

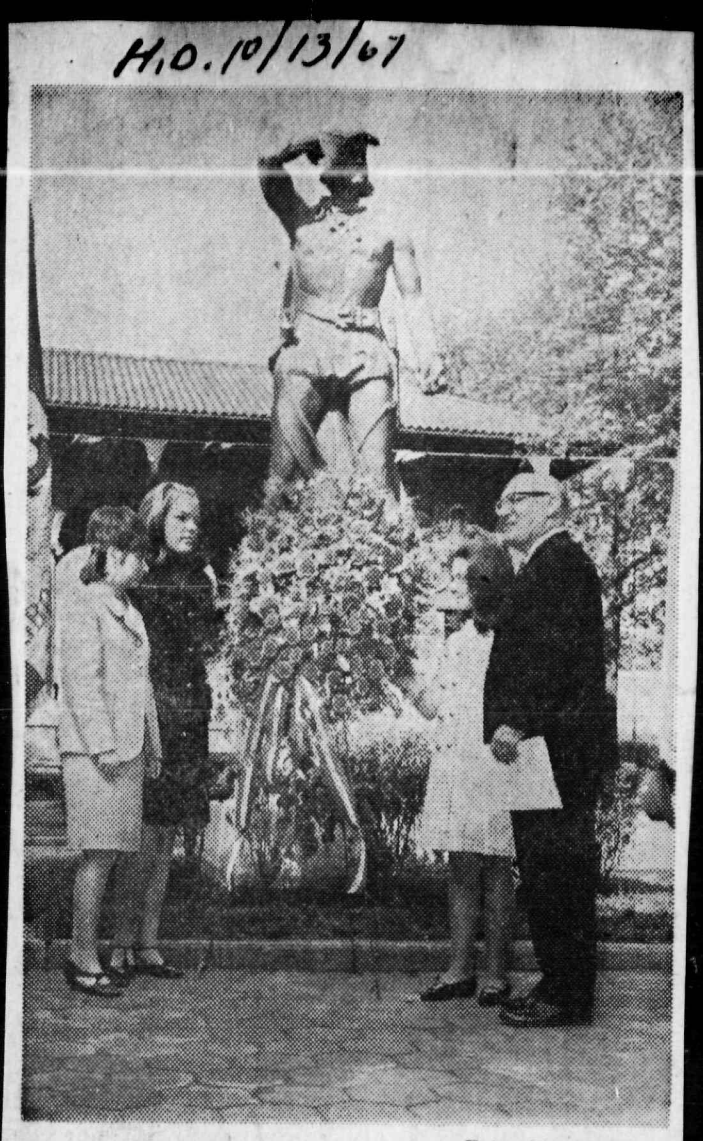


**BUYING KIWANIS PEANUTS**—Hoboken's Mayor DePascale helps fund-raising drive of Hoboken Kiwanis Club by buying bag of peanuts from Eric Lawton Jr., club president. Proceeds go for club's Christmas parties for underprivileged children.



**APPRECIATION** — John Castelli, right, retiring chairman of Hoboken Chapter, American Red Cross, is presented with plaque by State Sen. Frank Guarini, representing Red Cross National Board of Governors. Watching presentation at fund drive kickoff luncheon

at Clam Broth House are Mrs. Edward J. Kelly, executive director of the chapter and Charles M. De Fazio who succeeds Castelli as chairman. It was chapter's 51st annual luncheon meeting. (Jersey Pictures.)



**COLUMBUS DAY OBSERVED**—Attorney Charles De Fazio Jr., coordinator of yesterday's ceremonies in Columbus Park, Hoboken, and winners of essay contest on "What Columbus Means to Americans Today," place wreath at statue during ceremonies. From left are, Carole Binetti, Noreen Reshtnyk and Francis Dappas, all students at Hoboken High School.

## Installing Electronic Gear on Control Vessel Hoboken Putting Moon Ship on the Beam

By WILLIAM H. TAFT

When you watch the television screen for that next mission to the moon, keep your eyes and ears open for the Redstone, one of the three floating tracking stations which will have a major role in that dramatic operation.

At the Bethlehem Shipyard in Hoboken today some final equipment is being installed on this U.S. naval ship, which is in fact a space control center in itself, which can do everything that can be done at Houston or Cape Kennedy or anywhere else — except to launch a rocket.

**THE REDSTONE** and its unparalleled electronic and communication equipment already have cost \$45 million, and the contract that Bethlehem must carry out by Nov. 1 will cost another \$82,000 in shipyard fees.

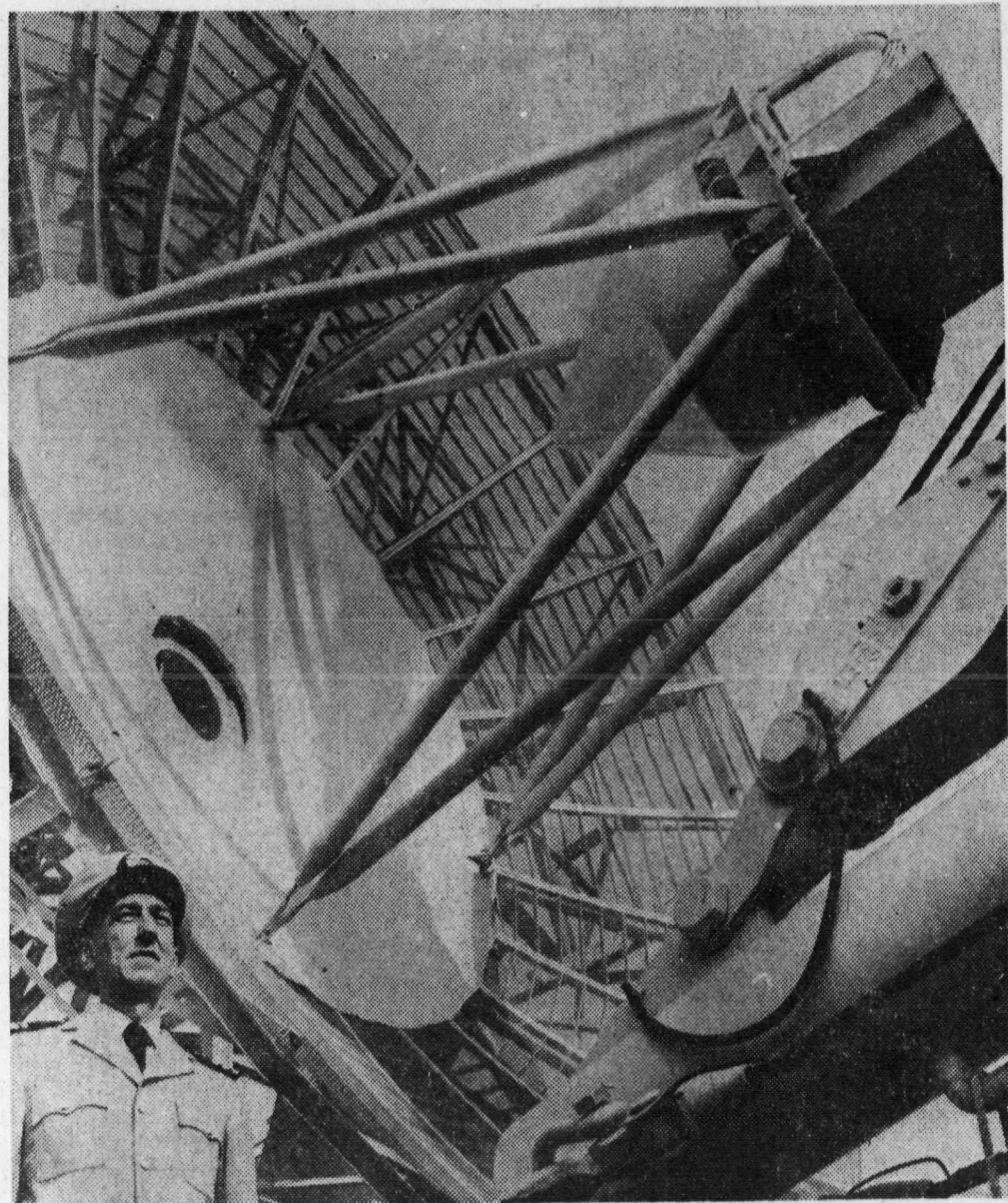
The ship is vital to Project Apollo, the United States' manned exploration of the moon. To put American astronauts on the moon and return them safely to earth, a global instrumentation network is needed, to track the spacecraft, monitor its performance, communicate with the astronauts, and monitor their condition and performance.

**THE MEN** and the computerized equipment aboard the Redstone will verify proper movement of the spacecraft into orbit, determine the shape and location of the orbit, and monitor the physical condition of the astronauts and the space craft itself.

Newsmen yesterday were shown the complex equipment already on board. They were told that men at the controls can themselves terminate a space flight by bringing the spacecraft down, if they deem it advisable.

They were shown score on score of control panels and instrument racks, and a staggering array of devices to receive and record information instant by instant from the spacecraft in flight.

A MASTER computer aboard



J. Dean Scheuerman, first officer of the Redstone.

decides what types of information it should be getting at one time and another, and so to speak, tunes in the instrument channels which will provide it at the same time blanking out information which is irrelevant at the moment.

The instruments which feed the master computer are in themselves computers, assembling and interpreting complex data.

**THE REDSTONE** was a World War II oil tanker which has now been "jumbo-sized." The conversion consisted of cutting out the tank or mid-section of the ship and replacing it with a longer and wider instrumentation mid-body, lengthening the vessel to 395 feet and broadening it to 75 feet.

The new midbody provides space for 455 tons of extremely complex equipment. It also provides living quarters for a ship's crew of 88 and for 106 technicians of the Federal Electric Corp., which operates and maintains the highly sophisticated electronic, telemetry and radar equipment under contract to the Air Force.

## Hoboken De Fazio New Chairman Of Red Cross Chapter

Charles DeFazio Jr. is the new chairman of the Hoboken Red Cross Chapter. He was elected at the 50th annual meeting yesterday to succeed John B. Castelli who retired because of poor health.

Robert Ranieri was elected vice-chairman, Mrs. George Rettig, secretary, Mrs. John Repetto, treasurer.

**CASTELLI TOLD** the gathering his six years as chairman were marked by two significant moves: First, the relocating of the chapter office from a depressed area of the city to a more desirable location. And second, the recently arranged merger with the Jersey City chapter to strengthen the Red Cross services through modernizing the administrative structure.

In the past year, Castelli said, chapters were called upon to raise a special quota to help the National Red Cross through a critical financial situation caused by major disasters and the war in Vietnam — and the Hoboken chapter was "one of the first" to reach this quota.

Other highlights of his report were:

**THIS YEAR** under the disaster program \$1,307 was spent for emergency and rehabilitation assistance to 38 persons, including victims of two major fires. Families of servicemen, veterans and civilians were given service through the program of aid to military families.

The chapter's 849 cases and contacts in the year included requests for verification of illness and death for leave purposes, counseling for personal and family problems, assistance with government benefits, financial aid and referral to other agencies.

**'MY AFFILIATION** with this wonderful organization has made me a more compassionate and a wiser person," Castelli concluded. "I intend to continue my work with the Red Cross to the extent that my health will permit."

Special National Red Cross certificates for events held

which enabled the chapter to reach its special emergency quota of \$2,028 were presented to Professor William F. Ondrick as director of the Stevens Institute Glee Club; Mrs. Max Klimkeit, chairman of the concert committee, and Mrs. Eli Seligman, for conducting a rummage sale.

**CHAPTER** certificates for leadership in the fund drive were presented to Maurice J. Stack, Dean Richard Eversen of Stevens Institute, Mrs. John Repetto and Fred E. Martin.

Mary Kiernan received a certificate for volunteer service in the chapter office, and Mrs. George Rettig for volunteer service as a social welfare aide.

**TWENTY-FIVE-YEAR** pins were presented to Mrs. Ward Riani and Mrs. Edward J. Kelly, the chapter's executive director. Directors elected by the membership for three years were:

Mrs. Robert Bartholomew, Mrs. McFeely, Mrs. Riani, Guido Trisolini, Jeremiah P. Mullane, Mrs. Repetto, John Wessling and Eric Lawton Jr.

New directors elected for three years were Mrs. Dorothy Ziegler, Dr. Donald Olinger and Dean Eversen.

## Man of Year Award Set For DeFazio

Former Hoboken Judge Charles DeFazio Jr. has been selected as man of the year by the Hoboken chapter of Unico National, it was announced today by Daniel Simone, president.

DeFazio will be presented with an engraved plaque Oct. 28 at the Chapter's 21st annual dinner-dance, at the Union Club, 600 Hudson St. Rocco A. Gratale Sr., past president, will make the presentation.

**DE FAZIO** was cited for "the many civic endeavors and altruistic projects that he has helped and sponsored in his 40 years as an active member of the New Jersey Bar in general practice in Hoboken."

At present, DeFazio's positions as president of the New Jersey Museum Association and vice president of the Hudson County Symphony Orchestra takes much of his free time.

But the former judge has received awards from numerous and varied organizations.

**DIRECTOR** of the Hoboken Red Cross Chapter for more than 20 years, he received a special award for outstanding service during the 1962 fund-raising campaign from Red Cross National headquarters.

Unico cited him similarly for his work as president.

DeFazio was the first president of the Hudson County Mental Health Association. He has also served a variety of other organizations, including the county bar association, the Hoboken Lawyers Club, the Elks, Lions and Knights of Columbus.

**HE IS ALSO** a past president and charter member of the Hoboken High School Alumni Association.

DeFazio, also a charter member of the Hoboken Union, along with his brother, Judge M. Edward DeFazio, was a unanimous choice for this year's award.

## Educators Watch Project Spanish Pupils Taught English

By JACK ECKHARDT

Educators throughout the state are focusing attention on a pilot program in operation at Hoboken that is aimed at overcoming the language barrier for Spanish-speaking students, a project financed by federal funds.

The object of their interest is a daily class conducted at Thomas G. Connors School for some 30 first grade boys and girls who have no knowledge of the English language whatsoever. Their instructor is a member of the Hoboken school system, Mrs. Cecilia Castellanos, a native of Puerto Rico.

While the student instructor teaches the six and seven-year-old students in their native tongue, by means of visual aids they are taught to recognize the same object, such as dog, cat, mouse and horse in the English spelling. And by necessity, Mrs. Castellanos talks with her young charges in Spanish, she greets her subjects with a "Good Morning" in English which students are taught to follow.

Under the federal government project Title 5, the program is known as "Operation Understanding." Hoboken's board of education was successful in obtaining \$68,377 for the pilot project through efforts of School Superintendent Thomas F. McFeely.

"The children seem to respond almost immediately and we are already encouraged with the program even though it is in operation less than a month," said Peter Vecchia, director of the Title 3 special project at Connors School where Principal Frank Chiocco supervises the overall student body.

Also speaking in favor of the project yesterday was Harry Galinsky, assistant administrator of the Elementary, Secondary Education Act (ESEA) and overall director of all federal projects in the Hoboken school system.

"It is the future plan of Mr. McFeely to expand such language barrier programs to other grades if the present pilot project proves successful," Galinsky said. He said all first grade students apart from the non-English speaking class will be graded to prove the project successful.

The educator explained "We intend to compare the progress of our non-English speaking students with progress made by the English-speaking first graders for a certain period, say about January or February. By that time, it will be learned if the handicapped student projects merits continuation in future years."

Superintendent McFeely has been quoted as saying that Hoboken's school system has become a repository for dissemination of information regarding projects to overcome the Spanish language barrier. It has been pointed out that at Connors School alone, at least 46 per cent of the student body are natives of Puerto Rico or Cuba.

McFeely has also sent teachers on "Task Force" operations to other school districts throughout the state to study problems in all types of communities and to evaluate the language barrier projects in such areas. In addition, Hoboken is still sending members of the school faculty to Puerto Rico for on-the-job teaching assignments as part of the federally sponsored teacher exchange program.

Reporting on the initial success of the first grade student program Vecchia said "Young students who have little or no knowledge of the English language seem to be more at ease under the present plan of first greeting them with lessons in Spanish. And it is almost so visible that they accept as a challenge the fact that transition to English makes them feel an accomplishment is theirs to decide."

It was also pointed out that nine other school districts throughout the state are part of Hoboken's program in an advisory board status, watching with intent the newly formed project that may soon be initiated in schools elsewhere.

Proof of the fact that Hoboken educators are recognized as applying the ESEA program report that an additional \$300,000 in government is to be allotted for continuation of the Title I, Title II and Title III projects.

## City Bans All Shared Toilets Hoboken Meets U.S. Standards

The Hoboken City Council has voted to strengthen the city's minimum housing code by completely outlawing shared toilet facilities.

An amendment to the ordinance governing shared toilets was approved on final reading. The amendment forbids shared toilets in all dwelling units, regardless of size.

**PREVIOUSLY**, the city had allowed toilets to be shared if the dwelling was less than 2½ rooms. However, this was not in keeping with the national housing code and minimum housing standards.

An adequate housing code, meeting the approval of the federal government, is important to the city. In many cases, the granting of federal loans for redevelopment and building is partially based on strong codes and their enforcement.

**THE CITY TRIED** to stall implementing the code until Jan. 1, 1969 but the federal government demanded it become effective immediately. The amended code becomes city law 21 days after it receives council approval and is signed by the mayor.

Hoboken Police Lieutenant Norman Sweeten was approved by the council as Mayor Louis DePascale's choice for the post of director of disaster control. He replaces August Deile. Sweeten is also being considered for an attorney's post with the free legal aid service to be provided by the Hoboken Bar Association and HOPES, the city's anti-poverty organization.

**SWEETEN**, who was admitted to the state bar last year, has been working out of the law office of Nathan Zeichner at 118 Washington St.

The council also approved the appointment of John Gato to the board of health, replacing Charles Cuddihy who died last month.

**IN OTHER BUSINESS**, the council approved a contract between the city and the plumbing concern of Pascale and Luongo to install new tubing in the boiler at City Hall. Cost of the job is estimated at \$6,740.

Approval was granted for the mayor, councilmen and department heads to attend the conference of New Jersey State League of Municipalities in Atlantic City from Nov. 14 to 17. The mayor and councilmen will get \$250 each, while department heads will get \$150, if they should attend the conference.

## Hoboken Council Blitz Quickie Session Votes Everything

In what is thought to be a record time for conducting a public city council meeting, Hoboken officials yesterday voted in unison on a lengthy agenda in less than a 15-minute session.

City Council President Thomas A. Gallo presided at the meeting which was attended by only a handful of spectators, comprised mostly of pro-administration residents. None took advantage of the opportunity to address the council.

Business voted upon included

authorization for renewal of a \$300,000 tax anticipation note with Trust Co. of New Jersey at three per cent interest. In addition to other claims against the city the council voted payment of \$88,580.82 in claims to support residents on city welfare.

It also voted city taxpayers' money in the amount of \$183,206 to be paid over to Public Employees Retirement System, while another \$27,995 was paid to Jersey City for water supplied Hoboken residents during July. Hoboken officials also approved an agreement with Jersey City for the purchase of potable water for one year at a cost of \$110 per million gallons.

Without exception, council members authorized Business Administrator Herman Bier to purchase \$12,619.56 worth of equipment from Crown Industrial Supply Corp., needed in operation of the sewage disposal plant, such amount to be provided in the 1968 municipal budget. Administrator Bier was also authorized to engage Pascale & Luongo Plumbing Supply to install new tubes in the troublesome city hall boiler at a cost of \$6,740.

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## Assistant City Attorney Gottlieb Files to Retire From Hoboken Legal Post

William (Pinky) Gottlieb, Hoboken's assistant city attorney, has filed his papers for retirement next March, ending a career of more than 32 years with the local government. Gottlieb started

his career with Hoboken on May 21, 1935. He is the brother of Maurice Gottlieb, a local attorney and director of the HOPES Neighborhood Center, and Bernard Gottlieb, head of a wrecking and demolition company.

**A FEW MONTHS AGO** he began to experience eye trouble which is believed to be the reason for his retirement notice. He will be 65 next February.

Well known in legal circles, Gottlieb had made a name for himself long before entering the legal profession. Basketball fans in Hudson County knew him as one of the most accurate shots ever to come out of the Hoboken school system.

He more than made up for his lack of height with his ea-

gle's eye. Someone once said that he was no bigger than your little finger, hence the nickname "Pinky."

According to a law department spokesman, no decision has been made on a replacement for Gottlieb.

## 7 Named Chamber Directors

The names of the seven men chosen by the nominating committee for election to the Hoboken Chamber of Commerce board of directors were announced today by Richard C. Carroll, executive director. They are:

**ALFRED C. BAGWELL**, controller of Standard Chemical Products Inc.; George W. Burgers, operations manager of the Maxwell House coffee division of General Foods; Donald R. Creighton, a law partner in the firm of Dickson and Creighton; Charles Cullinane, vice president of the Alco-Gravure Division of the Publication Corporation; Charles J. Tiedemann, president of the chamber and assistant plant manager of the Hoboken Bethlehem Shipyard; Howard R. Winkmeier Jr., manager of the Hoboken office of the New Jersey Bell Telephone Co., and Stephen J. Wittenberger, vice president of the Turst Company of New Jersey.

Bagwell, Burgers, Creighton and Tiedemann are incumbent directors.

**THE ELECTION** will take place by mailed ballot between Nov. 5 and 15. The outcome will be reported at a board meeting Nov. 27. No opposition to the slate picked by the nominating committee is anticipated.



# Everything Is Against It, But Hoboken Yacht Club Just Won't Quit

## Boatmen Wedged In By Piers

By all rules, the Hoboken Yacht Club should have folded long ago. Events and circumstances during its 65-year existence were all against it. They are against it now. Yet, somehow, the club has survived, and stubbornly manages to hang on. ... even though the membership now stands at 11, and there is only one boat.

"To begin with, the location is all wrong," explains Wilson Crisman of the Stevens Institute staff, the club's treasurer. "We are wedged in between the American Export Line's Pier C and the old Holland-America Pier A at Fifth Street.

"OUR SPACE is very limited, and there is little or no chance of our increasing it," he continued. "The Club's mooring area extends about 100 feet out from the sea wall directly below Stevens Park. We can't go out any further, because we would interfere with incoming Export ships, so further expansion into the river is out of the question.

"Next, we have a tidal problem. At low tide the water recedes up to 20 feet from the sea wall. This leaves us with 20 feet of unusable docking area. At high tide there is about five feet of water covering the area.

"To complicate matters, there is a tidal shelf that runs through part of the property and takes away more docking space. However, part of this problem could be eliminated by dredging.

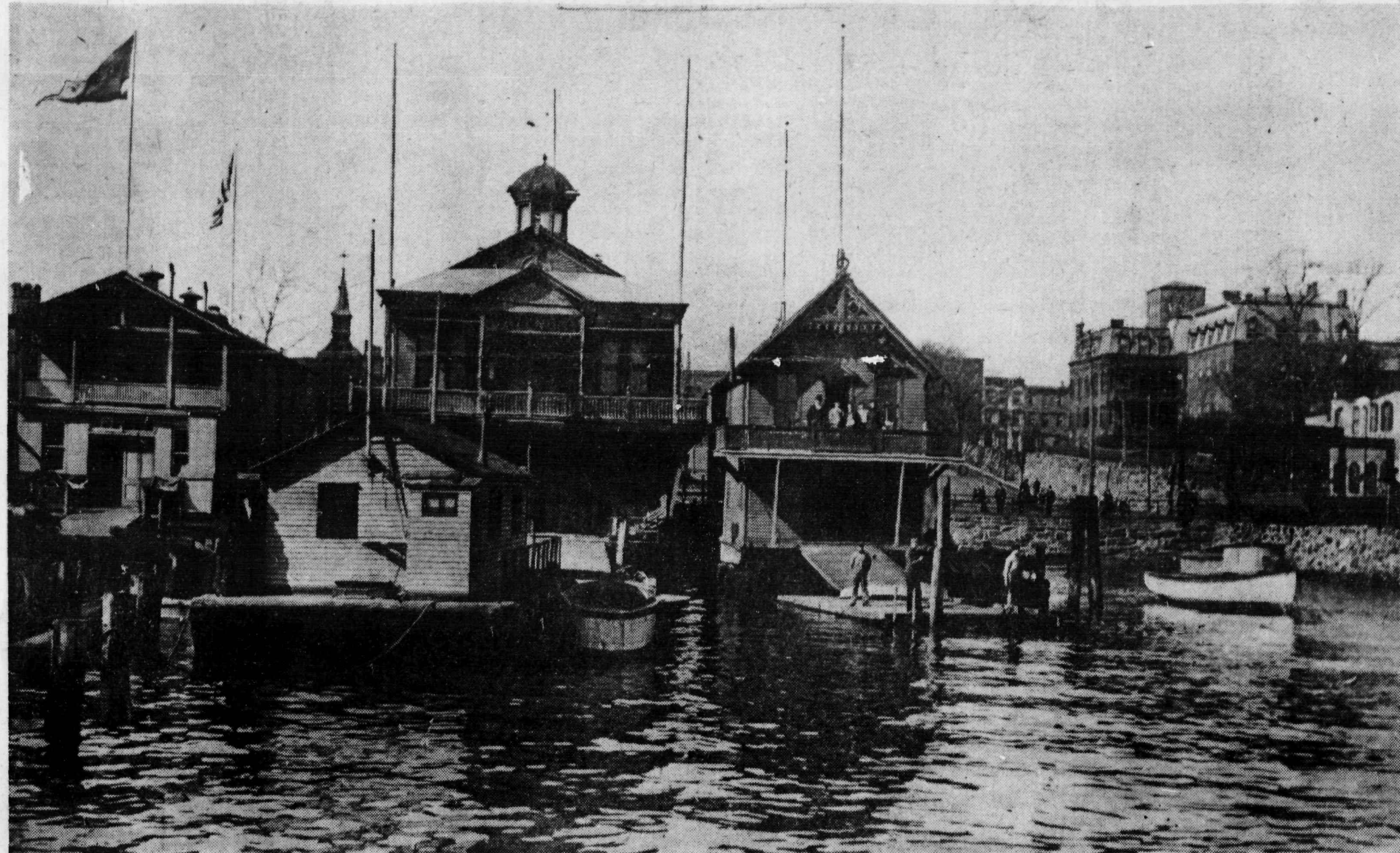
"ALTHOUGH we have only one vessel at present, all past boats and any we might have in the future must be tied up the same way. There is a murderous wake from shipping up and down the Hudson which can ruin an improperly docked boat. All our boats must be tied up in such a way that they ride the wake and waves with their bow or stern."

Crisman said the Hoboken Yacht Club is the last of four clubs which occupied the area years ago.

"There was the Atlantic Club, the Valencia Club and the Active Club," he related. "To the best of my knowledge, the Atlantic Club is no longer in existence. The Valencia is also gone, but it's clubhouse is now on a site at Mystic, Conn. The Active Club was still operating, the last I heard, at a site in Bergen County."

AS CRISMAN sees it, certain things can be done to keep the Hoboken club going and provide some additional space for more boats. But even if they are realized, the club will never have a large membership.

"At 42, I'm the youngest member," he said. "To keep going, we must start recruiting younger men as members. We have already started discussions on



## 3 Speeders Are Parked

Three Turnpike speeders were fined and had their drivers' licenses suspended in Secaucus Municipal Court last night.

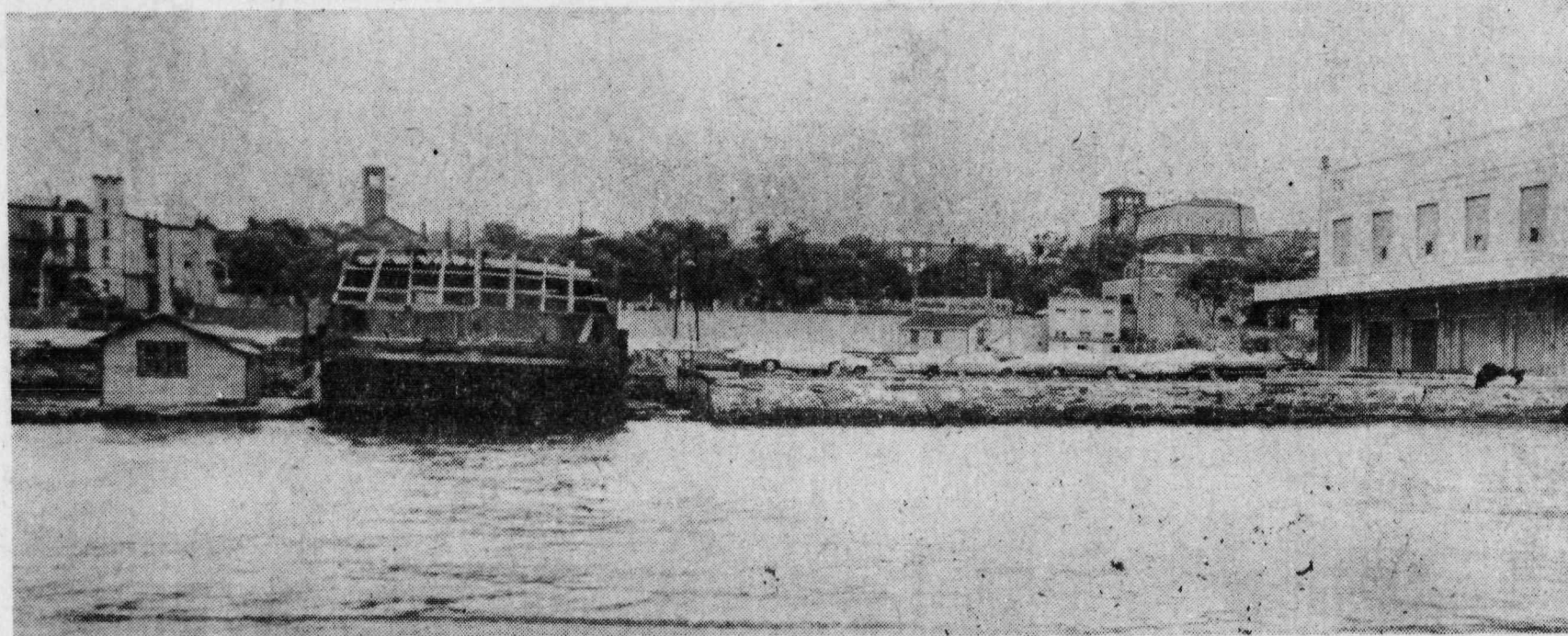
Robert Rivera, 30, of 6 E. Clinton Ave., Tenafly, was fined \$45 and given a suspension of 60 days for allegedly doing 83 miles an hour on the Turnpike July 8.

Angelo Rodriguez, 36, of Roselle Park was fined \$20 for doing 70 miles an hour in a 60-mile zone and fined an additional \$15 for lane switching. His license was suspended for 30 days.

Lester Kaufman, 45, of Metuchen was fined \$15 and given a 30-day revocation for speeding May 1.

IN 1902 — (Upper picture) Hoboken Yacht Club headquarters comprised the small building on the barge in the left foreground. The three waterfront buildings behind it were yacht and rowing clubs. Ramps up which the boats were hauled into the clubhouses can be seen. Fifth Street is shown coming down to the Hudson River at right, and on the high ground is the structure that was formerly Stevens Institute's administration building. Old steeple of St. Peter and Paul Church is visible to right of buildings with the flags flying.

65 YEARS LATER — (Below) Same scene. Hoboken Yacht Club, now with two windows, is at left, sitting on a slightly larger barge. It is hemmed in between the large scow seen in photo and Pier C, which is at the left, just out of the picture. Yacht club's lone remaining boat (from which this picture was taken) gets docked at barge, on left side of clubhouse. Land end of Fifth Street Pier is shown at right of picture.



said. "By being a member, the facilities of just about every other yacht club would be open to you. We allow members of

other clubs to moor at our club, and in turn we are allowed to moor at theirs. "Of course this privilege is

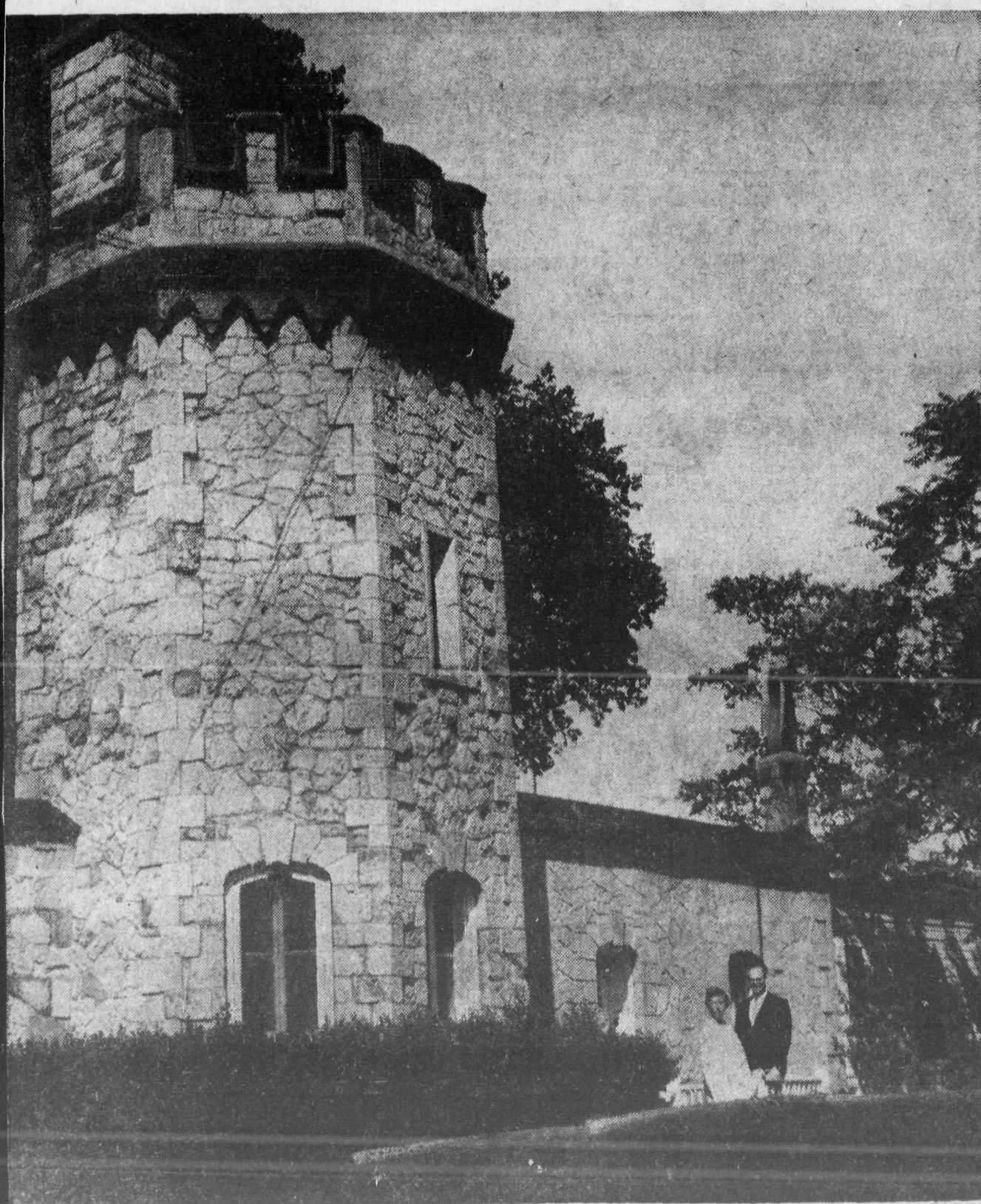
extended for only a few hours — maybe for the day at most — but it is a privilege worth considering.

The club's lone boat, a 55-foot cabin cruiser called the "Ri-bault," is owned by Crisman and John Crabtree, Steven's In-

stitute's plant engineer in charge of buildings and grounds. Crisman is the college's director of auxiliary operations.

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# 147-Year-Old Stevens Gatehouse Is Still a Home



The Crabtrees stand in front of their towered gatehouse home.



Manhattan skyline is view from Crabtree's yard.

## Engineer's Family Lives in It Stone Tower Guards Campus Entrance

The present housekeeper of the 147-year-old octagonal towered gatehouse that guards the South entrance to the Stevens Institute campus in Hoboken is "accustomed to people taking tours of my home."

"Old faculty members or students will wander outside the home and then invite themselves in for one last look at this landmark," says Mrs. John Crabtree.

The family of Plant Engineer John Crabtree, B.S., M.A. are the fourth faculty "keepers" of the house which dated back to the days of the old Stevens Estate.

THE CRABTREES, who have lived in the gatehouse four years are not worried that their little house may be removed in the name of progress.

The house, now owned by the college, was built in the early 1820's. It has outlasted all other original buildings of the Stevens Estate.

"Four years ago the future of the gatehouse was dim," commented Crabtree.

"The college contemplated building the new library here (the foot of Stevens Gatehouse) but fi-

nally decided on the present location down the block.

"Since then," he continued, "the future of the gatehouse looks secure."

WHATEVER its future, the little gatehouse is unusual enough to keep the present occupants busy finding new ways to live in an old home.

James E. Crabtree, whose third birthday is this month, will probably find that the tower room serves better as a garret jail for his young playmates than its current use as a storage room.

"Dr. Humphrey (chairman of the humanities department, and past resident) used the tower room as a study," said Mrs. Crabtree.

"We have too much stuff and too few closets — that's what happened to John's study."

CRABTREE, described by one college official as "the man who knows more about the workings of this college than anyone else," grinned when asked whether the home belonged with his other responsibilities as supervisor of college facilities.

"Not really," he answered. "That falls under the buildings and grounds category."

Crabtree has done his part in

modernizing the place.

"John put in these drop-in panels last year," said Mrs. Crabtree, pointing to the ceiling. "The radiators are just above it."

Radiators on the ceiling?

"That's the way they built it then," she explained.

THE GATEHOUSE was built in three segments. The living room and tower comprise the original structure. This part is built of stone.

The baby's room and part of the kitchen are built of wood.

The third segment, dining room and master bedroom, finished in 1926, is built of brick.

Much of the gatehouse's charm belongs to the view afforded from the back of the house. The Manhattan skyline and Hudson River are seen clearly from a slope.

CURIOSLY, the Crabtrees' chief affection for the gatehouse is not as romantic a reason as might be expected.

"What do we like best about the house?"

"Well," Crabtree said, small as it is, it's still a single dwelling. Other faculty members live in multiple dwellings."

But the Crabtrees have lots of visitors.

## Hernandez New Trustee Of Library

Mayor Louis DePascale has appointed Jose Hernandez of 630 Park Ave., Hoboken, to the board of trustees of the Free Public Library, to replace Joseph Sidoti, whose term expired this year.

Hernandez was born in Puerto Rico 42 years ago. He was graduated from Fajardo High School, attended the University of Puerto Rico for two years, and was also graduated from the School of Business Machines, Newark.

HE SERVED in the Army with the 65th Infantry Regiment in World War II, in Africa, Italy, France and Germany, and earned three decorations. After the war he worked as a paymaster and tax collector for the Government of Puerto Rico, and then 13 years for Emerson Radio Corp., Jersey City. He is presently employed by Hoboken's Hopes, Inc.

Hernandez is married to the former Paula Colon, and is the father of Maria and Sandra, who are both in their senior year at Hoboken High School.



JOSE HERNANDEZ

## Hoboken Memorial Monument City, Veterans Signing Pact

By PETER HALLAM

The Custom House of Display has been selected by the Hoboken Joint Veterans Memorial Committee and the city to create a \$19,000 memorial statue dedicated to all Hoboken servicemen and women who gave their lives for their country, it was announced today.

Hoboken Law Director E. Norman Wilson said a contract has been prepared between the three parties and should be signed shortly.

Custom House of Display has its office in New York but operates a studio at 628 Court St. in Hoboken. William O'Connor will do the sculpture for the monument.

WILSON said the sculpture will cost \$17,000. Of this, the city will donate \$15,000 and the committee will put up \$2,000. The base for the statue will cost another \$2,000, which will be paid for by the committee.

According to the artist, the statue will be about 14 feet high on a triangular base. It will show a soldier, sailor, airman, marine and coast guardsman.

O'Connor said that the statue will be made of a new plastic material that is now being used for the outside of office buildings. He added that it was harder than metal and that weather had almost no effect on it.

At last report, the site favored most for the monument was the John F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium at 10th and Grand Streets. However, a spokesman for the veterans committee said another tour of sites was scheduled with Mayor DePascale.

## School Offer Class for Brain-Injured

The Hoboken public schools will offer at least one class for children with brain damage when the schools open next month, Thomas A. Gallo, board of education secretary, said today.

"Classrooms and all needed special equipment are ready for the opening of school," Gallo said.

"RIGHT NOW, we have one teacher who has been specially trained for handling children with brain damage and the mentally retarded," he continued. "But we have hopes of adding another, if we can find one."

"Special education teachers are at a minimum, especially in the last few years," Gallo said. "We consider ourselves fortunate that we were able to get the one teacher we have. However, we are trying to recruit another."

## Hoboken Ferry Service Going Down to 2 Boats

Erie Lackawanna ferryboat service between Hoboken and Barclay Street, Manhattan, will be reduced from three to two boats operating between the hours 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., effective Sept. 18, the railroad and the New Jersey Department of Transportation announced today.

The trans-Hudson service of Erie Lackawanna and PATH has been under intensive study for several months, the announcement stated, and it has been determined that with some minor adjustments in schedules of Erie trains arriving at Hoboken during the morning rush-hour, the present schedules and equipment of PATH trains will be able to accommodate the relatively few ferryboat passengers.

## Hoboken Board OKs Renewal

Hoboken Planning Board last night approved the city's proposed Hudson st. urban renewal project.

In doing so, it declared the area involved, mainly First st. to Fourth st. and Hudson st. to River st., blighted.

Last night's decision came in the wake of a public hearing Tuesday attended by some 150 residents and merchants of the area.

It is expected that the city council which meets Sept. 6, will consider the board's approval of the project.

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## To Raze Tavern Row

## Hoboken Plan Board Finds No Dissent on Hudson Street Project

By LEN FORD

Usually when one over-emphasizes blight, it is at least one public-spirited individual who goes up. But not so last night at the Hoboken Planning Board's hearing in the city hall on the proposed Hudson Street Urban Renewal project. "Blighted" the site was to everyone.

For the first time in the many deliberations of the planning board there was no dissent on any board stand for the audience. The members commented on the fact.

The hearing was to give the

public a chance to air its opinion on the imminent demolition of Hoboken's famous tavern belt. Nobody was against it.

IT ALSO WAS to let the public know about plans for the middle income housing project for the area, included in the rectangle made by First and Fourth Streets and Hudson and River Streets. Everyone was for it.

Mayor Louis DePascale did a fine selling job for the proposed development. Thursday at 9 p.m. in his office the planning board will meet to evaluate all

the suggestions they heard at the session.

THE MAYOR said that the project is part of an overall plan to "upgrade" the city and is backed by the city council, the planning board, the housing authority and the parking authority. He said low income and the senior citizens have been taken care of, and now the plan is to help middle income people. The federal government, he said, liked the plan for the Hudson Street Urban Renewal project and had reserved \$2.7 million for acquiring the property.

THE PROJECT, said the mayor, is necessary. It is well planned. The housing authority has spent much time in making its survey as has the developer. Nobody's going to get rich nor is anyone going to get hurt. Property owners will be paid a reasonable price for their property figured at the current market.

"This project is going to be in the best interests of Hoboken. I have so much confidence in it that I can see Hoboken as the hub of future development in the area. This better housing is going to bring more taxes, as

much as three times what we are getting now for the property. Perhaps even with the increased cost of government our tax rate may not be as high as it is now."

ABRAHAM Michelsohn, attorney of 84 Washington St. said he is in favor of labeling the area blighted. He grew up in the neighborhood, he said, and where it wasn't once, it is "now blighted."

He had one admonition: There should be no delay in demolishing the old buildings and erecting the proposed urban renewal

project. He asked that a strong time clause be put in the contract for the construction.

"If Hoboken is to move forward," Michelsohn said, "the project must go on in jig time."

MISS IDA HAUSMAN put in a good word for some of the old buildings that are in the area. She said she hated to see them go but supposed that they must. She said "the 'Barbary Coast' is a disgrace." Miss Hausman questioned the mayor on the fate of the streets, commenting that Hoboken already has lost too many of its streets. The mayor

assured her that the street and the traffic pattern would remain just as it is now.

Edward DeFazio, executive director of the housing authority, gave taxpayers assurance that they would not have to pay anything toward the proposed development. He said "the tax rate can go nowhere but down."

ROCCO CAMPANA, consultant for the Urban Renewal area plan said that the prime object of the proposed development is to "clear three blocks of buildings, 66 per cent out of 96 being sub-standard, and 126

out of 377 vacant, and where ratables only amount to \$170,000." He assured that after the proposed urban renewal replacement taxes will rise from three to four-fold.

Speaking on relocation of present tenants in the area, he said the federal government will pay 100 per cent of the costs where the average moving job costs \$110. Small businesses will be allowed up to \$3,000 for moving costs. He warned that anyone who moved before being advised to do so would not be eligible for a relocation payment.

## Ex-Councilman

## Ranieri Blasts DePasquale on Pier Tax

A former Hoboken councilman today criticized the administration of Mayor Louis DePascale for not taking immediate action which would have prevented a pier owner from running up a bill of more than \$180,000 in back taxes.

Rudolph N. Ranieri, former First Ward councilman, said the city was "taking its own sweet time" in imposing tax liens against property that was behind in its taxes.

THE CURRENT situation with the 7th Street Pier could have been resolved a year ago if the city had acted when it should have," he said. "The policy now is to wait two years before imposing a tax lien. It then takes another two years

before the city can foreclose and take title to the property."

"But there isn't anything that says the city has to wait two years to impose the lien," he continued.

"It can be done after six

months or a year. This would

cut out an entire year of waiting

to foreclose and the city

would take title in three years

instead of four."

THE CITY is being very un-

fair to every other taxpayer.

They are the ones who have to

make up the difference."

"I don't see any reason why

the college shouldn't have the

property, but the city should

have taken action long ago."

Stevens Institute of Technol-

ogy purchased the pier from the

International Terminal Operators last March, according to college officials. However, city records show no change in ownership and indicate that ITO owes Hoboken \$187,348 not including interest charges and 1967 taxes.

THE FACT that Hoboken may have to pay ITO money because of over-assessment on the part of the city is even more reason for the city to take action and prepare to foreclose in November," Ranieri continued.

"If Hoboken is to protect itself, it has to start foreclosure proceedings. Or else it may find that it hasn't the back taxes, nor the property, and must pay ITO a large sum of money for overassessment."

## Many Potential Tenants

## Church Towers Authorities Dissatisfied With Work Lag

Renting authorities at the Church Towers apartment project in Hoboken yesterday reported they are well satisfied thus far with interest shown by potential tenants but dissatisfied with the general contractor lagging in work completion.

James T. Caulfield, president of Church Towers Realty Management Corp., said there are already 150 families living in the modern apartment buildings located in the Fifth and Clinton sts. area. The majority are subject to minor inconveniences created by the Thompson-Starett Contractors not finishing the project by the July 1 deadline.

Asked if Church Towers Realty Corp. plans to take court action against the contracting firm, Caulfield said, "That is a matter to be decided by our attorneys. All we want now is to get them out of the buildings so people can enjoy their homes."

Caulfield said there appears to be no problem in renting all the 399 units, located in three 10-story buildings just west of St. Mary Hospital.

Comments on Incomes

Asked to comment on the income status of present and potential Church Towers residents, Caulfield said "There is a definite need for original rules and regulations to be amended by FHA officials at federal level. When income status was first set relative to prospective tenants, the base was set on resident incomes in all parts of the country. It should be modified to separate different income areas, such as the income here and those in Arizona or Mississippi."

Referring to many residents already occupying apartments in Church Towers, Caulfield said, "We are still seeking waivers for many potential tenants whose income is just \$20 or \$25 above the maximum limitation. These people will make good tenants on a permanent basis. They should not be denied apartments due to a minor difference of income as set up in the original plan on an overall federal level."

The Church Towers apartment president said current income minimum is still set at \$5,750 and the maximum at \$10,200, indicating that none of the present or potential occupants exceed that annual income bracket. Caulfield said apartments are still available including the efficiency apartment at \$105 monthly and the one-bedroom apartment at \$110. Also to be made available are two-bedroom units at \$130 a month and

the three-bedroom units at \$150 monthly.

Rental authorities admitted having heard of several complaints that certain new residents have been given extra consideration, because their income exceeds the maximum. "We invite anyone to visit our rental offices at the Church Towers apartment site or at offices at 68 Hudson St. in order to clear any misunderstanding," he said.

Asked to comment on reports that partiality is being shown in renting Church Towers apartments, Mayor Louis DePascale said, "The city has nothing to do with who is accepted as tenants. Church Towers is a private corporation, operated by a rental corporation. Tenants are accepted on the basis of their qualifications after careful screening by those rental officials."

Mayor DePascale also denied allegations that certain tenants are being admitted to the modern apartment project through "political influence or pressure" by incumbent city councilmen in whose voting district the new project is located.

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In addition, if a sufficient number of high school graduates do not apply, consideration will

## Vision, Education Reduce Requirements For New Cops, Firemen

The pinch felt by a community attempting to get qualified personnel for its police and fire departments apparently extends beyond Hoboken.

The state Civil Service Department, in its Aug. 7 examination announcement, has reduced the physical and educational requirements for the police and fire departments.

CANDIDATES FOR the two departments no longer need have 20-20 vision. This has been reduced to 20-30 in each eye without artificial correction.

In addition, if a sufficient number of high school graduates do not apply, consideration will

be given to applicants who have completed the 10th grade. According to police and firemen from Hoboken, one of six communities affected by the Sept. 16 examination at Hoboken High School, it is a step backward.

THEY EXPLAIN that the physical had always required 20-20 vision, but at one time a high school education was not necessary. In recent years, this requirement was imposed in an attempt to increase the quality of men put on the force.

In general, there was a mixed reaction among members of the police and fire departments to the requirement reductions.

## He's the News

## First Hoboken Negro to Seek Public Office

For Albert L. Blackwell of 510 Jackson St., Hoboken, the decision to run for assemblyman in Hudson County's District 12C was not as easy one.

"It took a lot of thought, but I think I knew from the very beginning that I would run," he said. "The hard part was trying to convince myself that I didn't want to and I failed at that."

BLACKWELL, the first Negro from Hoboken to run for any public office, is one of several candidates on the Republican Action Committee's slate in next month's primary.

The committee, headed by Anthony J. Cilento of Hoboken and Edward T. Magee of Jersey City, is attempting to oust John Beier Theurer of West New York as Hudson County GOP leader.

"Hudson County has no Republican Party and everyone seems to know it except Hudson County Republicans," Blackwell said. "If the GOP is to survive in Hudson there must be a change and it must be now. I want to help it come about."

AS A REPUBLICAN, I find it hard to take the horse laughs during election time," he added. "It is time the real Republicans of Hudson County put an end to Theurer's annual sell-out to the Democrats."

Blackwell, 42, was born in Haverstraw, N.Y. He and his family moved to Atlantic County



ALBERT L. BLACKWELL

in 1940 where he attended public school. Blackwell and his wife, Willia Mae, have six children. He is a construction foreman for Hess Brothers Construction in Rockland County, N.Y.

Blackwell is an advocate of "Black Power" but not the kind of "Black Power" advocated by H. Rap Brown and his Student Non-violent Co-ordinating Committee.

THE NEGROES in this country have a duty to participate in the operation of their coun-

try," he said. "They could exercise a strong say in the affairs of the nation. This is 'Black Power' to me."

"I don't see it being any different from Italian power or Irish power," he added.

"Whether I like it or not, this is my country by birth. If I don't like it I should take steps to change it so that I can live on an equal footing with my fellow man."

HOWEVER, violence is not the answer. All the Rap Browns and Stokely Carmichaels will accomplish is a further division between the white and black at a time when they should be trying to get closer together.

"Rioting and violence are definite deterrents to the Negroes' cause. In most cases, those who suffer most from them are the Negroes."

"Respect has to be earned, regardless of a man's color. All the laws in the world can't make someone respect you. And if that respect is earned, it is earned by what a man is, not by his color."

THE MAIN WEAPON the Negro must use is more and better education. Without it, we can not compete. We can't get the good-paying jobs.

"But better education isn't only the need of the Negro," he continued. "It should be available for everyone. This is one of the things I intend to strive for in the assembly."

## War Declared on Pigeons Is Hoboken's City Hall For Birds or Citizens?

By PETER HALLAM

Hoboken City Hall is for the birds—or at least the pigeon members of the bird family. The city has become acutely aware of its pigeon problem in the last few months and, according to Public Works Director Raphael Vitale, they will have to go.

THE CITY has received many complaints from visitors to the hall about the messy appearance of the front entrance because of the pigeon droppings and feathers," he said.

"Since pigeons don't have any respect for the people covering in and out of the building, we also had a few who had their clothes redecorated as they went under the entrance archway," the director added.

"I suppose I'm going to hear from every bird lover in the city, but the pigeons have to go. And as soon as possible."

WE HAVE HAD pigeons roost-

ing at city hall for years, but this year has been the worse. There seem to be more of them than ever before."

Vitale said he was investigating several methods to rid the hall of its feathered squatters. "All of them are harmless to the birds," he added, "but makes it almost impossible for them to nest in the area."

THE DIRECTOR reporter that one device appealed to him over the rest.

"It is a UHF siren that blasts continuously," he explained. "Its pitch is too high for human ears or those of any other animal. But birds can't stand the noise and move away."

## Van Wie New Aide To Mayor

A switch in the post of Mayor Louis DePascale's confidential aide is now a certainty a source close to the mayor said today.

John Schaffhauser, appointed confidential aide in the administration of John J. Grogan, has been notified that he will be moving to the Public Works Department when he returns from vacation next week, as predicted earlier by The Jersey Journal. He is being replaced by William Van Wie, president of the Municipal Employees Association.

SCHAFFHAUSER interrupted his vacation and made an appearance at City Hall last week to keep an appointment with the mayor.

Schaffhauser's official title is senior building service worker. Before taking the aide post he operated the City Hall elevator. He has been a city employee since June 16, 1949.

Van Wie disclaimed any knowledge of the switch.

"As far as I know, I'm only filling in for Schaffhauser until he gets back," he said. "I haven't received any official notification from a superior that this will be a permanent transfer."

A LOT OF people have been trying to make something out of the fact that my post of association president would be in conflict with the post of confidential aide," he continued. "It would, and I am fully aware of it. No one can serve two masters at the same time and I'm no exception."

"If the powers that be have made up their minds to keep me here, I will resign as the association's president," he said.

George Paproth is being broken in at Van Wie's post in the city's addressograph department.

PAPROTH, No. 1 on the Civil Service list for senior clerk-bookkeeper, is filling in for Dominick Gallo as an accounts clerk in the Revenue and Finance Department. Gallo is on leave of absence while working at HOPES.

It takes two men to run the addressograph branch. Van Wie's departure would leave only Peter Romano, Romano, brother of Councilman Anthony H. Romano, is himself a newcomer to the operation of the office.

Paproth says he was asked to "fill in" for Van Wie while he was working in the mayor's office. He adds that nothing was mentioned about a permanent switch.

## Hoboken: Sell Bonds For Roads Let U.S. Back, Says Chamber

By THOMAS STEEN

The idea of a state bond issue for urgently needed expressways been proposed to high-ranking state officials by the Hoboken Chamber of Commerce.

The bonds would be backed by federal highway tax money, which each year amounts to \$5 billion dollars, according to Richard Bernheim, chamber's chairman of the Division of Community Development.

BERNHEIM'S GROUP has been discouraged by the state in its previous efforts to get traffic out of Hoboken and on to high speed connectors by building an expressway from the Holland Tunnel to the Lincoln Tunnel.

"The excuse has always been that we haven't enough money," says Bernheim. "Now we've got a plan that can provide the money for some of the projects we want and those needed elsewhere."

The plan to finance the state highway program is relatively uncomplicated, "so simple every one thinks there must be a catch to it," as Bernheim puts it.

THE CHAMBER'S idea is for the state to float a bond which would be backed up by a guaranteed appropriation of New Jersey's annual share of the highway users' tax on a long term basis—say 20 years.

The Federal Highway Trust Fund results from a piece of legislation that places a tax on gasoline, oil, tires—all products that every driver needs to run his vehicle.

All the money collected from this tax is set aside for one purpose—highway construction.

THIS ACT was pushed and signed by Eisenhower in the '50s says Bernheim. "The income is as guaranteed as that of the Social Security project, people regard driving as a necessity. I don't see any possibility that there will be any letup in the amount the tax brings in for the next several decades. It will probably grow larger."

"Just say that New Jersey gets \$100 million from the highway fund each year," says Bernheim, figuring on one fiftieth of the total.

WE WANT the federal Government to guarantee that they will give us that amount at the end of 20 years," he says. With that backing, the Chamber representative is confident that large Wall Street firms could be persuaded to supply the money for a highway bond now.

Bernheim, who has long advocated roads "that will give Hoboken easy access to the rest of Hudson County and Manhattan" is convinced that the plan should be discussed by state officials.

The prospect of an end to the Vietnam War provides him with additional fuel for pushing the Chamber's project.

"IF THE WAR ENDS we're going to have put that money somewhere," he says. "The various interstate programs have shown that there is nothing more popular, or beneficial for the growth of a community than an expressway."

The price for such an undertaking is enormous. But the Chamber is certain that this is another reason for appropriating the money now.

"Real estate keeps sky-rocketing," says Bernheim. "And there's no telling how much river-front property might cost in a few years. Construction costs are also increasing at a rate of five per cent annually," he continued.

THE CHAMBER'S idea revolves around the desire to plan ahead by building roads now. The demands for them will never be any less as the price to build them will never be any cheaper," as Bernheim puts it. The Chamber of Commerce has, of course, a private motive for pushing a bond bill that would have to be approved by all voters in the state. They have long desired easy access to the routes that lead out from the metropolitan area at the connections to the tunnels that lead from New York City.

THE PRESENT TRIP through "Hoboken to either of the two tunnels takes 45 minutes," says Bernheim, "while a six- or eight-lane divided highway could carry vehicles to those approaches in three minutes."

A study provided last year by a New York City firm further shows that only about 300 families would be displaced by a highway that began in Jersey City and followed the riverfront through Hoboken to Weehawken at the Lincoln Tunnel.

THE STATE Highway Department has been talking about building a road to get drivers conveniently out of Hoboken for 30 years," says the Chamber chairman. "They always say 'they haven't the funds.'"

"If we could get this measure passed it would be a great boon to Hoboken. Just give the people access to this town and you'll see a redevelopment that will be hard to believe."



MAYOR AND "STAND INS"—Mayor Louis DePascale stands behind three departmental directors sworn in yesterday to be acting mayors during DePascale's three-week vacation in Italy, which starts today. Director Anthony Damato (center) assumes responsibility the first week, to be succeeded by Director Raphael Vitale (left) the following week, and City Business Administrator Herman Bier third week until DePascale's return Sept. 11.



HOBOKEN HIGH-RISE — Mayor Louis De Pascale of Hoboken, second from right, and officials of the city's parking and housing authorities sign co-operational agreements for the city's three-block high-rise apartment buildings on Hudson Street. From left are Raymond G. Clynns, chairman of the housing

authority; William Cox, president of the planning board, and Nicholas J. Caruso, parking authority chairman. Officials announced that the housing authority should start purchasing property for the project sometime shortly after Jan. 1.



# America's Cup Race Launched by Six Hoboken Yachtsmen

By J. OWEN GRUNDY  
Secretary, The Historical  
Society of Hudson County

Whistles blew and horns sounded throughout New York harbor, last week, as thousands on shipboard and along the shore lines watched the replica of the "America," under full sail, move majestically up the Hudson River.

As it sailed beneath the cliffs of Castle Point, Hoboken, we wondered how many knew that it was here that the original schooner-yacht "America" was "born" and that it was here at a meeting in the little frame first clubhouse of The New York Yacht Club that the international competition for "America's Cup" had its origin.

AGAIN, on Wednesday night, August 30, millions of viewers witnessed the hour long documentary: "Sail to Glory" on television. The "news peg" of course is the "America's Cup" international yacht races, which will be held off Newport, R.I.,

beginning tomorrow but isn't it about time that the story of its Hudson County beginnings was told?

The originators and backers of the original schooner-yacht "America" back in 1851 were the famous and brilliant Stevens brothers of Castle Point, Hoboken. Commodore John Cox Stevens, of the New York Yacht Club and Edwin Augustus Stevens, founder of Stevens Institute of Technology were the gifted sons of Col. John Stevens, who purchased most of what is now Hoboken in 1784 at a public auction in New York.

COMMODORE Stevens, the best known yachtsman of America in his day, was the leader in the syndicate that built the schooner-yacht "America." It was designed under his direction and he was at its helm in the first race for "America's Cup."

The race came about in the following manner. In the fall of 1850, when England was preparing for its first great international exposition to be held the fol-

lowing year, a letter was received by a New York merchant from a correspondent in London suggesting that in view of the fame of American pilot boats, one should be sent over as a representative of American nautical skill. This letter was brought to the attention of Commodore Stevens. He gathered together six members of The New York Yacht Club, including his brother Edwin Augustus Stevens, George L. Schuyler, Col. James A. Hamilton (a son of the great Alexander Hamilton, first secretary of the treasury, who fell in the duel with Aaron Burr at Weehawken in 1840, J. Beekman Finley, and Hamilton Weeks.

This group undertook to finance the construction of a schooner-yacht that would challenge the best England had to offer. They selected George Steers, outstanding marine architect and William H. Brown, ship builder to construct the challenger. Work soon began at Brown's Shipyard, East River and 12th Street, Manhattan. The

completed "America" was 101 feet, nine inches long; 90 feet, three inches waterline; 23 feet beam; and eleven feet draft. She carried 5236 feet of sail on sharply-raking masts, in a main sail, small top sail, fore sail and large jib.

The sleek schooner was launched May 3, 1851 and sailed for LeHavre, and the next three weeks were spent in refitting and getting her ready for the Solent. On July 31, she sailed for Cowes, on the Isle of Wight. Half dozen miles short of Cowes, the "America" was met by the British cutter "Laverock," out to brush with the stranger. The British "Laverock" hung close and teased the American yacht. Commodore Stevens might have overlooked the taunting, since he was looking forward to arranging future stake matches and would not have wanted to show his schooner's full capacities. But, he could not resist and gave the command: "Let her go."

FROM A START 200 yards

astern of the "Laverock," one of England's fastest cutters, the "America" worked out to windward and passed her with surprising ease, reaching the Royal Yacht Squadron anchorage a quarter mile ahead of the British challenger.

The brush with the "Laverock" dampened British enthusiasm for a match. For weeks, Commodore Stevens had no success in arranging a match. The failure of English sportsmen to take up the challenge of the Americans, whom they had invited, stirred the ire of the British press and public.

Finally, yielding to popular demand, the Royal Yacht Squadron informed Commodore Stevens that there would be a regular open regatta around the Isle of Wight on August 22, for which all of their boats would be eligible, to be sailed without time allowance, and that the "America" would be welcome to compete. The trophy would be a silver cup valued at 100 guineas.

IT WAS asking a great deal

to have one yacht sail against a whole fleet, especially over a course that for a good part of the distance was not in open water. The course called for knowledge of local winds and tidal conditions, familiar to the British, but not to the Americans. However, when the August 22 came, the "America" was there and ready. The opposition was composed of 14 British cutters and schooners. The fleet was lined-up in a double row, the cutters first and the schooners 300 yards astern. When the signal was given, "America" was the last to get away. She took about ten and a half hours to cover the 58 mile course and finished eight minutes ahead of her nearest competitor, the British "Titania."

The "America's Cup," the trophy with Commodore Stevens' name engraved on it, is still the proud possession of The New York Yacht Club, where it is displayed in a glass case today.

DESPITE MANY tries, no one has taken the cup back to Eu-

rope. Sir Thomas Lipton, tea merchant and gallant sportsman, made many efforts with his numerous yachts named the "Shamrock," but in vain. On one of his visits here to challenge the Americans, he was the house guest of former Mayor and Mrs. H. Otto Wittmann in their lovely yellow brick mansion at 125 Kensington Ave., Jersey City. Mrs. Wittmann, the former Mrs. Caroline Stevens Alexander, was the daughter of Edwin Augustus Stevens, founder of Stevens Institute and a niece of Commodore John Cox Stevens.

Now, a new "America," an exact reproduction of the original, again sails to glory — a reminder of American yachting supremacy for more than a century, and when the signal is fired for the 1967 international race off Newport, tomorrow, we can observe with special pride, knowing that it all began with the noted Stevens family at Castle Point, Hoboken.

## Stevens Plans Research Center on River

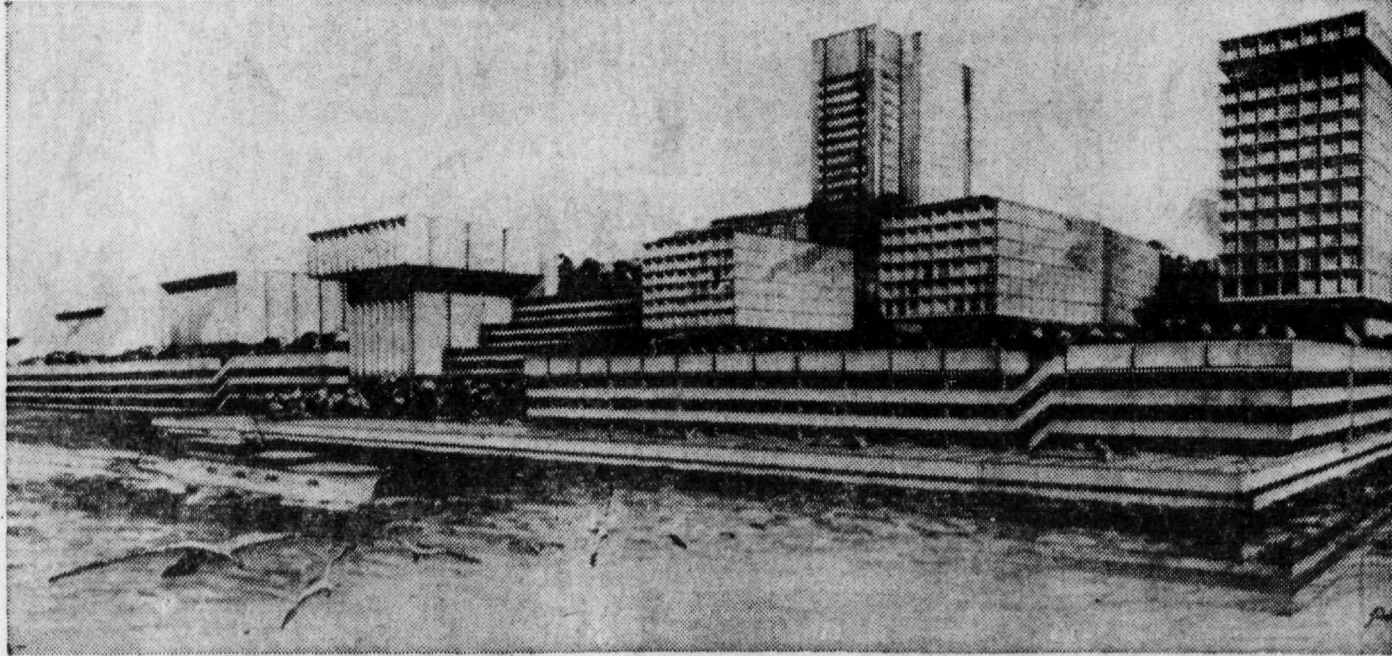
A new industrial research center to be occupied by selected industries will be developed by Stevens Institute of Technology along the Hudson River directly opposite midtown Manhattan. The project, to be built on waterfront property adjoining the college's campus in Hoboken, is expected to be the first major industrial expansion on the lower Hudson shore in recent years.

College officials believe the research center will stimulate commercial and residential development in Hoboken and adjacent communities.

THE CENTER will be constructed on a portion of a 12-acre waterfront tract acquired by Stevens in two recent purchases. Two large pier structures, vacant for several years, have been demolished and the area cleared for future development. The property is situated between the river and the hilltop campus which has been the college's home since its establishment in 1870.

John H. Muller, vice chairman of the Stevens Board of Trustees, is directing the development of the waterfront project. Mr. Muller, now a real estate consultant in New York City, is retired senior vice president in charge of real estate for the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States.

MULLER expects the Stevens project to be an ideal research



PLANNED BY STEVENS — This is an architect's drawing of how new Stevens Institute of Technology Research Center will look in Hoboken as viewed from Hudson River. Center will be located in the three

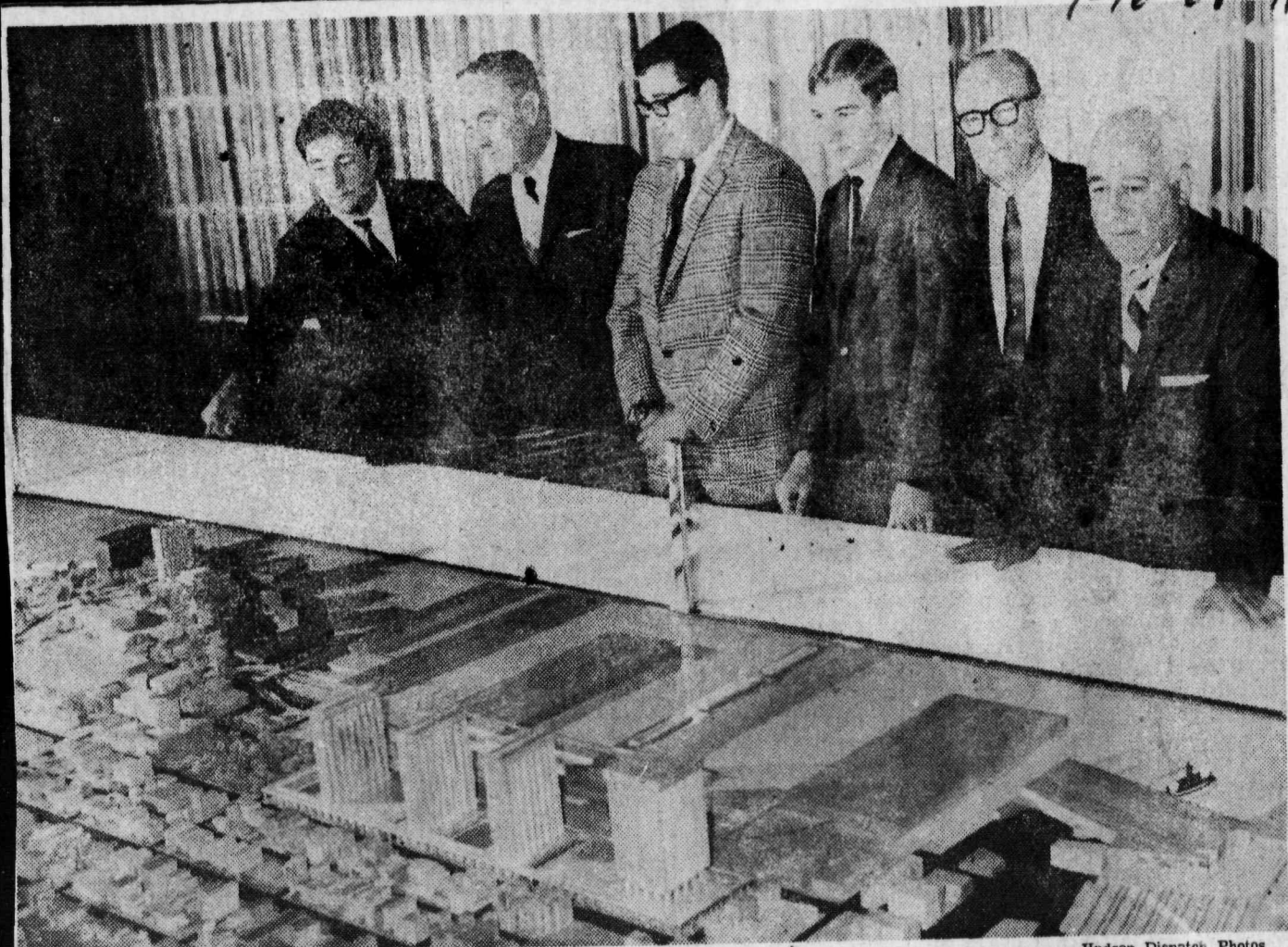
buildings at right foreground and will be constructed on site of old Eighth Street pier. High rise building in background is existing 14-story Stevens Center. Remaining buildings at left are academic structures.

facility for companies and organizations which have headquarters in New York or close business ties with the city. "The location is only 20 minutes from midtown and downtown New York by PATH tube trains, Public Service buses or auto travel through the Lincoln or Holland Tunnels," Muller pointed out. He said that its proximity to a leading science and engineering college would be a

further attraction for high calibre organizations. The college plans to erect academic buildings on another portion of the waterfront property. These and other proposed buildings will be included in a new master plan for the entire Stevens campus now in preparation. A new \$2.5 million library and computer center in now under construction on the upper campus.

THE REASONING behind the research center," said Muller, "is similar to that which has led to the grouping of industrial scientific communities around other science-minded colleges and universities. There is a growing realization that industry and the academic world have much to offer each other. Stevens, with its distinguished history of technical accomplishment and innovation, has unique access to a city with a great reservoir of talent and information and worldwide transportation facilities."

buildings at right foreground and will be constructed on site of old Eighth Street pier. High rise building in background is existing 14-story Stevens Center. Remaining buildings at left are academic structures.



MODEL HOBOKEN — A project requiring 8,000 hours and resulting in a modern replica of Hoboken was unveiled yesterday by students and officials of Stevens Tech. Above, Frank Ianna of West New York (left) points toward the Stevens campus as Mayor Louis DePascale (right), attending the ceremony,

looks in the general direction of city hall. Others from left are Stevens' president Jess H. Davis; students Joseph Wraga of Secaucus and Gordon Quinones of Rutherford, and John H. Muller, vice chairman of the institution's board of trustees. (Story on Page 12.)



THE LONG AND THE SHORT OF IT — A mini-bus, demonstrated in Hoboken recently, stands next to regulation size vehicles used by the Public Service Consolidated Transport Co. Although it is as wide

as the regular bus, the mini-vehicle isn't as tall or as long and could easily navigate Hoboken's narrow east-west streets.

And Passes with Flying Colors

## A Mini-Bus Tested on Hoboken Streets

A mini-bus capable of carrying 29 persons was tested in Hoboken Saturday morning and has received the unanimous approval of officials at St. Mary Hospital, Church Towers housing project, St. Ann's Church, St. Peter and Paul Church and Trinity Episcopal Church, according to Nunzio Malfetti who arranged the demonstration.

Malfetti reported that the bus "passed every test" it was put through on the city's narrow streets.

"WE COULDN'T give free rides because of the insurance problem and possible involvement with the Public Utility Commission," he said, "but we did show it to church and hospital officials who thought highly of it and its potential."

"The demonstration proved in my mind that the use of such a bus in a crosstown system is

feasible. Furthermore, there is a need for such a bus system which should be filled as quickly as possible."

MALFETTI'S route ran from the PATH Tube Station on Hudson Place, north on River Street to 4th Street, west on 4th to Jackson Street, north on Jackson to 7th Street, east on 7th to Hudson Street and south on Hudson Street back to the terminal.

The bus is made by the Cortez Division of the Clark Equipment Co. It holds 12 persons standing and 17 seated. The buses may be either rented or purchased. The company now leases the vehicles for 16-month periods at \$6,500 per bus or sells them for \$13,500 without air-conditioning.

THE VEHICLE is 18 feet 9 inches long, 8 feet high and 8

feet wide. In case of an emergency, the bus can be converted to an ambulance or riot wagon equipped with police band radio.

"Recently, the city of Rome, N.Y., leased seven units for \$42,500 plus \$22,500 for a service contract for a 16-month period," Malfetti reported. "To help finance this project, the city received almost \$100,000 from the federal government."

"SEVERAL OTHER cities have obtained money for transportation, so I see no reason why Hoboken can't. I understand applications are now in for funds under the Mass Transportation Act."

"City officials, merchants and commuters should definitely investigate the possibility of using these buses or similar vehicles with the money it might receive."

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## Bested British Yachts Hoboken Skipper Beat Royal Craft

The second straight win of the United States Intrepid over Australia's Dame Pattie yesterday in the best of seven series for the America's Cup has special meaning for Hudson County, home base of the original winner of the coveted yachting trophy.

A U. S. victory will not be surprising since the cup has been held here 116 years in the face of 20 challenges since Col. John C. Stevens of the Hoboken Stevens, wrested the Royal Squadron's trophy from the British and brought the cup to these shores in 1851.

One of a group of yachtsmen who commissioned the building of an entry to send across the sea

to compete with the best of England's famous sailing ships, Col. Stevens himself took the helm of the completed ship, the first America.

Included to Jeer Spectators were included to jeer as the Hoboken skipper sailed into the harbor of Cowes, Wrights Island, Great Britain, Aug. 1, 1851, and offered to race for "anything under the Union Jack or any prize the queen or her subjects might care to name."

After having several offers to race spurned, even after raising his challenge as high as 10,000 guineas (\$50,000), Col. Stevens was about to set sail for home when the America was declared eligible to enter the Royal Yacht Squadron's 100-guinea race on Aug. 22.

The Yankee ship, considered a strange-looking craft at the time, made history that day as the British rubbed their eyes in wonder to see it finish 18 minutes ahead of the nearest of the royal racers.

Queen Victoria came aboard the America the next day and congratulated the Yankees. The following day, she feted them at a reception at Osborne House.

Sailed Home With Cup The skipper and his crew sailed home with the cup that has become the coveted trophy of yachting and the 100 guineas, as well.

The America was subsequently sold by Col. Stevens in England for \$25,000. It returned to our shores a short time later when the Confederates bought it, renamed it the Memphis, and made it a blockade runner.

Yachting owes a debt to the Hoboken Stevenses in more ways than one. The family organized the New York Yacht Club, of which Col. John became commodore.

Shortly afterward, the Stevenses founded the New Jersey Yacht Club, whose principal membership hailed from Hoboken. Built at the foot of Fourth st. in 1845, it was one of the earliest yacht clubs in the country.

## Future of Hoboken Unveiled

Model Made by Students to Assist Planners

Mayor Louis DePascale and by Steven Tech as part of the college expansion program. "We have enough to contend with in the property along the waterfront which the college board of trustees have already purchased," Dr. Davis, said.

Referring to the model city project constructed by Stevens students, Dr. Davis said it is possible that Hoboken may soon be made a present of the replica, if suitable space can be found for its location. Other sources said the model plan may be retained at Stevens campus.

The 20- by 15-foot model of the city was prepared by 12 students at the engineering and science college during the summer and was shown for the first time yesterday.

The model, with more than 7,000 removable structures, will be used by the Hoboken Planning Board in future planning for the development of the city. It will be of great value to the city planners if Hoboken is successful in obtaining a federal grant as a model demonstration city.

Stevens students and staff expect to continue to cooperate with the city planners.

The model project, called "Stevens-Hoboken Area Redevelopment Project," (SHARP) was sponsored by the college and a federally supported college work-study program conducted through Hoboken Organization to Prevent Economic Stress (HOPES).

Work Began in March Preliminary work on the model began last March with four students under the direction of

Charles J. Perruzzi, 8 Zerman pl., Weehawken, director of student aid at the college.

Through the cooperation of Mayor DePascale, City Engineer Patrick Caulfield and other city officials, block maps and data on all structures in the city were assembled.

Additional help was also given by Mayo Lynch & Associates of Hoboken and the Central Planning Office of the Port of New York Authority.

A workshop for the students was set up in quarters provided by the Public Service Electric & Gas Co. at its offices at 615 Washington st.

With the completion of classes at the college in June, eight more students joined the model project.

Although it increased the volume of their work, the students felt that making each structure removable would be of greater value to the city assistance to the Planning Board in its development work.

Two Building Complexes The students also included two proposed multi-million dollar building complexes, the Hudson Street Urban Renewal Project, a series of high-rise buildings to be constructed on land bounded by River, First, Fourth and Hudson sts. and the recently announced development of the adjoining waterfront by Stevens.

Students in the project included Robert Barker of Jersey City, Frank Ianna of West New York, and Joseph Wraga of Secaucus, who will start their freshman year at the college next week.

## Library Board

Elects LaForgia

Nicholas LaForgia has been re-elected to his 16th consecutive term as president of the Hoboken Free Public Library board of trustees.

Samuel Schleikorn was named secretary, replacing Joseph Sidoti, who resigned. The vacancy on the board created by Sidoti's resignation has been filled by the appointment of Jose Hernandez.

Other members of the board are Francis X. Leahy and Joseph Zang.



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Frank Lally

### City Employees Give Top Post To Frank Lally

Frank Lally, 60, who from 1949 to 1966 served as president of the Hoboken Municipal Employees Assn., was elected to that post again last night by a vote of 65 to 36.

Lally, head clerk in the office of city clerk Anthony Amoroso, won by almost 2 to 1 against Mrs. Helen Lodato, the association's financial secretary and an employee of Hoboken Dept. of Revenue and Finance.

Elected by acclamation vote as vice president was John Long, 69, of 605 Observer hwy., senior clerk in the department of public works. He succeeds Michael Sommers, who resigned because of illness.

Lally, who resides at 1004 Park av., Hoboken, is financial secretary of the New Jersey Civil Service Assn., and first vice president of the Hudson Council 2 of the Association.

He succeeds William Van Wie, who resigned two weeks ago to accept the position of confidential aide to Mayor Louis DePascale. Lally was nominated by Mrs. Mary Shannan and seconded by Thomas Thill, both parks department employees, while Joseph Gilday a sanitation department inspector nominated Long. An acclamation vote was called for by City Clerk Amoroso.

Other officers who retained their positions include Frank Flynn, a revenue and finance department employee, treasurer; Mrs. Agnes Hannagan, of the same department, recording secretary; David Ward, Thomas Thill and William Quinlan, trustees, and Thomas Field, Sergeant-at-arms.

### P.R. Pupils to Be Aided Language Parley Set in Hoboken

A committee of school superintendents, other educators and civic leaders will meet at Hoboken High School today to examine the progress of the city in overcoming the language barrier of Puerto Rican students.

The project, known as a "model demonstration laboratory," is being financed by the federal government under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. The city received \$68,377 on June 15 as the first phase of the \$300,000 program.

The Hoboken operation, which has been approved by the N. J. Department of Education and federal government, is planned to help educators better understand the culture and the background of Spanish-speaking students. Many of the educators on the advisory committee, which represents all sections of the state, have similar language problems in their school systems. They are closely watching the progress being made in Hoboken.

The program will include visits to Puerto Rico by Hoboken teachers, administrators and civic leaders who will observe the operations and methods of the island's schools. The educators also plan to hold a series of seminars for public and parochial schoolteachers.

#### Dinner Session

The committee will meet at Hoboken High School at 4 p.m. and will be greeted by Thomas F. McFeely, school superintendent, Harry Galinsky, administrative assistant for federal projects and Peter Vecchio, project director. The committee will discuss the progress of the program and will later hold a dinner session at the Union Club.

Serving on the committee are Dr. John Mongon, Hudson County school superintendent, and other municipal superintendents including Dr. Richard Beck, Trenton; Dr. Robert Coyle, Jersey City; Dr. Victor Podesta, Vineland; Michael Gioia, Paterson; Anthony Catrambone, Camden; Fred Zucaro, Union City; Anthony Ceres, Perth Amboy; Peter Cannici, Passaic and Morris Epps, New Brunswick.

Other committee members are Mayor Louis DePascale of Hoboken; Raymond G. Clyons, director of HOPES, the city's anti-poverty organization; Rep. Dominick V. Daniels; Dr. William Liggett, acting president of Jersey City State College; Dr. Victor Melendez of the Puerto Rico Department of Instruction; Msgr. Joseph Vopelak, state coordinator of federal projects for New Jersey's parochial schools; John D. McAlevy, president of the Hoboken Board of Education; Robert Ward, Russell Layden and Westry Horne of the State Department of Education and Dr. George Boone, consultant.

### Pacts to Rid Hoboken Of Blight Area

A major step toward the demolition of Hoboken's "Barbary Coast" area along lower Hudson and River sts., was taken yesterday morning in the office of Mayor Louis DePascale with signing of contract agreements necessary to obtain \$4 million in federal funds for the city.

City officials met to make official the contract agreements between the city of Hoboken and the Housing Authority and between the Park Authority and the Housing Authority. After the 10:30 a.m. meeting, Mayor DePascale announced, "Early in 1968 the city will commence action to acquire properties between First and Fourth sts., bounded by Hudson and River sts. It is expected that demolition of existing properties will start soon after."

Present in Mayor DePascale's city hall office yesterday for the contract agreement signing were (Turn to Page 12, Column 4)

### Pacts to Rid

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Housing Authority Chairman Raymond G. Clyons, Planning Board Chairman William F. Cox, Park Authority Chairman Nicholas J. Caruso, Dean Richard E. Eversen of Stevens Tech, who is a member of the Hoboken Parking Authority, Andrew Scherer of the Housing Authority and M. Edward DeFazio of the Housing Authority.

DeFazio Queried  
Mayor DePascale referred inquiries to Atty. DeFazio, whom he described as an official authority on the plans being made to convert the "Barbary Coast" into a modern apartment, professional building complex with modern parking facilities at an estimated cost of \$12 million.

DeFazio, long associated with the Hoboken Housing Authority in his capacity as executive secretary, said yesterday's contract signing between the various municipal agencies was a major step in obtaining federal funds needed to buy out present property owners.

"Once we start evaluating properties and arrive at agreements with present owners, we will commence demolition," De Fazio said. He stressed the project is still dependent upon federal authorities granting the city the \$4 million needed for such an initial project.

The four-block area to be demolished is now occupied mainly by small rooming houses and at least three of the city's one-time hotel landmarks. Demolition of the designated blighted area will also include the relocation of more than two dozen taverns.

Yesterday, Mayor DePascale stressed, "We are ready and willing to sit down with present property owners to decide the future. We are not rushing into the demolition of the 'Barbary Coast' so far as private property owners are concerned. But it is a fact that existing properties in the area will be demolished."



SENIOR CITIZENS HOUSING—This building at Monroe and Adams sts., one of two for Hoboken's senior citizens nears completion. Both buildings, administered by the Hoboken Housing Authority is expected to be occupied by the early part of next year.

### State Law Not Met Hoboken Illegally Issuing Overtime Parking Tickets

By PETER HALLAM

Few motorists receiving those annoying \$1 tickets in Hoboken for overtime meter parking ever bother to come to court to protest the action — they mail the back in and forget it.

However, it was learned today that under present conditions the city is not within its rights to ticket motorists for the overtime offense.

FOR THE MOST part, the only warning motorists have about the hours of enforcement for the meters are posted signs which state: "Parking enforced as posted on meters."

According to officials of the state Division of Motor Vehicles, this is not enough and does not meet the requirements in revised state statutes.

HOBOKEN recently asked the state to approve its new parking ordinance which would govern the operation of parking meters. The approval was granted in a letter from June Strelecki, division director. But the same letter clearly pointed out that the city's current parking meter setup did not meet state statutes.

The letter stated that "proper signs covering each and every regulation must be put up at all locations affected by the ordinance." It added that the signs must "specify the time limits as set forth in the ordinance."

"EACH SIGN must be posted separately and apart from the meters. Any notation on the meter, although permissible, is not considered legal and would not be in accordance with state statutes," it concluded.

The large majority, if not all, of Hoboken's meters do not have accompanying signs which give the motorists proper warnings. According to a spokesman for the state Motor Vehicle Division, since the city and the parking authority, which now operates all of the parking meters, does not have metered areas posted correctly, motorists would be within their rights to go to court and refuse to pay the ticket.

### A Still Better Library

The state is going to send in an expert to evaluate Hoboken's public library. This is what we have been advocating editorially, and we are pleased that Mayor DePascale and the library trustees have adopted the suggestion.

The library has been improved since the present administration took office late in 1965. Deterioration of the building has been checked, the lighting has been increased, new lavatory facilities installed, and some new tables and chairs purchased. New books are being acquired at the rate of more than 250 a month. Titles of some look as though they will have strong reader appeal. Thus, much good already has resulted from our constructive criticism of that library of 1965.

Nevertheless, an outside professional undoubtedly will find other ways in which the library could be made more serviceable within the city's ability to pay.

### 1,500-Unit Hoboken Complex? For Todd Site

By PETER HALLAM

There would be 1,500 apartments in the \$30,000,000 residential development proposed for the site of the defunct Todd Shipyard, which is partly in Hoboken and partly in Weehawken.

There would be eight buildings, four of them for middle-income tenants and two for senior citizens, and the other two would have semi-luxury apartments. These details were given to Mayor DePascale of Hoboken by the would-be sponsor, the Wall Street Association, Inc.

The project calls for the use of 41½ acres now owned by Todd and the federal government's General Services Administration. Todd owns 21.85 acres, GSA 18.60.

HOWEVER, 30.81 acres of this tract are under water and would have to be filled in before any construction could begin.

The Wall Street Association, headed by Harry L. Brumond, hopes to build the complex as an urban renewal project under the Demonstration or Model Cities Act. It lists itself as "a non-profit community betterment organization," but would change this designation to a limited profit organization upon completion of the development.

BRUMOND suggests that Weehawken and Hoboken acquire about six additional acres of land northeast of 17th Street and Park Avenue, owned by the Erie Lackawanna Railroad. This area would be used as an approach to the development.

He also suggested that Hoboken acquire several acres of land between 15th and 17th Streets on the east side of Park Avenue, buying it from the Hoboken Shore Railroad. This land would be part of the development's recreation area.

DEPASCALE said today that he was "still impressed" with the overall idea of the complex, but added that there were still "too many loose ends" for him to form an opinion he would be willing to stand on.

"I'd like to see some more details before I take a stand," he added. "The material Mr. Brumond supplied me fills me in to a certain point, but there are many, many questions that aren't covered. I must reserve any further comment until a concrete detailed proposal is made."

DePascale said Brumond was informed of this last week when he and Mayor Olivesen of Weehawken met in DePascale's office. A detailed proposal is being worked on, the mayor said.

### Hope to Up Insurance Rating Two New Fire Engines In Hoboken's '68 Budget

In an effort to upgrade Hoboken's fire insurance rating, the city intends to purchase two new pieces of fire-fighting equipment next year, Public Safety Director E. Norman Wilson said today.

"Fire Chief Carmody will include funds in his 1968 budget for a new pumper and a new hook-and-ladder to replace two vehicles dating back to the 1940's," the director said.

WILSON ADDED, however, that he did not think the new vehicles would make much difference in the city's fire insurance rating.

"There are too many other things which are considered for the rating," he explained. "Such as our water system, the alarm system, location of fire-houses, condition of the buildings in the city, and manpower — to mention a few."

"Eventually we hope to have an 'A' rating, but this will take time."

Currently Hoboken has a "C" rating. Insurance companies use ratings to determine how much a resident must pay for every \$100 or property insured against fire.

### Mrs. Scrivani Named Hoboken School Director

Mrs. Inez Scrivani, wife of a Hoboken city councilman, has been made director of that municipality's Evening Industrial and Vocational School at an annual salary of \$3,000.

During a reorganization session of the school trustees, Mrs. Julia Hanrahan, a Hoboken attorney, was reelected president of the board, Anthony DePaulis, vice president, and Councilman Bernard Scrivani, husband of the new director, reelected treasurer.

The appointment of Mrs. Scrivani as school director, predicted in Hudson Dispatch several weeks ago (Hoboken Happenings) paves the way for Miss Chana Tanz to be appointed a legal adviser in Hoboken HOPES program at a substantial increase in annual salary. Miss Tanz served as school director almost 14 years.

The school, in operation since 1896, is open free for all phases of adult education. Classes are to commence Oct. 2, starting nightly at 7 o'clock.

Mrs. Scrivani, who is also chairman of Hoboken March of Dimes and vice chairman of the city's Regular Republican Party, is a veteran member of the industrial school staff, having served on the board of trustees since 1945. She is also second vice president of St. Mary Hospital Ladies' Auxiliary.



Mrs. Inez Scrivani

### Stripped-Down Department Bartletta to Be Director Of Revenue and Finance

There still has been no denial from city officials or Mayor Louis DePascale that an ordinance will soon be introduced to separate the Revenue and Finance Department from the Public Works Department so as to provide a directorship for Frank Bartletta, Hoboken's Republican leader.

In fact, recent reports have become specific as to what the ordinance will do.

Bartletta will apparently get his directorship but it will be only the directorship of the revenue and finance department. The water bureau will remain under Director Raphael Vitale, who now heads public works and revenue and finance.

BEFORE THE consolidation of all city departments under three directorships, the water department was a branch of the revenue and finance department.

Informed sources say water will stay with Vitale for a good reason — jobs.

The water department has a substantial work force to which Bartletta could begin appointing some of his followers as vacancies occurred.

The administration's feelings, it is reported, are that Bartletta should get his reward for backing DePascale in the city's 1965 mayoral campaign — but it shouldn't be a post with too much power. And jobs are political power.

### Hoboken Library Adds 250 Books

More than 250 new books were ordered by the Hoboken Free Public Library last month, according to Miss Lucille Cunningham, library director. A large percentage of the books have been delivered and may now be borrowed.

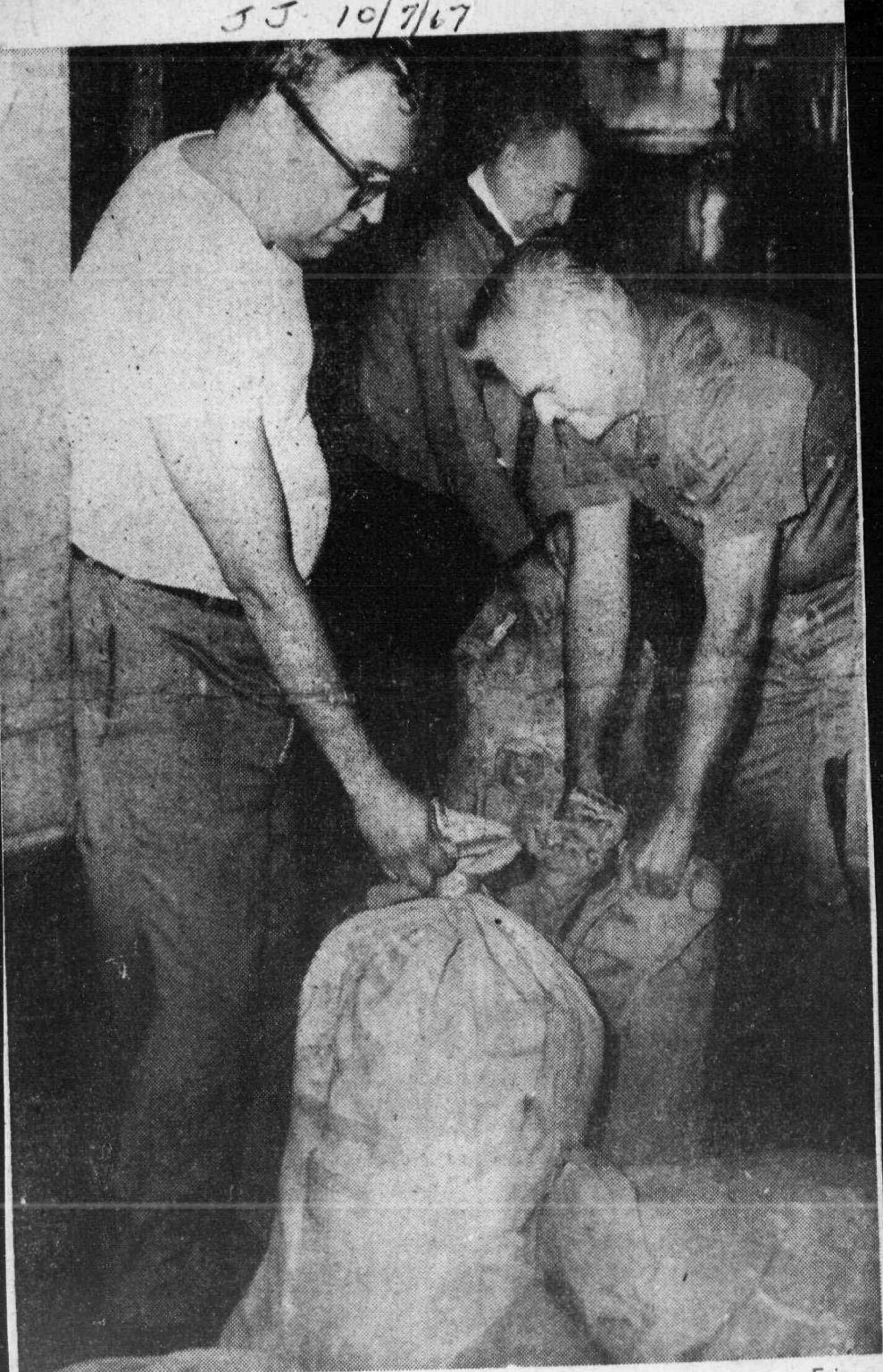
Some of the new volumes are: *Nest in a Falling Tree*, by Jay Cowley; *All the Little Live Things*, by Wallace Stegner; *The World of Jimmy Breslin*, by Jimmy Breslin; *Introduction to the New Existentialism*, by Colin Wilson; *Religion and the Search for New Ideas in the U.S.S.R.*, edited by William C. Fletcher and Anthony J. Sirowit; *Irish Journal*, by Heinrich Böll; *Century of Genies*, by Richard T. Vann; *Africa and United States Policy*, by Robert Emerson; *Ross Davies: The Last One*, Borden Deal; *Vanishing Cornwall*, Daphne du Maurier; *Uncertain Voyage*, Dorothy Gilman; *The Fox and the Hound*, Daniel P. Mannix; *Shadow of God*, Frank Rooney; *But Daddy!*, Tom Buck; *Puller*, W.A. Swinerton; *Frontiermen*, Allan W. Eckert; *Leahy Rivers*, by Jessamyn West and Tamara; *by Karlheinz Grosse*; *Also, Where Death Delights*: The Story of Dr. Milton Helms and Forensic Medicine, by Marshall Houss; *The Gabriel Hounds*, Mary Stewart; *An Overboard Necessity*, Gwen Griffin; *The Chertals*, Rex Warner; *Doctors' Wives*, Frank G. Slaughter; *The Magnificent Failure*, Giles A. Lutz; *Parto His Philosophy and Existential Psychoanalysis*, Alfred Stern; *Birds On The Wing*; *The Story of the Baltimore Orioles*, Gordon Beards; *Conan Doyle: A Biography*, Pierre Nordron; *The Time of Friendship*, Paul Bowles; *My Secrets of Playing Baseball*, Willie Mays with Howard Liss; *The Iron Horse's Last Soldiers*, Ho. Massah; *Till Storm Hell*; *A Biographical Novel of "Mad Anthony" Wayne*, Noel B. Gerson.

### \$30,000 Aid For Hoboken Renovation

A \$30,000 revolving loan has been granted by the N. J. State Department of Community Affairs to the 60 Garden Street Association of Hoboken, it was announced today.

The announcement was made by Mayor Louis DePascale and Rev. John F. Stanton, president of the association. The association founded by the Hoboken Council of Churches will use the funds to renovate, 69 Park Ave., a five-story brick tenement building containing 10 apartments.

Work has been started with private funds, it was reported and the association hopes to establish rents comparable with the present levels.



THE FINAL TRIP — Sacks of mail are loaded aboard train at Erie-Lackawanna Terminal, Hoboken, ending an era of railway mail service. Train 5, headed for Buffalo, carried these final bags to railway post offices operated along the Erie-Lackawanna route. Planes, trucks and some trains will continue mail service but there will be no distribution en route. Al Richiardi, Richard Murphy and Edward Baranowski, from left, perform the final loading job. The number of mail-carrying trains in U. S. has dwindled from 10,000 in 1930 to less than 1,000 today. New system will provide faster service, postal officials said. (Jersey Pictures).

### DePascale In Florida

Mayor Louis DePascale of Hoboken is in Florida enjoying a four-day vacation away from his City Hall duties. The mayor left yesterday afternoon and is expected back at his desk Monday morning.

Also in Florida are several members of the Hoboken Board of Education who are attending a conference. Among those attending are Silvio Failla, Robert Taylor, board attorney; Thomas A. Gallo, board secretary; and Joseph Bartletta, assistant manager.



READY TO LEARN—Nicholas Giovanni, 18, (left) checks class schedule for blueprint reading course at last night's opening of Hoboken's Evening Industrial and Vocational School with Mrs. Inez Scrivani, newly appointed director of the school and her husband Councilman Bernard Scrivani, school trustee's treasurer. The school in operation since 1896, has free courses in all phases of adult education.

### 3 Rs for Brain-Injured Hoboken Provides Special Class

Hoboken Board of Education members have taken steps to help educate neurologically-impaired children here.

Daniel Binetti, who is director of special education in the school system, said daily classes for five children are being conducted at Sadie Leinkauf School, located at Seventh and Adams sts.

Binetti said the brain-damaged children are being taught by Mrs. Roslyn Wohle, in classes for the nine to 12-year-old age bracket. The Hoboken educator, pointing out such classes were suggested by both Mayor Louis DePascale and School Superintendent Thomas F. McFeely, reports parents of children attending classes are well pleased with individual progress.

"We are attempting to help these neurologically-impaired students on an individual basis," Binetti said. "And hope with the help of individual teachers to administer particular needs for such children."

It was pointed out the children are afflicted with speech limitations, emotional problems or other abnormal problems that do not allow them to take part in regular classes. "It is encouraging to see how our teachers actually see improvements in the children," Binetti said in commenting on the newly organized classes. The young students are transported to classes on a five-day week basis, and it is expected the board of education is planning to provide them lunch periods at noon instead of traveling back to their homes.

Binetti said the classes for neurologically-impaired children is "just another step on the part of our board of education to extend education to all students. It is a step in the right direction of better education." The special classes are conducted under the supervision of Principal Salvatore "Yorkie" Calabro.



# Malfetti Submits Proposal for Mini-Buses to City Council

## Some Think Bus Costs Excessive

A nine-page proposal for a mini-bus system in Hoboken has been sent to Mayor Louis DePascale and the members of the city council by Nunzio Malfetti. It was Malfetti who brought in a mini-bus during August and ran it for several hours to determine how residents would react.

In the proposal, Malfetti presents the results of a survey that the Malfetti Association compiled in connection with the demonstration.

IT STATES: "The survey revealed that approximately 24,000 people are potential users of this busy system. These would include pier workers, shoppers, school children, senior citizens, bingo parties, employees of local businesses, visitors to St. Mary Hospital and parishioners of the various churches along the proposed route."

"It is estimated that each trip would take a maximum of 18 minutes under normal conditions. Predicated on this figure, four buses would be deemed appropriate to adequately cover the proposed route on a 24-hour basis, limiting the late and early morning hours to a reduced number of buses to be determined by experience."

"THE CITY of Rome, New York, is presently operating such a program as we propose. They have a population of 52,000 spread over 72 square miles. Their route, for which they charge a 25-cent fare, is a 12-mile run in each direction. Mayor William Valentine has allocated \$19,000 to run the buses (over revenue) for 1968. After 22 months experience, they are



**ROOM TO SPARE** — Nunzio Malfetti gets an idea of how much extra room his proposed mini-bus will have while negotiating Hoboken's narrow east-west streets. Mini-bus is only eight feet wide, and has front wheel

drive for added traction in adverse weather and for better handling. This is 7th Street between Clinton Street and Willow Avenue, which would be on the route Malfetti proposes for the mini-bus operation.

well pleased with their venture and it has helped solve a problem very similar to Hoboken's. "We feel that it should work equally well for Hoboken since we have a population of 48,000 concentrated in a square mile. The fare could probably be held at 15 cents."

"WE ALSO RECOMMEND that a two-way radio be installed in each bus and that whenever possible, the driver be an off-duty policeman. The added feature of an off-duty policeman provides a big safety factor plus providing additional income for the policeman."

"The unit that we examined is also convertible to an emergency vehicle or ambulance, and

can come under civilian defense control.

"Financing can be arranged: (1) by securing help from the Federal Mass Transportation Program; (2) by eliminating the present tow-away of cars and increasing the parking fee to \$10 with the city retaining all of the funds; (3) by setting fares at 15 cents a ride."

"It is respectfully requested that this matter be given serious and immediate attention, and that every effort be made to make this a reality come Jan. 1, 1968," it concluded.

BESIDES THE WRITTEN report, the proposal also contained a map showing the route the system would use. The buses would leave the Port Authority

Trans-Hudson tube station heading north on River Street to Fourth Street, west on Fourth to Jackson Street, north on Jackson to Seventh, east on Seventh to Hudson Street and south on Hudson back to the terminal.

Also included are reports from the city of Rome on the operation of the buses and the city of Dallas, Tex., on the use of two-way radios in the buses, and two pictures of the vehicles.

WHILE CITY OFFICIALS may be willing to consider Malfetti's proposal one aspect of it won't fit with current plans—the cost of the buses.

Hoboken intends to put as little of its own money into the

project as possible. It has already applied for \$30,000 under the Mass Transportation Act which it hopes will be enough, if it is approved.

MALFETTI'S BUSES, manufactured by the Clark Equipment Co., sell for more than \$10,000 each. Hoboken is interested in vehicles that go for around \$6,000. Several vehicles which have already been looked at fall into this price range.

A quick poll of several city councilmen showed that most felt Malfetti's proposal had merit but the cost of buying the buses he suggested was excessive. They were also against leasing the buses from the company as had Rome.

## Make Way for a Clinic

The sight of those two five-story tenement houses coming down at 122 and 124 Hudson St. in Hoboken is a pleasing one. They are being razed not by the city but by the International Longshoremen's Association, to round out the site for the ILA's new clinic.

We had something to do with getting rid of these two unsafe, dilapidated buildings, in that we called attention to the numerous violations in them, following which the city made the landlord stop renting them out. This turned out to be an advantage, no doubt, to the ILA, in negotiating their purchase from the owner.

The landlord could probably have held on if he had done what the other Hoboken slumlords are all doing. They are forming corporations to hold the title to their tenement houses — with themselves as the principal stockholders, of course — and they keep on collecting rents, while Hoboken takes the position that it can't prosecute officers of corporations even if they are in contempt of court.

## Wolz Report Headaches

### City Payroll Accused of Padding

Mayor Louis DePascale yesterday called an emergency session of the city council to discuss the report of the city's efficiency expert, Richard Carroll, executive secretary of the organization, were silent about the reported accusations as compiled yesterday in the up-dated "Wolz Report."

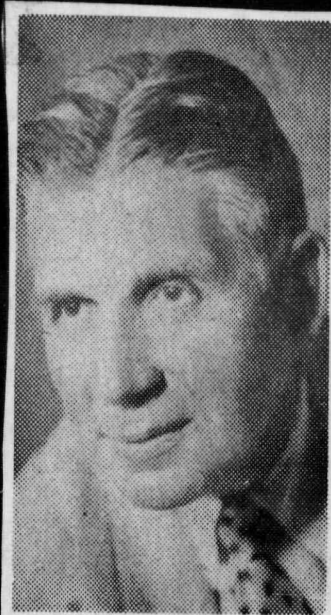
Tiedemann and Carroll, out of town residents, administer operations of the Hoboken Chamber. Mayor DePascale had been served with findings of the "Wolz Report" and he in turn issued copies to each of the departmental directors it was learned. The chamber of commerce survey by the efficiency firm headed by Wolz is paid by individual contributions from Hoboken businessmen and industry.

City Business Administrator Herman Bier and Frank Lally, the latter president of the Hoboken Employees Assn., were also silent about the charges of overstuffed offices and inefficient administration.

Ever since Mayor DePascale took over control of Hoboken City Council, it has been established policy on request of ex-First Ward Councilman Rudolph Ramiert, that a monthly personnel report be submitted by the business administrator. Such a report was studied by Hoboken's then politically-split council.

Mayor DePascale said yesterday "There is always rumors about a cut-down of payroll employees once a qualified efficiency expert is hired to survey the administration of any firm or other type business administration."

Throughout city hall yesterday, employees talked of the chamber's "Wolz Report" in the light that such a move is made by outside interest just prior to preparation of the annual municipal budget. It is an accepted fact in Hoboken that the current tax rate will be increased as the result of appropriations due next year.



Charles Carluccio

## Pick Carluccio For Hoboken Anti-Poverty Job

Hoboken attorney Charles G. Carluccio, 67, of 243 Harmon av., Fort Lee, will start Monday as one of two Hoboken lawyers to administer legal assistance to indigent residents through the city's anti-poverty project HOPES.

Carluccio, who maintains his private law practice with his son, Robert Carluccio, at 1 Newark st., has been a member of the New Jersey bar since 1924. During World War 2, he served in the Fifth Army in both military intelligence and as a military judge. He is a member of the Hoboken Bar Assn. and Leonardo DaVinci Society in Fort Lee.

The appointment of Carluccio and Miss Chana Tanz, also a Hoboken attorney, was approved early this week at a conference of Hudson County attorneys who met in Union City. Previously, Hoboken Police Lt. Norman Sweeten had been mentioned for the \$8,500-a-year post that went to Carluccio. It is reported that Carluccio and Miss Tanz will open their Hoboken office at 68 Hudson st., administering legal assistance to Hoboken residents in the role of public defender or as staff attorneys of the overall Hudson County Legal Services project financed by federal anti-poverty funds.

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## Legal Aid Starts Next Wednesday

Raymond G. Clyons, chairman of the Hoboken Organization Against Poverty and Economic Stress, said today the legal aid service for the city's indigent families would start operating from 68-70 Hudson St. starting next Wednesday.

Clyons said that a lease has been signed with the owners of the office building effective that date. Staffing the office will be Miss Chana Tanz of Hoboken and Charles G. Carluccio of Fort Lee, both attorneys with practices in Hoboken. Their annual salary will be \$8,500 each.

According to Clyons, both Miss Tanz and Carluccio will be relinquishing their practices in order to work in the anti-poverty program. This was one of the requirements for the positions.

## Meets Aides To Study Wolz Report

Officials of the Hoboken Chamber of Commerce will meet with Mayor Louis DePascale tomorrow morning to discuss what will eventually become the second edition of the "Wolz Report."

The report is an in-depth study of all city departments and will recommend steps to be taken for more efficiency and economy.

PRELIMINARY findings already have been submitted to the chamber and the mayor, and DePascale called a meeting of all city directors Friday to evaluate them.

"What may appear to an outsider to be an excess might be a necessity if all of the facts are known," DePascale explained. "Trying to justify our faults was not the primary purpose of the meeting. We were trying to determine if the findings to date were accurate and justified."

DePASCALE continued: "Suppose the city had 33 men working in one department and first indications show that only 14 are needed. However, if the city can explain satisfactorily the need for the 33 men, then this finding should not be included in the finalized report. 'The meeting between myself and the directors was for this purpose.'

"When I meet with the chamber tomorrow I will be in a position to explain the areas where we feel we are justified in spending or employment," he said.

ALTHOUGH the first findings are being kept secret by both the mayor and the chamber, it is reliably reported that they closely resemble those of the first Wolz Report in 1964. The first findings are said to cite too many people on the payroll.

# 1967 Women of Achievement

## MARIE S. FUGAZZI, Hoboken

When Marie Fugazzi of Hoboken decides to help a cause, that cause can rest assured it will have her help for a long, long time.

It was 27 years ago she began to work on Red Cross drives — and that work has never ceased. She has been a Hoboken Chapter board member, a Motor Service captain, canteen chairman, board secretary, fund chairman for soliciting church support, and most recently volunteer on Christmas "ditty bags" to be sent to servicemen in Vietnam.

FIFTEEN years ago she became a member of the Hudson County Tuberculosis and Health League. Active in its work to this day, she held the thankless job of Hoboken fund chairman for four years.

Past president of the Woman's Club of Hoboken, she has been its treasurer, vice president, Civil Defense, welfare and nominating chairman.

A MAJOR community charity is the club's annual card party, co-sponsored with the Industrial Management Club to benefit the YMCA. Miss Fugazzi served as club chairman for three of these events. She has also served her club on a district level, working on Civil Defense.

A communicant of Ss. Peter and



Paul Church, where she is a Rosarian, she works in behalf of the parishes of St. Francis and Our Lady of Grace. She has been treasurer and active in mission undertakings for Court Santa Rita, Catholic Daughters of America. She has been social action chairman for the North Hudson District of the National Council of Catholic Women.



**MAYOR DONATES** — Mayor Louis DePascale accepts tickets to the sixth annual benefit dance sponsored by the Hudson County Chapter of National Cystic Fibrosis Research Foundation from Matthew Dey, 8, and Patrick Courtney, 5, both of Jersey City, and John Lucchesi, 3, of Union City. The dance will be Nov. 11 at the Union Club, 660 Hudson St., Hoboken.

## DePascale Due At Conference On Pollution

Mayor Louis DePascale of Hoboken will be among more than 200 health and political figures attending the Clean Air Week Committee conference next Wednesday in New York.

The mayor, as chairman of the Metropolitan Regional Council Committee on Air Pollution, was invited to attend the one-day conference by Austin Heller, chairman of the New York City Air Pollution Committee.

DePascale announced this is National Clean Air Week. It is the 19th consecutive year the Air Pollution Control Association has sponsored Clean Air Week.

## Hoboken Mayor To Appear on Panel

Mayor Louis DePascale, faced with the daily problem of correcting air pollution caused by Maxwell House Coffee Co. and St. Mary Hospital, will be part of a panel in New York City tomorrow on the "Promise and Problems of Mid-Atlantic Air Pollution."

The Hoboken official, who is chairman of a Metropolitan Regional Council Committee on Air Pollution, will meet with New York City Mayor John V. Lindsay and Sen. Jacob Javits as part of the air pollution panel.



**AID FIREMEN'S FAMILIES** — Hoboken Fire Capt. Herbert Cloud (left) and Charles Drumm accept donations from Bethlehem Shipyard workers Joseph Anderson and Kato Akeridge to aid the families of five Ridgefield volunteer firemen killed in an explosion early Sunday morning. The two fire captains, with Capt. Richard Tremietti, volunteered to solicit the donations on their time off yesterday.

## To Start Work Next Month County Judge to Appoint Hoboken Youth Committee

Mayor Louis DePascale of Hoboken said today that a youth conference committee will be appointed soon by Hudson County Domestic Relations and Juvenile Court Judge John Grossi and should be in operation within a month.

The committee will operate in a manner similar to the now defunct Hoboken Youth Authority.

"MATTERS concerning youths or juveniles in trouble or about to get into trouble will be referred to the committee," DePascale explained. "Its purpose will be to try and set the kids straight by getting them on the right path and keeping them there."

According to DePascale, Judge Grossi is to appoint from three to nine persons to the committee.

DePASCALE SAID that the appointments would be made

without any recommendations from the city.

"The community is not allowed to suggest anyone for the committee since it is supposed to be devoid of any political connections," he said. "However, I assume the judge will select people to serve from all walks of life."

DePascale and Sixth Ward Councilman John J. Palmieri met with Grossi earlier this week to discuss the committee and its formation. It is part of the city's overall plan to cope with the ever increasing teenage problem.



## City Mourns Historian

### George Moller: Reminded Hoboken of Its Rich Heritage

"No one surpassed George Long Moller in his love and loyalty for Hoboken," Mayor Louis DePascale said today as he led the city in paying tribute to the official city historian.

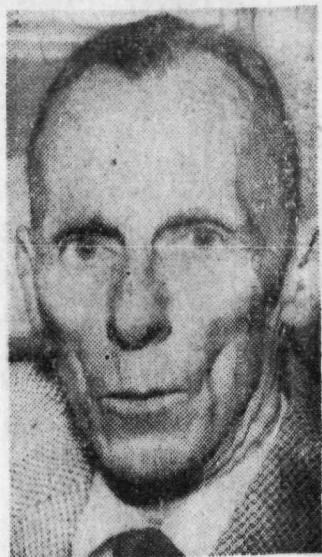
"George Moller was more than a historian," said the mayor. "He was the one person in the city who bridged the gap between yesterday and today."

"THROUGH his books, his historical articles and his exhibits he constantly reminded us of our rich heritage which we could draw on for inspiration."

"Hoboken has suffered an irreparable loss in George Moller's passing. He was devoted to his city and, despite a physical setback, utilized a keen mind and an unmatched dedication to make giant contributions to his community."

MR. MOLLER, 67, died as a historical exhibit of rare photographs of Hoboken was being completed in the lobby of Hoboken High School.

With Thomas F. Gaynor, high school principal and his lifelong friend, Mr. Moller was putting the final touches to the exhibit which he hoped to display in various parts of the city. He never saw the completed project.



GEORGE L. MOLLER

A LIFELONG resident of Hoboken, Mr. Moller was stricken with polio as a boy during the World War I years. He spent the rest of his life in a wheelchair.

He was a familiar figure in his wheelchair at 11th and Washington Streets, and scores of public officials, professional men and neighbors called him their friend.

HIS WORLD was not limited to Washington Street, however.

Mr. Moller was taken on fishing trips with friends and often was driven to Princeton for a football game. There he had a special field pass enabling the car he was in to be driven onto the field, where there was a ramp for his wheelchair to be taken into the stands.

He had a lifelong interest in history and devoted many hours to assembling historical data on early Hoboken. About three years ago his efforts were officially recognized. The Hoboken City Council officially designated him as city historian, an honorary position.

MR. MOLLER conferred regularly with Gaynor and Carl Wilenborg, an importer, on his historical projects and published two volumes of Hoboken entitled "Hoboken of Yesterday."

In recent weeks, Mr. Moller was also gathering further information on Charles Schreyvogel, a Hoboken artist whose paintings of western scenes many feel rival those of Frederick Remington. Wilenborg now lives in a Garden Street house once occupied by Schreyvogel. Several days ago an original Schreyvogel painting was presented to Mr. Moller by Henry Muller of Weehawken.

Mr. Moller also had a keen

interest in chess and sponsored an award at the high school each year in memory of Thomas Hatfield, longtime Hoboken librarian.

GAYNOR DECLARED: "The death of George Moller diminishes all of us in the community. He was a man of great courage and possessed of a deep and abiding love of Hoboken."

"His collections of old Hoboken and his writings on his beloved city are a valuable source of the heritage of Hoboken's greatness in the past. Our school children will always be enriched by the materials he made available for the classrooms and school libraries."

"ALTHOUGH all who passed the corner of 11th and Washington Streets knew him well, even those who did not know of him are his beneficiaries. We are a better community because of his constant reminders of our debt to the past. We are all the richer for his having been among us."

The funeral of Mr. Moller will be tomorrow from the Field Funeral Home, Hoboken, with Rev. Edwin Parsil of Community Church of Hoboken officiating. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery.



LOOKING BACKWARD—The handsome young man sitting at helm of Hoboken's water wagon back in 1923 is Joseph Quagliano of 628 Bloomfield st., who yesterday observed his 25th anniversary as "Joe the Bartender" at Porthole Tavern, Fifth and Bloomfield sts. Photo was taken of his 500-gallon water wagon at Fifth and Grand sts. just 44 years ago. "Joe" says he has no regrets in falling off the water wagon and working for Mike Costello, president of Hoboken Tavern Owners Assn.

## Monroe Gardens

### Hail New Housing Project As Sign of Slums' Exit

Hope that Hoboken can soon "go into high gear in eradicating slums" was expressed by Mayor DePascale yesterday in dedicating a new 125-apartment senior citizens housing project, Monroe Gardens, at 3rd and Monroe streets.

DePascale said the hope was based partly on the prospect of early commencement of the multi-million-dollar Hudson Street redevelopment project, and partly on the prospect of Hoboken's being chosen as a "demonstration city" for urban renewal.

HE SAID the city expected to break ground shortly for the Hudson Street project, terming it "a complex which will revolutionize living standards in our city."

The mayor credited his predecessor, John J. Grogan, now county clerk, for "his foresight in laying the groundwork" for the Monroe Gardens development. And he said that "following the guidelines laid down" by Grogan, a similar 125-apartment building for the elderly, known as Adams Gardens, would be completed in a few weeks.

RAYMOND G. Clyons, chairman of the Hoboken Housing Authority, which will operate the Monroe and Adams developments, lauded the builders, LaRocca Brothers, for the speed

with which they erected the ten-story structure.

He said that by virtue of this construction job the LaRoccas "hold a record for housing project construction on the East Coast — the only builders ever to bring in a job four months ahead of time."

State Senator William J. Kelly, a Democratic candidate for reelection, spoke briefly, representing Governor Hughes, who could not attend.

OTHERS WHO addressed the gathering outdoors in a frigid wind included former Mayor Grogan, M. Edward DeFazio, executive director of the housing authority; John Backus, regional housing management officer of the Public Housing Administration; and Andrew Scherer, vice-president of the housing authority and warden of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Scherer remarked that he was "representing the oldest church in the city in welcoming the newest addition to the city."

The Rev. Armand Sorrento, pastor of St. Francis Church, gave the invocation; the Rev. E. Theodore Le Van, minister of St. Paul's, the benediction.



Mayor De Pascale and other Hoboken officials gather for Monroe Gardens opening.



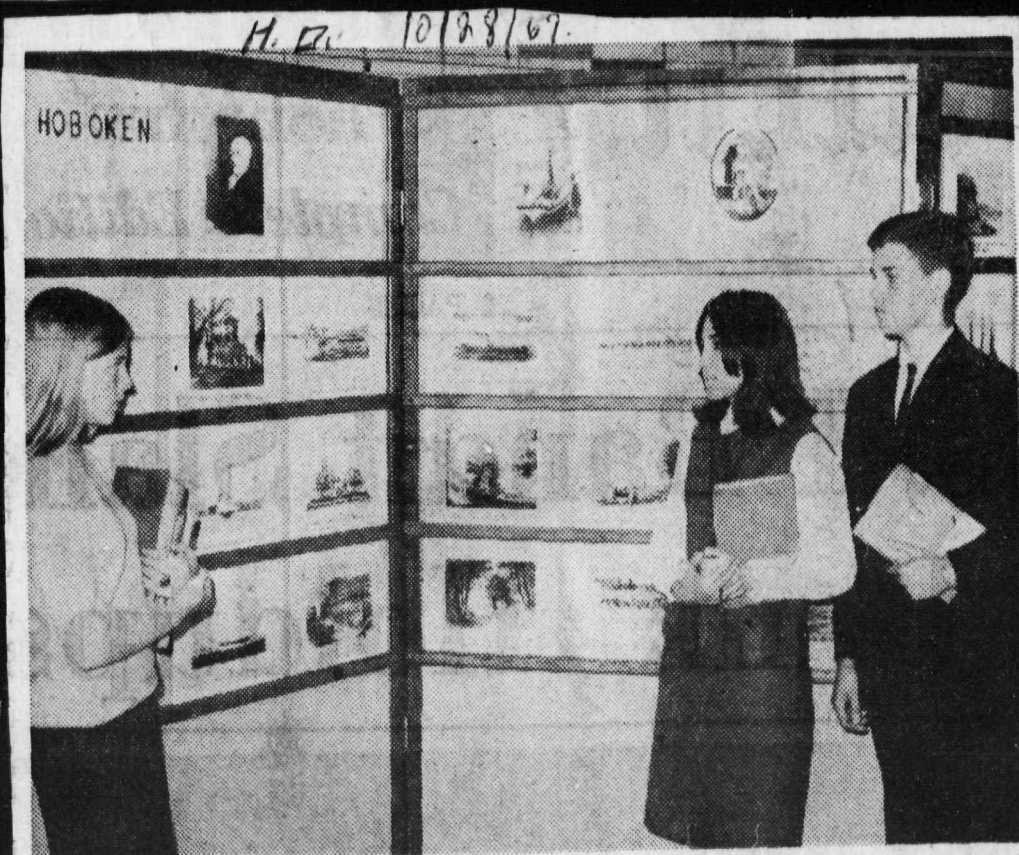
NOW A MEMORIAL — Thomas F. Gaynor, principal of Hoboken High School, looks over completed exhibit of Hoboken historical photographs which he arranged with the late George Moller, city historian. The exhibit, open to the public in the main lobby of the school, traces Hoboken's history from days of Col. John Stevens. Mr. Moller died just before exhibit was completed. (Jersey Pictures)



FINISHING TOUCHES — Mayor Louis De Pascale and Camine Cuttito, deputy director of the department of public works, look on while workmen Paul Giangolano, Joseph DiMando and Mark Settembre, all veterans, put finishing touches on monument to Sgt. William Feskens, Vietnam hero, at Stevens Little League Field in Hoboken.



WELCOME HOME — Mayor Louis DePascale pauses to chat with Mrs. Vera Christiansen, one of new tenants in Monroe Gardens senior citizens housing project, which was formally dedicated. With mayor at Hoboken ceremony are Raymond G. Clyons, chairman of Hoboken Housing Authority, left, and State Sen. William F. Kelly. (See story on Page 12.)



HOBOKEN OF YESTERDAY — Hoboken High School students (left to right) Mary Ann Anderson, 16, Elaine Costa, 17, and Edward Bowe, 15, look at pictorial display of Hoboken history set up in school hall. Exhibit was prepared by late Hoboken historian George Long Moller who died Monday night.

## Brochure Explains Services, Needs

### Hospital to Launch 'Welcome Neighbor'

St. Mary Hospital tomorrow launches a "Welcome Neighbor" program for newcomers to Hoboken.

First in the history of the hospital, the program will introduce a new four-page brochure that explains the hospital's future needs and the services now offered. The brochure will be distributed to large apartment houses, banks and business establishments.

SISTER M. Felicitas, S.F.P., administrator, said, "We are most anxious for our new neighbors in the adjoining Church Towers development, the city housing projects, stores and offices and other areas to know more about our hospital."

"In the past 105 years, the hospital has rendered invaluable health service to the citizens of Hoboken, Hudson County and

surrounding areas. This has meant years of very hard work on the part of the Franciscan Sisters of the Poor to provide a facility which is now the largest private institution in the county with more than 700 staff," she said.

"WE ARE currently engaged in a \$5 million project to add a new wing to our building complex. In order to accomplish our urgent need, we must ask for community support. When you think that this hospital has served more than 3 million patients and has been through four wars and the serious epidemics of earlier years, it is a record unmatched in New Jersey history."

"In the fast-moving health field today, it is of vital importance that facilities be modernized and services expanded. If a hospital like ours is taken for

granted by the public and little is done to support the institution, then services must be curtailed. "Interest and support is vital to the services of our great hospital so that we can continue to give outstanding care to our patients."

## 2nd HOPES Job to Gallo

The basic adult education program of HOPES, Hoboken's anti-poverty program, will be administered by Dominick Gallo, son of City Council President Thomas A. Gallo.

The younger Gallo's appointment as director was announced by HOPES directors yesterday. Presently, he holds the post of comptroller at a salary of \$10,000.

A spokesman for the board of directors said Gallo will receive an increase of \$1,000 to handle the two jobs until a qualified replacement can be found for the comptroller's job.

## Budget Talks Also Begin

### Employees Stress Benefits In Hoboken Negotiations

Hoboken's Municipal Employees Association has started negotiations with the city for increased benefits and pay for next year. But unlike past sessions, increased emphasis will be placed on benefits rather than pay hikes.

Frank Lally, president of the association, said that nothing definite has been agreed upon by the negotiating committee in the way of benefits or pay increases for next year. However, he added that benefits such as paid hospitalization, sick time and vacation time would be the association's primary targets this year.

LALLY SAID that the committee required several more meetings among its members before it would be ready to meet the general membership for discussion. "The committee is only the voice of the entire membership,"

so whatever we seek from the city will be what the majority of the members want," he added. "This can't be determined without several meetings of the membership."

MAYOR DePASCALE reported that he has called a meeting of all directors for today to begin discussions on their proposed budgets for 1968. The over-all city budget will determine just how successful the employees' association will be in its negotiations.

The departmental budget requests are supposed to be back to the mayor by Nov. 29.

## Worthy Hoboken Efforts

Two constructive programs for Hoboken teenagers and subteens were in the news the other day. At the newly opened Church Towers middle-income housing development, tenants are sponsoring an Under-21 Club rather than rely on municipal and other agencies to provide cultural and recreational activities. And the 60 Garden Street Association sponsored by the Hoboken Council of Churches is seeking to enlarge its musical training program for youngsters.

The interest shown by the Church Towers residents should do much to maintain a high neighborhood standard in that 400-apartment project.

The church association is asking people to donate musical instruments in good condition, to help its music instruction work. Many boys and girls in the low-income or no-income group have latent musical ability now being wasted because they have never had a chance to learn to play an instrument. Rev. John F. Stanton, at Trinity Episcopal Church, invites, and should have, broad public cooperation.



ANTHONY H. ROMANO

## First Ward Dems Name Romano

First Ward Councilman Anthony H. Romano of Hoboken has been named standard bearer of the city's First Ward Regular Democratic Club, replacing Arthur Burkhardt, it was announced today by William Van Wie, president.

According to Van Wie, Romano's selection as standard bearer, was by unanimous endorsement of the membership, including Burkhardt.

BEFORE MAYOR Louis DePascale announced the organization's candidates for ward councilman in this year's May election, both Van Wie and Burkhardt were being mentioned as possible candidates along with Romano.

Van Wie and Burkhardt were the choices of former Mayor John J. Grogan, while DePascale favored Romano.

ROMANO WAS eventually the choice of the organization and went on to defeat then Councilman Rudolph N. Ranieri by more than 400 votes.

Van Wie also announced that the club will no longer meet at Fabian's Brau House at 1st and Bloomfield Streets. Meetings will now be held at Scalzo's Import House, 117 Washington St.



## Hoboken Priest Honored for Heroism in Vietnam

Capt. David J. Casazza of 212 10th St., Hoboken, a Catholic chaplain in the U.S. Coast Guard, has received the Legion of Merit for his outstanding performance of duty while stationed in Vietnam.

The award was presented at ceremonies at the Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn., where Capt. Casazza is now chaplain. Rear Admiral A. B. Engel, academy superintendent, made the presentation.

A NATIVE of Hoboken, Capt. Casazza is a graduate of Immaculate Conception Seminary in Darlington and Fordham University. He is a veteran of campaigns in World War II and Korea.

He reported to the Coast Guard Academy in August after completing his tour of duty in Vietnam.

The citation accompanying Capt. Casazza's Legion of Merit reads:

**'FOR EXCEPTIONALLY meritorious service as chaplain of the First Marine Division from 24 Aug. 1966 to 21 Aug. 1967, in connection with operations against Communist forces in Vietnam. Through his vital personal ministry and administrative supervision he ensured that religious services were available to all Marines in both the Chu Lai and Da Nang tactical areas. Supervising the work of 28 chaplains, he provided services and counsel to outlying units as well as those at the division command post. He traveled to forward areas regularly, fearlessly subjecting himself to the danger of enemy mines, booby traps and hostile fire, rendering assistance to all wherever and whenever needed.**

**'Captain Casazza displayed sound judgment and resourcefulness in assigning his chaplains to units and tactical areas where they would be of maximum effectiveness.**

**'CAPT. CASAZZA'S concern for civic projects greatly enhanced relations between the Marines and local populace. Under his guidance chapel funds were instrumental in establishing missions and assisting charities to**



Hoboken Legion of Merit Winner

aid the people of Vietnam. Capt. Casazza obtained a priest for a group of refugees and assisted them in building a church, a school and on orphanage and organizing a staff to teach and care for the children. As a result, a Catholic parish was established at Chu Lai, symbolizing a permanent token of friendship between the American and Vietnamese people."

## Hoboken's Title Three Project

### To Help Foreign-Born Pupils

By PETER HALLAM  
It was the challenge of trying something new that enticed Peter Vecchio to accept the directorship of the Title Three Project in Hoboken. The project, financed with \$68,377 in federal funds, is aimed at assimilating foreign-born students into their new surroundings through cultural understanding.

"I see it as a project with great challenge and potential and felt that because of its merits I should become involved with it," Vecchio said today. "So there was no hesitation on my part when I was asked to head the program."



PETER VECCHIO  
children in the city's school system, about 44 per cent are foreign-born.

student census showed that the school system had 2,447 children from Puerto Rico, 263 from Italy, 167 from Cuba, 108 from Yugoslavia and 143 from numerous other countries.

According to Vecchio, these figures have risen for 1967.

**'HEREIN LIES the problem,'** he said. "With such a large percentage of foreign-born students, something must be done to provide these children with the same educational opportunities as our native-born."

"Right now, Title Three is going through its experimental stage. We are trying to find the right programs that are going to do the best job for the foreign-born."

"Hoboken is acting as an information center with nine other communities in the state. These include Trenton, Camden, Jersey City, Union City, Perth Amboy,

## PUPILS

Vineland, Passaic and Paterson as well as Hoboken.

**'EACH COMMUNITY is investigating its own programs and the results are being correlated here. The aim, of course, is to find which ones are working and which ones aren't.'**

The Title Three Project is designed to cover a three-year period. Its first section, a nine-month period, ends on March 15. Renewal applications for the second phase of the program are to be submitted to the federal government by Jan. 15, 1968.

Although the program is aimed at helping all foreign-born students, its primary interests are those that are Spanish-speaking, particularly students from Puerto Rico.

**'BY NUMBERS alone, it is evident that the program should lean in that direction,'** Vecchio continued.

"The circumstances surrounding the influx of Puerto Ricans mandate such programs. The Puerto Rican does not come here to become a citizen. He is already a citizen. He is not forced to stay here because he has some place to return to. And returning is a relatively easy matter in these days of low plane fares.

"Unlike the majority of this country's early immigrants who came to stay and were forced to learn a new language if they were to become citizens, the Puerto Ricans have no such pressures on them."

**ONE OF THE programs which Vecchio has found successful so far is a first grade class at School 9 which is being taught mathematics and reading in Spanish.**

"The trouble with teaching a child that can't speak English who is in a class with children that can, is that by the time the child learns enough of the language to understand the lessons, he is too far behind the other children.

"In this special first grade class, we concentrate on continuing the child's education in his own language and gradually work learning English into the class. Meanwhile the child is still learning, but on familiar ground."

**ANOTHER PROGRAM is a conversational Spanish class which is being offered to eighth grade students on nine-week cycles for both English and Spanish-speaking students.**

"The aim here is to get the two different groups working with each other in a common program. The aim is being reached," he said.

"Right now, we are only at the very beginning of what we have to do," he said. "All of the various programs have to be evaluated and decisions reached on which ones we will continue and the ones we will discard."

"But it is a beginning and a very important one at that."

## Approve

### Cappiello

### Appointment

The appointment of Hoboken Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello to the board of school estimate has been approved by the City Council. Cappiello replaces Councilman John J. Palmieri, who has accepted a salary position with the board of education.

The council also approved the appointment of Anthony DeBar to the city's housing authority replacing Joseph Apicella who resigned because of mounting business pressures.

**IN ONE OF its shorter sessions, the council yesterday approved personal property and real estate refunds totaling more than \$8,000 and authorized the city treasurer to cancel the overpayments in the book of records.**

A resolution authorizing the city to submit applications to the federal government for \$90,000 as two-thirds of the cost of demolition completed by the city was approved unanimously.

**PERMISSION was granted to Plumbing Inspector Michael Martinelli and the members of the planning board to attend the annual New Jersey State League of Municipalities Convention in Atlantic City on Nov. 15.**

The council members and the mayor will also attend the convention and, because of it, have changed the date for the next council meeting to Nov. 14.

**FOLLOWING the meeting, Jarvis Wall of 928 Park Ave. S. asked the council why it had so many men working at Elysi-an Park, 11th and Hudson Streets.**

"You could save \$450 a month if you laid off three or four of them," he said. "I told you that a month ago. Why hasn't anything been done?"

**COUNCIL President Thomas A. Gallo replied, "The parks are still getting a lot of use. When the residents of the city stop using them for the winter, then we might take some of them off the payroll."**

"They aren't putting in the time they should," said Wall. "They are supposed to be working three hours a day, but they are only working two."

**'WALL, YOU are dealing in too many generalities,' said Councilman-at-large Bernard Scrivani. "If you will give us dates and times maybe we can do something about it."**

Wall also complained of flooring that had been left on the corner of 10th Street and Park Avenue for 12 days without being collected by the city.

**'THAT'S NOT true,' said Gallo. "I pass that corner every day and I haven't seen anything there."**

Scrivani said he would investigate the matter personally. Later the councilman reported that there was nothing on the corner when he checked.

## Starts Monday

### HOPES Hires 4 Teachers For Adult Education Plan

Four instructors have been hired by HOPES, Hoboken's anti-poverty organization for the adult basic education program which starts Monday, it was announced today by Raymond C. Clyons, director.

They are Laura Jontanez, Moritz Andeno, Luz Rentas and Mrs. Lillian Murch. A fifth instructor is currently under consideration.

Goal of the program is to increase the communicative knowledge of English among non-English speaking people, primarily those of the Spanish community.

**WITH THE EXCEPTION of Mrs. Murch, all of the instructors will be non-professional teachers.**

Dominick Gallo, the son of City Council President Thomas



JOSEPH SALINARDI

### Salinardi Gets Deputy Register Post

Joseph Salinardi has been permanently appointed Hoboken's deputy register of vital statistics and replaced as acting registrar by former deputy, Michael Bucco.

However, Salinardi's demotion is reported to be only temporary in nature and he should be acting registrar again within a few months.

**THE SWITCH was necessitated by the fact that Salinardi came in first in the recent Civil Service examination for deputy registrar. Bucco placed second and Maurice DeGennaro, third. Salinardi had a passing grade of 70 compared to Bucco's 84, but was placed first on the list because he is a disabled veteran.**

Since both men cannot hold the deputy post, Salinardi was demoted and given the post on a permanent basis. Bucco was upgraded to acting registrar to protect his job.

**IT IS REPORTED that in about 90 days Salinardi will take a leave of absence from a deputy post and once again become acting registrar. Bucco will be made acting deputy again.**

The deputy post pays \$3,300 a year, compared to \$8,200 for the registrar.

Civil Service could possibly call another examination for registrar. Past tests have failed to produce a list of qualified personnel for the job. Applicants either failed or not enough passed for Civil Service to make a list of eligible candidates. At least three persons must pass the test for a list to be made.

## Hoboken Library Lists New Books

More than 220 new books were ordered by the Hoboken Free Public Library last month, according to Miss Lucille Cunningham, library director. Many of the new books have already been received and may now be taken out.

Some of the new volumes are: The Fall of Japan by William Craig; Michel, Michel by Robert Lewis; Too Strong for Fantasy by Marcia Davenport; Twenty Letters To A Friend by Svetlana Alliluyeva; Debris by Brock Brower; Thomas Becket by Richard Winston; A Garden of Earthly Delights by Joyce Carol Oates; An Exile by Madison Jones; Topaz by Leon Uris; Dem by William Melvin Kelley; The Making Of A Publisher by Victor Weybright; Spain: The Vital Years by Luis Bolin; Abuse of Power by Theodore Draper; Those Extraordinary Blackwells by Elinor Rice Hays; The Confessions of Nat Turner by William Styron; Rousseau and Revolution: The Story of Civilization by Will and Ariel Durant; Acquaintances by Arnold J. Toynbee; Psychoanalysis of Heart Attack by Daniel E. Schneider, M.D.; Christy by Catherine Marshall.

The Education Of A Baseball Player by Mickey Mantle; My Own River Kwai by Pierre Boulle; The Beautiful People by Marilyn Bender; The Time of Laughter by Corey Ford; Philosophical Faith and Revelation: Religious Perspectives by Karl Jaspers; Rickenbacker: An Autobiography by Edward V. Rickenbacker; Josephine: A Biography by Andre Castelot; Storm Over the States by Terry Sanford; Winking At The Brim by Molly Berkeley; You and Your Stockbroker by Robert J. Schwartz; The Italian Campaign by Michael Mohr; World Series: The Games and the Players by Robert Smith; The Admiral by Martin Dibner; Gandhi's Emissary by Sudhir Ghosh; Time For Outrage by Amelia Bean.

## Pupils Learn Of Library Facilities

Through a new program instituted by Principal Frank Chiocco, fifth and sixth grade pupils at the Thomas Connors School, Hoboken, are being introduced to the facilities that are available at the Hoboken Free Public Library.

On specific days, each class visits the library with a teacher. There, Miss Lucille Cunningham, city librarian, welcomes the students and describes the procedures to be followed in borrowing a book or looking up some reference work. Each child is registered and receives a library card. The youngsters are also told of the importance of acquiring good reading habits and how reading can enrich their background and help improve their education.

## Evaluation For Library In Hoboken

The state Library Bureau will begin an evaluation of the Hoboken Free Public Library on Nov. 30, Samuel Schleikorn, secretary of the library board of trustees, said today.

On the orders of Mayor Louis DePascale, the library board wrote the state last month and asked for the evaluation. For close to two years the mayor had been promising the inspection "as soon as repair work was completed."

**SCHLEIKORN SAID that the state set Nov. 30 for its initial meeting with the board as the first step in the evaluation but it did not mention who would do the evaluating.**

The state usually arranges for a qualified person from a nearby community to handle the inspection. In all probability the director of the Jersey City libraries will handle Hoboken.

## Begin Work On Addition To Hospital

The general contractor who is building the new addition to St. Mary Hospital, Hoboken, has started driving pilings for the foundation and should begin that part of the work in about six weeks.

Harold Hayek, job superintendent for B. J. Builders, West Long Branch, reported that several dozen pilings of the 407 which will support the new addition have already been sunk.

**THE COMPANY is driving hollow steel shafts into the ground until they hit a firm foundation. The shafts are then filled with concrete to ground level.**

Hayek said that the average piling depth is about 50 feet. He added that the pilings used to support the old building for close to a century were "as good as new" when they were removed.

**'AS LONG AS they are underwater they will last for an indefinite period,'** he said. "With wood, it is the exposure to air that does the damage."

Hayek said that the old wood pilings were still in good enough condition to be used again. However, he pointed out that wood is no longer used in this type of construction.

The contractor expects to complete his portion of the job by the fall of 1969.

## Word Awaited Mayor Confident Hoboken To Become 'Model City'

By PETER HALLAM

Mayor Louis DePascale is confident that the federal government will name Hoboken one of its "model cities" at any moment. Hoboken has submitted an application under the 1966 act and to date is still in the running.

The act provides for large scale redevelopment of urban communities almost entirely through federal funds.

**'I CAN'T REVEAL my source of information,'** said the mayor, "but I'm sure the federal government is going to make its announcement any day now."

"I'm almost as certain that Hoboken is going to be one of the cities selected," he added.

**DEPASCALE SAID he based his assumption on the fact that Hoboken has not received any notification that it has been eliminated as a model city.**

"This in itself is encouraging considering the number of communities across the country that submitted applications and have already been disqualified," he commented.

**FOR HOBOKEN, being selected a model city has great economic advantages, according**

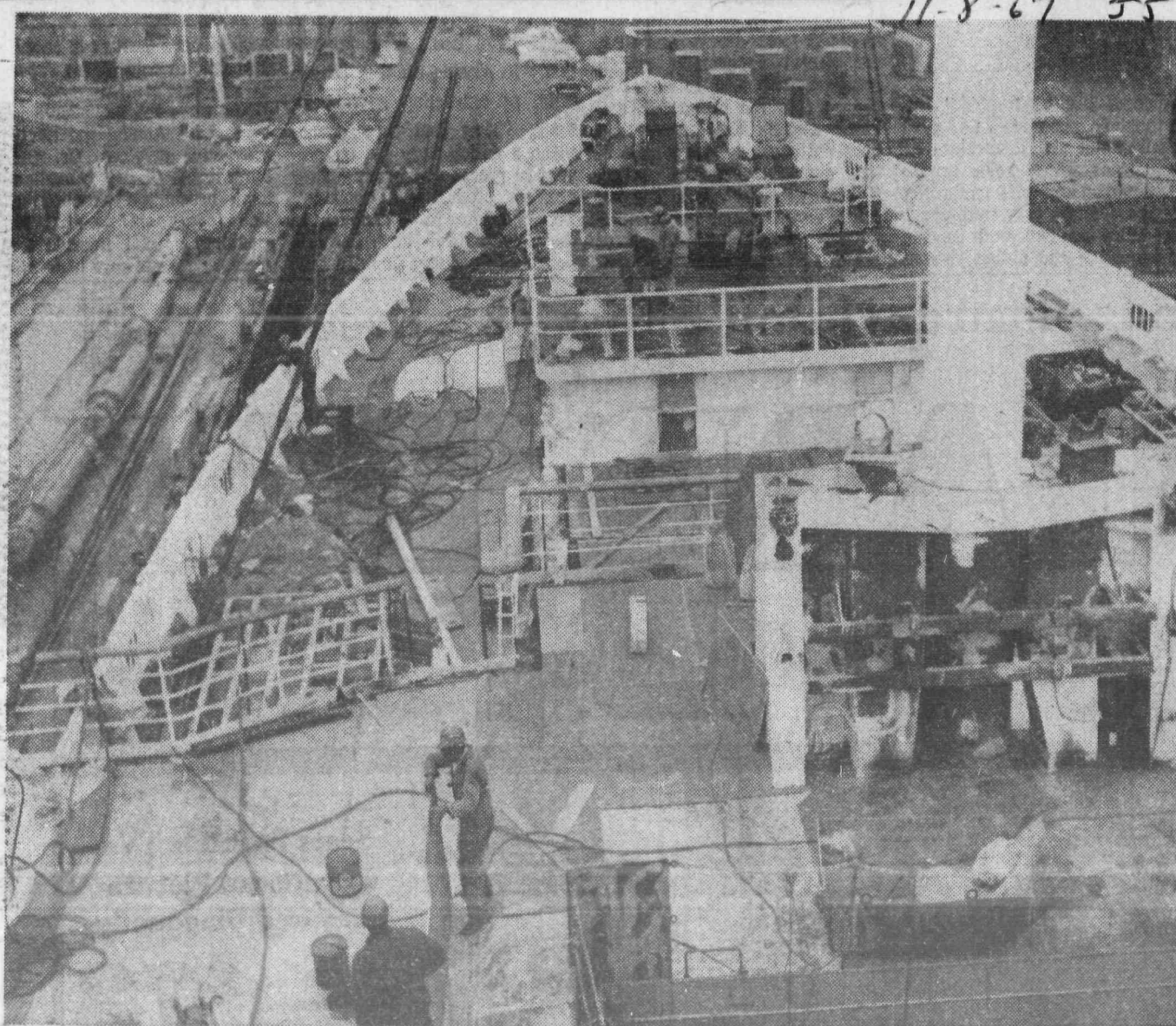
**THE MAYOR ADDED that communities selected as model cities also get priority on most federal redevelopment funds.**

Besides word on the Model Cities Act, Hoboken is also awaiting the final approval of the Hudson Street Redevelopment Project. The project, costing upwards of \$30 million, will turn three blighted blocks on Hudson Street, from First Street to Fourth Street, into a four building apartment and office project.

## Hoboken Declared 'Model City'

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The government today announced the names of 63 cities chosen to receive the first "model cities" planning grants. They range in size from New York City to Pikeville, Ky., and include Hoboken, N. J.

Washington, D. C., is one of those selected. The others are in 33 states and Puerto Rico. (See related story on Page 2.)



**HOBOKEN HOTEL** — At Bethlehem Shipyard in Hoboken, finishing touches are being put to floating dormitory for Stevens Tech students. Cabins of former troop ship (all first-class) have been converted as living quarters for students — two to a room.



# Hoboken Senior Citizens Get Plush Apartments in New Project

## Convenience, Safety And Decoration

By WILLIAM H. TAFT

Convenience features, decorative features and safety features that tenants might hope to find in luxury-type apartments are standard items at Monroe Gardens, the senior citizens public housing project now being occupied at 3rd and Jackson Streets, Hoboken.

All but 17 of the 124 apartments have balconies — good-sized ones, too. The walls between the apartment and the balcony is almost all window. Like the balcony windows, the balcony doors and railings are aluminum; and the balcony's green ornamental panels are baked enamel on aluminum. The balcony lock is so designed that it is impossible to lock oneself out.

NOT ONLY the balcony windows but all the apartment windows are super-size — and aluminum. A unique balance spring control enables the householder to open the window to any desired height with a minimum of effort. How different from the older housing projects operated by the same agency — the city's housing authority. The latter have rust-prone steel casement windows which open outward.

THE BATHROOMS afford a similar comparison. Those in the senior citizen apartments have showers as well as large bathtubs. The walls above the tubs are ceramic tile, as are the floors. Grab bars are present to keep the occupant from falling, both in the tub and elsewhere in the room. None of these features are found in the older projects.

An old-timer who locks himself or herself in the bathroom can be got out easily if necessary — and without recourse to a key.

THE FLUORESCENT-lighted kitchens have an electric refrigerator and a four-burner electric stove (the housing authority pays for all current). The ample cabinets have a pleasing fruit-wood finish. The cabinet doors are "door-grip" or "book-edge." They have no handles to reach for, but can be grabbed in any position to open them. The name-brand refrigerators — even in the smaller apartments — are as big as those in the average-size family's home.

WALL OUTLETS? How would you like to have six in every living room? They have them here.

Closets? These apartments have several, for clothes and linen.

All walls and ceilings are plastered. In the older housing projects the ceilings are only concrete painted over.

Front doors have doorbells, chain locks for privacy in addition to the ordinary locks, and one-way peep-holes. In the older projects the only way to arouse an occupant is to rap with your knuckles.

THE PROBLEM of hanging curtains is simplified. One stout bracket serves to hang shades, curtains and drapes.

Floors, all tile, are all light-colored, for cheer. The baseboards where floor meets wall are rubber, and four inches high... as against three-inch painted metal ones in the older projects.

NOW, ABOUT fire safety: It would be difficult to find an apartment house better safeguarded. Take the front doors of the apartment. They are of steel and a composition material.

According to Raymond G. Clyons, chairman of the housing authority, they have a four-hour underwriter's rating, which means it would take a direct flame four hours to burn through them. In case of fire, once the door is shut, the apartment is sealed off, and flames could not get in or out, according to Rudolph Orlandini, construction superintendent for LaRocca and Son, the general contractor.

THERE ARE two elevators and two stairways. The latter are "fire stairs" at the ends of the halls. No flames could penetrate the doors that close off the stairwells from the halls.

Protection from robbers, burglars, vagabonds? The front door is unlocked, but the doors leading from outside to the fire stairs are permanently locked from the outside, unlocked inside. This feature is absent from the older projects, where anyone can get in through the rear entrances. Safe hallways? Over-head fixtures give good illumination. There are skidproof floors. Exhaust fans provide good hallway ventilation.

INCINERATORS: Instead of incinerator chutes opening in the halls, there is a room on each floor for the chute openings. This does away with inadvertent dropping of garbage on the floor. M. Edward DeFazio, executive director of the housing authority, points out.

The incinerator is so designed as to eliminate the possibility of smoke and flames going up the chute and emerging into the halls when chute doors are open.

## Hoboken - Manhattan Ferry to End Run

### 192-Year Service Closure Linked To Erie Losses

By JACK ECKHARDT

Beginning next Wednesday, if you want to go from New Jersey to Manhattan across the Hudson River, you will have to paddle your own canoe.

The last ferry out of Hoboken on Nov. 22 at 5:30 p.m. and the final return from Barclay st., Manhattan to arrive at 5:45 p.m. will mark the end of a 192-year old tradition.

The reason: \$500,000 annual loss to Erie-Lackawanna which ran the ferries.

At the Hoboken ferry terminal yesterday, workmen were preparing for the change in daily commuter service between Hoboken and New York City, with a modern approach constructed to provide passengers easy access to PATH train facilities.

George Eastland, public relations director for Erie-Lackawanna, said Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale and officials of Erie-Lackawanna have been invited to attend ceremonies, which includes riding across to Manhattan that night.

#### Published Book

Also taking part in ceremonies marking the final ferryboat run will be Harry J. Smith, still an employee of Erie-Lackawanna, who wrote and published a book titled "Romance of the Hoboken Ferry," which was published by Prentice-Hall in 1931. Smith is an employee in the railroad marine department.

It has been pointed out by Erie-

Lackawanna officials that use of the ferryboat service has decreased to some 3,000 persons using the facility daily, as compared with an estimated 100,000 during peak years in the early 1900s. With termination of the ferryboat service, a 25-cent ride to Barclay st., passengers will now pay 30-cents for the PATH train ride to Manhattan.

The ferryboats are more than 60 years old, a spokesman said, and needed repairs considered too costly. Erie-Lackawanna also cited the Holland and Lincoln Tunnels and George Washington Bridge contributing to the ferryboat decline over the years.

The opening of Hudson Tubes in 1908, now known as PATH, was the first blow to the ferryboat popularity — opening of the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge between Staten Island and Brooklyn in 1964 was the most recent.

Yesterday there were only two of the historic ferryboats operating across the river, the "Lackawanna" and the "Elmira." Tied up at the slip in Hoboken are the "Scranton," the "Binghamton" and the "Pocono," the latter three ferries reportedly already sold by Erie-Lackawanna.

#### Severance Pay

The end of the ferryboat service has forced many veteran employees to accept severance pay and still others to retire. At the Hoboken terminal, plans are being made to close down the once popular restaurant facilities, new operated by George Politias. The coffee shop-bar combination facility at the terminal entrance (north) is slated to be converted into a commuter's bar.

One of the restaurant employees,

62-year-old Ulysses Jones, has been working at the ferry terminal restaurant the past 39 years.

"I don't know what I'll do when they close down," Jones said regretfully as he recalled many notables he served over the years.

In addition to the converted Track #1 PATH entrance for train passengers arriving in Hoboken daily from outlying areas, it is reported Public Service Co-

ordinate Transport will initiate additional #63 bus service daily, as the need presents itself.

Operators of concessions within the ferryboat terminal including newsstands, refreshment counters, a shoe-shine booth and florist shop will either move outside terminal area or just go out of business, spokesmen indicated.

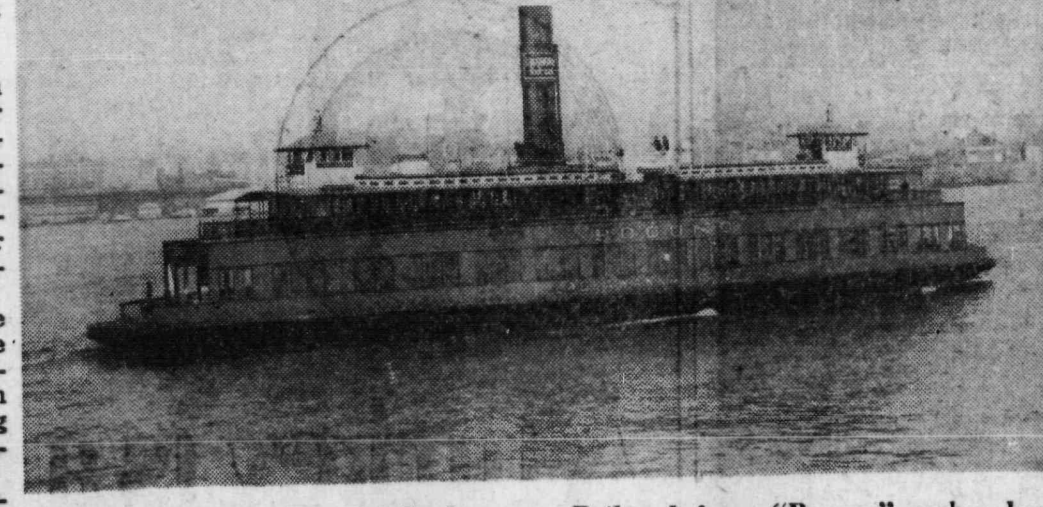
Records show the ferryboats "Scranton," "Elmira," "Binghamton" and "Pocono" were all

built in 1904 to 1906 at Newport News Shipbuilding Co.

And in his book, Harry J. Smith points out that during World War 1, ferryboats out of Hoboken carried 242,330 soldiers for embarkation purposes in 1918, and in December of the same year, carried a total of 368,762 soldiers for both embarkation and debarkation.

During World War 2, the same ferryboats that will end service next Wednesday carried American servicemen to all ports in the New York harbor, including both German and Italian prisoners of war as time progressed.

At his Hoboken office yesterday, author Smith said, "I guess it had to eventually happen, but it's hard to believe the ferryboat romance is over in this part of the world."



END OF AN ERA—The Erie-Lackawanna Railroad ferry "Pocono" makes her way across the Hudson River enroute to Hoboken terminal from New York City, part of a historic facility that will end next Wednesday. Officials of the railroad's marine division cite lack of patronage for discontinuing the ferry service that began in 1775.

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Nov. 14, 1919:

## Hoboken Paid Silent Homage to First Shipload of U.S. War Dead

By GEORGE L. MOLLER

This is one of the final articles by Mr. Moller, Hoboken historian, written before his death.

The night of Nov. 13, 1919, was cold and raw.

The sounds of Armistice Day's first anniversary celebration had just about faded away.

Out over the Atlantic Ocean a heavy fog had cut the visibility to almost zero.

Moving cautiously through the fog, the American freighter Lake Daroga made her way slowly past the Ambrose Lightship and headed into New York harbor.

AFTER PASSING safely through the Narrows and the Upper Bay the freighter proceeded up the North River where, a short distance upstream, she was met by several tugboats. The tugs began easing her towards the Army's port of embarkation piers in Hoboken and a short time later the Lake Daroga was safely moored. It was close to midnight.

The inside of the long silent pier where the Lake Daroga was tied up was a colorful and impressive sight. Wherever you looked there were American flags. Some were draped like bunting from the pier's steel cross-braces while others, huge ones, hung suspended at intervals along the entire length of the pier. The huge ones reached from the ceiling to the floor.

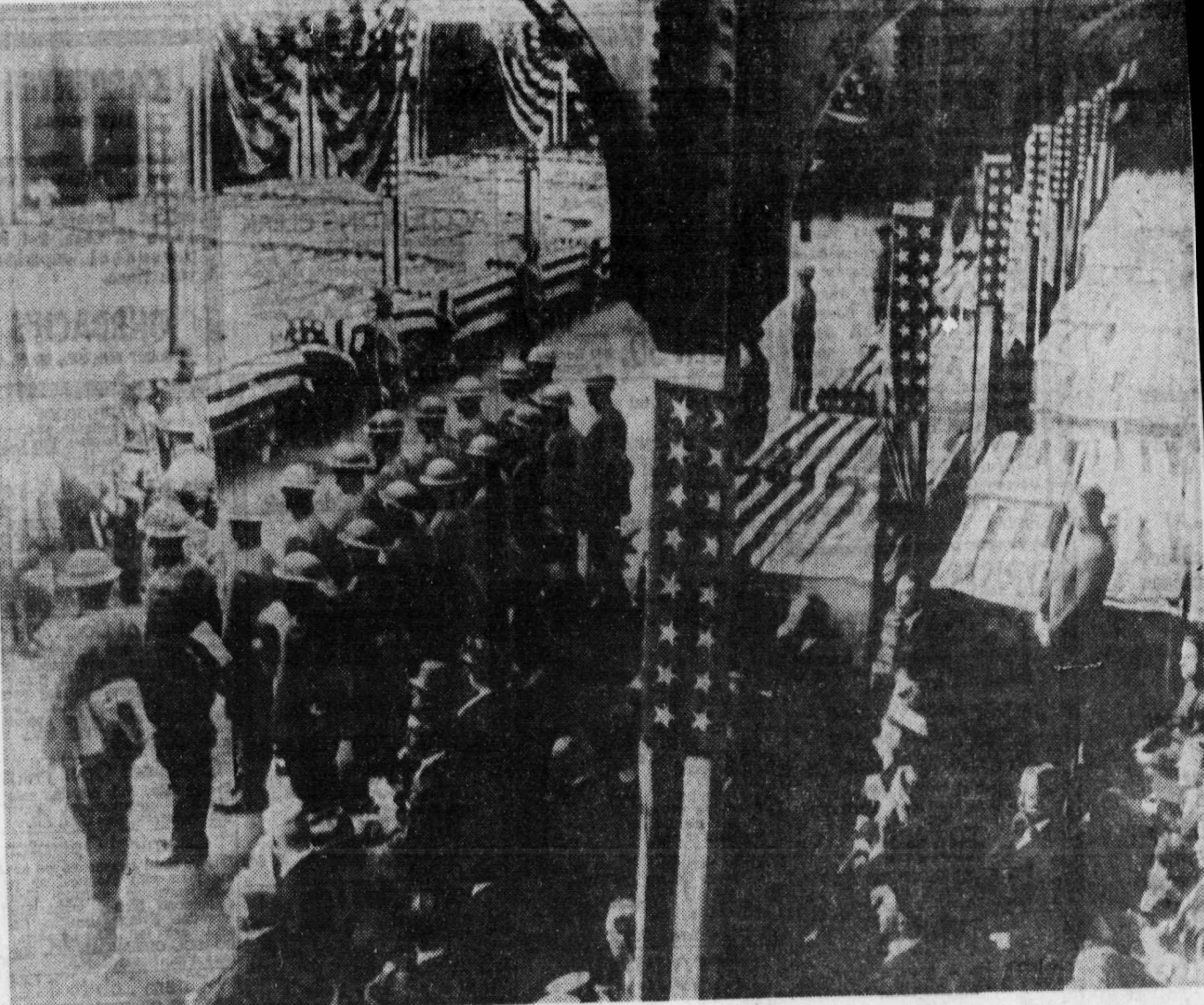
WHY THIS ceremony just for one American freighter?

Because in the holds of the vessel was a cargo which the nation wished to receive with the deepest respect and highest honors.

The Lake Daroga was bringing home the first of our war dead.

Months before, the same pier had echoed to the sound of marching feet as the men of the American Expeditionary Force returned home from France. After them came the hospital ships with the wounded. And now, tonight, came the dead. The last ones home.

ABOARD THE Lake Daroga were 114 bodies. Most of them were Michigan men who had served with the 339th Infantry Regiment. The 339th had been attached to the 85th Division which has been commanded by Col. Wilds P. Richardson and had gone to north Russia in 1918 to support the government of Alexander Kerensky who were fighting the Bolsheviks.



The bodies of 114 first returning war dead, are massed on Hoboken pier.

Since Kerensky, who had proclaimed Russia a Republic after the revolution, was more acceptable to the United States government than the Bolsheviks, the 85th had been sent to assist him. Much of the division's time had been spent guarding the lines of communication and supply from the seaports to Kerensky's troops.

THE TASK had been performed under extremely difficult weather conditions with the temperature frequently dropping to 20 and 30 degrees below zero. The extreme weather along with

unusually hard living conditions caused most of the 339th's casualties.

Now, on the night of Nov. 13, 1919, the men of the 339th who had not survived, lay quietly in the hold of the Lake Daroga.

On the following morning, Nov. 14, gangs of longshoremen quietly boarded the ship and began removing the 600-pound caskets from the holds to the flag-draped pier. Once the bodies had been removed by the longshoremen no other civilian hands would touch them, only uniformed soldiers.

AS EACH casket came out of the hold and reached dockside it was gently placed on a hand truck, which had been equipped with rubber tires to prevent jolting, and then carefully wheeled to its assigned spot on the pier.

Here it was placed on a small platform and covered with a nor guard stood nearby ready to maintain a 24-hour watch.

THE NEXT afternoon, still with the flag they had fought under and died for, the bodies of the men of the 339th were quietly put aboard a string of bag-

gage cars to begin the last stretch of their long journey home.

As the train made its way slowly up the Shore Road, then along Hudson Street to the uptown rail yards, many Hoboken citizens, glimpsing the flag-covered caskets, stood with heads bared.

It was a melancholy day for the nation, and particularly for Hoboken whose sad duty it was to receive the men back to their homeland.



DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS — Nobel prize winner Dr. Albert Szent-Gyorgyi (second from right), director of Marine Laboratory at Woods Hole, Mass., and Dr. Jacques Piccard, famed oceanographer (right), go over speaking program for two-day Centennial Convocation at Stevens Tech, Hoboken, yesterday. Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale (left), and Dr. Jess H. Davis (right), president of Stevens, look on. (Story on Page 14)

## Model City Seen Big Aid To Hoboken

Improvements in living conditions and employment opportunities will be the major goals of an 11-point program to be set up cities' grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Hoboken was one of 63 municipalities throughout the country selected to participate in the federal rehabilitation program. Jersey City, which had applied but was not named, will have a chance to participate in a second round of the program next year. Congress has appropriated \$12 million for planning grants for the second group, which will include 70 more cities.

HOBOKEN WILL share in \$11 million appropriated for the first group, plus \$300 million in supplemental funds earmarked for model cities. Hoboken hopes to establish a "model neighborhood" of 14,870 persons over a one-third area of the city.

Mayor Louis DePascale, who was attending the State League of Municipalities convention in Atlantic City when the news was received, said he was "very grateful that Hoboken has been selected to be among the first Model Cities in the nation."

"With this federal assistance and encouragement we can now

## SHOW-CASE

move forward with the most ambitious plans in Hoboken's history, rebuilding old areas and modernizing community facilities," he said.

"WE INTEND to take advantage of our geographical location to make Hoboken a show-case city," he declared, "and our future never looked brighter."

The mayor said Hoboken will begin hiring professional planners to draw up the revitalization program as soon as it receives the \$86,000 planning grant. He said about one-third of the city would benefit from the initial Model Cities program. The proposed activities are:

—BASIC SEWER and water improvements.

— Clearance of approximately 20 per cent of sub-standard housing units, to be replaced by low and moderate rental housing, community facilities and space for industry.

— Construction of a new health center.

— Construction of a neighborhood center.

— Establishment of an outdoor market on the waterfront. (This also will create jobs for model neighborhood residents.)

— Construction of a new kindergarten to third grade school.

— ESTABLISHMENT of a new bus route through the neighborhood.

— Expansion of tutorial programs for children in the neighborhood.

— Construction of a halfway house to rehabilitate narcotics addicts.

— Enlargement of the existing staff to add recreational services and facilities.

— Establishment of a career, training and business center to obtain maximum local employment.

THE HOBOKEN funds will be used for a rectangular area in the city's southern end bounded by Jersey City on the south and west; the Hudson River on the east; and a three-block urban renewal project on the north.

The area's population includes 14,780 persons. The average family income per year is \$3,000, with a 15 per cent unemployment rate. The federal department said that 65 per cent of the area's present housing is substandard.



# Hoboken Terminal Concessions to Stay Despite Ferry Shutdown

## But Eatery Planning To Close

Despite the end next Wednesday of ferryboat service between the Erie Lackawanna Railroad terminal in Hoboken and Barclay Street, Manhattan, most concessions at the ferry terminal will continue to operate in one fashion or another.

Inside the ferry waiting room is a restaurant, a coffee shop-bar combination, a newstand, a snack bar, shoeshine stand and a florist shop.

With the exception of the restaurant, which will close, and possibly the snack bar, whose owner was not available, all the concessions will stay open.

THE NEWSSTAND and shoeshine stand, both operated by the Union News Company, will move outside of the waiting room. The florist shop will also move outside.

The coffee shop-bar will be converted into a commuter tavern but will remain within its present confines inside the ferry waiting room.

For waiters Ulysses Jones and Braxton Lewis, and bartender George Billington, the closing of ferry service means the end of an era. Between them, they have a total of 110 years working at the restaurant.

"IT WAS a good job while it lasted," remarked Jones and Lewis. Jones, from Brooklyn, and Lewis, from Newark, served many notables during their years, including Margaret Truman, Thomas E. Dewey and Jack Dempsey, among others.

Both Jones and Lewis will be out of work. Billington, however, will remain at the bar in the converted coffee shop.

GEORGE POLITIAS, a member of the corporation that owns the ferry terminal restaurant and the Union Club, said that the services of the two men could not be used at the Union Club because they were members of a different union.

Politis explained that Jones and Lewis were members of a union connected with the railroad, and they could not work at a regular restaurant.

With the end of ferry service, commuters will now have to use either the Port Authority Trans-Hudson trains or Public Service buses.

THE ERIE Lackawanna Railroad has constructed a new entrance to the PATH terminal for incoming E-L commuters, according to George Eastland, public relations director for the railroad. The entrance will save commuters some steps in getting to the PATH trains as well as shielding them from the weather.

Ferries have been operating out of Hoboken for close to 200 years. But the Erie Lackawanna has been losing about \$500,000 on their operation and is calling it quits.

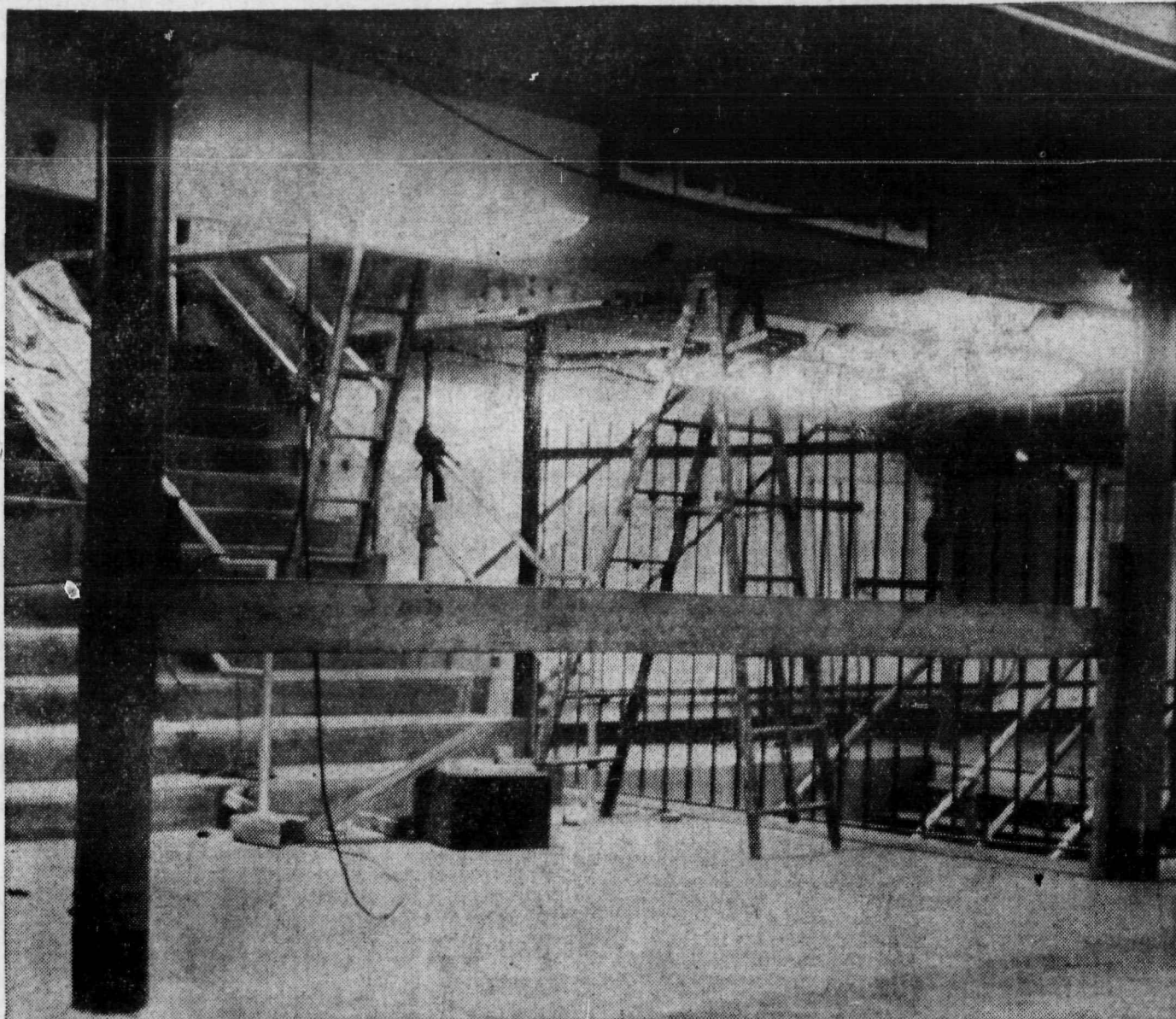
PUBLIC SERVICE will not be increasing its bus service on the No. 63 route between Hoboken and the Port Authority terminal in Manhattan, a bus company spokesman reported.

"For the time being, we do not contemplate any increase in the number of passengers we have been handling," he said. "Since the ferries traveled only to lower Manhattan, we expect those who used them to now take PATH trains."

HE POINTED out that the 63 was the only route Public Service operated between Hoboken and New York and that all the buses ended their runs at the Port Authority's bus terminal at 40th Street and 8th Avenue.

The Port Authority has already increased its number of train runs between Hoboken and the Hudson Terminal in lower Manhattan in anticipation of the ferry's closing.

A PATH spokesman said that trains are now operating at their maximum number of runs at peak rush hours but the increased schedule should handle any additional riders caused by the closing of the ferry. The trains are running at three-minute intervals on the new schedule, rather than four minute intervals as before.



This will be new entrance to PATH from Erie Lackawanna terminal, Hoboken.



END OF THE LINE—Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale (center) stands amid passengers on Erie-Lackawanna Railroad ferry "Elmira" making its last trip of the 192-year-old service between Barclay St., Manhattan, and Hoboken terminal yesterday afternoon. Some 4,000 persons making the last crossing, toasted the end of the ferry service with champagne, beer and coffee. The railroad cited a \$500,000 annual loss as the reason for closing the service.

## End of Era

## Hudson Ferry Takes Final New York Trip

The Hoboken-Barclay St. ferry, which has crossed the Hudson River for the past 192 years, last night docked from its final run bringing to close a magnificent chapter in American transportation. With seven mighty blasts of its horn echoing in the fog and rain-shrouded harbor, the Elmira, the last steam-engine Erie-Lackawanna ferryboat, pulled into the Hoboken dock at the foot of Hudson pl.

at exactly 6:06 o'clock, five minutes later than usual.

Some 4,000 persons, including some who had traveled on the Elmira in its initial run in the late 1800's, crammed aboard the boat and stood at the now crumbling wooden and steel girder lift that once saw 242,330 soldiers ship out for World War I.

One of those aboard the Elmira was its chief engineer, Paul Randall of 262 Hancock av., Jersey City, who started aboard the boat 23-years-ago.

Has No Regrets "The boat's old; it's old-fashioned; it's obsolete . . . that's why I have no regrets that it's closing," Randall said.

Molly Peet of New Vernon was one of those who was sorry that the ferries are finished, the Elmira's final trip marking the end of all New Jersey-New York ferry operations.

"I guess now I'll have to go by car," the girl said.

Mrs. Hannah Keane of 614 Garden st., Hoboken, and Mrs. Freda Lynch of Clifton also felt about the end of the service.

"Do you think that there is any chance of another ferry running?" Mrs. Keane asked.

Anniversary Soon Due Peter Barden of Summit, a youngster who knew much about the Erie's ferry operations from his father, a New York Times employee, commented, "It's a crying shame . . . just think that in three months this ferry would have celebrated anniversary."

And celebrate they did. Champagne, beer, water, coffee and milk all flowed freely on the second.

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ond deck—where breakfast once was served in the ferry's heyday. Three of those who were in the celebration, had a special reason . . . their father was the ship's captain.

Mrs. Margaret Consalvo of Lincoln Park, Mrs. Lorraine Guardabacchio of Belleville, and Mrs. J. Cifrodella of Lyndhurst stood on the sidelines of the crowd with their children waiting for a chance to show them the captain's room where their grandpa, Capt. Anthony Sorire, 43, of Lyndhurst, was looking out at the New York skyline, tears in his eyes.

## Means New Job

For Walter L. Smith Jr., of 1317 Washington st., Hoboken, Erie-Lackawanna ferry bridge-man for the past 17 years, the end of service means a new job at Maxwell House in Hoboken.

Another who obviously felt about the end of a segment in American history, was Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale who, as the ship entered the Hoboken slip and with the strains of Auld Lang Syne being played by the Hoboken High School band, turned to his wife, Mary, and said, "Well, I guess this is the end. The end, and the start of a new venture."

At Weehawken's Township Committee meeting Tuesday night transportation commissioner Earl Purdy protested the end of ferry service, calling the move a "disgrace."

He said residents would be forced to take the Hudson Tubes, adding to congestion similar to the New York subways. He said the move threatened the safety of area residents who might be trapped in Manhattan in the event of a disaster, were bridges and tunnels knocked out.

## Pave Way For Bartletta Directorship

Ordinances to separate Hoboken's revenue and finance department from the public works department, and create a directorship for Hoboken Republican leader Frank Bartletta, have been introduced by the City Council.

In order for the city to again split the two departments, five ordinances are needed.

THE FIRST would repeal the ordinance which created a deputy director of revenue and finance. The second would repeal the ordinance which created the deputy director of health and welfare.

Funds used to pay the salary of a deputy health and welfare director — \$7,500 a year — would be diverted to help pay Bartletta's \$9,500 a year salary.

THE THIRD would add the titles of public works director and deputy director to the city's schedule of classifications and titles.

When the two departments were merged, it was done so under the revenue and finance department with the public works department becoming a division of revenue and finance.

THE POSTS of director and deputy director of revenue and finance were kept, eliminating the director and deputy director of public works.

The fourth ordinance would create a separate revenue and finance department with separate director, while the fifth would do the same with the public works department.

RAPHAEL VITALE, who now heads both departments, would keep the public works and the water department.

It was explained that the public works and the water department work too close together on water problems for the water department to be placed under revenue and finance.

"WE SHARE equipment and manpower," Vitale said. "It is better all around that the men will have only one boss instead of two."

The ordinances were taken up for their first reading yesterday. They were tabled for the council's Dec. 6 meeting at which time they will be given public hearings and taken up for their third and final readings.

IF THE MEASURES pass, and there is nothing to indicate at this time that they won't, they will become city law Dec. 27. Bartletta is expected to be sworn in sometime after Jan. 1.

## In Model City Selections

## Plans Jell, Hoboken Happy

Dreams of a better Hoboken advanced sharply toward eventual realization yesterday when the city was named on the list of those to receive planning grants under the nation's "model cities" program. Jersey City was by-passed, however.

Hoboken will share in the \$11 million allocated as planning grants for 63 cities throughout the nation in the federal government's massive municipal face-lifting plan for banishing blight, restoring beauty and rehabilitating urban America.

Hoboken had requested funds amounting to \$87,430. The precise dollar amount of its planning grant will be announced within a few days, according to the department of Housing and Urban Development.

Two other New Jersey cities, Newark and Trenton, also have been designated as "model cities." Five other municipalities besides Jersey City were passed by. They are East Orange, Orange, Atlantic City, Camden and Perth Amboy. They were by-passed along with the remainder of the 193 applicants elsewhere in the country.

Hoboken, Newark and Trenton requested a total of \$440,430 for their planning. Newark sought \$198,000 and Trenton \$155,000.

## Is Jubilant

Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale was jubilant as he said "the future of Hoboken never looked brighter." Predicting that with the aid of federal assistance Hoboken will move forward to become "a showcase city" De-

Pascale said: "I am happy for all individual residents of Hoboken. I am personally proud of the members of the present city administration in their efforts to make this development possible."

In Atlantic City where he is attending the League of Municipalities Convention the mayor's gratification was obvious as he declared "This is one of the greatest days in Hoboken's history. The city moves forward as it never did before."

To move forward further, however, and insure receipt of substantial funds from the available \$312 million set aside for the "model cities" project, Hoboken officials must during the next year successfully ex-

ecute the planning for which yesterday's grant was made.

## To Visit Washington

Whelan said that while he was "a bit disheartened, he was not discouraged."

"Not matter what you call it," Whelan said, "Model Cities Act or anything else, the fact still remains that our city, like other aging cities in the nation, must have his federal assistance if we are to rebuild on any or all fronts."

Whelan said Jersey City has in the past received more than \$25 million in state aid and that he will now step up his efforts and continue to push even harder for more.

While he was later unavailable to confirm the report, sources (Turn to Page 6, Column 3)



YOUTH BOARD SWORN—Hudson County Juvenile Court Judges John J. Grossi (seated, right), and William Bozzuffi (left, rear), go over regulations at swearing in ceremonies yesterday of Hoboken Youth Board at Hudson County Administration Building, Jersey City. Members are (seated from left) Mrs. Theresa Ratti and Mrs. Ethel Kelly, director. At rear, Albert J. Kaplan, Edward Mallon, Clayton Anderson, Eulterio Martinez and Rev. Roy L. Carter.

## Mull Hoboken Boys Club Discussed by Community Leaders

A panel of community leaders, headed by Mayor Louis DePascale last night met with representatives of Boys Clubs of America to discuss the possibility and feasibility of starting one or more of the clubs in Hoboken.

Meeting with the mayor and the panel were Robert J. Murrin, Middle Atlantic region director of the Boys Club; David Warner, state growth committee chairman; John J. Lattanzio, state area council president and president of Lodi Boys Clubs; John Lutz, national boy of the year, and other Boys Club officials.

"The recreational facilities in the city of Hoboken are absolutely limited at this time," Mayor DePascale said at the opening of the meeting, held at the Union Club. He continued, "There is a need here."

Following the mayor's preliminary remarks, Warner outlined some of the operations and achievements of Boys Clubs in the immediate area and also discussed sites and funds for the clubs. Among potential sites are a movie theater, a refurbished building or a store front.

## Outline 10 Steps

Also outlined by the speakers at Union Club were 10 steps necessary for the start of a Boys Club in Hoboken including a "boy's situation study," which would show whether or not there is a need for a club, and if so, how many clubs would be started and their locations.

A question and answer period followed at which time Board of Education President John McAlevy pointed out that the club, if started, should be run in conjunction with programs now administered in the school system.

The need of a boys club as an auxiliary program to a number of others currently being conducted by local parochial and public schools as well as Boy Scouts and YMCA activities is the latest of a series of measures undertaken in Hoboken to try to bring a change from juvenile delinquency to juvenile decency.

Among those in attendance were Mayor DePascale, Daniel Simone of UNICO, Councilman Steve Capiello, Anthony H. Romano, William Matthews, Council President Thomas A. Gallo, John Link of the Elks, clergymen Rev. Roy L. Carter, Rev. Francis Mione, Rev. Armand Sorento, Senator-elect Frederick Hauser, Board President McAlevy, Superintendent of Schools Thomas McFeely, Youth Coordinator Jerry Molloy, Health and Welfare Director Anthony Damato and Youth Authority member Eleuterio Martinez.

Mayor DePascale said that another meeting will be held in January, to which members of industry as well as chamber of commerce officials will be invited.

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close to him said he has already made plans to travel to Washington next week for discussions with "proper federal authorities."

Hoboken Mayor DePascale, summed up the good news by saying, "We worked hard for it and we submitted a good plan to Washington."

"We gave extensive testimony before Housing and Urban Development Director Robert Weaver and we didn't try to bite off more than we could chew."

State Sen. William F. Kelly, attending the convention, declared, "This is wonderful that the County of Hudson has been selected. While I feel a sense of disappointment for Jersey City, I have a strong feeling of pride for our county."

Rep. Dominick V. Daniels, the Jersey City Democrat who helped spearhead the congressional drive for the urban rehabilitation program, shared DePascale's enthusiastic reaction.

"I am extremely pleased," he told Hudson Dispatch by telephone from Washington. "The blighted area of Hoboken needs to be swiftly eradicated. It compares with any of the ghettos and rundown areas to be found among the most neglected sections and poverty-ridden neighborhoods of cities across the country."

Daniels recalled that he had called on Mayor DePascale and other Hoboken officials to appear as witnesses in public hearings before the House Subcommittee on Housing in March, 1966. This was prior to the establishment of the new Department of Housing and Urban Development under Sec. Robert C. Weaver.

Cities not chosen for the initial planning grants may be selected in the second round, Weaver's office announced. Terms governing the procedure will be announced at an early date.

## Whelan Disappointed

Jersey City Mayor Thomas J. Whelan said the news from Washington was "disappointing—but this doesn't change the fact that Jersey City still needs funds and needs them desperately."

Specifications for Hoboken's redevelopment program embrace a rectangular area about three-fourths of a mile long and one-half mile wide, covering most of the southern end of the city. It is bounded generally by the Jersey City line on the south and west, Hudson River docks on the east and a three-block urban renewal project on the north.

Weaver's report noted that with a population of 45,200 in the city of Hoboken, nearly one-third are residents of the area marked for redevelopment, totaling 14,780. Within this area more than 20 per cent of the families have earnings of less than \$3,000 annually. The housing is comparable to the oldest and poorest to be found anywhere in the country, with more than 60 per cent of the housing units of substandard quality.

The Housing and Urban Development report said, further, that the Hoboken area in question has an unemployment rate of nearly 15 per cent. It noted that more than 35 per cent of adult residents have less than an eighth grade education and that the incidence of tuberculosis is more than twice that for the rest of the entire city.

## Job Opportunities

Citing objectives to be pursued as a participant in the model cities project, HUD listed as primary goals the improvement of living conditions for all residents, creation of opportunities for increased earnings, stimulation of individual initiative and active citizen participation, and the overall betterment of private and public housing, together with essential public facilities.

Among features to be explored by the planning grant

is a Hoboken career training and business center. This would undertake to coordinate efforts aimed at maximizing local employment, supervise and operate training and employment programs and provide technical assistance in the economic development of the Hoboken community.

Planning grant studies also give attention to a joint city-county office for welfare and social services. A health center to organize and correlate services on a family rather than on an individual, or specialized basis, likewise is included in the planning agenda.

The aim of the model cities program is to concentrate primarily on communities regarded as best qualified to carry out successful rehabilitation plan.

Hoboken, along with other cities designated yesterday and those to be named in the second round of planning grants (probably within 30 days), are expected to seek help not from HUD alone, but from other federal agencies, state and local governments and, in Weaver's words, "from many other sources."

New Jersey is the first state to set up what is roughly an equivalent of the federal model cities program. The state department of community affairs may be solicited for planning grants, such as those announced in Washington, by the six New Jersey municipalities whose applications were rejected. However, the department has only \$250,000 at present budgeted for the state program.

Community Affairs Commissioner Paul N. Ylvisaker acknowledged that the funds available were insufficient to meet the requests of the six cities. As the next best thing, he said, "we're going to concentrate on getting them qualified personnel to help perfect their planning."

Hoboken, however, is preparing to move rapidly ahead, spurred by its new incentive. Mayor DePascale said, "As soon as I return I will call an immediate conference with HUD Director Silvio Failla and members of the planning board."



# Hoboken Seeks \$84,000 in Model Cities Planning Funds

## City, U.S. Officials Confer

Hoboken has started the ball rolling toward getting its \$84,000 in planning funds under the Model Cities Act. Raymond G. Clyons, chairman of the Hoboken Housing Authority and director of the city's antipoverty organization, met yesterday with federal officials from the department of Housing and Urban Development and the Office of Economic Opportunity in New York for an orientation session on the program.

The grant will be used to develop a five-year plan designed to improve conditions in slum neighborhoods. The overall intention is to strengthen the social institutions and utilize human potential as well as to rebuild the physical structures in the poverty pockets.

IN HOBOKEN, the Model Cities program will affect about one-third of the city.

According to Mayor Louis DePascale, the target area runs from the Hudson River to the city's west boundary and from the east side of 4th Street to Observer Highway. This constitutes about 70 city blocks, or one-third of the city's land area.

"OF THIS, 20 per cent will be cleared of all structures," the mayor said. "About 30 per cent of the homes will be rehabilitated. Those that are substandard will be taken down."

DePascale added that much of the cleared land would be available for industrial development but in a proportion suitable to the overall plan.

WHILE HOBOKEN prepares to put in for the planning grant, HUD is creating a new agency which will coordinate the Model Cities program. The agency will be called the City Demonstration Agency, Clyons reported.

The new agency will have the responsibility of coordinating the delivery of existing services to residents of the model neighborhood; coordinating the planning efforts for the model neighborhood; local agencies such as the Urban Renewal Administration, school district, city planning board, neighborhood groups, health agencies and welfare agencies, and coordinating efforts to develop new programs.

## Erie Ferry Runs End Tomorrow No Ceremony In Hoboken

You don't wake a ferry boat. For this reason officials of the Erie Lackawanna Railroad will not be holding any ceremonies tomorrow to commemorate the termination of ferry service between Hoboken and Barclay Street in Manhattan.

According to George Eastland, public relations director for the railroad, the last boat will leave Hoboken at 5:30 p.m. for Barclay Street and return to Hoboken at 5:45.

THE ONLY persons on hand to mark the event will be a few dock hands to tie up the vessel, and the last commuters.

In all, Erie Lackawanna had five boats operating between Hoboken and lower Manhattan. Three of the vessels — the Scranton, Binghamton and Pocahontas — have already been sold. The other two — the Lackawanna and Elmira — will also be sold.

Eastland said that he did not know who had purchased the three ferries but he did know that the railroad had not inquired about what they would eventually be used for.

THE LACKAWANNA Railroad has been operating ferries out of Hoboken for almost 110 years. Its original terminal at the foot of Hudson Place burned down in 1907. It was replaced with the present building.

The Lackawanna merged with the Erie Railroad in 1960 and took over its ferry service, then operating from Jersey City.

EASTLAND SAID that the ferry portion of the terminal building would be closed off. However, the rest of the building would be kept open. The railroad has its offices above the main terminal.

The decision to end the ferry service was made because of the continuous loss the railroad experienced with the operation. In recent years the railroad has been operating the ferry at an annual loss of about \$500,000.

## Fiscal Malnutrition Has Taken Its Toll

# Elmira Sails into Retirement, Leaving Memories in Her Wake

By JEFFREY PAGE

There was a long, melancholy groan on the horn of the Erie Lackawanna ferry Elmira as she eased out of her decrepit Barclay Street slip in Manhattan.

The bitter Hudson River wind swept across the boat's bow when it came to the end of the dock. A few passengers hurried into the shelter of the cabins, while the sun showed the slightest trace of red in the sky over New Jersey.

THE ELMIRA sailed out to just beyond midriver before swinging North for one of her last trips to Hoboken. There won't be any champagne festivals for the Elmira's retirement. She isn't the Queen Mary. No large cities will bid for her.

Indeed, the passengers will disembark after her last trip and board the trains at Hoboken. And that will be the end.

POINTED NORTH, the Elmira lumbered along. To starboard, Navy ship KA-107, the Vermilion, slid past in a show of mid-twentieth Century technology. She was escorted by a tug.

The Elmira wasn't intimidated by KA-107 and continued along. Two men on the tug's stern waved and received a silent rebuff.

INSIDE THE ELMIRA, the wood-paneled staircases and large, picture mirrors offered a glimpse into a bygone age.

Back in the late 1800s, ferry boats were the only means of transport between Hudson and Manhattan. The boats plied the waters between Weehawken, Hoboken, Jersey City and West New York. They traveled to 42nd, 34th, 23rd and 14th Streets; Chris-

topher, Desbrosses, Chambers, Cortlandt and Liberty Streets. At one time, there was a boat that went from Exchange Place in Jersey City to Fulton Street in Brooklyn.

The East River, too, was dotted with boats connecting Manhattan with Brooklyn and Queens.

WHEN THE ERIE stops service tomorrow, only the Staten Island ferry will remain, along with the Coast Guard's service to Governors' Island.

When Herman Melville described his wanderlust while standing at the Battery, he spoke also for the Erie passengers who through the years, have shunned the speedier, warmer service offered by the Hudson Tubes and now PATH.

Before 1900, throngs of riders crowded into the ferry slips for the momentary sea voyage. Today, hardly anyone ever is shoved.

THE NAVY SHIP and its tug were out of sight. Only small collections of debris could be seen as the Elmira neared them on the polluted Hudson.

At the Elmira's stern, a man was gesticulating to his son about the shape of the Empire State Building in the strange evening light. Other passengers smoked and watched the New York skyline shrink.

IN THE CABINS again, few persons looked out of the windows. Most were hidden behind newspapers. What will they do now?

"I guess I'll take the Tubes," said one.

"It doesn't matter to me. I'm due to retire in another few months," answered another.



The ferry Morristown awaits passengers around the turn of the century.

THE GREEN of the Hoboken slips glimmered slightly in the last traces of twilight, as the Elmira's engines were cut. She continued drifting toward the docks and the years of pier decay could be seen clearly.

The retaining walls came into view and the Elmira's bow engines were started. A huge wave of water was thrown out in front of her as the boat smashed into the north wall. She bounced back.

Slowly, she came close to the unloading platforms. The gates were raised. The passengers disembarked. An era was dying.

## Model City Money

# Hoboken Now Expects \$99,000

Mayor Louis DePascale announced yesterday that within the next six weeks he expects Hoboken will be granted \$99,000 in federal funds needed to project plans involving that municipality's recent designation as a "Model or demonstration city."

At the same time, Mayor DePascale revealed that in addition to the federal funds already earmarked for Hoboken to start its major rehabilitation, demolition of slum areas,

rebuilding programs, further cash grants may be forthcoming from the state in connection with "model city" projects.

\$18,000-a-Year Job Open

The Hoboken official also confirmed yesterday that he is being assisted by state government authorities to select an \$18,000-a-year administrator, who will direct operations of the federal government-sponsored model city program. In keeping with such plans, DePascale made public names of local officials who will serve on what he described as a "Demonstration City Advisory Committee."

The officials include himself and Raymond G. Clyons, housing authority chairman, coordinator of Community Renewal Program, executive director of HOPES, Inc.; Silvio J. Failla, planning officer; E. Norman Wilson, director of Department of Law and Public Safety; Anthony J. Damato, director of Department of Health and Welfare; Raphael Vitale, director of Department of Public Works; Thomas A. McEvedy, superintendent of schools; William F. Cox, chairman, Planning Board; Nicholas J. Caruso, chairman, Parking Authority; Thomas A. Gallo, president of City Council; Michael Curcio, supervisor Housing Squad.

Referring to the expected \$99,000 federal grant for pre-demonstration city planning, Mayor DePascale pointed out that in the beginning, Hoboken was only getting \$87,000. Since that time, he has been informed the grant has been upped to \$99,000.

Model City Site  
Asked what particular area of the city will be included in the overall "Model City" project, DePascale indicated it will be the area bounded by Observer hwy.

## Public and Parochial After-School Program For Hoboken Pupils

Designed to keep children of the city's public and parochial schools busy during the winter months, the Hoboken Board of Education will institute an after-school and evening recreation programs next Monday at three locations.

Thomas A. Gallo, board secretary, said the program is being launched with the encouragement of Mayor Louis DePascale who was pleased with the results of last year's project. The program provides wholesome recreation for boys and girls and is supervised by regular members of the teaching staff.

From 3 to 5 p.m. daily there will be basketball games and other organized sports at the Joseph F. Brandt School, Ninth and Garden Streets, and at the A. J. Demarest Junior High School, Third and Garden Streets.

The Hoboken High School gymnasium and swimming pool will be used from 6:30 to 9:30 each evening. Teen-age boys and girls will take part in swim classes and will participate in organized basketball games and other sports. Both men and women teachers will direct the activities.

## 1968 Hoboken Budget

# DePascale Sees Slight Hike In City's Operating Costs

Mayor Louis DePascale who has now received the proposed budgets for the various city departments, said today that Hoboken's overall operating budget for 1968 should not be too much higher than last year's.

"We are currently estimating that our total operating costs will rise about \$410,000 next year," he said. "This does not include any new salary increases which are still being negotiated with the organizations representing our employees."

ACCORDING to the mayor, the increase will be due mainly to a \$325,000 hike in public assistance funds for welfare and \$90,000 which must be set aside for longevity pay for police and firemen.

The mayor said that the city underestimated the 1967 welfare needs. As a result, the city had to make additional appropriations during the year.

DEPASCALE said that with welfare and hospital funds for indigent persons, the city will have paid out well over \$1 million by the end of the year.

Some of the welfare funds come from the state on a 60-40 basis, with the state paying the larger portion. But this is reversed for hospital funds, with the city picking up about three-quarters of the bill, the mayor said.

HE ADDED that generally there would be increases in the operating costs of most city divisions but they represented increased costs of materials and equipment, rather than increased spending.

"Prices are going up and there isn't too much that we can do about it," DePascale said. "The trend is reflected everywhere, household budgets as well as city budgets."

AT PRESENT, there are no figures available to compare with this year's budget. The figures submitted yesterday to the mayor are only proposed and are still subject to any changes he might wish to make.

Although the mayor says there will be no major increase in city operating costs, two overall budget factors remain to be taken into consideration — the board of education budget and how much the city will receive in state aid for education.

THE LATTER is of some concern to DePascale, who said the city would be getting as much in 1968 as it did in 1967. DePascale said "that state aid to schools based on real estate assessments rather than the number of pupils was an unfair and unrealistic system. He suggested a change and set \$350 per pupil as a "realistic figure."

The mayor called for the change in a letter to State Sen. Frederick H. Hauser of Hobo-

ken. He told Hauser that the present state school aid formula is becoming "more and more inequitable."

DE PASCALE asked Hauser to consider legislation which would base aid on a student per capita basis. He also asked for an added distribution to municipalities where the student population presents the added problem of a language barrier.

The problem of metropolitan cities, like Hoboken, with a heavy influx of foreign speaking residents — and large families — presents a unique school factor which should also be given special consideration in any state aid formula, the mayor felt.

DE PASCALE pointed out that Hoboken received \$245 per pupil in state aid for the 1967-68 school year but has been notified that per pupil aid next year will amount to only \$197.

With a school population of 7,220 students, Hoboken will lose approximately \$350,000 in state aid, DePascale said, "posing an insurmountable burden and hardship on the board of education."

"IN MY OPINION we cannot continue to pass this increased burden to the taxpayer. As good as our efforts have been, economy has proven not to be the answer. If this tax increase spiral is to continue, new sources of revenue must be found," said the mayor.

He felt that under the present formula a municipality cannot determine with any degree of accuracy what state aid might be from one year to another. This, he declared, makes it virtually impossible for any long-range planning.

THE MAYOR SAID the present formula, based on the amount of real estate assessments, discriminates against Hoboken and other Hudson communities which do not have large tracts of vacant land to develop and turn into new ratables.

He pointed out that Hoboken, bounded by the Hudson River, the Palisades, Jersey City and Weehawken, has no large areas of vacant land for further development and which could be turned into new ratables. New construction in Hoboken must go up, he said, and this is subject to limitations.

Like other metropolitan cities, Hoboken is also faced with additional educational problems by large segments of the population which do not speak English, DePascale said. This, too, should be considered in any realistic state aid formula, he felt.

## Hoboken Uses Old Fire Hose Some Bought 19 Years Ago

By PETER HALLAM

Although the American Insurance Association—formerly the National Board of Fire Underwriters—recommends that cities with busy fire departments change over their hoses about every 10 years, Hoboken is still using lengths of hose that were first put into service in 1948, The Jersey Journal learned today.

Besides these lengths, there are numerous others which are outdated falling between 1948 and 1957.

SOME SUPERIOR OFFICERS and firemen say that complaints about the hoses to fire department heads fail to bring any action on replacements. They add that now, instead of reporting it, they render the hose useless so it is taken out of service and possibly replaced.

However, Fire Chief Patrick Carmody and Law and Public Safety Director E. Norman Wilson deny that any complaints have been made.

"IF ANY of the hose is defective, it should have been brought to the attention of the chief," Wilson said. "It is the responsibility of the men and their superiors to make a complaint when they find a hose or any other fire equipment is in dangerous condition."

The chief added that all of the city's hose is checked out under high pressure every May. The late Deputy Chief Leo Keliy had been responsible for testing. Since his death, Deputy Chief Leo Guider has taken over.

BUT FIREMEN report that little, if any, large-scale testing of hoses had been done since before Keliy's death. They say that Keliy stopped the testing because his superiors refused to discard hose that had passed the recommended age limitations.

Carmody said this was false, adding that he would have a special test make on all hose that was past the 10-year mark.

NEW FIRE HOSE is purchased in 50-foot lengths at a cost of about \$3 a foot. According to Chief Carmody, each of Hoboken's five fire companies has 60 lengths of hose, 20 length more than it needs.

According to firemen, the city has many lengths of hose that don't measure 50 feet. They say that if a hose develops a leak — a sign that it has been bruised or started to wear — at or near either of the end couplings, the damaged part is cut off and the coupling is put back on the shortened hose. They added that this was not an unusual practice for new hose, but it isn't wise for hose that is close to 20 years old.

THEY POINTED OUT that the older the hose became, the more chance there was of it bursting during a moment of crisis. This, they said, could cause some firemen to become trapped in a burning building.

Councilman Steve Cappiello, chairman of the city council committee on public safety, asserted that if there was "any doubt about any of the hose, money should be spent to replace it."

However, neither Wilson nor the chief said anything about replacing the hose lengths 10 years old unless they failed to pass the high pressure test. Each length is tested separately at a pressure of between 150 and 200 pounds per square inch.

## Asks to Close Fire Stations

Mayor Louis DePascale yesterday confirmed reports that he has suggested three fire stations be shut down and a central location be erected in vicinity of Observer hwy. and Willow av.

In keeping with that suggestion, city council yesterday approved a \$3,500 payment to Mayo-Lynch Associates, a local engineering firm, to survey the city's fire-fighting stations.

It is reported that fire stations to be shut down, tentatively include headquarters at Second and Hudson sts.; the station at Second and Jefferson sts., and the ancient fire station at Observer hwy. and Henderson sts. Years ago, federal fire insurance underwriters condemned the present fire headquarters building on Hudson st.

Fire Chief Patrick J. Carmody was noncommittal about the mayor's plan, simply saying that he favors any proposed plan that will aid the fire protection problem throughout the city. Chief Carmody is on record as saying the fire headquarters building at Second and Hudson sts., has long outlived its efficiency.

Mayor DePascale was quoted as saying he favors the central location to be concentrated in the

## Fire Stations

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vicinity of Observer hwy. and Park av., which would become part of an expanded area where the city recently purchased the old American Express Co. garage for a centralized municipal terminal.

## State School Aid Scored

# DePascale Wants Funds Allotted on Per Pupil Basis

Mayor Louis DePascale, expressing concern yesterday when informed that Hoboken and other Hudson County municipalities would receive less state aid per pupil next year, took steps to request legislative relief in the interest of local taxpayers.

Faced with the problem of 100 per cent property assessment next year and at the same time responsible for keeping the Hoboken tax rate in line while still providing needed services, the mayor

urged state school aid be based on the number of pupils rather than on property assessments.

DePascale said the present formula discriminates against Hoboken and other Hudson County municipalities which do not have large tracts of vacant land to develop and turn into new ratables.

In a letter to Senator-elect Frederick H. Hauser of Hoboken, DePascale asked him to consider legislation which would base school aid on a student per capita basis. He also asked for an added distribution to municipalities where the student population presents the added problem of a language barrier.

"In my opinion, such a distribution would be more equitable than the present system which, in equitable as it is, becomes increasingly so in favor of those communities which have ample unused land space," the mayor told Hauser.

\$48 Per Pupil Less  
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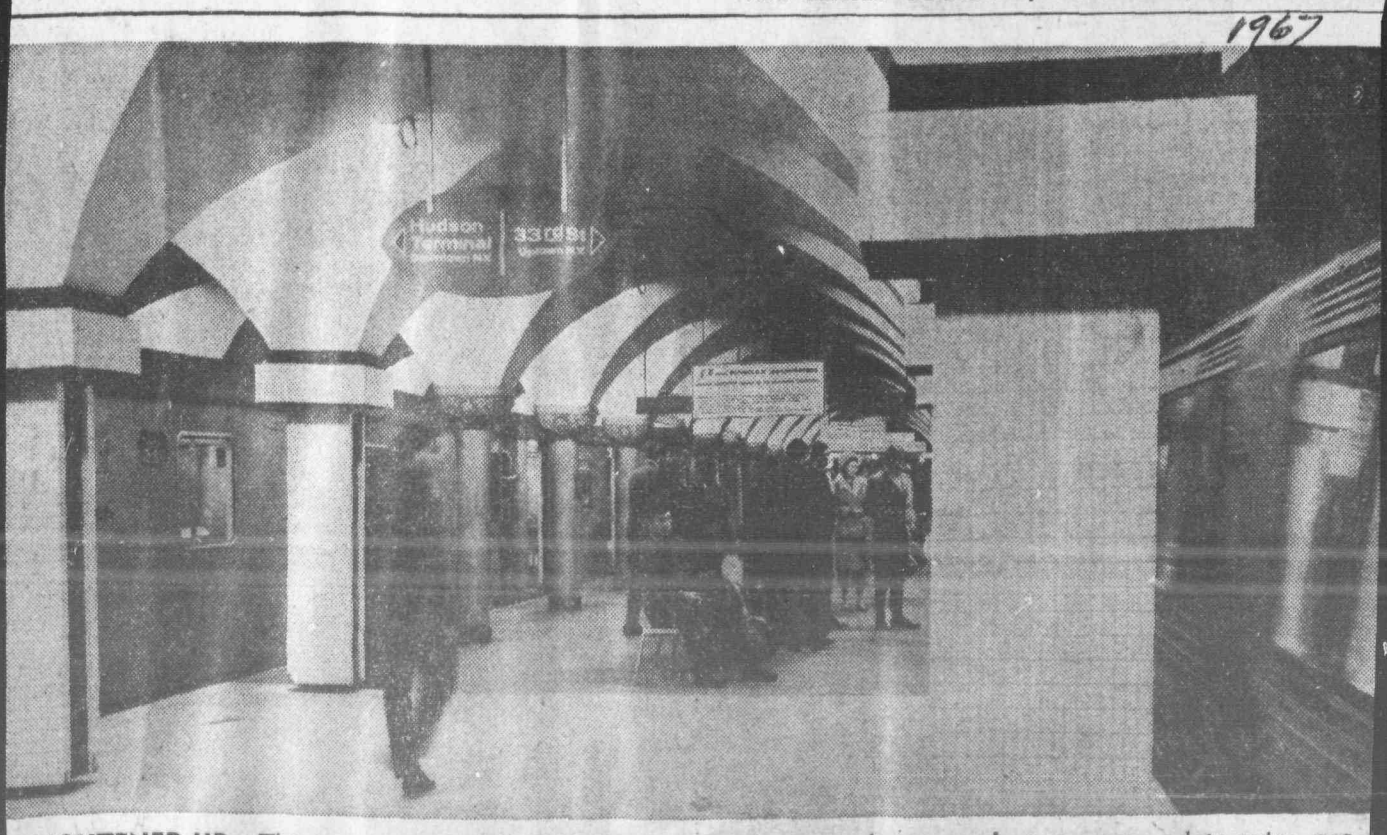
"In my opinion we cannot continue to pass this increased burden to the taxpayer. As good as our efforts have been, economy has proven not to be the answer. If this tax increase spiral is to continue, new sources of revenue must be found," said DePascale.

He said that under the present formula, a municipality cannot determine with any degree of accuracy what state aid might be from one year to another. This, he declared, makes it virtually impossible for any long range planning.

Using school population instead of ratables as a basis, DePascale said a figure of \$350 per pupil for state aid "would be most realistic."

He pointed out that Hoboken, bounded by the Hudson River, the Palisades, Jersey City and Weehawken, has no large areas of vacant land for further development and new ratables. New construction must go up, he said, and this is subject to limitations.

The problem of metropolitan cities, like Hoboken, with a high influx of foreign speaking residents — and large families — presents a special school factor which should also be given additional consideration in any state aid formula, the mayor felt.



BRIGHTENED UP—This is a section of the PATH station in Hoboken which has been improved and brightened, giving some idea of how the station will look when the overall project is completed.

Changes are being made to accommodate extra passengers since there is no longer any ferry service. (Jersey Pictures)



# See Outsider Getting Model City Post

## Hoboken Job Pays \$18,000

The \$18,000-a-year post of Hoboken's Model City agency administrator will more than likely go to someone from outside the city, Mayor Louis DePascale today.

"The state has been recruiting persons for the job," the mayor said. "It has placed ads in most of the government journals and publications, seeking qualified applicants."

THE APPLICATIONS are sent to the state which screens them and forwards the most qualified to the city. From the applications I receive, I will pick three or four that seem best fitted for the job.

"These persons will be interviewed by myself and one will be picked for the job."

The mayor added that the funds to pay the administrator or director would probably be provided by the state.

DePASCALE SAID that he has also selected a Model City Advisory Committee comprised of city officials who will help with the program.

The committee includes the mayor, Raymond G. Clyons, housing authority chairman; Silvio J. Failla, planning and redevelopment coordinator; E. Norman Wilson, law and public safety director; Anthony F. Damato, health and welfare director; Raphael P. Vitale, public works and revenue and finance director; Thomas A. McFeely, superintendent of schools; William F. Cox, planning board chairman; Nicholas J. Caruso, parking authority chairman; Thomas A. Gallo, City Council president, and Michael Curcio, housing squad supervisor.

The city expects to get \$99,000 for a nine-month planning program for the Model Cities program. This is an increase of \$12,000 over the grant the city was first notified it would get.

## Malfetti Association

### Ask More Members On Model City Panel

The Nunzio Malfetti Association, whose standard bearer was an unsuccessful candidate for Sixth Ward councilman in Hoboken's municipal election earlier this year, today called upon the city to ask more members to join the Model City panel.

In letters to the mayor and council, Malfetti suggested the membership in the Model City Committee be increased by at least 11 persons to include qualified and capable persons not connected with the municipal government.

HE LISTED the following names as possible selections: Dr. Jess Davis, president of Stevens Institute of Technology; Charles Tiedemann of Bethlehem Steel's shipyard; Eugene Farrell, Editor of The Jersey Journal; Rev. John Stanton, pastor of Trinity Episcopal Church.

Also, Rev. Daniel F. Meehan, pastor of Our Lady of Grace Church; Rev. Achilles Cassiere, pastor of St. Ann's Church; Rev. Armand Sorrento, pastor of St. Francis Church; Rev. Joseph J. Hess, pastor of St. Peter and Paul Church; Joseph Garibaldi, owner of Garibaldi Insurance, and Ernest Badaracco of the Elysian Savings and Loan Association.

"WE THINK you could find no better nor more representative committee in any other part of the country," the letter stated. "We would also recommend breaking down the \$18,000-per-

year salary proposal for a director into several positions at a reduced salary — taking into consideration that most of the work will be done by the planning engineers who will also be paid in all likelihood, based on past experience, an enormous fee to accomplish the same."

MALFETTI ALSO asked that consideration once again be given to a cross-town bus system which would provide service for the Church Towers apartments, the senior citizen apartments, schools, business and residential areas.

Malfetti's association brought a small bus into the city which it thought would be suitable for such a system. The findings were forwarded to the city.

ALTHOUGH CITY officials were interested, they thought the cost of the bus proposed by Malfetti was too high. The vehicles sold for between \$13,000 and \$15,000.

The letter also called for the installation of stop signs at alternate intersections to minimize the accident rate and provide greater safety for children and motorists.

Malfetti suggested the towing operation be eliminated and instead increase the fine for parking from \$2 to \$10 as a deterrent. He added that this would also provide additional revenue for the city.

## HOPES Center I

### Major Named to Youth, Model City Posts

Anthony Major, 44, of 655 6th St., Hoboken, has been appointed youth worker and Model City coordinator for HOPES Center I, it was announced today by Raymond G. Clyons HOPES director. Major has assumed the duties formerly held by Matthew Ronga, who is now Center I director. The post carries an annual salary of \$8,000.

Besides his youth worker duties, Major will coordinate the group of indigents who will be serving on the Model Cities planning and coordinating committee.

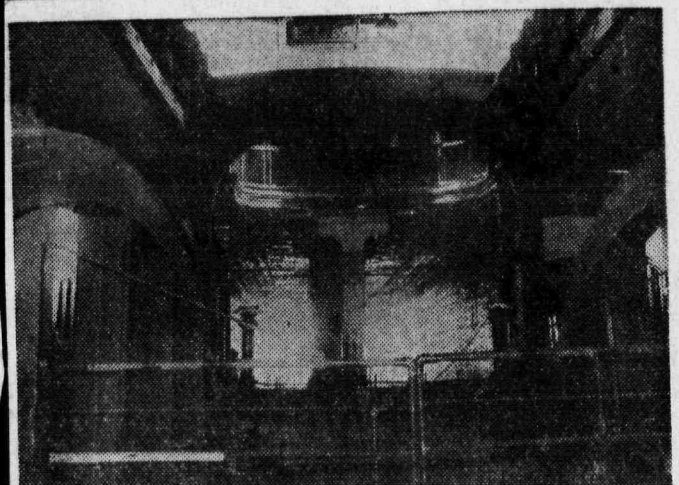
Major has been continuously involved in political activities. He came very close to running for councilman in the Third Ward earlier this year against incumbent Steve Cappiello.

He pressured the city's Republican organization for its support but failed to get a definite commitment from Frank Bartletta, head of the organization.



ANTHONY MAJOR

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FOR SALE — The ferryboat Elmira quietly rides the Hudson River ripples at Slip 1, Hoboken, while her owner, the Erie Lackawanna Railroad, awaits a purchaser for the old, steam-powered vessel. Apparently no one is interested in her yet, but retired ferries in the past have been used for restaurants, museums and floating offices. Her sister boat, the Lackawanna, also is tied securely in Hoboken, awaiting a buyer.

## A Blow at Hoboken Slums

Hoboken's decision to tear down 12 more dilapidated tenement houses could not have been more timely. An early winter which is expected to be severe has already arrived, and the unsafe oil burners in many of these cold dismal flats are in use day and night. Even those flats not legally occupied are a menace, harboring vagrants and transients who often light fires in them at the peril of neighbors in adjacent houses.

It is heartening to see the city administration respond favorably to our proposal for more decisive action against the city's slums.

The 12 buildings will be demolished at Hoboken's expense but the city will put liens on the cleared lots and take them over or will obtain deeds from the owners. The more such vacant sites are available, the faster Hoboken can rebuild its substandard areas and resume its place as one of the more inviting modern cities.

## Selected by State

### Jersey City Library Head To Check Hoboken System

After more than two years, the Hoboken Free Public Library will be getting the evaluation promised by Mayor Louis DePascale.

At a recent meeting of the city's library board of trustees, notification from the state was received that William J. Roehrenbeck, director of Jersey City's public library, has been selected to perform the evaluation.

ROEHNRECK also notified the board that he would be ready to start the evaluation sometime this week. However, he did not give a specific date although the board members assume it will be today.

Samuel Schleikorn, board secretary, said that Roehrenbeck expected to have a complete report compiled by the beginning of March.

According to Mayor DePascale, it was only recently that work and modernization was completed that he felt had to



WILLIAM J. ROEHNRECK

be done, before an evaluation by the state should be called for.

## Roehrenbeck

### Starts Study Of Library

The evaluation of the Hoboken Free Public Library was scheduled to begin today, according to William J. Roehrenbeck, Jersey City Library Director, who will conduct the study.

Roehrenbeck, who is an editorial consultant for Collier's Encyclopedia and a member of the state advisory board to the commissioner of education, said he has already held a preliminary interview with Miss Lucille Cunningham, the Hoboken library director.

A preliminary report will be made to the board of library trustees when it meets on December 28.

Roehrenbeck said that he expected to be finished with the evaluation and have a final report before the trustees by March 1.

## Hoboken Mites

### To Show Stuff In Florida

The Hoboken Mighty Mites football team will be off for Fort Lauderdale, Fla., by train on Christmas Day, for a football classic with their Fort Lauderdale counterparts.

The Mites, of the Elwood Walker League, showed their prowess by winning eight straight games in their season.

## 'Shape Up or Ship Out'

### Vitale Warns Hoboken Custodians

In a pre-holiday gathering yesterday of Hoboken city hall custodial employees, including the head custodian, workers were warned by their departmental director to either "shape up or ship out" of their housekeeping jobs.

Public Works Director Raphael Vitale, responsible to Mayor Louis DePascale for everyday cleanliness of city hall, called the workers together in his freshly dusted office, and told City Hall Custodian Walter Casler and his staff of his displeasure with general conditions.

In addition to voicing criticism of the custodial employees overall efforts and general application to daily duties, Vitale warned that regardless of political connections enjoyed by any or all workers, they face dismissal if assigned tasks are not found satisfactory in the future. He also stressed job time punctuality and a full days work regardless of rank, connections or corridor conditions.

Commenting later on his personnel pep-talk, Director Vitale told newsmen "With very few ex-

## Consolidation of Facilities

### North Hudson, Hoboken to Join Forces on Education

By JAMES TERLIZZI JR.

The six communities which make up North Hudson, plus Hoboken, will take a step toward consolidation of their educational facilities this month with a meeting of mayors and educators.

Board of education members, school superintendents and principals will meet with the mayors of the seven communities Dec. 19 in the office of Mayor William V. Musto of Union City.

THEY WILL discuss the merits of building a regional school or schools, shared libraries and general inter-community planning for education.

"At the very least, we will try to agree on uniform salaries for teachers, uniform educational procedures and uniform grievance machinery in the schools," Musto said.

The session is part of a continuing series of meetings of North Hudson's mayors set up some time ago by Musto.

To date, the mayors have worked together to solve their mutual problems of sewage disposal, garbage disposal, uniform salaries for general municipal employees, and community antenna television.

"WE MUST REALIZE there are no boundary lines for education," Musto said. "In the face of rising costs of education, as well as all municipal services, we must band together if we are to provide high quality education without bankrupting the taxpayer."

The group also will discuss special educational problems. Mayor Herman G. Klein of Guttenberg, chairman of that phase of the program already has made application for federal funds to set up an educational

program for retarded children. Musto, a champion of consolidation for the more than 20 years he has been in government, said the main purpose of the group is to remove layers of government.

A STATE SENATOR, Musto is chairman of a committee to investigate the function and structure of local, county, state and federal government. He will make a report on his findings early in February.

"The problems caused by the multiple layers of government we have now is the greatest immediate crisis we face, next

to Vietnam," Musto said. "On the federal level alone, there are more than 100,000 units of government. In New Jersey, there are more than 130,000 separate entities of government."

"THE RED TAPE, duplication of effort and waste of money caused by these layers of government will bankrupt our country if we do not correct the situation," Musto added. "We in North Hudson are trying to set an example for the rest of the state."

"When it costs a community \$12 to hand out \$2 worth of welfare, it is long past time for action."

## For Hoboken Teachers

### Puerto Rican Education Chief at Seminar

Dr. Victor Melendez, assistant secretary of education for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, today will take part in the first of 10 seminars for Hoboken school teachers dealing with the education of children of Puerto Rican background.

More than 125 teachers in the public and parochial schools of the city have enrolled for the seminars which will be conducted at the high school through next March. Each will deal with a particular phase of educating Spanish-speaking students.

DR. MELENDEZ will spend a week in the city observing the education methods being employed to assimilate Puerto Rican boys and girls into the school system.

Taking part in today's seminar will be Hoboken teachers who have recently returned from a two-week working tour of Puerto Rican schools. The seminars were set up by Thomas F. McFeely, school superintendent, and Harry Galinsky, administrative assistant for federal programs.

The moderator will be Dr. Irving Bloom, professor of education at Jersey City State College.

TEACHERS FROM other cities where Spanish-speaking students pose a special education problem, are also expected at today's seminar. Future visits by Hoboken teachers to Puerto Rico are also being planned, Galinsky said, and they will probably be chosen from among the more than 100 who have enrolled for the seminars.

The special programs and seminars are being sponsored by the Hoboken board with federal funds made available under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

Tomorrow Dr. Melendez will visit Trenton with McFeely and Galinsky. There he plans to confer with Carl Marburger, state commissioner of education and Robert Fleming, assistant com-

missioner of education. The seminars are part of the overall plan to make Frank Bartletta the city's new revenue and finance director.

On the 28th, the two departments—revenue and finance and public works—will once again become two separate divisions. Currently, the public works department is a division of the revenue and finance department.

VITALE WILL RESIGN as revenue and finance director, but will be sworn in, probably on the same day, as the new public works director. Cuttito will be sworn in as the deputy director of public works. The ordinance which separates the two departments also does away with the deputy director of revenue and finance.

At last report, Mayor Louis DePascale was expected to announce Bartletta's appointment on Dec. 27 or 28. He will probably be sworn in Jan. 1 or 2.

THE PROBLEM of where Bartletta's office will be has apparently been solved.

The public safety department office staff—James Lanzetti and Rosemary Townsley—will be moved from their office across from Mayor DePascale into the law department office at the other end of the building. The housing squad will also lose its office space and will share an office with Silvio Failla, the city's planning and development coordinator.

The city's nine councilmen will not be required to give up the office they share adjoining the public safety office.

Among the best-sellers included are "The Manor," by Isaac Bashevis Singer.

Lucille Cunningham, library director, made public the titles books:

North Toward Home, by Willie Morris; Only To God: The Extraordinary Life of Godfrey Lowell Cabot, Leon Harris; Des Moines: A Century of Splendor, Lately Thomas; People in the Valley, Shirley Hazard; The Glass House, Shirley Hazard; The Vale of Laughter, Peter De Vries; Sarah Duchess of Marlborough, David Greengard; Left Luggage, C. Northcote Parkinson; The Big Bands, George T. Simon; A Short of Stars, Hugh Downs; Pyramid, William Golding; Animal Gardens, Emily Hahn; Downhill All the Way, An Autobiography of the Years 1919-1939, Leonard Woolf; The Manor, Isaac Bashevis Singer; Doctor's Mission, Elizabeth Selbert; White Tie and Dagger, Andrew Tulvy; Color Paint, A Light Within, A Novel Based on the Life of El Greco, Donald B. Baughman; Bandwidth, J. A. S. Reid; The Soviet Union: The 50 Years, edited by Harrison E. Salisbury; The Witnesses, M. W. Warting; Peace and the Strategy Conflict, William B. Kinnier; Jolly Rogers, Ralph McInerney; The Best American Short Stories 1967, Edited by Martha Foley and David Burnett; Lemon in the Basket, Charlotte Armstrong; The Search for Identity: Canada, 1945-1967, Eliza Fraser; Latin America: The Development of Its Civilization, Helen Miller Bailey and Abraham P. Noyes; The Boy in the Corporate Structure and the Right to Privacy, Edward Englebert; Strains of Hate, Edmund G. Gove; The Last Years of a Rebel: A Memoir of Edith Swell, Elizabeth Selbert.

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### Tour Floating Dormitory At Stevens

It's open house at Stevens Tech's floating dormitory this afternoon.

From noon to 4, out-of-town students now crowded into dormitories on the Hoboken campus are being taken on a tour of the S.S. Stevens, the former cargo-passenger liner, once a troopship, now docked at the Eighth Street Pier on the Hudson River at the edge of the Stevens campus.

The purpose is to let the students see their prospective new accommodations. They are being broken up into small groups for the tour.

Seniors will have first crack at moving into the floating dorm when it opens for occupancy after the Christmas holidays. Juniors are next, then sophomores and finally freshmen if by that time any of the 100 double-rooms are left.

At present, some students living in the dormitories on the campus are three in a room. The ship will be used for lodgings until Stevens builds additional dormitories on the campus.

## Hoboken and Puerto Rico

How can Hoboken speed up and improve the assimilation of its thousands of children whose native tongue is Spanish and who live in colonies where Spanish is still the going language? An effort is being made in the Hoboken schools. Here teachers are attending seminars dealing with the education of boys and girls of Puerto Rican background. These latter comprise close to half the school-age population of the city.

A number of Hoboken teachers have had two-week visits to schools in Puerto Rico, and others will have them during the year. Presumably they have obtained greater insight into methods of teaching Puerto Rican pupils.

The problem of teaching fluent English to older Puerto Rican immigrants has hardly been scratched, and they are barred from better paying jobs where such fluency is required. But those still in school are more pliable and can still be trained to change their mother tongue, so that Hoboken's special school program directed at them could pay off in a few years, if it is sound. Whether an investment or a gamble, it seems well worth while.

## Hoboken Has Model Cities Conference

Representatives of the state and federal governments will meet today with Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale and local Model Cities administrators to review the city's application for the multi-million dollar redevelopment program.

"Primarily, they will be advising us so that we can get through the beginning stages of the program more expeditiously," the mayor said.

The meeting is scheduled for 2 p.m. in the municipal courtroom.

"MANY OF our citizens think the Model Cities program means total clearance of the concerned area," the mayor continued. "This is not true. Only the real blighted areas will be subject to slum clearance. I'd estimate roughly between 10 and 20 per cent of the section."

The area designated for the Model Cities program takes in the section bounded by the Hudson River, Fourth Street, the west boundary line and Observatory Highway.

DePascale added that about 40 to 50 per cent of the dwelling would probably be considered for rehabilitation but this was not demolition.

"There are still studies to be made which will determine the exact percentages," he said.

## Hoboken

### Second Negro Policeman To Be Sworn In Thursday

Robert Davis, 27, of 216 Jefferson St., Hoboken, will be sworn in as a new policeman Thursday morning. Davis will become the second Negro to join the force but will be the only one on active duty.

Hoboken's first Negro patrolman, Cecil Vincent, is now on a leave of absence while he explores the possibility of opening his own funeral home in his native Alabama. Should he decide to come back to work for the city, he will return to his job with the fire department rather than the police department. Vincent was a fireman before transferring to the police.

FOR DAVIS, the permanent appointment has been a long time in coming. He was made a temporary patrolman before the last Civil Service examination in August.

Davis took the test and came out third on the list. The two men who placed ahead of him were appointed in September.

According to Law and Public Safety Director E. Norman Wilson, one portion of Davis' physical needed clarification.

DAVIS WAS TO BE one of six new patrolmen the city and the housing authority were to hire for added protection in the projects. In all, the city figured it needed about nine new men including those to cover recent retirements.

For all practical purposes, the vacancies still exist. Wilson has requested Civil Service to call another examination but has not yet been notified of a date for it.

## Rev. John Mee

### PBA Chaplain

The Rev. John F. Mee, an assistant pastor at Our Lady of Grace Church, is the first Catholic chaplain of the Hoboken Patrolmen's Benevolent Association.

Father Mee's appointment, approved by Archbishop Thomas A. Boland of Newark, was announced at last night's Christmas party and dance of the PBA. Some 125 persons attended the affair in the Villa Romano.

Silver Life membership cards were presented to Sgt. August Schwartz and Patrolmen Rudolph Magnus and William O'Reilly, both retired.



## Confab Opens "Model City"

Plan Phase  
H.D. 12/14/67  
By ARTHUR FELSON

The first stage in the planning program that is necessary to turn Hoboken into a "model city" started yesterday afternoon when Mayor Louis DePascale met with high-level representatives of federal and state departments and agencies connected with the multi-million dollar national project.

The aim of the meeting was to answer various questions and to lay some of the general guidelines relative to the program which will improve 22-square blocks in downtown Hoboken and serve as a show place for other communities throughout the nation.

The federal and state representatives who met with the mayor were Richard L. Williams, regional director of the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO); Frank W. Horkel of the New Jersey State Employment Service; Steve Duncan, of the Eastern Seaboard's Region I OEO office; Carsten Lion of the Washington office of the Department of Labor; Stanley Fiorelli, representing the Social Security Administration; Robert H. Cornell of the New York

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office of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW); Frank Healy of the Philadelphia office of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); Richard Trausti of HUD's Regional Assistant Office; Seymour Rosenthal of the Washington office of HUD and Stephen Antler of the New York regional office of the OEO.

Also Chester Jones of the Model Cities Bureau, HUD, Washington; James Shere, New Jersey chief of the Model Cities program and Herb Rosen and Church Prentiss of the New Jersey office of the Community Service Administration.

In addition to Mayor DePascale, other city officials included city council president Thomas A. Gallo and members of the city council: Raymond G. Clyons, community renewal coordinator; Thomas McFeeley, superintendent of schools; Ralph Seligman, chief city planner of the firm Mayo, Lynch Associates and representatives from labor, the Chamber of Commerce, various city departments and agencies.

**The Program**  
Under the terms of the Model Cities Act and on appropriations approved for next year in excess of \$312 million, Hoboken will share in the \$11 million allocated as planning grants for some 65 cities.

Two other New Jersey cities have been designated under the terms of the federal act, which will banish blight, restore beauty and rehabilitate urban America. These are Trenton and Newark.

Five other cities, including Jersey City, were refused grants in New Jersey.

Hoboken had originally applied for a planning grant of \$87,430 and based upon federal consideration of the problems in that city, approved a grant of \$99,000 or an increase of \$11,570.

Originally Hoboken's share in the planning stage was set at approximately \$22,000 but with the increased federal appropriation, the share also increased to approximately \$25,000. The State of New Jersey will, in turn, pay almost 80 percent of Hoboken's share.

**Major Points**  
Among the major points discussed or mentioned at yesterday's hour and a half meeting were:

Other projects for which Hoboken has made application will be seriously reconsidered by the state and federal authorities; job placement and the role of labor unions will play an important role in the planning stages of the model cities program; special attention will be paid to the problems of Hoboken's Spanish-speaking residents with particular heavy emphasis placed on citizen participation in decision making.

Also Hoboken's Title 3 program relative to the problems of education with Spanish-speaking youths and adults will be emphasized during the next three years; the Small Business Administration is taking a look into the possibility of loans and/or grants to residents and landlords of buildings in the model cities area for rehabilitation or repair; the code enforcement, art beautification, bus loop and sewer and water facilities programs will be speeded up on all levels, local, state and federal; a neighborhood facilities building, combining recreational, welfare and PAL facilities in a structure costing approximately \$180,000 is under serious consideration in the eastern sector of the city, possibly being funded under the model cities program; the state is taking a close look at Hoboken's welfare problem and spiraling welfare costs with the possibility of taking some measure to relieve the city of some of its problems and burdens in this regard.

**Is Optimistic**  
"We are very optimistic," Mayor DePascale said, "and it all looks very good at this point."

One of the first speakers was Frank Healy, of the Housing and Urban Development's Region II office in Philadelphia.

"Hoboken is one of the few cities where we increased the budget. Because of some of the problems that we saw, we felt that an increased budget was feasible."

The various problems aligned with poverty was brought up by Robert Cornell of the New York office of HEW who said, "The aim of the model cities program is to focus all the available resources on this model neighborhood. Its present structure is assigned so that it is geared to the varied poverty problems in the city."

Poverty and the indigent or welfare recipient was also mentioned by Superintendent McFeeley, who commented, "Hoboken has a unique indigent person. A person who is different because of his differences in culture and language."

"It comes down to the fact that

Hoboken's problem is a language problem," he said.

**Forms Committees**  
Mayor DePascale has set up a number of these committees including a Citizen's Advisory Committee and the Mayor's Advisory Committee on the Model City.

These committees will meet regularly with the federal liaison officer, Terry Chisolm of the HUD office in Philadelphia.

According to city planners, there are two phases to the model cities program. The first phase, technically called the planning stage, starts 45 days after the city receives official notice from the federal government that it has been awarded the Model Cities grant. This phase, it was reported yesterday will start shortly after the first of January and the city should be in receipt of a check sometime around that time.

For the next nine months, the city will plan the various activities necessary for the start of phase two, the execution phase, the period when the work actually commences.

**It Differs**  
The model cities program differs from the urban renewal program in that the latter often calls for large scale demolition and subsequent relocation of tenants and industry; the model cities program, while utilizing some demolition of existing structures emphasizes urban rejuvenation or renovation of existing structures.

This may be visualized by low cost loans or outright grants to tenants and/or landlords for repairs, repainting, etc.; coupled with demolition and added to the fact of improvements such as new sewer and water lines, bus routes, etc.

The area for which Hoboken has been granted the model cities request is as follows: that area from Observer Highway generally to the Jersey City line, from Hudson st., north to Fourth st., to the western railroad boundary. The area is roughly three-fourths of a mile long and one-half mile wide.

In a report issued recently by Housing and Urban Development Secretary Robert C. Weaver, nearly one-third of the city's 45,200 residents live in the program area with a total population of 14,780.

Within this area more than 20 percent of the families have earnings less than \$3,000 annually. The housing is comparable to some of the oldest and poorest in the country with more than 60 percent falling below the minimum housing code standards.

As far as the employment rate in the area is concerned, almost 35 percent of the residents in this area are recipients of unemployment while some 35 percent have less than an eighth grade education.

The model cities program, now official, is part of a general improvement schedule pictured under the 10-year-planned Community Renewal Program.

Also in the CRP program are such projects as NRB-114 or the Hudson Street Redevelopment Project which will enhance the old "Barbary Coast" area and the impressive \$20-million-dollar Stevens building project.

According to city planners, both the Model Cities Program and the Hudson Street River program are anticipated to be completed within the next five years.

Following the meeting, a number of the state and federal representatives went on a tour of the model cities area as well as a number of other locations throughout the city.

## Hoboken HOPES Receives U. S. OK

A neighborhood youth corps project sponsored by Hoboken Organization Against Poverty and Economic Stress (HOPES) has been approved by the federal government.

Congressman Dominick V. Daniels announced yesterday that Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz has approved the \$72,130 project of which the federal government contributes \$61,880.

The program will provide work experience opportunities for 45 in-school enrollees and 75 summer enrollees.

Daniels said, "This latest federal grant is indicative of the confidence the department of labor has in the administration of HOPES and the Hoboken city government. Mayor DePascale and HOPES director Raymond G. Clyons deserve the congratulations of every citizen of Hoboken."



**MEMORIES** — R. Stewart Boyd, right, chairman of commuters' committee that planned farewell ceremonies marking end of ferry service from Hoboken to New York, presents unique street plaque to members of Hoboken High School band which took part

## Symbol of End of Ferry Service

### Hoboken High School Band Gets Street Sign 'Plaque'

"I think the girl in the fourth row is wondering, 'What does an old goat like him want to talk to me about?'" said R. Stewart Boyd.

Boyd, vice president of the Curtis Publishing Company, New York City, was in Hoboken High School, to present the school band with a Barclay Street sign.

"I JUST WANT to say that we have something in common, only

separated by years. When I was your age, my parents were angry because I danced the Charleston and wore bell-bottom pants."

When the Erie-Lackawanna ferry service ended on Nov. 22, Boyd was there with a group of fellow commuters, to make the event memorable.

The Hoboken High School band was there, playing "Hello Dolly," when the last ferry, the El-

mira, came into her Hoboken slip.

That was followed by "When the Saints Go Marching In," "Auld Lang Syne," and a solo trumpet playing "Taps."

**BOYD AND HIS friends** were touched and obtained the street sign from New York City authorities.

Also given to the school was an original "Hazel" cartoon by

cartoonist Ted Key. "Congratulations to the Hoboken High School Band," said the surly Hazel.

"You know," Boyd said, "I think it's wonderful that there are times when we can do something like this."

"There are many fine teenagers and they should be recognized when they accomplish something good."

## Hoboken's 'Fun Program'

Hoboken Board of Education Tuesday inaugurated its after-school recreational program and, judging by the sweat built up on the brows of scores of youngsters who participated, it is a success.

The program, conceived by members of the board of education and various city officials including Youth Coordinator Jerry Molloy, was put into effect at three local elementary schools in the afternoon and at Hoboken High School Tuesday night.

The afternoon program aimed at attracting the pre-teens and offering such activities as basketball, swimming, weightlifting, volleyball and various nonphysical game activities was held from 3 to 5 p.m., at A. J. Demarest Junior High School, Joseph F. Brandt School and Daniel Kealy School.

At these schools, three teachers supervise the recreational program while over-all supervision of both afternoon and evening programs is under the direction of Sam Spicola, Hoboken High School athletic director and supervisor of physical education, and Frank Spino, a high school business teacher and well-known sports official.

"Our aim is to try to attract as many Hoboken youngsters as possible . . . to offer them activities of interest and to keep them off the streets and away from any possible trouble," Spicola said.

The evening program, which starts at 6:30 p.m. and ends at 9:30 p.m., drew the largest turnout on opening day with almost 30 youngsters waiting at the doors of the high school, sneakers and gym shorts under their arms.

In addition to activities offered to those who participate in the afternoon program, modern and folk dancing as well as other "social" games will be provided for the boys and girls in the evening program.

Faculty members participating in the evening program illustrate the professional talent provided for instruction. They include Hoboken High School football coach Vince Ascolese; assistant football coach Frank Scott; swimming coach John Ciriello; girls' physical education instructors Misses Rose Ann Del Boccio and Jean Adamo; Dan Murphy, a basketball and football official, and William Connors, a basketball official.

Hudson Dispatch learned exclusively last night that another project for Hoboken's youngsters is in the planning stage.

"We are in process of setting up one or two monthly dances to be held at the high school featuring live bands, some of whose members are local youngsters," Spicola announced.

City Council president and Board of Education Secretary Thomas A. Gallo also commented on this unique endeavor.

"Here is an example of the type of program we plan to offer to our Hoboken youngsters. With this type of activities, physical, recreational and social, we hope we can attract every boy and girl in the city."

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# First Money for Model City Program Is on the Way to Hoboken

## To Hire Chief for \$18,000

Hoboken will soon receive the first part of the \$99,000 federal planning grant under the Model Cities program, Mayor Louis DePascale said today.

DePascale said that the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development has agreed to give Hoboken a conditional grant equal to one ninth of the total grant, or about \$11,000.

THE MONEY will be used to finance the Model Cities planning program for a 30-day period, which will include staffing and finding a place to work, he added.

DePascale, Silvio J. Failla, planning and redevelopment director, and Raymond G. Clynos, chairman of the housing authority and of the city's anti-poverty program HOPES, met with Jerry Chisholm, HUD's representative who will be working with Hoboken on the program. It was at this time the city was notified of the grant.

DePASCALE said that Hoboken will also soon hire someone to be Model Cities administrator at an annual salary of about \$18,000. The mayor said that he has received about 30 applications from the state Department of Community Affairs.

From this group he has selected four whom the city considers to be the best. One has already been interviewed, the mayor said. The remaining three are scheduled for interviews Wednesday.

DePASCALE reported that he hoped to have someone appointed to the job during the first week of January.

"Each man has had many years experience in city, state and federal planning," he said. "The average is about 10 years. All are civil engineers."

The mayor added that the cost of the administrator would be offset by a grant from the state. He did not say how much this grant would be.

BEFORE HOBOKEN can get the rest of the \$99,000 grant from the federal government it must revise certain section of its original Model Cities application.

According to DePascale, some of the revisions have already been made and have been approved by Chisholm. The city has 45 days to make all of the recommended revisions; about 35 days remain.

## Scrivani Red Cross Chairman

Councilman-at-large Bernard Scrivani has been selected as general chairman for the 1968 fund drive of the Hoboken Red Cross chapter.

Scrivani, an executive of the S. B. Penick Co., drug suppliers, lives at 321 Park Ave.

THE COUNCILMAN said that although the national campaign was to run for the month of March, he intended to start in Hoboken immediately after the first of the year.

"We want this to be the best year the Red Cross has ever had," he said. "I intended to make an all-out appeal to the people of Hoboken for the good the Red Cross has done without fanfare."

ALL OF MY friends can count on being contacted for their financial support, as well as their personal assistance and time in order to make the campaign a success," he added.

The chapter's goal for 1968 is \$20,000. If Scrivani makes the goal, he will be the first in recent years to do so. The Hoboken chapter has had financial difficulties which were reported to be one of the reasons the chapter merged with Jersey City.



CITY HALL CEREMONY—City Clerk Anthony Amoroso, right, reads oath of office as Frank J. Bartletta, second right, is sworn in as new Hoboken finance director and Raphael Vitale becomes public works

director. Watching ceremony at City Hall are Councilman Bernard Scrivani, left, and Mayor Louis DePascale. Vitale previously held both posts. (Jersey Pictures)

## Hoboken Two Attorneys Needed In Law Department

Two attorneys will be appointed to Hoboken's law department to fill vacancies that have been created by the upcoming retirement of William (Pinky) Gottlieb and the recent appointment of Charles DeFazio Jr. to the Hudson County Law Department.

Gottlieb, scheduled to retire in March, is the assistant city attorney. DeFazio, a former magistrate in the local municipal court, was a legal aide.

ACCORDING to Mayor Louis DePascale, the city will make two appointments to fill the gaps. He said several attorneys are being considered but a final decision has not been reached.

Hoboken's usually busy political gossipers haven't come up with any name so the city's high brass must be keeping it a relatively close by guarded secret.

TWO ATTORNEYS who might consider accepting such an appointment are Andrew Batistich and Police Lt. Norman Sweeten. Sweeten was being considered for a post in the Hoboken branch of the Hudson County Legal Services office. However, it was reported that he did not get the job because he was unwilling to give up private practice.

ATTORNEYS for the city are not required to withdraw from their practices and may represent whomever they wish as long as it is not a case concerning the city.

## 'Not for Publication' Hoboken and Chamber Mum On Completed Wolz Report

The Wolz Report, a review of the operation of Hoboken's municipal government, paid for by Commerce, has been completed, the city is willing to talk about the findings.

Richard Carroll, executive vice president of the chamber, said that A. A. Wolz has completed his study but that the chamber has "nothing for publication" on it.

MAYOR DePASCALE said that he has met several times with chamber officials on the results of the report, but he would not comment on what was discussed.

"I'm not trying to duck the issue," he said, "but this is the chamber's report. If anything is to be made public about the findings, it is up to the chamber to do it."

"WE ARE dealing with a private organization which used its own funds to pay for the study," he continued. "The chamber is entirely within its rights to release as much or as little of the report as it wants."

"Again, I must stress that it is not my place to say anything about the report or what I have been discussing with the chamber officials. To do so would be speaking out of turn."

THE REPORT is the second compiled by Wolz for the chamber. In 1964, during the administration of Mayor John J. Grogan, a similar report was made. It was critical of some aspects of the municipal government and recommended some changes none of which were adopted at the time.

## HOPES Grant Wins Approval

Our Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — The federal government has approved a \$61,880 grant for the Hoboken Organization Against Poverty and Economic Stress (HOPES).

Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz approved the grant for a neighborhood youth corps project providing work experience opportunities for 45 in-school enrollees and 75 summer enrollees. The project will cost \$72,130, with Hoboken making up the difference.

Batistich has long been active in political circles and was at one time considered to be anti-administration. He once ran for councilman-at-large on a ticket headed by Sixth Ward Councilman John J. Palmieri, who was running for mayor. Palmieri has long since smoothed over his differences, so may have Batistich.

SOME INFIGHTING has started in the law department over the assistant city attorney's post that opens with Gottlieb before his appointment with the county came through.

More recent reports indicated that Dudley Schlosser, another city attorney, is interested in the post and has several of Mayor DePascale's advisers speaking up for him.

However, John Traynor, acting second assistant city attorney, is the ranking man in the department and definitely interested in the job.

## Hoboken Union's Help Expected In Model City Program

Hoboken may still have some problems with its Model Cities applications that have to be ironed out. But one that isn't giving Mayor Louis DePascale any particular trouble is: Getting the various labor unions involved in the planning stage of the program.

"WE HAVEN'T decided on any set formula for this involvement," said the mayor, "but if we can judge by the past cooperation we have received from labor unions, we won't have any problems."

At the recent meeting with state and federal officials on the Model Cities program, the city was told by Frank Healy, regional representative of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, that attention should be given to getting labor unions

involved because jobs in the Model City area will be of critical importance.

"It is not enough to train these people in a trade if they cannot get work because they are not being admitted to unions. There must be a break-through in this area," he told DePascale.

Exactly what Hoboken will have to do in the way of revising its application will be discussed tomorrow when city officials meet with Jerry Chisholm, HUD's adviser to Hoboken on the Model Cities program. The meeting is scheduled for 11 a.m. in Mayor DePascale's office.

## Hoboken Moonships

When astronauts finally take off for the moon, Hoboken will have made a major contribution to tracking Apollo flights through space. Because sevenths of the globe's surface is water, floating tracking stations can be positioned to guide and control our space travel effectively. The first such, USS Redstone, was outfitted with electronic equipment at Hoboken's Bethlehem shipyard in October. Now a sister-ship, USS Mercury, is at the same yard for the same refit. A third, USS Vanguard, is being converted to tracking in Massachusetts. If Bethlehem gets the contract for Vanguard's electronic installations it will be a grand slam for the Hoboken yard.

Any of these ships can order a space-ship to terminate its trip, if the controller aboard deems it advisable. Theirs may be a silent service but they are space voyaging's equivalent to highway safety guards — life savers.

## New Hoboken Church

A new church came into being in Hoboken on New Year's Day — the Community Church of Hoboken. Actually it is a combination of two of the oldest churches in the city: The Reformed and First Methodist Churches. Henceforth the two congregations will meet as one in the church building of the Reformed Church at Sixth and Garden Streets.

Already the merger has made possible a strengthening of the services offered to the community. The two-man ministerial staff working as a unit has been able to accomplish more than did two ministers working separately. Week-day classes for children after school and evening adult study groups are among these achievements.

## Adams, Monroe Gardens Senior Residents to Fill Two Housing Projects

Hoboken's two new senior citizen housing projects are expected to be completely filled by the end of this month, a spokesman for the housing authority said today.

M. Edward DeFazio, executive director, said that a total of 190 of 250 apartments are filled and the remainder are expected to be occupied by the end of this month.

"We aren't having any problems getting tenants," he said.

## Revenue Finance Director Hoboken Council Approves Bartletta Appointment

The Hoboken City Council unanimously approves the appointment of Frank J. Bartletta, the city's Republican leader, as the new director of revenue and finance, city treasurer and city collector of revenues, at its meeting today.

Bartletta replaces Raphael P. Vitale, who has been appointed director of public works. The latter's appointment also receives council approval today.

TWO WEEKS AGO the council approved an ordinance which separated the public works department from the revenue and finance department, and created two new directorships, one for each department.

Bartletta is expected to come under heavy fire from some local Republicans because of his new post.

Recently, Anthony Cilento of 504 Hudson St., a former freeholder and leader of the Republican Action Committee of Hudson County, scored Bartletta for taking the job.

CILENTO SAID that Bartletta could not be counted on to support the best interests of the Republican party in Hoboken or the county because he owed his

job to the Democratic administration of Mayor Louis DePascale.

"A man can't be loyal to two bosses who are opposite from each other," he said. "This just further substantiates that there is definitely something going on between Hudson County Democrats and Republicans to undermine the GOP."

The council was also to receive bids on 12 buildings which the city building inspector, Patrick L. Caulfield, has recommended for demolition. All of the buildings have been condemned, but their owners will not or can not pay for the demolition themselves. A tax lien for the cost will be placed on each property.

## Half-Hour Broadcast Christmas Music Played By Hoboken Glee Club

The 17th annual Hoboken Christmas Choral featuring the Hoboken High School Glee Club and sponsored by Mayor Louis DePascale and the city council was broadcast Tuesday night over the city's public address system.

The half-hour broadcast of Christmas-time musical and messages by three local pastors was presented live from Hoboken City Hall.

Nine selections were broadcast, led by Hoboken High School music supervisor, Frederick J. Kelb. These were: "I Wish You A Merry Christmas, Jingle Bells, White Christmas, Winter Wonderland, 'Twas the Night Before Christmas, Oh Chanukah, Oh Chanukah, Oh Come, All Ye Faithful, Deck the Halls and Silent Night."

The three pastors who participated in the broadcast included, Rev. Carl Bergen of St. John's Lutheran Church, Rev. Hilary Miketone of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church and Rev. Armand Sorrento of St. Francis Roman Catholic Church.

Hoboken toastmaster Jerry Molloy introduced each selection as well as introducing Mayor DePascale, who gave his annual Christmas message.

The mayor said, "I am very happy this Christmas season, that we in Hoboken have done so well in the decorating of our homes in the expression of the true spirit of Christmas."

"The design are absolutely wonderful and inspiring. Please accept our thanks for this fine gesture."

"On behalf of the council, I would like to take this opportunity to extend our wishes for a very merry Christmas. May God's blessings continue to shine upon us and let us all pray that soon we can truly say... Peace On Earth, Good Will To All Men."

Others participating in the program were: John Moratta, musical director of the Hoboken Recreation Department, City Council president Thomas Gallo and Capt. George Bauman of the Signal Department.

## Delle Torre On Payroll As Liaison

By PETER HALLAM

Hoboken's Public Works Department has started a person-to-person program with the city's Spanish-speaking residents, to get their cooperation in keeping the city clean.

Director Raphael P. Vitale said today that he has rehired Justo Delle Torre, a former public works employee, to act as his personal representative with the city's Spanish-speaking community.

"I'M NOT singling out our Spanish neighbors," he said, "but the fact still remains that we do not have an adequate means of communicating with them."

"Speaking as a director whose primary concern right now is keeping the city clean, I'm afraid they will have to bear the brunt of the blame."

"But the city is also at fault to a certain extent, because we apparently haven't been reaching them with our cleanup program."

"WE CAN'T expect people to adhere to the rules if they don't know what the rules are. There are many Spanish-speaking families who aren't aware of when to put out their garbage or that it isn't supposed to be placed wherever they see fit."

"Delle Torre's duties will consist of making door to door calls to every Spanish family he can reach and giving them a briefing on what the city expects of them," Vitale said.

"He will also pass out literature explaining the hours of garbage collection and answer any questions they may have. I will also use him to make announcements in Spanish that will be broadcast over the city's public address system."

THE DIRECTOR said that Delle Torre would be receiving an annual salary of \$4,400 but that his appointment was only for a trial period of three months. He is listed as a laborer on the department's payroll.

Delle Torre was dismissed by Vitale several months ago. No reason was given but it was reported that his firing was due to his failure to be at work when he was supposed to.

Another new face on the city payroll is Felix Ventura who is with the city's recreation department as a laborer. His salary is also \$4,400 a year.

ANTHONY F. DAMATO, director of health and welfare, said that he had two openings in the recreation department created by the firing of two recreation leaders who were found guilty of living out of town.

"Someone within the ranks will be advanced to these posts once the appeal is decided by Civil Service," he said. "Meanwhile, I still need the men in the recreation department."

Ventura is the husband of Jennie Ventura, a staunch supporter of First Ward Councilman Anthony H. Romano.

## Vitale Applauds Aid Hoboken Clean-Up Plan Draws Spanish Support

A group of Hoboken's Spanish-speaking residents, headed by Abraham Laos, has volunteered to assist Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale get his cleanup program across to the rest of the Spanish community.

The formation of the group was prompted by a recent news story in which Vitale announced a department program aimed at informing the Spanish community of what the city wanted from them in keeping the city clean.

IN THIS one area, home of the Spanish residents, we have

a communication problem," Vitale said. "I am very pleased that these men have taken it upon themselves to assist the city in getting its message across."

"While we do have this problem with the Spanish community, these citizens aren't the only ones who aren't doing what they should."

"However, in their case there is an excuse. Many can not read or speak English. But there is no excuse for residents who can read and speak and know what they are supposed to do, but aren't doing it."

## Hoboken, Bus Firm OK Cuts City Makes Deal On New Times

Hoboken will not lodge a protest with the Public Utility Commission to stop the Public Service Coordinated Transport Co. from implementing new schedules on its Willow Avenue and Jefferson Street bus runs, Mayor Louis DePascale said today.

However, the mayor added that he has worked out a compromise so that the curtailment of service would not be as great as what Public Service had asked for.

THE BUS company had asked the PUC to allow it to start weekday runs on the Jefferson Street route at noon rather than 9:30 a.m. It also wanted to completely stop Saturday service on the route.

DePascale said that the bus company has agreed to start weekday service at 11:30 a.m. rather than noon. But the city has gone along with elimination of Saturday service. There is no Sunday service.

PUBLIC Service also wanted to reduce by three hours and 15 minutes the span of service it provided on the Willow Avenue run. The buses would start an hour later in the morning and stop about two hours earlier at night, according to the PUC.

DePascale said that morning service would remain the same, but the city has gone along with the night change. The last bus on Willow Avenue will be the 10:05 p.m. run. Currently, it is the 12:30 a.m. run.

"WE COULDN'T argue with their figures," the mayor said. "They (Public Service) showed me that seldom are there more than four or five passengers on the Willow Avenue bus after the rush hours. At night: many of the buses travel empty. The

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same applies for the Jefferson Street run."

But according to some residents of the city's west section, the figures tell only half the story.

"IT'S QUICKER to talk," said one. "With the exception of the rush hours, the buses come so infrequently that I can walk to Washington Street and take a bus there in less time."

One woman added that it had been years since there was a reliable service on either of the two runs.

"They don't stick to the schedule," she said. "It's alright if they are a few minutes late. But if they are early you have to wait and wait for another bus."

THE WOMAN, who visits her daughter several times a week in West New York, said that service on Public Service's No. 21 route to North Hudson was not too good either.

"I've waited up to 45 minutes for a 21," she continued. "Meanwhile, it seemed like thousands of 63s passed by with no one in them."

The No. 63 is Public Service's run to the Port Authority terminal in Manhattan.

## GOP Eyes Two from Hoboken

Two Hoboken residents stand an excellent chance of running on the county Republican ticket in this November's general election, it was learned today from a high-ranking GOP official. It is reported that Frank Bartletta, Hoboken's Republican leader, has recommended Anthony Federico and Joseph Bartletta to county GOP leader John Beier Thuermer as possible candidates.

DURING A RECENT meeting of Hoboken GOP faithful, only Federico and Bartletta expressed any interest in running. Federico, 40, ran unsuccessfully for the Assembly on the Republican ticket in last November's general election.

The father of six, he is a trustee for Local 1478, Marine Warehousemen.

BARTLETTA, the nephew of Frank Bartletta, is assistant business manager for the Hoboken Board of Education. A former Sixth Ward councilman, Bartletta is a close friend of Hoboken's Democratic mayor, Louis DePascale.

Although both men are being considered, the source said that it was much too early to make any decision on them or if they would be seeking a state or local post.



# Business Is Booming for Hoboken's New Legal Services Office

## Operating Less Than Five Weeks

By PETER HALLAM

Business is booming for the Hoboken branch of the Hudson County Legal Services, which has been operating for a little more than five weeks.

For the two attorneys staffing the office—Charles G. Carluccio and Miss Channa Tanz—the concept is a challenge which they so far have been able to meet. But it is also one that is expanding and may soon require the attention of more than two attorneys.

THE SERVICE handles cases for all persons who earn less than \$3,500 a year and are unable to pay for the services of a lawyer.

These cases include insurance, unemployment, welfare, relief, Cuban relief, divorces, civil cases for both plaintiff and defendant, immigration, immigration appeals, immigraions involving change of status from visitor to permanent (Cuban), domestic relations, juvenile cases, contracts, tax cases, and appeals and motor vehicle cases, as well as criminal cases.

BESIDES the two lawyers, the office is staffed with a part-time law clerk, Fred Bado Jr., of 95 Washington St., a senior at Fordham Law School, a secretary, a typist and two investigators.

In addition to clients from Hoboken, the attorneys are also called upon to help persons from the North Hudson area. The service comes under the direct supervision of the North Hudson Community Action Program and HOPES, in that order. The North Hudson CAP funds the service.

CARLUCCIO, who has been with the office since it opened, said that he has handled more than 60 cases. Miss Tanz, who has been with it for about a week, has handled about 15 cases.

Both attorneys were required to give up their own practices before they were allowed to accept the appointments. Miss Tanz was delayed a short time while she concluded cases that she had started before being appointed.

AS THE OUTLINE of activities clearly shows, there are many matters that never go to court," Carluccio said. "Of the many cases that do, more than 75 per cent are in courts other than the local municipal court."

Carluccio took exception to a statement in an out-of-town newspaper which said that people were wondering why the two recently appointed public defenders were not in court when their services were needed by indigent defendants.

"THIS IS extremely unfair to the overall program," Carluccio said. "Our job is not to hang around the courts looking for persons to defend. If our services are needed, the judge always knows where we can be reached. It is he that asks the defendant if he wishes the services of an attorney."

"If the defendant cannot afford an attorney, the judge will call us and that defendant will be provided with legal service."

E. NORMAN WILSON, assistant director of HOPES, added that the service could not operate in a manner in which it would seek out clients.

"We are not allowed to advertise or seek out clients," he said. "The court must appoint either Miss Tanz or Carluccio to defend a person before they can become involved in the case."

Meanwhile, more and more persons are taking advantage of the service offered at 70 Hudson St. Close legal associates of Miss Tanz and Carluccio report that both are busier than ever, seldom go out for lunch and often leave the office late at night.



SILENT DEATH—When 1968 was but a few hours old Erie-Lackawanna ferryboat Scranton slipped from its moorings at Pier 16, Hoboken, and sank quietly just off shore. The ferry's new owners had planned to convert the boat into a floating bar and restaurant.

## Slips Moorings

# Ferryboat Scranton Sinks Into Hudson

By ARTHUR FELSON

The once-proud Erie-Lackawanna ferryboat Scranton died suddenly yesterday of submersion.

Despite efforts by new owners to change the ferryboat into a cocktail bar and restaurant, the Scranton suddenly broke loose from its moorings at Pier 16 in Hoboken, drifted silently away from the pier and slipped beneath the waters of the Hudson yards from its beloved Hoboken shores. Police reported that the Scranton went under at 2:55 a. m.

Unconfirmed reports of the Scranton's poor condition were heard in Hoboken waterfront circles shortly after it retired with its associates, the Elmira, the Binghamton and the Lackawanna, on Nov. 22.

First, it was thought that the mighty boat, with its twin smoke stacks and its magnificent wheelhouse, reminders to thousands of the early days of Hoboken history, might be bought by Stevens Tech as a companion to the proud S. S. Stevens, a floating dormitory.

Then there were the visits of the historical societies who wanted to buy the Scranton. But, alas, the Scranton was not a monument—br a relic—it was a living thing for living people.

Word soon was learned and passed on by Hudson Dispatch that the sailing days of the Scranton were over and that it was to be turned into a restaurant, with its engine room to be made into a bar for 300 persons.

Its buyer was Jeff Casner of East 26th St., New York, who paid more than \$50,000 for the boat.

Last week, reports and calls started to flow into Hoboken police headquarters. . . . the Scranton was listing . . . maybe she was sinking.

Police, trying to keep the news

as quiet as possible, made discreet inquiries and finally Saturday the specialists were called in. . . . the U. S. Coast Guard.

The Scranton was given a complete checkup. But, a proud, mighty old-timer doesn't let others know what's wrong. The specialists said she was O. K.

Richard Butler, watchman at the East Coast Yacht Sales marina, where the Scranton was docked, heard only a slight rumbling as the Scranton broke her moorings New Year's Day. The next thing he knew she was gone.

Yesterday, the snow had stopped falling in Hoboken but the waves whipped over the few feet of the Scranton's twin smoke stacks and wheelhouse, the only visible remnants of the proud ship. And death had come to a dear old Hoboken friend now officially classified as a navigational hazard.

## Hoboken Landmark Lincoln Hotel to Be Razed; Plan Gas Station on Site

A second Hoboken landmark, the Lincoln Hotel at 254 14th St., has a date with the wreckers' ball. The hotel will be demolished to make way for a gas station. Demolition also awaits another famous Hoboken history, the Meyer's Hotel at 3rd and Hudson Sts., as part of a three-block site designated by the city for urban renewal.

ANDREW P. McGuire of McGuire Realtors reported that the Lincoln Hotel property has been sold to the Service Station Management Corp. of the Bronx for a price in excess of \$50,000.

A similar transaction is being negotiated between the corporation and the A.Z. Dodge Co. of Jersey City for an adjoining piece of property.

Until about a year ago the auto agency had operated across the street from the hotel and had maintained a used car showroom on the property immediately north of the hotel on Willow Avenue. The latter has since been leased and is being used as a produce market. The corporation is seeking to buy this property.

McGuire said the corporation represented several brands of gasoline and did not disclose what brand would be sold at the station.

THE LINCOLN is reported to be more than 80 years old. City records are skimpy as to the earlier owners. The hotel was owned during prohibition by the late Charles Serventi. It was then a popular eating and drinking establishment. Serventi's family is still in the restaurant business as members of the corporation which operates the Clam Broth House at Newark and River Streets.

In 1950 the Lincoln Hotel was sold by the Walter McKenna Realty Corp., headed by the late Henry Widemayer of West New York. Subsequently, it was subleased to Irwin (Moe) Fried during the same year. Fried holds the liquor license for the establishment.

According to a friend of Fried,

At C. of C. Dinner J.J. 12/7/68

## 'Renaissance' for Hoboken Is Predicted by DePascale

A "renaissance" for Hoboken was forecast by Mayor Louis DePascale before 440 members and guests of the Hoboken Chamber of Commerce last night at the chamber's 63rd anniversary dinner, held in the Union Club.

DePascale said the chamber had given his administration "tremendous cooperation" in his efforts to rebuild the city.

WITH ALL joining together in the common interest of benefiting our city," the mayor declared. "I know we will go forward."

Three newly elected directors were introduced to the assembly: Charles Cullinane, vice-president of the Alco Graving Division of Publication Corporation; Howard R. Winkemeier Jr., manager of the Hoboken office of the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company; and Stephen J. Wittenberger, vice-president of the Trust Company of New Jersey.

CHARLES J. Tiedemann was installed for his second term as president of the chamber. He is assistant manager of the Bethlehem Shipyard. Frank Boyle, an executive of the U.S. Testing Company, entering his second term as vice-president, was chairman of the arrangements committee for the dinner and was toastmaster.

Alfred C. Bagwell was re-installed as treasurer.

JIMMY JOYCE, the "Jolly Jester," night club and television entertainer and professional



AT CHAMBER DINNER—Frank Boyle, left, vice president of the Hoboken Chamber of Commerce and toastmaster at the 63rd annual dinner, welcomes Jimmy Joyce, humorist, to the program held at the Union Club. Joining them is Charles J. Tiedemann, chamber president. (Jersey Pictures)

singer, regaled the gathering with a humorous talk.

The Rev. Armand Sorrento, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, gave the invocation.

A souvenir bag containing samples of products of industrial plants and establishments represented at the dinner was presented to each guest.

## Library Orders 690 New Books

More than 690 new books were ordered last month for the Hoboken Free Public Library, Lucille Cunningham, director, said today. Many of the new books have been received and may now be borrowed.

They include: The Instrument by John O'Hara; The Master and Margarita by Mikhail Bulgakov; Bing and Other Things by Kathryn Crosby; The Way by Chaim Grade; One Man's Education by William Shedd Lewis; Bashful Billionaire: The Story of Howard Hughes by Albert B. Gerber; No Laughing Matter by Angus Wilson; Murphy by Kurt Vonnegut; Memories, 1888-1939 by C. M. Bowser; The House in My Head by Dorothy Hughes; Mr. Gallion's School by Jesse Stuart; The Deserted House by Lydia Chudovsky; Fool's Gold: A Biography of John Sutter by Richard Dillon; Flaubert: The Making of the Master by Enid Starkie; The Bronze Drums by Jean Liegey; Love and the Revolution by Allen Guttman; Under the City: The Wondrous World Beneath the Streets by David Levine; The Espionage Establishment by David Wise and Thomas R. Ross; Man Incorporated: The Individual and His Work in an Organized Society by Carl B. Kaufman; The Autobiography of Emanuel Carnevali Compiled and Prefaced by Kay Boyle; In a Cause That Will Triumph: The Goldwater Campaign and the Future of Conservatism by Karl R. Llewellyn; Our Living World of Nature, 10 Volumes, published in cooperation with the World Book Encyclopedia.

## THE BAR enjoyed a brief flourish of activity when the "go-go" craze became popular a few years ago. Yet this was not enough to save the Lincoln and eventually it closed.

The building is a three-story brick structure. The bar and restaurant occupy the ground floor with a total of 32 rooms on the second and third floors.

Death for the Meyer's Hotel has been a long-drawn-out process which continues to this day.

THE RESTAURANT and bar where royalty once dined and has long been closed. But the hotel continues to operate even though only a small number of its rooms are ever rented. There are several permanent residents, including William (Pink) Gottlieb, Hoboken's assistant city attorney.

Gottlieb, a bachelor, has lived at the Meyer's for the better part of 30 years.

Even if the current owner, the Ar-Bru Realty Corp. had invested thousands of dollars in remodeling the hotel, its fate was sealed when the city announced its plan for redevelopment of the area.

REPAIRS have been made on the hotel but they are minor and are for the convenience of the permanent tenants. Many of the rooms are no longer usable.

According to one workman at the hotel, sheets and pillow cases are also in short supply. Only enough to take care of the permanent residents are kept on hand, along with a few extras for transients.

## Hoboken Model Cities Home Owners Face Mandatory Rehabilitation

Rehabilitate or else! For many owners of substandard property in the section of Hoboken designated a Model Cities area, this will be the ultimatum given by the city once the program starts in earnest.

"Rehabilitation will be a very large part of the program," said Mayor Louis DePascale. "And there will be strict enforcement of our codes to make sure that all property that can be repaired is brought up to the standards."

THEY HAVEN'T much of a choice," he added. "If they refuse to make the repairs, the city will either condemn the building and take it down, or make the necessary repairs and then collect the rents until the cost has been offset."

"Some owners might think this is harsh treatment, but the city intends to do everything possible to help the owners get

the money they will need to make the repairs."

DePascale said the Federal Housing Administration would provide low interest loans to these property owners.

"AS A MODEL CITY we have a priority on applications for federal funds for all projects that are connected with the program," he continued. "We are hoping that this same priority will be passed along to home owners who are applying for loans to make repairs."

The mayor added that talks were also being scheduled with the Small Business Administration which will provide loans to small business for expansion or repairs.

## Board Budget Will Be in Red

Hoboken Board of Education last night revealed its 1968-69 anticipated budget indicating \$3,229,140 to be raised by local taxation as against \$2,547,197 for 1967-1968. Anticipated federal aid for 1968-69 amounts to more than \$641,000.

The total budget for 1967-68 for the school system's expenses was \$4,555,858 but no overall figure was available for the new fiscal year. It is anticipated that state aid will cut down the \$3,229,140 figure.

At 10 a. m. Feb. 2, the board of school estimate, two of whose members were chosen last night, Silvio Failla and board vice president Melvin Christie—will meet at a public hearing to discuss the proposed budget. The other members of the board of school estimate include Mayor Louis De Pascale and two councilmen.

The anticipated federal revenues are: Title I, \$300,000; Title II, \$15,000; Title III, \$150,000; NDEA (National Defense Education Act) \$20,000; Vocational Education \$47,949; Headstart, \$100,000 and Adult Education \$9,000.

Relative to the Title III program which deals with cultural aspects of the society primarily aimed at the bi-lingual problem in Hoboken, a second educational team was approved last night to go to Puerto Rico from Feb. 4 to 18 on federal funds of \$10,613.

Those approved by resolution include: Raymond G. Clyons, principal of Joseph V. Brandt School, and Helen Woltzman and William Connors, both teachers at that school; Superintendent of Schools Thomas F. McFeely; Title III director Peter F. Vecchio; Harry Galinsky, administrative assistant; Frank Chicco, principal of Thomas G. Connors School and August Gelli, teacher; Mrs. Mildred Patel, guidance department, A. J. Demarest Junior High School; Board of Education president John D. McAlvey and board member Silvio Failla.

Also: board attorney, Robert Taylor; Hoboken High School English department head Nicholas Spina and teachers Carole Lazzara and Edward Winslow.

In other board actions, Edward Reilly was granted a two-year leave of absence as head janitor to become acting attendance officer; Frank Bartletta was approved as custodian of school monies.

Francis Neville, Patrick Gagliardi, Ruth Trachtenberg and Vincent Cassessa were appointed teachers.

The failure of Hoboken to enroll many of its municipal employees in the state pension fund is putting them in a financial squeeze which they will not be able to get out of.

One such employee, a laborer, is faced with the problem of paying \$2,000 in full or having the city deduct about \$28 from his weekly check until he is caught up on his payments.

## Must Pay Heavily to Catch Up

By PETER HALLAM

JOHN ERBECK, city comptroller, says that the city did not fail to enroll them — it just didn't force them to join the pension fund, which it should have done.

"In most cases, the people who didn't join the fund didn't want to and we didn't force the issue," he said. "But now we have to enroll them upon the order of the state."

"ACTUALLY, the state is being very fair about allowing them to catch up," he continued. "If they feel that they can't afford to pay the determined weekly amount they can appeal to the assistant director, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions, stating what they can afford to pay weekly."

"In most cases, the state lowers the weekly amount."

"STILL, ignorance of the law is no excuse. The state says they must belong to the system and that is all. I doubt very seriously if anyone employed by Hoboken can truly say that he knew nothing about the pension fund. The state has been pressuring us for several years about enrolling everyone and they all knew about it."

Erbeck said that New Jersey has been after Hoboken since at least 1955 to enroll all permanent employees in the pension system.

## Hoboken's Dime Ride Ending?

Maria Bus Co. Seeking Hike

The last 10-cent bus ride along Hoboken's Washington Street may soon be a thing in the past.

Joseph Sacco Jr., operator of Maria Transportation Company, said today that his attorney is already preparing an application for a five cent increase. The request will be presented to the State Public Utility Commission before the end of the month, Sacco said.

IN ALL, there are 29 buses franchised to operate along Washington Street. Maria owns 14 of the vehicles. The rest are split up among several other companies.

Since 1966, the Washington Street buses have been operating with two different fare rates. Maria remained at a dime, while the rest were granted a nickel increase to 15 cents by the PUC.

ALTHOUGH local bus riders had the opportunity to save a nickel everytime they busied up or down Washington Street, few bothered to do so.

"Our records show no marked increase in persons using our buses since the other owners hiked their fares," Sacco said. "A few might wait for one of our buses at the tubes, but along Washington Street they are taking the first bus that comes along."

SACCO said it appeared to him people in general were in too much of a hurry to get where they wanted to go to worry about paying extra nickels or dimes.

"Some even take the Public Service bus which has a 20 cent fare to any point in the city," he added.

SACCO SAID that with the 10 cent fare and no marked increase in the number of passengers he was unable to get reliable drivers or pay them a reasonable wage.

"I want to keep the 10 cent fare, but it won't keep my business going," he said. "My inability to keep it at 10 cents clearly shows that the riders don't care if they are paying more."

## Hoboken Delaying 100% Plan Fails to Comply With N.J. Order

Hoboken has not complied with the state's order to all municipalities to assess property at 100 per cent for tax purposes by Jan. 1, it was learned today. The 1968 valuations have been completed and are being submitted to the county board of taxation, as required. A comparison with the 1967 valuations shows little change.

Next Wednesday Hoboken expects to learn whether the county board will allow it to forego 100 per cent assessing until some time in the future, as Hoboken proposes to do.

Under 100 per cent assessment (or true value), the taxes on residential property would go up, in many cases drastically, while that on industrial and commercial property would go down. The reason is that industry and commerce have been getting assessed at true value, or near it, up to now, while the homeowner has not.

MAYOR DE PASCALE said today that his administration is not refusing to comply with the order for 100 per cent assessment, but is looking for any means it can find to get out of it.

"We are trying to find some way to soften the blow," he said.

The injury to the homeowners, while statewide, is especially severe in Hoboken because of the city's characteristics, according to DePascale.

IN A COMMUNITY where there are almost 100 per cent homes, there isn't much of a problem with 100 per cent assessment," he said. "But in a mixed community of industry

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and homes where industry isn't assessed the same as the homes, there is a terrible problem that could ruin many homeowners."

"About 60 per cent of Hoboken's total tax revenue each year is derived from industry, 10 per cent from railroads, and the remaining 30 per cent from homes. So in Hoboken's case, 100 per cent assessment favors industry at the expense of the home owners."

IN THEORY, I agree with 100 per cent assessment as the only fair means of taxation. But many homeowners cannot afford to assume such a burden in one fell swoop.

"State Sens. Frederick Hauser and William Muste have introduced the 'Homeowners Exemption Bill' which will give homeowners a \$5,000 break in their assessment if it is passed."

THE BILL was originally introduced last year but failed to get out of committee and to the Democratic controlled state legislature. With both houses now controlled by the Republicans, passage of the bill, should it get out of committee, is not expected.

Should the county tax board fail to give Hoboken an extension or additional time to implement the new assessment rate and demand immediate action, many Hoboken homeowners will be in trouble.

INFORMED SOURCES report that some home owners can expect to pay double the taxes they paid in 1967. Others will be more fortunate, but will still feel the pinch of increased taxes which they may think are already too high.

Property owners were given one day, Dec. 29, to check what they will be assessed this year. Requests for adjustments or correction of any errors were to be made at the time, so that the assessors' office could have them ready by Jan. 11. Only one woman appeared, according to a clerk in the assessor's office.

IF OTHERS had come in they would have found very little difference between what they were assessed in 1967 and what the city has assessed them for 1968. The 100 per cent assessment was not evident in the figures.

Universal Folding Box Co. at 1200-1230 Madison St. had its building assessed at \$152,700 and its property assessed at \$37,300 for 1967. There is no change in these figures for 1968.

LEVELOR LORENTZEN at 700-732 Monroe St. had its property assessed at a total of \$397,800 for 1967. Again, there was no reduction for 1968 in the assessment.

Quality Truck and Die Co. at 718 Grand St. was assessed at \$5,300 last year. This year, its assessment was increased to \$8,500 rather than going down.

THE RELATIVELY new private homes at 1117, 1119, 1121 and 1123 Bloomfield St. were assessed at \$6,000 last year. Under true value, their assessment would go up for 1968, but it has remained the same. The large apartment house at 1301-1313 Bloomfield St. was assessed at \$110,000 last year, the same for 1968.