

## New books on Hoboken libraryshelves

A total of 308 new books were ordered by the Hoboken Public Library last month, Lucille Cunningham, director, said today. Many of the volumes have been delivered and are now available to library members.

Some of the new books are:

The Making of the President, 1972 by Theodore H. White; How to be Your Own Best Friend by Mildred Newman and Bernard Berkowitz with Jean Owen; War: A Novel by J.M.G. Le Clezio; Small Changes: A Novel by Marge Piercy; The Country and the City by Raymond Williams; Kissinger: Portrait of a Mind by Stephen R. Graubard; Writing and Drawings by Bob Dylan; Disaster in Bangladesh; Edited by Lincoln C. Chen, M.D.; Hazard: A Novel by Gerald A. Browne; Ralph McGill, Reporter, by Harold H. Martin; The Last Night at the Ritz: A Novel by Elizabeth Savage; The Growth and Gerald S. Hawkins; Eskimo

Realities by Edmund Carpenter; A Book of Dreams by Peter Reich; Runaway Horses: A Development of Mothers by Angela Barron McBride; In One Era and Out the Other by Sam Levenson; The Berlin Ending: A Novel of Intrigue by E. Howard Hunt; The Living Presidency: The Resources and Dilemmas of the American Presidential Office by Emmet John Hughes; The Thistle and the Rose by Jean Plaidy; Journey Through a Lighted Room: A Memoir by Margaret Parton; Messenger From Munich: A Novel of Suspense by Noel Pierce; A Journal of the Plague Years: A Devastating Chronicle of the Era of the Blacklist by Stefan Kanfer; History: Poems by Robert Lowell; Ninety-Two in the Shade: A Novel by Thomas McGuane; A House for the Wain; Beyond Stonehenge by Novel by Yukio Mishima; The Dance of Legislation by Eric

Redman; Indispensable Enemies: The Politics of Misrule in America by Walter Karp; Black Mesa: The Angel of Death by Suzanne Gordon; Photographs of My Father by Paul Spike; Interpretations and Forecasts: 1922-1972 by Lewis Mumford; Log Cabin Noble: A

Novel About the Greatest Treasure Hunt in the Caribbean by F. Van Wyck Mason; Prisoners in America by The American Assembly, Columbia University; and Mistresses of Mystery: Two Centuries of Suspense Stories by the Gentle Sex, Selected by Seon Manley and Gogo Lewis.

## Mayor asks budget details be explicit

Details will be the key to Hoboken's 1974 municipal budget, Mayor Steve Cappiello said today.

"I haven't been satisfied in the past with the way the various city departments explained their 'other expenses' portion of their budgets," said the mayor. "They were too general and didn't go into enough details."

"So for the proposed 1974 budget I have instructed all directors to be specific and to go into as much detail as possible in preparing their department budgets."

Cappiello said that the salary portion of the budgets were relatively cut-and-dry matters that were computed fairly easily. It was in the area of other expenses that the city spent a good deal of its money — and wasted it, he said.

"The practice in the past has

been for each director to take the budget for the current year and use it to draw up his budget for the following year," the mayor continued. "Well, that isn't good enough anymore."

"I don't want to see a budget that is a carbon copy of what we had last year, and the year before, and the year before that."

"I want each director to carefully study the anticipated needs of his department for the coming year and prepare his budget based on those needs. And those needs should be explained in detail, not only for myself, but for the residents of the city who will be examining the budget prior to the public hearing."

"I want the citizens of Hoboken to be able to look at the budget and know exactly what we are spending and what it is being spent on," he added.

"Too often in the past, our budget hearings have been bogged down in arguments over such trivial things as grass seed and toilet tissue. We want to get away from that."

## Fifth grade Connors pupils tour City Hall, meet mayor

Some 16 fifth grade pupils from Hoboken's Thomas G. Connors school have a better idea of how their city works today following a tour yesterday of City Hall with their teacher, James Ciani.

The high point of the tour was a visit with Mayor Steve Cappiello and First Ward Councilman Anthony H. Romano, who also is business manager for the school system.

Cappiello told the students that one of the city's biggest problems was keeping its streets and sidewalks clean, and that

each youngster could help by making sure they and their friends used litter baskets for their candy wrappers and soda bottles.

Romano told them of all the money the Board of Education was spending each year on vandalism and told them that if the students in all the schools took better care of them it would mean more money could be spent on the youngsters themselves.

William Van Wie, the mayor's confidential aide, conducted the tour.

## Tenant Request Cappiello to Put Police On Patrol at Apartment

By STEPHEN PAYNE

Mayor Steve Cappiello of Hoboken last night told about 60 members of the Andrew Jackson Tenant Assn. that city policemen will be patrolling the grounds and the buildings in two weeks.

Safety at the project has been a major concern, and tenants have been complaining about the Globe Security force which has been patrolling the area for the past year.

Edward DuRoy of the housing authority notified those at the meeting that the contract between the authority and the guard agency, which ends on Oct. 30, will not be renewed.

Another demand that tenants be appointed to the housing authority was not valid, according to Mrs. Phyllis Fitzgibbons, chairman of the tenants group. She said that there would be a conflict of interests in that case.

Mayor Cappiello also proposed the possibility of holding city council meetings at the Jackson Apartments, and pledged that his "office and staff are on call anytime." He said, "I will be here frequently, as often as you invite me."

He then asked the members to supply him with copies of their complaints so he can follow up on them.

## Turn off a thief

The dim elevators, halls and stairways in Hoboken's older housing projects will be better lighted when a contract is not due to finish his work until six or seven months from now. And everyone knows how these contracts have a way of dragging on and on beyond their scheduled completion date.

Meanwhile, tenants still are served by 40-watt or even 25-watt bulbs, in these dark areas where robbers can fall upon them at any time and often do.

Why? Why cannot the housing authority install some bigger light bulbs until the permanent improvement comes through? Vandals may smash or steal them (as it is claimed they do now, when the bulbs are small), but the extra cost will not break the housing authority, and it should make life less miserable for the hapless tenants.

## Cappiello aiming at public meetings

For the first time in recent history, the Hoboken Council may hold a council meeting at a location other than City Hall or the high school auditorium.

Mayor Steve Cappiello said today he will ask the council to hold one of its October meetings in the community room of the new Fox Hill Gardens Senior Citizen projects.

"If possible, I would like the Oct. 3 meeting to be held there," he said. "This would be the first, but by no means the last public meeting to be held outside city hall."

"It is part of this administration's goal to bring the function of government and participation to the public," the mayor continued.

"In the future, we hope to hold council meetings at various locations throughout the city at least once a month, if possible."

Cappiello said he has forwarded his request to City Council President Martin J. Brennan.

The council has amended its rules of procedure so that meetings can be held in locations other than city hall.

The council has been holding at least one meeting a year in the high school. The annual budget meeting is held there to accommodate the usually large crowd that attends.

## Hoboken fire units plan grievance

The Hoboken Fire Fighters and Fire Officers associations will file a formal grievance against the city for failing to fill all existing vacancies in the rank of fire captain, a spokesman for the organizations said today.

"Hoboken is failing to fulfill its contractual obligations to both the fire fighters and the fire officers," he said. "The city has 34 fire captains when it supposed to have 35. In addition, appointments are to be made within 30 days when vacancies exist."

Mayor Steve Cappiello ap-

pointed two new fire captains Thursday, Patrick J. Ferrante and Edward Scharneck, the numbers one and two men on the list of eligible candidates.

Both Ferrante and Scharneck are Hoboken residents. The third, fourth and fifth men on the list, who could have been picked to fill the last captain opening, are non-residents.

According to the spokesman, the mayor would not say why he was leaving the one captain slot vacant except that he "was not making a third captain at this time."

The fire organization spokesman added that it was believed that the fact that the three men are not residents of Hoboken played a part in the mayor's decision not to make the third fire captain.

"We're not arguing that point," he continued. "It's between the city and Civil Service. If Hoboken can get the rules changed so that residency is again a requirement for employment or promotion we'll abide by it."

"But at this time the residency

question shouldn't have any bearing on promotions."

Fire organization representatives resumed contract negotiations with the city Thursday.

The city is expected to take a hard stand and give as little as possible, stressing the current costs of paying salaries and operating the department.

Mayor Cappiello would not discuss what had taken place but said that the fact that Hoboken's department cost \$1,000,000 more a year to operate than a

neighboring community of about the same population and size "speaks for itself."

"I have had a number of younger firemen come forward and express interest in how the department can economize," he continued. "They realize that if the financial commitment of the city to the fire department forces a cutback in personnel in order to meet that commitment, they will be the first ones to be laid off."

Cappiello said he firmly believed that consolidation of the Hoboken fire department—and the police department—which units in North Hudson was desirable.

"It has to come about sooner or later," he asserted. "The municipalities are finding it more and more difficult to meet the demands of their own departments. Consolidation, and the sharing of the expense, seems to be the only solution."

Cappiello said that such a move would probably require action of the state legislature, plus covering action of each participating community.

"It is something that may take several years to work out," he added. "All the more reason for getting started on it now."

The mayor said that he has already unofficially discussed consolidation with officials of some North Hudson communities who are "far from disinterested in the idea."

## Hoboken unifying inspection efforts

To increase the efficiency with which Hoboken enforces its municipal ordinances governing housing conditions, sanitation, fire, building, plumbing and electrical inspections, Mayor Steve Cappiello has appointed a coordinator to oversee the work of the various inspecting agencies.

Fire Capt. Ray M. Falco today assumed that post and is now in the process of planning a series of joint conferences with the different inspection officers.

"The purpose," said the mayor, "is to build an interlocking agency in which each inspection branch will keep its eyes open for violations concerning the other agencies as well as their own."

"In this way, the efficiency of each agency will be increased without actually adding more inspectors to the city payroll. And with the increase in efficiency we should start getting better enforcement of the city codes."

The mayor explained that the new system would work as follows: an inspector noticing violations in an area other than his own — such as a plumbing inspector who notices fire violations — reports the violations to Falco. The captain in turns brings the violations to

the attention of the appropriate agency and sees that it acts immediately on them.

"Hoboken has a number of good, sound ordinances that are suffering from lack of enforcement," the mayor continued. "And one of the reasons is that each agency concerned itself with its own small area and didn't know what the others were doing."

"For instance, there is an ordinance that prohibits the renting of a vacant apartment without a certificate of occupancy being obtained from the city by the landlord," Cappiello continued.

"But I'd venture to say that very few landlords bother getting certificates of occupancy before renting their apartments."

"The reason for it is that they get a certificate of occupancy without having the apartment inspected first to make sure it meets the minimum standards of the housing code."

"The result is that substandard apartments remain occupied and slum landlords continue to make a livelihood from the poor."

According to Capt. Falco, his ultimate aim will be a thorough and systematic inspection of every building in the city to see that it meets all city codes.

## Cappiello orders psychological tests for new policemen

By PETER HALLAM

Hoboken will require all prospective new policemen to take psychological tests before they are appointed, Mayor Steve Cappiello announced today.

The mayor said this would start with the 45 men he is appointing in the next three or four weeks.

"Anyone who carries a gun as one of the tools of his trade should be a well balanced and emotionally sound individual," Cappiello declared. "The psychological testing will help the city get some idea of these traits in the men being considered for appointment to the police force."

The mayor added that he hoped to have the testing done at Stevens Institute of Technology. The college had some similar

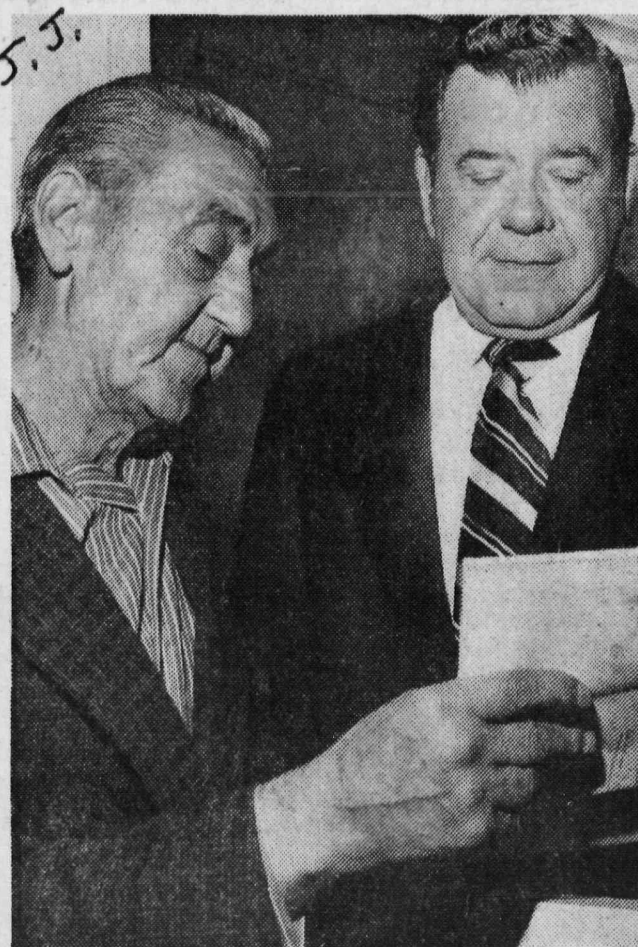
work for the city in the past, although the results were not considered in the appointment of new policemen.

But Cappiello asserted that in the future the results of the examinations would play a part in the city's decision on whether a man should be hired.

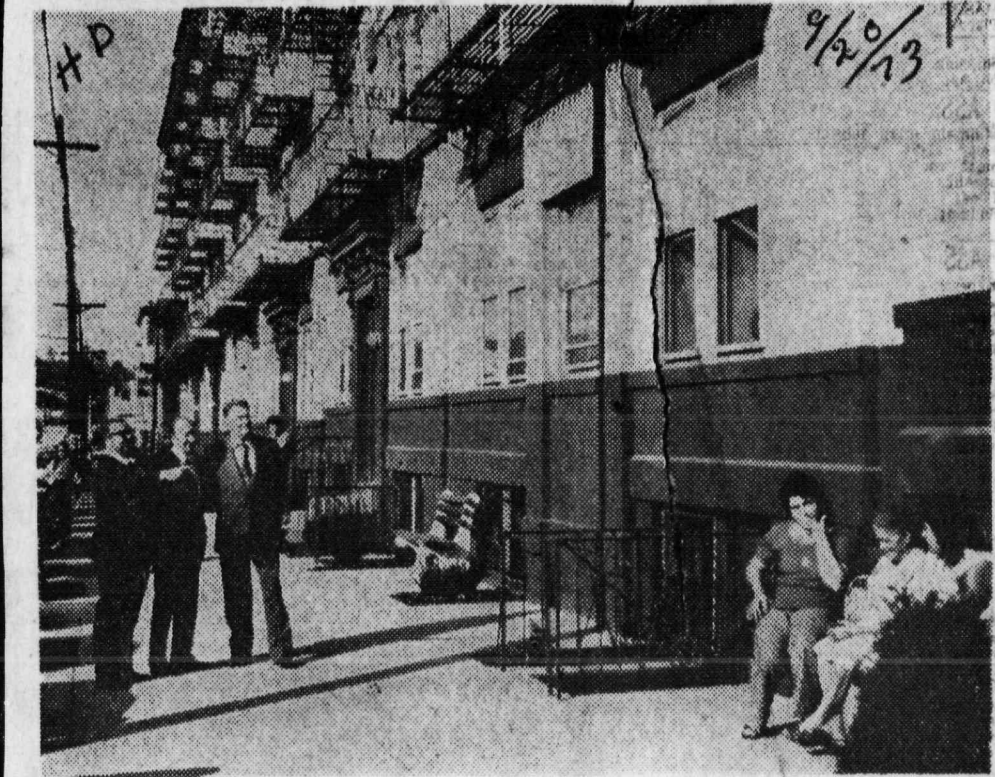
The mayor said that as public safety director he would also be requiring every candidate for the force to fill out a detailed questionnaire dealing with his personal history and background.

"I think the city has a right to know as much as possible about the people it is considering for appointment to the police force," he said. "Especially since so many of them are non-residents and strangers to the officers and officials who will be working with and supervising them."

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FIRST TO FILE — County clerk James Quinn right, studies Anthony (Tony Mike) DeVincenzo's nominating petitions for the special Hoboken Third Ward election to fill the council vacancy created by the resignation of Steve Cappiello, who is now mayor.



INSPECT RENOVATED APARTMENTS—Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello (center), and Council President Martin Brennan (right), yesterday are shown the newly renovated apartments along Washington st. between 12th and 13th sts. Pointing out one of the features as Walter Barry, president, Applied Housing Associates of Hoboken, whose firm made the renovations.

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IT'S REALLY HAPPENING — Yep, that's the John J. Grogan Marine View Plaza which is going up at 4th and River Streets in Hoboken, after numerous delays. It is one of two 25-story apartment houses being built. Two more are scheduled.

## Cemelli opposes firehouse closing

Salvatore Cemelli, Hoboken's interim Third Ward Councilman, today voiced strong disapproval of any plans to close the Grand Street firehouse, between Fourth and Fifth Streets.

"That is a first alarm company," he said. "It covers roughly 70 per cent of the city and rolls with the first alarm. A firehouse like this just can't be closed down without first having something better to replace it."

"I don't think this is a good idea at all."

Closing of the firehouse and remodeling it as a garage for the maintenance of public safety vehicles is one idea that is being considered by the council's

public safety department committee.

"There is an abundance of frame buildings in the city's west section," Cemelli continued. "A fire in any one of them would require the quickest response possible from the fire department."

"Closing that firehouse isn't going to make the response time any quicker."

The closing proposal was prompted by an effort to economize within the public safety department.

"I'm all for economy and efficiency in the management of the city," Cemelli added. "But not at the sacrifice of the public's safety."



MAKES IT OFFICIAL — Mayor Steve Cappiello, right, and Frank Cervelli, owner of Cervelli's Market, 328 Grand St., Hoboken, cut a slice of cheese at the market's grand opening. Before Cervelli bought the property it was the site of Doe's Millworks and previously had been the site of the Steneck Bank.

## Hoboken environment unit opposes oil tank farm

A study of the effect that a proposed fuel tank storage farm might have on Hoboken has confirmed the Hoboken Environment Committee in its opposition to construction of the facility.

The environmental impact study was issued by the Cosmopolitan Terminal, Inc., the company planning the fuel storage facility.

Helen Manogue, chairman and spokeswoman for the environmental committee, said the

group would continue its opposition at a public hearing on the tanks Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Hoboken High School.

She said the study shows that if the facility is constructed:

—There would be a possibility of fire.

—One oil delivery truck would drive through the city's streets every ten minutes.

—The facility would generate "noise and odor" problems.

—"Oil spills would be practically unavoidable."



## State funds sought for Fox Hills bus

Hoboken is seeking funds from the state Department of Transportation for an interim bus with which to provide service for senior citizens living in the new Fox Hills Gardens project at 12th Street and Willow Avenue.

Mayor Steve Cappiello, Business Administrator Herman Bier and Freeholder Vincent J. Fusilli have met with state officials on the matter and made an informal request for the funds.

"We want to see what our chances are of getting the money," Fusilli said, "before going through with a formal written request."

"The fact is, the new senior citizen project is now open and families are moving in but there is a drastic lack of bus service to this area and it will remain so until we can get our cross-town route expanded," the freeholder added.

According to the mayor, the new bus would be used to pick up and discharge only senior citizens going to and from the new project. There would be a fare equal to the fare now charged on the cross-town route—20 cents.

"When the cross-town line is expanded the bus can be incorporated into the cross-town service," he added.

The expansion of the cross-town line has the bus going past the new project.

Bier said he has representatives of two companies interested in supplying the city with additional buses for the route coming in next week to discuss specifications and prices.

The city's proposal for the cross-town route has yet to be submitted to the state Public Utility Commission for approval. However, a law department spokesman said it was in the last stages of preparation.

## Cappiello asks city assessors to evaluate his tax proposals

Mayor Steve Cappiello's plan to re-evaluate the land in Hoboken as a way of getting more in taxes from trucking companies and other firms with a minimum of improvements but large areas of land has met with mixed reaction from the city assessors.

"As the result of a meeting with the city's three assessors, I have asked them to submit to me proposals expressing their own ideas on why we can or can't go ahead with a re-evaluation," he said.

"Upon receiving the completed proposal I will submit them to an outside and independent assessor for his comments and recommendations. Based upon his recommendations, I will decide whether we should or shouldn't reassess land values."

The city's three assessors are Andrew P. McGuire, Woodrow Monte and Dominick Spinetto, the chief assessor. Cappiello would not say who agreed with him and who disagreed.

It is the mayor's belief that while the assessments on most improvements—buildings—are fairly accurate, the value of land is underassessed.

"If everyone had an equal amount of land and buildings of the same value it wouldn't matter," he explained. "But we have cases where there are property owners with large land holdings and few buildings. The result is that they pay very little in taxes compared to person with many buildings."

"The reason is that improvements are assessed at a much higher rate than land. So trucking companies and bus companies with property in Hoboken pay much less in taxes than industries in Hoboken. Plus they do a pretty good job of ruining our streets with their heavy vehicles."

## Firemen protest vacancy

Hoboken firefighters and officers have completed the last formal step in filing a grievance against the city for failing to fill a vacancy in the rank of fire captain.

According to Fireman Michael Bavaro, president of Local 1078 of the Fire Fighters Association, and spokesman for it and Local 1076 of the Fire Officers Association, the grievance has been filed with a state arbitrator through the Public Employment Relations Commission.

Bavaro said that under the labor contract, the city has 30 days to fill vacancies in the superior ranks but has failed to do so.

Recently, the city appointed two new fire captains but left a third slot vacant although

several men were certified by Civil Service as eligible for promotion. The two men appointed were both Hoboken residents. The third and fourth men on the list were not.

"Residency appears to be the main factor in this matter," said Bavaro, "even though the courts already have determined that a man cannot be refused appointment or promotion simply because he is not a resident of the community."

Bavaro said that the fire organizations may file a second grievance in connection with the same case. This one would be seeking retroactive pay for the man who is made captain, assuming one will be made.

"I see no way for the city to win this," he asserted. "It's an open-and-shut case."

## Cable TV tardy in paying Hoboken

Cablevision of New Jersey, the company that operates a closed circuit television system in Hoboken, is more than two months late in getting its franchise payment to the city, according to a spokesman for the city's law department.

But the company is preparing to get the check out within a week or two.

The city spokesman said that the company was contacted about the payment which was due in the beginning of July. The city is contacting the parent company in Boston, Mass., Amvideo Corp.—to find out the

number of clients serviced in the city and what the city's percentage of these fees will be.

Law department officials said that the contract with the company calls for a payment of 4 per cent of the company's annual gross income to be paid twice a year.

"Since the company is charging each customer \$72 a year, the city's share would be \$2.88 for each customer," the

spokesman said. "What we don't know is the exact number of customers and how the contract payment will be prorated since there is bound to be a fluctuation in the number of subscribers as new ones are added and others cancel out."

He added that the payment would be accompanied by an explanation from the company on how it was calculated.

## Litter drive flops amid confusion

Only one summons was given out by Hoboken police during the first 18 hours of their search for any litter on Hoboken's sidewalks but Chief George Crimmins said he believed this was not due to their inability to notice any litter but to a misunderstanding as to what they were to do about it.

The single summons was issued by Patrolmen Celestino Gasbarro and Albert Iadevaia to the owner of the property at 255 Ninth St. A Sept. 24 court appearance is required.

Crimmins said the summons was issued during the period between 4 p.m. Monday and 8 a.m. yesterday. It was turned

over to the city's Public Works Department: sanitation inspectors, who will obtain the owner's name and see that the summons is properly served.

According to the chief, the results could have been better but there was apparently some misunderstanding of his order

among department superiors.

"I've gone over a few of their reports and the indication is that they believed they were expected to investigate incidents of littering," Crimmins continued.

This is not the case at all. If litter is seen, the location should be noted and a summons prepared for the owner of that property, even if the actual act of littering isn't observed," he said.

Crimmins said that he would go over the order again with the superior officers to make sure they understood what was expected in the crackdown.

## Gallo proposes team ballot positions

Calling the present election laws governing ballot positions "confusing to the voters," Assemblyman Thomas A. Gallo of Hoboken said today he has introduced a bill to permit a mayoral candidate and his council running mates to run as a team in "non-partisan" municipal elections.

At the present time a mayor and his council candidates—although running on the same slogan—cannot be bracketed on the ballot because they are seeking different offices.

To illustrate the problem, Gallo pointed to the Hoboken municipal election last May. At that time Steve Cappiello, the victorious mayoral candidate, was located on one row and his three running mates, using the same designation, were nowhere near him.

Because different offices were being sought, the City Clerk said he could not bracket Cappiello and his three running mates on the ballot, Gallo said. "The result," he added, "was that some voters reported they pulled down levers for candidates near Cappiello's name, thinking these people were his running mates."

The Gallo-sponsored

legislation, which has been referred to the Assembly's Municipal Government Committee, would permit a municipal clerk to bracket candidates for different offices who request such a grouping under a single slogan.

"Trenton sources tell me that municipal clerks in other com-

munities governed by the Faulkner Act have had similar experiences," said Gallo. "And I feel my legislation will go a long way toward clearing up the ballot confusion faced by the electorate." City Clerk Anthony Amoroso and several other municipal officials appealed to Gallo to seek a change in the law.

## Cemelli Vows Better Police Protection

Sal Cemelli, incumbent Hoboken Third Ward councilman said yesterday that one of his "major priorities for the coming year is to provide extra and better police protection for every man, woman and child in our ward."

Cemelli said that "with national trends involving crimes and assaults rising, I am seriously concerned about providing better protection for our ward's residents, especially senior citizens."

Cemelli said he was "sure the Hoboken Police Department and its personnel are doing a fine job in this area. However, any form of municipal service can and should be improved and I am sure that our police department welcomes additional aid in providing protection for our people."

"I intend over the next week," Cemelli said, "to discuss with the mayor and city council the possibility of beefing up patrols in the Third Ward. And, I reiterate my previous comments that I will, under no circumstances, engage in name calling with any opponent. I am interested in one thing, providing service to our people, something I have been doing since I was appointed several months ago and doing it without having to resort to self praise."

## Out-of-town police

The new law that allows police and firemen to live out of town is disadvantageous enough from the standpoint of summoning off-duty men in emergencies, but now Hoboken's mayor has called attention to a further serious disadvantage. He has asked the state Civil Service Commission to remove from the police eligible lists for other cities the men he is appointing in Hoboken.

At present a man can get on more than one eligible list at the same time. If there is no immediate opening in the town of his first choice, he accepts appointment in one of the other towns for which he is eligible—say, Hoboken. Then, after Hoboken trains him for several months, a job opens up in the town he prefers. He can be accepted there and just abandons Hoboken.

This civic hardship could be corrected by a simple change in the civil service rules. The mayor is not seeking to have a policeman locked into his job forever. He just wants civil service to change its rules so that a policeman who wants to switch to another town would have to wait for another examination to get on that town's eligible list.

This would make him hesitate to take the Hoboken job as a stopgap in the first place. What could be fairer?

## Hoboken beats state agency to punch on rubbish cleanup

The state Department of Environmental Protection has ordered Hoboken to clean up its dump at 17th and Adams Street by Sept. 28 or face legal action. But the city has beaten the state to the punch.

Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale said today that agents dumping area had already been cleaned up before the city received the order.

"The order was in the form of a letter dated Friday and delivered to Vitale yesterday. I wasn't aware that the state had inspected the area but I did know that it was a mess," he said. "Unauthorized persons have been dumping rubbish and

building waste there for some time in spite of our efforts to keep them out."

"Last week I ordered my men to clean the place up and to start thinking about some way of keeping it clean. With the police keeping an eye out for illegal dumpers there should be a big improvement."

Vitale explained that most of the illegal dumping occurred late at night or early in the morning. Police have been instructed to arrest illegal dumpers.

The director added that not all of the mess at the dump was caused by illegal dumping. On weekends, he said, the city trucks sometimes have to dump their loads on the ground because the compactor is full.

"We start with an empty container late Friday afternoon," Vitale said, "but on some occasions it hasn't gotten up through to Monday."

"I hope to solve this problem, by having the company (Allegro Sanitation of Secaucus) leave two additional empty containers by the compacting unit on weekends."

"We won't be able to hook them up to the compactor since it requires a special truck to move them, but we will have some place to dump the rubbish besides the ground."

## Four-way race set for Cappiello seat

There will be four candidates seeking to fill the unexpired Third Ward City Council term of Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello on Nov. 6.

Philip Seriale of 521 Park Ave. has filed his nominating petitions to become the fourth candidate in the race. He and the other three aspirants will find out their ballot positions today.

The official drawing will be held at 1 p.m. in the office of Hudson County Clerk James F. Quinn.

For Seriale it will be the second time in less than a year that he has sought elected office in Hoboken. Last May he ran for councilman-at-large on a ticket headed by Andrew J. Amato.

Seriale ran high on the ticket polling more than 800 votes. It was his first shot at an elected office and considered a good showing by most local political observers.

Also seeking the council seat will be Anthony (Tony) Mike DeVincenzo, Anthony Russo and Salvatore Cemelli.

Cemelli is the incumbent. He was selected by the City Council on the recommendation of Cappiello to fill temporarily the council seat until a special election could be held.

A fifth candidate, Patrick Yocodine, had picked up nominating petitions but never filed them. Yesterday was the deadline.



Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fischer watch ceremonies dedicating Fox Hills Gardens, where they live, and rehabilitated houses opposite, in Hoboken

## Hoboken Is Rebuilding To Stem 20-Year Exodus

By PHILIP WECHSLER

Special to The New York Times

HOBOKEN, N. J., Oct. 17 — It used to be that all of our customers lived in Hoboken, now more than 50 per cent of them live in the suburbs," Vincent Amato observed today.

Mr. Amato is the manager of Fiore's Dairy Store, a popular establishment in the old Italian section here specializing in cheeses and sausages.

In an effort to keep the ethnic population intact and to provide housing for the newcomers—most of them Puerto Ricans—Hoboken is in the midst of a vast rebuilding and rehabilitation program.

Because of its charm and closeness to Manhattan across the Hudson River, the city also hopes to attract New Yorkers to relocate here.

"I know we can't turn Hoboken into another Westchester County, but we can become sort of a bedroom community," Mayor Steve Cappiello said today.

### Housing for the Elderly

Mayor Cappiello made his remarks in an interview after presiding at dedication ceremonies for a 200-unit high rise for the elderly called Fox Hills Gardens, and a new elementary school.

The ceremonies this morning also marked the rehabilitation of 85 apartments in five-story tenements across the street from the high-rise on Willow Avenue.

Although the city has made progress in rehabilitating many of its older dwellings it still has problems.

In his speech this morning, Mayor Cappiello made reference to the lack of decent housing, particularly for Puerto Ricans, and pointed to the burned-out



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much as it did in 1954, when the film "On the Waterfront" was made here.

There are still rows of brown or gray tenements lining the streets (now jammed with cars) and most people still shop in small stores rather than in large shopping centers.

One major difference, however, occurred on the waterfront. A number of shipping companies and industrial firms left and thus some of the small stores there, like the dock workers themselves, have become the economic victims of the industrial exodus. There are numerous "for rent" and "for sale" signs in the area.

### Hopes for Turnabout

The hopes for a turnabout on the waterfront now rest largely with the current construction of a luxury 800-apartment complex, where apartments will rent for \$80 a room, more than twice the average rent in the rest of the city.

Hoboken also has one major advantage that most older cities do not have—a majority of its 4,100 residential landlords live in the buildings they own.

In an effort to halt abandonment and to spur rehabilitation the city devised its own home-improvement program two years ago, which grants landlords loans at 3 per cent interest to repair their property. This month the 100th loan was granted.

Mayor Cappiello believes the rehabilitation and rebuilding programs have slowed the exodus.

"But every Sunday on Madison Avenue [where he lives in a three-family town house] you see all the cars double parked. It's all the kids coming in from the suburbs to get mama's pasta," the Mayor said with a smile.

## Hoboken litter

An effort to salvage Hoboken's broken-down drive against littering is under way. It will be a shame indeed if the officials cannot solve the problem of how to halt the littering without unjustly penalizing those property owners who do everything reasonable to keep their sidewalks cleans.

It is sad to have to admit that littering is so prevalent in Hoboken that to check it requires gargantuan efforts. The new tack the city took—giving summonses to the property owners regardless of whether they themselves did the littering—was intended to throw a floodlight on the practice.

Is it necessary to start sending out disguised policemen to lie in wait to catch the culprits? Mayor Cappiello has been persistent in trying to find an answer. The fact that he has not abandoned the attempt gives hope.

## Error undone

Hoboken's city administration has moved swiftly to make up for its fumble in permitting a flagrant dumper to get off easy, an error to which we called attention in this column. The culprit has been haled back to court and told he must get up \$100 to reimburse the city for the cost of removing the truckload of rubbish he had been caught unloading.

Meanwhile Police Chief Crimmins has ordered all his uniformed policemen to start ticketing the litterers, especially between four in the afternoon and eight in the morning when the city's sanitation inspectors are not on duty.

Everything depends on how seriously the policemen take this order. Diligent enforcement could break the back of the littering which has marred Hoboken's appearance. The litterers must be skeptical as to whether the police mean business. Let them be shown!

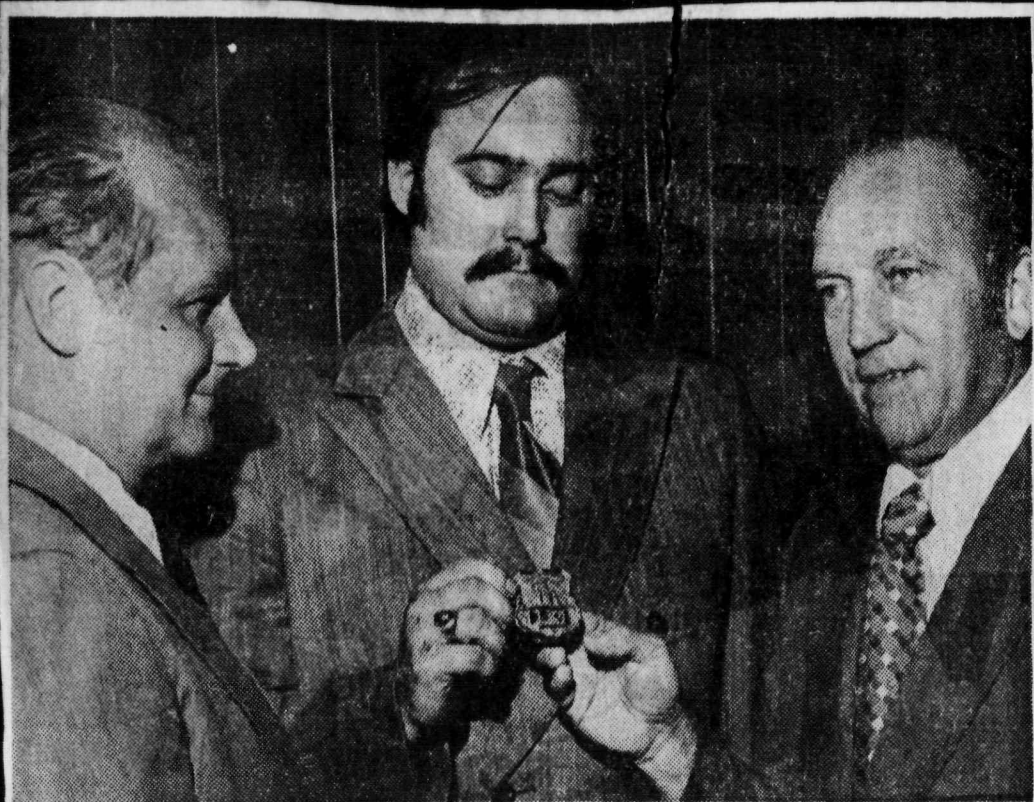


Guests at a buffet served for those who attended the ceremonies yesterday





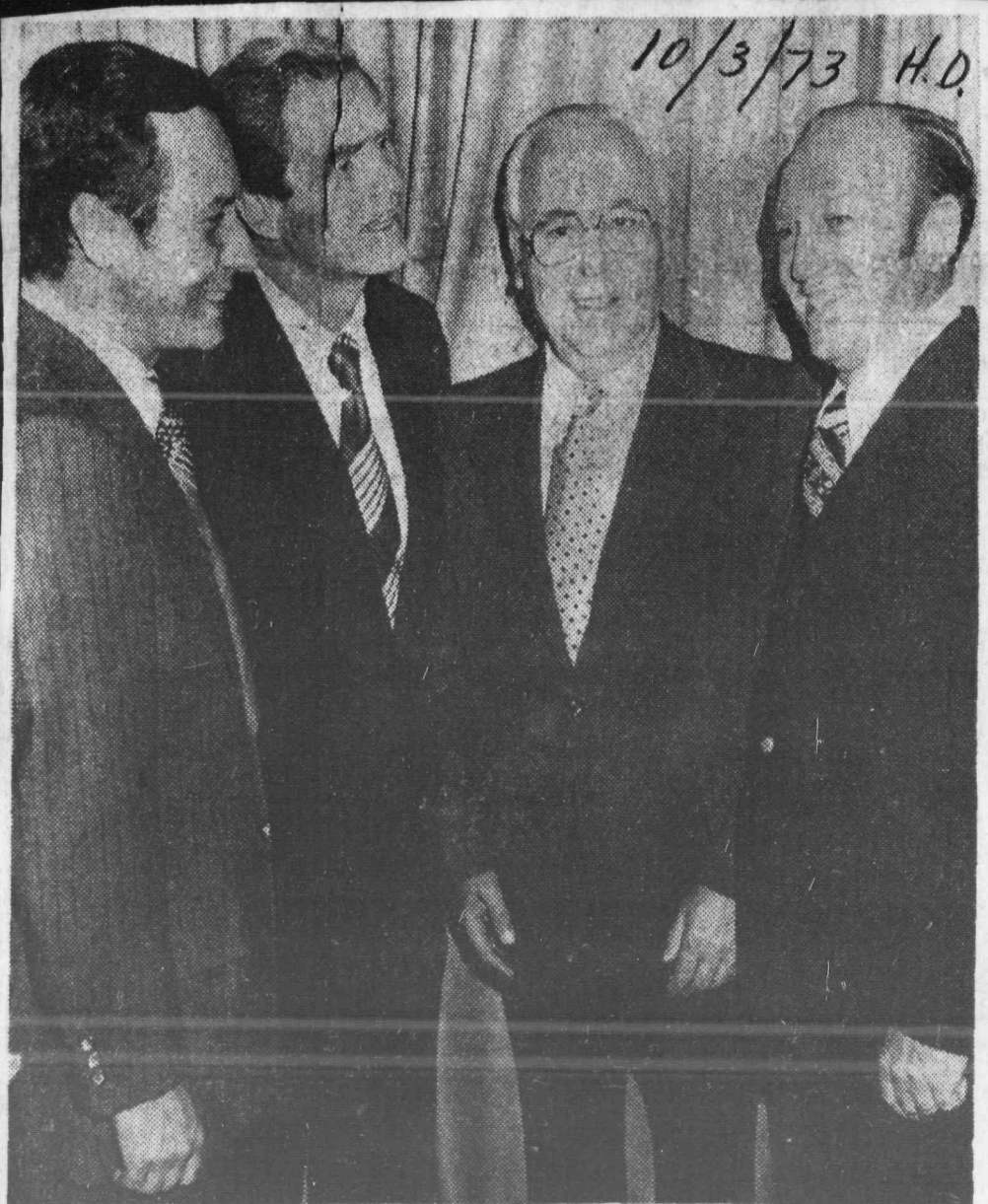
**FILLING THE GAP** — Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello, seated right, and Police Chief George Crimmins, standing right, congratulate the city's 10 new temporary policemen. Seated from left are Martin Kiely, Harry Huncken, Simeon N. Cumberbatch, and Arthur DiVincent. Standing from left are Fred Ferrante, Michael Burke, Edward Garcia, Frank Altomare, Ralph Cruz and Thomas Sutura.



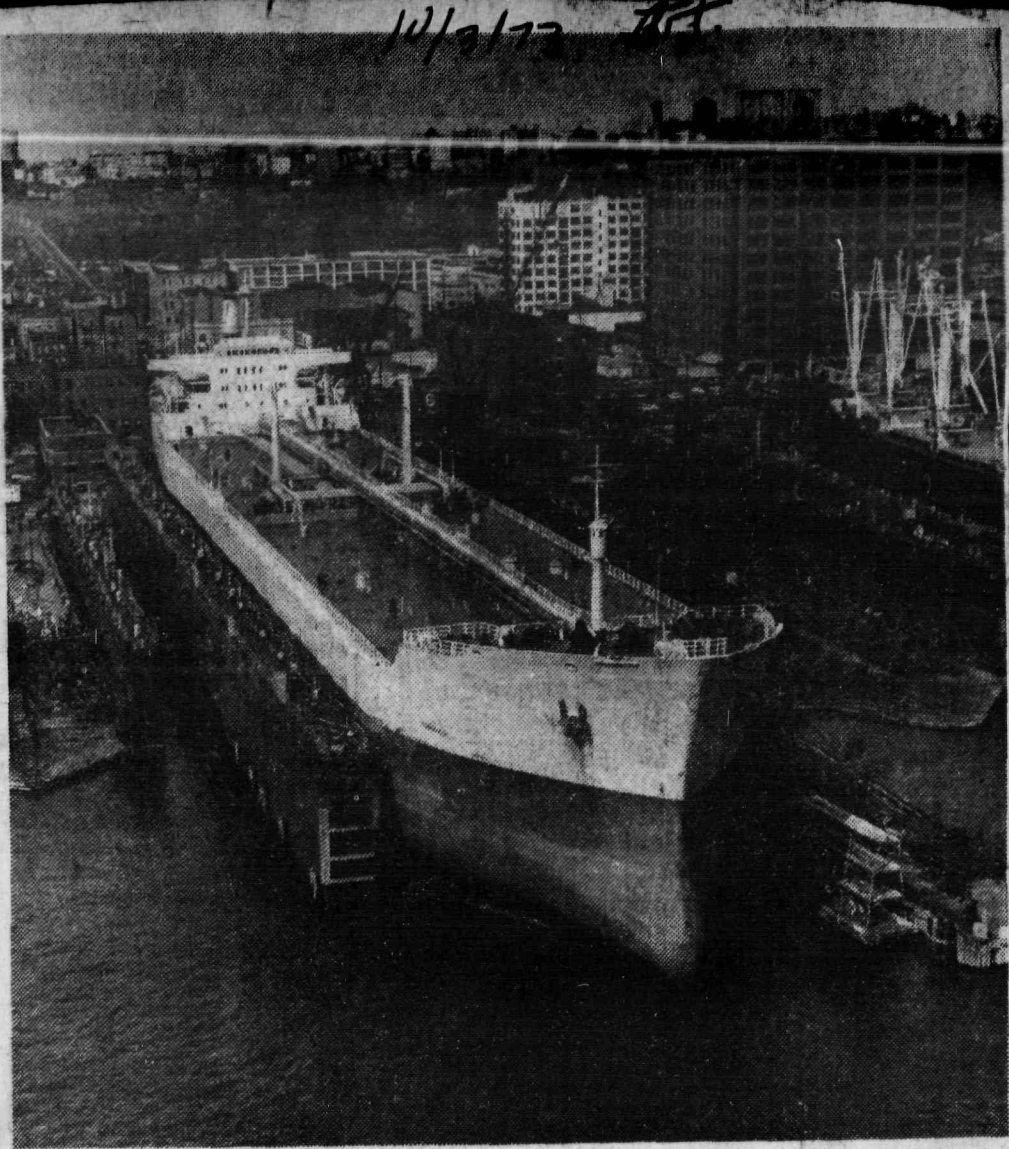
Hoboken Patrolman James Lynch receives badge from Mayor Steve Cappiello and well-wishes from Police Chief George Crimmins. Lynch is one of two new permanent policemen, the first appointed under Cappiello's administration.



**FLAG WAVING** — Civic and governmental officials raise the Italian flag over Hoboken City Hall to celebrate Columbus Day. From left are Phyllis Herzich, of the office of the Citywide Planning Committee; James Farino of the Hoboken Italian Committee; Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello, and Freeholder James Fusilli.



**BONTEMPO HONORED**—Salvatore Bontempo (second from right), former Democratic state chairman, chats with, left, former State Sen. Frank Guarini of Jersey City; Brendan T. Byrne, Democratic gubernatorial candidate, and Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello, at dinner last night honoring Bontempo for his service to the party. The dinner was held in the Robert Treat Hotel, Newark. U.S. Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey was keynote speaker. (Story on Page 4.)



The Aspos at the dock in Hoboken.

## Supertanker quits drydock in Hoboken for Nigeria run

The biggest tanker ever docked in New York Harbor was to swing out from a Hoboken pier today on a run to Nigeria.

The Aspos, which is also the biggest ship ever lifted in a floating drydock in the harbor, ended a six-day stay at Hoboken's Bethlehem Shipyard where she had her hull painted and underwent sea voyage repairs.

It took four tugboats to ease the Panamanian tanker out of Bethlehem's largest drydock to tie up temporarily at one of the yard's piers yesterday, with the help of seven winches on land, each of which had a line secured to the vessel.

The same winches, but with five tugboats, had been needed to slide the huge ship into the floating drydock on her arrival.

That was because the Aspos is 775 feet long and has a beam of 106 feet, whereas the port's

top drydock is only 110 feet wide and fenders take up an additional two feet, leaving only one foot on each side for the vessel to squeeze through.

The port's No. 1 drydock, although the largest in New York Harbor, is only 685 feet long, and out-riggers took up part of the length, so the bow of the Aspos hung out 114 feet over the river while she was drydocked.

Even the pier to which she was taken temporarily yesterday measures only 750 feet, so the 62,700-ton deadweight Aspos stuck out beyond that.

For the departure from the pier today, the Bethlehem dispatchers scheduled only three tugs, deemed sufficient to pull and guide the Aspos into the open river and send her on her way.

## Hoboken will use tougher state laws on littering

Hoboken will stop using its own "sissy" ordinances against littering, and will use instead the tougher state ordinances, in the hope that the local judge will hand out stiffer sentences for litterers.

Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale said today he will have his sanitation inspectors make the change immediately.

"There is a very important difference," Vitale said. "First, under the state statute a litterer can be considered a disorderly person and can be arrested. They can be put in jail and kept there until bail is posted."

"Secondly, the fine under the state laws can be up to \$500. The city ordinance provides for a fine up to \$200 only."

"And last, the state statutes also allow a jail term of up to six months plus a fine. The city ordinance makes no provision for a jail term."

Vitale said there was a drawback in using the state statutes.

"The state gets the fine while the city gets only the court costs," he explained. "But I'm not really concerned with making money for the city. If by using state laws we can help make Hoboken a cleaner place to live, the money we'll save in cleaning up will make up for the loss of the fines."

Vitale added that although his inspectors were using the state

statutes (2A:170-67.1) it was no guarantee that defendants would be slapped with heavy fines, jail terms or both.

"That's going to be up to the judge (Rudolph R. Naddeo)," Vitale continued. "We'll be giving him that extra leeway to work with. But I can't guarantee that because he can fine litterers up to \$500, put them in jail or do both, that he's going to take advantage of it."

## Hoboken school campaign aims at fire safety

Hoboken will launch a new fire safety program designed to reach every student in the city's school system, Mayor Steve Cappiello announced today.

Cappiello has instructed James Monaco, a Hoboken fireman, to visit every classroom in Hoboken over the next several months. Using visual aids, including movies and posters, Monaco will inform the students of the latest fire prevention techniques.

"We will do everything possible to prevent a recurrence of the tragedy that struck our city last weekend," Cappiello said. "Our new program is designed to reach our youngsters. Through materials they will bring home from school, it will also reach their parents."

Planning for the new program began in early September, several weeks before the tragic blaze that struck a row of buildings on 11th Street last Saturday. So far, 11 people have died as a result of the conflagration.

For the past several days, Monaco has been working out a

lecture schedule and lining up materials for use in the classroom. Beginning Oct. 15, the young fireman will spend two weeks in the Sadie Leinkauf grammar school (No. 8) on Seventh and Jefferson Streets. For the following three weeks, he will work in Wallace School (No. 6), on 11th and Willow Avenue, across the street from the site of the fire. After that, Monaco expects to meet with students in David E. Rue (No. 1) on Third and Bloomfield Streets for two weeks.

Over the next few days, Monaco will seek support for his fire safety program from business and industrial leaders within the city. He will also continue working with Judy Swope, Model Cities planner, in a search for possible federal and state sources of funding for the program.

For the past three years, Monaco has been stationed at the Engine Six Firehouse, Eighth and Clinton Streets. He and his wife, a third grade teacher at the Wallace School, live in Hoboken.

## Mayor criticizes litter fine of \$25

By PETER HALLAM

A \$25 fine levied by Hoboken Municipal Court Judge Rudolph R. Naddeo against one of the first litterers caught in the act by city sanitation inspectors isn't sitting well with Mayor Steve Cappiello.

The mayor said today that he is "not satisfied with the fine" and that it was "too light."

"I think the fines should serve notice on the public that the city isn't going to tolerate the continued violations of the littering laws," he continued. "A \$25 fine just doesn't do that."

"It probably cost the city more to take the boxes away, when you consider the salary of the men, the gas for the trucks, and wear and tear."

The fine was meted out to Thomas Black and the BBG Trucking Co. of North Bergen for

leaving an empty carton from a large appliance on Clinton Street after getting a warning for doing the same thing a short time before on Washington Street from the same sanitation inspector, Edward McIntyre.

Judge Naddeo said he felt the fine was "adequate" for the violation.

"I am well aware of the city's efforts in trying to clamp down on littering and other violations dealing with the cleanliness of the city," he said. "But I cannot take it all out on one man. I believe the fine of \$25 was sufficient for his particular violation."

Since the mayor and judge don't see eye to eye, does Cappiello intend to reapportion him when his current term ends? "I haven't thought about it," the mayor said.



**HISTORIC STRUCTURE** — The National Park Service has designated the Erie-Lackawanna railroad station in Hoboken a historic building, citing its artistic design and fireproof construction.

## Cappiello OKs Cemelli

Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello has endorsed Sal Cemelli, third ward Hoboken councilman for reelection on Nov. 6.

Cemelli succeeded Cappiello on the city council after Cappiello was elected mayor in May.

In a prepared statement, Cappiello praised Cemelli for "already performing, in a few short months, an admirable job for a thankless position, Sal Cemelli offers, above everything else, 'Cappiello said, a sincere and decent down to earth relationship between the city council and the ward electorate not often found in today's urban society."

His familiarity with the needs of the ward and its people, his background in business, church and civic affairs and his ability to relate to people insure his reelection on Nov. 6.

I am proud to endorse him for re-election," Cappiello said.

## RR Terminal Designated Historic Site

The 66-year-old Erie-Lackawanna Terminal in Hoboken has been named a national historic site by the National Register of Historic Places, Mary Ann O'Rourke, a member of city environment committee has revealed.

Built in 1907, the neoclassical copper facaded terminal, according to Mrs. O'Rourke, is the only survivor of the five rail passenger stations building along the Hudson River bank in New Jersey.

She said the terminal, built by Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad to replace a burned structure, was cited for its fair condition and for being the site of the wireless telephone n 1908, to operate between Manhattan and the Mile-Square City.

Upon hearing the news, Mayor Steve Cappiello promised to work with the environment committee to secure state and federal funds to preserve the terminal which is used daily by thousands of commuters.



**PEANUT PURCHASE**—Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello, left, buys the first bag of peanuts sold in the Hoboken Kiwanis Club's annual peanut fund drive to raise money for the club's philanthropic activities. Ray Caterina, right, is president of the club. Frank Brucino, center, is first vice president and chairman of the peanut drive.



Mayor Steve Cappiello of Hoboken dedicates the new Fox Hill Gardens senior citizen housing project at Willow Avenue and 12th Street.



# List 315 new books at Public Library

A total of 315 new books was ordered by the Hoboken Public Library last month, Lucille Cunningham, director, said today. Many of the new volumes have been delivered and are now available to its members.

Some of the new books are:

The Gershwin Years, by Edward Jablonski and Lawrence D. Stewart; H.G. Wells: A Biography, by Norman and Jeanne MacKenzie; The Idea of Fraternity in America, by Wilson Carey McWilliams; World Without End, Amen, by Jimmy Breslin; The Honorary Consul: A novel, by Graham Greene; Gower Street: A novel, by Claire Rayner; Candle in the Wind: A play, by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn; Americans and the California Dream, 1850-1915, by Kevin Starr; Life and Times in Colonial Philadelphia by Joseph Kelly, Jr. American Film Criticism: From the Beginnings to Citizen Kane, Edited by Stanley Kauffmann with Bruce Hensell.

The Right to Know: Media and the Common Good, by William H. Marnell; Starting Over: A novel, by Dan Wakefield; The Wooden Shepherdess: The Human Predicament II, by Richard Hughes; The Briar Patch: People of the State of New York, V. Lumbumba Shakun, Et Al, by Murray Kempton; And Then We Moved To Rossenarra, or the Art of Emigrating, by Richard Condon; Return to Earth, by Col. Edwin E. "Buzz" Aldrin, Jr. with Wayne Warga; A Surgeon's Odyssey: An Autobiography, by Dr. Loyal Davis; Misdirected Medicine, by

Dr. Sam McClatchie; Talk To Your Plants, by Jerry Baker. The New Teacher: Changing Patterns of Authority and Responsibility, by G. Louis Heath; Seven Who Shaped Our Destiny: The Founding Fathers As Revolutionaries, by Richard B. Morris; How To Decorate With Natural Materials, by Phyllis Pautz; The Billion Dollar Sure Thing: A Novel, by Paul E. Erdman; Sex and Marriage in Utopian Communities: 19th Century America, by Raymond Lee Muncy; Maximilian and Carlotta: A Tale of Romance and Tragedy, by Gene Smith; The Plot That Thickened, by P.G. Wodehouse; The Spirit of '76, by Eric Sloane.

The American Inquisition, 1945-1990, by Cedric Belfrage; My War With The C.I.A.: Memoirs, by Norodom Sihanouk; Tools For Conviviality, by Ivan Illich; Enemy At The Gates: The Battle For Stalingrad, by William Craig; Peoples and Cultures of Native South America: An Anthropological Reader, Edited by Daniel R. Gross; The Little Saint of St. Domingue: A Novel of the Great Revolution of Haiti, by Eleanor Heckert; Edgar Allan Poe: Visitor from the Night of Time, by Philip Van Doren Stern.



**BIRTHDAY OBSERVANCE**—Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello uses a sword to cut birthday cake in observance of U.S. Navy's 198th birthday during ceremonies in his office. From left are First Class Petty Officer James G. Reilly, Commander A.L. Dawson, recruiting head for New Jersey; Cappiello, and C.P.O. Robert King.



## Hailing Columbus

Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello, left, and Freeholder Vincent J. Fusilli of Hoboken chat with Raymond C. Bacigal of the Hoboken Knights of Columbus Council prior to marching in yesterday's Columbus Day Parade in Jersey City.



**DEDICATE HEALTH CENTER** — Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello, center, checks program yesterday at dedication of the new family health center at St. Mary Hospital. With him are Sister Frances Strauber, S.F.P., executive director of the hospital, and Dr. Alvin Florin, coordinator of the New Jersey Regional Medical Program which helped pay for the facility along with the hospital and the Hoboken Model Cities program.

## Police tests are problem for mayor

By PETER HALLAM

Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello has a new problem with the 45 new men the city is preparing to appoint to the police force. Should they get psychological testing before or after they are appointed?

"I don't want anyone on the streets with a gun who isn't emotionally equipped to handle the job," said the mayor who favors giving the test first.

"We have gotten along without it (psychological testing) for all these years, so what makes it so important now? It's the fact that many of these men are complete strangers to the city."

"With the exception of some of the newer men, all our police officers were raised in the city and what they are known to city officials at the time of their appointments. Their character and ability was known to us, so testing wasn't necessary."

"But most of these new men are unknown quantities to us so some form of testing is needed to make sure they are emotionally equipped to handle the job."

The testing will be performed by Stevens Institute of Technology through a contract for \$4,500 approved by the city council at Wednesday night's meeting.

However, having the testing done before the men are appointed and refraining from making the appointments until the results are in could delay adding them to the department for more than a month.

"First of all, it may take a few weeks to arrange an appointment for all 45 men to take the test at the same time," the mayor continued.

"And secondly, after the test it is going to take two to three weeks for them to be evaluated."

Cappiello said he planned to take the matter up with Chief George W. Crimmins before deciding on which course to follow.

The men are being appointed under the Safe Streets and Clean Neighborhoods Act.

## Unlicensed liquor clubs face crackdown as taverns gripe

The Hoboken city administration will get tough with clubs that sell liquor without a license, as requested by the city's Puerto Rican Tavern Owners Association . . . but the city is taking a dim view of another request by these tavern owners — to allow go-go girls in taverns.

The association's requests were pondered yesterday by Mayor Cappiello, Councilman Anthony Romano, chairman of the city council's Public Safety

Committee; Councilmen Louis Francane and Robert Ranieri, and Police Chief George Crimmins.

Following the session, Cappiello said the police department's tavern squad was being ordered to tighten up its supervision of "all places not operating properly," in addition to watching closely for unlicensed clubs that sell liquor.

The mayor was reluctant to say what the decision was or would be as to the go-go girls.

"We have taken the request under advisement," he said. "I'll wait for the city council to make up its mind."

A council member who asked not to be identified said he didn't think the go-go girl proposal had much chance.

Once before when Hoboken tavern owners asked the council to amend the ordinance so as to permit go-go dancing, Romano nixed it.

The tavern owners say neighboring Union City allows go-going, "to the detriment" of the Hoboken taverns' patronage.

## Re-assess all land, Cappiello suggests

Mayor Steve Cappiello said today that all property in Hoboken is under-assessed, and he is contemplating having it all re-assessed, in the hope that vacant land will get hit proportionately harder.

The mayor said he is now thinking along this line because he has learned that it is not practical to simply re-assess vacant land with the object of forcing its owners to pay a bigger share of the city's annual operating costs, as he had intended.

Instead, the mayor continued, the city may re-assess all land in the city, regardless of whether it is vacant or not.

"The reason," Cappiello said,

"is that to do only some and not all would border on being discriminatory. That would be fairly good grounds for a tax appeal on the part of those property owners whose land was re-evaluated at a higher rate."

The subject of the re-evaluation was to have been trucking companies and other firms that had fairly large land holdings in the city but very little on them.

Cappiello had talked with the city's three assessors on the matter and got various opinions on whether or not the city could make the re-evaluation. At first he asked the three to write reports. He then planned to give them to an independent assessor for his opinion. The mayor planned to adhere to what the independent assessor advised.

But further discussions have led the mayor to believe that a partial re-evaluation would result only in complications.

"The fact is that all of our land, improved or not, is under-assessed," Cappiello asserted. "So rather than do half the job, we might as well do it all, if we decide to do it."

When asked if a full re-evaluation of land wouldn't defeat his purpose by increasing total value for small home owners as well as the owners of vacant land, the mayor said:

"Not necessarily." Each separate case would have to be judged on its own individual merits. "While a lot 25 feet by 100 feet occupied by a house might get a \$1,000 increase in value, a lot of the same size in the industrial section of the city adjoining other parcels of vacant land might be valued at \$5,000 or \$6,000 more than what it is now assessed at."

Cappiello said he has not decided on whether a general assessment of the land should be started.

## Hoboken Will Learn Center Cost

Hoboken's citizens will know "probably in a month" how much it will cost them to rebuild the burned-out Willow av. recreation center, according to Director Raphael Vitale of Public Works Dept.

By that time, Vitale said, the insurance company will reveal how much it will reimburse the city for the structure at 1201 Willow av. Of the \$250,000 he estimates is needed to reconstruct the building, Vitale said Model Cities will contribute \$65,000, the money it had originally scheduled for renovation work. A spokesman for Model Cities confirmed this and said "we're waiting for the city's plans before giving them the money."

Law Director Dudley Schlosser is trying to procure money from the federal Safe Streets and Clean Neighborhood Act to raze the two-story building destroyed Sept. 8.

Vitale envisions a two-story building, on the site, with basement facilities, first floor to be used by three to 12-year-olds and the top floor for pool tables and dances for use by teenagers. The old center had facilities only on first and second floor, with the top floor in need of renovation, he added. Firemen took about three-and-a-half-hours to control the September fire at the center, in which some 30 youngsters were saved through the efforts of Mrs. Marion Kennedy, a recreation supervisor.

## And keep it that way

Reaction to Hoboken's plan to create a new ball park could not be other than "great." Since the money is available, the project will no doubt go forward. The ball park is going to be planned right, and built right, so that it should stand up. So far, so good.

But what will happen after the first game has been played there? Or even before the first game has been played? Will the turf be torn up, the stands marred, the trees pulled down, the floodlights broken? The location is in an isolated part of town, ideal from the standpoint of not annoying any neighbors. What a pity it will be if the vandals who systematically wreck the city's recreation facilities do the same thing here.

That possibility must be anticipated in the planning. Not only must the ball park be well maintained. It must be well protected, by capable guards with sufficient force.

## Ex-mayor sees his projects dedicated

By PETER HALLAM

The speakers' stand was filled as Hoboken officials yesterday observed the official dedication of the Fox Hill Gardens Senior Citizen project, Willow View Estates and the new Wallace School.

At the rear of the platform, almost unnoticed, was the man who promoted them when they were only plans, took the abuse and criticism when the progress wasn't fast enough to suit some, and just missed seeing all of the projects realized within the term of his administration — former Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale.

The ex-mayor did not speak to the fairly large crowd that had

gathered in front of the senior citizens project on Willow Avenue, between 12th and 13th Streets. The show belonged to Mayor Steve Cappiello now and his new administration.

However, DePascale did talk with The Jersey Journal prior to the ceremonies and expressed delight with what had been accomplished.

"I'm very happy about what is happening here today," the official said. "It shows that we were on the right track, even if it was only the beginning."

"What we had worked for is now a visible thing. The people can now actually see the ac-

complishments and come to realize that it isn't something that just happens over night. It takes time. Sometimes, quite a long time. But it is worth it. What we see here today shows that it is worth it."

Mayor Cappiello, during his short speech, gave credit where credit was due. He praised the former mayor for his work on the three projects.

The main speaker at the ceremonies was S. William Green, regional administrator for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which helped finance both the senior citizens housing project and the Willow View Estates.

He departed from a prepared speech to point out that the two projects were the type of accomplishments the Nixon Administration was seeking under the "new federalism."

"The answers to the problems of our urban communities lies not in Washington but within the not in Washington but within the 'through revenue sharing and the ability to develop your own programs without the usual red tape from Washington.'"

Green said that Hoboken was to receive \$7,641,000 in federal revenue sharing funds over the next four years to be spent in accordance with decisions by local government as to the city's most urgent priorities in community development.

Mayor Paul T. Jordan of Jersey City was among the guests attending the ceremony. He pledged Jersey City's continued cooperation with Hoboken for the progress of the two municipalities.

Jordan added that he had strong family ties with Hoboken. His late mother was a Hoboken native. And he said that he has an uncle who still lives in the city and "keeps me posted on what is going on."

Other speakers included Freeholder Vincent J. Fusilli who presented a flag for the new senior citizen building from Congressman Dominick V. Daniels, Andrew Scherer, chairman of the Hoboken Housing Authority; Otto Hottendorf, president of the Board of education; and Joseph Barry, whose company, Applied Housing, rehabilitated the Willow View apartments.

Also attending the ceremonies were members of the City Council, Board of Education, Housing Authority commissioners, the Hoboken-North Hudson Chamber of Commerce, local banking officials, and the Hoboken Model Cities Agency.

M. Edward DeFazio, executive director of the Housing Authority, was master of ceremonies for the dedication.

Although the Willow View apartments were included in the dedication ceremonies, they are only part of the rehabilitation work being done by Applied Housing.

The company is in varying stages of work on 154 units on Washington Street, between 12th and 13th Streets; 162 units on Hudson Street, also between 12th and 13th Streets, and 55 units on Bloomfield Street, at the corner of 12th Street.

In all, 1,200 units of rehabilitated housing have been allocated to Hoboken under the federal government's Project Rehab.

## State plan for express road O.K. with Hoboken for now

A state-proposed express road link between Hoboken and the George Washington Bridge has the blessing of Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello — at least for the time being.

"We're in favor of any kind of road or expressway that will get the junk traffic off Hoboken's streets," the mayor said. "For as long as I can remember, the use of local streets by trucks and cars to go to and from the Holland Tunnel, Lincoln Tunnel

and the George Washington Bridge has been a major problem for Hoboken."

"So almost any kind of road which eliminates some of this use of our streets and potential danger to our children would be welcomed, unless, of course, it creates new and more serious problems for the city."

While generally in favor of the new roadway, Cappiello said he still has some reservations.

"We still have a lot more to

learn about exactly what the state proposes to do," he said.

"If the new road means the loss of waterfront ratables to Hoboken and the other communities between Hoboken and the bridge, then maybe we may oppose the construction."

The North Hudson Council of Mayors will meet Wednesday at 10 a.m. to discuss the proposed roadway. Mayor Anthony DeFino of West New York will host the session.



**GUEST OF HONOR** — Mrs. Florence Iapicca, right, president of Hoboken's Steve Cappiello Association ladies auxiliary, pins corsage on Mrs. Cappiello during annual dinner-dance at the Union Club. Adding their approval are Mrs. Salvatore Cemelli, left, chairman, and Mayor Cappiello.

## Cappiello balances oil facility views

By PETE HALLAM

Although now in possession of petitions signed by 1,000 Hoboken residents against the construction of an oil storage and distribution facility at the old Todd Shipyard, Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello said today that he still has not formed an opinion on whether the facility would be beneficial to the city.

"There are still too many questions unanswered to form an objective opinion either way," said the mayor. "I intend to approach this matter calmly without overreacting to the much heralded but questionable possibility of fires or explosions, or the possibility of a large tax return for the city."

"I am interested in the facts

and what the state and federal environmental agencies have to say about the project. I think the company and the people who both favor it and oppose it are entitled to at least that much."

Cappiello said that while he had no intention of dismissing objections to having the facility built in Hoboken, he was disappointed with the manner in which some of the groups opposing it handled themselves.

"They are entitled to their opinions and to do everything in their power to stop the facility if they are against it," the mayor continued. "However, the objections have only become noticeable now that the company has committed itself to the project."

"I do not think that is fair. No secrets were kept that Cosmopolitan was coming into Hoboken for the purpose of building an oil storage and processing facility. It was made very clear from the very beginning that the facility would be taking oil tanker ships and storing and selling the oil."

"There were no words of dissent then. It was only after the company had bought property and started seeking the necessary permits from the appropriate agencies that the objections started to come in."

"The danger of oil fires, explosions or pollution of the river by oil spills are no more or less of a threat now than they were

when the company originally announced its intentions."

"I may seem like I'm defending the company. I am not. The objections may be very real and could be the basis for city opposition to any actual construction. But that is not the point I'm getting at."

"I don't think dissenters have delt fairly with the company in waiting so long to make their objections known. Their objections needed no impact study for verification. This last-minute approach will undoubtedly be harmful to Hoboken in the future. Neither business nor industry, even those acceptable to everyone, will be anxious to come into Hoboken if they feel that once they have accepted our

open invitation they are going to be crushed once committed."

The mayor added that even massive public opposition to the facility may not be enough to stop it once it has obtained all the necessary approvals and permits from federal and state agencies.

"Once they have state and federal permission to go ahead, there really isn't too much that Hoboken can do legally to prevent construction," said the mayor. The State Department of Environmental Protection plans to hold a public hearing in Weehawken on the proposed facility since it will occupy land in both Hoboken and Weehawken. No date has yet been set for the hearing.



## Auction returns 47 parcels to tax rolls

Some 47 pieces of Hoboken property are going back on the tax rolls following their sale at public auction yesterday. A total of 62 properties was offered by the city but 15 failed to generate interest.

As a result of the sale, Hoboken will realize more than \$33,050 if the city council confirms the action. The successful bidders have deposited \$801.50 as binders on the 47 properties.

A total value of the parcels hadn't been calculated by the city. Since it was city-owned it had not been assessed in several years. However, a moderate estimate by a Revenue and Finance department official

placed the value well in excess of \$100,000, for the land alone.

John A. Traynor conducted the sale for the city. He said it was the first time in the fifteen years he had been auctioning off city land that property had been offered without a minimum bid being set prior to the sale.

A spokesman for Mayor Steve Cappiello said that while the city was interested in getting as much for the land as possible, the main purpose was to get it back on the tax rolls.

The city offered 106 Adams St., 122 Monroe St., and 162 First St. with the condition that the successful bidder demolish the property within 60 days from council confirmation of the purchase.

Frank Musaro of 108 Adams St. bought 106 Adams St. for \$500. Charles Porcuro of 321 Monroe St. paid the same price for 162 First St.

The greatest action was sparked by 122 Monroe St. Michael Wladich of 124 Monroe St., a Hoboken fireman, and Samuel Davidson, a Jersey City attorney representing G. and T. Inc., no address, went back and forth until Davidson hit \$3,200 for the dilapidated garage. Wladich, who planned to have the garage demolished and a yard made for his adjoining property, wasn't willing to go higher.

The following 13 properties were offered with the condition that the buyers refurbish or demolish them: 1405-1407 Clinton St., bought by A.Z. Ford, Jersey properties, said it was, but added that there was some risk involved.

"As in the case of 122 Madison St., there aren't any guarantees that someone else won't bid on the property," he pointed out. "In the case of 62 Garden St. it could pay off. But then there is still the matter of the council's approval."

The council's approval of the sale may hinge on what Mayor Steve Cappiello has to say. And right now, the mayor isn't happy with the results of the sale.

Prior to the sale, Cappiello said that his prime interest was seeing the properties back on the tax rolls. However, after learning of what some of the properties commanded in bids, he expressed displeasure.

"I just may recommend to the council that it reject all of the bids," he said. "I'll have to discuss it with the law department first, but I'm not at all satisfied with the bids we received."

A majority of the city council members expressed concern with the low bids received by the city on the properties but declined to say whether they would vote against accepting the bids until they had given the results further study.

Councilman-at-large Robert A. Raineri said that he would "encourage" the other members of the council to vote against accepting the bids.

But Councilman Anthony H. Romano, Walter S. Kramer, Francis X. Leahy, Salvatore Cemelli, Bernard Scrivani and Louis Francone all said they wanted to study the results of the sale before making any decisions.



NAMED TO LAW UNIT — Carl Schaefer, right, is congratulated by Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello on his appointment to the city's five-man law department. The 33-year-old Hoboken native is a graduate of University of Notre Dame. Looking on is Dudley Schlosser, city law director.

## Guild again offers plans for housing

The Mt. Carmel Guild of Cranford has again submitted plans to Hoboken for the development of some 150 units of new housing in the city for low and possibly middle income families, Mayor Steve Cappiello said today.

According to the mayor, he and officials of the housing authority and city council members have met with representatives of the Guild to hear an informal presentation of what is planned.

"The area now being considered consists of the rest of the city block now being developed as the city's new Multi-Service Facility at Second and Grand Streets," Cappiello said.

"Initial plans call for the construction of 150 dwelling units in that one-block area. Of that number, 116 will be for senior citizens and 34 for families.

"However, I must point out that all this is very preliminary. It is all subject to change and probably will be before final plans are worked out."

The mayor said no mention was made of what the project would cost or what the city would realize in lieu of tax payments from the Guild once the project was completed and rented.

Mt. Carmel had been interested in developing portions of Bloomfield and Garden Streets, between Newark Street and Observer Highway, but never submitted formal plans for that garden apartment project.

According to the mayor, the city probably will get 15 per cent of the net profits in lieu of tax payments from the Guild.

"This would be acceptable to Hoboken as long as that amount was equal to the amount of money the city had been realizing in taxes for the entire block," the mayor said.

He added that that figure would include the taxes that were being paid on private buildings that were demolished to make way for the multi-service facility.

"The city needs new housing," Cappiello continued, "but we also need tax dollars. We'll accept an equal swap. But if it means the city will be getting less than what we were getting in taxes, I doubt if Hoboken can afford it."

## Cemelli Sees Vacant Lot As Park

Hoboken Councilman Sal Cemelli is planning to meet with various officials during the coming weeks to discuss "a definitive long range program dealing with needs of recreation in the third ward."

Seeking election Nov. 6, Cemelli said, "As a father, I am vitally aware of such needs for our ward's youngsters. In the few short months I have been councilman, I have made various tours of the ward in an attempt to ascertain what can possibly be done to upgrade the area and improve the quality of life for the children."

Yesterday afternoon, along with several advisers, Cemelli toured a large, empty lot located at Seventh and Jefferson sts. The privately owned lot, strewn with rubble and glass since it was vacated by a trucking company, Cemelli feels, would make an ideal recreation area.

The Hoboken councilman said he intends to investigate the possibility that the city might lease it from the owners on a dollar a year basis.

Cemelli then proposed that the city's department of public works use its manpower and equipment at no cost to the taxpayers, to clean, prepare and make the lot serviceable by the installation of playground equipment to be used by the children.

## Will Repave Roadways In Hoboken

A more than \$105,900 road-repaving program will begin in Hoboken the first week of November, according to James Caulfield, city building inspector.

The program, entitled "First st. and 14 Others," involves some 20 parcels of roadway which will be repaved by Warren Bros. of Prospect Park, a division of Ashland Oil Co.

The parcels include: Jackson st. between First and Fourth sts.; First st. between Jackson and Bloomfield sts.; Grand st. between Fourth and Sixth sts.; Fifth st. between Grand and Adams sts.; Clinton st. between Fourth and Sixth sts.; Park av. between Fifth and Eighth sts.; Eighth st. between Park av. and Clinton st.; Adams st. between Seventh and Eighth sts.; Madison st. between Eighth and Ninth sts.; Bloomfield st. between Eighth and Ninth sts.; Ninth st. between Washington and Hudson sts.; and 13th st. between Washington st. and Willow av.

The road work by Warren Bros. follows some that was recently done by the Hudson County Road Department on 14th st. and Willow av.

## Hoboken buses

New Jersey's Public Utility Commission has a poor record in answering Hoboken's appeals for adequate transportation. This long record of turn-downs will be lengthened once more if the PUC again sides with the bus owners in the city's latest attempt to obtain better service. The city wants permission to extend its municipally-operated crosstown bus line. This is a loop which begins and ends nowhere in particular and serves only the area between Fourth and Seventh Streets. The city now wants to enlarge the route so as to go as far north as 12th Street, and south as far as the PATH terminal, which is also the terminal for all the city's other numerous bus lines.

The main objection is from the Washington Street bus operators, who have always had things their own way, with the PUC's blessing, although not the blessing of the riders. They have refused to operate the crosstown route themselves, or incorporate it into their Washington Street operation, even under their own terms. Let the PUC be inconsistent for once, and favor the many Hoboken residents who are entitled to transportation and do not have it.

## Good example

There were no soreheads and no credit-grabbers at the dedication ceremony for those three important construction projects in Hoboken.

Former Mayor DePascale stayed in the background and let the three achievements redound to the prestige of his successor, Mayor Cappiello, although all three had been started and pretty much carried through before DePascale left office.

Nor did Mayor Cappiello try to hog the credit. He gave praise to DePascale for his work on the projects. He would have had the ex-mayor speak at the ceremony, but DePascale declined graciously, taking the position that this was Cappiello's show, as one of the facts of political life.

All in all, it was a good display of sportsmanship on both sides, and it augurs well for a constructive and co-operative climate for Hoboken's advancement in Cappiello's term of office.

## Cappiello backs Cemelli for re-election to council

Mayor Steve Cappiello today endorsed Sal Cemelli, third ward councilman, for re-election on Nov. 6.

Cemelli succeeded Cappiello on the city council after Cappiello was elected mayor in May.

In a prepared statement, Cappiello praised Cemelli for "already performing, in a few short months, an admirable job for a thankless position. Sal Cemelli offers, above everything

else," Cappiello said, "a sincere and decent down to earth relationship between the city council and the ward electorate not often found in today's urban society. His familiarity with the needs of the ward and its people, his background in business, church and civic affairs and his ability to relate to people insure his re-election on Nov. 6. I am proud to endorse him for re-election," Cappiello said.

## Cappiello is great

Dear Editor:

Our new Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello has completed a 90-day government with a good deal of distinction, for a new man. He certainly fulfills his duties and responsibilities. He made several changes to benefit the administration and the people of Hoboken. When he walks through the streets, men, women and children that know him stop to talk to him, shake hands with him, and he in the most sociable manner appreciates the recognition, and stops to listen, and has a word or two.

He accepts all comers to the office, with an open door. He is ready to discuss any problems or suggestions if he thinks it is for the good of the people and the city.

## Schools slate drive for fire victims

With six students lost in last weekend's tragic tenement house blaze, the Hoboken public school system today launched a fund drive among faculty members and pupils to assist the stricken families.

"We realize the immensity of this tragedy and we have planned a coordinated effort to aid the families of the victims," said Thomas F. McFeely, school superintendent.

He announced that Peter Vecchio, president of the Administrators and Supervisors

Association and Guelph Stuart, president of the Hoboken Teachers Association, will direct the campaign which will run through Oct. 12.

The superintendent said he and Otto Hottendorf, board of education president, conferred with Mayor Steve Cappiello on the schools' desire to act in the tragedy. It was agreed, he said, to set up an independent fund since school officials felt it should be a single, coordinated effort within the system.

McFeely pointed out: that

several schools and individuals who wanted to contribute will now be part of the citywide school fund. A special bank account known as the Sept. 29 Fire Fund Council of the Hoboken schools, is being established.

Three of the students killed were pupils at the Wallace School; two attended Joseph F. Brandt School and the sixth was a Hoboken High School pupil. In their memory, the superintendent said flags atop public school buildings are being flown at half staff.

In addition to the teachers' and administrators' associations, those joining in the school drive are the board of education, school faculties, School Custodians' Association and the Non-Certificated School Personnel Association.

Contributions from students in the school system will be accepted on a purely voluntary basis, the superintendent said.

Whether the schools will make a collection of food or clothing for the homeless families will be decided by the committee later, McFeely reported. It also will be up to the committee to determine the area of fund distribution, he said.

## Tactical patrol gets results

The Hoboken police department's "Tactical Patrol" is now ending its second week of operations and is getting results, according to Chief George W. Crimmins.

"We haven't had a wave of arrests but that wasn't the main purpose of our creating the patrol," the chief said. "There

has been a noticeable reduction in the number of petty incidents since the patrol started, and this has been a big help to the other divisions in the department.

"By having foot patrolmen visible to the public, many of the petty crimes and problems that we used to experience haven't been occurring."

"A patrolman on beat still serves as a deterrent to crime. By being visible they help save time for the department which normally would be spent investigating minor complaints.

"It takes time to have a man go to one of the parks and move out the gangs of youngsters congregating there. It takes time to steer a drunk home or break up a fight before it develops into something more serious.

"Before the Tactical Patrol started, it was the patrol car officers that spent their time on these matters. While they were working them, there wasn't anyone else to cover their territory.

"With the patrol, the squad cars can be held in reserve for quick response to the more serious crimes."

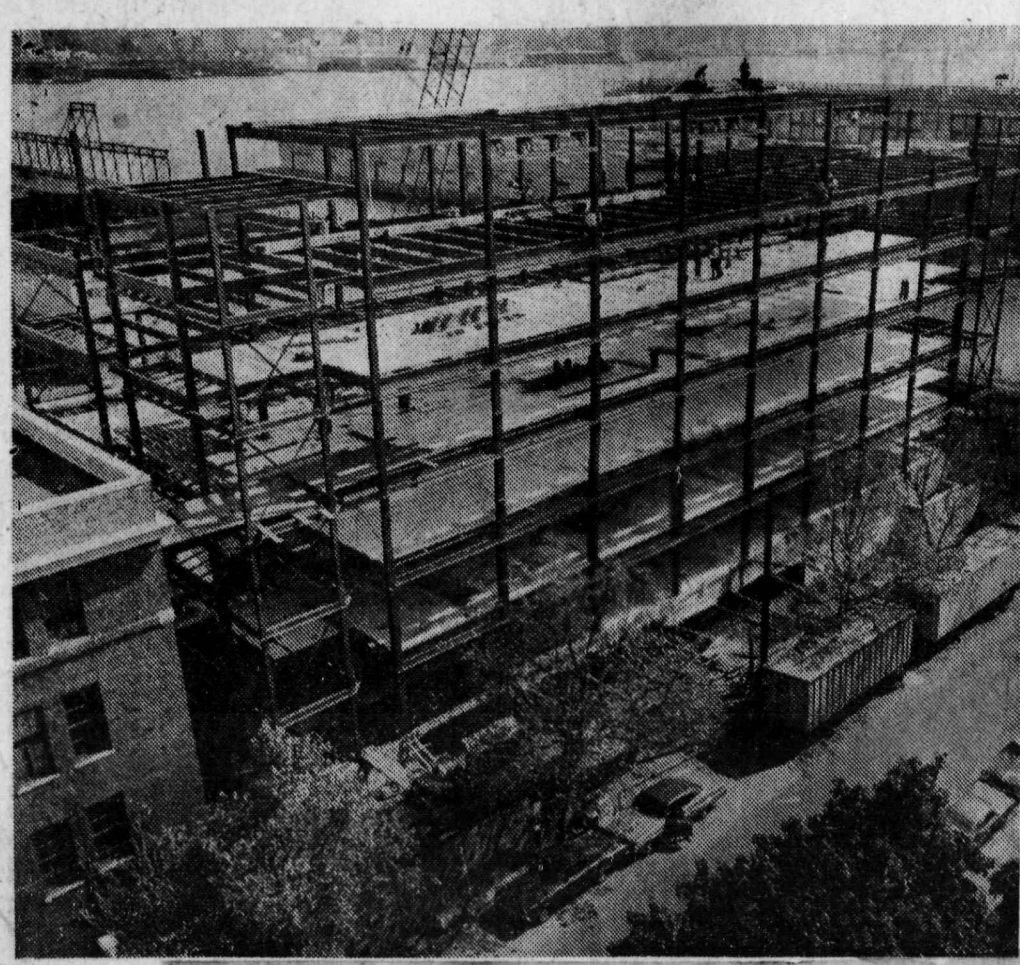
The squad consists of 17 patrolmen, two sergeants and one captain—Russell Sweeten, the patrol commander. Their hours are from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. daily. From Sunday to Thursday the patrol usually has 12 or 13 of the men on duty. All take their two-day break during this five-day period so that the patrol will be at full strength for Friday and Saturday nights.

The term "Tactical Patrol" has no specific significance, according to the chief. The patrol's biggest advantage is its mobility, which allows the men to be spread out throughout the city on any given night and concentrated in one specific problem area the next or the same night.

However, he explained, the term, "mobile patrol" doesn't have as impressive a ring as "Tactical Patrol."

"The patrol's mobility does have tactical significance," he said. "And it sounds better."

The 17 patrolmen working on the patrol are all special officers. Twelve of them were hired under the Safe Street and Clean Neighborhoods Act and will be appointed regular officers as their names come up on the new Civil Service list of eligibles. The other five have been temporaries for several years.



GOING UP — The steel frame of new \$5 million chemistry and chemical engineering building at Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, is nearing completion. Workmen are expected to begin the exterior and put down floors within the week.

## 3rd Ward campaign

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Cemelli running for full term



SALVATORE CEMELLI  
The incumbent

(This is the first in a series of articles describing the candidates and their campaign in the 3rd Ward councilman race. The candidates are being presented in alphabetical order.)

Salvatore Cemelli, serving as Hoboken's 3rd Ward councilman since Aug. 1 by appointment by the City Council, is running for election to a full term "on the basis of my performance."

He is filling a vacancy created when Steve Cappiello gave up the 3rd Ward councilman's post to serve as mayor.

"I feel I have worked hard and sincerely in the short time I have been on the City Council," Cemelli says. "I seek the support of the electorate so that I may continue to serve the people of our ward in a dedicated and honest manner."

"I do not intend to engage in name-calling, vituperation or attacks on my opponents, as they have just as much right to seek office under our form of government as I do."

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## Cemelli seeks full Third Ward term

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Cemelli was born on Monroe Street in Hoboken 51 years ago.

After attending Hoboken schools, he went to work for his father, Salvatore Sr., in the family's baking business. In December of 1942 he went into the Army and was assigned to the 100th Infantry Division.

During the war he took part in eight major battles in France and Germany, and was wounded in Germany in 1944. He was discharged as a staff sergeant in February, 1946.

Cemelli married Josephine Cappadonna in 1951. They have two children: Marilyn, 18, a graduate of Sacred Heart Academy, Hoboken; and Gary, 16, a student at Hoboken High School.

A parishioner of St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church, Cemelli is a member of the church's Parish Helpers society and the Madonna Del Martiri Society.

A resident of 606 Madison St., he is employed by Tally Togs Inc. as office manager.

## Hoboken Uplift

## Dedication Sets New Era

By DAVID GRISOSTOLO  
A new city agency for planning and development will be working in Hoboken early next year to take the place of the

expiring Model Cities program.

This was the word yesterday from Mayor Steve Cappiello as he and a host of city and federal officials helped dedicate two housing projects and the first new elementary school built in the city in 40 years.

The triple dedication ceremony was held on Willow av. in the shadows of Fox Hill Gardens, a 200-unit senior citizens project, and Willow View Estates, a 95-unit rehabilitation project between 12th and 13th sts.

Just three blocks south of the ceremony site is the newly-built Wallace School.

Citing the Willow av. revival as an example of President Nixon's new federalism, S. William Green, regional

administrator of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development promised the city more than \$7.6 million in funding under a pending revenue sharing program.

The revival theme was used several times by speakers including the mayor, former Mayor Louis DePascale, Jersey City Mayor Paul T. Jordan and Walter and Joseph Barry and George Kohn of Allied Housing Associates, the firm that rehabilitated the old apartments.

"Together we can make Hoboken the lovely town it once was," Cappiello told the more than 300 persons who attended the dedication ceremonies.

Cappiello and Michael Coleman, head of Hoboken's (Turn to Page 4, Column 6)

Model Cities program, outlined the scope and function of the proposed new city agency. Coleman said the agency will give federal officials the direction needed to fund programs in Hoboken.

The new department will replace Model Cities which is set to end on June 30, 1974. It will be the first agency in Hoboken ever to be devoted exclusively to planning, Coleman said.

"The new department will continue what has been started, and it will keep the momentum going for Hoboken's restoration," he said.

He later said that the private sector will not become concerned about Hoboken's redevelopment until the first steps are taken by the public sector.

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## Street closing

## East Indians to celebrate

Hoboken's East Indian community will bring a touch of their native culture to the city tomorrow night with a street festival in observance of the nine-day religious festival of Navaratta.

According to Hasmukh Shah, coordinator of the event, Hoboken has given permission for the group to close Sixth Street, between Bloomfield and Garden Streets, from 8:30 p.m. to midnight tomorrow.

During that time a series of religious dances, songs and music will be presented in celebration of the start of the religious festival. The street will be closed for the one night only.

Although the festival is religious, it is a happy occasion, Shah said. So the East Indian Community is inviting all Hoboken residents to take part.

No food or beverages will be served, since their religion does not permit it during the observance.

Also assisting in preparations for the event is Hukund Shah, Hasmukh's brother, who will be presenting "Laheni" — small



# Art contest marks Hoboken 'rebirth'

The final phase of construction on the John J. Grogan Marine View Plaza project in Hoboken — a commercial building — moves one step closer today with the fencing in of the city block on which the building will be located.

Excavation of the site is expected to begin between Nov. 15 and the end of the December, according to Bernard F. Kenny, the developer.

In announcing the preliminary work at the construction site, Kenny said he is sponsoring an art contest for local youngsters.

with \$250 in prizes for the best works depicting the theme "The Rebirth of Hoboken."

The background for the contest will be the fence.

"Instead of the usual chain-link fencing around the construction site, we will be using sheets of plywood painted white," Kenny said. "Local youngsters will be encouraged to use the plywood to paint a picture or whatever they wish as long as it depicts the rebirth of the city."

Kenny said Mayor Steve Cappiello has approved the idea.

According to Cappiello, he plans to ask the Hoboken Council on the Arts to judge the pictures and art works and determine the best.

Youngsters interested in painting pictures on the fence can start doing so immediately, Kenny added. "We hope to be able to judge the best works in a couple of weeks."

The area being fenced in runs from First to Second Street, between Hudson and River Streets.

Kenny plans to build a seven-story office building which will be topped off by a motel of undetermined height, pending approval of the motel change in the original plans by the Hoboken planning board and the issuance of a franchise by the Sheraton Hotel chain.

Originally, Kenny had planned to build a commercial office building. But diminishing demand for office space in the New York-New Jersey metropolitan area, according to Kenny, forced

a change in the plans for a motel-office building.

The overall project will consist of four 25-story apartment buildings, the motel-office building, and three parking garages. Two of the apartment buildings are under construction and excavation for one of the parking garages is to start this week. The five building complexes will be between First and Fourth Street, from Hudson to River Streets.

# Chief orders police to handle citizen complaints promptly

By PETER HALLAM

Police have been warned by Hoboken Chief George W. Crimmins that failure to handle telephone complaints from citizen callers promptly will result in departmental charges against the offending officer, regardless of rank.

The chief issued the warning in a departmental order outlining the procedures he wants followed by all personnel on complaint calls. The order was prompted

by complaints channeled through City Council President Martin J. Brennan and Mayor Steve Cappiello that police have been failing to respond to telephone complaints of non-criminal incidents.

Crimmins' order is primarily aimed at his captains but it affects all members of the department.

"Captains are to instruct all switchboard operators personally that on receiving telephone calls

of complaint, they are to switch the call immediately to the proper channel for processing," the order read.

"It is not the duty of the switchboard operator or radio dispatcher to decide what calls of complaint should be answered, no matter how minor. All complaints are to be investigated immediately."

"The results of the investigation shall be logged as per departmental and Federal Communications Commission regulations."

"All calls are to be answered with due respect to the caller. Each policeman answering his phone shall immediately give his name."

"Tour commanders shall be dispatched on all calls requiring more than one car, and same will be logged. The tour commander shall ride on minor calls to ascertain if proper police procedure is being carried out."

"The integrity of the entire police department and each individual member is being challenged by some citizens. If their complaints are substantiated, departmental charges will be preferred against all offending members regardless of rank," the order concluded.

Crimmins and the mayor, who is also public safety director, are currently reviewing the police department logs and reports to see if there is any basis for the complaints.

The chief said that he believed that whether the complaints were founded or not, the use of the city's new tactical patrol will go a long way to reduce them in the future.

The patrol, a unit of 15 patrolmen, three sergeants and a captain, will start working tonight from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. daily. Crimmins said that the responsibility for handling many of the minor complaints would fall to the tactical patrol, freeing squad cars for more serious incidents.

# Mayor tells House panel of aid losses

A change in federal regulations is required to restore much of Hoboken's desperately needed job training funds, Mayor Steve Cappiello has told a congressional labor subcommittee in Washington.

The mayor went to the capitol yesterday to tell the committee, headed by Rep. Dominick V. Daniels, Hudson County Democrat, that the nation's smaller cities have lost as much as half their manpower funds in recent federal cutbacks. He suggested allowing smaller cities to combine sponsorship of federal manpower programs.

Cappiello said the regulations protect large cities with 100,000 population or more so that they will not receive less than 85 percent of the funding they received a year earlier.

But the mayor said there was no such protection for smaller cities, such as Hoboken.

"This system has resulted in Hoboken incurring a 45 percent cutback in those programs which were covered by the Department of Labor guarantees," the mayor said.

Cappiello said the city's concentrated employment program had to be cut by some \$400,000 under the new allotments.

"I do not believe that this committee intended that to happen and I think they should provide some guarantees that it does not happen," the Mayor added.

The Daniels committee, which is holding hearings on the Comprehensive Manpower Act of 1973, was urged to change the rules and permit small communities to band together and form larger populations.

The Hoboken mayor said the problem arose because funds "are spread around on the basis of population and not need. This does not take into account cities with special problems like Hoboken with an official unemployment rate of 13 percent."

"How much better it would be if some or all of Hudson County's 11 small cities could band together for prime sponsorship of manpower programs," the Hoboken mayor said.

# Will Attend State Confab School Board's Head To Cite Harassment

Planning to complain about harassment of the board of education by the Hoboken City Council, Board President Otto Hottendorf will attend a meeting tomorrow of the board of directors of the New Jersey School Board Assn., in New Brunswick, of which he is an alternate member.

The latest round in the fight between the council and the school board was initiated by the council, which voted Monday night to have letters sent to the board members asking for their resignations, because of the council's dissatisfaction over the appointment of former Mayor Louis DePascale to a \$14,000-a-year job with the board.

Hottendorf said, "I think the city council members are injecting themselves where they have no business being." He said the appointment was "perfectly legal and proper."

The city council is looking into the matter of the legality of the meeting at which DePascale was named to the post of administrative assistant and negotiator. If they find that it was illegally called, they have threatened to institute suit unless the appointment is rescinded.

Will Ask Advice  
Hottendorf said he did not know yet if the board would taken any action regarding the requests for resignations, but that he would ask for advice tomorrow at the meeting on what appropriate action could

be taken by the board against "harassment" by the council.

School board member Rocco Gratale said, "I don't plan to resign. We didn't do anything wrong." Aurelio Lugo, another board member, said the request for his resignation "hasn't moved me in the least." He said he doubted whether the other members were moved, either.

# Review Cop Applicants 33 More to Be Added in Hoboken

With the first 11 new policemen formally to be appointed today, the Hoboken police department is checking out 33 additional applicants to be named under a \$500,000 federal grant.

Chief George Crimmins said that the 11 new policemen to be appointed by Mayor Steve Cappiello will begin their training Monday in the State Police Training Center at Sea Girt.

The eight-week course will augment the on-the-job training the men have received since Oct. 15 when they began pounding the city streets.

The men were assigned to areas of high population density, according to Capt. Russel G. Sweeten, who heads the neighborhood task force program.

Meanwhile, Detective Lt. Patrick Iapicca is investigating the applications of the 33 other men.

The new policemen to be appointed are Alexander W. Lisa of Dumont; Harry T. Huncken, Michael Kenirev, Simeon N. Cumberbatch, Rafael Cruz Jr., Martin J. Kiely and David E. Montroni, all of Hoboken; Thomas P. White of Union City, and Michael Compion, Alex J. Oras and William J. Barrett, all Union City.

# Hoboken joins U.S. bicentennial

Hoboken will become an official "Bicentennial Community" to mark the nation's 200th birthday in 1976, Mayor Steve Cappiello announced today.

City officials are planning to act on an invitation from the 1973 Conference of Mayors and apply to the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission for the official designation as an historic community, Cappiello said.

# Parking bond pact changes urged to recoup city funds

By WILLIAM H. TAFT

A four-point program to recover the millions Hoboken is paying to bail out the city's parking authority on its bond deficit was launched today by Councilman-at-large Robert Ranieri.

The program includes the voiding of the payment — \$10 per parking space — that the authority has agreed to make to the developers of Grogan Marine View Plaza.

Ranieri was to submit his plan as a formal report to the City Council at its meeting today. It is based on an exhaustive study of the Trust Agreement under which the authority floated \$8,500,000 in bonds to finance parking garages for the Plaza project.

For each of the four points, Ranieri cites clauses in the Trust Agreement which he construes as sanctioning them.

Three of the points involve amending the Trust Agreement.

The point with the biggest money potential for the city is a proposal that the bond trustee (the Franklin National Bank of New York) allow the authority to reimburse the city for the money it has paid out, by using the anticipated revenues the authority will have after its parking garages are in operation.

A second proposal is to allow the authority to use its \$1,000,000 "surplus" — earned through

reinvesting the bond proceeds profitably while the project has been dormant — to make payments on the bond interest and bond principal as they come due, thus relieving the city of that obligation.

This latter point would require the concurrence of the holders of two-thirds of the total amount of the bonds. Lawyers for the authority and the trustee have already agreed to try to obtain this consent.

The third proposal would require that the city be given 30 days' notice (instead of only five as at present) when it is called on to make good any deficiency in the bond payments.

Ranieri points out that with only five days' notice, the City Council could be forced into emergency sessions to appropriate upwards of \$320,000, which could involve serious difficulties.

His fourth proposal is to nullify what he calls the "give-away" under which the authority has agreed to give back to the project developer \$10 of the \$35 the authority will collect as monthly rent from each tenant of the Plaza.

The councilman quotes several clauses in the Trust Agreement as forbidding such a deal on the part of the authority.

This \$10 arrangement was made at the insistence of the State Housing Finance Agency as a condition of the granting of a mortgage for the first 20 25-story apartment houses, now under construction.

In his report to the council Ranieri points out that next spring the authority must start redeeming some of the bonds — \$35,000 worth in 1974 — increasing each year to \$150,000 in redemptions in 1987. He calculates that these payments, combined with the annual interest payments (\$642,000 in 1973) could add the following amounts to Hoboken's tax rate:

1973	\$6.42
1974	\$6.77
1975	\$6.80
1976	\$6.89
1977	\$6.89
1987	\$7.30

# Ranieri Bids Trustees To Quit Board

Charging that the Hoboken Board of Education has become the "medium for the rejuvenation of unemployed politicians," Hoboken Councilman Robert A. Ranieri last night said he will call for the resignation of the school trustees at the Dec. 5 city council meeting.

Ranieri responded to a charge by Otto Hottendorf, school board president, that he has been harassed by the council since former Mayor Louis DePascale was named a \$14,000-a-year consultant to the board, the councilman said he would welcome an investigation by the state board of education which would uncover the "politics involved in the school board."

Ranieri said the decision to appoint DePascale was made at a secret Atlantic City meeting and that Hottendorf has never revealed the names of those who attended the meeting.

He also charged that no other school board in the state has a consultant who performs the same duties as DePascale.

The councilman claimed irregularities in the DePascale appointment. He said the post was created at a special meeting of the board and the appointment made "within seconds." He added that no notice of the proposed creation of the position was given in advance of the meeting.

# It's a 'Plus'

Further indication that North Hudson sees Hoboken as a definite partner in its regional programs came this week as the Mile-Square City's director of public works, Raphael Vitale, was voted into full membership of North Hudson's public works council.

There are so many programs that can be dovetailed that it is really surprising that the two areas did not get together years ago on problems. Hoboken has closer ties to North Hudson, certainly, than Kearny which is also affiliated with the North Hudson group.

Combining forces to work together in cooperation is essential if the entire section is to progress and at the same time try to economize in many governmental areas. This latest membership is a "plus." For Hoboken and for North Hudson.

# County forming transit board

Hudson Freeholder Vincent J. Fusilli is expected to introduce before his colleagues next month a resolution creating a nine-member advisory committee to keep the county abreast of developments and plans in mass transit.

The exact structure, budget and function of the panel have not yet been determined. Its authors say the resolution will probably leave open the question of a paid staff to aid the non-salaried commissioners, at least one of whom is expected to be a freeholder.

The advisory committee was first conceived about two months ago, when county officials were fighting the planned 30-cent PATH fare boost, which has since been shelved until some time next year.

Among the functions being discussed for the new panel, some of whose members will

certainly be chosen from the county's anti-fare increase tacticians, are: gathering and disseminating information on mass transit resources and plans; formulating plans of its own; quizzing transit planners on projected programs; and acting in an emergency to defend the county's rights to a say in transportation proposals.

Hudson's committee is being formed after model commissions in Morris and Bergen Counties, where they have been called successful in subpoenaing transit officials at public hearings and gaining political weight in transportation decisions on state and federal levels.

Among those being mentioned as prime candidates for the new panel are Jersey City Planning Director Abraham Wallach; Fusilli and City Councilman Morris Pesin.

The appointments to the board

will probably be made, according to one of its drafters, by the county freeholder board.

Yesterday, Pesin and Fusilli met with County Supervisor Edward F. Clark Jr. of Bayonne to discuss the panel's creation. Contacted after the meeting, Pesin said "the outlook was very positive" to getting the matter on the agenda at the next freeholders' meeting.

Pesin said that like the Morris and Bergen panels, the new Hudson advisory body would "enlist the professional resources of its communities."

The Jersey City councilman said "all parts of Hudson County will be adequately represented" on the new commission, but that Bayonne and North Hudson, "two sorely neglected areas in transportation," would be among its major targets for new transit systems and funds.



COMMERCIAL BUILDING GOING UP—Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello takes over driver's seat of bulldozer yesterday during groundbreaking ceremonies at Grogan Plaza Commercial Building site between First and Second sts. on lower River st. Taking part are Bernard F. Kenny, architect; Andrew H. Scherer, Hoboken Housing Authority chairman wielding shovel, and Joseph Comporetto, architect.

# Library orders 419 books, many received

A total of 419 books were ordered by the Hoboken Public Library last month, Lucille Cunningham, director, said today. Many of the new volumes are already available to library members.

Included are: The Onion Field, by Joseph Wambaugh; The Anderson Papers, by Jack Anderson with George Clifford; From the Diary of a Snail, by Gunter Grass; Beulah Land, novel, Lonnie Coleman; The Salamander, novel, Morris West; North Dallas Forty, novel, Peter Gent; The Best American Short Stories 1973, edited by Martha Foley; The New Journalism, Tom Wolfe; I Never Danced at the White House, Art Buchwald; Penitence: A Book of Portraits, Lillian Hellman.

Rizzo: From Cop to Mayor of Philadelphia, a biography by Fred Hamilton; Kind and Usual Punishment: The Prison Business, Jessica Mitford;

Economics and the Public Purpose, John Kenneth Galbraith; Wittgenstein's Vienna, Allan Janik and Stephen Toulmin; Amber Waves of Grain: The Secret Russian Wheat Sales that Sent American Food Prices Soaring, James Trager; Fear and Loathing: On the Campaign Trail '72, Dr. Hunter S. Thompson; The Fatal Gift, novel, Alec Waugh; Stranger at the Gates: novel of the infamies of the dark Nazi era, Evelyn Anthony.

The First Deadly Sin, novel, Lawrence Sanders; The Heart Listens, novel, Helen Van Slyke; Servants and their Masters, novel, Fergus Reid Buckley; Saint Jack: novel, Paul Theroux; Chronicles of Wasted Time, Malcolm Muggeridge; Upstairs at the White House: My Life with the First Ladies, J. B. West; Give Us this Day, Howard Hunt; So Short a Time: A biography of John Reed and Louise Bryant,

Barbara Gelb; The Causes of War, Geoffrey Blainey.

The Victors and the Vanquished, Heda Kovaly and Ezraim Kohak; Days of Sadness, Years of Triumph: The American People 1939-1945, Geoffrey Perrett; Half Remembered: a personal history, Peter Davidson; The Breach in the Wall: a memoir of the Old China, Enid Saunders Candlin; The Impact of Film: how ideas are communicated through cinema and television, Roy Paul Madsen; A More Perfect Union: the impact of the civil war and reconstruction on the Constitution, Harold M. Hyman; Crafts of Mexico, Marian Harvey; The Seduction of the Spirit: the use and misuse of People's Religion, Harvey Cox.

# Tough Test

The impending appointment first broke in the Hoboken Happenings column, then the next night former Mayor Louis DePascale was named to a \$14,000 post with the city's board of education. That has triggered a political explosion of massive proportions that has rocked the community.

It must be understood that Mr. DePascale was named by the board of education, not the mayor and council, but one would have to be extremely naive not to feel that the appointment had to have some sort of "OK" from Mayor

Steve Cappiello, who is Hoboken's political leader.

Of course, Mr. DePascale and Mr. Cappiello were bitter enemies in the May election and there were a lot of harsh words said. Mr. Cappiello won and his supporters feel now there has been some sort of a "sellout" on the appointment of Mr. DePascale.

Emotions are high and this whole thing has brought the first real crisis in the new Cappiello administration. It is a touchy issue, involving personalities and politics. How well Mr. Cappiello rides this out, or resolves it, will be a vital test of his leadership and ability to govern properly.



MAYORS HONORED—The Italian Community Center of Union City yesterday honored three mayors for their communities. Holding awards are, from left, Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello; Secaucus Mayor Paul Amico, and Lyndhurst Mayor Anthony Scardino. Admiring the plaques is Frank Acinapura, founder of the center. (Story on Page 9)

# Hoboken election

What appears to be a genuinely non-political group has organized in Hoboken to support a ticket in the city's first election of a board of education. Being new at that kind of thing, these amateurs probably will suffer a resounding defeat at the hands of the pros when the votes are in. Nevertheless the lively interest stirred up by such a contest may do the city good.

Hoboken's retailers, too, are getting into the election, which should make it an even bigger event in the life of the city.

The city's political organization, which can be counted on to mobilize "the troops," is at odds with the present board of education. Thus, if the board members whose terms are expiring decide to run for election, there may be three or even more slates in the field. It will cost some money but the campaign just may bring out and clarify some educational issues, which will be all to the good.

# Job action?

Hoboken's police and firemen are showing good judgment in thinking twice before undertaking the "job action" and "drastic measures" which their respective unions threatened.

They are sincere in feeling that they have grievances important enough to do something about, and that since they do not have the strike weapon, they must cast about for other means.

In most cases in recent years, "job actions" may indeed have called attention to grievances but they were soon abandoned because they alienated public sympathy.

Since public opinion carries so much weight, why not instead go all out to sell the public on the bluecoats' point of view? This would take time and patience, and results are not guaranteed. But certainly it should help their chances of prevailing upon the authorities to see matters their way, if their case is good. And the firemen might be pleasantly surprised to see how reasonable the public can be when it is approached reasonably.



## Open house at Hoboken College Center

An Open House Orientation Day will be held tomorrow at the Hoboken College Center, 831 Castle Point Terr., adjoining the Stevens Institute campus.

The event is for the benefit of students and prospective students of the classes administered by the center on behalf of the Hudson County Higher Education Consortium, which is sponsored

by Stevens, Jersey City State College and St. Peter's College. Workshops and seminars will make up the program tomorrow.

The workshops and seminars will begin at 10 a.m. and will be repeated at 3 p.m. after a buffet lunch. Anyone interested is welcome to attend, said Dennis McMullen, acting director of the center.

There will be seminars in courses in early childhood education, data processing, executive secretarial studies, and banking and management.

Academic skills seminars will include basic math skills, speed and comprehension in reading, clarity and understanding in writing, and study skills, listening and note-taking.

College information workshops will take up financial aid information, making the most of college, getting credit for past work through testing, and college level examination program.

Finally there will be a testing seminar.

For more information, anyone interested is asked to call the center, 963-1701.

## State OKs bond issue for Hoboken

The State Local Finance Board yesterday approved Hoboken's \$1.5 million bond issue application to modernize its water supply and fire hydrant system.

The improvements will be concentrated in the southwestern part of Hoboken, which approved an amended ordinance placing less reliance on federal aid in the \$3 million program.

On Sept. 25, the board deferred action on the original \$1 million bond issue proposal. The board asked Hoboken to increase the amount another \$500,000 because of uncertainty of federal funds.

A board spokesman indicated Hoboken may not need the full \$1.5 million but it will be enough to start the modernization, and if sufficient federal aid is forthcoming, the full \$1.5 million may not be needed.

Hoboken auditor Vincent J. Indelicato submitted the adjustment application in compliance with the amended ordinance enacted by the city council.

The board agreed with Hoboken officials on the need to improve the water supply and the hydrant system in Hoboken, which purchases its water from Jersey City.

A few miles of water mains, some 100 years old, will be replaced. Several hundred hydrants also will be removed and new ones installed, including main trunk lines to eliminate coloring in the water affecting some 18,000 residents, mainly in the Model Cities area.

Hoboken officials said the new system also will increase water pressure from 45 to 60 pounds, eliminating drops in pressure and improve safety in firefighting.

The project is expected to take 18 to 24 months to complete, and work could begin next spring.

## Mayor Sets Crackdown On Employees

Mayor Steve Cappiello has ordered a crackdown on city employees doing outside contracting work.

"I want to end any misuse of a public office by an employee in Hoboken," he said.

The problem involves city employees doing day contracting work in the city, competing with taxpaying corporations, Cappiello explained.

Several complaints have been received by councilmen who spoke to the mayor about the problem.

While admitting "the implications are not clear," Cappiello said that he does not want the city to be implicated in a city employee's attempt to obtain outside work.

He said city employees have not been caught working on another job while on the city's time.

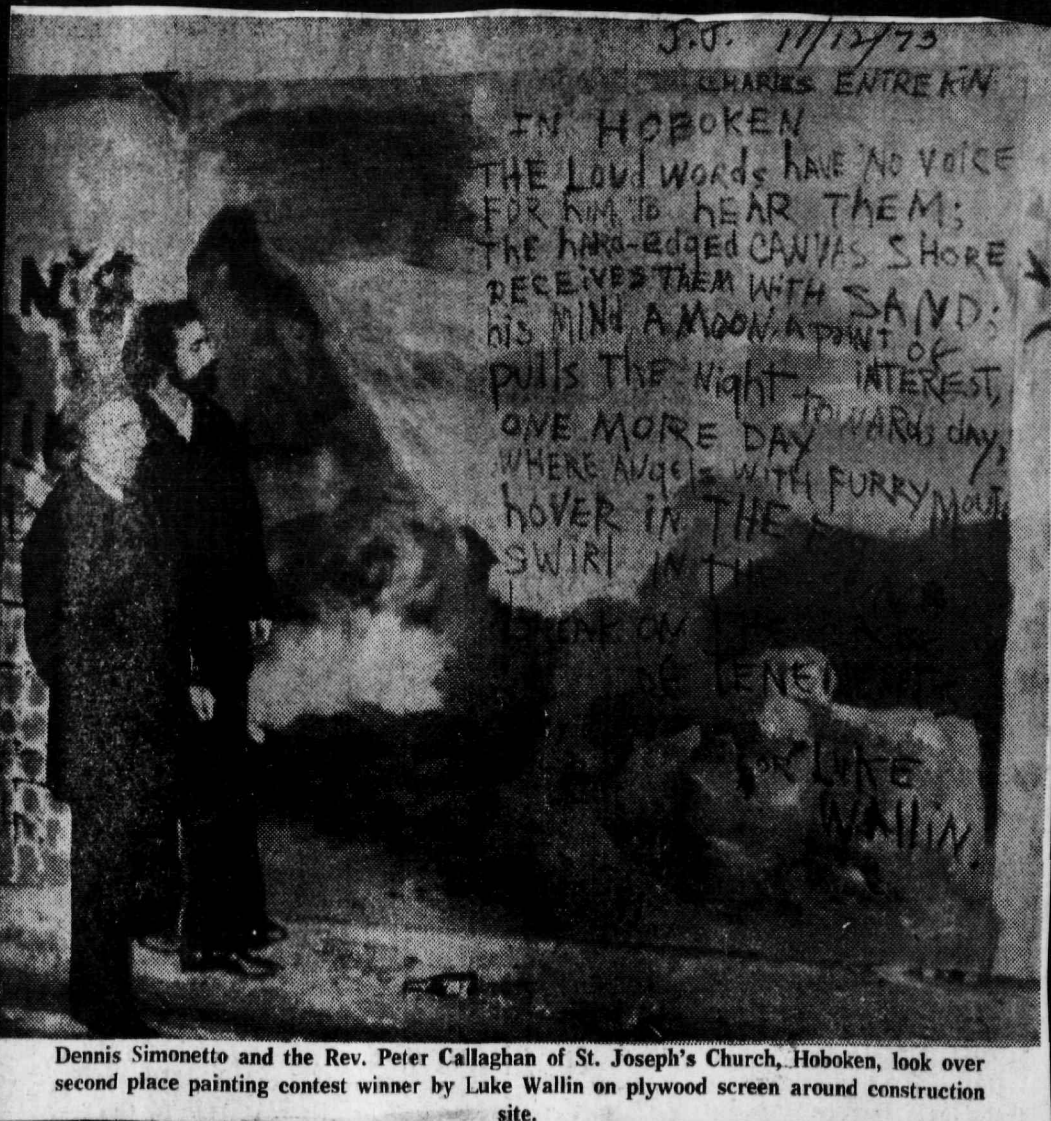
## Lop boobers off welfare —Cappiello

Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello has ordered Edward Roeder, the city's welfare director, to start getting tough with people seeking local assistance to make sure they really need it and, if they do, that they use it for the purposes it is intended.

"There are too many reports getting back to me about people, mostly transients, getting assistance and then going out and drinking up the money," the mayor said.

"That isn't what it is for. The money is for temporary help for housing and getting a decent meal and some clothing or anything else along those lines. It is not intended as an easy means of supporting their drinking habit."

Cappiello said he has met with Roeder and advised him of what he expects.



Dennis Simonetto and the Rev. Peter Callaghan of St. Joseph's Church, Hoboken, look over second place painting contest winner by Luke Wallin on plywood screen around construction site.

## Protect the Taxpayer

On occasion we have been chided for not showing more enthusiasm over the construction going on—at long last—at the Grogan Marine-view Plaza complex site in downtown Hoboken. In fact, this issue came up again in a comment the other afternoon.

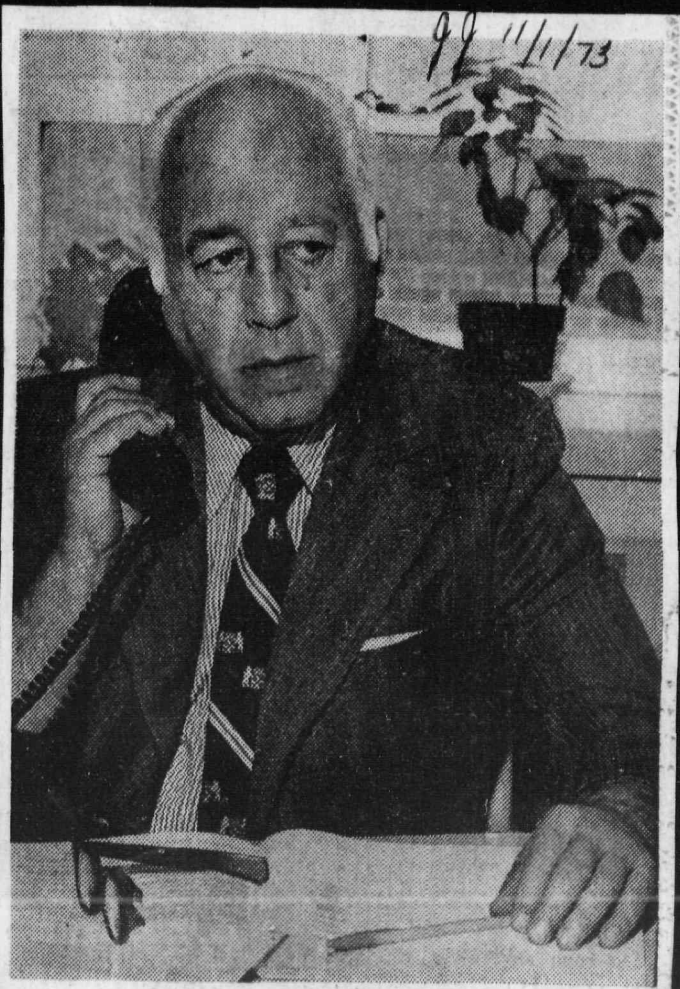
It was at a luncheon marking the ground-breaking for the projected 17-story office and motel building at the southernmost end of the Hudson st. tract. M. Edward DeFazio, executive director of the housing authority, was doing the talking.

We are not against this project and never have been. Our point, and we are most emphatic about this, is that the people of Hoboken, the little taxpayers, must be given a fair break. The Grogan complex must not be a millstone around their necks.

The Grogan project is "off the ground." Buildings are going up and anyone can see that. However, until the rents come in and the revenues to Hoboken are equal to, or better, than the taxes realized on the old property, we won't be fully satisfied.

This point was also brought out at the luncheon by Freeholder Vincent J. Fusilli, who cited his interest in the taxpayers' protection. And, Mayor Steve Cappiello also gave the impression that he was watching developments closely on this whole package.

Grogan Marineview Plaza will be constructed. That is, at this point, pretty certain. However, will it be a financial success or a "white elephant?" That's the issue now and for the long-suffering taxpayer in Hoboken it's a major point.



Former Mayor DePascale at his new post.

## Declines to Reconsider Post Board to Keep DePascale

By STEPHEN PAYNE  
Hoboken Board of Education last night refused to rescind the appointment of former Mayor Louis DePascale to a \$14,000-a-year post.

The board's refusal to reconsider the controversial appointment came in the form of a simple "no" answer by board president Otto Hotendorf to a request by Councilman Robert Ranieri that the autonomous body change its decision.

The public meeting provided a forum for several residents on the appointment of the former mayor to the post of labor negotiator and consultant for the board, made at a special Oct. 30 session.

Ranieri, while he had the floor, also asked all Hoboken residents to attend a "town meeting" to be held the night of Nov. 23 at city hall in order to discuss the question of DePascale's new position.

He then asked Hotendorf if the school board members would be present, but the board president said, "We haven't made a decision."

Hotendorf said that the board was still debating whether or not he and the board's attorney would represent the other members at the special open hearing. A decision should be made by next Tuesday, he said.

Hoboken resident Thomas Vezzetti asked the board to reconsider his application for the job DePascale now holds. "My

qualifications are superior," he said, reminding the board that he was not allowed to attend the special meeting at which the position was filled, while the former mayor was, Hotendorf, however, told him, "The job is already filled."

Another citizen of Hoboken, Donald Singleton, asked Hotendorf if anyone besides DePascale was interviewed for the "alleged position." The answer by the board president was "No."

Singleton explained his use of the word "alleged" by saying he was not certain whether the job or the man came first. He was assured by Hotendorf that the job came first.

Frank Duroy also addressed the board on the matter of DePascale's appointment, asking the criteria used by the members for choosing him for the job. Hotendorf replied that his "experience and performance in the past" were the main reasons he was hired.

Duroy said that Councilmen Louis Francone and Anthony Romano were also employed by the board in different capacities, and that this matter of political appointments was a "two-edged sword."

## Teacher federation wins vote on bargaining agent

Although the Hoboken Federation of Teachers was unsuccessful in an election yesterday to represent the city's 425 public school teachers, it will continue to challenge the Hoboken Teachers Association in the future, a union spokesman said.

The teachers yesterday voted 235 to 160 to continue the association as their representative for collective bargaining. The association has represented them since 1968.

The teachers voted at three polling places in an election requested by Hoboken Local 2173 of the American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO. The balloting was conducted by the State Public Employment Relations Commission.

Teachers at the Wallace and Brandt schools voted with the faculty at Hoboken High School. Teachers at Connors and Leinhardt schools voted with those at the Kealey School polling place while teachers at the Rue School voted with those

at a polling place in Demarest Junior High School.

Vincent Germinario, president of the Hoboken local of the Federation vowed that his organization will continue to challenge the association.

Thanking his supporters, Germinario said, "I feel we lost this election with honor while the association won in shame." He charged that the association conducted a "slandering campaign of lies, smears and deception." The results, he said, proved that the federation "is an effective force and we'll be around for a long time."

Meanwhile, progress of other contract talks with the Board of Education will be discussed tomorrow night at a meeting of the Hoboken School Employees Association.

The association, representing the school custodial personnel, will meet at the headquarters, 406 Sixth St. and will hear a report from Rocco De Rose, president. The custodians are negotiating for their second labor contract.

## Crimmins agrees with PBA —except on cutting patrol cars

Hoboken police will decide whether or not to call a job action after hearing a report by John Howe, president of the Hoboken Policemen's Benevolent Association, on his meeting yesterday with Mayor Steve Cappiello and Police Chief George Crimmins, Howe said today.

Crimmins refused to negotiate the disputed elimination of one patrol car during early morning hours on weekdays.

According to Howe, the PBA feels that the reduction endangers foot patrolmen by depriving them of the supporting patrol car.

In yesterday's meeting, Cappiello backed Crimmins' Nov. 9 decision to re-deploy two patrolmen from radio car duty to the foot patrol.

"This is a policy decision that's up to the chief," Cappiello said.

Crimmins maintains that on week nights from midnight until 8 a.m. the two added patrolmen provide more protection than the additional patrol car.

The extra car will continue to patrol on weekend shifts, Crimmins said.

A PBA request for a detective rank within the police department was more successfully aired at the meeting, with Crimmins agreeing to research

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the "legal entanglements" of the new position.

Crimmins said he will consult both the city attorney and the state Civil Service Commission on questions of tenure and departmental advancement involved in the creation of a new rank.

According to the police chief, the PBA at this point is seeking

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Vitale cited last year's cost of buying fuel oil compared to what the city will pay during 1974.

"Last year we bought oil for about 17 cents a gallon," he said. "For 1974, the cost will be almost 25 cents a gallon and we've had to guarantee the supplier that should he get a raise from his oil company he can pass it along to us."

Although he has submitted an estimated budget, Vitale says he doesn't know how accurate it is or will be.

"The way prices have been going up for the last 18 months or so, it has become impossible to anticipate for more than a month or so at a time," he continued.

"We have gone years buying the same materials at the same price. But within the last year we've been getting four and five price increases."

All of the directors agreed that they would not be adding any new personnel to their departments unless it was through state or federal funding.

The one exception is the law department which will be hiring two more attorneys to serve as full time prosecutor and public defender as recommended by Hudson County Assignment Judge Samuel A. Lerner.

Mayor Cappiello said he would approve the proposed expenditure for the two attorneys.

board and City Hall may be strained for some time to come as a result of the action.

Cappiello, whose forces ousted DePascale as the city's chief executive last May, remained calm today in spite of the political furor raging within his administration.

"Politically speaking, the board's decision was certainly not in my best interests," the mayor said. "It has created differences within the administration which I may not be able to resolve."

"The board's decision was its own and one that it will have to answer to the public for." The board of education refused to hold off on the DePascale appointment.

It was reported that Cappiello met late Tuesday afternoon with Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale, Business Administrator Herman Bier and Law Director Dudley A. Schlosser to discuss the pending action. It was decided that the board should be asked to refrain from acting until at least after the Nov. 6 election, if it couldn't be persuaded to eliminate DePascale from consideration entirely.

Hottendorf told The Jersey Journal that he was contacted prior to Tuesday night's special board meeting—he wouldn't say by whom—and asked to put off any immediate action on the DePascale appointment.

"I decided against waiting, because negotiations with our teachers are scheduled to start today," he continued. "The negotiations in recent years have become so complicated that not having our negotiator in on them from the very beginning would serve to put the board of education at a distinct disadvantage."

A number of board members contacted by The Jersey Journal said that they would have been willing to postpone action on the DePascale appointment. (although they still would have voted for him to get the position) but they were not asked to do so. Another said that postponement of any action was discussed for more than an hour but Hottendorf and John Raslowsky both insisted on taking action immediately.

Hottendorf admitted he did not inform the other board members of the request he had received to postpone action. Raslowsky said that he would have agreed to a postponement, had he known.

Officially, City Hall has no control over the board's actions. But unofficially it has asked the board members to reconsider the DePascale appointment.

Law Director Schlosser has written to the board and asked it to "reconsider in the light of circumstances and the desire of local citizens to keep politics out of education."

He added that he felt the appointment must be "investigated" and that he would undertake the task.

Meanwhile, the mayor said he would wait and see what the board did with Schlosser's letter but he still wanted a "face to face" confrontation with the board and City Council members to discuss the appointment.

That confrontation, at least with the council members, may be necessary. At least one of Cappiello's council supporters—Francis X. Leahy—has openly broken with him, and several others are openly expressing disapproval of the DePascale appointment and are holding Cappiello responsible.

Leahy met with Cappiello yesterday morning and told him of his decision to part company and possibly initiate a recall movement against Cappiello.

"I wanted to tell him personally, face to face, before he read it in the newspapers," Leahy said. "I blame DePascale for the condition this city is in and I can't stand by and watch him get rewarded for it."

"The board of education in this town has never done anything on its own. It has always been with the approval of the mayor. No all of a sudden the board has gone independent."

Leahy also complained that Cappiello seldom took his running-mates in the last election into his confidence, and that often the first knowledge they had of what the mayor was doing on important matters was acquired through the newspapers.

Although Leahy, a councilman-at-large, is the only member of the council to break openly with Cappiello, Councilmen Robert A. Ranieri, Bernard Servant, Martin J. Brennan and several others were displeased with the developments.

However, they were taking a calmer view of the matter and waiting for Cappiello to tell them his version of the case.

As for the cause of the furor—DePascale—he starts working with the board today unaware, he claims, of any known opposition.

"I have a job to do and I'll do it," he said. "I'm not concerned with politics. This will be a full time job."

DePascale will be handling the negotiations for the board with the teachers union and janitorial staff unions and will help make out the budget, prepare state forms and monthly reports for the state.



BETTER LATE THAN NEVER — Workmen smooth blacktop over intersection of Fourth and Jackson Streets, Hoboken, to mark start of 1973 citywide street repaving program.

Originally scheduled to begin in May, numerous problems, including technicalities in obtaining and spending funds, held up the project until this week.



# Ranieri pushes DePascale ouster

Hoboken Councilman-at-large Robert A. Ranieri, who has been pushing for a resolution at Wednesday's council meeting calling on Mayor Steve Cappiello to ask for the resignation of the entire Board of Education, will get his way.

City Law Director Dudley A. Schlosser said today that he will prepare the resolution in time for the council meeting. However, it is up to the councilman to carry the ball from there.

"There was never any argument on whether or not the resolution would be prepared," Schlosser said. "Councilman Ranieri was told that if he provides the substance for the resolution, this department will put it into proper form."

Schlosser said that he has material submitted by Ranieri and will put it into proper form in time for Wednesday's meeting at 11 a.m.

He added that he will also give Ranieri a written decision on

whether or not Councilmen Anthony H. Romano and Louis Francone can vote on it without becoming involved in a conflict of interests.

Ranieri wanted the two councilmen barred from voting on his measure because both are employees of the school board.

"They can vote," Schlosser said. "As far as I can determine, their action wouldn't constitute a conflict of interests."

Ranieri wants the mayor to ask the board members to resign because of their recent appointment of former Mayor Louis DePascale to a \$14,000-a-year job as labor negotiator and administrative assistant, and because it has refused to reconsider that action although both the mayor and council have asked it to.

The City Council president, Martin J. Brennan, has written to the board members asking

them to resign and all have refused to do so. It is unlikely that they'll change their minds if another request comes along, this time from the mayor.

Schlosser questioned Ranieri's motivation for pushing the matter further now that the council has acted.

"I think Councilman Ranieri is thinking political, not municipal," Schlosser said. "And that's the only way we should all be thinking — municipal. Demanding resignations, without any authority to enforce such demands accomplishes very little."

"If there is a legal way to reverse the board's action it will be found and taken. In the meantime, all this verbiage is starting to run thin."

However, Ranieri says the appointment is a "matter of principle" for him and he isn't backing off.

"I am as much against this appointment today as I was the day it was made," the councilman continued. "I can't say as much for some of the other councilmen."

"I have no intention of seeking support for my resolution, but I am sure that it will be seconded and that it is going to get some votes. Whether it passes or not depends on just how brave the rest of the council is when it has to act in the open with the public looking on."

In connection with a difference of opinion between Ranieri and Council President Brennan last week, Ranieri said that he did not agree to go along with the council's letter to the Board of Education as an alternate to his resolution asking the mayor to do it.

"I don't believe in secret action behind closed doors," he said. "I did agree to discuss it,

but I didn't agree to go along with it or discontinue my action because of it."

"If it was done by an open vote in front of the public, I'd have gone along with it, but not behind closed doors."

Meanwhile, School Board President Otto Hottendorf still plans to go to Trenton either today or tomorrow and meet with executives of the State School Board Association to see if there isn't something the board can do to stop what he termed "council harassment."

Meanwhile, rumors have begun to circulate around the city that the DePascale appointment may have been a means to an end — securing a pension for the former administrator.

According to one school board source, DePascale needs approximately 70 more days on the job in order to be eligible for a pension.

## Hoboken 'hot line'

The "hot line" which has been set up to report Hoboken housing complaints can be very useful if it is not abused. Of more than 40 anonymous tips phoned into the special City Hall number, most appeared to be sincere.

A few have been false, phoned in by pranksters. A flood of these would destroy the usefulness of the new service.

If too many phony calls come in, the bureau may have to require the caller's name, address and telephone number, while undertaking to withhold this information from the landlord. Such a service would still be advantageous, but it would lose some of the appeal of a hot line.



THAT HOLIDAY SPIRIT — Charles J. Dadas, left, vice president of the Hudson United Bank and Freeholder Vincent Fusilli representing Mayor Steve Cappiello, help Mrs. Constance Cooke, a Gold Star Mother and Victor Finizio decorate tree for holiday party of senior citizens at the Fox Hill Gardens, Hoboken.

## Hoboken library acquires wide range of new books

A total of 450 new books were ordered by the Hoboken Public Library last month, Lucille Cunningham, director, said today. Many of the new volumes have been delivered and are now available to library members.

Some of the new books are:

Cromwell: The Lord Protector, by Antonia Fraser; Paradise Lost: The Decline of the Auto-industrial Age, by Emma Rothschild; Interviews With Black Writers, Edited by John O'Brien; American Heroine: The Life and Legend of Jane Adams, by Allen F. Davis; Burr: A Novel, by Gore Vidal; Fear of Flying: A Novel, by Erica Jong; Theophilus North: A Novel, by Thornton Wilder; America, by Alistair Cooke; The Buckleys: A Family Examined, by Charles Lam Markmann; Wilt: Just Like Any Other 7-Foot Black Millionaire Who Lives Next Door, by Wilt Chamberlain and David Shaw; Malcolm Lowry: A Biography, by Douglas Day; Cosell, by Howard Cosell; To Rule The Night: The Discovery

Voyage of Astronaut Jim Irwin, by James B. Irwin with William A. Emerson, Jr.; Impeachment: Trials and Errors, by Irving Brant; The Fourteenth Chronicle: Letters and Diaries of John Dos Passos, by John Dos Passos; Livingstone: A Biography, by Tim Jeal; Do-It-Yourself Housebuilding Step By Step, by Charles D. Neal; My Wide World, by Jim McKay; Judge: The Life and Times of Leander Perez, by James Conaway; The Sea and the Ice: A Naturalist in Antarctica, by Louis J. Halle; Buried Cities and Ancient Treasures, by Dora Jane Hamblin; The Dogs Bark: Public People and Private Places, by Truman Capote; Dorothy Richardson: A Critical Biography, by John Rosenberg; The Treatment of Theophilus: A Novel of Christ and Caesar, by Leonard Wibberley; The Unfinished Quest of Richard Wright, by Michael Fabre; A Memory and Other Stories, by Mary Lavin; Collected Stories,

by Graham Greene; Who Makes War: The President Versus Congress, by Jacob K. Javits with Don Kellermann.

From Time to Time: An Autobiography, by Hannah Tiliach; The Temple of Dawn, by Yukio Mishima; Madison Square Garden: A Century of Sport and Spectacle, Edited by Zander Hollander; Mussolini's Italy: Twenty Years of the Fascist Era, by Max Gallo; I'll Quit Tomorrow, by Vernon E. Johnson; O'Hara: A Biography, by Finis Farr, and A Victorian Son: An Autobiography 1897-1922, by Stuart Cloete.

## DePascale pension needs time on job

By PETER HALLAM

Former Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale said today that he needs only four and a half months on his new job as a \$14,000-a-year labor negotiator-administrative assistant with the board of education to qualify for a city pension.

That's the time he lost credit for when the court voided his election as mayor in 1965 . . . until he finally made it in a second runoff election.

DePascale said he is not planning on retiring and taking a pension.

"I'm just interested in doing my job, not retiring," he said. "It would be nice to be in the position of being eligible, but I don't plan to take advantage of it."

DePascale has held elective or appointive posts in the municipal government or the board of education since July 1, 1963, and

normally would have the 20 years of employment needed to be eligible for a pension. However, he had a break in service in 1965 as the result of the bitterly contested runoff election with Edward J. Borroni.

DePascale and Borroni finished one-two in a field of six candidates running for mayor in the May 11, 1965, election. The runoff between the two was held June 15 with DePascale coming out in front by 14 votes — 7,870 to 7,856.

Claiming election irregularities, the Borroni forces took the case to court and succeeded in getting the runoff thrown out by the late Hudson County Judge James Rosen. A second runoff was scheduled for Nov. 16.

Since neither Borroni nor DePascale was declared the winner, and former Mayor John J. Grogan's term had expired,

Judge Rosen appointed the late Silvio J. Failla to serve as acting mayor until a third election could be held.

DePascale won that contest by a handy margin — 8,922 to 7,765.

Failla served as acting mayor from Oct. 2, 1965 to Nov. 15, 1965.

The period involved, according to DePascale, is from July 1, 1965, when he would have become mayor if the courts hadn't overturned the election results, to Nov. 16, when he was officially elected in the second runoff.

DePascale actually took office that July, but his service didn't count toward his pension after the court voided the election. His first term of mayor thus was actually four and a half months short of a full four-year term.

## Hotline gets first callers in Hoboken

The Hoboken Code Enforcement Bureau has finally received its first anonymous complaints on its new hot line, according to Fire Capt. Ray M. Falco, bureau supervisor.

Falco said today that the bureau received three calls, one dealing with an electrical violation, and two with fire violations.

Since no summonses have been issued, he declined to give the addresses of the buildings in which the alleged violations existed.

The electrical complaint centered on a claim of inadequate service to the building. Falco said that the city's electrical inspector was notified and is in the process of checking it out.

The first fire violation complaint dealt with encumbrances and rubbish in the hallways, cellar and fire escapes of a building.

Falco said the complaint was "justified."

"The owner and tenants have been notified and given seven days to clean up the basement and remove the encumbrances from the hallways and fire escapes," he said. "A reinspection will be made next week."

He added that if the conditions aren't corrected at that time, a summons would be issued.

The last violation dealt with a report that someone was storing gasoline in the basement of a building. Falco said it was thoroughly checked and found to be unfounded.

The hot line number is 792-3000, extension 270. Persons may make complaints of fire or building violations without giving their names or addresses, and still get action.

## 'Win some, lose some,' Ranieri says

Hoboken Councilman Robert A. Ranieri was philosophical today over the not too silent defeat of his resolution at yesterday's council meeting that would have called on Mayor Steve Cappiello to ask publicly for the resignation of the city's board of education.

"Win some, lose some," said Ranieri of the measure which failed to get a seconding vote.

"I set out to do something that I thought I was right," he continued. The rest of the council didn't agree with me. That's that. I don't hold any grudges because the resolution was defeated and I hope none of the other councilmen hold any against me for pushing for what I felt was right."

Ranieri wanted the mayor to seek the resignations in reply to the board's recent action in creating a \$14,000-a-year job of labor negotiator-administrative assistant and giving it to former Mayor Louis DePascale, all at the same meeting in late October.

Prior to the meeting, Ranieri had felt confident that the measure would be seconded and get several "Yes" votes although he wasn't sure if it would get enough to carry.

Several other councilmen took advantage of the defeat to "dress down" the councilman, not because of the resolution, but for his actions in publicizing it.

Both Councilman Francis X. Leahy, the man Ranieri is

reported to have been depending on for the seconding vote; and Councilman Edward A. McLaughlin took Ranieri to task.

Leahy criticized Ranieri several times for bringing up the matter during the public portion of the meeting that had already been discussed in caucus and mutually agreed on.

McLaughlin said that Ranieri's resolution was pointless since the Council had already asked the Board of Education members to resign, and for making it appear in the press that "the council was the villain."

McLaughlin also took exception to remarks made by Ranieri that the Council was "backing down" on the DePascale question.

"You have questioned the courage of the City Council," McLaughlin said to Ranieri. "Well, I dare say that I have as much, if not more courage, than you. But I will not be part of your effort to further your own political career."

"I don't think a mayor of six months should be harassed for something that he didn't have anything to do with. He says he had nothing to do with the appointment, tried to stop it, but couldn't; and I believe him."

Council president Martin J. Brennan read to the audience a copy of the letter he had sent to the Board of Education asking for the resignations of eight of its nine members.

The council had agreed in caucus last week to send the letter by a 7-2 vote, which was later changed to 6-3 after some further discussion. Ranieri is said to have voted for it. Voting against it were Bernard Scrivani and Anthony H. Romano on the first count, it was reported.

But after some additional arguing among the councilmen, Louis Francone changed his vote to "No." It was learned Francone changed his mind after learning Ranieri hoped to force both him and Romano to abstain from voting on his resolution because they are employees of the Board of Education, and a vote might constitute a conflict of interests.

However, that possible conflict was ruled out by the city law department which ruled that the two councilmen were entitled to vote.

## Rotarians offer lunch to shut-ins

Hot lunches will be provided free for senior citizen shut-ins by Hoboken's Rotary Club.

Operation We Are Concerned, as it is called, will begin at the Adams Gardens senior citizen housing project Jan. 7.

The meals are to be prepared for a nominal fee at St. Mary Hospital and transported by the city's senior citizen station wagon. At the outset 25 persons are to be served every day.

Rotarians going along will visit with the recipients while they eat.

The service may be expanded to take in other shut-in elderly persons if arrangements can be made. The club hopes that other organizations will be moved to undertake a similar role.

A brief ceremony will mark the start of the service at Adams Gardens. Mayor Cappiello is to attend.

Those to be served were chosen after consultation with the Hoboken Housing Authority, Smile, the municipality's senior citizen organization; and Hopes, Frank P. Clark Jr. is chairman of the Rotary Club's committee in charge.

## School board race to keep staff busy

For the first time in many years, the Hoboken Board of Education may have to have some of its administrative personnel on duty during the long Christmas holiday.

The problem is, according to board secretary Thomas A. Gallo, that the city has its first-ever school board election coming up in February and much of the official preparations must be done during the planned two-week holiday.

Hoboken's schools will close Dec. 21 and reopen Jan. 7.

As of Dec. 14 nominating petitions for the board election will be available to potential candidates for the three seats. The petitions, signed by a minimum of 10 registered voters, must be returned to Gallo no later than Jan. 4.

"In the past, the administrative staff has taken the holiday off with the students and the teachers," Gallo said. "But since the petitions have to be returned by Jan. 4, it looks like we're going to have to have some people on duty between Dec. 21 and Jan. 4 in case anyone wants to pick up or bring in their petitions."

How the school board will work out the problem will probably be decided tomorrow night at its regular meeting in the Wallace School. The meeting starts at 8 p.m.

"It will definitely be discussed at that time," Gallo said. "We must settle on a plan of action in consideration of our employees, and any plans they may have made for the holidays."

Another matter to be considered by the board is what additional measures will be taken to conserve heating fuel in the schools.

At stake are a number of recreation programs sponsored by the city and private organizations and groups which normally make use of the schools at night for their activities.

It has been recommended by both county and state education officials that all after-school programs be eliminated for the duration of the oil and energy crisis. Hoboken school board members, it is reported, are inclined to go along with the recommendation since they feel that it will eventually become a binding directive from the state.

In the meantime the schools are not being used.

## 'Job action' by cops off in Hoboken

Hoboken police will not stage a "job action" because the city has cut from three to two the number of police cars used during the midnight to 8 a.m. tour, and talks between the Policemen's Benevolent Association (PBA) the mayor and the chief of police will continue next week.

Following last night's PBA meeting, John Howe, president, said Mayor Steve Cappiello explained the move to the rank-and-file and what could be expected in the future.

Howe said the problem stems from the city's cutting back on the use of the third car because of the fuel shortage. As for what could be expected in the future to meet the PBA wishes, neither Howe or the mayor would comment. Howe said later, however, he felt certain the city would restore the use of the third patrol car.

After the meeting, Cappiello and Howe said they have a better understanding of the problem and it appears that something can be worked out "amicably". Nearly a full house attended the meeting, which was held in the city hall court room chambers.

## Hoboken to Sue Bank on Funds

Hoboken's City Council is taking steps to institute court action against a New York City bank which is acting as fiscal agent for the Hoboken Parking Authority.

The authority has some \$8 million on deposit in the Franklin National Bank which is seeking to force the bank to free a part of this interest to pay in turn interest on bonds which have been issued by the authority to finance the construction of garages at the Grogan Marineview Plaza complex.

So far the bank, acting as fiscal agent for the parking authority, has refused to release any of the funds it has on hand.

Interest on the Marineview Plaza bonds is currently being paid by Hoboken taxpayers since funds providing for such payments are included in the city's budget.

At the city council meeting Wednesday night, Councilman Walter S. Cramer, publicly supported by both council President Martin J. Brennan and Councilman Robert Ranieri, as well as other officials, said he has asked the city law department to study immediate proceedings to sue Franklin National.

With the approach of a new

Hoboken budget and the need for including bond interest payments in the 1974 appropriations, Hoboken officials are anxious to force the Parking Authority to pay off its own interest debt on the bonds.

**Back Inspections**

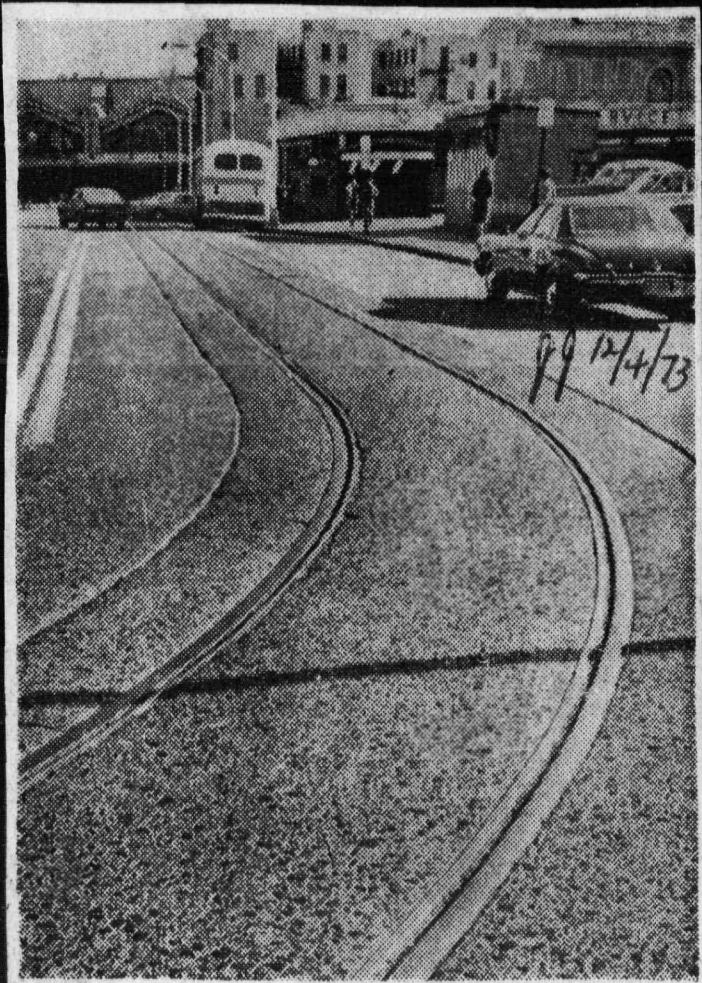
However, Brennan said: "The city will continue to pay the interest charges that have been forced upon us, but we intend to do something definite to alleviate such a burden on the taxpayers."

During the same public session last night Brennan received unanimous support of council members in his backing the city inspection teams to enforce code regulations in all dwellings.

Referring to the 11th st. apartment violations, Brennan said there is a change in the property ownership which may delay correction of violations there.

Ranieri said: "The 11th st. problem of violations and needed repairs is a test of our inspection task force effectiveness. It's up to the team to take action or disband the unit as useless."

Brennan concluded by wishing the residents of Hoboken a happy holiday season on behalf of the city council members.



WAITING TO BE USED AGAIN?—Trolley car still run from Hudson st., Hoboken, to the terminal of the old Public Service Transport at the Erie-Lackawanna Railroad in Hoboken. With the energy crisis and the gas crunch, the old electric trolley line may still make a comeback.

## Where's that taxi?

The Hoboken residents who never seem to be able to get a taxi when they need one most have found a champion in Mayor Cappiello.

The mayor says he is tired of hearing about the cabs that are not around in bad weather, late at night or on week-ends. He proposes to make every taxi operator file a work schedule, stating just what hours he professes to be on duty. That way, it will be possible to check whether the cabbie is really on the job.

It turns out that Hoboken cabbies not only do not have a working schedule to make sure that some are going to be available at all times, but they do not even have an association. In this respect their service arrangement is even more lackadaisical than that of the city's Washington Street bus operators. It is each man for himself, and all are on their own. No one has any responsibility to give service in return for the permit the city granted.

You are so right in saying this has to stop, mayor. Do blow that whistle, now.

## Washington Street parking ban is out

Hoboken's Washington Street residents and merchants are easier today after being assured by M. R. Grouls, chairman of the Hudson County Planning Board, that a controversial proposal to prohibit parking on that street has been dropped from the county's proposed land use study and plan.

According to Grouls, who operates a real estate and insurance agency at 521 Washington St., Hoboken, he and Lawrence Campagna, director of the county Planning and Economic Development Department, had a lengthy discussion

on the proposal and have agreed to eliminate it from the study.

"This was done at the request of Mayor Steve Cappiello and the Hoboken Planning Board who objected to it," he said.

And just in time, too. The county Planning Board is scheduled to vote on adopting the land use study and plan at a meeting Friday.

Basically, Hoboken's objections to the proposal was not the banning of all parking along Washington Street, but that the burden of providing off-street parking for those ousted by the move was left up to the city, not the county, stated Ben Goodman, chairman of the Hoboken planning board, in his letter to the county board.

Goodman predicted the end of Washington Street as the city's main shopping district if the proposal went through.



# Hoboken in '73: Ins go out

By WILLIAM TAFT

The ending of the eight-year reign of Louis De Pascale as mayor was the most important news event in Hoboken in 1972, though it was hardly unexpected, having cast its shadow before.

As De Pascale departed City Hall, his chair was taken by the man who had already supplanted him as the city's Democratic leader, Councilman Steve Cappiello. While not inheriting immediately any insoluble problems, Cappiello soon faced difficult decisions and controversial

situations, some of which were not yet solved as the year drew to a close.

The city's political picture began changing in the first month of 1972 when Thomas A. Gallo was elected to the state Assembly, resulting in his resigning the City Council presidency he had held throughout DePascale's years as mayor and eliminating himself as a potential rival of Cappiello in the latter's subsequent bid to unseat DePascale.

The vacant council presidency was taken over by Councilman

Stephen E. Mongiello. Gallo's seat as a member of the council, however, was left vacant.

The Second Ward council seat had become vacant Jan. 1 when Councilman Vincent J. Fusilli resigned to take office as an elected freeholder. The council picked Walter S. Cramer, a Cappiello supporter, to succeed Fusilli.

In the May municipal election Cappiello routed DePascale and lesser mayoralty candidates, one of them Councilman Edward A. McLaughlin, who had entered politics only two years before.

Cappiello running-mates for councilman-at-large, Robert Ranieri, Francis X. Leahy and Bernard Scrivani, went in with him.

In the same election the voters approved a referendum to make the city's Board of Education elective, ending the mayor's power to appoint the members, and giving the voters power to reject the board's annual school budget.

At the same time, Cramer was elected to the Second Ward garages in the development, and awarded contracts; and excavation was begun. Before the foundations could be started, bad luck hit the project again and this work was halted. The building inspector ruled early this month that the pilings were inadequate, and the developers decided to re-design the foundations.

A dilemma remained to be solved in the third part of the project — the planned 25-story commercial building. Because there was no longer a market for office space, Bernard F. Kenny, the owner of the site, proposed a substitution, putting up only seven stories of office floors instead and topping this with 15 motel stories.

Cautious because of the memory of previous council post he had been filling by appointment.

Cappiello's ascension to the mayoralty required him to quit as Third Ward councilman. At his behest, the council appointed Salvatore Cemelli to succeed him. Cemelli was subsequently elected to the same office by the voters in November.

The year 1973 saw a breakthrough in the Grogan Marine View Plaza project which had been stalled seven years. The developers finally obtained a mortgage from the state Housing Finance Agency and started construction of two of four planned 25-story apartment houses, topping the skeleton structures by year's end.

Parallel to this, the city's parking authority completed plans for three large parking miscalculations on Grogan Marine View Plaza, the authorities delayed approval or disapproval.

Meanwhile Kenny proceeded to excavate and prepare for foundations for the 22-story structure, in the expectation of receiving a go-ahead early in 1974.

During the year the city council carried on a protracted struggle with the Franklin National Bank, the bond trustee for the parking authority, to relieve the city of making good the authority's bond deficit, now \$642,000 a year. Despite hope for some relief, the prospect at the end of the year was for a continued drain on the city treasury.

A welcome development for Hoboken's residents was a marked improvement in police protection, considered the first in decades. Aided by a state grant, the city began hiring 45 additional policemen, some of them under 21, and sending them out on foot to patrol the streets, resulting in a decrease in crime.

In crimes of violence, the highlight of the year was an attempt on the life of William Murphy, czar of the Hoboken docks and a vice-president of the International Longshoremen's Union. Shot three times, once in the head, Murphy recovered.

A night fire in one of the better tenement houses, on 11th Street at Willow Avenue, resulted in the deaths of 11 persons, four of them sisters, the largest toll of any of the numerous tenement fires in Hoboken in many years. The heavy loss of life was attributed to the speed with which the flames spread, coupled perhaps with unfamiliarity with the use of the fire escapes.

What started the fire was never determined. A man who had been reported running away from the scene was seized as a material witness. He was also charged with assaulting an officer, and this charge is still pending.

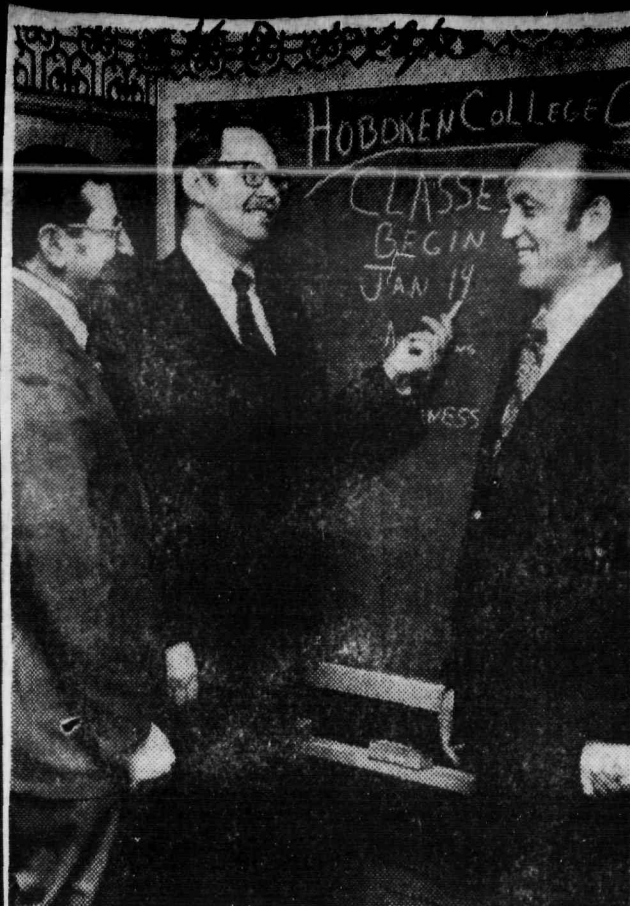
As an aftermath of the fire, city inspectors found hundreds of housing violations in tenements in the entire block across the street. The owners said they could not afford repairs, and ordered the tenants to vacate. This move is being contested.

In the waning months, a political explosion rocked the city. The board of education, all appointees of DePascale, created the \$14,000 job of labor negotiator and administrative assistant for the former mayor the voters had repudiated.

Cappiello asked the board to rescind the appointment, but did not press the request. A majority of the city council voted to ask the board members to resign, as having lost public confidence, but the board refused.

As 1973 faded, the hottest issue was the projected oil storage terminal on the Hoboken-Weehawken waterfront.

The site had been unused, and no taxes had been paid on it, since its abandonment eight years ago by the Todd Shipyards, which had employed 20,000 there in World War II. The city of Hoboken sold its portion of the site to the oil company, despite



OPEN HOBOKEN COLLEGE CENTER — Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello (right) welcomes Edwin Weisman (left), vice president, Business and Finance, Jersey City State College, and Dr. Kenneth Rogers, president, Stevens Tech., Hoboken, to a reception yesterday, marking the opening of the Hoboken College Center at Castle Point Ter. The center will be operated by the Hudson Higher Education Consortium with assistance from the Hoboken municipal government.

## Likened to Missile

### Calls Fuel Storage Plan Grave Danger

By JACK ECKHARDT

A dangerous missile with a loaded warhead planted in uptown Hoboken is what that city's Second Ward Councilman Walter S. Cramer calls the planned fuel oil tank storage depot proposed for the Todd Shipyards site on the Weehawken-Hoboken boundary.

Warning that approval of the fuel tank farm will prevent new housing developers and new light industry from coming into Hoboken and cause others to move out, Cramer asserted yesterday, "I'm definitely opposed to the Cosmopolitan Oil Co. moving its operation into our city."

Last night it was announced by Mrs. Helen Manogue of the Hoboken Environment Committee that a public hearing on the issue is definitely set for next Tuesday in Stevens Tech Center at 8 p.m.

"I have been informed by Commissioner Richard Sullivan of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection that his office will be represented that night by Special Assistant Alfred Guido who will conduct the public hearing," Mrs. Manogue said in urging both Hoboken and Weehawken residents to voice opposition to the fuel tank farm.

It was further indicated yesterday that both Mayor Steve Cappiello of Hoboken and Mayor Stanley Iacono of Weehawken, who previously

sought to have the public hearing postponed, will be present at the hearing.

Pointing to Hoboken's modern Church Towers Apartments in the downtown western area and to the newly constructed Senior Citizen Fox Hill Garden Apartments on upper Willow av., Cramer said:

"In recent years, we have been making great strides in developing residential potential. Another example is Grogan Marineview Plaza now under construction. Let's concentrate the Todd site for additional housing."

Indicating he will ask support of his opposition from other members of city council, Cramer added: "The way I see it, there will be very few jobs realized for Hobokenites in such a tank depot. And I feel that such a proposal would be like going in reverse from the progress already being made in increasing our city's residential status."

Declining to reveal the interested party by name, Cramer, who is a corporation attorney, said he has been talking with representatives of a private developing firm who appear to favor the Todd site for an apartment complex.

# Rail terminal can't be razed because it's 'historic place'

By WILLIAM H. TAFT

Any possibility of demolishing the Erie Lackawanna terminal in Hoboken in a redevelopment project was eliminated when the site was placed on the National Register of Historic Places, The Jersey Journal learned today.

Both Mayor Steve Cappiello and his predecessor, Louis DePascale, have tried to interest developers in the railroad's sprawling, sparsely used acreage in Hoboken and Jersey

City. Cappiello recently proposed the site as a substitute location for the beleaguered sports complex planned in East Rutherford.

A spokesman for the State Department of Environmental Protection said today that the law forbids any federal or state subsidy for a development which involves tearing down the railroad depot and ferryhouse unless the department grants an exception.

This would eliminate the type of financing which has been used

in recent years in redevelopment projects in Jersey City and Hoboken, such as the Grogan Marine View Plaza development.

Terry Karschner, historian-curator in the Historic Sites Section of the State Department of Environmental Protection, said that under the law all sites

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listed on the register are protected from "encroachment" by the federal government, the states, counties and municipalities, in that the sites cannot be condemned and razed under the power of eminent domain (though if already privately owned they could be razed by the private owner.)

Cappiello replied today that it would still be possible to redevelop the site while allowing the terminal structures to remain. The new development would be based primarily on "air rights" over the railroad's extensive trackage, he explained.

DePascale expressed indignation over the claim that the terminal is protected from demolition, and he advised going to court to contest it if the need arose.

Karschner said that if the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development were asked for financial aid for a redevelopment project involving the terminal, HUD would have to ask the National Park Service whether the location was on its register, and, upon receiving an affirmative answer, HUD would have to advise the developers to seek a feasible alternative.

In redevelopment projects, the practice is for a town, through its redevelopment agency, to acquire a tract and then re-sell it to a developer. Inasmuch as this means that at one stage the town becomes the owner, the protection against demolition might apply (albeit aside from the ban on a public subsidy.)

Karschner said this point was "very interesting" and "a technical problem."

Protection against "encroachment" on a specific national site could be appealed to Commissioner Richard Sullivan of the Department of Environmental Protection. He would hold a hearing, according to Karschner, and would ask the advice of the New Jersey Historic Sites Council and Trust, which serves as an unpaid consultant in these matters.

The designation of the Erie Lackawanna terminal as a historic place was initiated by the Hoboken Environment Committee headed by Mrs. Helen Manogue, Karschner said.

He said the committee's request for the designation was submitted to the review committee of the Historic Sites Section and, after being approved, was signed by Commissioner Sullivan and included on the State Register of Historic Places last June 15.

Following the usual course, it was submitted to Washington and accepted there and put on the national register July 24.

## Saved by the 'crisis'

The environmental protection gumbeaters who have lately suffered some grievous blows in the energy crunch can take solace in a by-product of it.

The bureau that designates historic sites to be preserved comes under the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. Last summer this department put the Erie Lackawanna terminal in Hoboken on the protected list, and got the federal government to do the same. This means that no public agency can either tear the terminal down itself or financially assist any re-developer who wants to do it.

However, there is nothing to prevent the private owner from demolishing it—a flaw in the protection. Now, the railroad is known to regard the terminal as a modern-day white elephant, since the super-size ferryhouse is no longer used at all and the huge railroad depot is no longer needed to accommodate the train riders. So that grand old terminal was still in danger. But along came the fuel shortage and an emphasis on mass transit and especially commuter railroads, which have become the white-haired boy in the energy crisis. In such a climate, the railroad hardly would tear the terminal down. Its precarious lease on life has been extended.

## Stevens kills its appeal on parking lot

Stevens Institute of Technology has changed its mind about appealing to the board of adjustment Hoboken Building Inspector James Caulfield's decision not to grant building permits for a parking lot at 601-605 Hudson St.

A spokesman for the city law department said today the attorney for the college, John J. Hanlon, Jr., has advised the city the appeal of Caulfield's decision, announced several days ago, is being withdrawn.

He added that no reason for the withdrawal was given.

College officials would not discuss the situation, stating only "no comment" when asked why the appeal was withdrawn.

The college had planned to build a parking lot for students and faculty at the site. However, residents of the area objected strongly and expressed the fear that the college was still going to allow a nearby restaurant to use the lot at night, as proposed in a previous plan.

Stevens, which owns the three-lot site, has twice tried to obtain a permit for the lot. On each occasion the city knocked out the plan.

Area property owners, who had engaged their own attorney in case they had to go to court to fight the lot proposal, were happy with the college's decision to drop the project, but still had some reservations.

"I'm pleased with the college's decision," volunteered one Hudson Street home owner. "But there's still some doubt in my mind on whether we won the battle but still have to fight the rest of the war."

"This is the third time the parking lot question has come up. It could come up again in the near future."

The city spokesman agreed. He said that the college could still take the matter directly to the courts without going through the appeal to the board of adjustment. He added that he didn't know if this was the college's intention. But it was a possibility, he added.

## Council Set To Act On 30 Resolutions

Hoboken City Council President Martin J. Brennan is expected to preside at a regular meeting of the governing body at 7 o'clock tonight in city hall.

The public session, which according to one veteran official will assume a pre-Christmas spirit of good will in contrast to ordinary council meetings, includes some 30 resolutions of more or less routine city business.

At the same time, it was indicated at city hall yesterday that any attempt to introduce resolutions that transfer unexpended cash balances from one department to another may be objected to by one or more members of the Hoboken Council.

Usually at this time of year, departments with overexpenditures draw from departments with possible cash balances prior to the new budget.

Pre-Meeting Talks It was also confirmed yesterday that Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello now sits with members of city council in a pre-caucus session on the Monday prior to the scheduled Wednesday council meeting and the premeeting caucus of council members.

Such an arrangement now gives any or all of the Hoboken officials an opportunity to discuss agenda items with Mayor Cappiello. He in turn has the chance of explaining his reason for certain resolutions and reports for the council members to later discuss in their private caucus.

Tonight's agenda includes approval for payment of claims amounting to \$309,281, part of which is \$121,926 for Neighborhood Facility Center Construction Act.

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## DePascale firm to be Plaza renting agent

DePascale Consultants, 1 Newark St., the new firm recently opened by former Hoboken Mayor Louis DePascale and his sons, will serve as the renting agent for the John J. Grogan Marine View Plaza project, it was learned from a spokesman for Sulzberger-Rolle Inc., the New York real estate firm which will manage the project.

Arthur Bromberg of Sulzberger-Rolle, said today the company has contracted with DePascale Consultants to operate the renting office at 1

Newark St. He added that he didn't expect the agreement to go into effect much before the beginning of February.

"Negotiations with the New Jersey Housing Finance Agency (HFA) on rent schedules are still underway," he explained.

"We can't very well start signing lease agreements with prospective tenants without first knowing how much the rents are going to be," he continued.

Bromberg added that he expected the rent schedule would be worked out sometime between

the end of this month and the beginning of February.

Meanwhile, workmen at the construction site on Hudson and River Streets, between Third and Fourth Streets, have started pouring concrete for the 25th floor — the top floor — of the first apartment building.

Max Feldman, a vice president of the Blitman Construction Co., said that the roof and elevator "penthouse" should be completed within 10 days.

Feldman added that excavation for two of the three

parking garages that will be part of the complex has been completed and foundation piles are being placed. The third garage will be on rock base so no pile driving will be necessary.

Work on the second apartment building on the same block is also progressing at a rapid pace, although it was started several weeks after the first building. Workmen are now on the 22nd floor.

Four 25-story apartment buildings are planned for the project. However, the developer has no mortgage commitment as yet from the state on the third and fourth buildings.

Whether or not the state approves depends on how well the apartments in the first two buildings rent.

According to Bromberg, his company feels that the first two buildings should be ready for occupancy sometime in October or November of next year, barring major problems. But the signing of leases will begin well in advance of that time, he added.

Bier said he has contacted a number of oil firms and was not able to get any to agree to submit bids — including Exxon.

The city's current contract with Exxon ends at midnight on Dec. 31.

big oil companies under pressure.

"I believe that most of them are afraid to quote a price when they aren't sure that they'll be able to honor it for a whole year," he said. "The way the cost of crude oil is going up, most daily, it is difficult maybe even impossible, for them to say they'll charge us this much and then stick to it."

"However, the city is willing to go along with some form of escalator clause in a contract to cover cost increases. What we are most concerned with is the contract itself. We have to have a supply of gas and oil that we can count on."

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## 'Going price' fuel available—Cappiello

Hoboken doesn't expect any of the large oil companies to submit bids to the city council on Jan. 2 for supplying the city with gas and oil for its vehicles, but Mayor Steve Cappiello said today he wasn't pushing the "panic button."

"We have assurances from Exxon (the company currently supplying the city with gas and oil) that it will continue to deliver gasoline and other automotive products even though we won't have a formal contract," the mayor said.

"The condition is that we will have to pay the going price for whatever we get; that's the wholesale price, not retail."

Cappiello also added that by not having a formal contract with the company, the city was somewhat at the firm's mercy and could legally be "cutoff" at anytime.

"For this reason we will continue to seek formal bids from Exxon or any other company that is willing to supply us," he added.

City Business Administrator Herman Bier explained that the general insecurity in the oil business was putting much of the

## DePascale's Position Seen Election Issue

While Hoboken's board of education and city council members debate the merits of employing former Mayor Louis DePascale as a special consultant to the school board, it would seem that some Hoboken residents are more concerned with the day-to-day practical problems of educating the city's youth.

The Mile-square City has a history of generating more heat than light during political controversies. And Wednesday's argument at the city's council meeting over a resolution asking Mayor Steve

Cappiello to seek board members' resignation apparently overshadowed comments made by a spectator.

Anthony Villareal, a former priest, who taught Spanish-speaking students in the school system, under federally funded programs charged that there are no programs to help the Spanish-speaking pupils to overcome the language barrier. He added that when the school administration points this out, the answer is that there is no money available.

When Villareal, who admitted difficulty in handling the

English language, made the comment, a stunned silence resulted.

No Authority

Council President Martin J. Brennan broke the silence when he said that Villareal had a valid point, but the council did not have authority to take any action.

Councilman Anthony Romano recommended that Villareal's comments be transmitted to the school board and school superintendent.

On February's school board election, the city's residents must understand that they have in their hands a powerful instrument — choosing who will guide the future of the school system, officials have said.

And they, no one else, will be responsible for what happens to Hoboken's school system.

According to officials, it is not enough for the city's residents to have the right to elect school board members, they must realize that candidates in February's election must be worthy of the office and capable of contributing positively to the educational system.

And this should be the voters' first consideration in February. Teaching a lesson to present board members for creating a position and appointing DePascale to it should be a secondary objective, they contend.

## Cappiello Heads Byrne inaugural delegation

Twenty tickets have been reserved for Hoboken's Democratic leaders for the Jan. 15 inaugural ball of Governor-elect Brendan Byrne in Trenton, and Mayor and Mrs. Steve J. Cappiello will be leading the delegation.

The mayor said today that he is checking with the members of the City Council and the city's directors to see who plans to attend. Cappiello is the city's recognized Democratic leader. County Clerk James F. Quinn is the elected Democratic chairman.



## Cappiello is 'neutral' on school vote

Hoboken Mayor Cappiello wouldn't say yes and wouldn't say no when asked today about a report that he is supporting (behind the scenes) the candidacy of board of education members who put former Mayor DePascale in a \$14,000 job. But he spoke very well of those members... and of DePascale.

The mayor insisted that he is "still neutral" in the board of education election on Feb. 13.

Cappiello was evasive when questioned about his supporting or not supporting Otto Hottendorf, the board president; and Fred Bado, two of three board members whose place on the board is expiring.

When asked if he planned to back either Hottendorf or Bado in the Feb. 13 race, either openly or from behind the scenes, the mayor wrapped himself in his cloak of neutrality. "I'm still neutral," he replied.

It was Hottendorf — so Hottendorf claims — who initiated the action that saw former Mayor DePascale become a \$14,000-a-year labor negotiator-administrative assistant to the board. The position was created and filled at the same meeting in October.

While Bado assumed none of the responsibility for the action, he voted for it, and refused, along with Hottendorf and most of the other board members, to vote to rescind the appointment when asked to do so by the mayor and a committee of City Council members.

Although few of the mayor's associates have kind words for either Bado or Hottendorf — or the rest of the school board members — the mayor has begun in recent conversations to make excuses for Hottendorf and Bado and has not spoken against them as some of his supporters have.

"I think they are sincere," he said. "They actually believed they were doing what they thought was best for the board of education."

"I'm sure they felt DePascale was the best man for the job because of his past experience and that they didn't have to look any further for someone to fill it."

Cappiello indicated he wasn't as upset by the board's appointment of DePascale as was originally reported.

"Maybe they would have found someone else as qualified or more qualified, but I don't think they would have worked for that kind of money," the mayor continued. "He's (DePascale) down at the board of education office every day, doing his job."

The mayor's sudden moderate stance towards the appointment would indicate that his relationship with Hottendorf, Bado and the rest of the board has improved, possibly to the point where he will openly endorse their election bids.

Cappiello's stand of neutrality, say observers, is being used until such times as he can ascertain with some degree of authority just how his endorsement of Hottendorf and Bado will affect the organization.

If such a move will cause a major split within the ranks, the mayor can remain neutral, neither helping nor hurting the chances of Bado and Hottendorf for election to the board.

But should he be able to give his blessings and still keep a majority of the city Council on his side, it may be a gamble he is willing to take to keep some control over the board should Hottendorf and Bado be successful.

Bado, who lives at 905 Washington St., and Hottendorf who lives at 509 Adams St., both picked up their nominating petitions yesterday. Gelsa A. Cilento, daughter of Hudson County Tax Commissioner and former freeholder Anthony J. Cilento, picked up her petitions Wednesday. She lives at 504 Hudson St. Also picking up petitions were Timothy Callagy of 1019 Willow Ave., and John Ver Voordt, 632 Bloomfield St.

Petitions have now been issued to 11 candidates with three returning the completed forms with the signatures of at least 20 registered voters. Only 10 signatures are needed to become a candidate. The petitions have to be turned into the board of education by next Friday.

## Sewage treatment officials to upgrade coffee firm waste

Hoboken Public Works and sewage treatment plant officials are pledging their full cooperation to help upgrade the waste discharged into the city's sewer system by the Maxwell House Coffee plant and avoid a substantial increase — more than \$1 million — in the plant's quarterly sewage charges.

The pledge was made at a recent meeting between Mayor Steve Cappiello, Public Works Director Raphael P. Vitale, Sewage Treatment plant manager Charles Schmidt, and officials of the company to discuss the pending implementation of a surcharge based on the amounts of certain pollutants the plant puts into the system.

Hoboken is under federal mandate to implement the new system by next December. This includes obtaining a federal permit to operate the plant and a surcharge schedule.

Based on a list of pollutants supplied by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and a proposed charge of 1 cent a pound, Maxwell House stands to get a \$278,302 additional charge each quarter — \$1,113,208 a year — if the amount of these minerals and chemicals now being introduced into the system remains unchanged.

This charge will be in addition to the thousands of dollars the company now is paying for water and sewage treatment.

Vitale said the company of-

ficials were concerned with the proposed surcharge and interested in what could be done to reduce it.

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"The plant manager and the city's chemist, Henry Maier, have been instructed to give the company their full cooperation in this."

As of next December, Hoboken must have a permit from the federal government if it hopes to continue operating the plant at 16th and Adams Streets. In order to get that permit, it must file an application with the EPA and a schedule of the surcharges it is going to charge local industry based on the results of surveys

and tests on the plants' sewage discharge.

The city expects to be getting a total of \$1,132,136 from all local industry, if no improvements are made, plus \$223,000 from the Weehawken-Union City Sewage Authority in addition to the \$60,000 a year it now pays.

## Fair treatment

Hoboken is taking a good position in dealing with sewage pollution by industrial plants. Because industries pour more pollutants into the sewage, especially chemicals and minerals, they are subject to a heavy overcharge for treatment. A year from now Hoboken will be collecting more than \$1 million from a few plants because of the new regulation.

On the surface it would seem that the city could make a good thing of industrial pollution and that a logical course would be to hope that it goes on forever. Actually Hoboken is not taking that attitude at all. The people in the sewage treatment division at the public works department are trying to figure out ways to cut down the amount of pollutants even though that will cut into the city's revenue. In the long run that is good common sense.

## Minutes take 8 weeks

Transcript on DePascale hiring arrives

By PETER HALLAM  
Hoboken's board of education has finally managed to deliver to City Hall the minutes of the meeting at which it created a job for former Mayor Louis DePascale and gave it to him.

It took the board exactly eight weeks to get a copy of the minutes for the Oct. 30 special board meeting to Frank J. Bartletta, the city's revenue and finance director and custodian of school funds.

Carl Schafer, an assistant city attorney, secured a copy of the

minutes from the board Thursday. Bartletta had asked for them on Nov. 1, two days after the board met to create a new position and appoint DePascale to it.

Bartletta and other city officials who opposed the DePascale appointment were anxious to see the minutes to make sure the board had followed the correct procedure needed to make the job and fill it.

Now that the city has the minutes and a preliminary review has been made, it ap-

pears that all is in order, according to a law department spokesman. However he voiced some skepticism about them saying they were "too perfect, too pat."

"It's like reading a novel that's been proof read a dozen times," he said. "Every comma, every period is just so. They're so correct that it makes me wonder."

One of the legal technicalities the city had hoped to hang its hat on in voiding the DePascale appointment was the possibility that the board had not mentioned in the advanced notice of the meeting the fact that it planned to create the job and appoint someone to it.

According to a city source, special meetings are called for the purpose of handling specified business, and only that business can be acted on at the meeting.

The opposition to the appointment had hoped that Board President Otto Hottendorf's request for the board secretary to call the meeting had overlooked mentioning the creation of the job, making the action illegal.

A copy of Hottendorf's letter to Thomas A. Gallo, the secretary, asking for the meeting to be called for 8 p.m. on Oct. 30 stated the purpose was for "considering the appointment of an administrative assistant-labor negotiator and the transaction of such other business that might come before the board."

Since no mention was made in Hottendorf's letter of action to create the position, was the resolution creating the job legal? A law department official said it was.

While city officials could not find anything immediately wrong with the minutes that they would comment on, they did help to clear up how the appointment came about.

The special meeting was requested by Hottendorf on Oct. 22. Attending the meeting were Clayton Anderson, Fred Bado, Mrs. Candida Padin, Anthony DeBari, Rocco Gratale, John Raslowsky, Aurelio Lugo, and Hottendorf. Robert Reany, the ninth board member was absent due to illness.

The resolution creating the \$14,000-a-year job for DePascale was introduced by Raslowsky, seconded by Anderson, and approved unanimously by those board members present.

The resolution appointing DePascale to the job was introduced by Bado, seconded by Lugo and again unanimously approved.

## Finances rule out new joint garage

The plan to build a consolidated garage for the Police, Fire and Public Works Departments in Hoboken has been abandoned in view of the city's financial condition. Instead, the present garage set-up will be reorganized, one garage being used for repairs for all departments, and another for storage for all departments.

This decision was arrived at yesterday at a meeting between Mayor Cappiello, Public Works Director Raphael Vitale, Robert Ranieri, chairman of the city council's committee on public safety; and Sergeant Frank Garrick, in charge of the police department's repairs.

After the meeting, Vitale announced that this would be the new set-up:

All mechanical work on vehicles will be done at the present Public Works garage on Observer Highway between Park and Willow avenues.

The garage will be divided into two parts, one for police and fire vehicles, the other for public works, water and sewage bureau vehicles.

The mechanics will be interchanged, as needed, between one section and the other, depending on the work load.

Having all the repair work done on the same spot will make it possible to buy replacement parts jointly, thus cutting the cost. In addition, each section can use the same equipment for repairing.

An extension comprising two walls and a roof will be added to the building to house vehicles which do not have to be kept in a heated room.

The other main garage will be the one that was recently heavily damaged by fire, at 118 Jackson St. All materials which the departments need to store will be housed here. The garage must be repaired first, a new roof being the largest item in the repairs. Money will be saved by not providing heat and hot water in this garage, inasmuch as they will not be needed.

Another existing garage, on Second Street between Jefferson and Adams Streets, now used to repair police and fire vehicles, will be closed in the reorganization.

Another existing garage, used by the water department, on Bloomfield Street between Second and Third Streets, will be maintained for the present.

Still another, on Park Avenue between Second and Third Streets, now used by the Signal Division of the Public Safety Department, will be shut down, and the division will move to the Observer Highway garage, after the latter is reorganized.

## Cappiello regrets 'oversight'

The Hoboken Retail Bureau today reproached Mayor Cappiello for failing to keep a promise to consult it before making appointments to jobs. The mayor apologized, and said he forgot.

The promise was made during the election campaign earlier this year.

The mayor admitted he had failed to consult the bureau in a recent appointment to the parking authority, and he apologized to the bureau, saying he would confer with its executive board in the future.

The appointment overlooked by the mayor was that of Daniel Manobianco, who was given another five-year term on the parking authority. The appointment was confirmed at the city council meeting last week.

Manobianco is one of the original parking authority commissioners. He owns and operates an Italian delicatessen on Park Avenue.

"During the election campaign earlier this year, when the bureau was interviewing the potential candidates prior to making an endorsement, Mayor Cappiello promised us that he would consult with the bureau before making any appointments to the numerous city boards," said a bureau spokesman.

"We are very disappointed that he failed to do so. Not only

did the mayor fail to discuss the matter with us, he failed to even let us know that an appointment was coming up."

Cappiello explained that he had failed to contact the bureau on the hustle and bustle of trying to clear his desk of business before leaving for the National conference of Mayors held last week in Puerto Rico.

"The oversight was entirely mine," he said. "In my haste to get as much done as possible before leaving, I overlooked the

appointment and discussion with the bureau."

"I can only say that I will make every effort in the future to discuss the appointments with the bureau and its executive board before submitting any names to the council for confirmation."

The mayor added that if he should have future lapses about the discussions the bureau should call him and remind him if there is a pending appointment they are interested in.

## Home loan seminar at Stevens Monday

The 100th Hoboken property owner to receive a low interest loan through the city's Home Improvement Program will be announced at Monday night's seminar at Stevens Institute of Technology, hosted by Mayor Steve Cappiello.

The event is a salute to the success of the program, and a forum for ways to increase the projects effectiveness."

Among those invited, besides the 99 other Hoboken property owners who had floated loans through the program, are Sidney Willis, assistant commissioner of the state Department of Com-

munity Affairs; James P. Sweeney, director of HUD's Newark regional office; Robert Larson, president of the Larson Mortgage Co., Plainfield; and Dr. Kenneth Rogers, president of the college.

A number of financial institutions will also be represented including the Washington Savings Bank, the Haven Savings and Loan Association, both of Hoboken; the Statewide Savings and Loan Association of Jersey City; the Hudson United Bank, and the Larson Mortgage Co. of Plainfield.

## Hottendorf, Bado are on their own

Otto Hottendorf and Fred Bado, two of the three members of the Hoboken Board of Education who are expected to seek election to the school board in February, will have to do so without the support of Mayor Steve Cappiello and his followers.

A top administration source said today that Hottendorf, school board president, and Bado have relinquished any claim they had on the support of the organization by refusing to rescind their recent action in creating a \$14,000-a-year job for former Mayor Louis DePascale.

"Even if the mayor privately felt that he could overlook their action, the pressure from others

in the administration is too great to overcome," he asserted.

He added that Cappiello and his supporters may remain "neutral" during the upcoming school board campaign. Potential candidates will be able to pick up their nominating petitions starting this Friday and the campaign will be on, so little time is left for Cappiello to make a public announcement.

The mayor declined to comment on the report at this time.

"We are still studying the situation," he said. "Anything I say at this time would be premature. A decision will be reached and made known to the public, but right now I'm just not ready to say anything."

The third school board seat

that will be up for grabs is now occupied by Rocco Gratale. He administration source said he

hasn't indicated what he plans to do one way or the other, but it is believed he will not run.

## Chiefs Seat Crimmins

Heads Police Assn. in Hudson

By JACK ECKHARDT  
Hoboken Police Chief George W. Crimmins yesterday was sworn in as new president of Police Chiefs Assn. of Hudson County and pledged himself and the membership to all out public safety for residents of the county.

Installed during a luncheon in the Union Club Executive Suite by Hudson County Judge James Dowden, Crimmins took over leadership of the law enforcement heads from North Bergen Police Chief George Lehman.

Attorney William George, veteran police advisor, installed Kearny Chief Paul Mulligan as vice president, Bayonne Chief Michael Mahon as secretary treasurer and West New York Park Police Chief Dominick Riccelli as sergeant-at-arms. Upon taking office, Chief Crimmins paid tribute to his Hoboken predecessors, the late Chief Edward McFeely, Chief John F. Reynolds and the late Chief Ambrose A. Ryan. He then announced honorary membership in the Police Chiefs Assn. of Hudson County for Henry G. Avery, editor of The Dispatch; August Lockwood, editor of Jersey Journal, and the four state senators and eight assemblymen whose districts include Hudson County.

Rev. Marvin B. Cady of First Reformed Church, Secaucus, offered a blessing at the luncheon and Jerry Molloy was master of ceremonies.

Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello was joined at the luncheon by department directors and several members of the City Council. Former Hoboken Mayor

or Louis DePascale was among the guests, along with Chamber of Commerce representatives.

State Sen. Anthony Imperiale of Newark was also included as a guest, along with Hudson County Clerk James F. Quinn, County Freeholder Vincent J. Fusilli and Hoboken Judge Chris G. Pappas. Hudson County police were represented by Chief Thomas McDonough.

Hoboken's rank-and-file police representatives at the event included PBA President Patrolman Jack Howe; state delegate, Patrolman James Pack; Detective Sgt. Anthony Romano, administrative secretary to Chief Crimmins; and Detective Angelo Catalano. Police Capt. Daniel Kiely, commander of the city's uniform division and brother-in-law of Chief Crimmins, sat at the head table with Crimmins' sons, George Jr. and Joseph. Deputy County Clerk Joseph Crimmins and Detective Sgt. Thomas Crimmins were part of their brother's tribute.

In his message to the Hudson County police chiefs, Judge Dowden said, "I salute each of you as individuals who have and are making a great contribution to our system of justice. Your individual effectiveness as law enforcement officers is reflected in the training and attitude of your respective departments. The conduct of your individual units is a personal reflection of your own devotion to duty."

## Cappiello makes it clear: He's neutral

Otto Hottendorf and Fred Bado, two members of the Hoboken Board of Education who are seeking Mayor Steve Cappiello's endorsement in their reelection bid aren't going to get it.

The mayor said today that he will remain "neutral" in the Feb. 13 election.

"I'm not endorsing any candidates at all," Cappiello said, "either officially or unofficially, openly or behind the scenes. My friends and political supporters should feel free to vote for or work for whomever they feel is best suited to serve. I'm not even going to make any recommendations."

According to sources close to the mayor, he still leans toward Hottendorf and Bado but is unable to take any positive action along these lines because of the turmoil it would cause within his own political organization.

Bado and Hottendorf, the current school board president, are running a leading role in the October board action that created a \$14,000-a-year job of labor negotiator-administrative assistant and gave the post to former Mayor Louis DePascale.

The source said that if Cappiello openly supported Bado and Hottendorf, he could count on a major split with the organization that helped elect him last May and possible loss of four or five of his councilmanic supporters.

A behind the scenes push for the two on the mayor's part would be somewhat better strategy, the source continued, but not that much better.

"Word of anything like that would get around too," he asserted. "And the result, although not as serious as an outright split in the organization, would be enough to cause serious problems for the mayor and his plans for the city."

"Hoboken is too politically oriented to keep a behind the scenes move secret for more than a few days at most."

Meanwhile, the candidates running for the three board seats will find out tonight just where their names will go on the ballot. Thomas A. Gallo, school board secretary, will draw the ballot positions at 8 p.m. in the board's meeting room in the new Wallace School.



PROTESTS SCHOOL BUDGET—Donald Pellicano (left), expresses his views on the proposed Hoboken school budget at hearing yesterday in Wallace School. At right, listening to objections are Otto Hottendorf (left), board president, and former Mayor Louis DePascale, board administrative assistant, whose \$1,540 pay hike was voided by the board in an economy move.

## Five Hoboken buses kayoed for defects

Five Hoboken bus companies operating on the Washington Street route have had their vehicles taken out of service by the state Public Utility Commission (PUC) for mechanical reasons, a PUC spokesman said today.

Although declining to comment on the extent of the mechanical problems due to the immediate unavailability of the official inspection forms, he said the problems "were serious enough to warrant their removal from service."

The five buses will be out of service at least until Monday. That is the first day the owners will be able to request a reinspection if the vehicles have been repaired.

"It is up to the owners to call us when the vehicles have been fixed and request a reinspection," he said. "An inspector is sent back, when one is available,

Usually that's the same day or the next."

According to a city spokesman, service on the Washington Street line yesterday was not seriously affected by the removal of the five buses. He said other buses filled in and the service level was maintained.

## Hoboken Council Meets Action on '74 Budget Seen

By JACK ECKHARDT  
Hoboken City Council is expected to take action on a temporary budget for 1974 when that governing body meets at 11 a.m. today in city hall chambers.

And while it is not definite whether independent Councilman-at-large Robert Ranieri will launch his planned attack on the city's method of purchasing supplies, the temporary budget introduction is considered routine. A sum of money is appropriated to operate the city for a three-month period, pending final adoption of the 1974 budget.

Hoboken officials today are scheduled to accept bids for furnishing gasoline, motor fuel and motor oil for a one-year period, and also accept bids on three 1974 model cars for use in the police department. Bids may also be received for general construction (plumbing and electrical work) in the Safe and Clean Neighborhood Project.

Council President Martin J. Brennan is expected to preside at the meeting, which includes action on granting leave of absence extensions to Hoboken Law Director Dudley A. Schlosser from his Civil Service status as second

assistant city attorney; Attorney Charles DeFazio Jr., now on the Hudson County legal department payroll, from his Hoboken Civil Service status as law department legal assistant; and Mrs. Dorothea Walters, an employee in the water department from her Civil Service status as assistant tax collector.

And Hoboken officials will start off the new year in paying \$32,213.73 in claims to satisfy expenditures for residents on the city welfare rolls. A City Council caucus is expected to be held just prior to the 11 a.m. session.



# Cappiello Is Cool To Truck Plan Will Fight Move Until Proposed Route Is Shifted

By LAWRENCE BLISKO and JACK ECKHARDT

Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello declared yesterday he will be forced to oppose a state plan to build a riverfront truck route through the city unless drastic changes are made in the preliminary ideas.

The mayor takes exception to the routing of the proposed road, according to a state Department of Transportation aide, northward from River st., along the old "shore road" and then Hudson st. to 14th st.

This was the "very preliminary" alignment discussed by Frank Parker, chief engineer of the transportation department, Wednesday at a session in Weehawken on the proposed new route from the Holland Tunnel to the George Washington Bridge.

Cappiello emphasized that this preliminary alignment would be detrimental to the Mile-Square City. "This will have too great an impact on the commercial sections of the city," he remarked.

He rapped the route going along 14th st. "This is a real stumbling block," he asserted. It is in the heart of the uptown area, the entrance to the shipyards, and is a highly developed commercial section, he said.

Earlier proposals for the truck route have had the roadway coming along the right of way of the railroad tracks in the western section of the city and then swinging over toward the river at the Hoboken-Weehawken boundary.

The latest plan is essentially a stringing together of two separate plans put forth by Hoboken and Weehawken officials. Hoboken Mayor Cappiello said he has approached the state to revamp River st. and the "shore road." The existing roadways are in poor condition, according to state and local officials. Construction of the multimillion Grogan Marineview Plaza makes redevelopment of the road a necessity.

At the same time, Weehawken Mayor Stanley D. Iacono has been attempting to get the state to construct a truck route east of Park av. in his community. West New York Mayor Anthony M. DeFino is in accord with Iacono's proposal, according to the Weehawken mayor.

The state apparently put the two plans together and extended the road south to Holland Tunnel and north to the George Washington Bridge on its own.

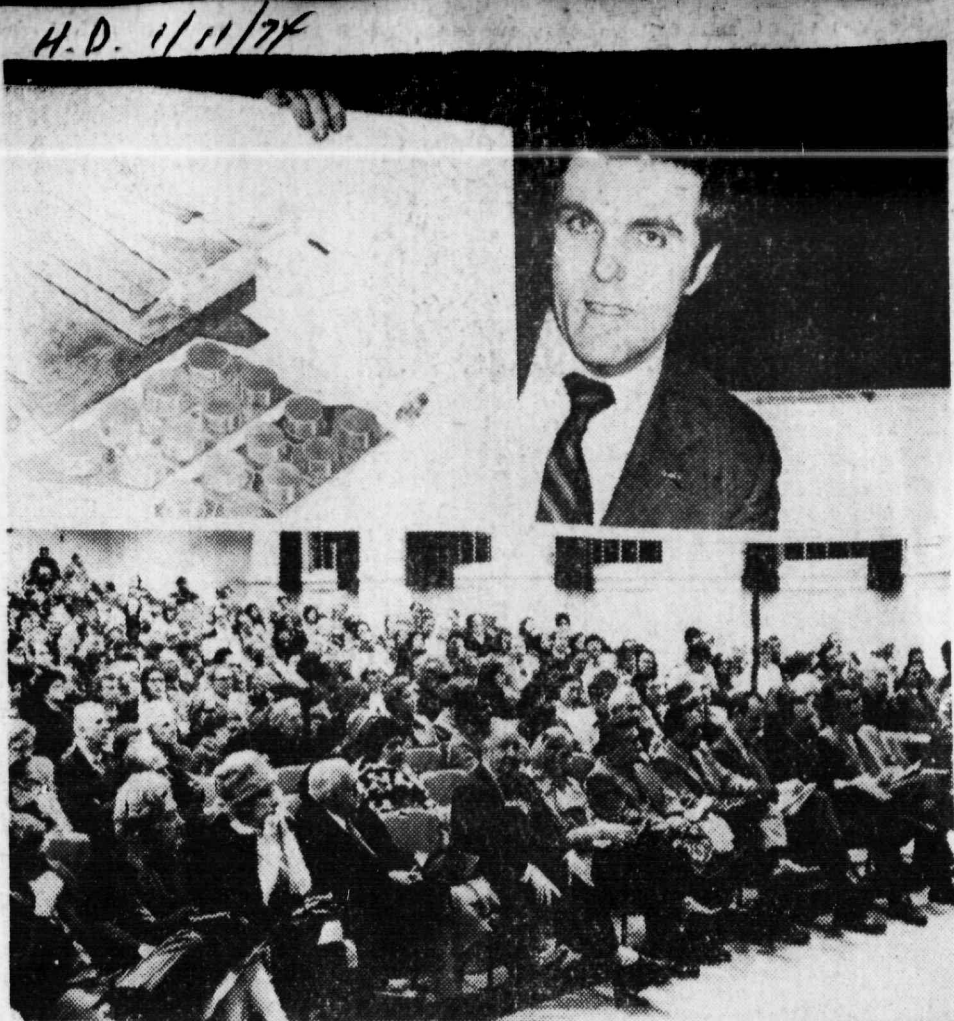
The plan runs into additional trouble when it hits the Erie Lackawanna Railroad yards in downtown Hoboken. The yards lie north of the Holland Tunnel and south of Observer hwy. According to sources in Hoboken the state would have to build an elevated road over the tracks.

Widening and modernizing River st. is seen by some as a boon to Hoboken, as will development of the "Shore road," which runs east of Castle Point along the Hudson River.

A 11/18 st. the Shore rd. comes into Hudson st. It continues along this street to 14th st. where the truck road is to turn west along 14th st. at the Bethlehem Steel plant. The proposed road then turns north again at Bloomfield st. and travels past the Standard Brands building.

The road will turn east near the Weehawken border and run along the railroad property to the eastern tip of Baldwin av. It will continue along the railroad property to 60th st. in West New York where it will join River rd.

Parker said the "Shore road" proposal was made by Hoboken officials nearly six months ago.



## Hearing on Tank Farm

Kenneth McGuire, president of Cosmopolitan Terminals, Inc., (top), shows artist's rendering of the planned 14 to 18 fuel oil storage tanks on the Hoboken-Weehawken waterfront. Crowd (center) fills Weehawken High School auditorium at a public hearing last night. Speakers included Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello (bottom left) who is against the plan. Alfred Guido (bottom right), of the state Department of Environmental Protection, heard the many speakers.



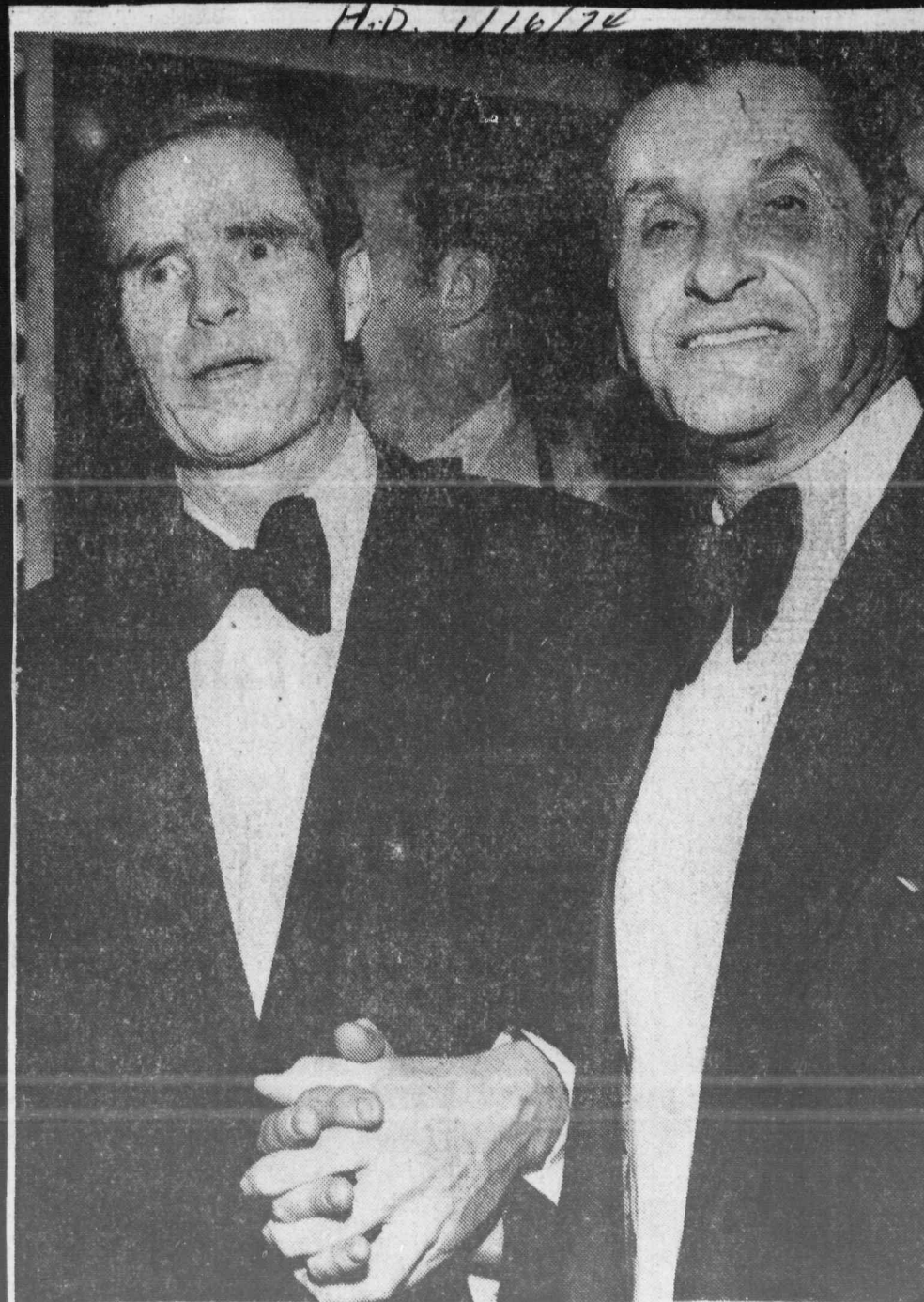
NEW PRESIDENT—Hoboken Police Chief George W. Crimmins (center), is congratulated by his predecessor, North Bergen Police Chief George Lehman, as he takes over as president of Police Chiefs Assn. of Hudson County yesterday. At right is Hudson County Judge James Dowden, who administered the oath of office at luncheon in the Union Club Executive Suite, Hoboken. (Story on Page 4.)



Mayor Steve Cappiello, left, assists Mrs. William Torry with her meal as members of Hoboken Rotary Club begin program of bringing hot meals to shut-in senior citizens. John Westling, center, president of club, and Frank P. Clark, committee chairman, join mayor at Adams Gardens.



AMBULANCE CORPS FETED—Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello (right) was host last night to 32 volunteer workers and 10 junior members of the city's volunteer ambulance corps at a buffet dinner at the Lamp Post Lounge, Hoboken. Waiting to be served are James Azaceta, a junior corps member and Miss Loretta Madden, secretary and "girl Friday" to the corps.



Gov. Byrne, left, claps hands with Assemblyman Thomas A. Gallo of Hoboken as they take part in festivities following the inauguration ceremonies in Trenton.

# Cappiello for joint police forces, too

Mayor Cappiello of Hoboken said today he not only favors consolidation of the separate fire departments of Hoboken and the six North Hudson towns but he would like to see consolidation "in other areas" too, including the police departments, and perhaps even education.

The mayor was commenting on the preparations for a study of fire department consolidation which are being drawn up by Stevens Institute of Technology at the request of the North Hudson Council of Mayors, of which Cappiello is a member.

"I'd like to see consolidation more and more," the mayor declared, "and in other areas too, in all areas possible, as many as we can."

Asked whether his thinking included consolidation of the police departments, Cappiello said it did.

He pointed out that the Hoboken and North Hudson

police can now communicate on the same radio wave length. "I think consolidation in communications is a step toward further consolidation which will benefit all," he declared. "And maybe some day we will talk about education."



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY—Officials at St. Mary Hospital, Hoboken, cut cake celebrating 111th anniversary of hospital yesterday at brief ceremonies in the cafeteria. From left are Lawrence Ward, an associate director; Joseph Tighe, president of the board of trustees; and Sister M. Felicitas, S.F.P., director of patient relations.

## Good for Hoboken

In its short but active life, Hoboken's Volunteer Ambulance Corps has already earned the city's gratitude and respect.

Formerly those in need of an ambulance depended on the Police Department, which has other duties and obviously cannot be 100 per cent devoted to answering ambulance calls. The corpsmen, however, are just such devoted volunteers. They serve because they want to do it. They are well organized. They respond speedily and are efficient. Their ample personnel is well trained and becoming even better trained. They have some good equipment but could stand another ambulance so as to make certain they are always in a position to meet the city's needs. They have won a permanent place in the hearts of Hoboken. One wonders how the city ever got along without them. May they continue to function as they are doing now.

## Be frank

Mayor Steve Cappiello wants Hoboken's several autonomous and semi-autonomous boards to provide him and the city council with copies of agenda in advance of meetings and minutes soon afterward. It is the kind of request to make members of such boards come up short with the complaint that he is intruding upon their separate fields — and in a sense they are correct.

But the mayor has something on his side. The money such boards spend comes from the taxpayers and the mayor's department must bill the taxpayers for that money. A mayor does not want to be working blind.

Actually, it is as a representative of the people that the mayor has the strong argument. Too many autonomous boards tend to think of themselves as beyond all oversight. If the boards were making the public fully aware of their work, the mayor would have less reason to be calling for information.

# Volunteer Ambulance Corps answered 3,210 calls last year

The Hoboken Volunteer Ambulance Corps answered a total of 3,210 calls for 1973. President William J. Matthews says in the corps' annual report.

"Of that number, 2,133 were of an emergency nature, 968 were calls for transportation, 97 were false calls, and 22 were fire standbys," Matthews said.

The corps membership now stands at 32 senior members, including five women, and 10 junior members. Of the 32 seniors, 25 have completed courses in standard and advanced first aid, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, emergency childbirth, light ex-

traction, and defensive driving. All 10 junior members have completed the same courses.

Matthews added that of those 25 senior members, 20 have also completed a course in emergency medical technician training.

He said Capt. Nelson Chanfrau, Patrick O'Boyle and Frank Sasso have been certified as qualified instructors in standard and advanced first aid, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, and emergency medical technician.

Matthews disclosed that the corps will be seeking to buy a new ambulance during 1974, bringing the squad's rolling stock

to four vehicles. It currently has two ambulances plus a mobile disaster unit capable of carrying four litter cases at one time.

Matthews announced the completion of renovations on the first floor of the squad's new headquarters at 707 Clinton St. He said that the entire lower level has been paneled. The area consists of a meeting hall, lounge, complete kitchen, an office, sleeping quarters for three, and is completely air-conditioned.

He said that plans are being formulated to make the second floor into a gym where corps members could exercise and keep fit.





Mayor Steve Cappiello of Hoboken, right, and Freeholder Vincent Fusilli congratulate Assemblyman Thomas A. Gallo, who begins his first full term in the legislature.

## Nobody Should Laugh

Even to those who for years have had an association with Hoboken or who live there, that television show the other night on the Mile-Square City had to open a few eyes. And, what was seen was favorable and informative. That was amply evident.

In essence, the presentation, "Nobody Laughs at Hoboken Any More," featured the latest wave of newcomers. They aren't an ethnic group, or from overseas. They are, primarily, from New York City and those who have moved back from the suburbs.

They are part of the group that's involved in "the brownstone revolution" through which the older residences are being refurbished and a new feeling is

starting to permeate the community. They are interested, they are concerned and they're willing to work for the common good.

Certainly no one who has the best interest of the city at heart can assail what they are doing, either in the brownstone bit or in their interest in education and civic affairs. They have as much right as anyone to express their views and are doing it.

The TV show, by New Jersey Public Broadcasting, was different from the "run of the mill" presentations on Hoboken. It portrayed the city in a favorable light and why shouldn't Hoboken get that treatment? Nobody should laugh any more. Things for the good are happening.

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## Hoboken sees no grounds to refuse oil tank permit

By PETER HALLAM

Cosmopolitan Terminal Inc. has filed an application with Hoboken for permits for construction costing \$28,000,000 for an oil storage and distribution facility in the old Todd Shipyard straddling the Hoboken-Weehawken boundary.

And unless there is something wrong with the plans or something unforeseen comes up, Building Inspector James Caulfield says he will have to approve them.

But for the time being, the plans won't be approved.

According to Caulfield, the site plans did include approval from the State Department of Labor and Industry granted Tuesday. But the supportive information needed to make a determination on how the facility will be built and the technical information were not complete.

"I have notified the company that I don't have all the information I need to give their proposal proper consideration," Caulfield said. "I was informed that the additional plans, technical data and information would be delivered next week."

In Weehawken, the Township Committee would just about ban construction of fuel tank farms, along the waterfront, according to an ordinance passed unanimously yesterday. The

measure would also prohibit construction of high-rise buildings.

The township's master plan had provided for waterfront zoning for heavy industry, but the newly adopted measure zones the area for light industry, commercial buildings and recreation.

Some persons present at the township meeting argued that the new zoning is "not economically feasible."

The plans call for the construction of 18 tanks in all, with 13 entirely in Hoboken, two more

partially in Hoboken, and the remaining two entirely in Weehawken, Caulfield said.

With the exception of the tanks, a small pump house and a boiler room, no major construction is outlined in the plans, he added.

Although environmental groups have strongly protested the construction of the facility and the State Department of Environmental Protection still hasn't reached a verdict on its recent public hearing for Cosmopolitan, Caulfield said that he had no legal grounds to refuse granting the necessary building permits if the company's applications were in order.

"It's two different things," said Caulfield. "Cosmopolitan owns that property and can build anything it wants to as long as it conforms with construction and zoning codes."

"If the company wants to build an oil tank farm there isn't anything I can do to stop the construction phase of the project as long as the company is meeting code requirements. My concern is the construction aspect, not the actual operation of the facility."

"The operation of the tank farm, once completed, is another matter outside my jurisdiction," Caulfield said that Cosmopolitan was taking a chance on starting construction since the Environmental Protection Department could rule against the project and it might wind up as an oil tank farm without any oil.

"But that's a gamble and decision that rests with the company, not me," he asserted.

## Council majority held enough for renewal of bond issues

The renewal of two Hoboken school bond issues totaling \$1,150,000 is legal even though it was approved by only a majority of the Hoboken City Council.

According to Anthony J. Amoroso, city clerk, and John Erbeck, city comptroller, the bonding attorneys for the

—the New York firm of Sullivan, Donovan, Hanrahan, McGovern and Lane—say only a simple majority is needed to approve a renewal, not a two-

thirds' majority of the entire council.

The question of how many votes were needed for passage was brought up by Councilman-at-large Robert A. Ranieri after failing to get the council to hold off action on the renewal.

Ranieri wanted the council to consider an offer from the Garden State National Bank which is willing to take the renewal and other bonding work for the city at a discount of from .25 per cent to .45 per cent lower than what was being offered by the New

York financial institution.

But since the renewal had to be accomplished by last Friday and the council didn't feel the New Jersey bank could conclude all of the paper work needed by then, it went ahead and approved the renewal at the higher interest rate at last Wednesday's council meeting.

However, it is interested in the Garden State offer and will be meeting with bank officials shortly to discuss the matter further, according to City Council President Martin J. Brennan.

## Pare School Budget On Hoboken Gripes

By JACK ECKHARDT

Hoboken councilman-at-large Robert Ranieri spearheaded a city residents protest over the \$9.8 million school budget yesterday, successfully amending it downward.

In response to the protest, school trustees amended the budget in three categories. They voided a \$1,340 pay hike for ex-mayor Louis DePascale as labor negotiator and sliced off a \$1,200 pay increase each for board secretary Tom Gallo and board attorney Robert Taylor.

Following the public hearing, board attorney Taylor asked The Dispatch to clarify an item of "expenses" in connection with his duties. The hike of "expenses" from \$500 to \$2,000 is seen necessary due to pending litigation involving the board, and the need for

In further action, acting on suggestion from angry residents and from school board candidates in the Feb. 13 election, the appointed school trustees amended anticipated "current expenses" for 1974-75 from \$90,000 to \$25,000. It also amended the controversial budget item "miscellaneous revenue anticipated for 1974-75" in the amount of \$147,000 to a \$212,000 figure.

The trustees further resolved to transfer the \$3,940 sliced from DePascale, Gallo and Taylor into the account for teacher salaries.

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briefs to be filed. Taylor stressed that \$2,000 "expenses" involving his duties are not funds used by him for personal obligations within his office.

Overall Objection

Before the school trustees recessed at 11 a.m., after cutting Gallo's salary from \$21,400 to \$20,200 and Taylor's pay from \$15,100 to \$13,900, the Councilman-at-large Robert Ranieri told the school officials in part, "I object to the overall budget which to me shows callous disregard for administration of large sums of money. I protest administrative raises which average 15 per cent and expense account padding that grosses as much as 300 per cent, and squandering of \$1.2 in supplemental state aid."

The same elected city official asked the board to "terminate the obviously unnecessary employment of labor negotiator and administrative assistant Louis DePascale (the city's ex-mayor) and abolish your personal \$12,000 expense account."

Referring to salary increases for city public school teachers, board members told protesting residents provisions are made for teacher pay hikes ranging from \$1,100 for top certificated educators down through the ranks getting as much as \$500-\$600 raises.

Technical aspects of the \$9.8 million school budget, which calls for \$4,010,661.28 to be raised by taxation, were posed by Donald Pellicano of 100 Hudson st., one of 15 candidates seeking election to the school board on Feb. 13.

Questions asked by Pellicano were answered by Attorney John Sheehy, who stressed he is not an employee of the Hoboken school board, but is still retained as official auditor. Taylor and DePascale answered most of the other queries from the public.

Mayor Appears

Mayor Steve Cappiello made an appearance before the public hearing started, but did not stay for the actual meetings. Included among those who voiced objection to the budget were John Veerwoordt, Donald Singleton, Anthony Federico, Pellicano, all candidates in the Feb. 13 school board election. Also speaking against the budget were Tom Vezzetti and Edward Chius.

School board members absent from yesterday's two hour session were Rocco Gratale, Clayton Anderson and Robert Raney.



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## Thanks to Hoboken

Mrs. John Yacullo (right), vice president of Hudson County Mental Health Assn., presents a check to Mrs. Joseph DeGross (left), volunteer executive director, in the amount of \$3,539.50 which includes a \$500 donation by Maxwell House, Inc. of Hoboken. Hudson County Mental Health Assn. has expressed its gratitude to the citizens of Hoboken that assisted in making the Hoboken Fund campaign a success.

## Library adds 397 books

A total of 397 new book were ordered by the Hoboken Public Library last month, Lucille Cunningham, library director, said today. Many of the new volumes are now available to library members.

Some of the new books are:

Just About Everybody Vs. Howard Hughes, by David B. Timin; The Saturday Night Special, by Robert Sherrill; The Devil and John Foster Dulles, by Townsend Hoopes; The Finest Judges

Money Can Buy, by Charles Ashman; Pierpont Morgan And Friends, by George Wheeler; Portrait Of A Marriage, by Nigel Nicolson; A Crown Of Feathers And Other Stories, by Isaac Bashevis Singer; Real Love, America's Irish Rich, by Stephen Birmingham; Come To Me In Silence, Poems, by Rod McKuen; Last Man At Arlington, A Novel, by Joseph Di Masi; Across The Bitter Sea: A Novel, by Ellis Dillon; All My Yesterdays: An Autobiography, by Edward G. Robinson with Leonard Spillanes.

Tales: The Story of a Village on the Costa del Sol, by Ronald Fraser; Fear In The Air: Broadcasting and the First Amendment, by Robert Sherrill; Jesus Now, by Molochi Martin; Generation Of Victims: A Novel, by Burt Hirschfeld.

Deck With Flowers: A Novel, by Elizabeth Cadell; Toward the 21st Century: Education for a Changing World, by Edwin O. Reischauer.

First Rough Draft: A Journalist's Journal Of Our Times, by Chaimers N. Roberts; An Accident Of Love: A Novel, by Mary Ellen Barrett; Other People: A Novel, by G.Y. Dryansky; The Children Sing: A Novel, by Mockingbird Kantar; Defensible Space: Crime Prevention Through Urban Design, by Oscar Newman; The Captain America Complex: The Dilemma Of Zealous Nationalism, by Robert Jewett.

The Unwritten War: American Writers and the Civil War, Daniel Aaron; Children's Television: The Economics of Exploitation, William Melody; I'll Tell Them I Remember You, William Peter Blatty; The Provincials: A Personal History Of Jews In The South, by Eli N. Evans.

Evergreen Goliath: A Novel, by Jean Plaidy; The Professional: A Novel, by Edwin Friedman, Jr.; Life Along The Son Address Fault, by John J. Fried; The Alchemist, by Leslie H. Whitten; The Anatomy Of Human Destructiveness, by Erich Fromm; Deception: A Novel, by Henry Kane; and Governor Ramapo: R.N.: A Novel, by Dudley Pope.



## No place like home

Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello, right, presents Mrs. Lucille Yamacci, left, with plaque recognizing her as recipient of the Hoboken Home Improvement Project's 100th loan. Project director Mike Ehrmann watches the ceremony. Award was made at Homeowners' Appreciation Night, which featured a speech by the chairman of the Urban Affairs Committee of the New Jersey Mortgage Bankers Association.

## 2 Councilmen Object in Vain OK Hoboken School Notes

By JACK ECKHARDT

The two newly elected Hoboken City Council members yesterday displayed their independence and cast objecting votes to a proposal for renewal of city school anticipation notes amounting to more than \$1.1 million.

A split in Mayor Steve Cappiello's heretofore solid 9-0 council vote was strongly displayed by Councilman-at-large Robert Ranieri. He was upheld by Second Ward Councilman Walter Cramer. Actually, the vote was recorded as 5-2 in favor of renewing the school notes, due to the absence of First Ward Councilman Anthony Romano, a school system employee, and Councilman-at-large Francis Leahy, a Hoboken dockworker.

Insisting the Hoboken City Council switch its entire banking business from Trust Com-

pany Bank of New Jersey to Garden State.

When Ranieri said: "Let's get these different banking institutions into competition with each other in an effort to save our taxpayer's money," his suggestion was greeted by support of Second Ward Councilman Cramer, who also voted a loud "no" vote against the now approved school anticipation note resolution.

Before voting, Hoboken Council President Martin J. Brennan said:

"While I agree with Council-

man Ranieri that we should take more time to discuss such a situation involving public funds, I must point out the time element involved. The deadline for such renewal of anticipation notes is Jan. 4. We lack time. And we have discussed the note renewal with Hoboken Comptroller John F. Erbeck. I am therefore required to vote yes in favor of the renewal, without delay."

During the same public session yesterday, Hoboken officials voted in favor of adopting a temporary 1974 municipal budget, described by one elected official as "an appropriation of several million dollars to operate the city until we adopt the regular budget."

Resident spectators who addressed the governing body included Madison Hotel owner Thomas "Big T" Vezzetti and Onofrio "Freddy" Mezzina, an unsuccessful candidate for Second Ward councilman last May. Both administration critics praised Ranieri and Cramer for their stand in bucking the school bond note resolution despite its passage by the 5-2 vote of officials present.

## City to honor police, fire contracts

Mayor Steve Cappiello has agreed to honor all conditions of the 1972 labor contracts with the city's police and firemen, relaxing some of the tension that has been building between the city and its uniformed employees while they discuss contracts for 1973 and 1974.

Following a lengthy meeting between the mayor and representatives of the Policemen's Benevolent Association, and Local 1076 and 1078 of the International Association of Fire Fighters and Fire Officers, it was jointly announced that terms of the 1972 contract will stand—but only for the time being, according to the mayor.

"I have reserved the right to make some changes if conditions of an emergency nature require," the mayor said. He declined to elaborate on what the conditions might be.

The firemen expressed the agreement somewhat differently. Capt. William Bergin, president of Local 1076, said the mayor reached a mutual understanding with the fire and policemen that the city would not interfere with current working conditions or shifts.

"However, the mayor has reserved the right to make certain innovations he would like to see in public safety director," Bergin added.

The agreement does not affect the wage package agreed to for 1973 but never signed by the city. The 1973 increase of \$1,100 will continue to be honored.

In recent weeks the city has kept both policemen and firemen off balance by a series of moves contrary to contract provisions.

First, the unions were advised that since no contract had been agreed to for 1973 the city was taking the position that the terms of the 1972 contract were no longer valid.

Orders were then issued in both departments eliminating the one-day sick leave without a doctor's certification, and differential pay for men required to work at a position normally filled by a man of higher rank.

This was followed by an order in the fire department assigning men to stand guard duty at the scene of a recent fire, a task usually done by policemen.

All of the orders were issued and subsequently rescinded within a three day period last week.

Each order invoked a storm of protest from the unions.

## Hoboken's Teachers Set Fight

By JACK ECKHARDT

Hoboken school teachers yesterday attended an after school contract orientation in the Clam Broth House Marlin Room, where they toasted their salary committee members in a vote to fight the Hoboken School Board and its so-called dictator attitude.

Representatives of the Hoboken educators told of School Board President Otto Hottendorf's inability to muster a quorum of members for a meeting on teacher contract demands, and little or no help from Louis (ex-mayor) DePascale as the new contract negotiator.

"They offered us a flat \$300 salary hike, across the board, and we refused it," said Hoboken Teacher Assn. President Walter Stewart. And a representative of the New Jersey Education Assn. (EJA) told the teachers yesterday:

"The percentage of the city's tax dollar that goes toward education is decreasing. The people who are charged with running Hoboken today are not interested in education."

Hoboken teachers were told the school board ignores a demand for increased longevity percentage, are avoiding a new contract session, are bent on passing the 1974-75 school budget today without regard to new contract terms, and "are hesitant about a \$264,000 school appropriation being spent for items other than salary hikes for teachers."

Attacking the school board's alleged lack of cooperation on counter proposals, the contract representatives claim they requested a starting salary of \$11,900 based on a BA degree, with a maximum on a BA in 11 years at \$18,500. "We came up with a modified version, asking a start of \$10,900 with \$17,500 maximum in 11 years. They also refused," the representatives said.

## Hits raises for officials in schools

By PETER HALLAM

Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello today said that he is "completely against" the large raises proposed for top public school administrative personnel in the board of education's 1974-75 budget.

Cappiello, who asserted that he had no advance knowledge of the proposed raises until reading about them in The Jersey Journal, said they are "contrary to the goals of my administration."

"And I'm greatly disturbed by them," the mayor continued. "We have been trying to stress efficiency and economy. Salary increases of this size at this time are not in keeping with these goals."

The mayor added that the increases put the city and the board at a distinct disadvantage in current negotiations with their employees.

"If the city and the board of education are to get their employees to accept economy, how are we to explain a \$3,000 raise?" the mayor asked. "We are stressing economy for everyone, with no exceptions."

A recent review of the proposed 1974-75 school board budget showed salary increases of between \$2,000 and \$3,000 for Superintendent of Schools Thomas F. McFeely, Board Secretary Thomas A. Gallo, Assistant Superintendent Thomas Gaynor, Special Services Manager George Maier, Business Manager Anthony H. Romano, and Board Attorney Robert Taylor.

"I publicly ask the members of the board of education not to allow these increases to stand," the mayor said, adding that if they did remain he would do everything in his power to have them eliminated.

## Cappiello puts chill on pay talks

Should Hoboken's municipal employees forget about pay increases for 1974? Has Mayor Steve Cappiello already decided that the city can't afford to increase salaries?

The mayor said today that it was "still too early" to answer either question.

"It is all going to depend on what the budget looks like for 1974," said the mayor. "And right now, I don't have the preliminary figures from the comptroller (John Erbeck)."

"I'm not telling any of the labor unions to forget about wage hikes," he added. "But I do warn them that if there are going to be any increases, they will be minimal."

Cappiello denied reports that he has already decided that there weren't going to be any salary increases this year.

"It might work out that way later," he said, "but I haven't made any decision on it at all as of now."

## Offers \$100,000 aid for city drug fight

The Rev. Francis Schiller, head of Patrick House in Jersey City, a drug prevention and rehabilitation program, has offered to pump more than \$100,000 into Hoboken for a drug program, Mayor Steve Cappiello said today.

"Father Schiller and I have had some preliminary discussions on the matter and the lines of communication are still open, but it will be a while before any decision is made," said the mayor.

"There is still much that must be discussed with officials of the Hoboken Drug Prevention and Education Program and officials of the Hoboken Narcotics Council."

They must be included in any decision reached."

According to the mayor, only the barest of details have been discussed with Father Schiller on what form the program would take.

"The thinking is that the Patrick House would serve under Model Cities, possibly replacing one of the existing Model Cities agencies," the mayor said. "The operation would be entirely drug prevention and education oriented."

"No mention was made of any form of clinic or methadone center for treatment of addicts," Cappiello said the current thinking was that the program would be aimed at youngsters and school related.

The mayor added that additional meetings were planned for the future but no dates have been set.



# Firm Given Hearing On Fuel Tank Farm

By BARBARA MURRAY

Nearly an hour's presentation on behalf of Cosmopolitan Terminal Inc., which wants to build an oil storage facility on the Hoboken-Weehawken waterfront, was not enough to turn the tide of opinion last night at the state environmental department hearing.

The standing-room-only crowd in Weehawken High School cheered wildly when Richard Gimmann, director of the state regional planning of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs said, "The people of Hudson County deserve better," than the proposed oil tank farm.

When the applause subsided, an angry Robert Citrino, attorney for Cosmopolitan, told the chief hearing officer "I find this shocking" that a state agency would invite another branch of state government "to make an inflammatory statement."

He also said the hearing officer, Alfred T. Guido, who is

special assistant to the commissioner of the state Department of Environmental Protection, should disqualify himself. Guido said, "Objection noted; request denied."

Guido made a call for any congressman to speak. There were none. There were no federal officials, no state senators or members of the legislature, no other state officials, nor any county freeholders.

The only Hudson County official present was James F. Quinn, county clerk, who identified himself as a taxpayer in Hoboken. "In my heart, I believe (the terminal) won't do

any of us in Hoboken any good," Quinn said.

Mayor Stanley D. Iacono of Weehawken, Mayor William J. Meehan of Union City, and Hoboken Councilman Robert Rainieri all spoke against the project.

Iacono cited comparatively low tax return for the tanks' liability; Meehan characterized the planned 14 to 18 tanks as "a time bomb," and Rainieri visualized a "blazing inferno" if the tanks ever caught fire.

Those speaking on behalf of Cosmopolitan tried their best to dispel fears of fire. Matthew M. Braidech, a consulting chemical

engineer and member of the Society of Fire Protection Engineers, said the proposed bulk fuel oil storage tanks present "a low hazard compared to other facilities, including the student center at Stevens Tech."

Sidney Borg, professor of urban and civil engineering at Stevens Tech, Hoboken, later disputed Braidech's claims.

Also on the Cosmopolitan side, John H. Lichtblau, an oil economist, called the terminal "an essential link" for homes, businesses and factories needing oil.

He said incorrect statistics had been quoted previously in the controversy, and said that New Jersey actually has only four per cent of the oil refining capacity in the nation, while it consumes seven per cent of the heating oil and nine per cent of the residual fuel.

He received applause when he said he thinks such an oil storage place "would alleviate the temporary oil shortage" this area faces.

**Capacity Detailed**  
Leonard Goldman, an engineering consultant engaged by Cosmopolitan, pledged the facility "will have the most modern fire protection and environmental controls." He detailed the capacity of the tanks, their location, and told the audience Pier H would accommodate tankers, while Pier J, which would be refurbished, would handle barges.

The hearing officers began with a list of 43 names of persons wishing to speak. By 10:30 p.m., when there was a brief recess, 75 more names had been added. Up until that time, no one from the audience had spoken in favor of the proposed tank farm.

Helen Manogue, leader of the Hoboken Environment Committee, said the planned tanks and docking facility violates Hoboken's zoning code. She charged that the Hoboken Planning Board had never been consulted by the prospective developers.

## Firm offers new gasoline, diesel contract

A contract for supplying Hoboken with gasoline and diesel fuel for 1974 has been submitted by Standard Oil of New Jersey (Exxon) although two previous official attempts to secure bids on such a contract were ignored.

Mayor Steve Cappiello, who received the contract yesterday, said he would forward it to the city's business administrator, Herman Bier, who would then turn it over to the city council for consideration.

Exxon has quoted the city a price of 26.30 cents a gallon for gasoline and 23.80 cents a gallon for diesel fuel. Bier said it is approximately what the city is currently paying the company.

Hoboken's 1973 gas and diesel fuel contract was also with Exxon.

But that contract expired at midnight on Dec. 31. The city advertised for bids on a 1974 contract in November and again last month but on both occasions no company submitted proposals.

Exxon's new offer was made after Bier had called the company and asked that it consider bidding. Although its 1973 contract with the city had expired, Exxon had agreed to continue supplying the city with gas and diesel fuel until a new contract was signed with Exxon or another oil company.

According to Cappiello, the prices quoted by the company are reasonable but there is no guarantee that they will be held for the entire year.

He said the new proposal con-

tains what is called a "TVA clause" (Temporary Valuation Allowance) which allows the company to increase and decrease prices without prior notification.

The mayor said he wasn't surprised, since the prices of crude oil had been going up at an alarming rate in recent weeks and those price increases were going to be passed along to the consumer sooner or later.

"At least we'll have gasoline, even if it means paying more for it," the mayor said.

## Hoboken crime down, solutions up

The number of major crimes in Hoboken in 1973 was down by 9 per cent and the number of such cases solved was up more than 70 per cent, according to figures released today by Mayor Steve Cappiello, the city's public safety director.

"The figures cover the eight major crime areas: Murder, manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglaries, larceny over \$50, and auto theft," the mayor said.

"In all, there was a total of 1,995 major criminal offenses reported to the police during 1973 as compared to 2,198 in 1972," the mayor continued.

"Of the 1,995 crimes reported, police were able to clear 326 of them through arrests. This compares favorably to the 1972 figures of 2,138 crimes and 238 arrests."

The mayor gave the following breakdown:  
—Murders: Five murders in

1973; 10 in 1972. Three arrests made on murder charges in 1973; 10 arrests made in 1972.

—Manslaughter: None reported in 1973; one in 1972 for which an arrest was made.

—Forcible rape: 10 in 1973; 3 in 1972. Six arrests were made on rape charges in 1973; two in 1972.

—Robbery: 139 in 1973; 133 in 1972. Thirty-six arrests were made last year; 31 in 1972.

—Aggravated assault: 251 in

1973; 169 in 1972. Arrests were made totaling 134 last year; 86 in 1972.

—Burglaries: 809 in 1973; 892 in 1972. Eighty-two arrests were made for breaking, entering and larceny in both 1973 and 1972.

—Larceny (over \$50): 285 reported in 1973; 290 in 1972. Thirty-three arrests made in 1973; 17 in 1972.

—Auto theft: 476 in 1973; 700 in 1972. A total of 32 arrests were made last year; nine in 1972.

The mayor added there were also 171 other larcenies committed in 1973 in which the amount taken was less than \$50. Police made arrests in 55 of the cases.

Cappiello said the figures also show a decrease in the total amount of property that was stolen from local residents and businesses during the year.

A total of \$1,312,881 was stolen during 1973 as compared to \$1,102,013 last year. The figures represent the value of currency, jewelry, furs, clothing, automobiles and miscellaneous items that were stolen.

While the amount or value of property stolen last year was down from 1972, so was the amount recovered by the Hoboken police.

The mayor said \$594,357 was recovered in 1973 as compared to \$448,238 last year, dropping the recovery percentage to 40.7 per cent from 45.3 per cent in 1972.

## Bravo, Hoboken

Hoboken stole a march on all its neighbors, and possibly on the whole state or even the nation, in offering its residents conclusive on-the-spot free tests of their gasoline or fuel oil to determine its water content.

Up to now, some motorists have wondered whether it was faulty gasoline that made their engines act up since the energy crisis, but there was nothing they could do about it. They did not know where to turn, and even if they managed to get in touch with a reliable laboratory which could make such tests, they knew it would be an expensive and time consuming effort.

The little machine Hoboken has bought can do the job in seconds, provided only that the Hoboken resident brings the sample to the city's sewage treatment plant for the test. The chances are that few if any traces of watered gasoline or heating oil will turn up, but for those who were doubtful it will have been well worthwhile.

## Hoboken election

That election of members of the board of education in Hoboken February 13 is shaping up as a typical rip-roaring Hoboken event. The professional politicians have entered the campaign, to back one of the tickets, probably to the dismay of the amateur reformers who have looked forward to breaking the board's traditional political alignment.

This is Hoboken's first election of a school board, and the campaign could be useful to the city if it brings out clear-cut educational issues. Unfortunately such elections have frequently descended to the level of councilmanic elections where the personal popularity of the candidate was a major factor.

Since there is plenty of articulate opposition to the "ins" in this election, the outcome may fairly be taken as indicating whether the people are reasonably satisfied with the schools' administration. Anyone who is qualified to vote in other elections is eligible to vote in this one. The greater the turnout of voters, the more meaningful the result will be.

## Re-evaluate city's credit—Cappiello

Moody's Investors Service of New York, the company that recently downgraded Hoboken's credit rating on municipal bonds, is being asked to re-evaluate the city's financial position, Mayor Steve Cappiello said today.

"I don't think Hoboken has been treated fairly in the company's report on the downgrading of the credit rating," said the mayor. "I am asking the company to make a re-evaluation in

the hope that we will be reinstated to our prior rating or at least get a more detailed explanation of why the rating was dropped."

Hoboken had a "Baa" rating until last year when Moody's dropped the rating to "Ba." Municipal bonds with a "Ba" rating are deemed more risky and less desirable than those with a "Baa" rating.

As a result, according to the

mayor, the city will have increased difficulty in obtaining buyers for its bonds, and when it does find them they will have to pay a higher interest rate.

Cappiello said the rating dropped when the city delayed in making an interest payment on the Parking Authority's \$8.5 million bond issue during the early part of last year.

"From the information Moody's put out, a prospective

bond buyer would assume that the city was hard put and did not have the money," said the mayor. "Which was not the case at all."

"The payment was late by choice, not because the city didn't have the money. There were legal questions that had to be answered concerning the payment of the bond interest and some of those questions still haven't been answered."

Nevertheless, Hoboken has made that payment and several others without any further problems."

The mayor said that if the investment service wouldn't re-instate the city's "Baa" credit rating, he hoped he could convince company officials at least to give a more detailed explanation of Hoboken's situation in their 1974 rating report.

Cappiello said he made a preliminary contact with the Manhattan-based firm.

## Hottendorf says rent board needs own full-time office

Hoboken's Rent Control and Stabilization Board is in danger of becoming bogged down in administrative paperwork due to the lack of an office of its own and someone to run it during the normal work day, according to Joseph Hottendorf, board chairman.

"The board needs an office of its own to function properly and at least one secretary to handle inquiries and distribute information to tenants and property owners," said Hottendorf.

"We have been promised both, but don't have either. Funds for a secretary are included in the city's 1974 budget but I don't know if they will remain after the city council gets through with its review."

The board consists of five members, all unsalaried.

Currently, anyone wishing information on rent control must call the mayor's office between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. But even if someone should call he doesn't get the information he wants—at least not right away.

Hottendorf explained that the mayor's secretary takes the person's name, address and telephone number and turns them over to him. He then returns home from his job in Manhattan.

"The amount of business being handled by the board has continued to grow since we first started meeting," he continued. "Right now, we are meeting the needs of the city's rent payers and property owners, but just meeting them."

"Further increases in the volume of cases and inquiries, and they are bound to come, could result in the board becoming bogged down and the loss of its effectiveness."

Hottendorf, who has been praised by both the city council and Mayor Steve Cappiello for the amount of work and time he has put in on his non-salaried job, said one of the programs the board had in mind if it had office space is to make one of the commissioner available to the public one night a week.

"We certainly need some help if the board is to continue to function with any degree of effectiveness," he added. "As things are now, we're operating out of a desk drawer and a vest pocket. That's no way to do it."

## Population in Hudson rises

By Special Correspondent  
TRENTON—Hudson County's population was estimated at 612,785 as of last July 1, an increase of 3,720 over the 609,065 recorded in the 1970 census, the State Labor and Industry Department reported today.

Increases were projected in every Hudson community except Secaucus and Weehawken, with small declines, and no apparent change in East Newark.

Jersey City's population was placed at 261,105 compared to 260,895 in 1970.

Bayonne was credited with 73,395 against 72,815 in 1970; Guttenberg 5,855 and 5,755 in 1970; Harrison 12,120 and 11,820 in 1970; Hoboken 46,515 and 45,470 in 1970; Kearny 38,085 and

37,625 in 1970; North Bergen 49,105 and 47,840 in 1970; Union City 57,815 and 57,630 in 1970; West New York 40,780 and 40,670 in 1970.

Secaucus slipped from 13,325 in 1970 to 12,705 last July 1. Weehawken from 13,385 to 13,350. East Newark's population of 1,955 was reported unchanged.

The department said all estimates for the 567 municipalities and 21 counties were based on the most current data available to the Office of Business Economics. State-wide, the population last July 1 was placed at 7,396,330 compared to 7,192,905 in 1970.

Bergen County's population increased from 898,850 to 911,490 in the same span.

## Hoboken group plans party to keep fresh-air camp open

Camp Tamaqua, the summer camp in Bear Mountain operated by the Hoboken-North Hudson YMCA, has an ally.

Plagued by financial problems and facing the possible loss of the camp site which is rented from the Palisade Interstate Park Commission, a group of Hoboken residents have banded together for the purpose of trying to raise \$55,000 which will keep the camp open this summer.

Calling themselves the "Save Camp Tamaqua Association," the group is planning a benefit party for May 3 in the Union Club. Mayor Steve Cappiello is the honorary chairman and First Ward Councilman Anthony H. Romano is the general chairman.

Mrs. Leo Genese and Mrs. Thomas Glatt are spearheading the committee and the association's membership drive.

According to them, the \$55,000 will enable the camp to stay open for an eight-week period during the summer months and give 480 underprivileged children an opportunity to get out of the city for two week periods.

Tickets for the party will be going for \$10 each, with most of the revenue going to the camp fund. Beer and refreshments will be served and there will be music for dancing. Anthony Costello is treasurer.

## Firemen join in Hoboken, North Hudson

North Hudson and Hoboken firemen are forming a county-wide organization called the Hudson County Joint Council of Fire Fighters, it was announced today.

A spokesman for the council said the group now covers Weehawken, Union City, West New York, North Bergen and Hoboken. However, negotiations are under way with Jersey City and Bayonne fire organizations to get them to join as well. Secaucus and Guttenberg have volunteer fire departments.

"Eventually, we hope to have every paid fire department in the county included as members," a spokesman said. "Our goal is to promote the welfare of the fire department personnel in each community and to bring to the attention of the citizens the problems in each municipality concerning fire protection."

In some circles, the formation of the council is seen as a counter-move to efforts by some municipalities to consolidate fire services into one large fire department.

The spokesman said this was of some concern to the council's members. "The mayors are getting together to figure out ways and means of cutting the cost of their fire departments," he asserted. "There's no reason why we can't form an organization aimed at making sure that the quality of fire protection for our citizens doesn't suffer as a result."

The council will meet the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 21 in the Adams Tavern, Hoboken.

**VOLUNTEERS FETED**—Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello, left, serves members of the Volunteer Ambulance Corps who were treated to a dinner and party at the Lamp Post Lounge last night in recognition of the corps' three years of service. From left are William Matthews, Louretta Madden and Frank D'Alani.



Mayor Steve Cappiello, seated left, and Ben Goodman, president of Hoboken Planning Board, review request of Bernard Kenny, standing right, to include motel in Grogan Marine View Plaza development. Also joining them are Andrew Scherer, chairman of Hoboken Housing Authority, left, and Business Administrator Herman Bier, planning board member.

## Fire Dept. to list dialysis machines

Hoboken Mayor Steve Cappiello today called on the public to give the city the names of any Hoboken residents who use a kidney dialysis machine.

The mayor said the names and addresses would be listed at fire headquarters along with the ex-

act location of the machine in the home, the type of power needed to operate it, and the type of plug

or adapter required. In a power blackout, Cappiello explained, the fire department

will provide generators to operate the dialysis machines.

He asked that the information be given to Fireman James Monaco, in charge of the department's community relations program, by calling headquarters, OL 9-0024.