
Three at Best	107	77	Three at Best	107	77
Strike It Rich	105	76	Strike It Rich	104	71
3 F Troop	89.5	75	3 F Troop	89.5	75
Thy'sons of W. Child	87	75	Thy'sons of W. Child	87	75
Different Strokes	88	87	Different Strokes	88	87
Good Morning Aster	84	89	Good Morning Aster	84	89
Thy'sons of W. Child	81	84	Thy'sons of W. Child	81	84
Alley Oopps	79	96	Alley Oopps	79	96
Looney Tunes	78.5	95	Looney Tunes	78.5	95
Playhouse	64	102	Playhouse	64	102
Cheers	103	112	Cheers	103	112
Dealing Women	102	107	Dealing Women	102	107
Playhouse	97	107	Playhouse	97	107

Forwards Mike Tears and Scott McKay played a consistent game. Jon Hegna, Chris Flaminio, Jimmy D'Arcy and Richard Horn supplied great defense. Midfielders Kevin Peterson and Mike O'Donnell kept feeding the ball to the forwards. Mike D'Agostino and Pat Peere performed well overall.

AMERICANS 4, HILLSBOROUGH 4

The Stanford Americans scored the spring

Fireball defenders Caroline Kodak, Pat McInerney, A.J. Meeks, Jason Peddie, Aaron Scruinell, Peter Statton, Robert Weiss, Karl Gernert and Mike O'Donnell were involved in numerous attacks. Fireball forwards David Gatiano, Joe Jones and Jeff O'Donnell showed good ball control.

The Fireball offense couldn't penetrate to All Stars' defense, which was anchored

The Americans showed a lot of character in the second half. Greg Bazzani edged Crawford to win 3-2, but Hillsborough rattled minutes later. Mike Tees, Richard Horn, Scott McKay and Alex Reszatylo applied strong defensive pressure for the Americans. In the mid-field line of Anthony Dilorio, Mike Chelland and Kevin Parnquell kept the ball inside the Blazers' end.

Bazzani added two more goals in the second half to knot the score at 4-4, including the final tally which came just seconds from the

Division V
CRUSHERS 3, METUCHEN-EDISON 0
 The Cranford Crushers knocked off Metuchen-Edison, the first loss and forcing a three-way tie for first place.

The first half was scoreless as Nick Feketo made several good saves in goal. But Doug Spear, Kevin O'Donnell and Brian Reppert pulled outstanding defenses.

Bowling

Garwood Women's Recreation			Ellen Boyle, 156; Evelyn Lawler, 175	
Jo Nik Carp	119	77	Anne Kaiser, 150	
Ed Seakots	117.5	78.5		
Joanne Latta	117	79	Garwood Young Americans	
Howen Laks	105	95	Garwood Fire	53
Laura Grls	100	98	Bilkehus Bros.	52
Joanne Latta	100	98	Maryann & Sons	47
Joanne Latta	100	98	Garwood Auto	44
Ditrick	75.5	120.5	K of C	43
The New Girls	58	138	Protec Plastics	37
Garwood McComb rolled last week's high series of 205, with figures of 221, 187, 205.			V.F.W.	36
Other high series were: Ed Seakots, 117.5; J. Nicucci, 513 (203, 525); Ransom Barby, 507 (190, 313); Lois Cole, 497 (174, 316, 317); Earlwood, 497 (189, 308); Joanne Morris, 483 (188, 295); Joanne Howen, 458 (185, 273); Paul Grevier, 454 (185, 269); Diane Guerin, 451 (160).				36
Other girls' high series were bowled by Angeline Simon, 198; Carol Riley, 170; Margaret Benkovich, 168; Margi Cassale, 167; Patty Wall, 160, 151; Lisa Frazier, 157.			Last week's high series were bowled by:	
			Michael Palmintor, 170; Jennifer Evans, 168; Gregory Rybeck, 165; Larry Seidenberg, 157; Kenneth Batic, 120; Glen Howen, 119; Joanne Latta, 100; Joanne Morris, 98; Michele Ventura, 117.	
			Last week's high series were bowled by:	
			Paul Grevier, 454; Trent Panikwick, 433; Rybeck, 430; Holtrap, 431; Panikwick, 427; Rybeck, 420; Pershing, 299.	

Centennial

CENTENNIAL 5, H. PARK 3

Passing and great ball control was the key for the Centennials in Sunday's 5:3 win over the Highland Park Spiders.

Center forward Eric Ferreira opened up the

anchored the defense. Terry Donovan did good job in his first appearance in goal.

Hitting clinic at RC

slated for April 13

Jeff Ryan's All-Star Baseball

In the second half, which saw the Spiders net three goals, Centennial goals made several nice saves.

Middleweights Pietro, Somma, Ed Bombaci, David Feder, Chris Brady, Heck and Tom LoQuidice controlled the action and brought

The price of the clinic, which is ages 8-17 is \$25. Enrollment is limited. For further information call 245-2271, 245-2345 or 789-3133.

CBL will shed a little light

A major construction project is being undertaken by the Cranford

According to CBL president Kurt Petschow, "the lighting will increase the safety for the children during games played at twilight. In addition, the lighting will increase field usage, which is necessary due to an increase in the number of teams and limitations on the number of fields available."

The installation is being performed by local contractors and CBL volunteers with assistance from Public Service Electric and Gas Company. The project costs are being paid from the league treasury, which comes from money sponsored by local businesses. If you have any other information about this project, you may be writing to the CBL, P.O. Box 35, Cranford, N.J. 07016.

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Cliff's Allion	106	Tom Smith, 207; Matt H	
Reynolds Plumbing	106	Gable, 212; Tony Lopez, 206; Pat L	
Sentry Electric	105	Alvia, 201; 217; Tom Rutella, 228; 2	
Cliff's Allion	105	Rich Sora, 207; Matt Mathews, 2	
Cliff's Allion	104	Jim Candler, 201; 202; Jerry Penn	
Reel Strong Fuel	103	John McKeane, 200; Matt Harwa	
Cliff's Allion	102	231; Jim Chelland, 212; Cliff Mart	
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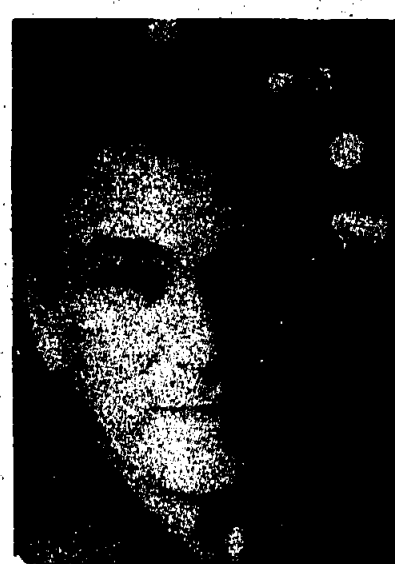
Leonard Barmak, 60, chairman of Bio-Sales Inc., a medical supply company in Cranford, died last Thursday in his home.

Mr. Barmak had been chairman of Bio-Sales Inc. for the past nine years. He also published a newsletter for stroke victims. Earlier he was president of Crane, Barmak and Co., an advertising firm, for 15 years.

Mr. Barmak, a 1951 graduate of Columbia University, received a master's degree in 1956 from Babson Institute in Massachusetts. He served in the Army during the Korean Conflict.

Born in Chelsea, Mass., he had lived in Cranford for 28 years. Mr. Barmak was instrumental in organizing the Cranford Coffee House, a nightclub geared for youth during the 1970s. He was a member of Temple Beth-El, Roselle Golf Club and Cranford Dramatic Club.

Surviving are his wife, the former Phyllis Aaronson; two sons, David of Franklin Park and Michael of Cranford; and a sister, Ruth Epstein of St. Louis, Mo.



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Services were held Sunday in Memorial Chapel, Union. Memorial contributions may be made to Cranford First Aid Squad or the National Aphasia Association, Dept. P, P.O. Box 1887, Murray Hill Station, N.Y. 10157-0811.

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Former Cranford resident Steven Peters, 29, died March 28 in St. Luke's Hospital, New York City, after a short illness.

Mr. Peters had been a sales manager with Kathryn Dianos Inc., New York City, for three years. A graduate of Cranford High School, he earned his bachelor's degree in marketing from Seton Hall University in 1983.

Born in Kearny, he lived in Cranford before moving to New York City five years ago.

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Proposals Several candidates made proposals. Pavlak said the board should schedule a third meeting during the month when it does not discuss educational items at the two regularly scheduled meetings. The extra meeting would be conducted solely with educational issues.

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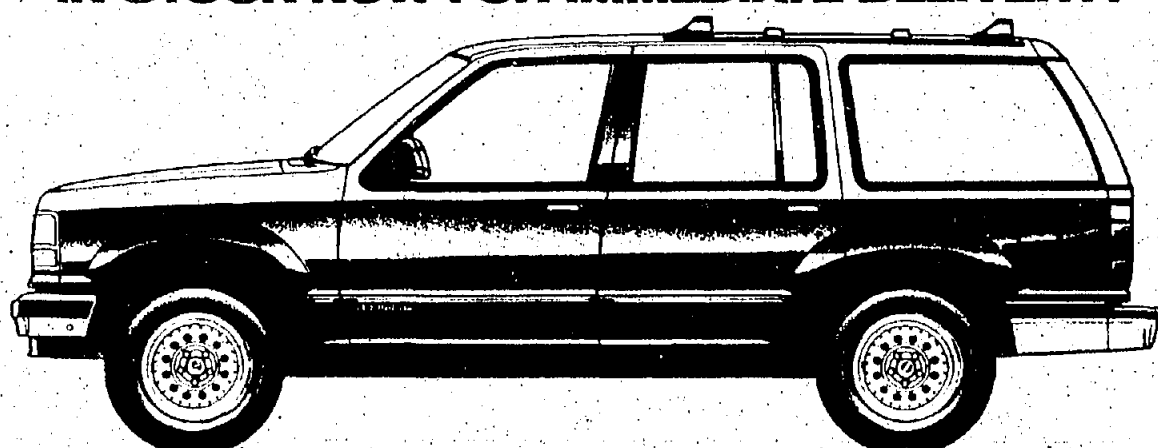
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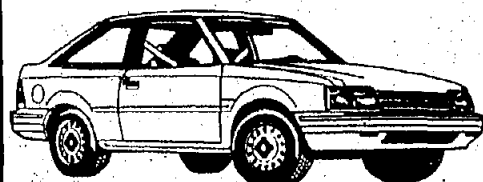
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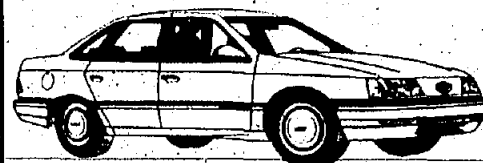
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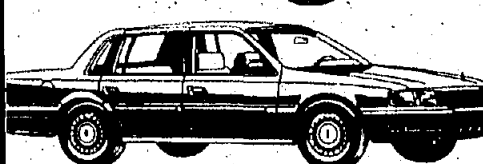
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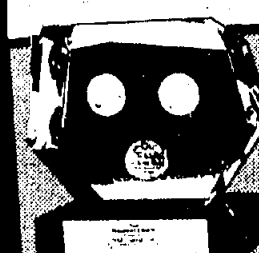
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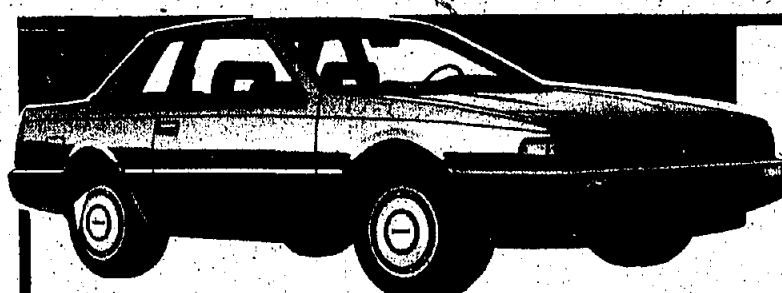
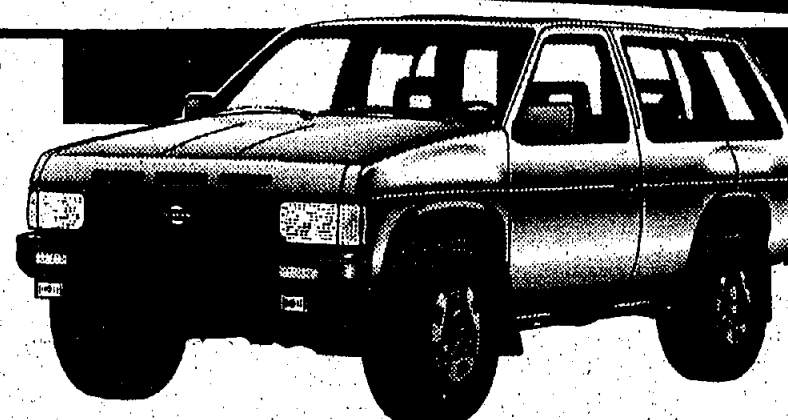
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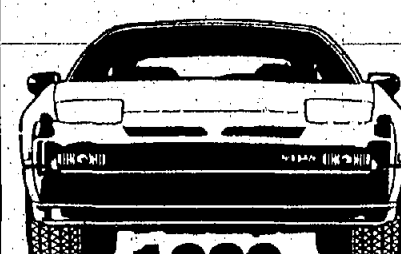
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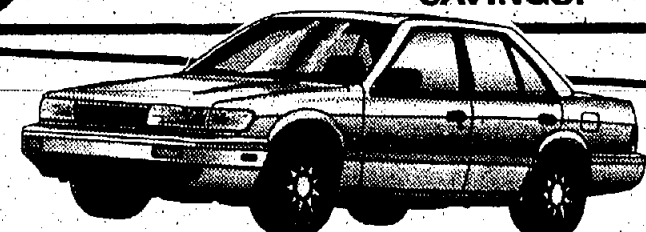
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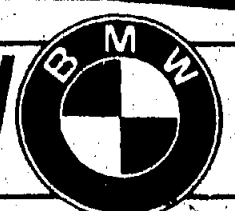
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Expert reveals secret of starting from scratch

By BARRY R. YINGER
Special to Forbes Newspapers

Owners of new houses naturally feel the urge to make their surroundings greener. Often they must do it under very difficult conditions. Very few new houses have any topsoil left nearby. More often a heavily compacted base of subsoil is covered with more slightly less compacted clay. A thin skin of sod or mulch might disguise what lurks beneath, but the secret will be out the first time a shovel meets the earth. The fortunate will only have terrible soil. The unfortunate will

find relics of the building process: chunks of wood, plaster board, concrete, and plastic pipe.

Most plants don't enjoy growing in this stuff any more than the homeowner enjoys digging in it. Fortunately, some plants are more forgiving than others. Careful selection of the toughest will get the home landscape off to a fast start. If you start with the survivors you can approach more tricky plants with patience later.

Almost all new houses need some evergreen screening. The native white pine *Pinus strobus* is tough and readily available, but it has one serious fault: after a few years it sheds its lower

branches. You can still plant white pines, but if you plan to be in the house for a while, plant some other evergreens in front of the pines.

One of the best choices is the much-scorched red cedar, *Juniperus virginiana* which is really a juniper. It will grow happily in the worst soil and offer few problems. There are improved forms such as 'Canaertii', but any type will do. Also consider the Serbian spruce, *Picea omorika*, with its graceful skirt of branches.

Do not plant any varieties of the Rocky Mountain juniper, *Juniperus scopulorum*. Like many

Westerners, it hates the East, and will cause nothing but heartbreak. Above all, do not plant the Austrian pine, *Pinus nigra*. It is ruined by a disease called diplodia which causes branches to turn brown as the whole tree suffers a slow, miserable death.

Whatever you choose, use staggered rows and informal masses of trees rather than marching them down the property line. A natural effect is much more pleasant.

You will also want to plant some large trees for shade. Be sure you site them properly — away from sidewalks, driveways and the north side of the house. Instead, use them on the south and west sides of the house to block the summer sun and lower cooling bills. In winter they will drop their leaves and let the sun shine through.

There are several disease-resistant trees that grow well in poor soil. One is our native sycamore, *Plantanus occidentalis*.

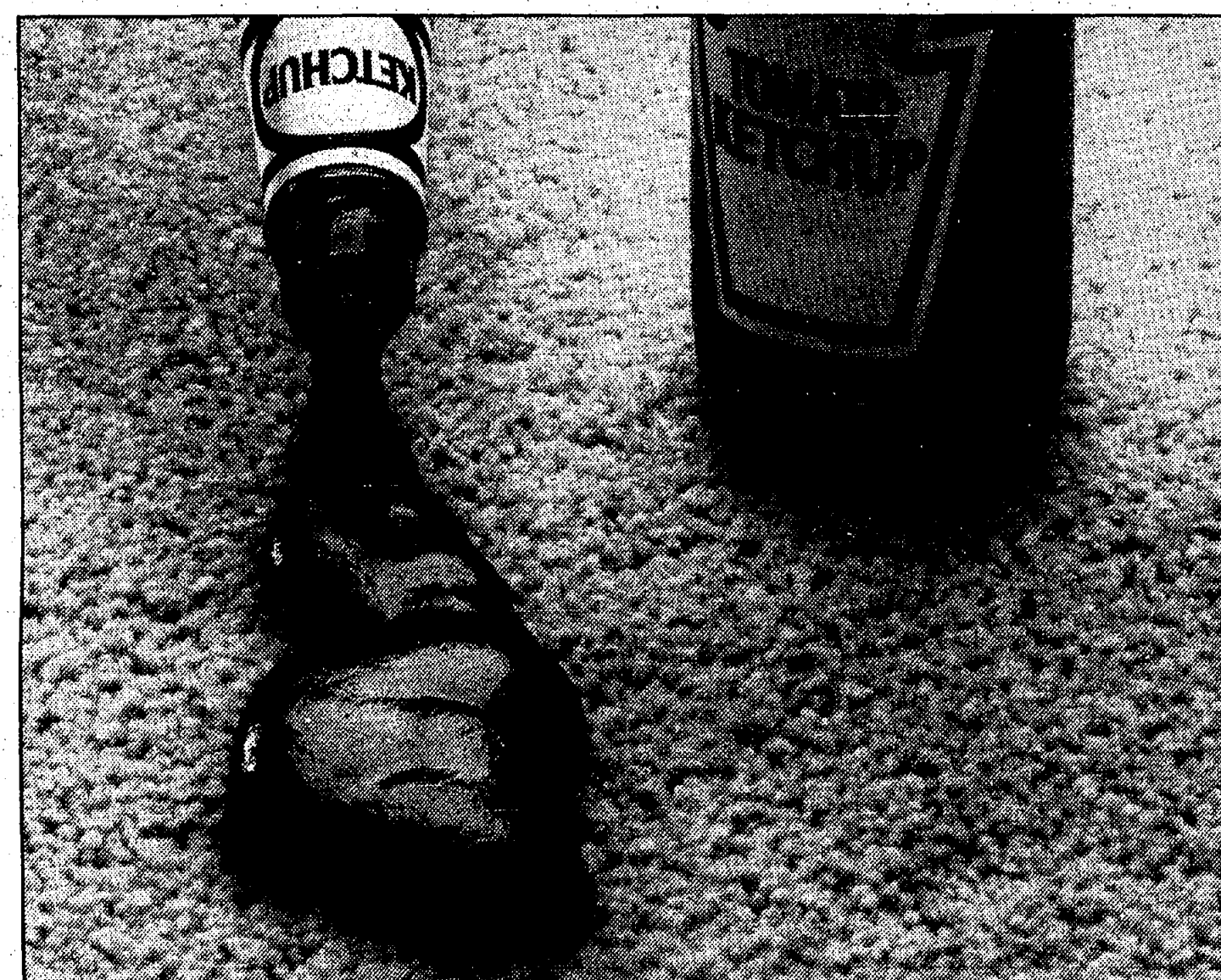
However, its large leaves make it a fairly dirty tree, and it becomes very big after a while. Plant it well away from the house.

A better choice is our native black gum, *Nyssa sylvatica*. It has no pests, and offers brilliant fall color. Buy it in a container; trees dug from the field often don't re-establish well. Also consider the maidenhair tree, *Ginkgo biloba*. This ancient Chinese tree is often called a living fossil. Be sure to

get a certified male tree, as the female trees produce heavy crops of soft fruit that smell like the product of the south end of a north-bound dog.

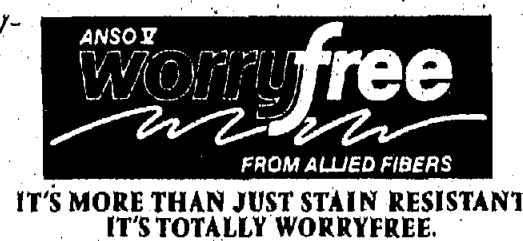
Small flowering trees can be used effectively near the house to soften strong vertical lines and in front of bigger trees. An evergreen background often shows off the flowers well. If you want dogwoods, choose the Chinese dogwood, *Cornus kousa*, which blooms later than our native dogwood, *Cornus florida*. The native type is not tolerant of poor soil and exposure, and it is highly susceptible to a disease called anthracnose which has already killed many local trees.

Also consider magnolias, which do very well in heavy soil and give a good floral display. They have few pests. The star magnolia, *Magnolia stellata*, is a good choice.



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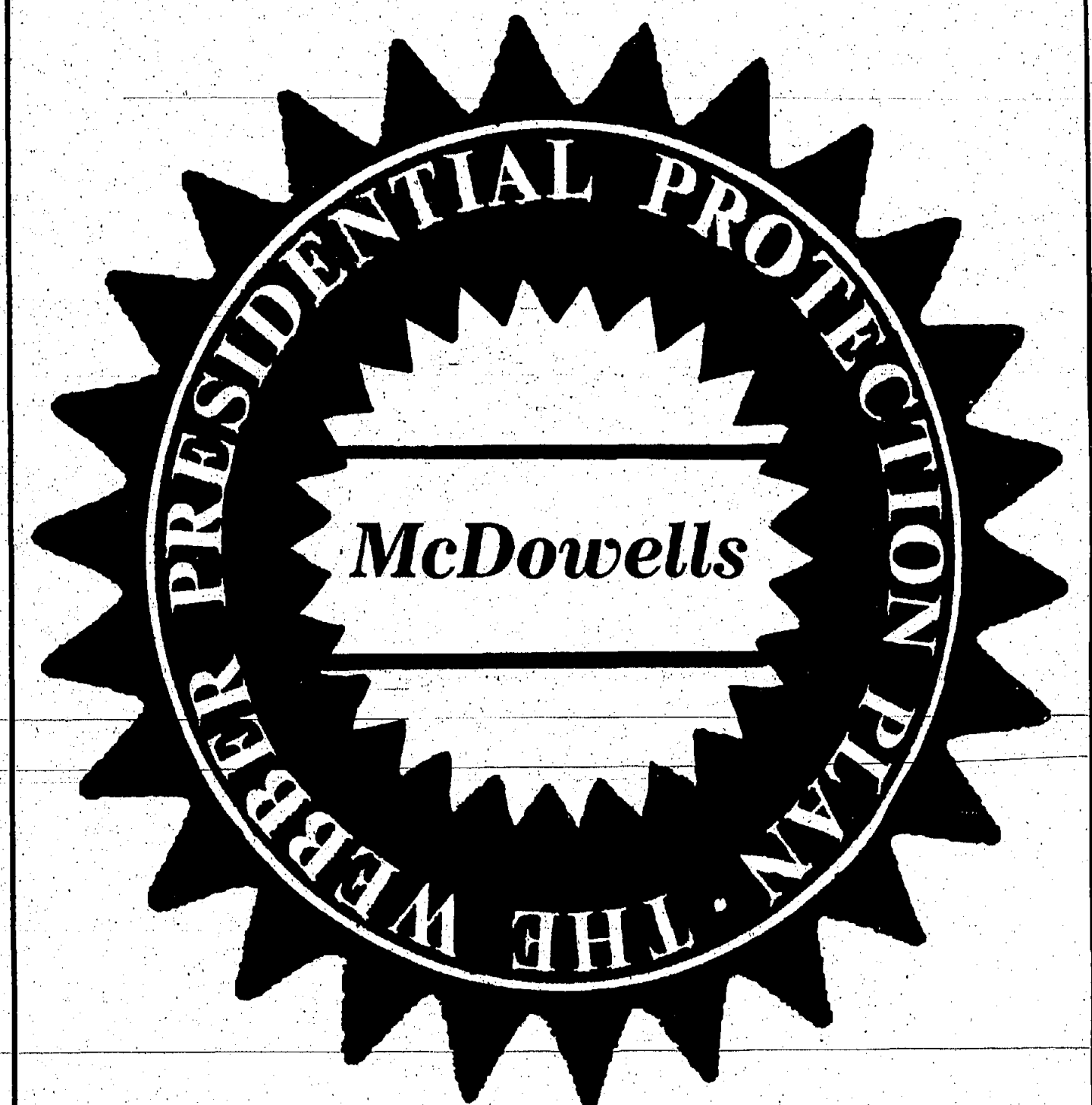
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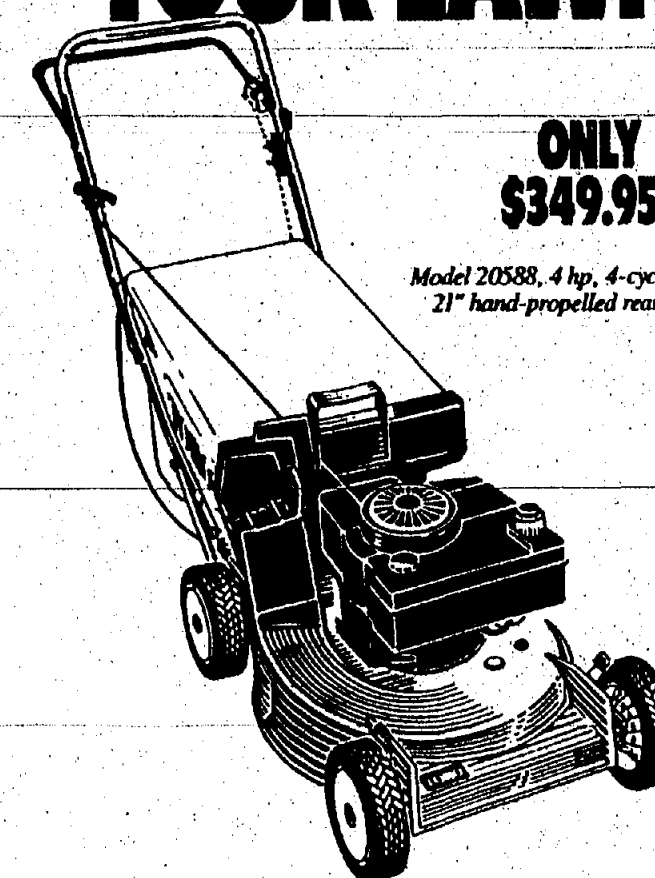
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Springtime: trees are blossoming, flowers blooming, and the lawn growing. This spring take the time to turn your mowed lawn into a manicured lawn with new lawn mower technologies and easy-to-handle accessories.

According to Tom Hinkle, manager of T&J Lawn Mower & Garden Service in Cranford, the

1990 lawn mowers have larger horsepower engines equipped with overhead valves. "This provides more power and an extended life plus they are easier to start," explains Hinkle, whose

shop carries a complete line of quality power equipment by Shindaiwa, Scag, Echo, Mighty Mac, and Toro.

The new models are made from lightweight aluminum and steel and include many comfort features such as handle contoured controls, self propelled rear wheel drive system, feather clutching for smooth starts, and variable speed control.

Advanced technology has created the recycling lawn mower: a machine equipped with deflectors

the direct clippings to the center of the mower, where they are recut by blades that produce high air movement and forces the small grass particles in to the grass. According to Hinkle, it takes mulching one step further.

When contemplating buying a new machine, Hinkle advises the homeowners consult only authorized dealers and not one-stop shopping stores. "A reputable dealer will instruct the buyer regarding the operating of the machine, maintenance and safety aspects," said Hinkle. Most operating problems occur because the machine was not used correctly or maintained correctly because the consumer is unaware of the needs of the machine, said Hinkle.

"It's also important to talk to someone who knows the field so the consumer can buy the correct machine for their needs," said Hinkle. Consumers need to keep in mind the size of the property, whether they want a electric or pull start machine and if they need a bagger.

To manure your lawn, T&J lawn Mower and Garden Service also carries a full line of accessories including compact lightweight blowers, easy-to-use

adjustable depth control edgers and powerful lawn vacuums.

Hinkle also reminds owners that routine maintenance checks will extend the life of the machine. "The normal small engine machine should have the oil changed and the air cleaner serviced after every 25 hours of use. Those are the two most important cleaning tasks. Also, the spark plug should be changed every 100 hours of use," he said.

Annual maintenance should include sharpening the blades and tightening the head bolts.

According to Hinkle, lawn mowers should be stored out of the weather and stored in a heated area. At the end of the season, all gasoline should be burned through the carburetor, to prevent a gummy deposit that would hinder the machine's operation the following year.

In addition to sales, T&J Lawn Mower and Garden Center also services all makes of machines and provides annual maintenance packages. Located at 332 North Ave. E., the store is open Monday to Saturday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., during April and May.

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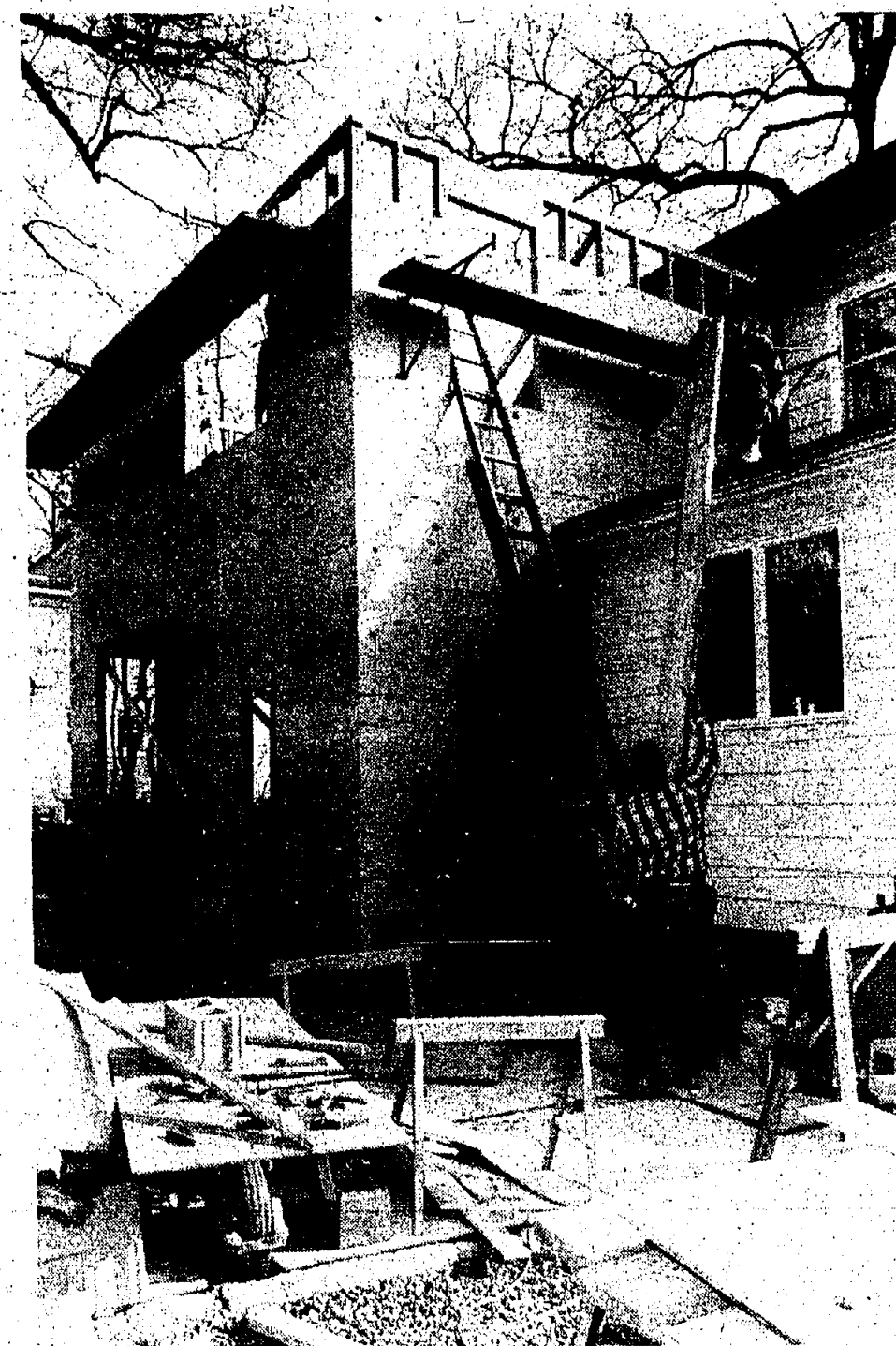
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Process of addition

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Additions seem to be as popular now as selling and moving to larger quarters for many families. This Cranford project finds Chuck and Charlie Specht and Walt Leddy hard at work on Lennox Avenue recently.

Green-thumbed expert lists greenhorn lawn keepers' tips

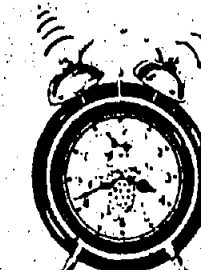
Lawns are an integral part of a home. They have aesthetic appeal, control erosion and often provide a playing surface for family recreation. Dr. James Watson, agronomist for The Toro Company, provides a primer of tips and techniques for establishing and maintaining a lawn. Dr. Watson is one of the nation's leading authorities on lawn and garden care, water conservation

and turf grasses. He was the first person in the United States to earn a Ph.D. in turf grass science. 1) Before mowing, remove the lawn debris, dog bones, twigs, leaves, toys, and other debris which may be harmful if thrown from the lawn mower. 2) To permit light and heat to speed grass growth, remove excess dormant vegetation with a mower. Set the mower a notch

lower than normal cutting height. 3) Mowing is a weekly task. You should figure about 30 minutes for each 5,000 square feet with a 21-inch mower. If the lawn will not be used for recreational activity, then the grass may be permitted to grow to a higher height. You also can select a grass that has low fertility requirements or that grows more slowly.

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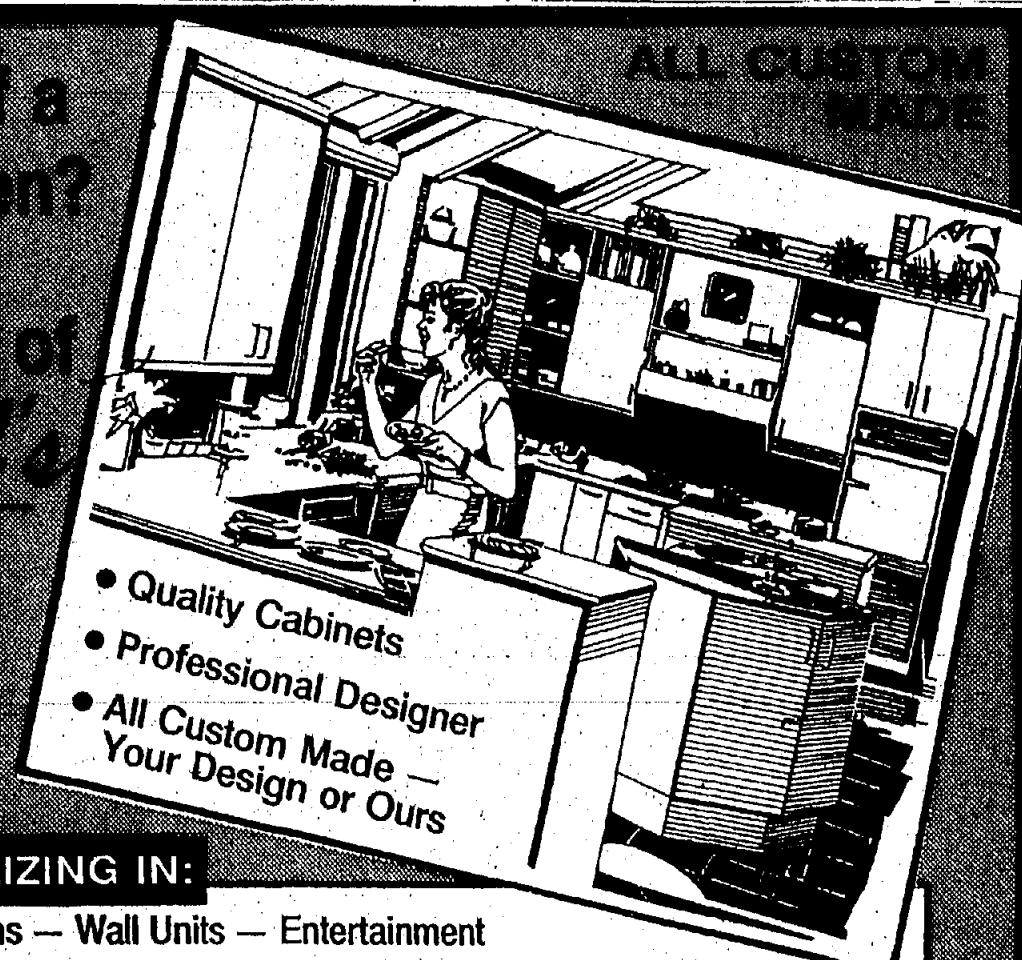
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On the lighter side

Can there really ever be a no-fault, ever-green lawn?

By RICK REISS
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My gladiolas are glorious, my roses radiate and my dahlias demonstrate what a little love and affection can do for a flower. My hyacinth is happy, my tulips are terrific and my garden blossoms just like it's supposed to. But my lawn, my green patch of neighborly comparison, looks confused. Looks more like a Jackson Pollack painting than an English garden — more like a conglomeration of colors than a sea of green.

Spring has arrived. The April showers that bring May flowers are dousing my lawn and spreading my weeds. The grass is losing and my thoughts turn to dreams of weedless rock gardens.

It's Saturday morning and I've decided to bring in a lawn expert. I've called Lawn Replacement Systems (whatever that is) and asked them to perform one of their free analyses.

At 8 a.m. he arrives. He introduces himself as Bud Clover, president of Lawn Replacement Systems. In his hand he holds a clump of dirt with some green stuff sticking out of it. I see the hole in my lawn and identify the clump's origin.

"Mr. Reiss?"

"Yes," I say.

"How do you want it?"

"Excuse me," I ask.

"Well, do you want the good news or the bad news first," he says.

"Why don't we start with the good news," I answer. "The good news is that I think we can save your lawn. It's a difficult case but I'm willing to take it on as a special project."

"That's very kind of you," I say. Why don't you tell me the bad news now."

"The bad news is your lawn is dying. It's very sick and I'm not sure it will survive through autumn. Mr. Reiss, while difficult, your lawn is not unique. I've met many home-owners with the same problem. They, like you, have older sick lawns. Believe me, it's nothing to be ashamed of. Our certified Lawn Replacement System is guaranteed to create a natural

look for your lawn. And best of all, it requires no maintenance. Our blade by blade replacement system will last forever. You'll never have to water, weed or cut it, and no one but you will ever know it's not real grass. I say let's cover this mess with a lawn replacement system. You won't regret it."

With that said, Mr. Clover clapped his hands together. Yet, there is not a clap but rather a thud, as clumps of dirt and green stuff fly through the air.

"Dirt, Mr. Reiss. That's all it is. Ugly, messy, insect and weed infected dirt. Normal grass can't hide it, but ours can. One last thing Mr. Reiss, I'm not just the president of Lawn Replacement Systems, but I'm its biggest customer. My 12 acre estate has been lovingly tended to with Lawn Replacement care."

"I just don't know," I said. "It sounds awfully expensive, what are we talking about here?"

"Very good question. Of course you realize this is a blade by blade replacement."

"Sure. Sure," I said, as Mr. Clover pulled out his calculator.

"As I see it, you've got 1,500 square feet of front lawn. We are talking about the front lawn only, correct?"

"Correct," I said.

He went on. "One thousand five hundred feet translates to 216,000 square inches. Each square inch will hold 49 replacement blades. Forty-nine times 216,000 comes to 10,584,000. At 2.25 cents per blade that comes to \$238,140 not including tax."

"That's more than my house is worth!" I screamed. "Yes, it is," replied Mr. Clover. "But long after your home is gone, you'll still have a beautiful replacement lawn."

"That's very reassuring," I say, "but I'm afraid I'll have to decline."

"Did I mention our easy payment plan?" he said.

"No, you didn't but it doesn't matter because I've decided not to give in. I'll seed and weed one more time, and then I'll probably do it again. I'll look out my window every spring and I'll cringe at the work ahead of me. I'll have dirt, my weeds, my insects; I'll be one hard working buckaroo. And the lawn may survive, or maybe it won't. But any way you shake it, it will definitely be real. Real for the insects and real for the weeds. And really, isn't that all that matters?"



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Gardening in days gone by

How 40s Victory gardens defeated a few patriots

By JESSIE HAVENS
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"Food is ammunition. Grow it."

Exhorted by this home front slogan, Americans planted Victory gardens during World War II, doing their bit to help the war effort along by marshalling tidy rows of beans and tomato plants.

All those radishes and rutabagas might not be anything to

hurl at the Axis, but they might at least compensate for the fact boys who used to work on the farm had gone off to fight in Europe and the Pacific, or were holding down

essential jobs on factory assembly lines. There was a serious manpower shortage down on the farm, especially for labor intensive

truck produce. In addition to that, food which used to find its way onto grocery shelves was being shipped to the armed forces.

"It's up to us now to get out and dig!" people were told and many fell to with a will, turning over patches of their back lawns or commandeering unused ground in an empty lot next door. Those who had no place to plant were offered allotments in community gardens or were encouraged to make arrangements to use a piece of ground belonging to someone who was not going to cultivate it himself. The ultimate inducement to make this extra effort was word that Victory gardeners might qualify for up to 300 gallons of gas if they had to travel to distant plots.

In Somerville, the garden department of the Civic League responded wholeheartedly to the appeal for Victory gardens. Miss Ida Fleming was named chairman of a committee to assist people. Co-chairs were Mrs. Fred

Thompson and Mrs. George M. Clarvoe. The ladies acted as a clearing house to match up names of those who wanted a plot to plant with those willing to allow their ground to be used. A coupon to fill out and mail appeared weekly in the newspaper.

Help for Victory gardeners came in a much bigger way from the N.J. Agricultural Experiment Station at Rutgers. Prof. Frank G. Helyar and his staff rushed into print 70,000 copies of a manual giving clear, concise instructions for getting the maximum yield from a 25 by 25 foot plot, or a bigger one 60 by 100. It contained planting tables, listed recommended varieties and amount of seed needed per 100 feet of row, told what depth to sow, how wide to space, and the amount of yield to expect. The pamphlet was available free from County Agricultural Agent Robert W. Gardner at his office, 36 Bridge St., Somerville, from the Civic League committee, or any local Civil Defense headquarters.

Expert advice from the N.J. College of Agriculture was also made available through a weekly column by Dr. Charles Connors appearing in all the newspapers. In simple English and considerable detail he led his readers step by step through planning, fertilizing, spading up, planting, setting out seedlings, pruning and staking, mulching and fending off pesky bugs and worms.

N.J. Fish and Game people put out a special bulletin on dealing with the Victory gardeners' enemy number one, rabbits. As a first line of defense they advocated

chicken wire, two-feet high. The ultimate defense was a permit to kill the varmints. A lot of other possible solutions were advised before resorting to that: dusting plants liberally with powdered lime while they were damp or with sulphur, topped the list. Red pepper was also suggested. Various solutions could be sprayed on to make the green stuff unpalatable; Lysol, epsom salts, Black Leaf or brown laundry soap in the right proportions were all said to be effective. And a sprinkling of naphthalene flakes between the rows was also worth a try.

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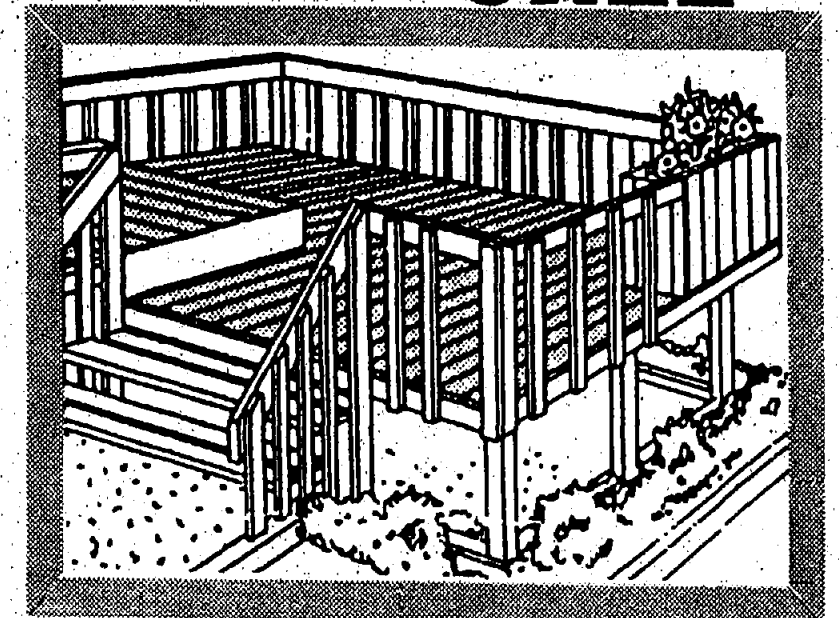
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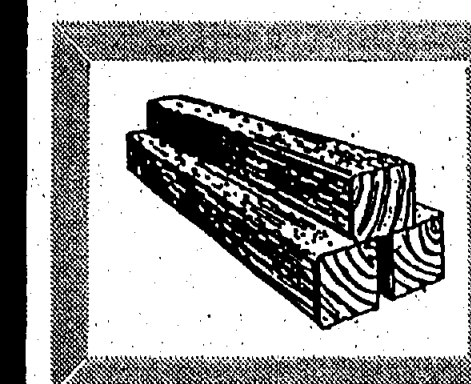
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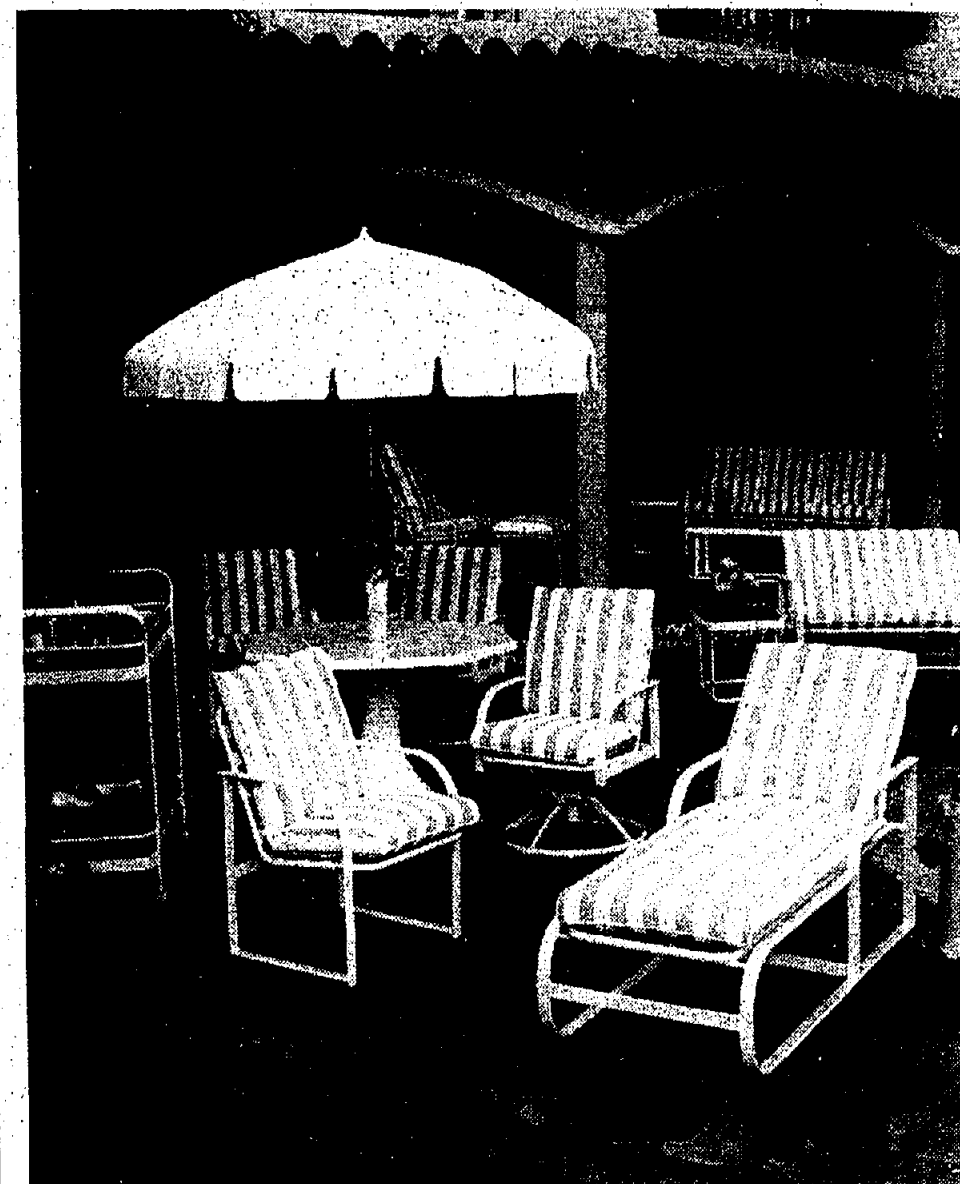
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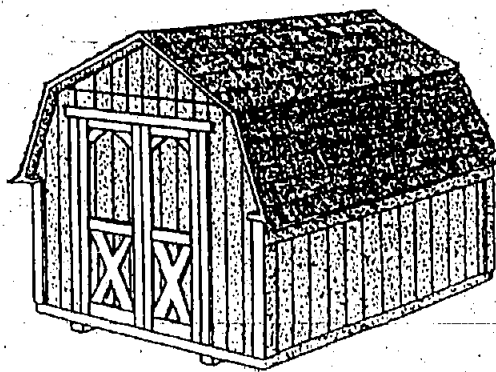
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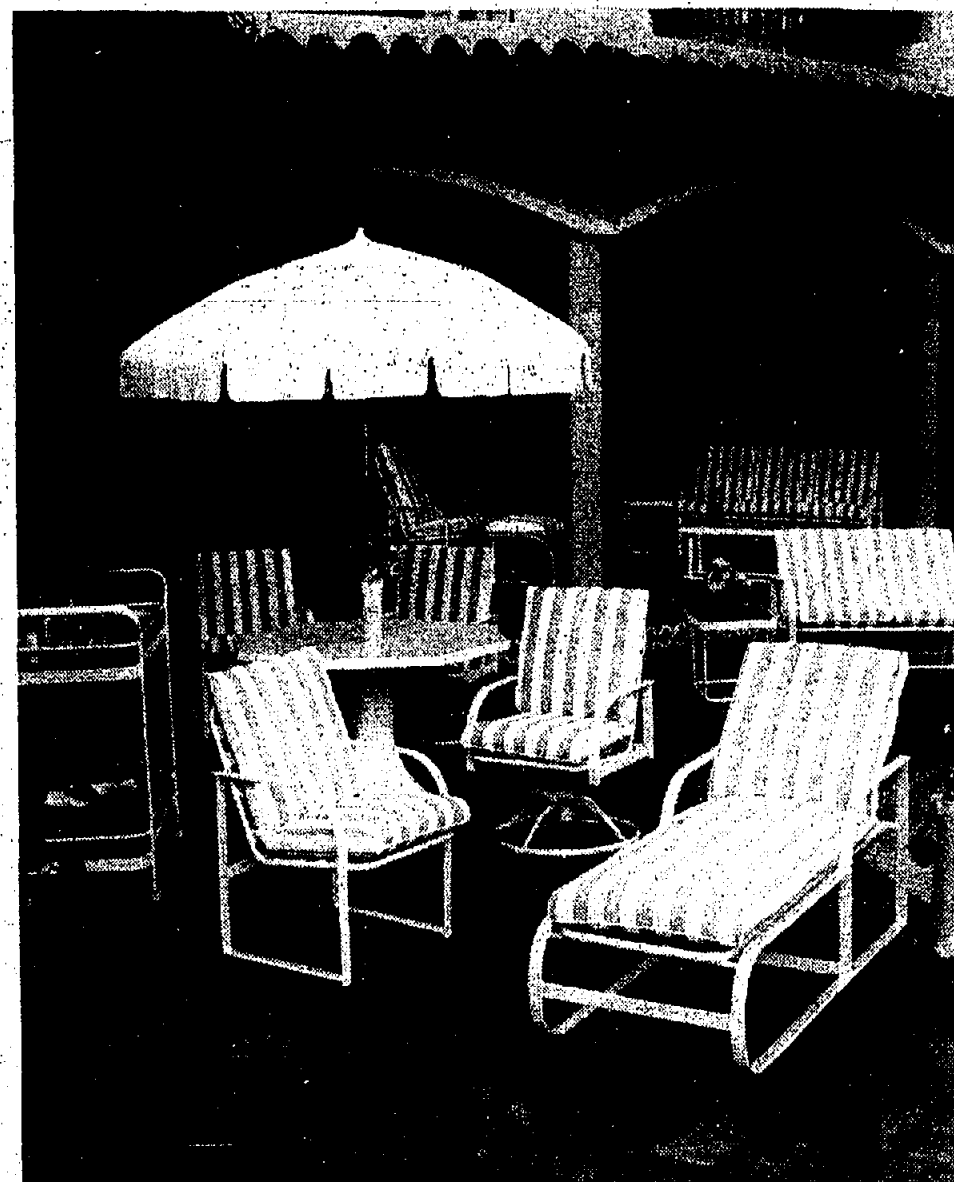
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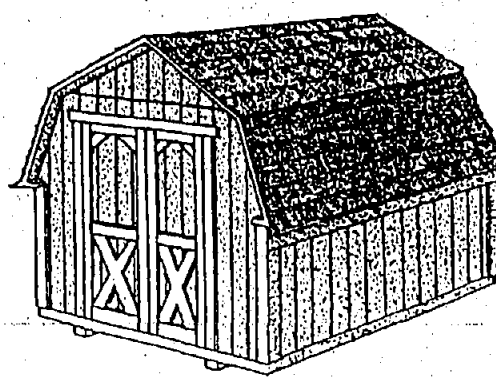
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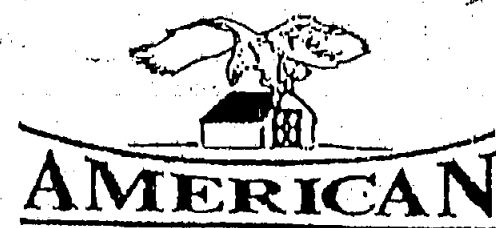
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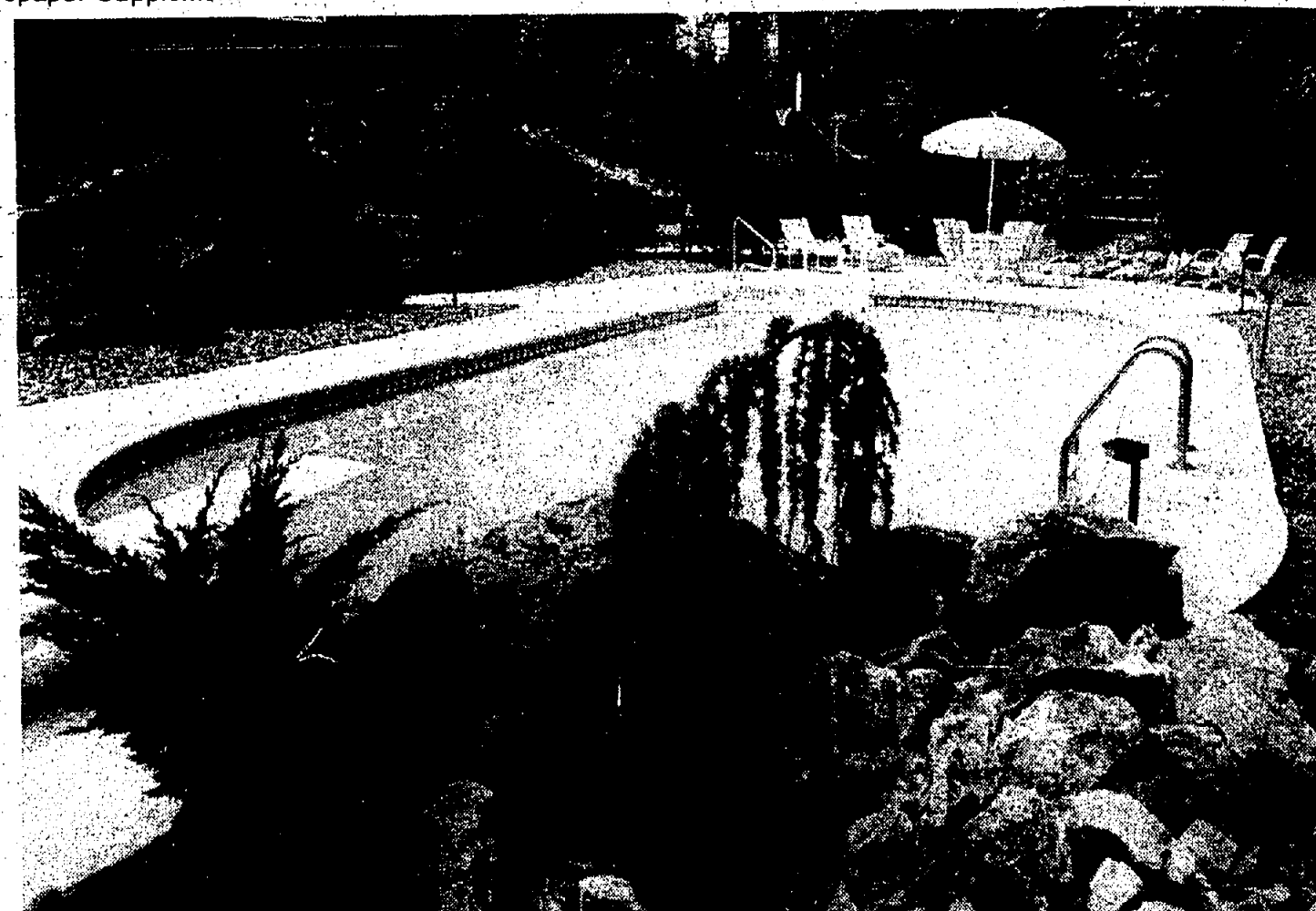
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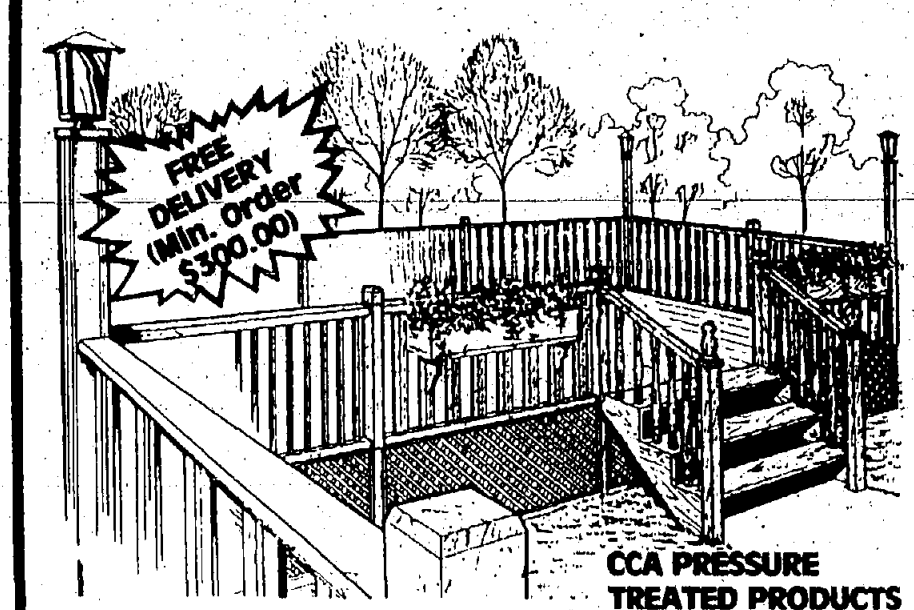


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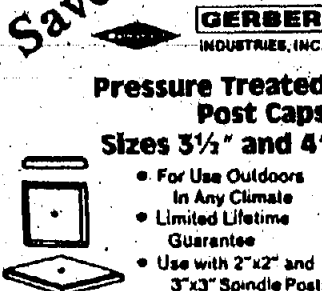
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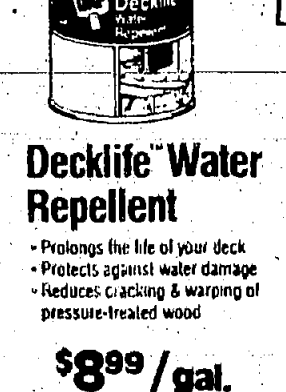
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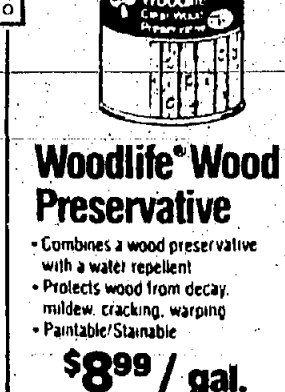


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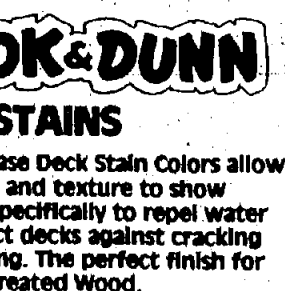


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Lap style pools are 'in'

Swimming pools offer a refreshing haven on a sizzling summer day. Having one in the back yard is no longer as rare as it once was, so it's no longer necessary to take a long drive for a swim. Years ago only the wealthy and celebrities had pools, but nowadays they are cropping up in more and more yards.

People are finding them ideal for swimming laps, maintaining health, recreation and enjoyment, according to Bob Kiemer of Sun Fun Pools in Green Brook.

Diving boards, however, are losing out in popularity for in-ground pools. "They're getting away from diving pools," he says, and switching to shallower six-foot deep pools. There are several reasons for this, he notes.

One advantage is that more pool area is utilized. With a diving board in place people tend to accommodate the divers so "are always hugging the shallow end and you lose two-thirds of the pool," he claims.

"You can dive safer without a board," from the concrete walkway, he points out, without disrupting children and adults who may want to play pool games.

Gaining in popularity are pools four feet deep, called "lap pools." These are favored by those who like to swim laps and play volleyball or other pool games.

As for the shape of pools, most people are selecting ovals, says Kiemer, probably because there are no corners to collect dirt and are much easier to clean. People are also opting for a free form, or pond look. Rectangulars are no longer as popular as they once were, nor are kidney-shaped, which proliferated years ago.

The size of the yard often determines the size of the pool. Small yards accommodate 12x24 foot, 288 sq. ft. pools, while large yards can hold 20x40 foot, 800 sq. ft. pools. In between are the medium size 17x35 foot, 600 sq. ft. pools.

Pre-packaged pools were introduced by the modular pool industry around 1956, Kiemer notes. Earliest models were wood, which no longer exist, then block wall, which take their toll in time. Today most are galvanized steel wall, have double brace systems

and the panels lock together. They also come in aluminum. They have concrete bottoms and vinyl liners of durable, tough krene. The liners last from 12 to 15 years.

Thermoplastics are at the top of the line. They "last forever," says Kiemer, and have a double brace system every three feet.

The cost of an average pool, with basic amenities, ranges from \$8,000 to \$25,000, with a 17x35 pool costing around \$18,000. A 20x40 pool including walkways, filter, heater, pool light and custom-built-in stairs runs around \$25,000.

Fencing around the pool is required under a state code. Minimum height is four feet, but some towns require five feet. Fences must also have self-locking gates and openings no larger than 2x4 inches.

Most customers who have top of the line pools vacuum once a year to remove the sediment, according to Kiemer, and in between throw in automatic cleaner weekly to keep the water crystal clear.

He recommends that people shopping for a pool look for an automatic cleaning and chlorination system, oversize filtration system and additional returns to move the water around and keep it flowing continuously. Deluxe maintenance equipment makes life easier, he contends.

He also recommends including a built-in quartz halogen pool light, which costs around \$300, far less expensive than spending around \$3,000 for exterior lighting.

Spas are becoming "a very big add-on," he reports. Self-contained portable spas on a wood deck or in gazebos are energy efficient and can be used year-round.

Kiemer strongly suggests that those planning to install a pool order it in the spring. If they wait until mid-summer there's a strong likelihood that it may not be installed this year, due to a backlog. Pools are installed from March to Dec. 1, barring snowstorms, he says.

A pool is a good investment, Kiemer believes. "You can get a pool at the price of a car today," he says. Buying a 17x35 foot pool for \$18,000 will escalate in value. "Ten years from now that \$18,000 investment will be worth \$22,000 or \$23,000," he reasons.

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"Many people can't afford a new home, so they're adding on," notes Frank Bentivegna of FEB Contracting of Bridgewater. They need more room "due to the baby boom" and are adding dormers, bedrooms and bathrooms, he adds.

The first step for homeowners considering taking this route is to deal with a reputable contractor, he advises. "It's best to call two or three, and get references," he adds. Also look at some projects com-

pleted by the firm.

"Don't go for the lowest bid," he cautions, for it may not include all the features you expect. "It's worth paying more money" to get a quality job, he adds.

Homeowners should also have architectural prints made with specifications for the remodeling job they want, according to Bentivegna. They can also draw up their own. In most cases these will be needed anyway in order to get approval from their municipality.

The estimated cost to add two bedrooms and a bathroom, including the foundation, excavating and permits, begins at \$20,000. The final cost is determined by what the customer wants.

In bathrooms they have choices of tile, tub, toilet, fixtures, vanities, trims, built-in closets and even

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Homeowners who want to remodel their kitchens also have choices. They can get new cabinets in the popular light oak and pine, or the more expensive European cabinets, white with rounded edges, recommended for contemporary homes. Flooring can be vinyl tile or ceramic tile, which is popular now.

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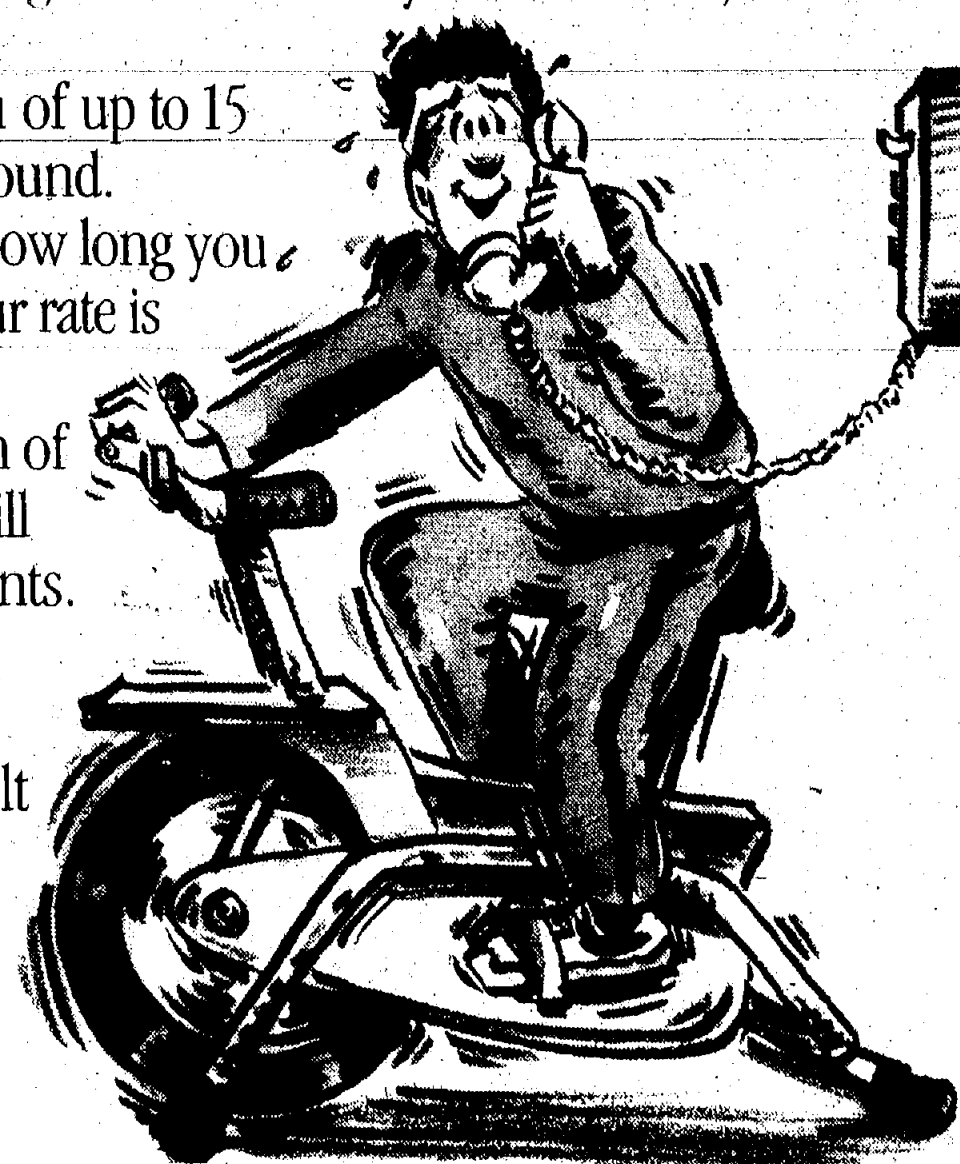
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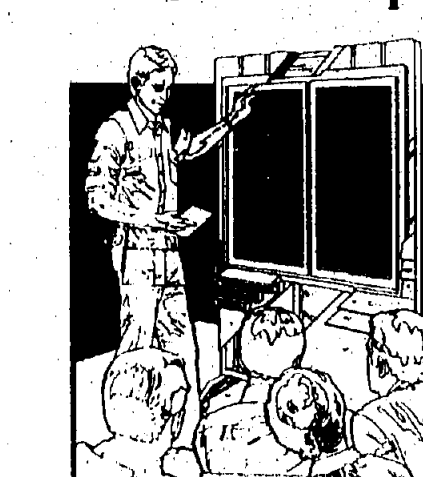
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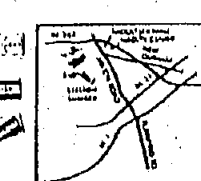
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Central air systems being installed today use less energy and are less noisy than those manufactured in the past, according to Andy Byra, sales manager for Cool-O-Matic in Manville. "The energy efficiency is much higher," he says, "and now everything is quiet."

The high efficiency units in today's market are attractive to the consumer not only because of the money they save on energy costs, but also for rebates offered, up to \$420 from Public Service Electric and Gas Co. and another \$150 from the manufacturer. "For an extra one or two hundred dollars you can buy the best cooling system instead of the standard system and get your money back in rebates and savings on the utility bill," Byra points out. "There's no doubt in my mind that the rebate really makes the good systems much more affordable."

When a homeowner opts for central air, the first step is a visit by a representative of the contractor to determine what size and system is needed and to examine possible modifications to an existing system. The information is then given to the engineering department, whose job it is to determine the wire size, refrigeration piping size, materials list, etc.

Size is very important, notes Byra. If you undersize, the system will run and run and never cool down; if you oversize, it will cool off very quickly but not run long enough to remove the humidity from the house. That situation results in what is called "the supermarket effect," a cool but clammy atmosphere. "You obviously don't want that kind of effect in your home, and proper sizing will make sure that you never will," adds Byra. The average home requires a 3-1/2 to 4 ton system.

Engineering staffs use computers to assist them in their design work and estimating. Computers are especially helpful in work involving the new high efficiency equipment and also help solve problems that emerge in jobs involving older homes that do not have much insulation. Then the job is taken over by the mechanics who follow a set of specific instructions and actually install the system. Installation can usually be completed in one day.

Contrary to what many believe, it is not necessary to have a hot air heating system in order to accommodate central air, Byra notes. While the ducts are already in place and it may be easier and less expensive to install central air, it's relatively easy to run ducts throughout a house which has steam heat or a hot water system.

For an average three-bedroom home of 2500 square feet with a hot air system the cost of installing central air is between \$2,800 and \$3,000. For those with other heating systems which require duct work the cost is around \$5,000. Financing can be arranged.

As for operating costs, Byra estimates an average of \$210 for the entire season, which usually runs from June to late September or early October.

Setting the thermostat at a certain temperature and keeping it there is better than turning it up and down according to the outdoor temperature. "Once the system shuts off and humidity gets into the air it takes a long time to recover," he claims. "I like it at 78 degrees, but some like to bring it down to 75," he adds.

Anyone considering central air should place their order in the spring, he advises. During the summer contractors get so busy that they're often forced to turn away business and disappoint customers.

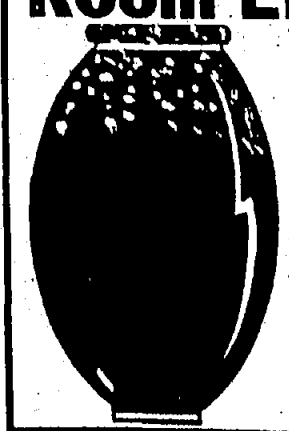
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That's the advice of Ross DelConte of Hi-Way Sleep Center in Green Brook, who emphasizes that the choice depends upon how the mattress feels to your back and how it conforms to your body.

You can't let your fingers do the walking when it comes to picking out a mattress, he points out. It's necessary to come into a store and "sample" from the wide assortment on display. More than two dozen brands with various degrees of firmness are available; the firmness of the coil units provide a certain level of quality and

durability. Some people like a soft mattress and some prefer it to be extra firm. The best way to find out which one is best for you is by lying down to determine which one feels most comfortable and conforms to your body.

Firmer mattresses have very little padding over the coil unit, while the plush, or softer types, have more. It might be compared to putting blankets on the floor, the more blankets the softer the surface.

Mattresses are available in twin, full, queen, king and crib sizes.

An alternative to mattresses are waterbeds, which appeal to no

particular age group. "Kids think they're neat," observes DelConte, but senior citizens, for whom they often become a requirement, like them too. They're softer where the body weight is concentrated, dispersing the pressure points so that the mattress conforms to the body, he explains. Waterbeds are used in many hospitals to prevent bed sores, he adds.

Many people have the mistaken impression that sleeping on a waterbed is like sleeping on a boat. There may have been more wave action in those which first

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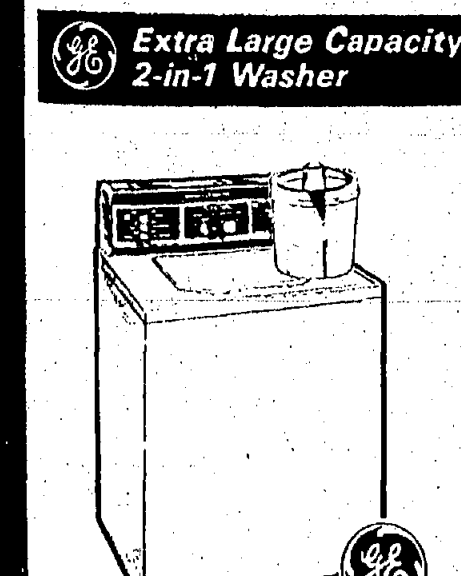


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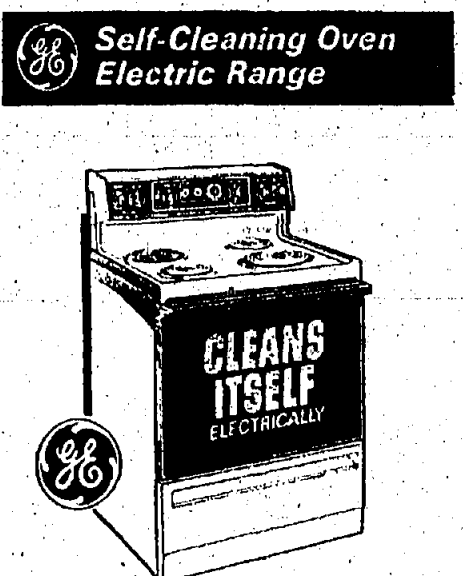
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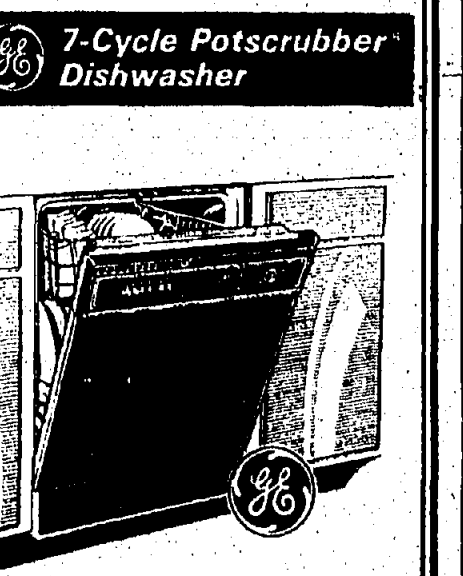
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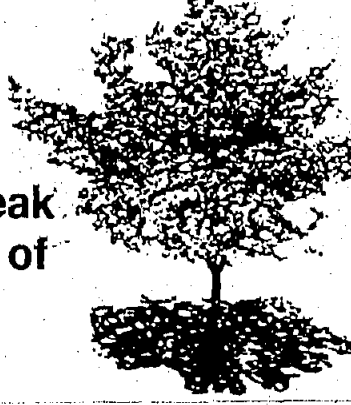


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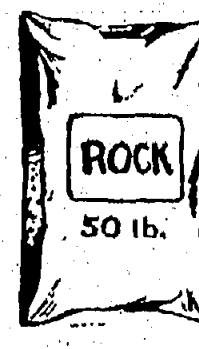


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Mattresses

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came on the market, but those sold today have very little movement, according to DeConte. Baffles are placed inside to prevent them from moving.

Another misconception is that waterbeds are too heavy and are prone to leaking, creating the danger of flooding a house. "If your house can't support a waterbed it's (the house) not safe enough to live in," he contends. Twin sizes contain around 25 gallons of water while king sizes hold 2,200 gallons.

Waterbeds are very safe, he maintains. Those constructed properly include a heater to heat the water, keeping the water close to body temperature, so that one is not sleeping on a cool surface. Sometimes manufacturers "use

padding between you and the water," insulating one from the coolness of the water, and the heater is not as necessary, he adds.

People who are "more open-minded" realize the benefits a waterbed can be for you," he says. Many people who like the idea of sleeping with an electric blanket or pad would probably like the idea of a waterbed with a heater, he believes.

For those who may dislike sleeping on water but still like the features of waterbeds, the new pillow-top mattresses, which have more padding on the inside as well as the top, are finding a niche in the market. "They're as close as they could be to a waterbed without using water," says DeConte.

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These guests are really pests, insects who forage for food.

"People eat all over the house," notes Robert Hanna of Central Jersey Exterminators of Somerville. Tiny particles of food will attract fruitflies, ants, roaches and rodents.

He remembers an incident recently where office workers complained about insects swarming around the locked desk of a co-worker who was on vacation. Upon opening the drawer, he found fruit flies swarming around a half-eaten peach.

Among the insects commonly found in homes are ants. They may wander in from nests located adjacent to the foundation, under sidewalks, or in lawns. To reduce the number of ants that enter homes, it is necessary to follow good sanitary practices, according to the Rutgers Cooperative Extension Service.

Dr. Louis M. Vasvary, Specialist in Entomology, recommends removing garbage daily; do not keep it indoors overnight. Clean up all liquid spills as soon as possible. Keep floors, chairs and counter tops free from crumbs and scraps of food. Do not allow pet food containers to remain open for extended periods of time. Cover candy and other sweets with properly fitted lids. Prevent the availability of soft and decaying fruit by periodic inspections every two or three days.

"Remember, most household-infesting ants are tiny and require very small quantities of food for survival," he points out.

If it becomes necessary to use an insecticide, read the label before buying. Be certain that it indicates ANTS and INDOOR USE. Read all precautions and methods of application, and follow directions EXACTLY.

Outdoor control measures involve spraying the base of the outside foundation to a height of two or three feet, especially where the ants are active or may find an entrance. Persistent household ant problems require the services of a pest control operator.

Among the other insects found in the home, in packages of cereal, seeds, cake and pie mixes, nuts, dried fruit, chocolate, spices, tobacco products and dried dog foods, are flour beetles, saw-toothed grain beetles, Indian-meal or raisin moth, seed weevils, cigarette beetles and drugstore beetles.

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By MILDRED RAFFELT
Special to Forbes Newspapers

It's spring, time to freshen up the house and cover those dingy walls with a fresh coat of paint or wallpaper.

There's good news for do-it-yourself decorators who dread painting over glossy surfaces because they must sandpaper the walls first or else the paint won't adhere. This task is not only time-consuming and tiring, but messy from the dust it creates.

There's a new product on the market which does not require deglossing, eliminating the need to sandpaper, reports Randy Redelico of Redelico's Paint and Decorating Center in Somerville. Aquagrip, an acrylic primer sealer, bonds to glossy surfaces, is spatter resistant and has hiding qualities, he notes.

As for paint colors, red predominates in the '90s, he reports. Shades of red and red tones are traditional colonial colors and are popular in central Jersey. Following close behind is the very contemporary black and white combination, an extension of its popularity in clothing.

Before tackling any paint job it's very important to have clean walls, Redelico advises. Water stains need to be primed with white pigment shellac sealer or the stain will bleed through. Nail holes should be spackled and sanded to a smooth finish. When using an eggshell semi-gloss or satin finish it's important to use a primer in order to have "a nice even sheen," he says.

Unless you have a very steady hand, it's advisable to use masking tape on baseboards and around windows to avoid getting paint on them.

Some people like to create a softly textured effect on one or more walls by ragging, sponging or stippling. Sponges, rags and even newspaper can be swirled on the wet paint in an original pattern, using your imagination. This is better done with oil-based paints, Redelico points out, since they take longer to dry. "You have more time to play with it; if you don't like it you can change it," he says.

Another artistic touch is stenciling. Patterns are available in kits, but you can also create your own pattern with tissue paper or stencil board. Flowers for a Victorian look are popular, as well as line patterns for a contemporary look, nautical patterns and bears, ducks or geese for children's rooms.

Wallpaper can also be used to dress up walls, and is often combined with paint; i.e., wallpaper on one or more walls and paint on the remaining ones. Paper borders can also be used to accent the top of painted walls.

As in painting, preparation is important before pasting on the wallpaper. Old paper should be removed and the wall resized.

Cedar wins expert's nod for home fencing

Homeowners who want to fence in their property must first decide whether they want wood or metal. If they prefer the natural look of wood they have a choice of spruce, the least expensive, which is kiln dried and won't warp; cedar, either white or red which

"ages nice" and turns "a grayish color," according to Tony Martinez of National Fence System in Avenel, or the very popular pressure-treated wood, which he doesn't "personally recommend" for fences because it has a tendency to warp. The latter is better

for decks, where the boards are screwed or bolted together, and "won't rot," he contends.

Most people ask for wood fencing, he adds. It comes in four, five and six-foot lengths, but many municipalities have restrictions on six-foot fences, so homeowners are advised to check their building codes. "There have been quite a few changes in the last couple years," he says.

Some towns also require that the so-called "good side of the fence," the one which doesn't show the post, should face the neighboring property. This is why many people are opting for board on board fencing, which has "two good sides." "It's probably the best seller," he notes.

Another popular wooden fence choice is stockade, which is rustic-looking and comes in spruce and cedar, and offers privacy. The price varies from \$10 to \$15 per foot.

Other wooden types include single concave, double concave, concave with half-moon top, French Gothic top where each picket comes to a point and features a design, and the fairly new X-top, a lattice design.

In metal fences, chain link has been around the longest time and comes in different heights, galvanized wire or vinyl wire and utilizes galvanized posts. It is normally guaranteed about 15 years against peeling, chipping, cracking and fading color.

There are also vinyl-coated fence systems, with the post and top rail in color, which costs about 25 percent more. Four-foot lengths cost from \$5 to \$10 per foot. To get privacy, colored aluminum slats may be woven through the chain links.

A big seller is vertical PVT, which has a locking top that can't be taken out, and unlike other

fences, the slats can't be knocked out by children and animals, according to Martinez.

Pool owners like the residential estate fence, which is wrought iron, has a galvanized tubular frame and rubber coating, requiring no maintenance, he reports. It comes in four, five and six-foot

heights. Four-foot fences cost from \$18 to \$25 per foot. This is more desirable where the pool is in a large yard.

On a small lot, a pool owner may want wood fencing "to block off the neighbors."



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Consider sprinkling system - for your lawn's sake

Lawns and gardens need an adequate supply of water to grow, but when Mother Nature withholds once a week six-day models are also available to rain homeowners must resort to watering with hoses and sprinklers.

Some set out portable sprinklers which soak a small area and must be moved to another portion of the yard every 15 to 20 minutes, and some drag the garden hose around the yard until everything is watered.

Because these methods are time-consuming, many homeowners are having lawn sprinkler systems installed.

Basically, these carefree systems are "for anyone who wants to spend more time with the family than playing with their lawn," says Fred Valle of Oasis Sprinkler of Piscataway. They can be installed on any size lawn.

The first step for the contractor is to look around the property and lay out the job, making sure sprinkler heads won't be too close to the house or street to avoid watering these areas. It's also a good idea to have a backflow prevention device to prevent a backflow of spray chemicals if they are used, according to Valle.

It is not necessary to do any excessive digging when installing a lawn sprinkler system. A machine vibrating plow pulls the pipe beneath the ground and cuts a slice, barely disturbing the lawn and not visible two weeks later.

The rugged gear-driven sprinklers are at ground level and are hardly noticeable, so that you can walk on them, play on them and mow right across them, which means greater safety and easier lawn maintenance. There are also sprinklers with a pop-up spray for special shrub zones.

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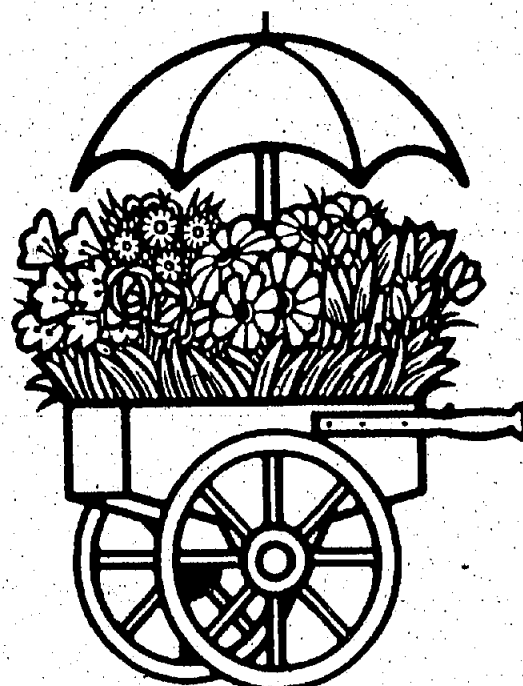
turn the water on at a certain time every day, or once a week. Six-day models are also available to accommodate every other day or every third day watering cycles.

"Once you set the control clock there's nothing else you have to do," notes Valle.

Systems can be manually overridden without interrupting programming, especially useful on really hot days when the homeowner might want to water twice a day.

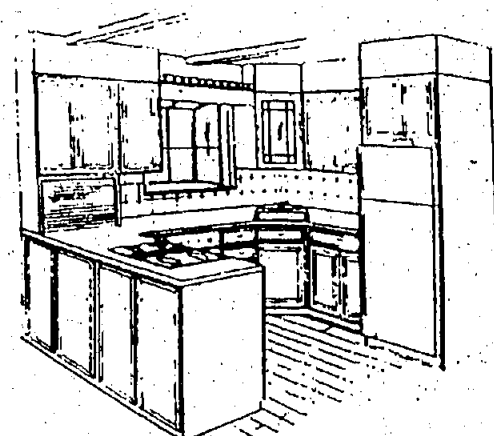
And when it rains there are systems which automatically turn off, then turn back on.

The price to install a lawn sprinkler system on a one-acre lot runs between \$1,400 and \$1,800, depending upon the type of yard and type of heads.



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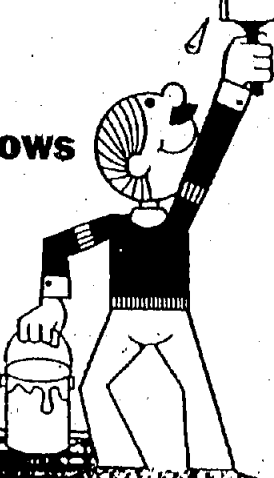
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Kitchen overhauls can work even in tight, older rooms

Space—few homes ever seem to have quite enough of it. And on every homeowner's dream list is a kitchen that resembles the "magazine kitchen," you know, that 20-by-30-foot room with floor to ceiling windows, new appliances, island work stations and the best of everything.

"Those pictures are not reflective of Cranford's kitchens," said Michael Gachko Jr. of Michael's Custom Kitchens in Cranford. "Most of our homes are older and the kitchens smaller. We work with what's there to create the designer kitchen," he explained.

According to Gachko, more homeowners are opting to remodel their kitchen because they are staying longer in their homes due to the recent downturn of the real estate market. Still others are deciding to increase their living space for the same reasons, and usually decide to start with a kitchen-family room combination.

"When we talk to the homeowner, most know what they want in a kitchen and want they would like to have. They definitely know what don't want," said Gachko.

The first thing to do when considering remodeling is to create a wish list of amenities according to the space and amount of money to be spent, said Gachko.

Michael's Custom Kitchens, owned by Gachko and his father, who started the business 45 years ago, offers a free personalized estimate service to help the homeowner figure layout and create the wish list.

A kitchen remodeling job can cost anywhere from \$10,000 to \$25,000 and even more depending on the size and the selection of cabinets and counter tops, hardware, trims and doors.

According to Gachko, there are some features that almost every homeowner wants and they include pull out trays in base cabinets, high neck faucets, and built-in microwave cabinets. Some extras, offered by Michael's Custom Kitchens that have met with overwhelming popularity, are the corner hinged door cabinets which allow for the full use of inside shelves, a corner appliance cabinet that prevents counter clutter, and a tip-out sink front to hide sponges and other sink items.

"We update the little items to make the kitchen more comfortable to work in," explained Gachko.

While wood has always been a mainstay in kitchens, said Gachko, there is a move towards using lighter colors. "More people opting to use naturally light woods like oaks and ash and accenting in earth colors or colonial blues," said Gachko. Also, according to Gachko, polished brass and ceramic tiles are being used as accents as is stained glass in cabinet doors and finished doors.

Michael Sr. designs and constructs all the stained glass accessories himself on premises while both Gachkos work together

on the cabinet-making. Business is booming and Gachko credits their "excellent reputation."

"I am now designing the kitchens of the grandchildren of people I designed for 35 years ago," said Michael Sr. "They remember our work and can see the quality of our product."

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Tide shifts to white for today's bathroom

White is back in bathrooms. "White is on a roll," maintains Lynnette Skowronek of E&B Distributors in Somerville. "People are in love with white like they haven't been for 50 years," she adds.

It's a flexible color to work around when decorating. People are aware of how much it costs to change, so they don't want to be locked into a color which limits them when they tire of it and want to redecorate.

White bathtubs, toilets and sinks are most popular, followed by almond, which is considered a neutral color that will also stand the test of time.

In planning renovations, homeowners who have large bathrooms are opting for oversized tubs, those larger than five feet. Many who may not have huge bathrooms also want whirlpool systems, "still a very hot item," according to Skowronek. They must, however, have access to a pump and control system, and may require changing the existing space.

The least expensive whirlpool costs out \$1,200, plus installation, and the more popular styles are in the \$2,500 price range, she notes.

A separate shower alcove and tub are also high priority items when there's sufficient room, and many people are buying polished brass faucets which are more durable.

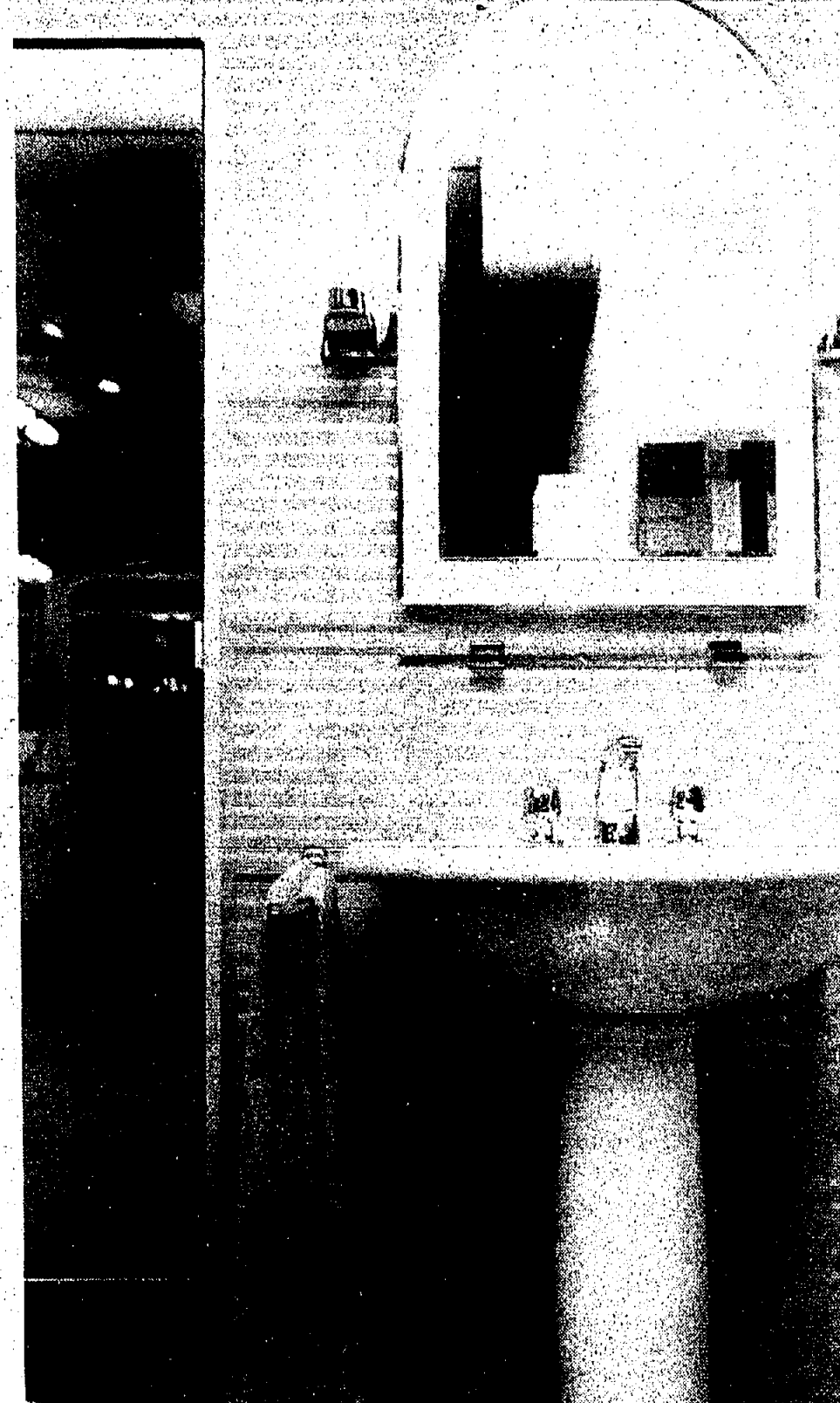
A large number of pedestal sinks are being installed, she observes. People feel they make the room more elegant, and are coping in a variety of ways with where to put toiletry items because these sinktops have less room than a vanity.

Skowronek points out that anyone who has a wall-hung sink wishes for a vanity, which has more storage space.

Bigger medicine cabinets to hold a myriad of items in addition to medicine are also in demand. "We all seem to have more cosmetics," she observes, particularly teens. And men, whose purchase and use of toiletries, lotions, creams and hair products are on the upswing, add to the clutter.

A number of people who need more space, but like their neighborhood and schools, and whose mortgage is almost paid, are reluctant to move, so are putting on huge additions, observes Skowronek. It's not uncommon to "raise the roof"; that is, add a second story. This gives the homeowner an extra floor of space, and larger bathrooms are getting priority.

"There's no one solution for everybody," she declares, and people are advised to see the many different options available in showrooms before making this major purchase.



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Bath grace

The grace and simplicity of this combination of pedestal sink with mirrored cabinet above reflect just one of the popular trends in bathroom fixture designs. This display is at E&B Distributors in Somerville.

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Lawn tips

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- 4) Take care of low spots, where snow mold and water appear. Use a light leaf rake to remove and add topsoil to level.
- 5) Fertilize in late spring, after winter nitrates are exhausted.
- 6) Have a lawn service aerate your lawn if indications of compacted soil such as excess runoff are present.
- 7) After first or second mowing, set mower to preferred height of cut for your region. Mow often enough to remove one-third of leaf surfaces with each cutting.

- 8) Grooming techniques enhance your lawn's aesthetic appeal. Use a grass catcher or run the mower a second time over dried excess clippings to disperse them.
- 9) Use a weed trimmer around trees and sidewalks.
- 10) Water grass as needed.

- 11) Consult local turf authorities or garden supply centers for information on appropriate chemicals to combat weeds, insects and plant diseases.
- 12) Your choice of grass and fertilizer is dependent upon soil and growing conditions.

Most lawns need fertilizer nutrients to supplement those that occur in the soil naturally. When possible, aerate the lawn first. This permits the fertilizer to fall into holes formed in aeration and avoid being washed away.

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For property owners, a fertilization program can start with a soil test for mineral elements — calcium, phosphorus, potash and sometimes magnesium. University or commercial fertilizer laboratories are equipped to perform soil analysis, interpret the results and give you recommendations based on the tests.

In general, nitrogen is the key element in turf grass production. It is the element that imparts green color and that stimulates growth. Most lawns need two to four pounds of actual nitrogen annually.

At least one pound should be applied in mid to late fall. The remainder in two or more applications starting in late May or early June. Most forms of nitrogen are readily soluble and will, when moisture is present, move quickly into the soil.

Phosphorus is the key element in root production and is essential for good turf. Phosphorus needs may be met by applying a complete fertilizer in the fall. Potash is the third major constituent in a lawn fertilization program. Though soluble, it does not leach or erode. It is a requirement for elite lawns and is beneficial for all. The plant needs may be satisfied with the fall application of complete fertilizer under most conditions.

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