

DePascale Team Sweeps to Easy Victory



MAYOR FOR A WEEK—Frank Bartletta, left, Hoboken revenue and finance director and city GOP leader, sign affidavit making him acting mayor for week while Mayor DePascale visits South America. Looking on is City Clerk Anthony Amoroso.

Slim Margin of Victory H.K. 5/15/69

DePascale Eyes Committee Shakeup, Government Change Move Scanned

By JACK ECKHARDT

As the result of Mayor Louis DePascale's slim 2,117 vote victory in Hoboken's citywide election on Tuesday, it was indicated yesterday that DePascale and City Democratic Chairman James F. Quinn will soon confer on the reorganization of elected committeemen and women.

Also, it was reported in anti-DePascale political camps that plans for a change of government movement are being studied as the result of the election results.

DePascale was reelected to a second four-year term over Steve Cappiello by a 7,947 to 5,830 vote.

While neither were available yesterday for comment, their supporters indicated the move to reorganize committee personnel in DePascale's camp, and the movement of government in Cappiello's headquarters.

Although DePascale was successful in winning five of the city's six wards, he is reportedly not entirely satisfied with the over-all spirit and production of assigned committeemen and committeewomen in a

majority of the city's 34 voting districts.

More Workers Seen

DePascale candidates were acknowledged to have had more workers at polling places than ever been seen before in previous elections. They are paid out of the administration "chest" at the rate of \$5, \$10, \$15 and \$20 per day. The task supposedly involves the "worker" getting out the vote for the administration candidates.

Examples of the variations in diligence of city committeemen or women were pointed out in the Fifth Ward, fourth district, where John F. Lewis is responsible for getting out the vote. Records show that of 519 registered voters on Tuesday, 276

voted for DePascale as compared to 104 ballots for Cappiello.

And in the Second Ward, fourth district, home of City Democratic Chairman Quinn, there was a final tally of 290 for DePascale and 153 for Cappiello. In the same Second Ward, Sen. Fred H. Hauser, campaign manager for the DePascale candidates, resides.

Observed one irate Hoboken official yesterday, "Look at the Fourth Ward. How does Louis Franco get out such a decisive vote? Why can't the other city committeemen and women get out the same vote? It's because they sit back and adopt the attitude of let the other guy do it." (Turn to Page 21, Column 3)

Stevens Names Library

Late Curator's Dream Comes True

The Samuel C. Williams Library at Stevens Tech, Hoboken, was officially dedicated in the memory of the late professor and prime mover for the structure, before a crowd of some 2,000 Saturday.

The dedication was conducted on the Stevens campus in the Middle-Square City and was attended by numerous classmates of the late curator including his widow, Mrs. Samuel C. Williams, his son, Samuel C. Williams Jr., and other family members.

Stevens Tech president Dr. Jess H. Davis cited Professor Williams as the person who first envisioned the impressive structure and then carried his dream through by pressing for contributions and planning.

Dr. Davis, in remarks preceding the dedication ceremony, also announced a major change in one of the college's expansion programs and also a big step forward in the financing of the expansion.

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Samuel C. Williams

Stevens Names Library

For Man Who Inspired It

Stevens Institute of Technology officially named its new \$3-million library for the late Samuel C. Williams, graduate of the engineering and science college, professor and library curator, at ceremonies attended by 2,000 alumni and their families today.

Dr. Jess H. Davis, president of the college, paid tribute to Professor Williams as the person who first saw the need for the new library, urged college officials to plan for its construction, worked on the early details, and then inspired alumni and friends to contribute funds for the building.

AT THE annual alumni luncheon preceding the naming ceremonies, Dr. Davis announced that the college has received about one-third of the

funds sought in a \$15.5-million development campaign which will finance the building of new facilities for the chemistry and chemical engineering, electrical engineering, metallurgy and physical education departments and the establishment of two endowed professorships.

Dr. Davis said the original plans for three separate buildings may now be changed to a single structure, known as a "megastore," that would be built on recently acquired Hudson River waterfront prop-

erty adjacent to the upper campus.

TENTATIVE plans for the new building have been reviewed by the Building Committee of the Board of Trustees and "they think favorably of the idea," Dr. Davis said.

Among those attending the library naming ceremony were Professor Williams' widow and son, Samuel Jr., other members of his family and fellow alumni from the Stevens Class of 1915. The college Glee Club, under the direction of Prof. William F. Ondrick, presented several selections.

Library Buys

225 Books

During May

More than 225 new books were purchased for the Hoboken Public Library last month, Lucille Cunningham, library director, said today. Many of the new volumes have already been cataloged and may now be borrowed by library members. Some of the new books are:

"The Godfather," by Mario Puzo; "Ada," by Vladimir Nabokov; "Jennie: The Life of Lady Randolph Churchill," by Ralph G. Martin; "The Boatmen: Portrait of an American Family," by John H. Davis; "Ballet Park," by John Cheever; "The New Yorkers," by Horstene Calisher; "Elephant Grass," by Jack Denton Scott; "The Grim Papers: The Anatomy of Organized Crime in America," by Ed Reid.

"Seven Seats To The Moon: A Novel of Suspense," by Charlotte Armstrong; "They Call Me Mister Sam," by Anthony (Andy) Granatelli; "The French Connection: The World's Most Crucial Narcotics Investigation," by Robin Moore; "Experiences," by Arnold Toynbee; "Naked in Garden Hills," by Harry Crews; "Slaughterhouse-Five Or, The Children's Crusade," by Kurt Vonnegut Jr.; "Three Cheers For The Paraclete," Thomas Kennealy; "The Case That Will Not Die: Commonwealth Versus Sacco and Vanzetti," by Herbert B. Ehrmann.

"Pearl S. Buck: A Biography," by Theodore F. Harris; "Mr. Bridge," by Evan S. Connell Jr.; "The Man of Principle: A Biography of John Galsworthy," by Dudley Barker; "An American Marriage," by Hilary Masters; "Three-Fifths Of A Man," by Floyd McKissick; "Theft Of The Nation: The Structure and Operations of Organized Crime in America," by Donald R. Cressey; "Time Out Of Hand: Revolution and Reaction in Southeast Asia," by Robert Shaplen; "The New Guide To Study Abroad," by John A. Garraty; "The International Dictionary Of Thoughts," compiled by John P. Bradley.

"The Curse Of The Dragon's Gold," by Jacynth Hope-Simpson; "A Turn Toward Home," by Michael Arnold; "The Missing Matisse: A Novel of Romantic Suspense," by Barbara Levy; "The Sound of Mountain Water: The Changing American West," by Wallace Stegner; "Dunlop Illustrated Encyclopedia of Facts," compiled by Norris and Ross McWhirter; "Serve It Cold: A Cookbook of Delicious Cold Dishes," by June Crosby and Ruth Conrad Bateman; "No Gloves For The Groom: A Novel About A Social Director," by Peregrine Pace; "Missouri Bittersweet," by MacKinlay Kantor.

Report Sale

Of World's Shortest RR

The Hoboken Shore Railroad, which has been in operation for almost 70 years and is considered the world's shortest railroad, is reportedly being sold for \$250,000 to a 41-year-old tycoon from Essex County.

The utility, which services Hoboken's large industrial plants in the northwest section of the city, including Maxwell House Coffee, Hostess Cakes Kitchen, Standard Brands, and Bethlehem Shipyard, runs north and south from 15th st. to the former Holland-America-Line pier at Fifth st.

Owned and operated by Webb & Knapp, Inc. until that firm went into bankruptcy, the railroad has reportedly been sold to John Rees and Associates of Essex Falls.

Yesterday, a spokesman at the New York City law firm of Marshall, Brattier, Greene, Allison & Tucker, said official application for the purchase of the railroad facility will be completed in federal court early next week.

At the headquarters of the Hoboken Shore Railroad at 1419 Bloomfield st., Hoboken, yesterday, it was indicated the new owners may use part of the trackage for reconditioning railroad freight cars. At the same time, a source said Rees and his associate owners will continue to service the same Hoboken industries.

Hoboken Councilman at Large Tally

Wards	WE REALLY CARE			FOR CONTINUED PROGRESS						
	Ranieri	Cilento	DeGennaro	Gallo	Scrivani	Mongiello	Martinez	Falto	Weber	
1	692	579	596	612	567	576	160	118	76	
2	1,255	1,090	1,154	1,285	1,233	1,238	74	63	273	
3	1,021	955	960	819	808	796	84	79	129	
4	606	574	560	1,074	985	991	88	60	54	
5	951	759	843	1,183	1,106	1,095	92	100	164	
6	1,210	1,022	1,103	1,244	1,232	1,244	70	56	185	
Totals	5,735	5,049	5,216	6,217	6,013	5,921	568	478	873	
Absentee Ballots	41	35	36	296	292	292	2	1	6	
Totals	5,776	5,084	5,252	6,513	6,305	6,213	570	479	879	

DePascale

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Cappiello's three running mates made a strong bid for election yesterday, with former First Ward Councilman Rudolph N. Ranieri emerging high man on the losing ticket with a total of 5,735 votes plus 41 absentee ballots. Carlo DeGennaro garnered 5,216 votes plus 36 absentee ballots for a total of 5,252 votes, and Anthony Cilento polled a total of 5,084 votes, including 35 absentee ballots.

A surprise showing was made by independent candidate for council Raymond G. Weber, who gained a citywide vote of 873 votes. Weber did very little campaigning.

Two Spanish-speaking candidates seeking election to the council as representatives accounted for the remaining votes, Eleuterio getting 568 votes and Alberto Falto, 426.

The Hoboken election throughout the day was quiet in comparison to previous years, with a few minor flare ups. On one occasion, Prosecutor James A. Tumulty Jr. came into town and ordered a DePascale sign moved near Branch School on request of council candidate DeGennaro.

Few Incidents

On another occasion, DePascale supporters claimed DeGennaro was handing out "four o'clock cards" with type to confuse the voters. No complaints were made.

In a polling place near police headquarters, the First District of the First Ward, Democratic committeeman Anthony Marotta reported to police that someone was going to toss rocks through his store window. Nothing happened before the polls closed.

Sen. Fred H. Hauser, appointed political campaign manager for the DePascale slate, and County Clerk James F. Quinn, city Democratic chairman, were among hundreds of followers who joined Mayor DePascale and his running mates, with their wives, at a victory celebration in the Union Club's main ballroom, Hoboken GOP Leader Frank J. Bartletta was also part of the victory party, having supported the reelection of Mayor DePascale.

Asked to comment on reports of Fourth Ward Councilman Louis Franco coming through with his traditional 2-to-1 margin of victory for DePascale's administration, the Mayor replied: "Let's face it, you can't beat Louis. He lives his part of the council job 365 days a year."

Asked to comment on poor showings in some wards, Mayor DePascale said: "This is a victory celebration. Let's not toss any wet blankets on it tonight." He did not consider losing the Third Ward to his opponent "too bad a beating." Nor did he consider winning the Sixth Ward by a little more than 300 votes as disappointing.

Mayor DePascale and his three reelected councilmen-at-large will be inaugurated July 1 in ceremonies at city hall, at which time elected officials will hold their reorganization. It is expected Gallo

Vote by Wards in Hoboken Mayor

	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward	5th Ward	6th Ward	ABSENTEE BALLOTS	TOTAL
De Pascale	864	1589	933	1285	1404	1568	306	7947
Cappiello	688	1151	1202	649	906	1203	31	5830

Councilmen-at-Large

	1st Ward	2nd Ward	3rd Ward	4th Ward	5th Ward	6th Ward	ABSENTEE BALLOTS	TOTAL
Ranieri (C)	692	1225	1021	606	951	1210	41	5776
Cilento (C)	579	1090	955	574	759	1092	35	5084
DeGennaro (C)	596	1154	960	560	843	1103	36	5252
Gallo (D)	612	1285	819	1074	1183	1244	296	6513
Scrivani (D)	567	1255	808	985	1106	1292	292	6305
Martinez (D)	578	1238	796	981	1086	1244	292	6213
Falto	160	74	84	88	92	70	2	570
Weber	118	63	79	60	100	58	1	477
Racaniello (R)	76	273	120	54	184	186	6	879

SLATES: De Pascale (D) Cappiello (C)
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Leahy Quits Library Board

Francis Leahy, a longtime member of the Hoboken Public Library board of trustees, has resigned from the post and will be replaced by Thomas Zupich of 325 Park Ave.

Leahy's resignation was turned in earlier this week to Mayor Louis DePascale. No reason was given.

Zupich's appointment to the remainder of Leahy's term was expected to be confirmed by the Hoboken City Council at its meeting next Wednesday. The council also will be asked to reappoint Joseph Zang, board treasurer, whose current term expires June 30.

Leahy, a checker on the local waterfront, often acted as the spokesman for the library board when it came under fire during past years. It was he who took on councilmen and officials who criticized the operation of the library.

Cross-Hoboken Loop Bus Plan Heard by PUC

Hoboken officials yesterday attended a Public Utilities Commission in Newark where they presented a petition for establishing a cross-town loop bus service.

PUC Hearing Examiner Alexander Lawrik adjourned the hearing until June 27, at which time, objections to the proposed bus service, if any, will be heard. It was indicated by those attending yesterday's session that no objection to the new service is expected.

Such an additional bus loop service in Hoboken has been advocated for many years in the interest of residents living beyond the western boundary of the city. During recent years, since creation of senior citizen apartments in the southwest area, the demand for transportation to the Washington st. shopping area has increased.

Hoboken Atty. Dudley Schlosser represented the city law department at the hearing, which was also attended by Hoboken Councilmen John J. Palmieri and Steve Cimleni, together with Hoboken Housing Authority Executive Director M. Edward DeFazio.

For Recreation Use

Firm Offers to Loan Littered Lot to City

A Hoboken paper box manufacturer has offered the city its large undeveloped lot at 13th and Madison Streets for use as a recreation and play area.

The Universal Folding Box Co., in a letter to Mayor Louis DePascale and Directors Anthony F. Damato and Raphael P. Vitale, said that it was having difficulty keeping the lot clean and that perhaps if the city were using it as a play area this problem would be solved.

The mayor left for the South Jersey resort area yesterday after he was presented with a birthday present by his office staff. The mayor will be 51 tomorrow.

TWO sanitation inspectors, Joseph Gilday and Theodore Calabrese, paid a visit to the lot yesterday to see that the city would issue summonses to the company if the

lot wasn't kept clean. The lot is the same property that the city formerly leased from the company as an interim dumping station. City garbage trucks, rather than making continuous trips to the dump in Kearny, were dumping their loads there for pickup and transportation to the main dump later. Hoboken had a one year lease with the company which was not renewed when it expired.

ACCORDING to the letter from Universal, many persons continue to use the lot for dumping without permission. The letter said that the company had the lot cleaned out and filled in on several occasions only to have someone else dump there again in a matter of days.

A spokesman for the city's public works department said that the dumping could be stopped if the company would put up a fence. Currently the lot is completely open.

IN EXCHANGE for the use of the lot, the company is asking the city to forget about the taxes while it is being used for city purposes.

No decision has been made by the mayor or the directors on the offer.

While the lot was being used by the city for dumping, it became of major interest to the state health department, which ordered the city to stop it, and to local fire officials who were called upon at least once a week to put out brush and rubbish fires in the lot.

Blames DePascale

Cappiello Sees Politics

In Police Assignments

Hoboken Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello today declared that Mayor Louis DePascale "shortchanged" the people of Hoboken by taking much-needed policemen off the streets and putting them in special squads as a form of political payoff.

"The foot and radio car patrols have been shown to be the best deterrent to crime," Cappiello said. "Yet the mayor has taken two men off foot and radio car patrols, thinning out even further the police department's ranks in these two vital areas."

WHILE MUCH can happen in two years, it is reported that the mayor lined up. Added within days after his May 13 victory over the councilman in the mayoralty race.

Close friends of Cappiello and the mayor say a mutual understanding between the two is possible, but unlikely. Both are taking the stand that they are willing to be friends if the other will make the first move. So far, neither has shown any desire to do so.

Supporters of Cappiello are urging him to keep the status quo and in the meantime build an organization of his own with an eye on 1971. The councilman has remained quiet on the matter, but friends say that he is thinking along these lines.

While Cappiello was not specific, it is believed he was referring to the transfer of Patrolmen James Giordano from the narcotics squad to foot patrol and the transfer of Sgt. Matthew Finnerty to the narcotics squad.

Palumbo was on foot patrol and Finnerty was assigned to the bureau of criminal identification. It is believed that another member of the force now on foot patrol will be assigned to the bureau in replacement of Finnerty.

"I'M NOT saying that I wouldn't have made a great many changes in the department if I had been elected mayor," the councilman continued. "I'll admit to my political commitments within the department. Not to be an attempt to fool the public, a public which is too smart for anything like that."

"But I wouldn't have made changes just for the sake of keeping political promises if it so would hinder the operation of the department and take away from what little protection we now have on our streets."

Cappiello said that he was strongly against any further reassignment of foot patrolmen to other duties unless such transfers involved the assignment of someone back to foot patrol.

Phones to Be Installed in All Parks in Effort to Curb Vandalism

To Connect With Police Switchboard

By PETER HALLAM

In an attempt to curb increasing acts of vandalism in Hoboken's parks, Mayor Louis DePascale has ordered that phones connected with the police switchboard be installed in all the parks.

Capt. George Baumann, the city's communications expert, is now in the process of installing the phones in Stevens Park, between 4th and 5th Streets on Hudson Street; Elysian Park, between 10th and 11th Streets on Hudson Street; and Church Square Park, between 4th and 5th Streets from Garden Street to Park Avenue.

THE MAYOR said the phones will be for the use of the public as well as for police or park personnel who may see acts of vandalism in progress and wish to report them to the authorities.

DePascale added that the phones would be conveniently located within the parks.

"We are hoping that they will act as a deterrent as well as a quick line of communications between the parks and the police," he said. "If the vandals are aware of the fact that the police can easily be summoned they may think twice before they destroy any city property."

THE MAYOR said the city was relying heavily on the general public which use the parks to call police when they see something out of the ordinary.

The phones are expected to be ready for use within a week or two.

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Seek \$200,000 for Program to Aid Families Forced to Relocate

Assistance In Form of Grants

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Hoboken has submitted an application to the state Department of Community Affairs for \$200,000 which would be used in a three-year program designed to provide financial assistance to families who are forced or would be forced to relocate as the results of governmental programs.

According to Robert Schermer, the city's Code Enforcement Program director who drew up the application for the city, the program is very flexible in that it could apply to a number of situations.

"FIRST it would allow us to provide financial assistance for families who are forced to move because of redevelopment programs," he said. "The assistance would be in the form of grants which would defray up to 40 per cent of the cost of a new apartment, providing the new quarters cost more than what was left."

"The amount is based on the cost for standard housing in the locale and the number of rooms and their individual cost."

"IN THE second year, the grant is reduced to one-half of its original amount, and is again reduced by half in the third year. It is not a permanent program. But is designed to help with the initial costs and prepare the tenant gradually for the increased rent."

Schermer said the application also included provisions which would allow the city to make \$1,500 grants for the purpose of encouraging low income families to buy their own homes.

"THEY would probably work on a cooperative basis where a group of families band together and buy, say, a ten-family tenement," he continued. "They then renovate it into a five-family building with each family being responsible for one-fifth of the cost and mortgage. This would be done in conjunction with program in the Code Enforcement Program which provided loans at low interest rates."

According to Schermer, the program, if approved and funded, would apply to any portion of the city and not necessarily just the Model Cities area.

"THIS WOULD be a city-wide program and apply any time a family is displaced as a result of local, state or federal action," he said.

"We can even make these grants in cases where the tenants remain in the same building with rent increases."

"MANY landlords have used the excuse that they would fix their property up but that their tenants wouldn't be able to afford the rents that would have to accompany the improvements."

"Before the program, these buildings would not get the repairs so they would be condemned and then torn down. But with the program, the tenants would get grants which would enable them to pay higher rents and we thus eliminate the landlords' excuse for not making the repairs."

Schermer said the application is currently being considered by the state and should be approved or disapproved within a matter of weeks.

Aid for Hoboken

The short-changing that Hudson County has been receiving from the state is nowhere more evident than in Hoboken, a city that has asked for only one thing in many years — in vain. Thirty-five years ago the legislature passed a bill for an elevated highway on the western edge of Hoboken to enable through traffic to bypass the city. This would have linked the Holland Tunnel with the then projected Lincoln Tunnel.

It has never materialized, of course. Meanwhile, the number of trailer-trucks passing through Hoboken has multiplied and re-multiplied, and the streets they use are choked. To make matters worse, since the merger of the Pennsylvania and New York Central railroads, over-size freight trains have been parking up to an hour and more astride Paterson Plankroad. The traffic pile-up is in sad contrast with the transportation improvements made in other parts of the state.

The chamber of commerce now asks Governor Hughes for a viaduct on Paterson Plankroad to eliminate this wretched grade crossing. It is the least the state can do for neglected Hoboken. But even this will not have a chance unless local legislators and public officials get behind it in more than a perfunctory way.

'Economy Move,' Says Vitale

Saturday and Sunday rubbish collections by Hoboken's Public Works Department, a long-established practice, will be discontinued, probably this weekend, Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale said today.

"It's an economy move," said the director. "We have to pay the men who work weekends overtime. We could assign them days off during the week if they worked weekends but then we wind up having the same problem with enough workers during the week and would probably wind up paying them overtime for a Monday or Tuesday."

"I SEE no reason why Hoboken should be the only city in the county with weekend rubbish collections. Other communities get along without it and so can we."

"It's a matter of conditioning the public to the fact that there aren't going to be any more weekend collections and I think we can do that."

"BESIDES public announcements in the press and over our loud speaker system, we will have an enforcement program operating in which summonses will be issued to persons putting out household items for pickup on Saturdays or Sundays."

"If we can't catch the person putting it out we will issue summonses to the property owner on whose property it is. Everyone must do his part."

"EVERY property owner has the responsibility of keeping his area clean. Part of this is to keep an eye out for violators who place rubbish on someone else's property for pick up so that they themselves won't get in trouble."

Vitale said that he hoped to be able to discontinue the practice this weekend or next.

He added that he would be working some of his sanitation inspector over the weekends to make sure no one was putting rubbish out. The discontinuation of the collections will not have any bearing on the city's garbage collections which are handled by a contract collector.

VITALE who is also thinking about discontinuing clean up weeks in the future, said today he hasn't reached any decision on the matter. Vitale was dissatisfied with the cooperation of the public during clean up week because many persons failed to observe the hours set aside by the director for putting out their rubbish.

"Our next clean up week isn't until next May or June so I have plenty of time to think about it," he said. "But the more I think about it, the more I like the idea of a new system, one that would involve confirmed appointments for pickups rather than the random method we now use."

The director said that more than 200 tons of rubbish were hauled away by the city between Monday and Friday last week.

Vacate Portions of 3 Streets Publishing Firm To Expand Plant

The Alco Gravure Co. division of Publications Corp. will obtain several hundred more feet of space in 20 days when the ordinance adopted by the city of Hoboken yesterday vacating sections of three streets goes into effect.

By unanimous vote, the city council agreed to vacate dead-end portions of Jefferson, 11th and 12th Streets, allowing the company to go ahead with plans for an expansion program. Immediate plans call for the addition of new presses at the current facility.

THE STREET sections are all referred to as "paper streets" in that they appear on city maps but in reality are undeveloped and are good for little more than parking.

The action also was approved by the city's planning board.

The city also approved an ordinance adjusting the payscale for all city employees classified under Civil Service. All city employees were recently granted a \$300 pay raise. In some cases, this put employees over the maximum for their positions as outlined in civil service job descriptions.

THE ORDINANCE takes this into consideration and ups the maximum salary range on positions where the employee is already at maximum, allowing them to legally accept the pay increase.

Bids for the demolition of three buildings were accepted by the council and referred to the law and public works departments for study. The properties to be demolished are 518 Jefferson St., 207 Madison St. and 119 Monroe St.

THE Seaview Demolition Co. of Jersey City submitted bids of \$6,700, \$5,900 and \$7,800 respectively on the three buildings. The O'Connor Demolition Co. of Jersey City submitted individual bids of \$5,000, \$3,600 and \$6,850 while Gottlieb Wrecking Co. of Hoboken bid \$5,100 for 518 Jefferson St. and \$6,500 for 119 Monroe St.

A resolution approving an emergency appropriation of \$20,000 to cover the cost of the Hopes program was also unanimously approved by the council although Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello had questioned the action several weeks ago.

CAPPIELLO's objection because the city knew about the \$20,000 shortage sometime ago but didn't include the funds in the 1969 budget.

But according to E. Norman Wilson Jr., Hopes director, the \$20,000 was not a firm figure until a few weeks ago. He said it represented about one third of the city's contribution to the cost of the program.

WILSON explained that the city's portion of the cost could be made up in either funds or services. Most of the city's share is made up in services but not enough could be provided to eliminate the need for the \$20,000 which forced the emergency appropriation.

Over Cappiello's objections, the rest of the council approved authorization to float a \$1 million tax anticipation for the remainder of the year.

CITY Comptroller John Erbeck said that such a note would cost Hoboken approximately \$15,000 in interest. He said that the funds to cover the interest were not included in the budget.

Cappiello voted against the note saying that it would mean another emergency appropriation to pay the interest.

The council also approved the appointment of Thomas Zupich as a member of the Hoboken Public Library board of trustees. Zupich replaces Francis X. Leahy who recently resigned.

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He's the News

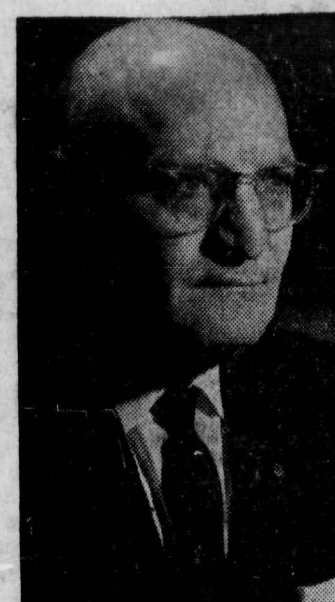
Former Judge De Fazio Courts Music

Charles DeFazio Jr. first became interested in the Hudson County Symphony Orchestra about seven years ago. "Archie Usdin, who plays the violin with the group, told me about it and asked if I'd like to join the organization. I told him that although I was a very busy person, I'd try it anyway." Today DeFazio is president of the orchestra.

"I've always had an appreciation for music, and now I'd like to interest more people in participating in music, especially children. I believe music is one of the seven basic arts: to have an appreciation of good things you must have a respect for music."

DEFAZIO, who has practiced law for over 40 years in Hoboken, first became interested in music while attending the New Jersey Law School (now Rutgers School of Law) in 1927. He was then affiliated with the Hudson Glee Club.

He married the former Mary Louise Abarno of Jersey City in 1932 after he had set up his law practice in Hoboken with his brother M. Edward DeFazio, now executive director of housing in Hoboken. Their son, Charles H. is also a lawyer.



CHARLES DEFAZIO JR.

They have one grandson. "We call him Charles IV," DeFazio said proudly.

THE DEFAZIO'S live at 922 Washington Ave., Hoboken, right above his law office. DeFazio is also an assistant Hudson County Council. "I was born, bred and raised in Hoboken," he said. "I suppose you can call me a life-long resident. My grandfather settled here in 1888."

The presidency of the orchestra is just one in a line

of offices he has held. DeFazio is past president of the Jersey City Museum Association, past Grand Knight of the Hoboken Knights of Columbus, a former Hoboken magistrate, and immediate past president of the Hudson County Bar Association.

NOW his concern is with the orchestra.

"It's a fine, dedicated group of people who are working for the love of the art of music. What we want to do is bring our resources to the attention of Hudson and South Bergen residents. We're going to affiliate with other arts to make this a better community. It's what the people are entitled to have."

"THERE'S a great interest in music today and I have received many congratulatory notes from old friends which has given me added encouragement to do a good job," said DeFazio.

The next Hudson Symphony Orchestra Concert will be Saturday at the Veterans Hospital in Lyons, New Jersey. "Music has its charm, and I think everyone should participate whether as a performer or an auditor," explained DeFazio, "so both my wife and I are going to Lyons."

"There must be something to this great revival in music!"

School Program To Open Head Start On Monday

Hoboken's Head Start program will get under way next Monday and registration also will be held for the accredited summer high school — two phases of one of the largest summer academic and recreation programs ever undertaken by the Hoboken board of education.

In addition to Head Start, which prepares children for school life, and the high school classes, there will be remedial and cultural enrichment courses, special classes for mentally retarded and socially maladjusted children and a large-scale health and recreation program.

ALL OF the programs will be financed with federal funds under the Head Start program and the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Thomas A. Gallo, board secretary, explained.

Gallo estimated that more than 2,500 children will take part in the various projects.

HEAD START classes will be held at each of the city's six elementary schools. About 200 boys and girls, four and five years old, are expected to take part in the program, supervised by Mrs. Grace Marnell. The classes, which will begin Monday, are designed to prepare the children to enter the kindergarten and adjust to school life.

Summer high school registration also will begin Monday and the term will get under way on Wednesday. Students in grades nine through twelve will obtain credit for any subjects they may have failed and will have an opportunity of keeping up with their regular class. Registration and classes will be held at the high school under direction of Kenneth Gallagher.

THOMAS F. McFEELY, school superintendent, said that in addition to Hoboken High School students, the summer accredited classes are available to boys and girls who live in Hoboken but who attend out-of-town private or parochial schools.

Special non-credit classes will be held at the high school for students who want to brush up in reading, mathematics, art or music, McFarley said.

THE SPECIAL education classes for mentally retarded or socially maladjusted children who require special attention, will be held five days a week beginning June 25 at the Leinlauf School.

The program has been set up by Daniel Binett, director of special education, and will include classroom work, the use of the high school pool for swimming and several field trips, McFarley said.

FOR THE summer health and recreation program, which will begin on July 8, two centers, Hoboken High School and the Hoboken-North Hudson YMCA, will be used. The boys and girls will utilize the athletic facilities and swimming pools at both centers.

In addition to swim classes, the children will take part in outdoor games at Kennedy Stadium, basketball in both gymnasiums and a wide variety of quiet games. The staff will be directed by Frank Spano.

THE ENTIRE summer program will be supervised by regular members of the teaching staff, adult teacher aides and college students.



HAPPY DEMOCRATS — Mayor Louis DePascale of Hoboken, seated left, and John F. Lewis, county park commission secretary, are surrounded by happy Hoboken councilmen at meeting of campaign workers at Shannon Hall on First St. Standing, from left, are Councilmen John Palmieri, Thomas A. Gallo, Louis Francane, William Matthews and Francis Finnerty. The mayor called meeting to pay tribute to campaign workers who helped him in his successful reelection on May 13 and to plan for today's primary.

Turned Away Twice Cappiello Refused Look at Assessment Figures

A Hoboken councilman and a group of supporters and property owners have been refused permission to look at the recently completed 100 per cent assessment figures which were compiled for the city by the Realty Appraisal Co. of West New York.

Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello was refused permission to look at the figures yesterday following the meeting of the city council at which the council voted \$15,000 as the final payment to the appraisal company.

AT THE meeting, Cappiello questioned the company's performance of its appraisal saying that the job was apparently done by someone in the city and not by the West New York company.

"If the company did the job how come it sent out its forms

in envelopes bearing the return address of the city of Hoboken and the postage was put on with the city postage meter?" he asked Council President Thomas A. Gallo.

GALLO ASKED how Cappiello knew this and the councilman replied that he had been told by some property owners.

Cappiello asked that the resolution authorizing payment of the \$15,000 to the company be tabled until the next meeting when he hoped he would be able to produce evidence and documents of the irregularity.

But he was overruled and the measure was passed 8-1 over his objections.

FOLLOWING the meeting, Cappiello and a group of five or six friends and property owners went to the assessor's office at city hall and asked

to see the figures that the firm had turned over to the city.

Joseph Cornelli, chief clerk, refused saying, "No one sees any figures. You will have to see Mr. Spinetto." Dominick Spinetto is the chief assessor for the city.

CAPPIELLO then walked to Spinetto's real estate office on River Street and tried again to see the figures.

When asked to show the figures, Spinetto refused. "We are not finished working on them yet," he explained. "When we are the public may inspect them."

SPINETTO added that he and the three other city assessors — Andrew P. McGuire and Woodrow P. Monte — expected to be rechecked the figures for the rest of the summer. The city has until Nov. 1 on the

order of Hudson Superior Court Judge James Rosen to complete the work and implement the new assessment rates.

When informed by Cappiello that Council President Gallo said that he, Cappiello, could look at the figures, Spinetto said the councilman should take that up with Gallo. But as far as he was concerned, the figures wouldn't be made public until the city assessors had completed their re-check on the figures submitted by the appraisal company.

Spinetto added that he knew nothing about any forms being sent in the mail to property owners. He said that the job of the local assessors did not require the use of any forms that had to be filled out by the property owners.

Hoboken Mayor Grants Official Status Citizen Group Fostering Park Safety

By ARTHUR FELSON

A group of Hoboken citizens have formed a committee to help make Hoboken's public parks a safer place for children.

The committee, which does not have a name and is headed by Mrs. Newman of 117 Willow av., met last week with Mayor Louis DePascale to discuss its proposals. The group recently circulated a petition among Hoboken residents stressing six points and submitted some 210 signatures to the Mayor and to Health and Welfare Director Anthony Damato.

The petition says, "Summer is coming and some of our parks are in deplorable shape. We respectfully ask that the following steps be taken . . ."

The listed steps include: adequate supervision at all parks and playgrounds with at least one park attendant on duty at 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.; establishment of a pre-school area with equipment for children under 5 years of age; setting up of safe play areas, free of glass and other objects that might cause injury; and provision of safety padding where needed.

Hedest Gadgets
The group also asked that new, imaginative equipment, some of it extremely inexpensive, be purchased, and that rest rooms be made available and regularly maintained, and that equipment be purchased through citizen "involvement," rather than with money from taxes.

Curbside dog signs, and sign designating areas where ball playing and roller-skating would be permitted, were also requested.

"In meeting with the mayor and

Director Damato," Mrs. Newman said, "We noted that the two main problems are extensive vandalism and supervision."

After the meeting the mayor appointed the group as a special advisory committee.

Director Damato announced he had secured armbands and was having them distributed to all of the city's park attendants so they could be easily distinguished.

They're Watching
"As a result of our first meeting two weeks ago, we have noticed that some of our parks are now in much better shape than they were previously. They are being swept, maintained and supervised somewhat better. However, super-

vision still is a problem," Mrs. Newman commented.

The group plans to meet with other Hoboken officials and with officials from other cities to discuss park problems and their solution.

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The mayor appointed James L. Greany, Frank Giancaspro, Savario DePinto, Salvatore DeGennaro and Sergio Germinaro to the unsalaried posts.

He also renamed Thomas Pescatore, Joseph Detmering, John Gato, Vincent J. Pagnotta and Arthur Burkhardt as members of the Hoboken board of health.

2 Derricks Set to Raise Ferryboat

Two floating derricks, each capable of lifting 500 tons, have been hired to raise the sunken Lackawanna ferryboat Scramton from the bottom of the Hudson River off Hoboken's 18th Street Pier, where it has lain since July 1, 1968.

Named the Raymond and the Mary, the derricks are at present working on a job in the East River which is expected to be completed in the next few days.

Since the sunken boat evidently weighs well over 1,000 tons, the two derricks would not ordinarily be powerful enough to raise it. The Scramton has been lightened, however, by forcing buoyant plastic pellets into it, displacing more than 1,000 tons of water in its engine and generating rooms.

The pellets had been expected to bring the ferry to the surface without the help of derricks.

The salvage company, Operation Oceanographic, is trying to bring the boat to the surface undamaged so that it could be sold to someone who would put it to some use.

St. Mary Director

Says Hospital Emergency Room Not Drop-In Clinic

The people of Hoboken must stop using St. Mary Hospital's emergency room as a "family drop-in clinic," says Dr. Wallace McCaffrey, director of the hospital's out-patient department.

The emergency room should treat "only acute problems that require immediate medical attention," according to McCaffrey. He adds: "To do this, all persons involved, including members of the community hospital service, must be educated to this viewpoint."

HIS REMARKS were in connection with an announcement that new procedures are being instituted for the hospital's emergency service this week. A

chief feature is that four outside physicians are being hired to man the emergency room, replacing the "house doctors." McCaffrey declared that the emergency department should not serve as a family drop-in clinic, should not supplement the work of private physicians, and should not operate as an evening clinic for patients unable or unwilling to attend day clinics.

'AT THE present time,' he asserted, "the 'walk-in' patient who comes to the emergency unit well after clinic hours or in the evening poses a real threat to those who must have true 'emergency care' for a very serious illness or accident."

"This past year, many pa-

tients who should have come to the clinics came instead to the emergency unit at odd hours for very simple illnesses. In addition, many of these same people gave incorrect addresses or names and walked out feeling no obligation to pay for hospital services."

IT WAS announced that under a new plan adopted by the board of trustees, the medical staff and the out-patient department, the emergency section "will include the services of four doctors who are specialists in the field of emergency care."

"Each doctor," the announcement continued, "will take his turn to man the area on a 24-

hour, seven-day-week basis.

THE HOUSE staff members formerly assigned to this area will no longer have the prime responsibility for the emergency room unless unusual circumstances prevail."

A new emergency facility to replace the existing one will be established in the new wing of the hospital, when completed. The new area will be on the Clinton Street side of the hospital, and the ambulance entrance will be on Third Street. It will include an enlarged triage area, more examining rooms, an orthopedic cast room, two special treatment rooms for minor treatment, and observation rooms.

Hoboken Littering

Hoboken's forthright Public Works Director Raphael Vitale says sadly that his strenuous efforts to discourage street littering have failed. No one group is particularly to blame, he declares, and almost everyone who receives a littering summons goes running to a politician to get excused from the fine.

Repeat offenders keep on drawing the same minimum fine in court, year after year, instead of being fined the \$200 maximum and perhaps even jailed, Vitale contends. So the same people continue to litter Hoboken year after year.

The director says he intends to speak to the judges and tell them that the time for excuses is past and that bigger fines are now in order. His suggestion makes sense.

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DePascale Administration Begins Its Second Term



STARTS SECOND TERM — With his wife, Mary, holding Bible, Mayor Louis DePascale takes oath of office for second four-year term at reorganization meeting held at Hoboken City Hall. Administering oath, at left, is City Clerk Anthony Amoroso. (Jersey Pictures)



BADGE OF OFFICE — Councilman Thomas A. Gallo, left, presents Mayor DePascale with badge of office as both men are sworn in for new four-year term at reorganization meeting held in council chambers.



BEGIN NEW TERMS — City Clerk Anthony Amoroso, right, administers oath of office to Councilmen Thomas A. Gallo, Bernard Scrivani and Stephen E. Mongiello (left to right) during reorganization meeting held at Hoboken City Hall. (Jersey Pictures)

Railroad's Plan To End Hoboken Service Hit

The Erie Lackawanna Railroad's plan to end its last two through passenger trains to Hoboken is under fire from New York State Atty. Gen. Louis J. Lefkowitz.

These are the railroad's only remaining long distance trains and the only rail service remaining which links New York's Southern Tier counties to Chicago.

Lefkowitz has filed a protest with the Interstate Commerce Commission. He asked that body to investigate and to keep the trains running until it reaches a decision.

The railroad has told the ICC it intends to discontinue the trains July 18.

From Hoboken, the trains run through New York State to Buffalo, from where the passengers can continue westward as far as Chicago.

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Wednesday

Hearing Slated

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**JAMES L. TROMBETTA
On ABC
Board**

James L. Trombetta, 45, of 527 Bloomfield St., Hoboken, is the newest member of the city's non-salaried Alcoholic Beverage Control board.

He was appointed by Mayor Louise DePascale yesterday to replace Arthur Scheffler, longtime chairman of the board, who has resigned.

Trombetta is employed as a manager of Massarsky Bros., a paint and hardware store at 620 Washington St.

In 1965, when DePascale was designated to succeed the late Mayor John J. Grogan, he was opposed among others by now First Ward Councilman Anthony Romano. Trombetta was one of three candidates for councilman-at-large on the ticket headed by Romano, which was crushed by DePascale's victory.

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TWO DOWN, ONE TO GO — Building at right is at corner of 2nd and Hudson Streets, Hoboken. In background are buildings along 2nd Street between Hudson and River Streets. Wreckers will go to work on them next. The two blocks bounded by 4th, 2nd, Hudson and River Streets are all but cleared, leaving only one block of buildings to be demolished, bounded by 2nd, 1st, Hudson and River. Razed tract will then be ready for construction of John J. Grogan Marine View Plaza, reported to cost between \$30,000,000 and \$40,000,000, Hoboken's biggest development ever.



GRAND HOTEL CLOSED — Famous hostelry in Hoboken's halcyon days as an ocean passenger liner terminus, Grand Hotel at Third and Hudson Sts., has been ordered shut down for lack of fire escapes. Owner has been converting hotel rooms to apartments. A start has been made at installing fire escapes, as seen in picture. Another renowned hostelry of the 1890s, the Meyers Hotel, which was across the street, has just been torn down to make way for redevelopment.

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In a letter to DePascale and Directors Anthony F. Damato and Raphael P. Vitale, the Universal Folding Box Co., Hoboken, said that it was having difficulty keeping the lot clean and that perhaps if the city were using it as a play area this problem would be solved.

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DePascale Sworn In Today Administration Unchanged

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In addition to the mayor, who is starting his second term, the oath of office is being administered to Councilmen Thomas A. Gallo, Bernard J. Scrivani and Stephen E. Mongiello.

Mayor DePascale said he will reappoint the directors of the various city departments. They are:

HERMAN BIER, for his second term as director of administration.

E. NORMAN WILSON, for his second term as director of law.

FRANK J. BARLETTA, for his second term as director of revenue and finance.

RAPHAEL P. VITALE, beginning his second term as director of public works.

ANTHONY DAMATO, for his third term as director of health and welfare.

Each term is for four years. Richard Humphrey and Bier are being appointed by the mayor as members of the City Planning Board. New members of the Board of Assessors will be Dominic Spinetto, Andrew P. McGuire and Woodrow S. Monte.

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Bonn President

BONN (UPI) — Gustav Heinemann, 70, was sworn in today as president of West Germany, the first Social Democrat in the ceremonial office in 44 years.

TUNNEL

Hoboken could be without electricity.

He added there was more danger of the cables melting in hot weather because they are already hotter to begin with because of the greatly increased use of electricity for air conditioners.

HE SAID he had ordered the management company to discontinue the steam heating system it has been using and to install separate heating plants in each of the six apartment houses. Up to now, the company has refused, contending that Public Service has not proved its responsibility for what happened.

"The company had better comply," Vitale declared, "or they'll be in trouble with the Board of Health." He added that he was going to ask the board to do something about it. He said that if the city stands firm and the management company won't budge, the buildings will have no heat next winter.

HENRY ORDA, whose Orda Management Company acts as agent, gave The Jersey Journal his side of the case.

He explained that the steam is generated in boilers in the center of the block bounded by 13th, 12th, Hudson and Washington Streets. Orda owns all the apartment houses in the entire block, he said. The steam is primarily to furnish heat and hot water to the block, he added, and the steam tunnel services the six nearby apartment houses that Orda also owns.

THE TUNNEL has been there for 70 years, and it never gave any trouble," he declared. "It was only 40 or so years ago that the electric company installed its vault next to our steam line."

"They claim that steam escaping from our line caused an explosion in their vault. One must remember that we were only using steam for hot water — not for heat — at the time. Another thing to note is that a leak would ordinarily show up in steam escaping from our street manholes, and in this case there was not much prior notice."

"FURTHERMORE, it was only last October that we replaced a substantial portion of this steam line."

Orda explained that actually the steam flows through a pipe ten inches in diameter, housed in a brick-lined tunnel which is only big enough for a man to crawl through.

He has been seeking an agreement with Public Service for an impartial inquiry to determine just what happened and whether his steam line was really at fault.

He proposed, he said, a joint inspection by three engineers, one for Orda, one for Public Service, and one independent.

THE MAN in charge of the case for Public Service had gone off on a vacation, he said, but anyway the tunnel hasn't cooled enough sufficiently for anyone to enter it.

"Public Service has asked me to excavate and open up the tunnel," he said. "That would cost me \$8,000."

"To repair the damages would cost another \$15,000. Meanwhile the city engineer tells me I will never be allowed to use the steam line again. So I'm faced with the prospect of spending \$23,000 plus lawyer's fees — and all in the expectation that I'll never be allowed to use the line again anyway."

HE HAS asked his lawyer to contest the city's action as arbitrary and capricious, and to demand that the city put its order in writing — so that he will have something tangible to contest and not merely a verbal order.

In any case, Orda said, it will be impossible to install separate furnaces in the six affected buildings.

"We were not constructed for individual heating," he declared. "There is no room in the basements for heating plants, and for fuel oil storage."

"IN ALL the 70 years, we have never had a mishap attributable to us. I frankly don't know what to do."

He thought the matter would come to a head Tuesday, however, for he said he had just been handed a summons to Hoboken municipal court on Tuesday.

"The city's decision strikes us as arbitrary," he went on. "We never have more than three pounds of steam pressure in that line at any time. When we get up steam in the morning we build up a pressure of four pounds at the boilers, but by the time it gets into the line it has gone down."

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Hit by Vandals 7/9/69 Vacations Bar 24-Hour Health Center Watchman

Public Works director Raphael Vitale said today that vacations and holidays make it impossible for him to post a watchman at the Hoboken Health Center 24 hours a day. The center has been the target of repeated vandalism recently, the latest being over the Fourth of July weekend. According to police, thieves forced entry into the center and ransacked the desk drawers stealing \$77 in cash and three employee checks.

"There is just not enough money in the budget to hire replacements for all the people who go on vacation," Vitale said.

Vitale also reported the department had been watching the building in cooperation with the Hoboken police.

More Light in Hoboken 7/9/69

A new look has quietly appeared in some of the blocks of tenement houses in Hoboken. It has to do with light and air. Many slum dwellings have been torn down in the last year, and the immediate effect was to create open space on one side of the adjoining building, sometimes on both sides. In these latter cases the appearance is something like that of a new area which has not yet been built up. Even a worn-out tenement house 80 years old begins to look a little more tolerable when no longer jammed up against another.

Home ownership, too, is making a comeback in Hoboken. A Puerto Rican Home Owners Association has been started, with at least 160 members. What a fortunate development for the city! Owning a home can do more than anything else to inculcate respect for property, public or private. One can hope this new group will become active in civic affairs, and thus benefit the entire city.

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He also named Thomas Pescatore, Joseph Detmering, John Gato, Vincent J. Pagnotta and Arthur Burkhardt as members of the Hoboken board of health.

Sixty Hoboken families who have been without hot water for two months and face the prospect of no heat next winter may wait until a steam tunnel cools off before they can be told what action can be taken.

The tunnel is under 13th Street from Washington to Bloomfield Streets and in Washington Street from 13th Street southward part way toward 12th Street.

No steam has been sent into it since May but it is still too hot to be entered by investigators who must determine whether it is practicable to make repairs. A recent check put the temperature in the tunnel at 220 degrees.

THE TUNNEL carries steam for hot water and heat for six flat dwellings in the area. It has been used for 70 years.

But last April 26 something went wrong. A large section of Hoboken was blacked out by a power failure and the Public Service Electric and Gas Company blamed the tunnel. Steam had escaped through leaks and had melted electric cables in a transformer vault which is alongside the tunnel in 13th Street, the company said.

MAYOR DePASCALE sped to the scene from the St. Mary Hospital charity ball in Newark that evening when news of the blackout reached him, and when he departed to return to the ball he left word with aides to see to it that such a thing didn't happen again.

Public Service got the electricity going again. The steam, which had been turned off for awhile, was also restored. Then Public Works Director

VITALE explained today:

"There's some kind of leak in that steam pipe. The heat from it was melting the electric cables. If this happened a second time, it could be much worse than it was last April. The whole western end of

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Hoboken Park-Playaround Supervision Termed Top Problem

Mothers Eye Permanent Attendants

Many of the requests made a few weeks ago by a concerned group of mothers to correct various conditions at Hoboken city parks and playgroups have been implemented by the city. However, a spokesman for the group said today that there is still much lacking in one area — supervision.

Mrs. Sue Newman of 117 Willow Ave., the temporary chairman of the Park-Playground Committee, said that supervision is still the most pressing problem and that is has yet to be resolved.

"THE PROBLEM with supervision is acute," she said. "As we understand it, the city plans to provide supervisors from within the Concentrated Employment Program and the Hopes program."

"But we are led to believe that this will be only a temporary thing and will not be on a permanent basis in that the supervisors will have little training or understanding of what they are supposed to be doing and that they will probably be moved from park to park."

"The same people should be at the same parks daily and they should receive some form of briefing so that they know what is expected of them."

"THE SUPERVISION as it exists now actually encourages vandalism. The children are told one thing one day by one custodian and something different the next by another."

"We still would like to see the attendants wearing name tags so that they could be identified."

St. Mary Director Says Hospital Emergency Room Not Drop-In Clinic

The people of Hoboken must stop using St. Mary Hospital's emergency room as a "family drop-in clinic," says Dr. Wallace McCaffrey, director of the hospital's out-patient department.

The emergency room should treat "only acute problems that require immediate medical attention," according to McCaffrey. He adds: "To do this, all persons involved, including members of the community hospital serves, must be educated to this viewpoint."

HIS REMARKS were in connection with an announcement that new procedures are being instituted for the hospital's emergency service this week.

He said the service was being instituted by name rather than an arm band.

Mrs. Newman said that the city has agreed to identify the attendants with arm bands but made no decision on name tags.

"IT WOULD help building a much closer personal relationship between the children and their parents with the attendants," she continued. "It would also be helpful in identifying attendants who aren't doing their job."

Mrs. Newman said that the committee was satisfied with the effort the city was making in replacing or repairing broken equipment for the parks and playgrounds, and with its efforts to establish a pre-school area in the parks where the younger children can play without interfering with the older children.

"Director Damato will try and set aside a portion of the play area in Church Square Park for the younger children," she continued. "We are hoping that such areas can be established in all of the city parks and playgrounds."

ONE of the ideas is large wood blocks which are placed

chief feature is that four outside physicians are being hired to man the emergency room, replacing the "house doctors."

McCaffrey declared that the emergency department should not serve as a family drop-in clinic, should not supplement the work of private physicians, and should not operate as an evening clinic for patients unable or unwilling to attend day clinics.

"AT THE present time," he asserted, "the 'walk-in' patient who comes to the emergency unit well after clinic hours or in the evening poses a real threat to those who must have true 'emergency care' for a very serious illness or accident."

"This past year, many patients who should have come to the clinics came instead to the emergency unit at odd hours for very simple illnesses. In addition, many of these same people gave incorrect addresses or names and walked out feeling no obligation to pay for hospital services."

IT WAS announced that under a new plan adopted by the board of trustees, the medical staff and the out-patient department, the emergency section "will include the services of four doctors who are specialists in the field of emergency care."

"Each doctor," the announcement continued, "will take his turn to man the area on a 24-hour, seven-day-week basis."

"THE HOUSE staff members formerly assigned to this area will no longer have the prime responsibility for the emergency room unless unusual circumstances prevail."

A new emergency facility to replace the existing one will be established in the new wing of the hospital, when completed. The new area will be on the Clinton Street side of the hospital, and the ambulance entrance will be on Third Street.

It will include an enlarged triage area, more examining rooms, an orthopedic cast room, two special treatment rooms for minor treatment, and observation rooms.

He has been seeking an agreement with Public Service for an impartial inquiry to determine just what happened and whether his steam line was really at fault.

He proposed, he said, a joint inspection by three engineers, one for Orda, one for Public Service, and one independent.

THE MAN in charge of the case for Public Service had gone off on a vacation, he said, but anyway the tunnel hasn't cooled enough sufficiently for anyone to enter it.

"Public Service has asked me to excavate and open up the tunnel," he said. "That would cost me \$8,000."

"To repair the damages would cost another \$15,000. Meanwhile the city engineer tells me I will never be allowed to use the steam line again. So I'm faced with the prospect of spending \$23,000 plus lawyer's fees — and all in the expectation that I'll never be allowed to use the line again anyway."

HE HAS asked his lawyer to contest the city's action as arbitrary and capricious, and to demand that the city put its order in writing — so that he will have something tangible to contest and not merely a verbal order.

In any case, Orda said, it will be impossible to install separate furnaces in the six affected buildings.

"We were not constructed for individual heating," he declared. "There is no room in the basements for heating plants, and for fuel oil storage."

"IN ALL the 70 years, we have never had a mishap attributable to us. I frankly don't know what to do."

He thought the matter would come to a head Tuesday, however, for he said he had just been handed a summons to Hoboken municipal court on Tuesday.

"The city's decision strikes us as arbitrary," he went on. "We never have more than three pounds of steam pressure in that line at any time. When we get up steam in the morning we build up a pressure of four pounds at the boilers, but by the time it gets into the line it has gone down."

Washington Street Line 8/8/69 Cappiello, DePascale Join To Improve Bus Service

Hoboken Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello and Mayor Louis DePascale will be working hand in hand to find a way of providing better bus service along the Washington Street route.

Cappiello, at the suggestion of the mayor, will meet this week with Law Director E. Norman Wilson to review all of the rules and regulations governing the operation of the local buses along Washington Street.

"OUR PURPOSE will be to determine exactly what power the city has in connection with the buses," the councilman said. "We want to know what we can and can't do as far as they are concerned."

"After we have determined what we can do, the mayor, Director Wilson and myself will meet to plan a course of action," the councilman added.

Although Cappiello has emerged as one of the leaders of the new opposition to the mayor's administration, both he

DePascale Does It Again He'll Start 2nd Mayor Term Today

A one-time Hudson Dispatch carrier who was born in Italy and grew up to become a labor union organizer in the U. S. St. served with distinction in World War 2, will today begin his second term as mayor of Hoboken.

Mayor Louis DePascale, who observed his 51st birthday on June 21, will take the oath of office with three councilmen-at-large during noon ceremonies in Hoboken City Hall's council chambers.

Sharing today's honor with Mayor DePascale will be Councilmen Thomas A. Gallo, Bernard Scrivani and Stephen E. Mongiello, all four reelected to new four-year terms in the recent city-wide election.

During the reorganization meeting of Hoboken City Council, it is expected Councilman-at-large Gallo will again be elected council president, a post he held for the past four years.

FAMILY to Watch

Mrs. DePascale, the former Mary Neumann, with her four sons, Edward, Paul, Joseph and Thomas, will attend the City Hall ceremonies.

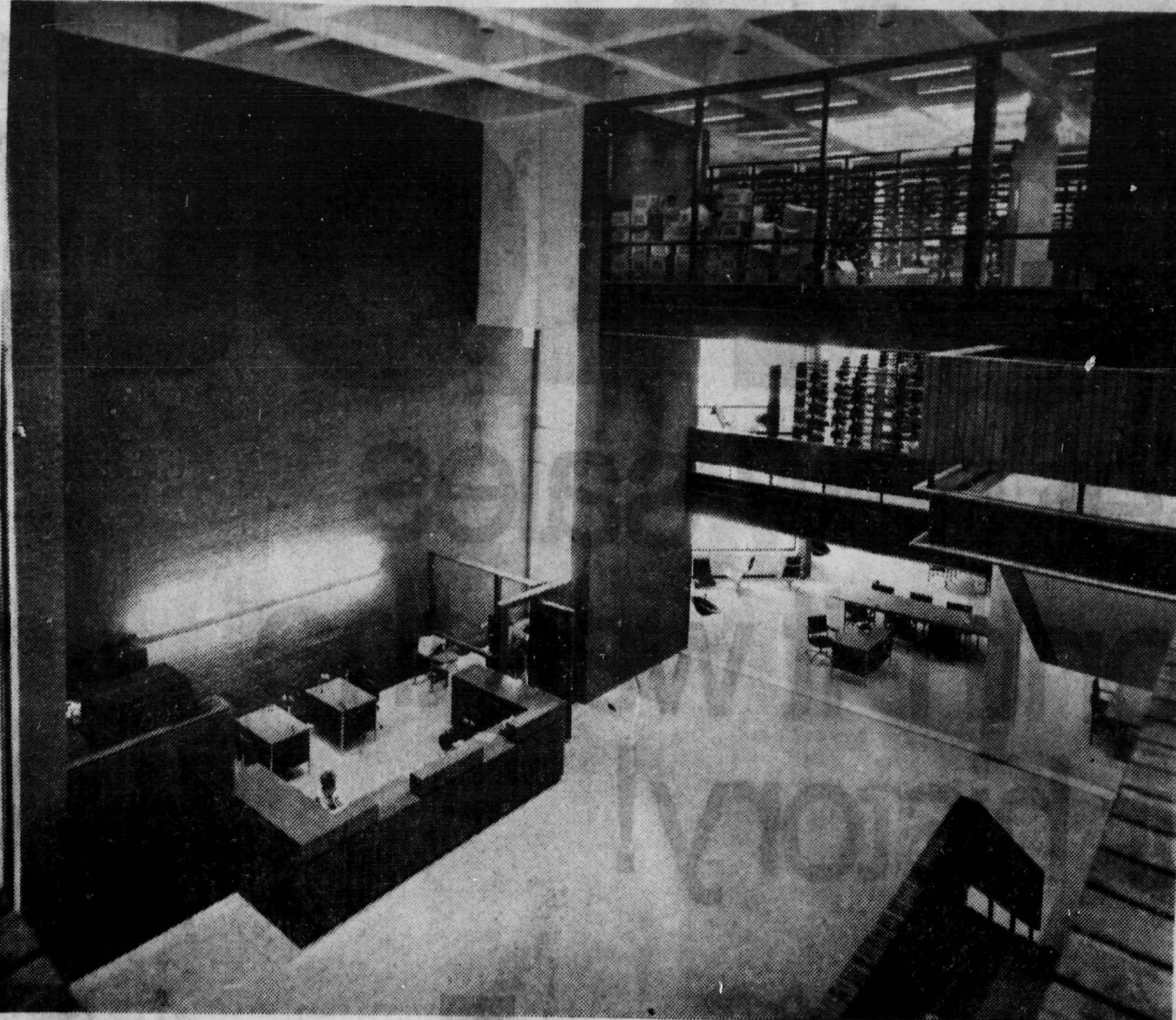
Mayor DePascale will announce the reappointment of department directors, after taking his oath. Scheduled to be reappointed are City Business Administrator Herman Bier, Law Director E. Norman Wilson, Revenue and Finance Director Frank Barletta, Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale and Health and Welfare Director Anthony Damato, all of whom are to serve throughout the mayor's four-year term.

Other appointments Mayor DePascale is expected to confirm are: Richard Humphrey to the Hoboken Planning Board; Business Administrator Bier to the planning board; Dominic Spinetto, Andrew P. McGuire and Woodrow S. Monte to new terms on the board of tax assessors, and Patrick L. Caulfield as Hoboken city engineer. Also, Joseph Zang



Mayor DePascale

Famous Artist to Create Mobile for Stevens Institute



Main lobby at Stevens library, three stories high, where mobile will hang.

Calder's Work Slated For Library

By WILLIAM H. TAFT

Alexander Calder, world famous artist and sculptor who invented the mobile, will create a mobile to hang in the new library of Stevens Institute, Hoboken, as a gift to his alma mater, The Jersey Journal learned today.

The idea came to Calder when he was being shown through the \$2,500,000 structure by Jess Davis, Stevens president in company with Governor Hughes on June 7 following the institute's commencement exercises at which the artist was awarded an honorary doctor of engineering degree.

THE MOBILE will hang from the three-story-high ceiling of the lobby in the library, a location that struck Calder as ideal. Calder is now at his home in a suburb of Paris. Davis has sent him sketches of the library building, giving dimensions and other information. Calder also has a home in Roxbury, Conn.

A Stevens spokesman said today that Calder's gift to the institute would in all probability become a tourist attraction, bringing thousands of visitors to Hoboken.

HE WAS graduated from Stevens with an engineering degree 50 years ago, and started art work three years later. In the late 20s and early 30s he was successful in creating and establishing his new art form.

Calder's work has been exhibited throughout the world. An exhibition of his at the Guggenheim Museum in Manhattan four years ago attracted 250,000 persons.

Presenting the honorary doctor's degree to Calder last month, Davis said in part: "His creative energies have enlivened the spirits and minds of the millions of his fellow men throughout the world. His works have brought pleasure, beauty and a liberation of the imagination to those who look at them."

Library Board Elects

NICHOLAS LA FORGIA will serve for another term as president of the Hoboken Public Library board of trustees. La Forgia and secretary Samuel Schleichorn were re-elected at a meeting of the board Thursday.

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things that have been done in the park," he added. "They knocked a large hole in one section of the equipment shed. I'd swear they used sledge hammers to do the job."

"I DON'T know how many times they cut the rope on the flag pole so we couldn't put up the flag. Finally, we moved the rope so that the end was higher on the pole and couldn't be reached unless a ladder was used."

"That still didn't stop them from cutting it."

FRANCONE, who can speak from wider experience than local park officials, said the county was having a vandalism problem in almost all of its parks. However, it isn't as deliberate as in Hoboken.

He said he talked extensively with Mayor Louis DePascale about the problem yesterday and planned a discussion to see if anything could be done to stop the problem.

ACCORDING to police, vandalism to city property has been increasing at an alarming rate in the last few years. In most cases, unsupervised youths are to blame. Attempts at providing park attendants and closer checks by police have failed to curb the number of incidents.

As long as someone is stationed at a park nothing happens. But once it is left without an attendant, the acts resume, police said.

DePascale said the city will be trying out a new system sometime this week in an effort to curb vandalism in its parks. It consists of three telephones, one in each of the three major city parks — Elysian, Church Square and Stevens, which citizens can use to contact police when they see something out of the ordinary going on.

THE PHONES will be in the parks on a pole under a street



STEPHEN E. MONGIELLO

Will Honor Mongiello

Stephen E. Mongiello, a Hoboken councilman-at-large and attorney, will be honored on Nov. 15 by the Hoboken Chapter of Unico National as its "Man of the Year." It was announced today by Paul Cardinale, chapter president.

Mongiello, a charter member of the chapter, will be honored at the 24th annual dinner and dance which will be held in the Stevens Center on the campus of Stevens Institute of Technology. The affair will start at 6:30 p.m. with cocktails with dinner to follow at 7:30.

CARDINALE also announced that Steven Mastrogiro, Unico national president, has accepted an invitation to attend the local chapter's annual event.

Guy Trisolini has been selected as general chairman and will be in charge of all arrangements.

Trisolini said that a crowd of more than 300 persons was expected for the affair. He added that music for dancing would be provided by John Marotta and his orchestra.

Proceeds from the annual dinner go towards the chapter's scholarship fund.

Vandals Cost City Thousands

Damage Schools, Parks, Fields

Vandalism continues to be a major problem in Hoboken as countless thousands of dollars in city, county and board of education property is damaged or totally destroyed each month.

Youngsters recently went to work on the football and baseball scoreboard in the Hoboken High School field at 10th and Jefferson Streets and destroyed every light bulb and ripped off the protective wire mesh covering, according to Joseph Bartlett, board of education business manager.

"THERE IS no question that the acts were deliberate," he said. "They came prepared to do damage and they accomplished their goal."

"We have had basketball backboards and the supporting pole taken down at Wallace School. The only way they could have done this was with a hacksaw. They sawed the metal pole at ground level."

"Then they ripped the chain link fence off the play area at the school. The links were cut with wire cutters."

BARTLETT said information he has received from persons who have seen some of the culprits in the act indicates that most are youngsters.

Louis Francone, assistant superintendent of the Hudson County Park system, reported that he almost caught four youngsters Monday morning at Columbus Park, next to the high school field, as they were trying to rip the roof shingles off the park rest rooms.

FRANCONE, who is also Hoboken's Fourth Ward Councilman, said he gave chase on foot but the children were too fast for him.

"That's minor to some of the

FOR PARK SAFETY



HOBOKEN HOT LINE — Mayor Louis DePascale, left, checks out new phones installed in city parks which connect directly with the police switchboard. Looking on is Anthony F. Damato, parks director. Phones installed in Church Square Park, Elysian Park and Stevens Park are for the use of the public to report acts of vandalism or anything else which may seem out of line that occurs in the parks.



HONOR HOBOKEN YOUNGSTER—Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale is a chum to little Catherine Lyle, 9, of 220 Adams st. after presenting her with an honor certificate for returning \$224 lost by Mrs. Francesca Lorenzo of 328 Monroe st. last week.

For Old Shipyard Property Plan to Confer On Sale Price

By PETER HALLAM

Officials of Supermarine Inc., the company which plans to build an oil processing and desulphurization plant on the site of the old Todd Shipyard in Hoboken and Weehawken costing some \$40 million will resume negotiations with Mayor Louis DePascale this week on a minimum price the company will make for the portion of the yard in Hoboken.

"We'd like to get everything straightened out this month, if at all possible," said the mayor. "Since the city expects to take title to the portion of the yard within its boundary line by Sept. 1, we would like to have everything ready for the public sale so it will remain off the tax rolls for the shortest period of time possible."

Although Hoboken may soon take title to the shipyard, it cannot sell it outright to whomever it wants to. It must be offered at public auction and could possibly be bought by someone other than Supermarine.

HOWEVER, the city does have the option of setting a minimum price on the property which must be bid before it will consider the sale. This price is what the company and city are currently trying to iron out.

The proposed development of the shipyard will consist of two clearly defined areas. The first will be a deepwater port and terminal which will cost somewhere in the area of \$4 million, and will add that amount in ratables to which ever community it is built in. The other phase is a desulphurization plant which will add between \$30 million and \$35 million to the ratables of its community.

According to former Weehawken Mayor Charles F. Krause, whose New York firm is representing the company's interests in the matter, current plans call for Weehawken to get the terminal area and for Hoboken to get the plant.

KRAUSE SAID that he had talked with engineers for the company last Thursday and that was still their plan. However, he added that this might not be the final plan and there was

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still room and time for a change.

Some local sources expect a change in the plans and base their thoughts on several interesting facts about the property. They expect Weehawken to get the vast majority of the ratables in the transactions.

They point out that more than half of the 40 acres which make up the yard are underwater. The remaining upland area is for the most part in Weehawken, even though most of the total yard area is in Hoboken.

NEXT, they say that the water acreage area in Hoboken has already been dredged to a depth of around 50 feet and is almost ready made for the deepwater portion of the facility. Finally, they theorize that Weehawken's tax rate—currently \$46.51 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation—will be considerably lower than Hoboken's. Hoboken property owners are currently paying \$162 per \$1,000. However, Weehawken's tax rate is based on 100 per cent assessment while Hoboken has yet to begin taxing under the 100 per cent system.

It is believed that when Hoboken does use the 100 per cent system its new tax rate will not be less than \$70 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. Therefore, it is likely that Supermarine will give serious thought to the tax picture before finally deciding which community should get the bulk of the ratables.

WHEN queried about the possibility of this situation arising, Krause said that "anything is possible" but at this time the engineers planned to build the majority of the ratables in Hoboken.

"As for the tax situation, I think that this is one of the areas that must still be considered," he said.

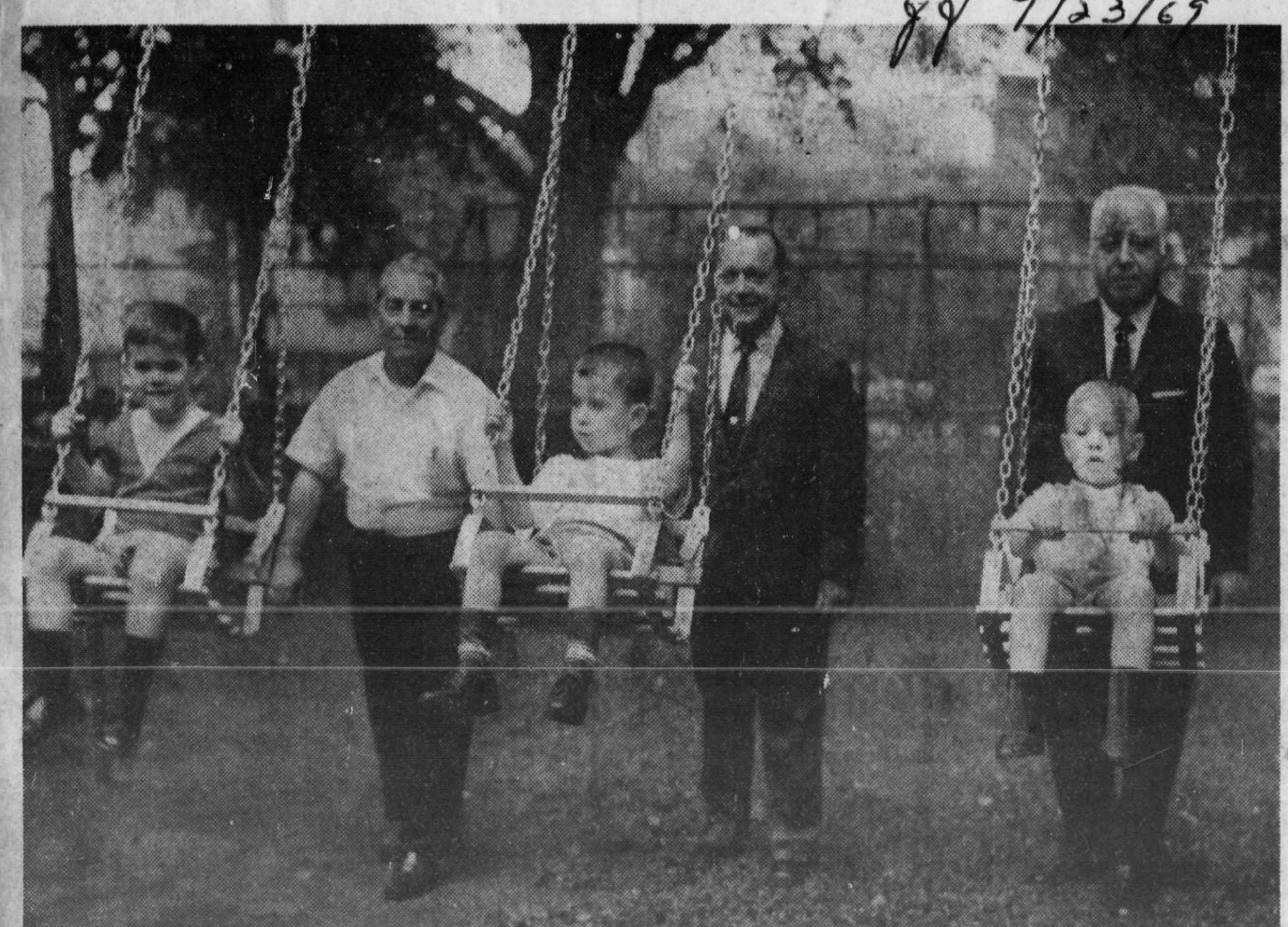
Mayor DePascale said that he had been assured by officials of Supermarine when talks on the facility first got underway that Hoboken would be the site of most of the construction and would get the most ratables.

When asked if Supermarine couldn't build the facility anyway it saw fit once it had obtained the needed property, DePascale replied that it could.

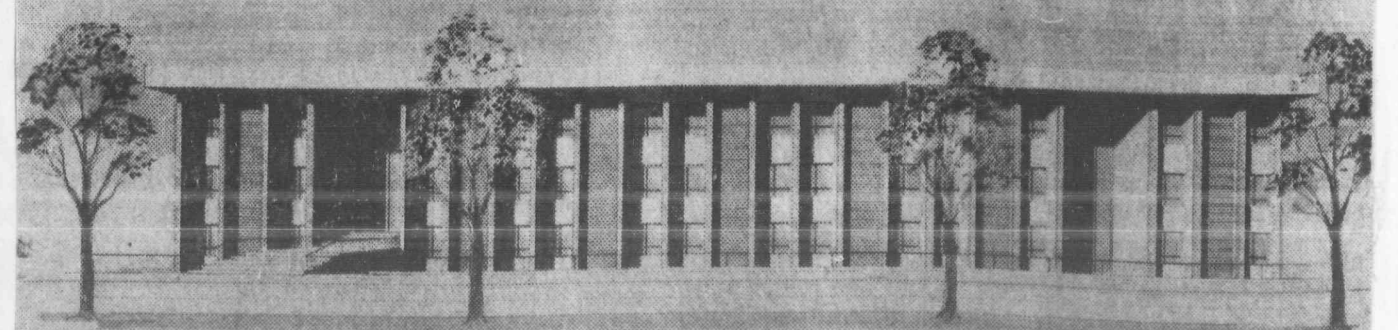
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CITING CATHERINE — As Mrs. James Lyle looks on, her daughter, Catherine, receives official citation from Mayor Louis DePascale at Hoboken City Hall. The mayor paid tribute to Catherine for her honesty in returning \$224 which she found. (Jersey Pictures)



SWINGING ALONG — Three Hoboken youngsters try out the swings in new play section designed for preschool children at Church Square Park. Enjoying the ride, from left, are Pasquale Buzzala, Kevin Terrell and Joesph Milutin. Providing the manpower, also from left, are Angelo Micale, parks superintendent; Anthony Damato, health and welfare director and Mayor Louis DePascale. (Jersey Pictures)



FUTURE WALLACE SCHOOL — Hoboken is currently in the process of acquiring additional land in the vicinity of 11th Street and Willow Avenue on which it will build a new Wallace School. The old school will remain standing during the construction period

so as not to overcrowd the other city grammar schools with 1,100 students who attend Wallace. The one-story structure was designed by Comporeto and Kenny, Jersey City architects and engineers. After its completion, the old building will be torn down.



BADGE FOR THE MAYOR—Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale (left), sworn in yesterday for his second four-year term as chief executive, accepts solid gold badge from City Council President Thomas A. Gallo during reorganization ceremonies at city hall. The badge was a personal gift from members of council and department directors.

Takes Oath of Office

DePascale Urges Unity For Bettering Hoboken

By JACK ECKHARDT

Mayor Louis DePascale and three of his recently reelected councilmen-at-large yesterday took the oath of office for another four years. The swearing was witnessed by a capacity audience in the flowers-bedecked court chambers at Hoboken City Hall.

The oath of office, administered by City Clerk Anthony Amoroso, was taken by Councilmen-at-large Thomas A. Gallo, Bernard Scriveri and Stephen Mongiello. The nighttime ceremonies were witnessed by wives and immediate families of all Hoboken city officials.

Showing surprise and pleasure upon being presented with a solid gold badge, a gift presented by city council and department directors, Mayor DePascale stressed in his acceptance speech, "This is like a new ball game for the next four years and requires cooperation of city council and department directors and the wholehearted support of city residents."

Pointing to accomplishments of his city administration during the past four years, Mayor DePascale said, "We are now in the dark days before the dawn of great changes in Hoboken. It will mean sacrifice by many, full cooperation of a united city council."

Reappointing Directors

Mayor DePascale then reappointed incumbent department directors, who were approved by an 8 to 1 vote, with Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello abstaining.

Hudson County Freeholders Wally Wolfe and William Boyle were among guests at the reorganization meeting, as were Sen. Fred H. Hauser, Under Sheriff James Bailey, Judge Rudolph H. Naddeo, former Police Chief Edward J. Sheehy, Board of Education President John McAlevy, Fire Chief Patrick J. Carmody, Planning and Redevelopment Director Silvio Falla, Weehawken Mayor Stanley Leone and Attorney E. Norman Wilson Jr., director of Hoboken HOPES.

City Business Administrator Herman Bier arranged a buffet and refreshments in his city hall office for those persons who called to congratulate DePascale and his three councilmen, with assistance of William Van Wie, the mayor's city hall aide. A later reception for the "inner political family" was held at the Marlin Room and attended by most city officials and their wives.

In addition to reappointments already published in yesterday's Hudson Dispatch, Mayor DePascale named James L. Greany, Frank Giancaspro, Savario DePinto, Salvatore DeGennaro and Sergio Germinaro to the board of adjustments, all none salaried posts.

He also renamed Thomas Pescatore, Joseph Delmeting, John Gato, Vincent J. Pagnotta and Arthur Burkhardt as members of the Hoboken Board of Health.

At 11 a.m. today, City Council President Gallo will preside over the initial meeting of that reorganized body in the same city hall chambers.

The kiwi bird is timid and flightless. Burrowing like a groundhog, it spends the day beneath the roots of a tree or in a vacant hollow.

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and full devotion to duty by all city directors and their staffs."

"Will Benefit Residents"

Referring to numerous federal projects that have been designated to help Hoboken "become a showplace in New Jersey," the city's top official repeated over and over, "Some people will be unhappy about being forced into relocation to make way for modern living and business quarters. But in the long run, it will benefit present and future residents of our city."

Admitting that Hoboken faces a tax problem in the coming years, Mayor DePascale said, "I've fought and will continue to fight for interest of the private homeowner. I pledge every effort toward a stabilization of the tax structure. And I have every confidence that you people of Hoboken will support my efforts. With the combined efforts of elected councilmen and our appointed department directors."

Hudson County Clerk James F. Quinn assumed the role of master of ceremonies during the council reorganization, which included the reelection of Councilman Gallo as city council president for the next four years.

When he took the oath of office, Mrs. DePascale held the bible for her husband, as did Mrs. Adelaide Gallo for her husband when he was sworn as council president. Gallo made the gold badge presentation to Mayor DePascale in a short pledge of council support for his programs.

Flashbulbs Light Up Past

News Interview Stirs Memories

By JACK ECKHARDT

There is a little bed-ridden old lady living in Hoboken these days who is looking forward to her 90th birthday on Aug. 7 while thinking back to the turn of the century when she was acclaimed as a beautiful Floradora Girl.

She is Mrs. Katherine Halley, 161 Newark st., living in quiet seclusion with her 82-year-old sister, Mrs. Antoinette Moos, in a tenement apartment.

People interested in the past glory of persons like Mrs. Halley, who expresses pride in being born on Aug. 7, 1879 in Germany, may well remember the tinkling tunes of "Tell Me Pretty Maiden" as six lovely girls tripped across the stage. Propped up in her bed in Hoboken, where her latest Stage Door Johnny is First Ward Councilman Anthony "Chubby" Marotta, who brings her ice cream and the morning newspaper, the one time Floradora Girl says proudly, "My stage name was Amy Williams, and I sang and danced with the best of them."

Newspaper reporters in those days were always half charged (slightly drunk) and they passed up the real names of guys and gals who jammed patrons into the theaters and (Turn to Page 4, Column 6)



FOND MEMORIES — Mrs. Katherine Halley, 161 Newark st., Hoboken, holds press clippings telling of the days when she was a Floradora Girl at turn of century. Mrs. Halley will celebrate her 90 birthday Aug. 7.

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"night clubs," said the still alert "Amy Williams" in explaining that her real name is not mentioned in available press clippings.

She has managed to hold on to several clippings that show photos of herself among a group of Floradora Girls as she describes as "Sex-plus in the days when men were men and a woman also enjoyed a glass of beer and a sandwich once in awhile."

"We played to packed houses in Atlantic Gardens on the Bowery in New York City, and at the Atlantic Gardens in Hoboken. We wowed 'em, the one-time stage beauty said, fixing an artificial rose clipped in her hair with a curler."

The ex-Floradora Girl said she took time out from tripping the light fantastic one night in Hoboken to elope with her late husband.

"He was sitting in Atlantic Gardens, puffing on a big cigar, and the smoke got in his eyes. I thought he was winking at me, so I winked back at him. I later found out it was the cigar smoke that caused him to blink, not wink," she recalls.

But after a beer, a couple of roast beef sandwiches, and a walk or two, Mrs. Halley says, "I had him in the bag. He was a good man. People watched us dance about the floor. I did most of the leading at that time, until the honeymoon, then he led me. Ours was a happy life, while it lasted."

Mrs. Halley recalled they went the next day to Hoboken City Hall, applied for a marriage license, and were wed by "a man I only recall as Judge O'Keefe. He was in a wheelchair. We had two police officers as witnesses, and two show girls."

Pleased at having her photo taken by Hudson Dispatch in her Hoboken apartment, Floradora Girl Katherine Halley remarked: "You boys years ago would have to wait on line to take my picture. How things change. I've been waiting for two days over since 'Chubby' Marotta said you were still interested in my past life."

The one-time show girl made one final remark: "I wish people who remember our Floradora Sextette would drop me a line. I may not be able to answer them, but I'd sure like to hear from them."

Aide Mum

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In the city of Hoboken, per 1,000, in seven categories is: murder, .085; negligent manslaughter, .104; forcible rape, .230; robbery, 1.477; aggravated and non-aggravated assault, 7.172; larceny, 9.194, and breaking and entry, 15.871. Hoboken's official 1968 population was 45,300.

The model cities figures, multiplied by a rounded off population of 45,000 people, give what should be the actual picture of the crime. This would be: 3.8 murders; 4.5 manslaughters; 10,350 rapes; 66,465 robberies; 393,440 aggravated assaults; 491.0 breaking and entries and 413,730 larcenies.

Coleman alleged that all these figures come from the Hoboken Police Department's 1968 annual report. He further challenged reporters to produce evidence that his figures were erroneous.

Hudson Dispatch yesterday afternoon obtained from the official Hoboken annual report the 1968 figures submitted to the State of New Jersey annually.

These figures show a marked difference from those cited by the Model Cities report.

They are: 4 murders; 5 manslaughters; 11 rapes; 71 robberies; 340 assaults; 763 breaking and entries and larcenies 432.

In addition to refusing to identify the person who did the research on these figures and decried press queries on the "relatively insignificant municipal," Coleman stated that there was no error in facts presented by a Model Cities staff consultant in another area of the report.

According to the acknowledgments in the report, a major portion of the public safety segment was written by Mrs. Colquitt Walker, described as a Reginald Heber Smith fellow on loan from the Hudson County Office of Economic Opportunity Legal Services in Jersey City.

Consistent Lawyer

Coleman said that Mrs. Walker was a competent lawyer who advised him and who was recommended by Legal Services.

She is alleged to have written in the report that "Hoboken's lawyers receive a minimum of \$250 for appearances in local municipal court and \$500 for divorce cases," thus indicating that many indigent persons cannot afford private lawyers.

She also recommends, throughout the report, the use of additional Legal Services attorneys, which Coleman said did not seem out-of-place, a conflict of interest or possible collusion.

However, according to the Hudson County Bar Association, which specifically states the minimum amount that lawyers can charge, the fee for Municipal Court appearances cannot be less than \$75 and for divorce cases \$600. Violators can be asked to appear before the Bar Association's ethics committee.

John Powers, director of Legal Services, interviewed by telephone yesterday afternoon, said that Mrs. Walker, who came to him by request of the OEO last January, has left Legal Services.

Husband Resigns

At the time that she came to work for Legal Services, her husband, Michael Walker, was also employed on an OEO fellowship. He also has resigned and moved with his wife, to California.

Powers said that Mrs. Walker was not a member of the New Jersey Bar Association and that she could not practice in this state. He expressed astonishment on the figures that she quoted in the report.

Hoboken Completes Application for Rat Control Program's Funds

Hoboken's controversial application for funds under the Urban Rodent and Insect Control Program has been completed and staff approved by Dr. Oscar Sussman, state project director, it was announced today by Raymond G. Clyons, acting director of the Hoboken program.

Clyons said the completed application should go to the state "ad hoc advisory committee" Thursday. If approved by the committee, the program formally will start Aug. 1.

THE PROGRAM, as approved by the federal government, is set up to cover a five-year period although it has been funded for only two years. Hoboken's program is for a four-year period while the application is for funds to cover the operation for only the first year.

Hoboken is asking for \$400,000 in state funds for its first year of the comprehensive control venture.

Clyons said if the application is approved it is likely that the city's estimated cost for the second year of operation — \$300,000 — would be tentatively approved and that amount of money set aside by the state pending the city's application for funds next year.

Hoboken will be looking for \$250,000 in the third year and \$210,000 in the fourth year. Clyons said these figures were estimates and might change by the time the city submitted its formal application.

Clyons added that the money was an outright grant from the state and federal government and that no city funds were involved or required to be involved.

"We will be using some city employees in the program, although we are not required to," he continued. "Since this is a grant program, the use of these city employees can't be credited to the programs account. But it can be credited to Hoboken generally and used as credit in any other programs that start within a seven-year period."

Complaints About Overtime Fail to Reach Hoboken Police Official

PBA Head Unaware Of Dissent

Although there are reported to be rumblings among some members of the Hoboken police department over the implementation of overtime pay, not a single member of the force has complained to the chief or the Patrolman's Benevolent Association.

Several members of the department said they were irate because some persons assigned to the non-uniformed divisions "are given as much overtime as they will accept while others have never asked or considered. The division includes the detective bureau and the anti-vice squad."

CHIEF Edward Sheehy said, however, no one has ever complained to him about the way overtime was being administered and he assumed "everyone must be satisfied."

Patrolman Ernest O. Brissette, president of the PBA, said he also had not heard of any complaints from the rank and file.

"In fact, many men have been refusing it," he said.

BRISSETTE said he hadn't made a study of the situation, but it appeared that most men would prefer to have time off rather than work overtime.

He explained that this was probably due to the fact that Hoboken police and firemen don't receive any additional pay for additional hours they may work. They are paid a straight hourly rate for months, not time and one-half.

A check with the chief's office showed that Acting Capt. Walter

Drew, detective bureau commander, had amassed the most overtime since Jan. 1 — almost \$500. However, overtime among the men who work under Drew was equally scattered.

Reserve Training Ship

Destroyer Bristol Undergoing Repairs at Pier in Hoboken

A United States Naval Destroyer, the USS Bristol, is now undergoing repairs at the Sixth Street Pier in Hoboken.

The Bristol, a reserve training ship, has been in service since March of 1945. She is named in honor of the late Rear Adm. M.C. Bristol, who served as U.S. High Commissioner to Turkey after World War I.

A SUMNER class destroyer, the ship is 376 feet long and displaces about 3,000 tons of water. She is equipped with anti-submarine weapons including torpedoes and depth charges.

The destroyer arrived in the Pacific too late to see action in World War II, but did serve with the occupation fleet in Japanese waters at the end of the war.

IN September, 1963, the Bristol was transferred to ResDesRon 30, a reserve training division, and her home port was shifted to Brooklyn, N.Y.

The repairs, which are being handled by Hudson Engineers, 1114 Clinton St., Hoboken, include work on pumps and other electrical machinery, most of which has been taken off the ship to be completed.

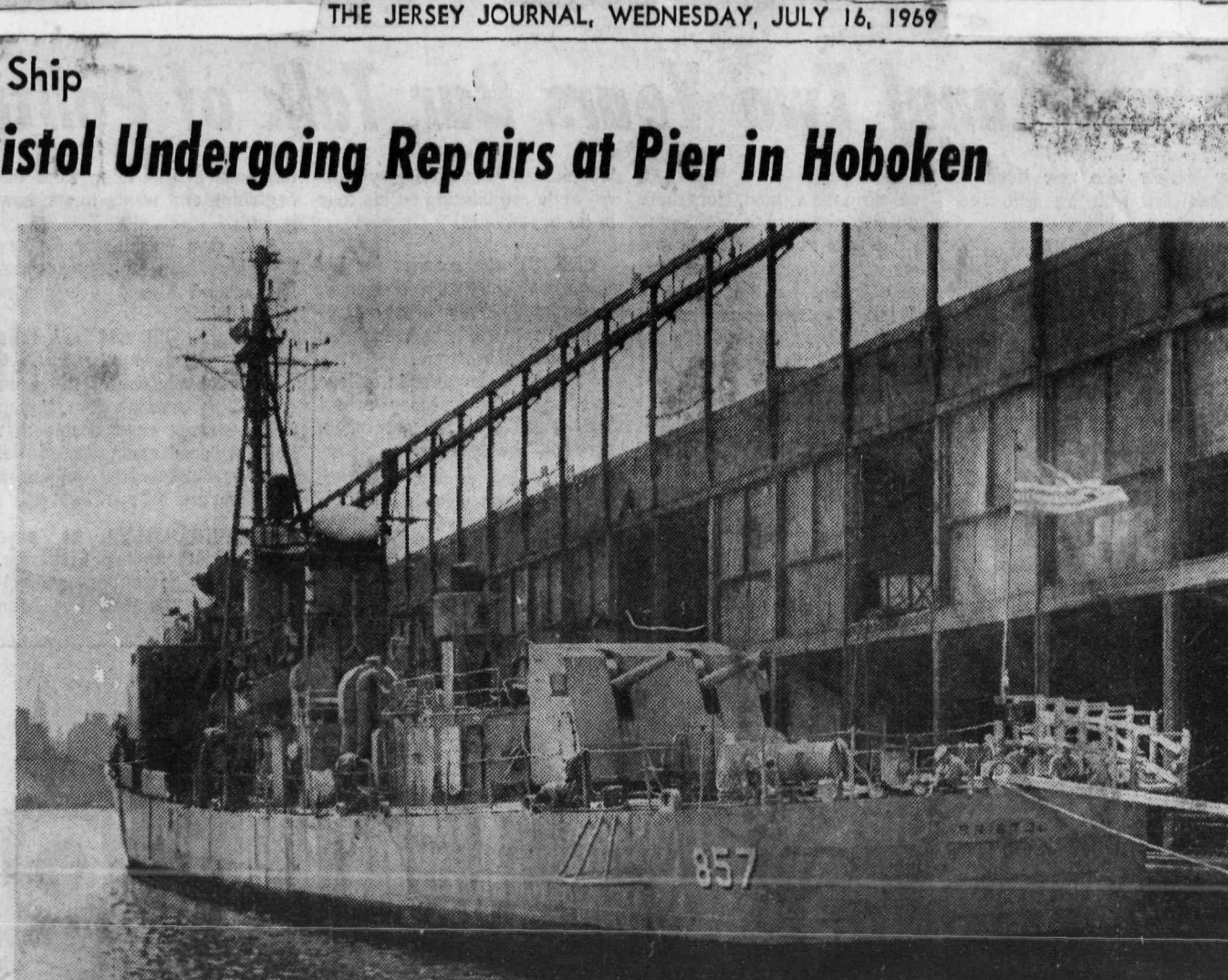
ACCORDING to the captain, Commander Thomas I. Noble, this is a "between overhauls." It is just to repair areas of the ship which need it the most and to test other vital parts on board the ship.

"A major overhaul," said the commander, "would involve a renovation of all or most of the machinery on board the ship."

THE BRISTOL has been docked at the Hoboken pier since June 26 and is scheduled to remain there until Aug. 13. It will then return to Brooklyn to continue its reserve training.

According to Noble, the training program in which the Bristol is involved deals with three kinds of reserves.

"FIRST, we work reserves who have seen active duty," the commander said. "We just help them to brush up on things



IN FOR REPAIRS — The USS Bristol, a Navy destroyer in from sea for repairs from a local engineering company, lies alongside Pier 6 at the foot of Fifth Street at Hudson in Hoboken.

which they have already been taught."

The Bristol also serves as a training ship for newly recruited reserves who have not had any experience at all.

THE BRISTOL has only one-half of a crew which is on duty full time. "This nucleus crew is capable of running the ship

for a short period of time," said Noble. "But we could never be put into active duty."

The ship and her "nucleus crew" work with a new group of these reserves every month, taking them out on two-week cruises and giving them practical experience working with the equipment on board ship.

A THIRD group of selective reserves comes on board ship one weekend every month, the captain said.

This reserve unit, which numbers about 160 men, along with the "nucleus crew" of 120 men, forms what could be a full crew in case of emergency.

"IF THIS reserve unit were called up the Bristol would also be brought under the control of the fleet commander," Noble said.

The Bristol is now under the command of the Third Naval District and is a part of a training fleet which has ships stationed in various ports all along the Eastern seaboard.

Exclusive New York Yacht Club Had Its First Home in Hoboken

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

Today, its handsome stone clubhouse at 37 West 44th St., Manhattan, is one of the most exclusive and distinguished in the world, but few know that the New York Yacht Club's first clubhouse was located in Hoboken. Fewer still know that the historic structure still stands.

The New York Yacht Club was organized July 30, 1844, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, in the cabin of John Cox Stevens's 25-ton schooner-yacht "Gimrack," while she lay at anchor off the Battery, at the foot of Manhattan Island, and within gunshot of Jersey City.

NINE yacht owners were present; their fleet being schooners and sloops of 25 tons and less, in which they sailed about this harbor, Long Island Sound, and other nearby waters.

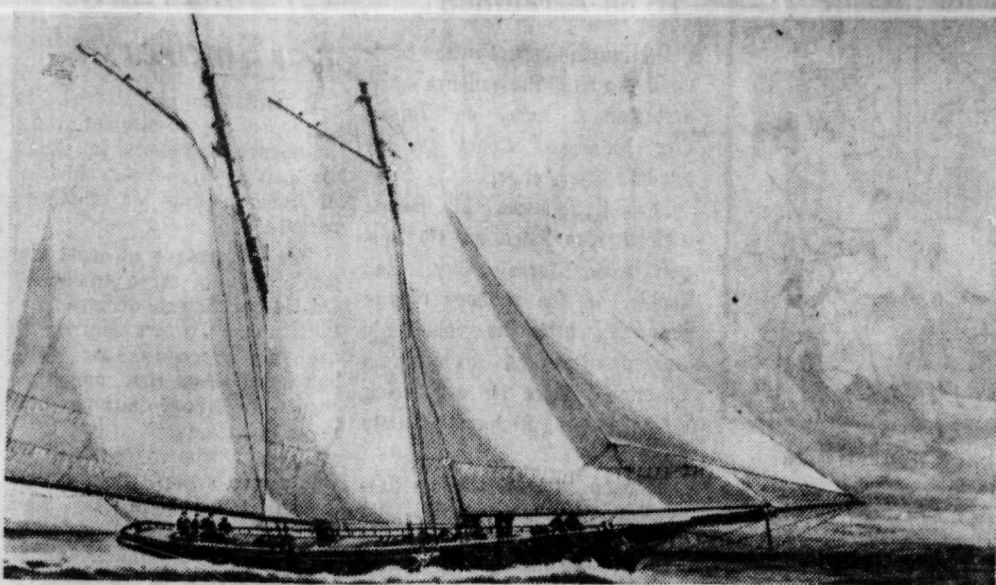
These nine who formed the club included John Cox Stevens, whose family mansion overlooked the Hudson River at Castle Point, Hoboken; Hamilton Wilkes, William Edgar, John C. Jay, a descendant of the United States' George L. Schuyler, scion of the noted Albany family which produced Gen. Philip Schuyler, of Revolutionary War fame, whose daughter, Betsy married Alexander Hamilton; James M. Waterbury, Louis A. Dupau, George E. Rollins and James Rogers.

THEY held their first stated meeting in Windhorst's Coffee House on Park Row, Manhattan, and there elected Stevens as commodore, Wilkes, vice commodore; Jay, recording secretary, and Edgar, treasurer. On their first schooner run to Newport, R.I., the new club members met Captain R.B. Forbes of Boston, cruising on the chartered pilot boat "Belle" and Col. W.P. Winchester of Boston, who was cruising on his schooner, "Northern Light."

These two and David Sears were the first three Bostonians to join the club. Already a circle was reaching beyond the narrow circle of New York and its immediate environs.

OUTSTANDING among the members and the "moving spirit" was Commodore Stevens. The oldest surviving child of Col. John Stevens, he was born in the "Villa," the Stevens mansion which preceded Castle Stevens on what is now the world-famous Stevens Institute of Technology campus at Hoboken. He was born Sept. 24, 1785. His mother was the former Rachel Cox, daughter of Col. John Cox, Revolutionary Army officer who lived in "Blossbury Court," the lovely colonial mansion now known as "Trent House" in Trenton.

Col. Stevens, the future commodore's father, was the founder of present day Hoboken. He had purchased all 680 acres of it for 360 pounds or about \$90,000 at an auction at Tontine's Coffee House in New York on March 16, 1784. The property had belonged to William Bayard, who had supported the British during the American War for Independence and when the colonists won, his lands were confiscated by the new State of



'AMERICA' — The schooner 'America' challenged the best Britain had to offer in 1851. This 1901 watercolor by W. G. Ward in the historical picture collection of the Jersey City Library is from an oil portrait by C. L. Elliott which hung in Castle Stevens, Hoboken.

New Jersey and put up for sale at auction. Bayard had skipped to Canada to avoid arrest.

IN ADDITION to being a Revolutionary Army veteran and large landowner, Stevens was a widely-read scholar and perhaps the greatest inventive genius of his generation. Had it not been for Robert Fulton's monopoly of the Hudson River, a privilege acquired through his financial backer, Chancellor Robert R. Livingston, from whose estate on the Hudson at Tivoli, N.Y., called "Clermont," Fulton's craft derived its now famous name, Stevens rather than Fulton would probably have come down to us in our history books as the "inventor" of the steamboat.

As it is, Stevens had the distinction of being the designer and builder of the first steam locomotive to run on rails in America — on a circular track constructed on his grounds at Hoboken's Castle Point in 1825. Together with his sons Robert L. and Edwin A., he was constantly experimenting; their list of "firsts" would fill many pages. All the Stevenses, probably because they lived on the shores of the Hudson, were enthusiastic yachtsmen, as well as naval architects and marine engineers.

ABOVE his "Villa," at the Point, Stevens had laid out a large picnic grove popularly known as the "Elysian Fields," which soon became the chief recreational spot for tired New Yorkers. Seeking this sylvan retreat, whenever possible, they came over on the early Hoboken Ferry, which was another of the Stevens enterprises. To reach the "Elysian Fields," one followed the path which led from the ferry through the woods, a winding road with breathtaking vistas of the Hudson all the way.

It was on a part of these fields that Commodore Stevens donated a site for the first clubhouse of the newly formed New York Yacht Club. The club first occupied it on July 15, 1845. All of the yacht races started from this point, with the clubhouse extending up the river to Fort Washington, opposite Fort Lee, and back downstream to the Narrows.

IN 1868, when the Pennsylvania Railroad was casting covetous eyes on the area around 10th Street, bordering on the

river, for its new marine repair yard and docks, the club decided it was time to move. The little frame building was placed on a float and towed to a more secure spot at Clifton, Staten Island. Stevens's Camden and Amboy, New Jersey's first railroad, (absorbed into the Pennsylvania Railroad), was fast developing the state, and as a consequence was disrupting the rural charm and picturesque atmosphere of his "Elysian Fields."

By the turn of the century, the little clubhouse on Staten Island had largely fallen into disuse; there were plans to demolish it. But Commodore John Pierpont Morgan, of Wall Street fame, decided otherwise. He knew its history and regarded it as a landmark. The result — the little clubhouse was once again lifted off its foundation, put on a barge and towed off. This time the move was to Glen Cove, Long Island; nearby was the palatial J.P. Morgan estate.

THERE at Glen Cove it remained for nearly a half a century, being the New York Yacht Club's station 10. Then on June 9, 1949, the tiny building was afloat again. This time to its present and final mooring — at the Mystic Seaport Museum in Mystic, Conn.

The Museum is above New London on Block Island Sound. It can be reached by Route 95 from New Rochelle, N.Y. A tablet on the original clubhouse, which once stood in Hoboken, reads: "New York Yacht Club. Original Clubhouse. Built 1844. Loaned to the Marine Historical Society and moved to this site in the Mystic Seaport in June, 1949. This move was arranged through the efforts of Henry S. Morgan, commodore, New York Yacht Club and accomplished through the generosity of Commodore Morgan and J. Burr Bartram, his family and friends as a memorial to J. Percy Bartram, staunch believer in the lasting influences of marine traditions." The building is a treasure trove of yachting memorabilia and is open to the public.

VISITORS from Hudson County may take special delight in remembering that within its walls in 1850, Commodore Stevens and his New York Yacht Club colleagues discussed and decided to accept the original challenge from the Royal Yacht

of Britain for the crossing, she was held down by a fine store of provisions, which according to the customs of the times, included a stock of the best wines and liquors, for regular consumption and with which to toast victors and vanquished on the other side.

The account of the race often has been told. That the "America," 93 feet, six inches long; 22 feet and six inches wide; nine feet in depth and 170-50-95ths tons, was one of the finest and fastest racing schooners ever built, up to that time, cannot be denied. Watching the race from her own Royal yacht was Queen Victoria.

WHEN the racers had completed the course of 93 nautical miles, and were heading for the finish, Her Majesty asked: "Are the yachts in sight?" "Yes, it may please Your Majesty," her signal master replied. "Which is first?" "The America," came the reply. "Which is second?" asked the Queen. "Ah, Your Majesty, there is no second."

Thus, yachting history was made on that memorable day: April 22, 1851. The trophy: "America's Cup," with Commodore Stevens's name engraved on it, has been held by the New York Yacht Club ever since, despite innumerable challenges, the most remembered those by the gallant Sir Thomas Lipton with his several "Shamrocks."

THE VOYAGE across the Atlantic Ocean was under sails belonging to the pilot-boat "Mary Taylor," (her racing sails and gear were stored in the hold.) In addition to 45 tons

Four Stevens Students 9/8/69 9 Hired to Aid Hoboken's Program to Control Rats

Hoboken's \$353,000 rat and insect control program took another step towards going into full swing with the announcement today that nine persons have been appointed to various jobs within the program.

Raymond G. Clyons, program coordinator, said five men have been hired to work with Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale under the program. They will be responsible for keeping the sewers and catch basins free of rodents, making inspections of homes and buildings for rats and insects and conditions which might breed them.

The men are Fred Cuttolo of 107 Harrison St., a retired

fireman; Anthony DeNicola of 720 Hudson St., Angel Luis Rivera of 69 Bloomfield St., Nicholas Citro of 503 Monroe St. and Sam Bello of 509 5th St.

Clyons said four students from Stevens Institute of Technology have also been hired for a four or five week period to assist in the city engineer's office on the different aspect of the control program. All are studying to be engineers.



KING ME—Olga Gonzales watches over young checkers players in Hoboken's summer recreation program. Programmed fun for youngsters is sponsored by the city's Board of Education. (Jersey Pictures)



ADMINISTRATORS OATH—Hoboken City Clerk Anthony J. Amoroso (left) administers oath to Councilmen-at-Large Thomas A. Gallo, Bernard Scrivani and Stephen Mongiello, who were reelected to four-year terms May 13. Gallo was sub

Nowhere to Go But Up

New Buyers Have Plans for Shore Railroad

The Hoboken Shore Railroad was organized in 1897 by the Stevens family and through the years has seen its ups and downs.

According to John Rees, the new vice-president of the railroad, it is so far down now it has to look up to see the bottom.

REES and several associates are in the process of buying the railroad in a deal that should be completed by the end of the month.

"The shape of this railroad," said Rees, "is indicative of most railroads in the United States." He blamed the decline of most railroads on apathetic and indifferent management.

"Most presidents of railroads are lawyers, members of the so-called establishment, who sit behind their desks and look at progress reports," he said.

ONCE THE SALE of the railroad is finalized the new owners plan to rebuild the existing buildings and make the railroad as prosperous as it once was.

With new waterfront facilities going up all around them, they plan to rebuild an existing pier, which reaches into the Weehawken cove and out into the Hudson River.

"THE PIER will be used for the express purpose of bringing in more business for the railroad," said Rees.

The Hoboken Shore Railroad is a switching railroad. It serves as an extension of many of the country's larger railroads.

These railroads leave boxcars containing goods for several Hoboken industries, in a yard in Weehawken. One of the two Hoboken Shore's diesel engines travels to the yard, picks up the car and delivers it to wherever it's supposed to go.

THE RAILROAD SERVICES such industries as Bethlehem Steel, Maxwell House and Standard Oil.

Although the railroad operates over 11 miles of track, it covers only two miles from beginning to end. It is thought to be one of the shortest railroads in the world.

The railroad grounds have been the victim of repeated vandalism recently and the new owners plan to put a stop to that. According to Rees, the yard will be cleaned up, secured and a round-the-clock guard will be put on duty.

A PARKING LOT situated next to the yard will be done away with, possibly to make room for more tracks. This in turn would enable the railroad to store more boxcars.

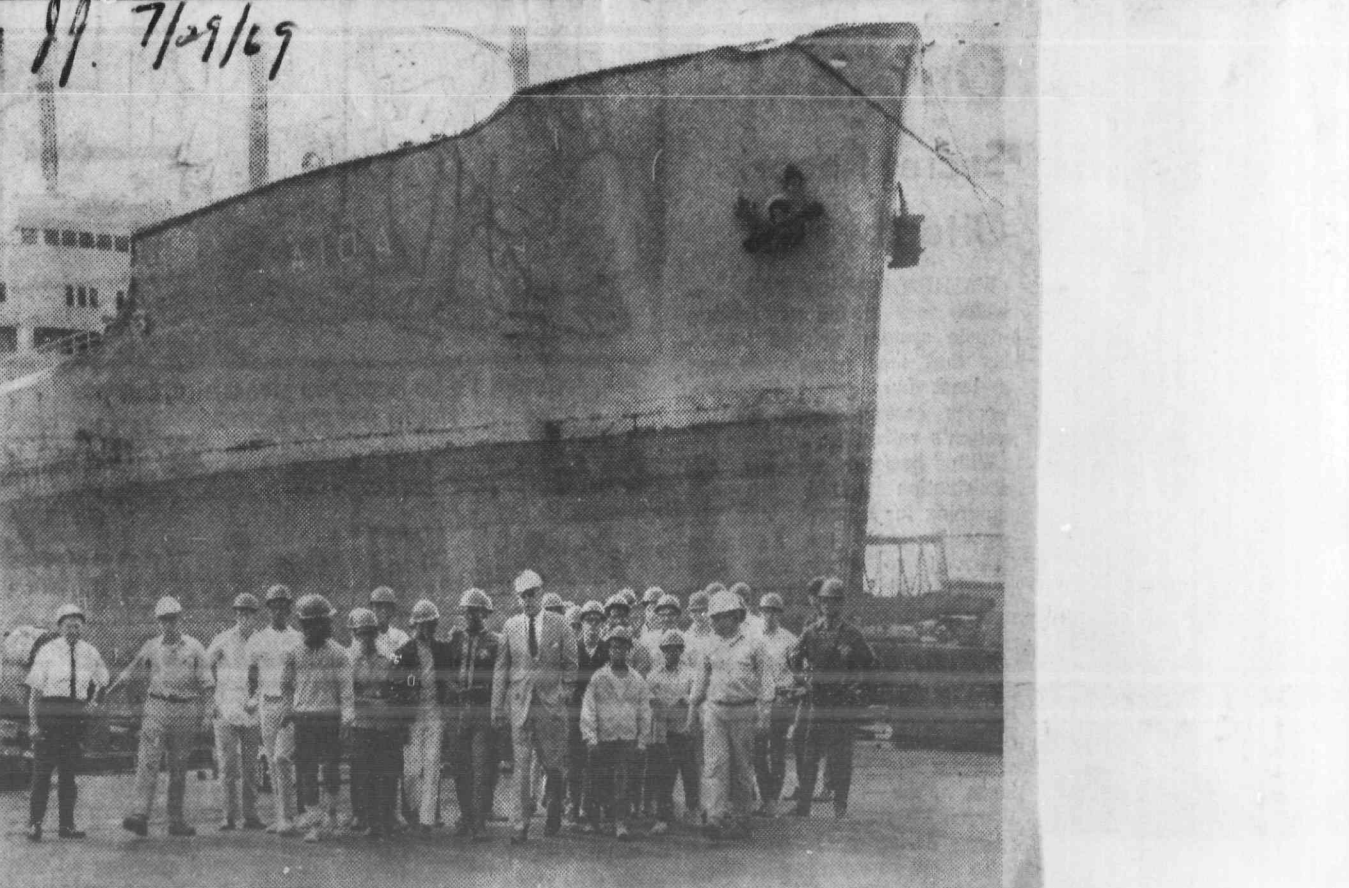
"We will try to get more of Hoboken's industries to use our facilities," Rees said. "The only way this railroad is going to make any money is if we go out to the companies, because they are not going to come to us."



John Rees looking over railroad's pier on Hoboken waterfront.



A bustling Hoboken Shore Railroad in 1957. The same "poorly managed" railroad today.



SHIPYARD TOUR — Teenagers participating in the Stevens Institute Technical Enrichment Program are given a tour of the Bethlehem Shipyards in Hoboken by Douglas Mansell, plant manager, and Donald Finley. The program, Operation STEP, is designed to prepare underprivileged children for a college education.



FLAG RAISING — The Puerto Rican flag is raised over Hoboken City Hall by Mayor Louis DePascale and officials of the Arecibeno Social Club which is sponsoring the local celebration of Puerto Rico Week. Festivities are planned until the end of memorial week on Friday.

Installation of Park Phones Starts to Pay Off in Less Vandalism

Citizen Calls Aid Police Department

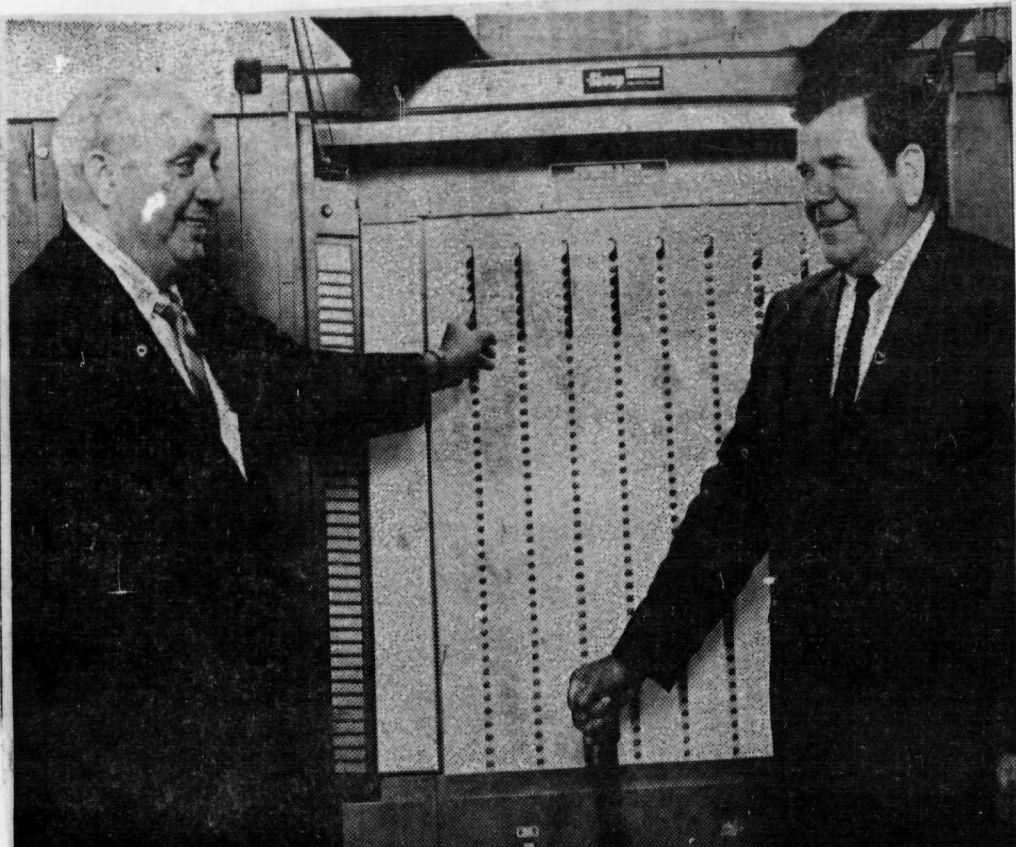
The installation of phones in Hoboken's three city parks is already starting to pay off, according to Parks Director Anthony F. Damato.

Damato said today that several calls have been made to police from the phone in Church Square Park by citizens who observed something out of the ordinary going on.

"POLICE RESPONDED quickly and things were quickly back to normal," Damato said. "It was mostly minor things involving kids who were getting a little out of hand."

Damato added that phones were in the process of being installed in Elysian Park and Stevens Park and would possibly be in operation by next week.

"I'm happy to report that acts of vandalism in Church Square Park seem to have tapered off somewhat since the phone became operational," he continued. "I can't say for certain that it is due to the phone but it would appear that it had something to do with it."



NEW VOTING MACHINES—Joseph T. Brady (left), Hudson County election superintendent, points out new feature on one of the county's 530 new voting machines—"tickets" of candidates are listed vertically instead of horizontally. James F. Quinn, county clerk, was also on hand for the photograph, taken at the voting machine warehouse in Jersey City. *HD 8/19/69*

Only 100 Cars There

Free Parking Lot Has Space to Spare

Hoboken's recently opened free parking lot between Third and Fourth Streets and River and Hudson Streets appears to be meeting with a small measure of success, but nowhere near what it is capable of.

The lot was officially opened for public parking Wednesday by Mayor Louis DePascale. A check yesterday showed that almost 100 cars were parked around the area. However, the square block is capable of handling several times that number.

THE VAST majority of the cars were parked around the perimeter of the lot and were only one deep. By noon most of the entrances to the interior portions of the lots were blocked off by these cars.

One motorist observed parking on the perimeter was asked why he didn't pull in more and allow space for other cars behind him. "I could," he replied, "but then I might get blocked in and I wouldn't be able to get out of here later."

HE ADDED that he worked on the American Export Isbrandtsen Piers, across the street from the lot, and that most of the cars parked there belonged to dock workers who had been using the lot almost three weeks.

"No one said we couldn't or tried to stop us, so we've been parking here every day since," he said.

ALTHOUGH the lot, one of

three which will be used in the Hudson Street Urban Renewal Program, is supposed to have been filled in, the fill used isn't exactly the best.

The area is fairly level but is loaded with large rocks which make driving difficult within the confines of the lot.

WHEN announcing the opening of the lot, DePascale said an attendant might be stationed there if it was indicated that one was necessary.

"They're going to have to put somebody here or else most of the area is going to go to waste," said the dock worker. "Nobody wants to pull into the middle because they are afraid they will get boxed in and won't be able to get out again."

Supermarine's Bid 8/11/69

Hoboken Awaits Decision

From Firm on Shipyard

Hoboken expects a decision from Supermarine Inc. within the next few weeks on what the company will offer as a minimum bid on the portion of the Todd Shipyard resting in Hoboken, Mayor Louis DePascale said today.

DEPASCALE met with Mayor Louis DePascale said today. "A great deal was accomplished at our last meeting," the mayor said. "Besides price, we also discussed the mechanics of the sale."

DEPASCALE met with Charles Krause, a former Weehawken mayor and a mem-

ber of the law firm representing Supermarine, and officials of the company last week.

"As I understand it, the company is still evaluating its financial position and attempting to secure funds to purchase the property. This is just about completed," DePascale said.

"When it is, the firm will notify Hoboken and Weehawken by letter of what it will be willing to offer as its minimum bid on the Todd land."

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Sewermen Have Cleaned 15 Per Cent of Hoboken's Catch Basins

Vitale Sees Year Needed For All

Approximately 15 per cent of Hoboken's catch basins have been thoroughly cleaned out by the recently established sewer division of Hoboken's department of public works. But it will be at least a year, according to director Raphael P. Vitale, before all of the basins have been done.

"The crew has been fortunate to have accomplished as much as it has in the four or five weeks that it has been on the job," he said. "However, the worst is yet to come. What has been accomplished so far is due directly to the fact that we haven't worked our way into the heavily populated areas yet."

VITALE said the crew started working on Observer Highway and was proceeding north doing the east and westbound streets. Eventually all streets would be done and then a systematic schedule would be set up for the cleaning process.

"As the demands on our equipment are increased, the less effective the equipment will become," he continued. "Most of it is old and will probably start breaking down as the burden increases."

CLEANING out the catch basins is a two-step process. First, the muck and accumulated junk is scooped out. After this is done, a wire is snaked through from the catch basin to the main sewer line. A device is attached to the end of the line which breaks up any clots and cleans much from the walls of the line.

Vitale bases his estimate of a year for cleaning out all of the catch basins on the possibility of the city getting some assistance from the state in the way of funds to purchase additional equipment for the program.

HE HAD asked for funds to buy a backhoe, an asphalt roller, a cement mixer, a new bucket scoop for cleaning out catch basins, and two new trucks. The director also has asked the state for funds to install 100 new catch basins throughout the city.

According to Vitale, most of the old basins are in need of repair or redesign. The money would cover this cost.

"WE'VE BEEN experimenting for some time with new connections between the catch basins and the main sewer lines," Vitale explained. "We have found that if the line between the basin and the main is raised so that the point of connection at the lower line is higher, the catch basins operate more effectively and there are seldom any backups."

The director also said that several more old catch basins have been uncovered by the crew. The basins were asphalted over during street resurfacing jobs but are now being opened again.

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Unauthorized Dumping of Lumber Is Splinter in Hoboken's Side

Big Fine Awaits Culprit Officials Have Suspect

Hoboken has gone into the lumber business but not by choice. And, according to Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale, it is a losing proposition to boot.

Vitale explained that within the last week or so someone had started dumping large truckloads of used lumber at several different locations in the northwest section of the city.

"IT IS obviously from a demolition site somewhere," he said. "The contractor probably feels that he is saving a few dollars since most dumps charge extra for accepting waste building materials."

"But in the long run it is going to cost him much more than he would have paid to dump it in a licensed dump. The fine I will demand be imposed on him by our local court will make up for it."

VITALE said that last Saturday three separate loads of used lumber were dumped right in the middle of Madison Street between 14th and 15th Streets. It took the city several hours to pick it up and allow traffic to use the street again.

On other occasions, loads of lumber have been dumped at sites near the city's sewage treatment plant at 16th and Grand Streets.

"WE HAVE to get rid of it just like anyone else," the director continued. "The city has to pay extra at its dump to get rid of the lumber so it is additional cost for the department."

Vitale said that his staff is investigating the incident and has a pretty good idea of who is doing it.

"We're keeping an eye on the area and our chief suspect," he added.

He declined to say who the department believed was responsible, saying that suspicion was not proof and that he didn't want to blame anyone until there is proof.

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Youngsters in Neighborhood Program Exhibit Accomplishments

Art Work, Puppets Shown

The children participating in Hoboken's Christian Summer Neighborhood Program at the 10 Garden Street Association were given a chance last night to show off what they have done this summer.

At a playground on Park Avenue near Observer Highway he children gathered to exhibit some of the art work they have done since the program began some six weeks ago.

IN ADDITION to a puppet show, with puppets made by the children in the program, there was singing and refreshments. The highlight of the evening was a film done by the children on Hoboken. The youngsters were given a camera and told to shoot. They did, creating a short film on what was important to them in their city.

THE PROGRAM is being run in cooperation with 15 churches in Hudson, three of which are in Hoboken.

Twelve of the 70 college students from all over the country who are working with the CNSP on a volunteer basis are involved with the Hoboken churches.

ACCORDING to Rev. John Stanton, pastor of Trinity Episcopal Church, the program offers for the first time individual tutoring in school subjects, especially reading.

"Each child in the program has a half-hour appointment each morning," said Rev. Stanton. "We have found that they respond better to individual tutoring and therefore make greater progress."

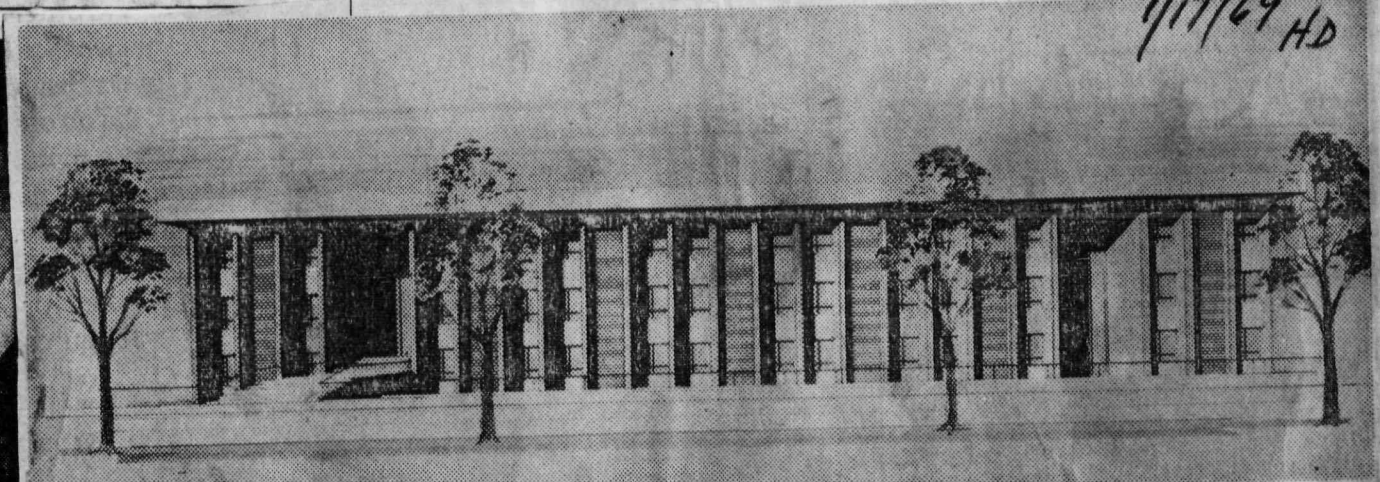


PUPPETEERS — Ismael Padilla and George Ramos show off their hand puppets to Rev. John Stanton at the last day of the Children's Summer Program, 62 Park Ave., Hoboken. (Jersey Pictures)



SCALING THE HEIGHTS—Rope climbers Rita Hayes and Terrence Brown exercise at Mile Square City's summer recreation program. Activities include athletics, swimming, games, and arts and crafts. *14N-2 Col caption—*

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NEW WALLACE SCHOOL—Hoboken's new Wallace School, to be located at the site of the present school, 11th and Clinton sts., was unveiled at a special meeting of Hoboken Board of Education at Union Club this week.

Hoboken Board Shows Photos Of Rebuilt School

Hoboken Board of Education this week unveiled photos of its proposed \$1.8 million Wallace School to be constructed at the site of the present school.

The school, a modernistic one-story facility, would house many of the offices of the board of education now on Park av. The photos were unveiled by officials from the architectural firm of Compagno & Kenny at a special meeting in the Union Club.

The present school, built in 1889, will be utilized, once the new building is constructed, as a play area, and the new facility will house an estimated 1,400 students. The school will be financed with a \$1,852,000 state bond issue.

Litigation Nears End

Hoboken to Pay Todd \$850,000 Pursuant to Court Order

An agreement has been reached by Hoboken and in Weehawken, N.J., to settle the litigation between the two cities over the Todd Shipyard.

The agreement was announced in a communication from the city's tax expert, Herbert Fine, to the Hoboken City Council yesterday morning.

Fine recommended to the council that they approve payment of \$850,000 to Todd Shipyards and that this sum be paid the company by Sept. 1.

The superior court several months ago ordered Hoboken to pay Todd \$875,353.82 along with six per cent interest yearly to cover the total amount of money that was overcollected by the city for Todd property.

Todd for several years owned property in the northern portion of Hoboken and in Weehawken, N.J.

It abandoned the property about four years ago. Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale said yesterday that the recommendation by Fine should be carried out by the council without any difficulty and would facilitate obtaining a deed for the property.

Tax Lien Follows Once the city obtains the deed it would start process to obtain a tax lien on the property for delinquent taxes that Todd owes and refuses to pay.

A public auction would then be held. It is expected that most of the Hoboken Todd property would be purchased by the Supermarine Corp.

Supermarine several weeks ago purchased the central portion of the Todd property from General Services Administration for \$1,000,000.

The corporation's intention to purchase the entire property in order to convert it to an storage facility. In other actions before Hoboken City Council a hearing held on extending by one year the time Hoboken taverns remain open on Saturday nights.

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Aide Mum on Crime Statistics

Hoboken Planner Won't Tell Who Wrote Report

Hoboken Model Cities Director Michael Coleman yesterday refused to divulge the name of the person who wrote a portion of the public safety segment of a massive report which showed Hoboken's crime picture.

The report, which was sent to the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, will be used by federal authorities to determine how much money Hoboken should receive for its Model Cities program. The study is required by law to be an objective, concise and factual document.

The report, a two-volume set known as "Hoboken, N.J., Model Cities Plan," outlines in detail, including estimated costs over a five-year period, the problems that are faced in Hoboken in almost every segment of life. Stress is given to education, employment, income maintenance, health, public safety, social problems, housing and neighborhood environment, transportation, and recreation and culture.

Coleman, who, prior to coming to Hoboken had no experience with a major model cities program as a director, was specifically asked from whom the public safety figures cited in the report was obtained, and who did the research.

Coleman, prior to an interview in his second floor office at 84 Washington st., had stated publicly he would divulge any information that the public wished in relation to the Model Cities program.

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Hoboken Tribute to Marconi Today

By JOHN WHITLEY
Millions of viewers gathered around their TV sets yesterday to witness "live" man's first step on the moon.

Today many will gather around the statue of Guglielmo Marconi in Hoboken to pay tribute to the man who made it all possible.

Marconi, inventor of the wireless, whose experiments with electromagnetic waves pioneered the age of radio and television, will be honored by the city of Hoboken at 4:30 p.m. in Church Square Park.

Twice annually the Hoboken Chapter of UNICO National, in cooperation with the city, sponsors ceremonies in honor of the Italian inventor, whose contribution to the world of communications is immeasurable.

Wreath-laying ceremonies are held each year in Apr. 25 in celebration of Marconi's birth in Bologna, Italy, in 1874, and again on July 20, the date of his death in Rome in 1937.

In February of that year, John Minervini, a wealthy Hoboken merchant, was granted permission to erect a 12-in., 17-foot high statue depicting "Wireless Holding the World," in honor of the "Father of Radio."

Earlier Display
The statue had previously been displayed in the Italian pavilion at the New York World's Fair in 1939-40. Scheduled for return to Italy after the fair, the statue was taken to a Hoboken pier for shipping, but when World War 2 broke out, American troops took priority over the return of the statue, and it rested, forgotten, on a Hoboken pier for more than a decade.

It was during the war that Minervini first came across the statue. He discovered it while delivering rations to a troopship. The statue, which had been dubbed "Minnie Marconi," was purchased by Edward Zampella,

for erection in Jersey City. But religious groups in Jersey City found the statue objectionable, because it was nude from the waist up. After the statue was rejected for similar reasons in Lodi, Minervini purchased "Minnie" for a few hundred dollars.

Minervini obtained permission to erect "Minnie" in Church Square Park, from Mayor John J. Grogan, under the condition that the upper part of the torso be covered.

Minervini contracted with a New York sculpting firm to chisel clothing on the upper half and concrete for "Minnie's" pedestal, was poured in Church Square Park.

Dogged by Bad Luck
But "Minnie" became the victim of misfortune again before she ever reached her pedestal. As she was being loaded onto a truck for transportation from Minervini Importing Co. to Church Square Park, a boom on the crane which was lifting her gave way, sending "Minnie" crashing to the ground.

Still determined to honor the "wireless," Minervini assigned a crack team of sculptors the task of putting "Minnie" back together again for erection in the park.

The cost of repairing the statue by welding together the fractured segments was about \$10,000.

If the repair problems weren't enough to bother Minervini, city officials came up with others. Mayor Grogan announced that no more attempts would be made to put "Minnie" atop her pedestal until she was returned to her original form and declared structurally sound.

When "Minnie" could not be repaired, Grogan then announced that a new statue would be erected on the pedestal originally constructed for her.

For Four Chaplains
The new statue was dedicated to four Army chaplains who went down with the torpedoed troop ship Dorchester during World War 2, John Washington, Clark V. Poling, Alexander Goode, and Rabbi George L. Fox.

Minervini never abandoned his dream of honoring his idol. In 1958 he traveled to Italy to make arrangements for a new statue honoring Marconi.

Plans for a sculpture depicting "Wireless Holding the Heart of the World," along with superimposed images of the four chaplains.

When Minervini returned from Italy with blueprints for the new 12,000-pound statue of Marconi he presented the plans to Mayor Grogan, who said he thought the statue would be an asset to the community.

"Wireless Holding the Heart of the World" was imported from Italy in 1961, and in May of that year Minervini's dream was realized, when the statue was erected in Church Square Park.

The statue, made of Carrara marble, was sculptured by Arturo Dazzi at a cost of \$12,000. Inscribed on it are those words: "This monument, donated by John Minervini under the auspices of Mayor John J. Grogan, honors the great Italian genius who discovered wireless, Guglielmo Marconi."

An estimated 500 persons witnessed its unveiling at dedication ceremonies on July 11, 1961. Among the guests were Marcella Marconi, widow of the inventor, Guglielmo, his son, and Marconi's two daughters, Mrs. George A. Abraga of Closter and

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To Replace Main Garden Street Residents Face Another Drought

Trate Hoboken residents living on Garden Street, between Newark Street and Observer Highway, were warned today by Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale that they will probably be without water again for several days next week or the week after while the city replaces the water line along the entire block. They were also warned that further protesting would not sit well with the director.

The residents lost all water service Monday when the line broke at several points requiring the city's water department crew to dig up a large section of the street. Service was restored at about 4 a.m. yesterday.

NOT SATISFIED with the department's efforts to restore the service, the residents marched on city hall yesterday afternoon protesting that they hadn't received any prior notice that the water was to be turned off and that unsanitary conditions have resulted.

Vitale said today that the repairs on the line were "temporary" and that the entire water line along that section of Garden Street would have to be replaced.

"THIS WILL be done within the next week or so, as soon as we receive the lengths of pipe we have ordered," he continued. "Once they arrive, the water will have to be shut off again while the old pipe is taken out and replaced with the new."

"If they are going to demonstrate when we do that they had better be ready to put up with me," said a visibly angry Vitale.

"I'VE GOT an burning desire to start telling it like it is and I don't think they are going to like what I have to say. My men and myself have been insulted by a group of citizens who didn't know what they were talking about, hadn't they?

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Councilman Francis Finnerty



Chief Edward Sheehy

Row Centers

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cord with such thoughts, and look forward to a civil service exam to decide the situation. But in the interim, the office of the acting police chief is always open, as is my office, to suggestions as to how to improve the department."

Finnerty's brother is Detective Sgt. Matthew Finnerty, who has been transferred in duty assignment from the anti-gambling squad to round-the-clock police duty, then to the criminal identification bureau on steady day tours of duty, then to the anti-gambling squad.

Wilson said: "I'm told that in his new assignment as head of the city council's watchdog committee, Councilman Finnerty wants a revision of the 1922 code of rules and regulations that control the police and fire departments. The matter of a revision of the 1922 rules and regulations was brought to my attention by the late Police Chief Ambrose A. Ryan. His sudden death stopped such action."

And referring to comments by Councilman Finnerty that the police department is "top heavy with superiors," the Hoboken public safety official said: "I agree. I advanced this thought to the city council as late as this week at a conference attended by Mr. Finnerty and Councilmen John Palmieri, Louis Francone, Anthony Romano and Council President Thomas A. Gallo.

"I do not favor any addition of police superiors, once two of our present captains are retired," Wilson added. Both Capt. Walter Fallon and Patrick Ricciardi are beyond the civil service mandatory age of retirement.

"And," said Wilson, "I'm not in favor of promoting any member of the department up through the ranks as long as the police department continues to be loaded with superiors. When present superior officers retire, their ranks will not be replaced. And reports that acting superiors will be advanced to a higher rank are not true."

It was noted for the record that since the reelection of Mayor DePascale in May, reorganization of the different departmental committees resulted in Finnerty succeeding Councilman Cappiello as head of the police and fire committee. It is also noted that on the same committee with Finnerty is Councilman Romano, also a police officer on leave of absence. The former public safety committee chairman, Councilman Cappiello, is a police sergeant on leave of absence.

Defending his position as head of the public safety department in the wake of Councilman Finnerty's attack on the efficient operation of the police department, Director Wilson said, "It is the duty of the city council committee to function as a legislative body. It is their duty to formulate and augment the department's facilities. But theirs is only an administrative control, an administrative function in the

Row Centers on Police Could Herald Struggle for Power

By JACK ECKHARDT

Criticism of the Hoboken Police Department leveled by Fifth Ward Councilman Francis Finnerty in his new role as head of the city's "watch-dog" safety committee, was angrily rebutted yesterday by Hoboken Law Director E. Norman Wilson, head of the police and fire departments.

Councilman Finnerty, who back in 1933 joined political forces with ex-Councilman Edward J. Borroni in opposing the administration of incumbent Mayor Louis DePascale and the late John J. Grogan, switched his political allegiance when DePascale defeated the Borroni forces in 1965. He became a member of DePascale's forces, until yesterday.

Councilman Finnerty said: "A

major reorganization and modernization of the police department is slated as soon as the city gets a permanent police chief."

Wilson, recognized as having the backing of Mayor DePascale in his post as head of the police and fire departments, said: "The need for manpower and equipment within the public safety department should not be overshadowed by the rantings of a few individuals."

Political observers at city hall yesterday studied the possibility that Finnerty's attack upon the police departments may be part of a movement to join forces with Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello and First Ward Councilman Anthony Romano in a power struggle to buck the DePascale administration.

Wilson yesterday declared:

"It is my opinion, and I sincerely believe that of the Hoboken public, that Acting Police Chief Edward J. Sheehy has increased the efficiency and the discipline of the city's police department since he took over in that acting capacity last year. Until such time as Civil Service calls for an exam for a regular police chief post, I'll go along with Chief Sheehy."

Records show that the position of Hoboken police chief is open to Civil Service competitive exams between Acting Chief Sheehy and Capt. George Crimmins, in addition to Captains Walter Lebrink, Arthur Marotta, Walter Fallon and Patrick Ricciardi. It is believed that both Capt. Ricciardi and Capt. Fallon would not take a Civil Service test.

While well-informed sources

within city hall yesterday expressed the belief that an exam for the Hoboken police chief's post will not be held until after the gubernatorial elections in November, rank-and-file members of the force continue to express their opinions about who will be the city's next police chief.

Chief Ambrose A. Ryan died

July 30 of last year, and since that time there has been speculation as to whether or not Acting Chief Sheehy or Capt. Crimmins will be Ryan's successor.

Said Director Wilson yesterday: "I'm told that Councilman Finnerty contends the city's police department would be operated successfully if there was a permanent chief. I am in accord with that view."

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Bumped by Mrs. Roland Della Fava to Spurn Lesser Court Job

Pasquale Della Fava, Hoboken's former acting municipal court clerk, is expected to refuse a lower position as acting city violations clerk and will notify Judge Rudolph R. Naddeo of that decision Monday.

The judge will have a new court clerk to work with as the result of the swearing in yesterday afternoon of Mrs. Marion Roland, the city's first woman court clerk.

LAW AND PUBLIC Safety Director E. Norman Wilson had notified Mrs. Roland to report to the clerk's office yesterday to assume her temporary post and for Della Fava to report to the violations bureau to accept his new duties.

Both showed up yesterday morning, but Mrs. Roland remained in the violations bureau and Della Fava went to the court clerk's office. However, he did not take part in any court activities during the day.

WHEN ASKED if he were going to take the job in the violations bureau, Della Fava replied: "I have no comment until Judge Naddeo gets back and I have talked with him."

Judge Naddeo, on vacation, was expected to return to the bench yesterday. He did not. Acting Judge Chris G. Pappas handled his duties.

Informed sources report that Della Fava has advised both Mayor Louis DePascale and Director Wilson that he doesn't want the violations bureau job and will refuse to accept it.

MEANWHILE, Mrs. Roland's status remained in question because she had not been formally sworn in as temporary clerk. Court clerks must take an oath of office before they are allowed



Marion Roland, new court clerk

to perform their duties. No arrangements were made to have Mrs. Roland take her oath. Finally, Director Wilson stepped in and told Frank Lally, assistant city clerk, to administer the oath of office.

Yesterday's court session was handled by Patrolman Raymond Casler — who is having some problems of his own with civil service over his status.

CIVIL SERVICE SAYS that

he is working out of his job title — patrolman — and should be reassigned to police duties. The department is planning to call a test for deputy court clerk whose duties Casler performs.

However, Casler has been granted special permission to work in the court by the state's chief justice and has sent Civil Service copies of that decision.

Civil Service is reviewing the situation now and may possibly call off the test.



RAT HUNTERS — From left, Maria Classen and Grace Bilyars of Health Aid, and John Counts of the state Department of Health, with Doris Liguori, a health educator check a bale of clothing for signs of rats and other harmful rodents, at 11th Street and Park Avenue, Hoboken. They're active in Mile Square City's anti-rodent program. (Jersey Pictures)

Residents Slam Bus Service Irate at Delays in Hoboken

Hoboken police are investigating numerous complaints from residents concerning the independent bus line which runs along Washington Street.

The complaints said there were no buses running last Sunday until after 11 a.m. The buses start at 6 a.m.

SINCE these buses are the only ones that run within Hoboken, the commuters were left to use inter-city transportation, at a higher fare, or to walk.

"I think something ought to be done about this," said one angry commuter. "First you have to wait for a bus, then when one comes it's dirty and it's slow, and now they don't come at all."

ONE ELDERLY lady complained because she had to attend a later Mass than she had planned to. "I was going to go to 11 o'clock Mass," she said.

"But there was no bus. When the bus finally came, it was too late for that so I had to go to a later Mass."

Detective Richard Carroll, who is handling the investigation, said a complete report on this incident would be submitted to acting police chief Edward Sheehy, as soon as the investigation was completed.

A SPOKESMAN for the Public Utilities Commission which regulates the bus lines' activities, said they had not heard anything about these complaints.

When asked by The Jersey Journal if any action would be taken against the bus lines, the spokesman said that if they received written complaints from the Hoboken commuters the PUC would investigate the matter.

ANY complaints should be addressed to the Public Utilities Commission offices at 1100 Raymond Blvd. in Newark.

These bus lines have been under fire recently by the citizens of Hoboken. Among the complaints which have reached the Jersey Journal are the fact that the buses are dirty and slow, the drivers are discourteous, they frequently do not start on time and often stop running before they are scheduled to do so and they consistently do not pull into the curb to pick up or discharge passengers.

This does not include any safety violations which the PUC is supposed to check without complaints.

Has Hoboken Overspent Its Budget?

Speculation is mounting in Hoboken over the possibility of raising emergency appropriations so the city administration can meet operating expenses for the seven months remaining in its budgetary year.

The question arose following a charge leveled during yesterday's city council meeting by Councilman Steve Cappiello that city administrators "have already spent 90 per cent of their operating revenue."

"I GOT that information from excellent sources," said Cappiello, who unsuccessfully opposed Mayor Louis DePascale in his reelection bid this May.

Cappiello said a financial crisis in the Mile Square City is imminent and he traced it to poor management by the current administration.

Other council members blamed Hoboken's woes on a large quantity of "untaxable properties" the city can't touch.

CAPPIELLO, who cast a dissenting vote on every payroll and claim item at last night's meeting, lambasted Hoboken's present, 16-year-old, councilman government as "a failure."

"It's no wonder they're trying to build our town into a model city; we know its in bad shape, and the form of government we have has contributed heavily to that condition."

COUNCIL PRESIDENT Thomas Gallo, however, was quick to defend the present council system.

"It's workable, and the best we've got," he said.

Cappiello noted that Hoboken was really a "small city, and the fact that we have nine men sitting on this council just divides us. There's too many factions."

In other council action members approved:

AN EXTENSION to Oct. 1 by the city of the deed of the Todd Shipyard property located within city limits.

A RESOLUTION urging the state Assembly to enact a law permitting municipalities to adopt ordinances for the regulation of housing accommodations.

RATIFICATION of Mayor DePascale's action executing a contract with the state commissioner of health for the grant for urban rodent and insect control, under which the city will receive an advance of \$16,000.

AND, adoption of specifications for collection and removal of garbage, ashes and rubbish.

Inaugural Address Mayor Looks to Model Cities for Hoboken Growth

Hoboken's Model Cities plan, submitted to the federal government, will undoubtedly be approved, in the opinion of Mayor DePascale.

The mayor made this optimistic prediction yesterday to an enthusiastic crowd at City Hall after being sworn in for his second term of office. Councilman Stephen Cappiello, alone among the nine councilmen did not applaud.

"EDUCATION, housing and health services in Hoboken are

on the upgrade," the mayor said.

In his speech the mayor warned that "it is always darkest before the dawn. We have a tax problem in Hoboken," he stated. "But we are working to stabilize everything and move forward for a better Hoboken."

THE OATH of office was also administered to three reelected councilmen, who will serve for four years. They are Thomas A. Gallo, Bernard J. Scrivani and Stephen E.

Mongiello. The new city council then elected Gallo to serve as president for the coming year.

DePascale submitted his appointments and reappointments of directors and board members which were all approved by the council.

THEY ARE: Herman Bier, for his second term as director of administration; E. Norman Wilson, for his second term as director of law; Frank Bartlett, beginning his second term as director of revenue and finance; Raphael P. Vitale, for his se-

cond term as director of public works and Anthony Damato beginning his third term as director of health and welfare.

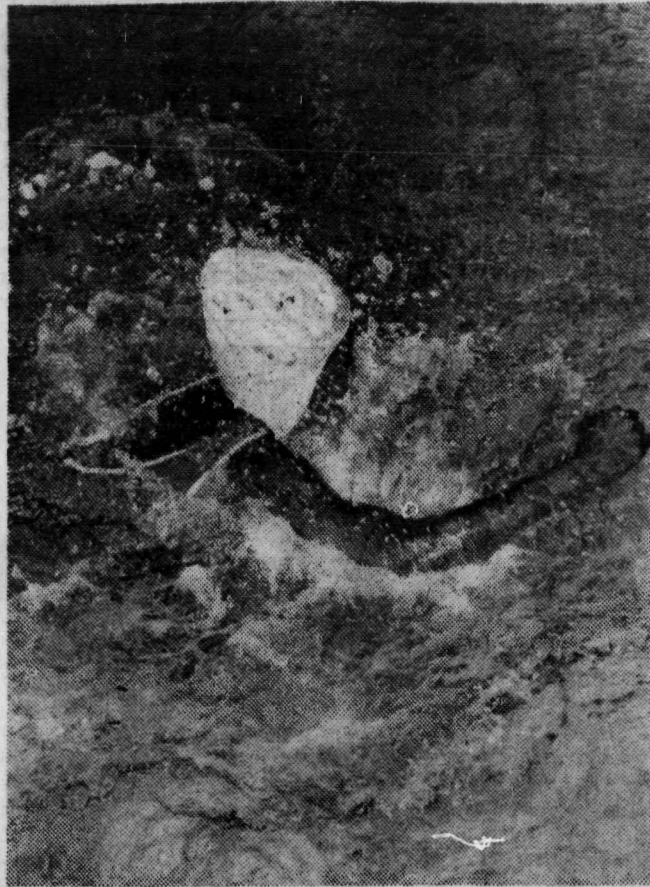
Richard Humphrey and Bier were appointed as members of the City Planning Board. New members are Dominic Spinetto, Andrew P. McGuire and Woodrow S. Monte.

The mayor also reappointed Patrick L. Caulfield as city engineer and Joseph Zang as a member of the board of trustees of the Free Public Library.

Junior Olympians 'Egged' on to Victory in Hoboken High School Pool



EGG RACE — Junior olympic's director Frank Spano makes notes on Frank Rizzo's victory in the junior olympian egg race at the Hoboken High School pool.



PRETTY FREE STYLE — Ophelia Richardson, 12, splashes and splashes her way to the finish line during free style race at junior olympics in Hoboken.



SPLISH! SPLASH! — Betty Ann McGuire keeps her mouth open and chin out of the water while doing the breast stroke at Hoboken junior olympic aquatics.



GLUB! — Mary Ann Ebersole keeps her head above water and her lips sealed during breast stroke race at junior olympic aquatics.



THINK IT'S EASY — Eggs they're not, but the job is still tedious as these four youngsters carry rubber balls on spoons during egg race at Hoboken junior olympics.

At Currie Woods Project

Tenants Join in Fight on Faulty Elevator Service

Edup with poor or non-existent elevator service in the 13-story Currie Woods project, tenants are banding together.

For the past three weeks, according to one tenant, both elevators in the building have been disabled most of the time. The elevator which stops at even number floors has been out since Friday. The odd-number floor elevator was "fixed," but according to Mrs. Letsey Bell, 10th-floor tenant, service is far from normal. "If you bump against one of the walls the elevator stops and the alarm starts ringing," she said.

TENANTS with heart condi-

tions have been forced to climb 10 floors during the stoppage, Mrs. Bell said. At one point, the door on the eighth floor was opened, exposing the elevator shaft. Police summoned to the scene closed the door until repairs could be made.

The source of the trouble is vandalism, according to Frank Duffy, maintenance coordinator for the housing authority. "Vandals have been putting the elevators out of service as fast as they can be repaired," he said. Duffy noted that the even-number elevator will be repaired as soon as parts are obtained, probably by the end of the week.

VANDALS resort to everything to knock out the elevators, Duffy said. He pointed out that by shorting the door switch with tinfoil it is possible for the doors to open even though the elevator is not at the floor.

For contrast look at Berry Gardens which is occupied by senior citizens," Duffy said. At Berry Gardens comparable elevator equipment is never out of service, he said.

BUT MRS. BERRY said the elevators are only the worst of the tenant's problems. High on the list are charges for late rent, which Mrs. Bell feels are unfair, and the holding of deposits

without interest.

"Last week when both elevators were out one woman with a heart condition had to climb up and down 10 flights of stairs to avoid paying a lateness charge of \$7.60. The manager won't excuse lateness because the elevators don't work," Mrs. Bell said.

"AND WHY shouldn't we get interest on the money the housing authority holds as a deposit on the apartments, the way the telephone company gives interest on deposits?" she asked. The tenants will meet Friday at 8 p.m. at building number six.

First in State Hoboken Moves to Set Up City-Operated Bus System

Immediate steps will be taken to implement Hoboken's municipal bus system, the first such system in the state, Mayor Louis DePascale said today after being notified that the State Public Utilities Commission has approved the city's application to operate the line.

BUS LINE

"I'm very happy and elated that the state has seen fit to allow Hoboken to be the first community to provide much needed bus service for its residents," DePascale said.

ALL PRELIMINARY STEPS

have been taken by the city. All that remains to be done is to place our order for the three buses, the hiring of personnel to operate and maintain them, and then starting the operation once the buses have been delivered."

The mayor added that it would probably be a few months before the buses were delivered once the order was placed. But this would be the most time consuming aspect of the venture.

IN ALL, the city plans to buy three buses, operate them from 6 a.m. to midnight daily at 20 minute intervals, and charge a 15-cent fare for the ride.

The route starts at Fourth and Hudson Streets, then west on Fourth to Jackson Street, north on Jackson to Fifth Street, east on Fifth to Madison Street, north on Madison to Seventh Street, east on Seventh to Hudson Street, and south on Hudson to its original starting point at Fourth Street.

HOBOKEN VOTERS gave the city permission to start the operation last November when they approved a referendum on the bus question by a margin of better than three to one.

David A. Waters of Jersey City, secretary to the PUC, said yesterday that the decision was reached by Commissioners William E. Ozzard and Anthony J. Grossi.

"They based their favorable decision on what they felt was a great public need for it which was shown at the two public hearings," Waters said.

WATERS ADDED that the city will be required to maintain

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Cappiello Wants Only One Company to Run Washington Street Buses

Would Bar All Other Franchises

A Hoboken councilman today said that he favored throwing open the franchise for bus service along Washington Street to any company which could show that it could handle the operation and then eliminate all other franchises.

Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello said that he planned to talk with Mayor Louis DePascale today about the suggestion in the hope of providing better bus service for residents who use the Washington Street buses.

ITS BEEN years since anyone could consider the service provided by the operators of the buses as first rate," he said. "We have lots of excuses from them why they can't keep on their schedules, or why the buses are dirty or their drivers rude to riders. But that's all we have — excuses. "We have also had lots of promises — most of them unkept — that the owners would take care of these things. Sure, it gets better for a few weeks. But after that, we're right back where we started."

ITS TIME the bus operators were put in the position of having to provide the kind of bus service our residents want or



Washington Street bus lumbers through Hoboken on its rounds.

get out of the bus business.

"When they accept a franchise, they also accept all the responsibilities that go along with them. If they can't meet these responsibilities then they shouldn't have a franchise."

Hoboken has a rather unusual situation since there is a franchise for every bus that operates along the Washington Street route rather than a franchise for every bus company. Seven or eight companies operate about 20 franchised buses.

"I FIND this situation unbelievable," Cappiello said. "We have operators keeping whatever hours they like but there is almost no way of telling who isn't doing their job. "The operators always blame the other operators."

"The only way to eliminate this problem is to eliminate most of the franchises and allow only one company to operate after it has shown the city it can handle the job and give us the service needed. Meanwhile, an investigation

by Hoboken police into complaints of no bus service along Washington Street last Sunday has been completed and forwarded to Acting Police Chief Edward Sheehy.

THE CHIEF said the report, compiled by Detective Richard Carroll, showed that there were supposed to be six buses working the route from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., but only one showed up. Six more buses were scheduled to come out at 3:30 p.m., making a total of 12 but only two appeared.

"The report stated that the operators say they are having trouble with getting qualified drivers and without drivers they can't send out the buses," Sheehy said.

SHEEHY ADDED that he thought a meeting of the owners with city and police officials was indicated and would be called in the immediate future. He said that he didn't know what could be accomplished since only about half of the owners bothered to appear the last time such a session was called.

PARKING

Continued substantial off-street facilities — the main purpose for its existence in the first place — why not disband the board and let the mayor handle the problem?

Mayor DePascale promised the use of those lots for off-street parking until the construction got underway. He is keeping his promise. But the authority has yet to justify its existence. It hasn't done anything in the last four years that the city couldn't have done while making a few dollars from the meter revenues at the same time.

"THE MAYOR has shown that he is a man of action and can get things done. But the authority has done little because it can't or just doesn't want to."

"Why not let the Mayor handle the parking problem? At least we would know that we had a half-way decent chance of getting something accomplished along the lines of adequate off-street parking."

Break for Hoboken Shoppers

You Can Park on Vacant Lot

Hoboken shoppers have long complained that finding a space on Washington Street between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. could be described only as an impossible dream. But Mayor Louis DePascale has made the dream come true — if only for a little while.

The mayor announced today that shoppers who care to do so may park their cars on the vacant city block between Third and Fourth Streets, and Hudson and River Streets.

"THE AREA has now been completely demolished and the vacant land filled in and leveled off," he said. "Motorists may park there without charge at any time of the day or night."

"Since the block is relatively close to the Washington Street shopping area it is hoped that motorists will take advantage of the lot and thereby relieve some of the congestion found along Washington Street," he continued. "We should also open a second

block for parking in a short time. The block between Second and Third Streets, and Hudson and River, have also been cleared of all buildings. However, it remains to be filled in and leveled off."

"DEMOLITION of the block between First and Second is well underway and should be completed within a few weeks. This lot will also be used for parking."

"Of course this is only a temporary measure since the parking will have to be eliminated once the construction work starts on the Grogan Marine View Plaza. But we will do everything in our power to keep the lots in operation until the very last minute."

THE MAYOR said that the city could not assume any responsibility for the cars parked in the lots and that persons who used them did so at their risk. "We aren't operating a parking lot, merely providing space

which motorists can use to park their cars if they wish," he said.

The mayor added that someone might be stationed at the lots to maintain order in parking so that the maximum number of spaces would be available. He said this would be determined after it was determined what use the lots were getting.

A SPOKESMAN for the executive board of the Hoboken Retail Bureau, which has been pushing for additional off-street parking for years, praised the mayor's action and at the same time condemned the city's parking authority.

"We welcome all additional parking space anywhere in the city, especially since the parking authority has failed so miserably in the last four years," the spokesman said.

"SINCE THE authority has yet to come up with any

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But Not Sworn In Mrs. Roland Begins Duties As Municipal Court Clerk

Mrs. Marion Roland assumes the duties today of Hoboken municipal court clerk although there is still some question of whether she can legally do so since no plans have yet been made officially to swear her in.

Law Director E. Norman Wilson notified Mrs. Roland yesterday she is to report to the court today to begin her duties as temporary court clerk. However, the director's notice included no mention of a swearing-in.

PASQUALE Della Fava, whom Mrs. Roland replaces, was sworn when he became acting court clerk last year before he was allowed to start the duties. He was sworn in again when reappointed to the post following the resignation of Frank Lyle as court clerk in June.

When asked about a swearing-in ceremony, Wilson said it was up to Municipal Court Judge Rudolph R. Naddeo. The judge was on vacation, but is expected back today.

ACTING Judge Chris G. Papas who has been sitting in for Naddeo said he didn't have any authority to swear in Mrs. Roland and that it was up to Wilson or Naddeo to do it.

According to the city clerk's office, the court clerk's job requires that the person filling it be sworn in, even though it is only in a temporary capacity.

Pizzerias and Pastries DePascale Tours Italian District

Mayor Louis DePascale of Hoboken, running for reelection on the Hudson County Democratic slate in the fall election, completed a "get acquainted" pre-election campaign tour in the Village section of downtown Jersey City ward yesterday afternoon through the medium of pizzerias, restaurants, pastry shops, fish markets and outdoor fruit stands in the picturesque Italian neighborhood.

DePascale was accompanied by natives of the area, Assemblyman Michael P. Esposito, running on the slate with him, and downtown councilman Neil Pecoraro. They

started from 378 Seventh Street where a large crowd was assembled to see him off. Louis Pandolfo, lifelong businessman of the section, was present at his place of business on the site.

Along the way, besides sampling the Italian goodies at the various business establishments, DePascale exchanged greetings in Italian, and even in various dialects, with many of the senior citizens who turned out to meet him or happened to be shopping in the sections. He met nuns, several priests, and even engaged in a chance meeting with Frank Polo Bellino and Anthony Fortunato, councilman (Republican) Committee,

chairmen of the Democrats for at one of the neighborhood restaurants.

As in past statements, the two pledged support to the local Democratic candidates even though backing the Republican for governor.

The tour ended with luncheon at the Tripoli Restaurant on Newark Ave., where the group was met by another assembly running mate of Esposito, the school teacher Frank Conwell; ward Democratic leader Sam Pizzuto and Leo Smith, electrical workers' union chief at Emerson's plant in downtown Jersey City.



GETTING ACQUAINTED—Mayor Louis DePascale of Hoboken, left, a candidate for Hudson County treasurer, greets Frank R. Conwell, candidate for state

assembly, Assemblyman Michael P. Esposito, Mrs. Ann Destefano, Mrs. Joseph Toscano and Louis Pandolfo during get acquainted campaign tour.

Cappiello Accuses DePascale of Trying to Hide Budget Figures

Fails
To Get
Data
Fears Hoboken
'Has Little Left'

Hoboken Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello today accused the administration of Mayor Louis DePascale of deliberately trying to hide facts and figures concerning how much money the city has spent since the budget was adopted last March, how much money is left, and how much is owed in unpaid bills.

"I'm not buying the excuse given by Councilman Gallo at Wednesday's meeting for not having the information," Cappiello said.

CAPPIELLO asked Gallo following the July 16 meeting to obtain the facts and figures from John Erbeck, the city comptroller, and have them ready for the meeting Wednesday. The request was made in letter form, with a copy going to both Erbeck and Gallo.

According to Cappiello, the excuse for not having the information was that Erbeck had been out sick and they couldn't get the information.

"The information I asked for should be known by every department director for his own department," Cappiello continued. "If Erbeck wasn't around, then they should have gone to the directors and obtained it from them."

"I think the reasons for hiding these figures are obvious," the councilman continued. "The city doesn't have much left to carry it through the next seven or eight months."

MY information is that up to 90 per cent of the current city budget, excluding funds for payrolls, has already been spent," Cappiello added that this was the result of either wild spending or the deliberate misrepresentation of the city's needs by the mayor who he made out the budget in order to keep the taxes down, or both.

CRITICISM of the Public Works Department by Cappiello was refuted by Director Raphael P. Vitale. Cappiello said the council gives Vitale a "blank check" every time an emergency develops because the director always asks for permission to make his repairs but never gives the council any idea of how much they are going to cost.

"If it were possible to provide the council with approximate costs on emergencies I would do it," Vitale replied. "However, there are factors involved that I don't believe Cappiello is considering."

"FIRST, when there is an emergency it means that some of our residents are without some vital service. If that weren't the case, it wouldn't be considered an emergency."

"Secondly, we have two things to consider when an emergency occurs. Restoring that vital service as quickly as possible, and then doing it for a reasonable price. Consideration for the residents should come first, then the cost."

ACCORDING to Vitale, most of his emergencies consist of broken water lines.

"There is no way in advance of telling when a line is going to go although the poor condition of most of our lines will surely cause the problem to continue," Vitale continued.

"Likewise, there is no way of telling how much it will cost to repair these water lines until the job is finished."

IT IS Not unusual to start repairing a section of line only to have another section develop breaks.

"Hoboken doesn't have a \$10,000,000 application into the federal government for new water lines for nothing they are all very bad and should be replaced. This is the only way we can stop emergencies."

VITALE said that if the number of water emergencies stayed under the \$10,000 mark for this year and next he would consider the city "very lucky."

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Hoboken May Have No Place to Dump Used Building Materials

City Trying
For Terms
With Kearny

Hoboken has been caught in the middle of a squeeze play by the operators of the Kearny dump and may find itself stuck with tons and tons of waste building materials and no place to dispose of them, Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale said today.

"The problem is that the dump operators have started refusing the city permission to dispose of these materials at the dump," he said. "It all started very innocently in that at first we were not allowed to dump on certain days. Then the number of allowable days started to decrease."

"Now we are allowed to dump only on Monday and Tuesdays. Later, my drivers have been having trouble getting in on these days too."

ACCORDING to Vitale, the city has no contract with the dump operators, but uses the contract between LaFera, the city's garbage collector, and the dump operators. LaFera picks up all of the regular garbage while the city takes care of the bigger household items not included in LaFera's contract.

"We have been told that waste building materials aren't supposed to be dumped there because it will increase the cost of the dump operators' insurance," the director continued. "Also, the waste building materials isn't included in his contract with LaFera."

VITALE SAID that the real problem isn't the waste materials as much as the fact that the amount seems to have increased so drastically in the last few months.

"My men have a very hard time keeping up, especially on weekends," he observed. "They can't dump on weekends so we have to store it for a few days at our dumping area on 10th Street. It's an open area so everyone and his brother comes in and dumps their stuff. On Monday we have quite a pile which has to be removed."

VITALE STATED that officials were trying to work something out with the dump operators which would allow Hoboken to continue disposing of the waste materials.

"LaFera has informed me that they have made an offer to the operators of assuming the additional cost of the insurance," the director added. "It remains to be seen if they will accept the offer."

"I have also started contacting companies which install chain-link fences to see if we can fence in our dumping area and prevent unauthorized persons from using it."

VITALE CONCEDED that if the dump operators don't agree to LaFera's offer and continue to refuse the city permission to dump waste materials Hoboken will have to take immediate steps to find another site to dump.

"They aren't that easy to find," he said. "And when you do find one they usually want an arm and a leg. But we may have to pay the going price. Our facility isn't big enough to allow us to look around for an extended period of time. A week or two and it would be bursting at the seams."

WHILE Hoboken has not yet decided on an exact location for its new senior citizen project, according to the mayor, the favored site is at the southwest corner of 12th Street and Willow Avenue.

This is the same block as the site of the city's proposed Wallace School, replacing the school now located on the north-west corner of 11th and Willow.

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Public Works Department Gets OK to Operate Radio System

License Set
To Arrive
Next Week

Hoboken's application for a license from the Federal Communications Commission to operate a two-way radio system in the Public Works Department has finally been approved, Director Raphael P. Vitale said today.

"We haven't formally received our license yet," he said. "But the new listing of licenses issued by the FCC has been published and we're on it."

VITALE SAID it would probably be a matter of a week or so before the license was received by the city. At the time the last few steps needed to put the system into operation will be taken.

The system is being used in an attempt to increase the efficiency of the public works department in keeping the city's streets clean and clear of household junk.

Sending and receiving equipment have been installed in several city dump trucks, the city's garbage truck and the water department truck, along with base stations in the Public Works office at city hall and the garage.

"ONE OF the advantages of the radios is that we will have instant contact with any of our trucks," said the director. "If we need a truck at a certain site, we call out for one and send him there. In the past we had to wait until one of them decided to call in by phone or we had to send someone out looking for them."

Vitale said that a special antenna was needed for the radio system and that it would be installed as soon as the license came in.

Sees School Housing Plan Endangered

Hoboken's plans to build a new Wallace School and a senior citizen's housing project on Willow Avenue between 11th and 12th Streets may die before they ever get off the ground, Mayor Louis DePascale said today.

President Nixon to cut all federally financed construction programs by 75 per cent may have a disastrous effect on Hoboken's plans for the new school and other housing projects," he said.

"OF COURSE there is still that 25 per cent which will be built, so we have some hope of getting our projects through, especially since Hoboken is a Model City and has top priority on many building programs."

"There is also the possibility that the president's decision might change at a later date, releasing more money for building projects financed with federal funds. Time will tell."

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'Luck Running Out'

WATER SYSTEM AID CALLED CRYING NEED

Increase Expected Council Will Accept Bids For Collection of Garbage

The Hoboken City Council will accept bids at its meeting today from contractors who wish to collect the city's garbage. Officials anticipate that the bids, which cover costs for one, three or five-year periods, will reflect a sizeable increase over what the city is paying now.

Hoboken currently has a one-year contract with the LaFera Co. of Newark for \$350,000 which expires in October. Until last year, the city had been giving out three-year contracts for the rubbish disposal operation. However, a large increase in the bids forced Hoboken to abandon the three-year contracts and take a one-year package instead.

CITY officials have made it more or less an open secret that they feel they are being caught in a squeeze play by the garbage contractors. They point out that the bids are always from the same group of contractors and that LaFera is always the low bidder.

The contractors disagree, saying the same group always bids because they are the only ones servicing this particular area. Other companies are free to bid also, but because their operations are too far away, it would not be economically feasible for them to submit a bid which would be in competition with the operators in the area.

Quest for Funds HUD May Help City Repair Water Lines

AFTER more than five years of waiting for some form of action on the part of the federal government, Hoboken may at long last see something done about its applications for funds to repair and rebuild its water lines.

Officials of the department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) met yesterday with Michael Coleman, director of the city's Model Cities Program; Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale and Mayor Louis DePascale to discuss the next step in getting the city some funds for the proposal.

WHILE the city's initial applications were for an overall program which would cover the entire city, it was indicated that HUD is considering only how such a program would apply to the Model Cities area.

This means that whatever headaches the city has with water lines north of Fourth Street, from the Hudson River to the Jersey City line, would not be considered in the application at this time.

ACCORDING to Mayor DePascale, the city must now submit a plan for the ultimate construction costs of the repairs and rebuilding as it would pertain to the Model City area.

Coleman added that the first priority would be given to the Model Cities area but that the rest of the city would eventually be taken into consideration.

"We have been offered technical assistance by HUD to

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WATER SYSTEM AID CALLED CRYING NEED

WATER

the emergencies on. They are legitimate excuses. However, if our system was half as good as it should be this wouldn't hold true.

"OUR WATER PIPES are constantly being blown by back pressure from hydrants. Not because the pressure is so great, but because our pipes are so bad that only a small increase is enough to blow them out."

"Our luck has held to the point that we haven't had any breaks that resulted in major health emergencies. But it can't hold out forever."

"We must have state or federal assistance as quickly as possible if we are to avoid such an emergency. The job has to be done, but Hoboken can't possibly afford to do it."

VITALE SAID he was going to make another check on the city's applications for federal funds for the repairs. The applications have been in for several years.

Send Money! J.J. 9/16/69

The federal government made an agreement with Hoboken to expedite the demolition of unsafe and uninhabitable tenement houses. The government was to put up \$2 for every \$1 Hoboken put up to pay contractors to take these buildings down.

Hoboken allotted \$30,000 for this purpose in its 1969 budget, and proceeded to use it to tear down some of the worst buildings. Now the demolition program has stopped, because Uncle Sam has failed to come across with the two-for-one funds. Several dozen condemned tenement houses marked for the wrecker are standing unoccupied, a target for idlers, arsonists and vandals. Hoboken could go ahead with the razing of these dangerous buildings if the federal money came through. It is already mid-September. What can be holding up the needed funds?

At Our Lady of Grace Church Mass to Honor Grogan A Year After His Death

A memorial Mass on the first anniversary of the death of John J. Grogan will be offered by the Rev. Daniel F. Meehan, pastor of Our Lady of Grace Church, Hoboken, on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the church.

The Mass was arranged upon the request of County Clerk James F. Quinn and other personal friends of the late county clerk and city Democratic leader who was a former Hoboken mayor. Quinn said the public is invited.

Mayor Louis DePascale and members of the city council will be present.

Mr. Grogan died shortly after suffering a heart attack in his office in the County Administration Building last Sept. 16. He was a parishioner of Our Lady of Grace Church and was buried from there.



JOHN J. GROGAN

Still Seek Director

20 Aides are Appointed To Rat Control Program

Raymond G. Clyons, coordinator for Hoboken's Rodent and Insect Control Program announced today that 20 persons have been hired to work in the various aspects of the program. A director for the program remains to be selected from among five persons who have submitted applications.

Appointed as health aides were Carmen Pena, \$130.77 a week; Fred Cutillo, \$130.77; Mildred Perez, \$123.07; Luz Maria Pintor, \$111.53; Cruz Maria Classen, \$111.53; Grace Cilyard, \$111.53; Fay Rosado, \$111.53; Maria Parrata, \$123.07; Mary Stelman, \$111.53, and John R. Lovely, \$111.53.

DORIS LIQUORI was selected as the health educator in the program at a weekly salary of \$130.77.

Three stenotypists have been hired at a weekly salary of \$107.69. They are Frances Brant, Denise L. Haggerty and Sally Flores.

Hired as sanitation workers are Anthony R. DeNicola, foreman, at \$111.53 a week; and Angel Rivera, Nicholas Citro, Sam Bello, Edward McIntyre and Rocco J. Laino, each \$110.

ACCORDING to Clyons, those being considered for the \$13,000-a-year director's post are George Guzman, Fred Cutillo, Mrs. Bernice Van Carpel, Victor Martinez and Alberto Acosta. Guzman is assistant director of HOPEs, Hoboken's anti-poverty organization. Cutillo, a retired fireman and brother of Hoboken Deputy Public Works Director Carmen Cutillo, is employed in the program as one of the chief health aides.

MRS. VAN CARPels is a member of the Hoboken Model Cities Neighborhood Planning Committee. She serves as chairman of the health and welfare committee. Martinez is an employee of the Concentrated Employment Program, while Acosta works for HOPEs. Clyons said the applications are being screened but no decision has been made on any of them.

Hoboken Art Opening Gallery, Museum Will Bow Tonight

Tonight in Hoboken a grand opening will signal the advent of a unique art gallery featuring the works of painters, photographers, and sculptors, and of Hoboken memorabilia collections. The opening will be held on the third floor of a three-story walkup on Newark st., near the formerly rough-and-tumble Hudson River st. pier area. The gallery, known as Wal-

"There is no doubt that Hoboken is becoming an artists' colony, and an area where young people can express themselves," said Blair, who starts as a teacher in Newark next week.

Among the gallery's current exhibits are a collage by Herman Costa of 920 Bloomfield st.; photography by Richard Plouff of Massachusetts; sculpture by Blair and Ed McCormack of Massachusetts; and works by Shan Marchand and his wife Babette of Hoboken. Elissa Krauss of New York City, and Manus Pinkwater of Hoboken, Blair's sculpture is an orange plastic typographic map of Snake Hill, site of the old county hospital in Secaucus. An X-ray negative of a hand is imposed on the map.

Hoboken Museum. On the building's second floor, Jim and Beverly Hans have created a museum containing memorabilia of 10th and early 20th century Hoboken, obtained from scores of the city's residents. Included are pictures of many of Hoboken's famous buildings and people and ships that docked at its wharves, and a display of old maps.

The Calendar Shop is filled with collector's items ranging from old crank-operated record players and a nickelodeon to collections of apothecary jars and old sheet music.

"We all love Hoboken and find it an interesting place to live in; that's why we set up this exhibit," Blair said. The grand opening is scheduled for 8 p.m.

"LIKEWISE, any action to take away a franchise from an operator will have to go through the PUC. We will file our complaints with the commission, which, in turn, will notify the bus operator setting a hearing date for the owner to show why action shouldn't be taken against his franchise."

The director added that he expected to hear from Cronsky within a day or two concerning the results of his spot inspection of conditions that existed when he made his spot check.

"We must have state or federal assistance as quickly as possible if we are to avoid such an emergency. The job has to be done, but Hoboken can't possibly afford to do it."

VITALE SAID he was going to make another check on the city's applications for federal funds for the repairs. The applications have been in for several years.

Owners Ask 25 Cents Hoboken Fights Fare Rise On Washington St. Buses

Hoboken is expected to make a strong protest against any fare increase for the Maria Transportation Co. at a hearing today in the Newark office of the state Public Utility Commission on the asked-for hike.

Maria, one of several bus companies which operates a local run along Hoboken's Washington Street, has asked for a 150 per cent increase in its present fare of 10 cents. The new fare would be 25 cents for all riders, with the exception of children during school hours. That fare would be 15 cents, but would revert to 25 cents during non-school hours.

E. NORMAN WILSON, city law director, said Dudley Schlosser, second assistant city attorney, would represent the city at the hearing. He will be accompanied by Detective Richard Carroll, the city's part-time transportation inspector.

"Schlosser will present a strongly worded objection to the increase from Mayor DePasquale," said Wilson. "It is the city's feeling that no increase should be granted or considered by the PUC until the company can show that it is providing the kind of service the city needs and that it is living up to its franchise requirements."

WILSON SAID Carroll will present several complaints which he has accumulated against the petitioning bus company. The complaints deal with

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BUS FARES

Continued violations of the local bus regulations and franchise requirements which were witnessed by Carroll and local citizens.

"We are also asking the PUC to have a member of its staff come to Hoboken and meet with myself, the mayor and Councilman Cappiello to discuss what powers the city has to revoke or suspend franchise," Wilson continued.

"SCHLOSSER WILL attempt to set a date with the PUC for such a meeting."

Maria was owned by the late Joseph Sacco. It is now operated by his son, Joseph Jr.

The buses cover roughly a 16-block route. They start at 14th and Washington Streets, head south to First Street, then east on First to Hudson Street, south on Hudson to Hudson Place, where they park near the Port Authority Trans-Hudson tubes.

ON THE return run, the buses start at the tubes, head north on Hudson Street to Newark Street, west on Newark to Washington Street, and north on Washington to the parking area on 14th Street.

Hoboken is in the unique position of having two different fares for the same run. Maria charges 10 cents. However, all of the other companies charge 15 cents. All of the companies, including Maria, have been charging five cents for students during school hours.

Informed sources report that should the PUC grant Maria the increase, the remaining companies will file their petition shortly after for the same increase.

Police Evacuate Four Families During Blaze

Two alert Hoboken patrolmen early today routed four families after they spotted heavy smoke belching from the third-floor window of a tenement at 103 12th St.

Police said Patrolmen Cecil Vincent and Al Siniscalchi spotted the smoke as they patrolled in their radio car, about 2:30 a.m. After notifying the fire department, they raced into the building and evacuated the residents. No one was injured.

Firemen under the command of Deputy Chief Edward McDonald quickly brought the fire, of undetermined origin, under control.

Director Drops 3 Workers

'Several' Others Being Watched

By PETER HALLAM

A major shake up of personnel in Hoboken's Department of Public Works has been started by Director Raphael P. Vitale with the firing of three employees.

The director has terminated the services of Charles Pantolano of 530 Adams St., a laborer with the department 15 years; John Ernst of 81 Willow Ave., and Kevin Jeffery, of 530 Jackson St.

"THE public works department is facing a critical period," said the director. "Demands upon the services we provide are increasing at an extraordinary rate, far surpassing the funds we need to pay for these services."

"Therefore I must demand that every employee involved with providing these services give me his full cooperation and the city a full day's work for a day's pay."

"HOBOKEN can't afford to have deadwood on the Public Works' payroll. Men who get paid but don't produce have two serious effects on the department. They force other men to assume their burdens and require the city to pay them when it could be out looking for men who would be willing to do their jobs."

Vitale said that he fired Pantolano for refusing to be reassigned to other duties for a few weeks replacing a man who has been on sick leave. He added that Pantolano also tried to throw a punch at him.

ERNST was discharged, Vitale said, because he was not producing to the director's satisfaction. Jeffery was fired for taking too many days off.

According to Vitale, he is watching several other employees in the department whose work he had found unsatisfactory and will fire them also unless there is a drastic change in their attitudes and performance.

To Carry Ads Hoboken Plans to Have 100 New Litter Baskets

Wire litter baskets are out in Hoboken. At least they will be if a Columbus, Ohio, advertising company can get advertisements for the 100 new, modern litter baskets it hopes to install in the city.

The company, United Unlimited Services, has permission from the city to install the new containers along Washington Street as well as at other locations where there is a high litter rate. It will provide the baskets at no cost to the city whose only responsibility will be to empty them.

HOBOKEN is currently using wire baskets for litter. They have long been unusable because of excessive misuse by the public which frequently dumped garbage, instead of litter, in the containers. According to Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale, the new litter containers will hold approximately the same amount

of waste paper as the old ones. However, they will have a modern appearance and be more pleasing to the eye since the actual paper container is covered.

THE NEW containers come in two parts. An outside section is made of metal and square in shape with a wide top tapering to a narrow bottom. At the top of the outside section is an oval piece shaped like a ball through which the litter is deposited. Inside the outer shell is a regular basket which can be taken out and emptied through a door in the side of the cabinet.

The four sides of the outer cabinet will be used by the company to advertise products.

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Garbage Collector's Bid Sparks Demand for State Investigation

Lone Bidder Boosts Price 10 Per Cent

The Hoboken City Council has been urged to ask the state attorney general to conduct an investigation into the bidding practices of companies engaged in rubbish and garbage collections for municipalities on a contract basis.

Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello made the demand at yesterday's meeting of the council after he had received and opened the lone bid to take care of the city's garbage collections.

THE BID, the only one received by the city, was from the LaFera Contracting Co. of Newark. LaFera currently has a one-year contract with Hoboken which expires Oct. 1 of this year. It is costing the city \$350,000.

LaFera's proposal for a one-year contract for next year showed an increase of \$35,000 over the current contract.

For a three-year contract LaFera asked \$1,185,000 and for a five-year contract \$2,125,000.

WHEN City Clerk Anthony J. Amoroso read off the figures submitted by LaFera there was almost no reaction at all from the members of the council. But several groans and moans went up from the spectators.

It was at the conclusion of the meeting that Cappiello spoke up.

"IT seems a shame that we are going to sit here and take this new garbage proposal in silence," he said. "I suggest we contact the state attorney general and demand an investigation of these contractors and their methods of bidding."

"In our particular case, we are at the mercy of one bidder who can charge us anything he wants and we can't fight back. It is time we started considering and preparing to form a garbage authority, perhaps with some other municipalities in the county. We shouldn't sit back, but take the bull by the horns and lead this fight."

"I HAVE complaints about the service we were getting for \$350,000 a year. Now they want a \$35,000 increase."

"The specifications of our contract calls for a set number of trucks to be out every day. I have made checks of my own and found that they have been short on many occasions and haven't been living up to the contract. The company has been shortchanging us and without any explanation."

"I think this situation rates a complete investigation by the attorney general, not just in Hoboken, but throughout the state."

CAPPIELLO'S suggestion received a lukewarm reception from the other members of the council although they all expressed some concern with the increase.

Council President Thomas A. Jallo asked Cappiello why he didn't bring the subject up at the caucus meeting prior to the meeting, hinting that the Third Ward councilman was making grandstand play.

I had no idea of what the bids were going to be at the caucus, so how could we discuss them, replied Cappiello. "Maybe you knew something before hand?"

"Of course I didn't," Jallo said, "but we still could have discussed it, anticipating that there would be an increase."

FOLLOWING the meeting, Cappiello said that if the council president didn't write to the attorney general for an investigation, he would.

Raphael P. Vitale, whose public works department must make the budget provisions for the garbage contract, said that he was "shocked" at the figures submitted by LaFera and that it was the only company to make a bid.

"These figures are staggering," he said. "I had anticipated that the one-year figure would increase somewhere between \$35,000 and \$50,000. But I had no idea that the figures for a three-year and five-year contract would go up so high."

USUALLY contracts give municipalities a small break when they accept a service for a period of several years as compared to the rate charged for that same service for a one-year period.

If Hoboken accepts a three-year contract it will be paying \$385,000 a year. For a five-year contract the figure jumps to \$425,000 a year.

However, the one-year contract bid indicates that LaFera would ask a 10 per cent increase each year. Over a three-year period this would total \$1,275,000, an average of \$425,000 per year. A series of five one-year contracts with 10 per cent increases would total \$2,340,000 and an average out to \$468,000 per year.

"I'd like to see the state do something about this also," Vitale said, "but if I'm not

acted last year at the insistence of Gov. Hughes and accomplished very little."

Vitale, who had been maintaining for years that a municipal or county garbage authority was the only way to combat the rising cost of contract collections, said that he is still convinced his idea is the only sound solution to the problem.

"HOBOKEN can no longer handle such an enterprise on its own," he continued. "But if we band together with other communities we might be able to come up with a program which would be cheaper and more efficient than dumping."

"The next few years should witness several major breakthroughs in disposal operations. It is only within the last five or six years that garbage disposal has been recognized as a problem and has been getting attention from companies and research outfits looking for better and more economical ways of disposal."

"BUT in that time, great strides have been made. And even greater ones will be made in the future."

"Still, having the answers isn't enough. We and the rest of the cities in Hudson County should be ready to put them into practice once they have been proven. This can be accomplished only through mutual cooperation."

Outside Model City Area Money Problem in Sewer Repairs

While the planning assistance of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development may aid Hoboken in getting much-needed funds to repair and replace sewer and water lines in the Model Cities area, it probably will be a long time before the rest of the city gets any attention in these areas.

The problem again, according to Raymond G. Clyons who helped prepare the city's applications for sewer and water line funds in 1964, is money.

"UNDER the Model Cities program," Hoboken has to put up only about 10 per cent of the overall funds needed to cover the cost of the operation," Clyons said. "But this applies only to what is done in the Model Cities area."

"While our overall applications still get special consideration since we are a Model City, we have to operate on a different program when dealing

with areas outside the designated Model City area."

"AS IT stands now, we would have to share the cost of the work in the other areas on an equal basis with the federal government. That would be a 50-50 proposition."

"However, we may be able to get the work done under several other federal programs such as the Neighborhood Development Program. Under this we would be required to put up about 25 per cent of the cost while the federal government paid for the remainder."

"UNDER this program, we also are allowed to use in-kind contributions in which the city supplies services or facilities instead of cash. Hoboken has credits for in-kind contributions used in other programs which could be used in this one. In this case then, the city's cost would be nil, with the federal

government picking up the whole bill."

Clyons said the only drawback to the NDP was that it did not allow the city to tackle the sewer and water problems in the other sections of the city as one major problem.

IT WILL BE piecemeal, rather than an overall program," he continued. "As plans are developed for the various neighborhoods they will include on an overall sewer and water lines. It means that the repairs will be made on a neighborhood basis rather than all at one time."

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Weehawken Banker, Housing Official Named to School Board

A Hoboken housing official and a New York banker will fill the two vacancies on the Weehawken board of education, M. Edward DeFazio, who is a judge in Surf City and also the executive director of the Hoboken housing authority, and Walter C. Lankenau, 43, an executive with the Chase Manhattan Bank, New York, will be sworn in at a special meeting of the township school board Wednesday night.

THEY WILL succeed Otto Riemschneider and Patrick Dillon, Riemschneider, president of the board, will resign tomorrow when he becomes a municipal court judge again. Dillon resigned several weeks ago when he moved out of the township.

Comelius Schravendael, vice president of the school board, will be elevated to the presidency.

DE FAZIO, a native of Hoboken, has lived in Weehawken 10 years. A World War II Army veteran, DeFazio was a school teacher for two years in Hoboken before going into military service in 1942. He is a 1933 graduate of Fordham University.

Married to the former

Josephine Montesano, DeFazio, 58, lives at 67 Clifton Ter. He is the father of two sons.

DEFAZIO was appointed to the Hoboken post at the inception of the housing authority in that city in 1949. He has served as a municipal court judge in the Ocean County borough for two years. DeFazio has a law practice with his brother, Charles DeFazio at 922 Washington St., Hoboken.

He is a past national president of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials Middle Atlantic region and past president of the Executive Directors Association of New Jersey. He holds membership in the Weehawken Elks Lodge.

LANKEAU of 28 Fulton St. is assistant treasurer in the bank's accounts managing department in the New England region.

Add 232 Books to Library

A total of 232 new books were added to the collection of the Hoboken Public Library last month, according to Lucille Cunningham, library director. Many of the new books have been catalogued and may now be borrowed by library members.

Some of the new books are: "The Prefectures," by Gwen Davis; "Sons," by Susan Hunter; "My Tuna, At Bat: The Story of my Life," by Ted Williams; "Norman Jean: The Life of Marilyn Monroe," by Fred Lawrence; "The Builders," by William Woolcott; "Ronald Reagan: A Biography," by Milton J. Benkovitz; "The Fire-Dwellers," by Margaret Laurence; "Stones of Radical Will," by Susan Sontag; "An Unfinished Woman: A Memoir," by Lillian Hellman; "Sixty-Nine," by Janice Holt Giles; "Gardens in the Country," by Sarah Grahame; "Walk in the Spirit," by Robert Schuller; "The Story of the Surgeon's Choice," by Frank C. Schuller; "Once Around Light," by Robert Schuller; "Living in Sin: The Story of a Woman and Her Lover," by Mitchell C. S. Brown; "The Seminal Affair," a novel of suspense, by W. S. Krumpholtz; "Dearest Mama: Letters Between Robert and the Great Princess," by Princess Marie Louise; "The Story of the Surgeon's Choice," by Frank C. 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Officials Study Parking Fines and Rules for Operation of Buses

Systems May Be Updated

Hoboken court and law officials today began studies into the fines imposed for parking violations and the rules, ordinances and laws governing the operation of buses along Washington Street in an attempt to update the two systems.

Hoboken Judge Rudolph R. Naddeo said he would begin a study of the fines to determine if they were adequate and consistent with the city's current parking situation. He said if he should decide that some of the fines needed to be revised he would first clear the proposed change with the Hudson County Superior Court.

THE JUDGE'S decision to review the fine situation stems from opinions expressed publicly by Law and Public Safety Director E. Norman Wilson and Acting Police Chief Edward Sheehy that they did not seem to be adequate in some instances.

"I have no intention of being overly harsh on the motorists of Hoboken," said the judge. "Then again I do think that the fines should act as a deterrent and be just punishment for those who are ticketed for being in violation."

NADDEO added that it would probably take some time to make a thorough review of the fines and the particular circumstances pertaining to each.

Meanwhile, Wilson has begun his own study into the regulations, ordinances and laws to determine what authority the city has over the local bus operators to make them provide the kind of service wanted by most residents.

WILSON met yesterday with Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello at the suggestion of Mayor Louis DePascale on the buses. The director is to determine just what the city can and can't do to make the operators provide better service and meet the requirements of their franchisees.

A report will be made to the mayor and Cappiello which will be followed by a meeting between them and the local bus operators. At that time the city will inform the operators what authority it has and that it will use it to see that better service is given to residents.

Fund Cut Won't Stop Housing

Hoboken's plans to build a new senior citizens housing project in the area of 12th Street and Willow Avenue will not be endangered by the announced 75 per cent cutback in federal construction funds, a spokesman for the city's housing authority said today.

"The cutback will not have any bearing on public housing," said M. Edward DeFazio, the authority's executive director. "According to word received from the secretary of Housing and Urban Development (George Romney) there isn't going to be any cutback in federal spending in the field of public housing."

LAST week, Mayor Louis DePascale expressed fears that the presidential cutback would tell the city's plan to build another senior citizen housing project on the same block scheduled to be the site of a new Wallace School.

The decision to build another senior citizen project — the city already has two devoted entirely to senior citizens — is based on the fact that the housing authority has close to 800 applications from elderly persons for apartments in the two existing buildings. However, both are now completely occupied and it will be years before those on the list will be able to get in.

IN the meantime, additional names will be added and the list will continue to grow.

The plan for the new housing is not expected to go without some opposition from some private home owners in the "Uptown" section of the city. Rumblings were reported last week when the announcement of the proposed housing was first made public.

REASONS for them, however, are not clear since they appear to come from private home owners whose property would not be involved in the overall school and housing project.

The plans call for the development of the entire block between 11th and 12th Streets, Willow Avenue to Clinton Street. This area is now occupied by the old Wallace School, four or five multi-family dwellings, and industrial sites.

200 Hoboken Chamber of Commerce Firms Get Ballots on Merger

N. Hudson Unit OK Forecast

Ballots have been sent out to all 200 firms belonging to the Hoboken Chamber of Commerce for them to vote on whether or not they wish to merge with the Chamber of Commerce of Northern Hudson County, Richard Carroll, executive vice president, said today.

The ballots must be returned to the chamber by next Friday so they may be tabulated in time for a special membership meeting scheduled for the following Monday.

ACCORDING to Carroll, more than 200 votes will be cast since many of the firms belonging to the Hoboken Chamber have several memberships.

"If a firm has 10 of its employees who are members of the chamber that firm will be allowed 10 votes, one for each member," Carroll explained.

HE ADDED that only one ballot has been returned to the chamber so far and that it was in favor of the merger. He would not say whose it was.

The Northern Hudson County Chamber, which has been relatively inactive for the last few years, is expected to conduct its voting shortly and use the same procedure now being used by Hoboken.

UNDER the announced proposed merger plan the two chambers would be formally known as the Hoboken-Northern Hudson County Chamber of Commerce. All administrative functions of the new organization would be assumed by the staff of the Hoboken Chamber which makes its headquarters at 20 Hudson Place.

Carroll declined to comment on the aspect of the Northern Chamber's election, saying he was not familiar with their plans and could only make assumptions.

LONGTIME members of both chambers report there is relatively little opposition to the merger and that it should go through with ease.

It is expected it will serve two purposes. First, it will revitalize the Northern Chamber by providing its members with a well established and active organization. Secondly, it will increase the strength of the Hoboken organization and make its voice heard more in state, county and municipal matters.

Crosstown Bus Plan Hits Snag Must Meet PUC Specifications

Hoboken's plans to set up a cross-town bus system have hit a temporary snag which could postpone the appearance of the first vehicle for several months. Herman Bier, city business administrator, said today.

"The problem deals with word from the Public Utility Commission that all of the buses must meet certain specifications set by the state," Bier said.

"It seems that the state has a say in such matters as long as the buses to be used are going to carry 10 or more passengers. The buses we hope to use in Hoboken will carry more than 10 persons. However, I was not aware that the state had certain specifications which had to be met when I was getting prices on the vehicles from various manufacturers."

BIER SAID that the problem was a relatively minor one but it would consume a considerable amount of time to go through the process of getting proposals from the manufacturers all over again.

A representative of the PUC met with Bier Tuesday and delivered a copy of the state's specifications on "autobuses."

They include the dimension limitations, window-seat distance, guard rails, service doors, emergency exits, aisle space and seating arrangement, seat dimensions, driver's view,

Hoboken was given permission to operate the three-bus system after a public hearing in Newark. It will have a 15-cent fare.

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HE'LL BE THERE — Mayor Louis DePascale of Hoboken purchases first ticket from Mrs. Emily Emery for cocktail party to be held Nov. 2 for benefit of the Vietnam Amputee Committee. The fund-raiser will be held at the Continental Lounge, 102 Hudson St. Proceeds will be used to purchase color television sets for men in a veterans hospital. (Jersey Pictures)

400 Attend Grogan Mass Political Labor Chiefs Honor Mayor

Top labor leaders from all parts of the country were among persons who received a special blessing last night by the pastor of Our Lady of Grace Church in Hoboken, where a special Mass was celebrated for the city's late Mayor John J. Grogan, on the first anniversary of his death.

Rev. Daniel F. Meehan, celebrant of the 7:30 p.m. anniversary Mass and a personal and spiritual confidant of Mr. Grogan, thanked the estimated 400 persons in attendance, singling out close friends of Mr. Grogan who aided in arranging the Mass. He expressed particular appreciation to the AFL-CIO chiefs who traveled from all over the country.

At that time, Mayor DePascale urged cooperation by the public in the effort to apprehend persons who turning in false fire alarms, of which 18 have been recorded since Sept. 7.

While it had been suggested that off-duty firemen join the enforcement drive in protection of their brother officers, such a plan was not proposed yesterday by Fire Chief Patrick J. Carmody who attended. Members of the Hoboken Fire Department are organized in an AFL-CIO union that requires they receive extra pay for overtime.

Acting Police Chief Sheehy, confronted with a manpower shortage due to frequent and extended sick leaves, will have to find volunteers for plainclothes duty to stage out troublesome areas, or give officers in full status extra pay.

Chief Sheehy's initial step yesterday was to order all members of the detective bureau to canvass the troublesome false-alarm areas when not engaged in other matters. It was suggested at the meeting that members of the Civil Defense Auxiliary police, plus members of the police CEP cadet corps, be utilized to help capture false alarm culprits.

It was indicated yesterday that city fire inspectors will not go into the schools for orientation of young students in the dangers of false alarms. The city's fire inspectors were said to be confined to inspection of rooming houses and hotels, the pier area, and industrial buildings.

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Hoboken Flags at Half-Staff for Grogan

All flags on Hoboken schools and municipal buildings will be flown at half-staff today on the orders of Mayor Louis DePascale in tribute to the late former Hoboken Mayor John J. Grogan.

Grogan died a year ago today of a heart attack which he suffered while at the county administration building. He was county clerk at the time.

At Mayor DePascale's Order War on False Fire Alarms Begun by Hoboken Police

Mayor Louis DePascale and officials of the Hoboken public safety department conferred yesterday on means of halting the current wave of false fire alarms. The conferees concluded that the problem rested with Acting Police Chief Edward J. Sheehy.

Concerned over reports that an estimated 600 false alarms of fire have been recorded thus far this year, and over a new upsurge in that crime category during the past week, DePascale told news-men he has ordered Law Director E. Norman Wilson to step up round-the-clock surveillance of all fire boxes by both police and fire department personnel.

At that time, Mayor DePascale urged cooperation by the public in the effort to apprehend persons who turning in false fire alarms, of which 18 have been recorded since Sept. 7.

While it had been suggested that off-duty firemen join the enforcement drive in protection of their brother officers, such a plan was not proposed yesterday by Fire Chief Patrick J. Carmody who attended. Members of the Hoboken Fire Department are organized in an AFL-CIO union that requires they receive extra pay for overtime.

Acting Police Chief Sheehy, confronted with a manpower shortage due to frequent and extended sick leaves, will have to find volunteers for plainclothes duty to stage out troublesome areas, or give officers in full status extra pay.

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LATIN EXCHANGE — Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale, seated, chats with exchange teachers from Puerto Rico. The teachers, from left to right, are Cynthia Ferretra, Anna Fernandez, Mateo Villareal and Gloria Rivera.



AT GROGAN MEMORIAL—Andrew Pettis, president of Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, places wreath on grave of the late John J. Grogan of Hoboken—whom he succeeded as president—during memorial services in Holy Cross Cemetery, yesterday. Other from left are John Bonner, vice president; Ross D. Blood, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Eileen Grogan, widow; Miss Patricia Grogan, daughter, and John M. Reilly, general executive board member. More than 100 officials travelled from the Union's Headquarters in Washington, D.C. for services at the grave and attended Mass last night in Our Lady of Grace Church.

Fire Chief Convention Expense Item of \$1,000 Puts Council in Turmoil

Although matters which could involve more than \$3,000,000 in city funds passed through the hands of the Hoboken council at its meeting yesterday, the main topic of discussion was a \$1,000 item covering expenses for two city officials to attend the National Fire Chief's Convention next month in Chicago.

Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello objected strongly to approving expenses totaling \$1,000 for Fire Chief Patrick J. Carmody and Public Safety Director E. Norman Wilson to attend the convention.

"I'D LIKE to know where the money is coming from," asked the councilman. He was told by the council president, Thomas A. Gallo, that Wilson said the funds had been appropriated in the budgets of the fire department and public safety department's administrative division.

"Then we have a contradiction here," replied Cappiello. "I suggest you all read the letter we received this morning before voting on this."

THE LETTER was from John Erbeck, the city controller, and explained why neither he nor the city department directors have been able to give Cappiello the information he asked for two months ago concerning the city's financial picture.

It said the information "is not presently available" and explained that various operating difficulties such as machine breakdowns and sick employees were responsible for the information not being up to date. The letter added that the man responsible for operating the machine (John Greco) was married last Sunday and is on a one-week honeymoon. The records will be updated as soon as he returns.

THE DIRECTOR says the money is available, but Erbeck

Plan Fine Of \$50 for 48 Hours

A new ordinance which would help Hoboken offset some of the cost incurred for taking care of abandoned automobiles has been prepared by the city and will be submitted shortly to the state Division of Motor Vehicles for its approval. Public Safety Director E. Norman Wilson said today.

Under the terms of the new ordinance, any person whose car is left in one place on the city streets for 48 hours or more is subject to a fine not to exceed \$50 or 15 days in jail, or both.

THE ordinance is drawn up along the lines of an existing state law, Wilson said. In addition, each 24-hour period following the initial 48 hours shall be constituted as a separate violation for which another summons may be issued.

Anyone thinking about abandoning his car in Hoboken will find that the maximum number of summonses that can be issued under the new ordinance will be five.

THE CITY has a street sweeping program in which every street is swept at least once a week. Part of this program is the towing of cars which block the sweepers' path. Since both sides of any given street get swept at least once in any seven-day period and a car has to be parked on a street for at least 48 hours in the same spot, five days are left when a police officer could give out summonses before the car would be towed away for blocking the sweepers' path. A summons would also be issued for the alternate side of the street sweeping program violation.

"Our purpose for drawing up the ordinance is to try and offset some of the cost the city incurs in collecting abandoned autos," Wilson said. "We could have used the state ordinance, but fines levied under a state Motor Vehicle law must be turned over to the state so this money wouldn't do the city any good."

"UNDER the ordinance, the money stays with the city."

The success or failure of the new measure will depend on whether the city is able to trace ownership of the abandoned vehicles with Trenton. Many cars that are abandoned in the city can't be traced because they are 10 or more years old. However, many are traced and it is in these cases that the city hopes to be able to use the new ordinance.

Wilson said that once the Division of Motor Vehicles approves the ordinance it will be introduced to the city council for its action. The ordinance was first sent to the state in case it had any suggested changes to make in it.

No Personnel Shift Yet Discuss Use of Patrolmen In Street Cleaning Duties

Reports of a pending shift of all personnel connected with street cleaning operations were Acting Hoboken Police Chief Raphael P. Vitale said he wasn't thinking about changing any of his sweeper crews right now, but he might if they don't start doing a better job.

"I HAVEN'T exactly been happy with the results of the street sweeping of late," he said. "It appears that the men aren't giving the sweepers proper pre-use maintenance and as a result the sweepers haven't been picking everything up as they should."

There also have been a few complaints that streets haven't been swept on the days they were scheduled for it. The sweepers have been getting tied up and haven't been able to complete streets.

"No, I'm not thinking about making any changes right now, but if there isn't an immediate improvement I just might."

WHEN ASKED if it wouldn't be possible to give these special police powers to workmen already employed by the city's public works department, Sheehy said it would but that

Model Cities Program Authorized to Take Out \$36,000 Loan

Until U. S. Grant Is Received

A resolution which authorizes the Hoboken Model Cities Program to take out a \$36,000 loan with the First Jersey National Bank to cover operating costs until the program receives its grant from the federal government was approved yesterday by the Hoboken City Council, but not before an argument developed over whether there was an actual federal commitment to provide the program with funds.

Councilman Steve Cappiello asked the other council members if they knew for sure that the federal government had made a formal commitment to Hoboken's Model Cities Program to supply the finances.

NO ONE was able to answer the question although Council President Thomas A. Gallo said he assumed that it had.

"I'd like to know if the federal government is committed to this grant before I vote on it," Cappiello said. "What happens if the federal money doesn't come?"

"I THINK we should know for sure that the Model Cities Program has a firm letter of commitment from the federal government before we pass a resolution like this."

The resolution was passed by a margin of seven to one. Cappiello abstained from voting and First Ward Councilman Anthony H. Romano was not present for the meeting.

AFTERWARDS, Cappiello told reporters that by passing the resolution the city had assumed the responsibility for paying back the loan should the Model Cities Program fail to get its federal grant.

Gallo assumes that there is a commitment," he continued. "But operating a government on assumptions is a risky business."

CAPPIELLO said he intended to see Michael Coleman, the Model Cities director, and find out exactly what commitment, if any, the program had from the federal government for the grant.

Since becoming the program's director last year, Coleman has been one of the most difficult to reach persons connected with the various city anti-poverty programs.

HE WAS not available when Cappiello reached his office so the councilman left a note for him on the matter.

Later, Coleman told The Jersey Journal that the Department of Housing and Urban Development has already set aside \$2,030,000 for the first year of Hoboken's actual Model Cities program.

"WE ALSO have a letter from HUD to proceed with the program and, if needed, to incur costs," he continued, "pending the approval by HUD of several revisions which must be made in our overall Model Cities plan."

"The letter states that we will be reimbursed for these costs by HUD once the revisions have been made and approved."

Caulfield said the \$36,000 will cover the cost of the program's operation for about a 90-day period.



CHARLES DeFAZIO JR.
Knights To Honor DeFazio

Charles DeFazio Jr., grand knight of the Hoboken Knights of Columbus Council 1048, was honored today by the council's annual dinner. DeFazio will be honored at the Sept. 23 meeting of the council. At that time his name will be officially entered on the council's knight of the month plaque.

BORN and raised in Hoboken, DeFazio has been continuously active in many local and county organizations, both professional and civic. He is currently assistant corporate counsel of the county and also operates his own law offices with his brother, M. Edward, and son, Charles III, at 922 Washington St.

A product of the Hoboken school system, DeFazio attended Edgars Business College and was graduated from Rutgers Law School. He passed the bar examination in 1927 and in 1931 passed his council test. Under the administration of former Hoboken Mayor Edward McFeely, DeFazio served as second deputy mayor and magistrate.

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Hoboken Expects to Get Oil Company's Offer for Todd Shipyard

City Waits To Take Title To Property

Hoboken expects to have a firm commitment by next week from Supermarine Inc., the oil company which plans to build a \$40 million oil processing facility on the site of the Todd Shipyard, as to the minimum price the company will pay for the portion of the yard within Hoboken. Mayor Louis DePascale announced today.

"Once this matter has been settled, the city will move to take the title to the property from Todd," the mayor said. "A public auction will then be held and the property sold to the highest bidder."

TODD ABANDONED the yard last year and notified both Hoboken and Weehawken that it was willing to turn the deeds over to the two communities. Hoboken refused to accept the deed to the Hoboken property because to do so would make the city legally responsible for the shipbuilding facility.

The shipbuilding facility is located by the Weehawken-Hoboken boundary line with the larger portion of the yard resting in Hoboken. Although officially called the Todd Shipyard, about half of the property was owned by the U.S. General Services Administration.

SUPERMARINE took possession of the government's portion of the yard last March. Since the portion which Hoboken will take over will then become city property, the land must be auctioned off rather than sold to the buyer of the city's choice. It is possible that someone else might bid on the property against Supermarine.

However, it is unlikely that the oil company will be thwarted from obtaining the needed area for its facility.

ACCORDING to the mayor, it is possible the sale will be held before the end of the year.

Before it acquires the property from Todd, Hoboken must first settle the back taxes it owes the shipbuilding company. The mayor said that the council should be asked to approve a bond issue for the \$350,000.

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Phillip Dittmar, Vincent Wassman place wreath. Our Lady of Grace Church Memorial Mass Tonight for Grogan

A memorial Mass will be celebrated tonight at 7:30 for John J. Grogan, former Hoboken mayor and county clerk, at Our Lady of Grace Church, Fourth St. and Willow Ave., Hoboken. Other board members voting for the resolution included Julia Hanrahan, president; Anthony DePaulis, vice president; Hoboken councilman Bernard Scrivani, treasurer of the board; and board members Alfred Buda, Sam DePalma, Clayton Anderson and Margaret Miele.

Dittmar and industrial education board trustee Vincent Wassman were confidants of Grogan for more than 25 years. Other board members voting for the resolution included Julia Hanrahan, president; Anthony DePaulis, vice president; Hoboken councilman Bernard Scrivani, treasurer of the board; and board members Alfred Buda, Sam DePalma, Clayton Anderson and Margaret Miele.

Phillip Dittmar, secretary to the board of trustees for industrial education, in making the announcement, said the trustees had adopted a memorial resolution in honor of Grogan and had placed a wreath on his grave in Holy Cross Cemetery Sunday.



BOXING FANS — From left, Al Bundies, Hudson County AAU representative, Hawks reserve seat tickets to the America vs. Italy International Championship Boxing matches scheduled for Madison Square Garden on Sept. 29. Local Citizens Olympic Support chairman grabbing them up are Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale, county chairman; Assemblyman Michael P. Esposito, Jersey City chairman; and Freeholder Edward F. Clark Jr., Bayonne chairman. (Jersey Pictures)

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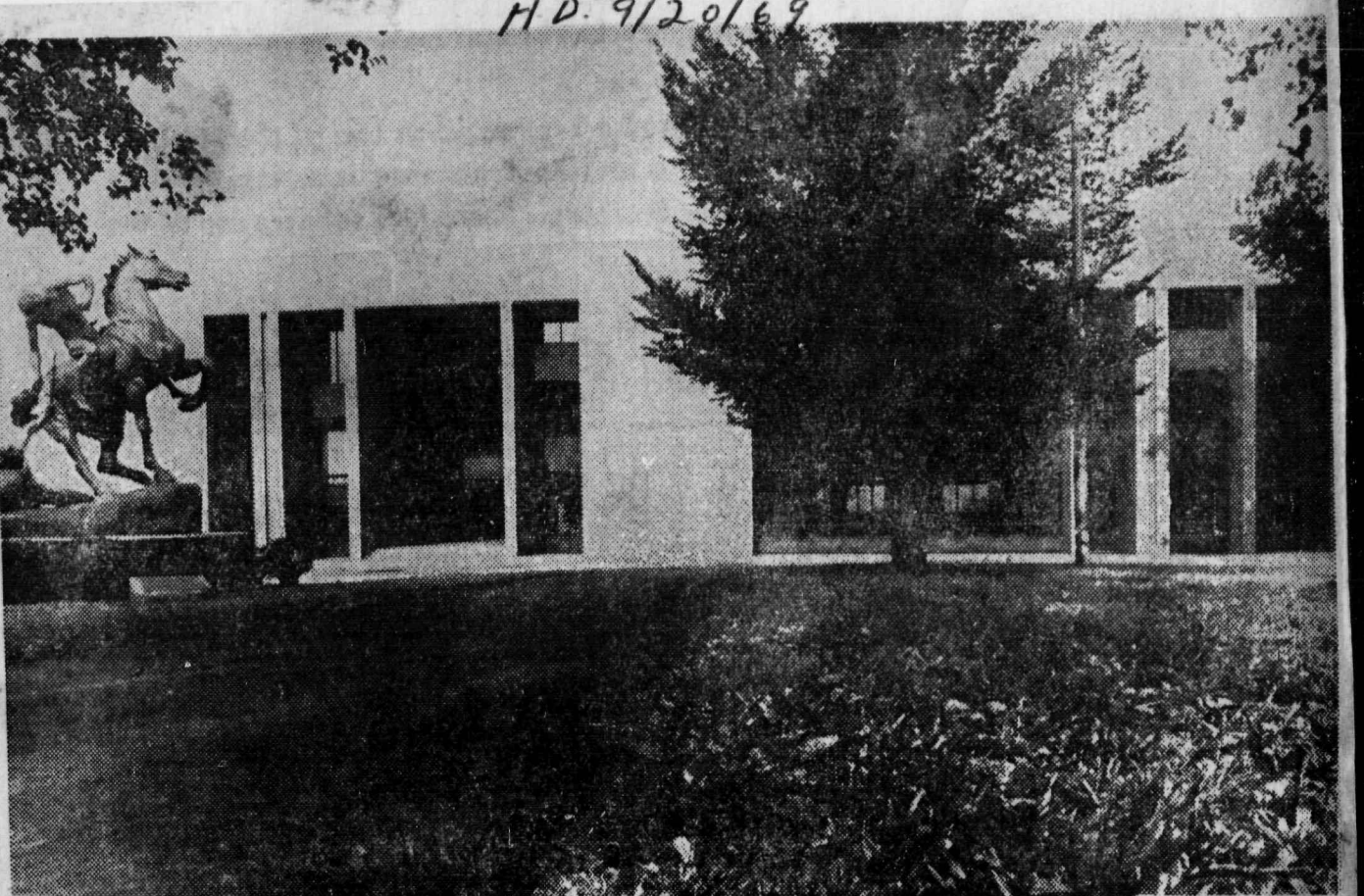
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The Samuel C. Williams Library at Stevens Tech in Hoboken, erected at cost of \$3 million, was dedicated this year. Located 80 feet above the Hudson River on Castle Point, the library commands an unobstructed view of Manhattan. The library, which has room for 150,000 volumes, replaces a 44-year-old unit that had room for less than a third of that number. The building was named for Samuel C. Williams, the late curator of special collections and professor emeritus of the Hoboken engineering college.

Urban Renewal Cutback Hoboken Sanguine Others Not Happy

In the aftermath of the announcement that the Nixon Administration plans to cut spending on urban renewal projects, Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale yesterday assured residents that the move would not affect the Grogan Marine Plaza project along lower Hudson and River sts.

The administration proposal received sharp criticism from public officials throughout the state Sunday, fearful that the cutbacks in federal allocations would inhibit projects in many urban areas.

"Funds required of the federal government already have been applied for and approved," DePascale stated, "resulting in demolition of the three-square-block area bounded by Hudson and River sts., between First and Fourth sts."

The mayor added, "once the entire land has been cleared, construction of the high-rise apartment and commercial building complex will be taken over by a private developer."

Also yesterday, another Hoboken official, Edward M. DeFazio, executive director of the Hoboken Housing Authority, also expressed the opinion that Nixon's cutback of federal funds will not affect building another senior citizen apartment on upper Willow av.

"We are told there will be no cutback of federal funds where it concerns public housing," DeFazio said.

The move, which if approved, would cost cities millions in federal aid, brought sharp criticism Sunday from many Hudson County officials and also from Gov. Richard J. Hughes.

Hughes to Aid Expressing his deep sympathy with the plight of mayors, the governor stated he is willing to initiate a special session of the legislature in an effort to procure funds for the cities if necessary. Hughes strongly urged the administration to consider cutting spending in other areas rather than decrease federal allotments for urban renewal projects. He cited the anti-ballistic missile (ABM) system as one area where the need was questionable.

One Hudson County official who seemed to agree with Hughes' premise said that the vehicle of federal spending could be cut back was Jersey City Council President Thomas Flaherty.

Calling the proposed cutback a disastrous step, Flaherty suggested that decreased spending in the areas of military and space programs was perhaps more feasible than cutting aid to the cities.

Termed Chaotic Mayor of Union City, called the move chaotic and stated it would be a terrible blow to cities which had been relying on federal assistance.

In Newark, Councilman Louis Turco termed the proposed cutback deplorable. He promised to join in a protest march to the nation's capital.

City Plans To Form New Transit Unit

Preliminary steps to form a new agency for Hoboken — the Department of Transportation — will be taken at tomorrow's meeting of the city council when an ordinance authorizing the department will be introduced.

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PUC Rules Buses Out Of Service Finds Violations In Spot Checks

Eight buses were removed from the Washington Street route in Hoboken in the last few days when inspectors for the state Public Utility Commission found various violations including faulty tires, broken windows, faulty windshield wipers and broken lights.

A spokesman for the commission said that the vehicles were ruled out of service because of the result of four spot inspections made by PUC investigators acting on complaints of the city.

"THE SPOT checks will continue," he said. "We do not have the staff to make the inspection on a regular basis. However, because of the problem, Hoboken officials claim the have had with the operators of the Washington Street line, will make frequent spot inspections."

Mayor Louis DePascale said the Public Safety Director, Norman Wilson had complained to the commission of various shortcomings of the operator and asked for the commission's advice on what action could be taken locally in connection with revoking franchises.

THE COMMISSION spokesman said that Hoboken could not take any action of its own without involving the PUC.

"If the city wants to revoke a franchise it must do so through the commission," he said. "It would first petition the commission for permission to revoke the franchise in question stating the reasons for the action."

"The commission would then notify the company of the action and the date of a hearing before the PUC when it can present its side of the case and the city its side."

"UPON HEARING both sides the commission will decide whether the franchise should be revoked, and if not, what other course should be followed."

The eight buses removed from service have since been inspected and found fit to use, the PUC spokesman said.

He charged that the officials he cited constantly received "strong protests" from the Citizens Committee for the Protection of Property Rights, but ignored them. "Now is the time to challenge them," he added.

THE DEPARTMENT'S primary function will be the operation of the city's cross-town bus system, including the hiring of personnel, purchasing of equipment, insurance and care of the vehicles.

Currently, the city is in the process of securing proposals on three buses for the system. The vehicles will carry between 10 and 16 persons and have a 15 cent fare. Three drivers will be hired to operate the buses.

C of C Votes Merger With North Hudson

Hoboken Chamber of Commerce members yesterday voted by an overwhelming majority to ratify the merger of that group with North Hudson Chamber of Commerce, the New Unit to be known as Hoboken-North Hudson Area Chamber of Commerce.

Frank Boye, a vice president at U.S. Testing Co., in Hoboken who now serves as president of Hoboken Chamber of Commerce, said the purpose of the merger is to form a more cohesive and stronger area chamber of commerce and one that will be more effective, forceful and productive than either chamber acting alone.

Following yesterday's special meeting in the Marlin Room, where most votes were registered by proxy, it was announced that North Hudson chamber members will conduct a similar vote later this month.

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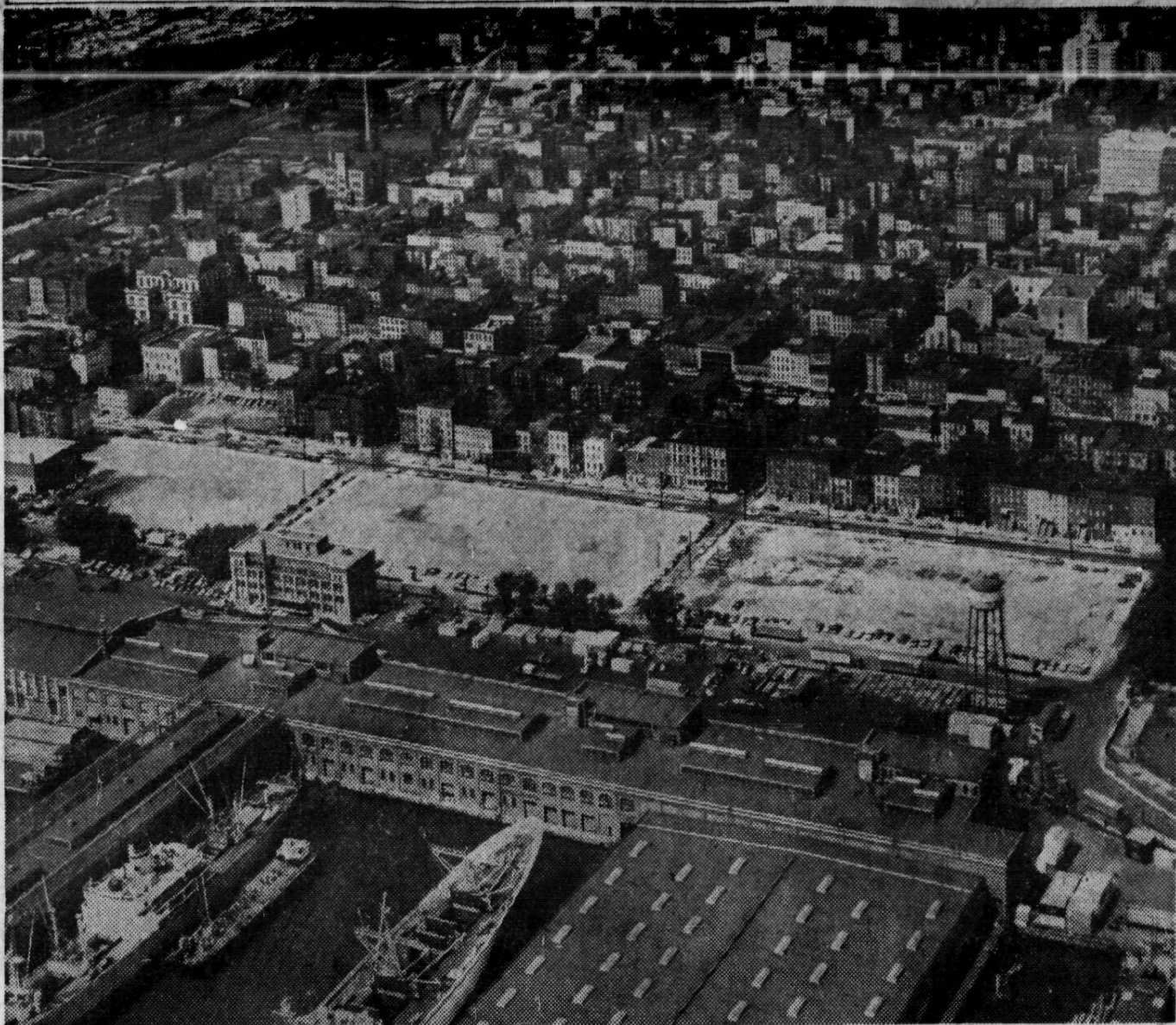
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Aerial photo of Hoboken's waterfront shows three cleared city blocks that appear to be football gridirons. It is the site of Grogan Marine View Plaza, a \$40 million complex that will contain luxury apartments, commercial buildings and recreation facilities. Construction is expected to get underway early next year, and ready for occupancy in 1971.

Major Construction

Hoboken on the Way Up

Hoboken, despite federal urban renewal problems, is set to embark on one of the most ambitious construction programs in its history. Mayor Louis DePascale reported yesterday with the way cleared for the \$33-million Grogan Plaza development on Hudson st. and a \$30-million oil treatment plant on the waterfront.

A three-block area from First to Fourth sts., Hudson st. to River st. has already

been cleared for the John Grogan Marine View Plaza. This will be a complex of four 23-story apartment houses and a 25-story office structure that will rank among the most modern in the metropolitan area.

The apartments, overlooking the New York skyline, will have balconies and swimming pools. There will be shopping facilities and parking for an estimated 2,000 automobiles in an underground garage.

"Downtown Hoboken will take on a completely new look," said the mayor, "and it will be difficult to imagine you're still in the same city."

Because of their convenient location and the proximity to PATH rapid transit and bus transportation to Manhattan, DePascale predicted that the luxury apartments will be much sought after. He also felt the 25-story office building will be rented rapidly by firms taking advantage of geographical location in the metropolitan area.

The complex will bear the name of the late John J. Grogan, the former mayor who was long associated with waterfront developments.

The mayor indicated that City Hall agencies might also move into the new office structure. It was pointed out that it would be more economical to rent quarters in the new office building than to continue to operate and maintain the City Hall that was built in 1879.

Adjoining Grogan Plaza will be the 70 blocks that have been designated for rehabilitation and renewal under the Model Cities program. This area extends from Hudson st. west to the city line and from Observer Highway north to Fourth st.

Selective Renewal
Within these boundaries slum buildings will be torn down and replaced by modern structures. Good buildings will be rehabilitated.

"This is more than urban renewal, it is the total approach to putting new life in to an old city," said the mayor. He added that he was proud that his administration was among the first cities in the nation to qualify for funds under the federal Model Cities program.

Turning to industry, the mayor hailed as "great news for Hoboken," the plans to establish a \$30-million oil treatment terminal on the site of the old Todd Shipyard property on the Hudson River at the city's northern border.

Payrolls, Taxes
"With this plant, providing employment for hundreds and a great boost in tax rates, Hoboken will have developed this choice waterfront site to its full potential," said DePascale.

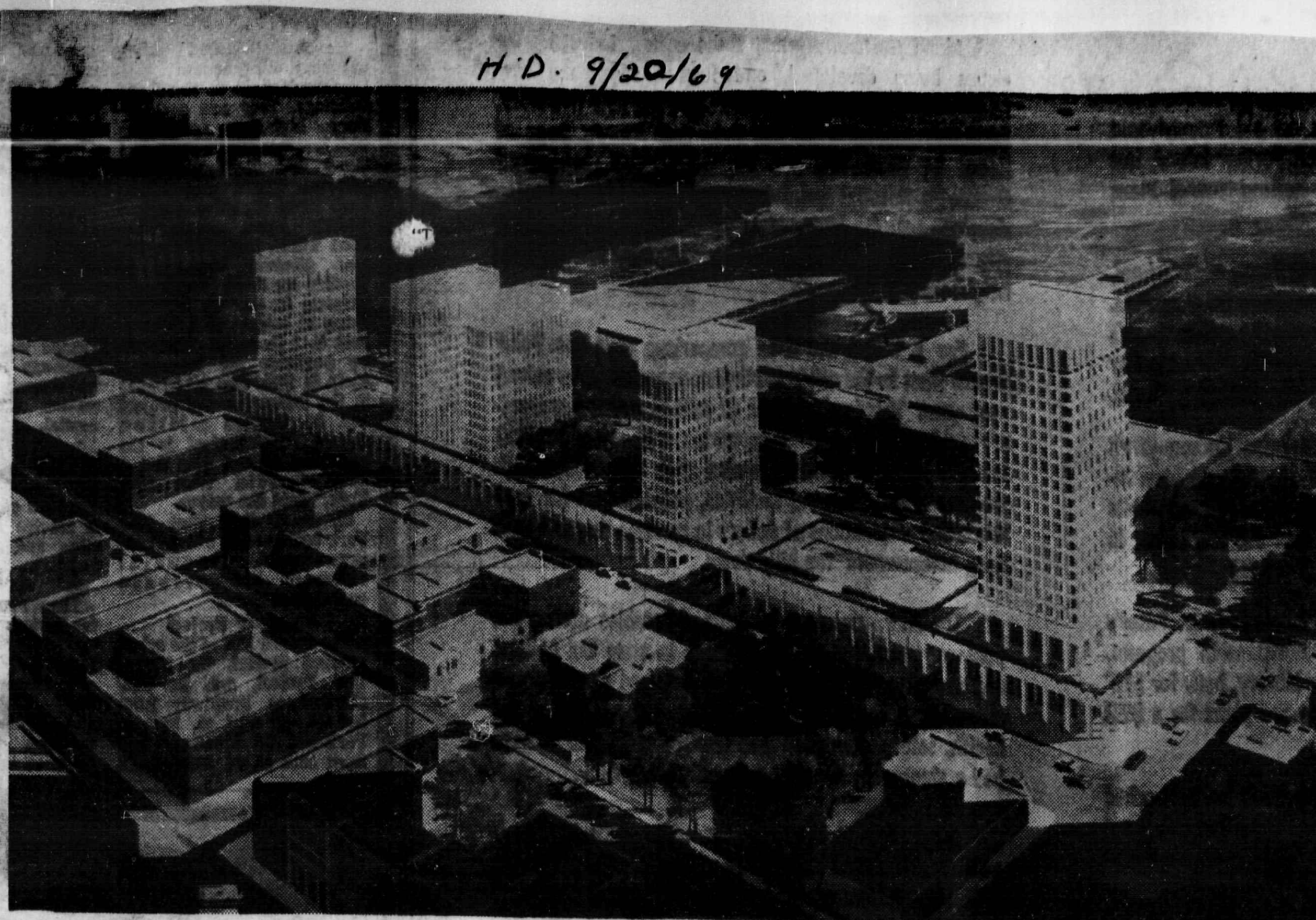
Other plans include a new senior citizens' apartment building and a school. Both will be constructed on Willow av. near the present Wallace School on 11th st. It will be the third senior citizens' apartment building in the city and the first for the uptown area.

Said the mayor: "I'm pleased to report that our planning and our work are showing results and that Hoboken today is on the way to a bright new future."

property at a minimum price of \$375,000. By taking out a short-term loan for this amount on the assumption the sale will go through, the city can greatly reduce the amount it will have to take out in bonds to pay Todd.

"As it stands now, the city stands to make \$375,000 but it will be strapped with another bond issue for almost \$1,000,000. Taking a short-term loan and seeking \$475,000 in bonds can accomplish all that it plans and save the taxpayers some money at the same time."

The additional \$80,000 in the bond issue covers the costs and fees involved in obtaining it.

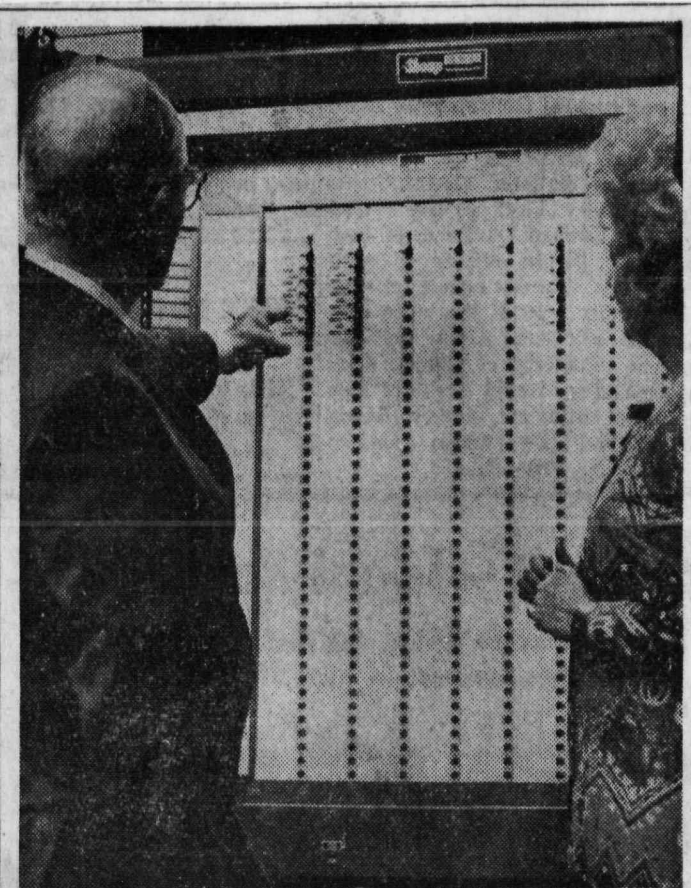


Three Blocks Have Been Cleared On Hudson Street For This \$33 Million Skyscraper Development



Mayor
Louis DePascale

"Hoboken, one of the first communities in the nation to be designated as a 'Model City' by the federal government, is now in the midst of plans that will rebuild more than one-third of its area. In addition, three blocks have been cleared for the attractive Grogan Marine Plaza complex. On our waterfront construction will begin shortly on a \$40 million oil treatment plant. Everywhere we look today Hoboken is on the move to a bright, new future. We invite business and developers to invest in Hoboken — the 'Miracle Mile' of homes and industry..."



VERTICAL VOTING—Hoboken City Clerk Anthony Amoroso demonstrates operation of the new Hudson County official voting machine to be used in the Nov. 4 general election to Mrs. Marie Gleason of his staff. Names of candidates and referenda on the ballot will be listed in vertical instead of horizontal positions and the voter will be able to see an "X" appear where he actually casts his vote. An official of the Hudson County Election Board will explain details to the public who may view the machine until 9 p.m. Thursday, the final registration date.

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DePascale Hits Rent Gouging

Mayor Louis DePascale today concurred with Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello on charges made last week by the councilman that some Hoboken landlords were taking advantage of the city tax increase by using them as excuses for increasing rents several times the amount reflected by the tax hike.

"I fully agree with the councilman," said the mayor after talking with Cappiello for several minutes. "Certain landlords are using tax increases as an excuse for rent gouging."

"I, AND the other mayors in Hudson County, already have taken steps which we hope will lead to rent control legislation by the state," he continued. "We have asked the governor to sponsor this legislation and to do it as quickly as possible."

Cappiello suggested that tenants who feel their rent increases are out of line with the city's tax increase on their building should take the time to check the situation out.

"IT IS EASY enough to do," the councilman said. "The city tax department can show a tenant what the landlord paid in taxes for a year and what he will be expected to pay this year or next year."

"Subtract last year's figure from the increased figure and they have the amount the landlord's taxes were increased. Divide the increase by the number of tenants in the building paying rent and they then have an idea of how much extra they will have to pay over the course of the year."

"IF THE rent has been increased to a point where the amount they have to pay is a great deal more than their fair share of the tax increase then it is likely that the landlord is using increased taxes as an excuse to get more money out of his tenants."

"We have no way at this time to prevent landlords from upping their rents or controlling them so that increases are fair. But we do have the means to make them admit to their tenants that taxes aren't to blame for it all."

Seeks Legislation

Cappiello Mounts Attack Against Rent Gouging

A Hoboken Councilman today accused some landlords of using the excuse of increased city taxes to take advantage of their tenants and institute rent hikes many times higher than the amounts the owner has to pay the city in taxes.

"Rent gouging is definitely going on in Hoboken and it is time someone said something about it," said Third Ward Councilman Steve Cappiello. "It seems that the people who are getting hit the hardest are the ones who can least afford it."

"I INTEND asking Mayor DePascale to set up a committee which will pressure the state legislature into setting up some restrictions on landlords and how much they can increase rents. These rentpayers must have some kind of protection."

"Certainly, property owners should be allowed to pass off some of the cost of increased taxes to the tenants. But all too often of late, the increases are 30 to 40 per cent higher than the increase the property owner got on his taxes."

"THESE are simple case of trying to milk the public for all it can bear and then blaming it on the city."

Cappiello said the matter was brought to his attention by the Hoboken Rentpayers and Taxpayers Association and Vincent J. Fusilli, chairman of the rentpayers group.

"There is a large property holder in the Second Ward who has increased the rent of its tenants \$35 a month in the last year," the councilman continued. "At the same time, these people had to go without heat and hot water for months because of a broken steam line across Washington Street."

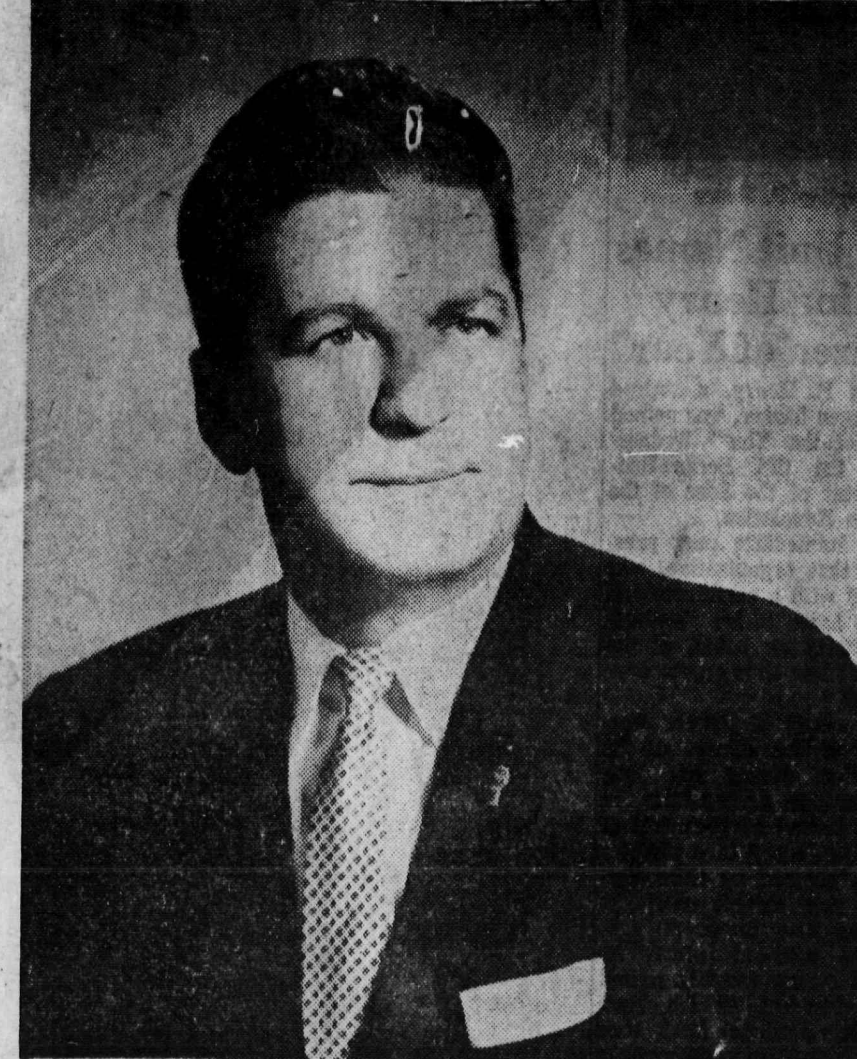
"TO BE without heat and hot water for all that time and then be told that your rent is going up \$35 a month over what you were paying a year ago is a

crushing blow to many of these families."

Cappiello said he would suggest to the mayor that he call a meeting of local realtors and tenant groups and have them work out guidelines for some form of rent control which could be suggested to the state legislature.

"I THINK that \$125 a month for a cold water flat is very unreasonable, and for all practical purposes that is what these rentpayers are living in," he said.

"Some protection must be available for the little people, especially since the tax rate in Hoboken is bound to go up even higher once 100 per cent assessment is implemented."



In Memory of
John J. Grogan

\$375,000 for City 9/22/69

Hoboken, Supermarine Set Minimum Bid for Shipyard

Hoboken and Supermarine Inc. have come to a tentative agreement on what the oil processing company will offer as its minimum bid for a section of the abandoned Todd Shipyard which the city will shortly take title to, Mayor Louis DePascale said today.

"We have agreed on a minimum price of \$375,000 for that portion of the Todd Shipyard which rests in Hoboken," the mayor said. "This will be the minimum price the city will accept from any bidder when the property is put up for public sale."

"In other words, the bidding on the property will start at \$375,000."

DePASCALE SAID that the city has also imposed several other restrictions which potential bidders will have to meet.

"The successful bidder will be required to build a minimum of \$18,000,000 worth of new plant on the property," he

said. "Construction must start within 90 days from the date the company takes title to the property and must be completed in not more than two years from the date it takes title."

DePASCALE and Herbert Fine, the city's tax expert, met Friday with representatives of the company and negotiated for close to two hours before hitting a figure acceptable to both the company and the city.

Although Todd owes Hoboken more than \$800,000 in back taxes, the mayor said he was satisfied with the offer made by Supermarine and had not expected to make back the money owed by the shipyard company.

THAT MONEY was amassed over a period of years and did not reflect the actual worth of the property," he said. "While we will lose the money owed by Todd, we gain by getting the property back on the tax rolls."

"And when the facility is finished, the city expects to be

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getting more in taxes from Supermarine than it ever got from the Todd facility, even when it was in its heyday and making regular tax payments."

ALTHOUGH the city's conditions require the successful bidder to spend at least \$18,000,000 in new construction on the tract, representatives of Supermarine have stated repeatedly that their plans call for the construction of an oil desulfurization plant which will cost in the neighborhood of \$36,000,000.

Hoboken has yet to take title to the Todd property but is nearing completion of plans to do so. A bond issue for \$940,000 have been approved by the state for the city with which it will pay Todd some \$850,000 for overpayment in taxes.

AN ORDINANCE approving the bond issue has been introduced to the Hoboken City Council and has passed its first reading.

DePascale said that once the city has paid Todd the money and accepted title to the land, immediate steps will be taken to hold a public auction and dispose of it.

Supermarine also plans to acquire the part of the defunct shipyard which lies within the Township of Weehawken. As with Hoboken, Todd ceased to pay taxes to Weehawken when it abandoned the property.