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## Toxics Tests Clear Lec. Center, Many Questions Still Remain

By Ray Parish

Final test results on air and soot samples from the Jacob K. Javits Lecture Center have shown that levels of toxins left by the September 26 fire are below legal limits, though the conclusiveness of the tests are still being questioned.

In a memo to Robert Francis, vice president of Campus operations, George Marshall, director of Environmental Health and Safety, wrote: "Samples were analyzed for a variety of chemical compounds which might be expected to be found after such a fire, and all results were within accepted standards."

But many campus leaders have found fault with this evaluation of the situation. Charges have been made that the samples were not collected soon enough after the fire, that some of the tests performed were inappropriate and others were not accurate enough, and even that "accepted standards" are not a wise guide to health safety.

Marshall said that the test results were not as meaningful as they should have been, as the samples to be tested were gathered almost one month after the fire. During that time, he said, the walls and surfaces damaged by the fire were washed and repainted, making it impossible to collect any more than .31 grams of the soot necessary for much of the testing Clayton Environmental Consultants would later perform.

The lack of adequate soot (Clayton requested 15 grams for the battery of tests requested by campus Environmental Health and Safety) caused the cancellation of analyses for vinyl chloride, styrene, benzene, phenol, formaldehyde, acrolein, and PCBs in soot.

"The results are negative," said Theodore Goldfarb, associate vice-provost and chemistry professor, "but the problem is that they did not test for everything they said they would." Goldfarb also said that tests performed to detect the presence of certain dioxins did not test for those most likely to be formed in such a fire.

Rich Drury, project coordinator for the campus New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG), agreed with Goldfarb's evaluation of the dioxin tests. He said that there are many forms of dioxins, of which Clayton tested for four: types 2,3,7, and 8. He compared the procedure to entering an ice cream shop in search of ice cream, testing for the presence of pistachio ice cream, and assuming from its absence that the store has no ice cream at all.

Both Goldfarb and Drury also complained that the tests performed for dioxins only measured quantities in the range of parts per million, whereas some of those compounds are widely considered dangerous in levels of parts per trillion.

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## Referendum Valid, Activity Fee Increased

By Mary Lou Lang

The student activity fee has been increased by \$4.50 a year following the passage of a Polity sports club referendum at the end of last semester. The passage was delayed by charges of voter coercion.

The referendum to give more money to campus sports clubs, which needed 67 percent of the vote to pass, was voted on twice last semester. In the first general Polity election on October 16, the referendum received 64 percent of the vote. In the October 28 run-off election for freshman representative, the referendum was placed on the ballot again and passed with 67.8 percent. The day after the October 28 vote, however, the posted figures were taken down by Polity officials.

Patrick Flannery, then vice chairman of the Programs and Services Committee, said at the time that he saw students being coerced into voting yes on the referendum. At that time Flannery said, "There was a person ready to vote when another person went up to him and said 'If you vote no, I'll break your arm.' That's what I call coercion." When reached yesterday, Flannery declined to comment.

A meeting of Polity poll watchers was held at the end of last semester to see if they witnessed any cases of coercion. According to Polity President Marc Gunning, the poll watchers did not see any coercion. The referendum was allowed to pass, Gunning said, because "the charges couldn't be based on anything except Pat Flannery."

Rene Link, chairman of the election board at the time, said that no one claimed to have seen any coercion.

After the October 28 election, Polity Vice President Gerry Shaps had said, "There's a [61 vote] discrepancy between the number of signatures and the number of votes."

Shaps agreed yesterday that the charges of coercion were unsubstantial. "Nobody felt there was any wrongdoing," he said. "The allegations that were brought up were not substantial enough to bring about another election."

The student activity fee is currently \$113 a year. The additional \$4.50 will increase the allocation of funds to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) teams.

## Students, Faculty Do the LIRR Strike Shuffle

By Amelia Sheldon

As Long Island Rail Road workers walked off the job 11 days ago, Stony Brook faculty and students found they were not immune to the inconvenience.

Getting in and out of the city is "hit or miss" said Andrew Levy, a graduate student in the comparative literature department. He explained that he had to separately arrange each trip in and out of the city.

At 3 p.m. on Tuesday he said, "as of now I don't know how I'm getting back to Manhattan." Levy said that conflicting schedules interfered with carpooling.

"[I am] absolutely bound by my colleague's schedule," said Assistant Professor of Theatre Glenda Dickerson, who also lives in the city. Dickerson said both she and her carpool partner have had to compromise their schedules in order to share the ride. On days when Dickerson is unable to carpool, she uses the bus and therefore, "come late for one class and leave early from another."

"It's very complicated but everyone seems to get here one way or another," said



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Helen Traina, assistant to the chairperson of Theatre Arts. A commuter, Traina, like Levy and Dickerson, also has different traveling arrangement for different days of the week, driving some days, carpooling others.

Finding alternate transportation seems to be just the beginning of the problem for the traditional train travelers. Those put out often inch along in whatever vehicle they have found on expressways overcrowded

by their very presence.

One professor left New York City on the bus and arrived at Stony Brook just in time to teach her 11:30 a.m. class; the returning bus

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# GSO Lounge Reopens Amid Happy Memories

By George Bidermann

Almost 11 months to the day after a shortage of adequate liability insurance closed the Graduate Student Lounge, the Lounge served beer and wine Tuesday to the packed and happy crowd that came to celebrate its reopening.

"I'm really pleased with the turnout," Faculty and Student Association (FSA) Secretary Kevin Kelly piped over the music and the buzz of conversations. "It looks so good having people in here enjoying themselves again." At the peak of the night, more than 70 people were crowded into the bar. On its first night open, the Lounge produced more than \$750 in sales, although Wednesday night appeared much quieter.

The Lounge, which has been on the first floor of the Old Chemistry building since the late 1970's, is the only other facility besides the End of the Bridge serving alcohol on campus. Tuesday night, students who said they had missed the alternative that the Lounge provided revelled in the feeling of being back in their old hangout.

Peter Schenitski, a 21 year old senior, was sitting over his glass of stout at a table with six of his friends. "We came to see what the new Lounge would be like," he said. "We expected a wider variety of beer, but we're happy with the Guinness stout. So much has changed in regards to drinking on campus, but we came back because we always held the hope that the old days would return."

The Graduate Student Organization (GSO) Senate voted to close the Lounge last February 28, shortly after it was discovered that a gap existed between the Lounge's insurance policy, which provided \$100,000 in liability coverage, and a larger umbrella policy that the GSO shared with the FSA, which provided liability coverage for damages over \$500,000. When no immediate source of funds to cover the gap could be found, the GSO Senate voted to close the Lounge because of the risk involved.

What followed was a 10 month campaign, waged primarily by GSO members Jim Quinn, Rich Fine, Jenny McNulty and Floyd Goldstein, to hand over to FSA the responsibility for operating the Lounge. Under the agreement, which is in its final stages of preparation, FSA will assume all costs and responsibility for running the Lounge. The FSA has also, according to Executive Director Ira Persky, been able to



Students at the Lounge on opening night.

Statesman/Daniel Smith

purchase liability insurance for the Lounge at an annual cost of approximately \$3,500.

Persky said that while FSA projected that the Lounge could lose as much as \$8,000 in its first year of operation. "Our hope is that it will break even." The Lounge's new staff includes Manager Mary Nordenberg, three student managers and 13 staff employees. The FSA will review the operation of the Lounge at the end of the spring semester before deciding if keeping the Lounge open is financially viable.

"The reopening of the Lounge," Persky said, "can be credited to the determination of members of the GSO to see the Lounge open and the willingness of FSA to commit, for however long a period of time, to operating it. My only

concern is that people understand that it's 21 and over. It's unfortunate, but that's the law." Persky said that while the emphasis is on graduate student programming, undergraduates who are 21 will be allowed to drink.

Persky said the Lounge is essentially for the members of the university community; under state regulations governing the issuance of a club permit for the Lounge, only members of the university community and their guests will be allowed into the Lounge. Tuesday night, security personnel at the door were checking patrons for proof of age and Stony Brook identification.

While FSA is responsible for the operations of the Lounge, (continued on page 12)

## Railroaded By LIRR

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left at 2:15 p.m.

Some city dwelling professors said they have been forced to spend certain nights here.

The strike has posed problems for some students as well. "I can't go to field placement [for job training] in Huntington. I will have to make up the days I missed during spring break," said Leda Sabio.

"I can't get home at all," said resident Yajaira Nunez, who is used to returning to the city often.

"I'm sure that the strike has an impact on our parking," said Herbert Petty, assistant director of Public Safety. Petty said the snow, increased attendance at school during registration, and the effects of the strike all contributed to the shortage of parking space.

State legislators have requested action to end the strike. Legislation for a 60-day cooling off period to end the strike has passed in Congress. If President Reagan signs the bill, as is expected, trains could be running by Saturday.


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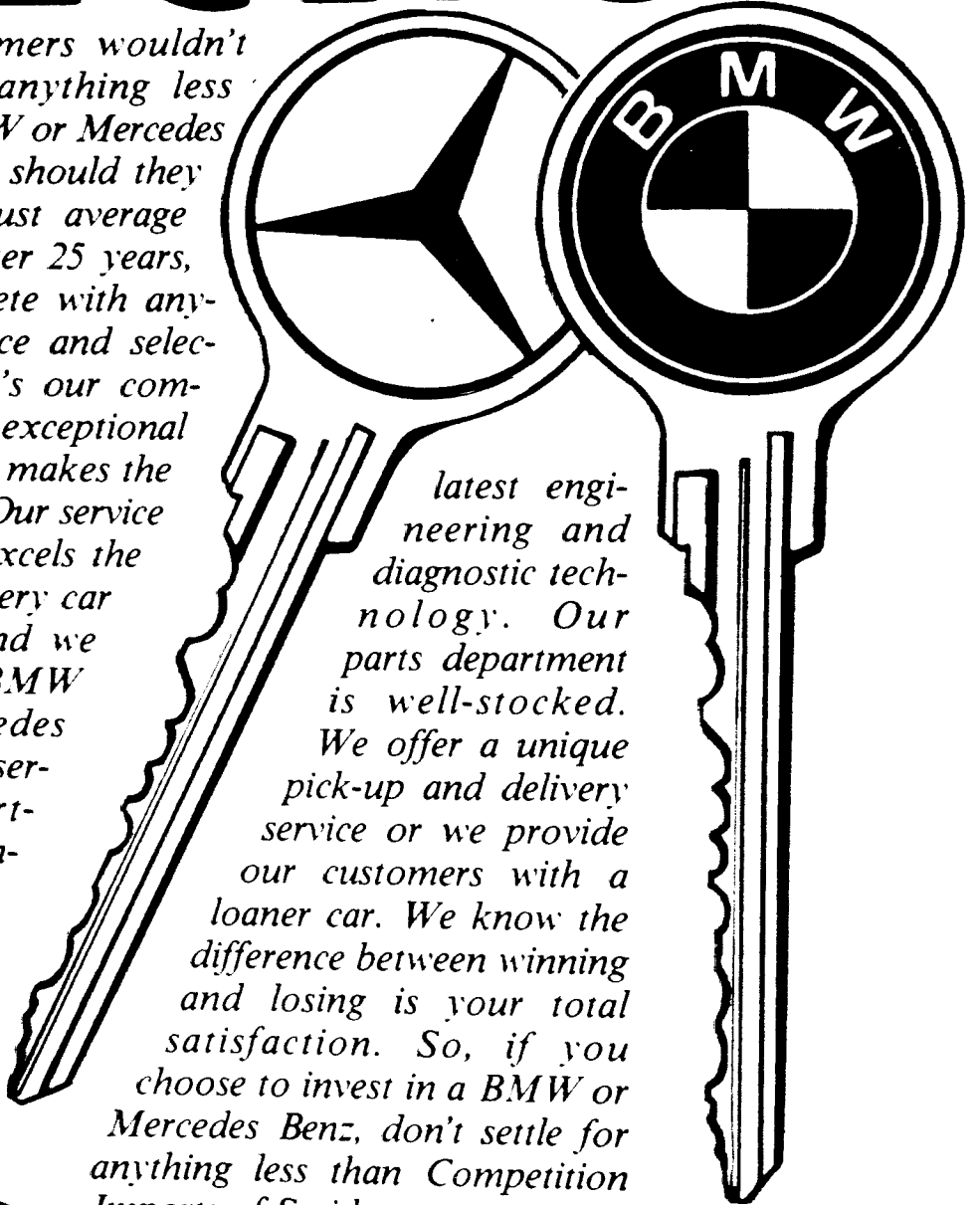
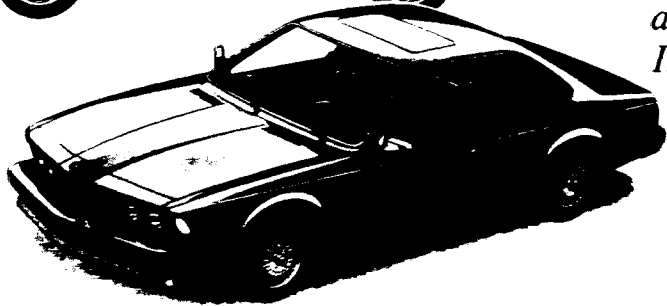
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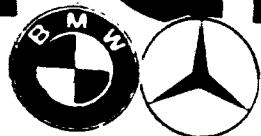
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# Saudi Bucks Stir University Protest(Maybe)

By the College Press Service

The Iran arms scandal and a couple of newspaper reports somehow, some way turned American University into a hotbed of protest of the school's connections to a billionaire Arab arms dealer, even though most students and faculty members weren't even on campus.

The *Washington Post* reported a "lively campus debate" and the Associated Press found "students and faculty up in arms" about arms dealer Adnan Kashoggi's \$5 million pledge toward building a \$14 million sports center at AU.

The Saudi Arabian Kashoggi, often described as one of the richest men in the world, has been identified as a middleman and financier in the secret deal that sent American arms to Iran, and the profits from the deal to the contras in Nicaragua.

Indeed, after Kashoggi's name surfaced among the investigations into the arms deal, the *Eagle*, AU's student paper, devoted most of one issue in December to the university's connection to the arms dealer, who pledged the \$5 million to the building in 1984 and has been on AU's board since 1983.

Soon after the articles and editorials appeared, however, students left for winter break.

In their absence, the *Post* and AP stories reported the campus was alive with debate and ferment about the Kashoggi connection. The few people who remained on the campus, however, remember no such thing.

"I would say that the introduction of Cherry Coke had a bigger impact on the campus than the Kashoggi money," said grad student Leo Gallagher. "This is an upper middle class college. People are not that keen on issues. There's a joke going around that the only thing tainted about Kashoggi's money is 'taint enough!'"

Notions of a campus uproar, he said are "overblown completely."

The *Post's* story, said AU President Richard Berendzen, was "almost a fabrication. The *Post* just decided to fabricate a story and so they did."

"We are on winter break," Berendzen said before students returned to class on Jan. 19. "I've received not one single complaint [about the donation] besides an anonymous phone call."

"Sure [Kashoggi's] a controversial figure," Berendzen said, "and he has indeed been involved in arms sales, but in terms of a campus disturbance, there's nothing to it."

*Post* reporter Michael Issikof said he stands by his story, which quoted an AU senior as saying, "It's a shame that this school doesn't even have peace studies, but it will have a sports center named after an arms dealer."

Berendzen, though, maintains Issikof took the quote from a December editorial in the *Eagle*.

Assistant Professor Jeffrey Richelson said Issikof quoted him correctly as saying the Adnan Kashoggi Sports and Convocation Center should be renamed the "Kashoggi Sports and Guerrilla Warfare Center."

But Richelson said there is no organized protest. "What I said to the *Post* was just my personal opinion. There is no faculty debate that I'm aware of."

There's some doubt, moreover, that Kashoggi can even come up with the rest of the sports center money, which he has until 1993 to pay.

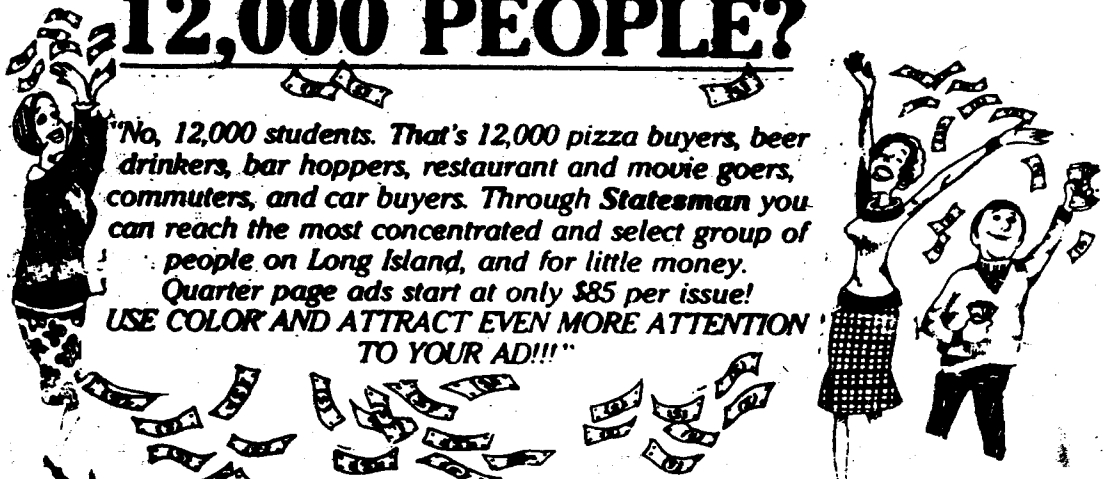
Allegations have surfaced in recent weeks that Kashoggi's worldwide business dealings, which Berendzen compares to intricate Arabic art, are in trouble.

In Utah, where Triad America Corporation — the holding company for most of Kashoggi's U.S. interests — has its headquarters, the Salt Lake Tribune found the company is "being sued by numerous creditors," and that Kashoggi has "renegged on" numerous charitable pledges.

"He promised \$1.3 million to LDS Hospital," Tribune reporter Guy Boulton said, "but they only got \$300,000. He said he'd build an education wing in another hospital, but he renegged on that also. He pledged \$150,000 to Ballet West, but they only got \$50,000."

Still, AU's Berendzen says Kashoggi is "up to date" on his pledge payments to the university.

"He's given us a payment schedule and he gives us U.S. cash, not oil paintings of grandma like some people do," Berendzen said. "I think he does have a cash flow problem, but he has a way of popping back up again."



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# Residence Rules Hinder Learning and Living

Each year at Stony Brook, thousands of students opt to live on campus rather than commute or try to find housing off campus. This choice is often made not simply to avoid the hassle of those two alternatives, but because living on campus can give a student opportunities and advantages that can improve that student's academic and social experience at the university.

Residence Life policy should be set with a clearer intent to make campus life as painless as possible for those who are interested in doing more than just living at Stony Brook. Instead, rules have been established (though not always enforced) that inhibit residents from achieving their maximum potential with regard to academics and activities on campus. More specifically, the regulations regarding moving in and out of dorms at the beginning and end of semesters should be changed to better accommodate the students' needs.

Granted, not all residents are interested in achieving their maximum potential with regard to anything except blood alcohol content. But this does not give Residence Life license to hinder the academic achievement of the rest of the students on campus. A good example of one such policy is last semester's mandatory check-out time of 8 p.m. on the last Friday of finals.

Many students had finals on that Friday, though not late in the day. But having to study for an exam and prepare to move most of one's belongings simultaneously does not encourage learning. To provide the best atmosphere for concentrating on academics, students should have as few outside concerns as possible. This has often been said in defense of mandatory meal plan buildings (why

cook when you can be studying?). Administration should accept its own reasoning and give residents a break.

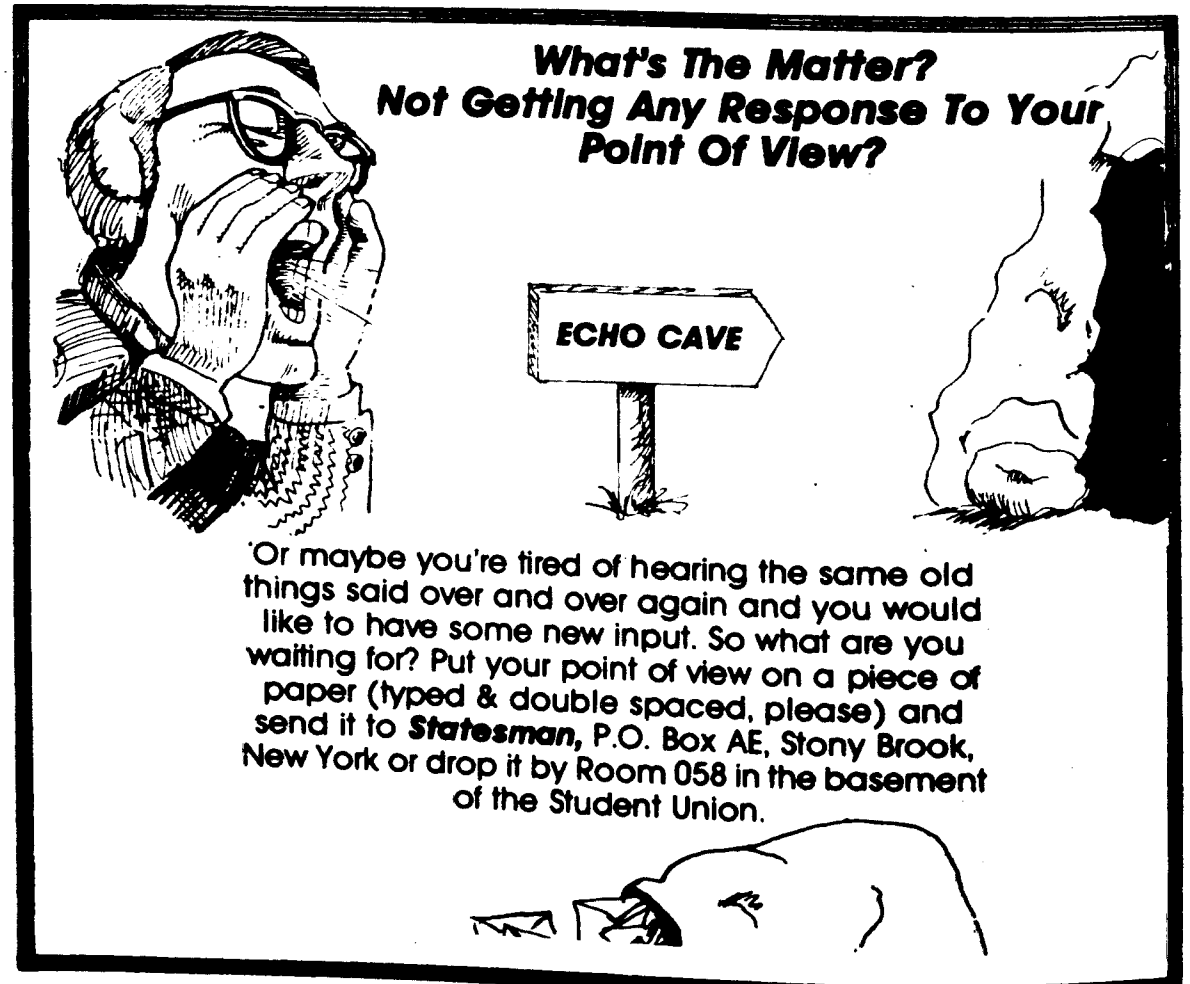
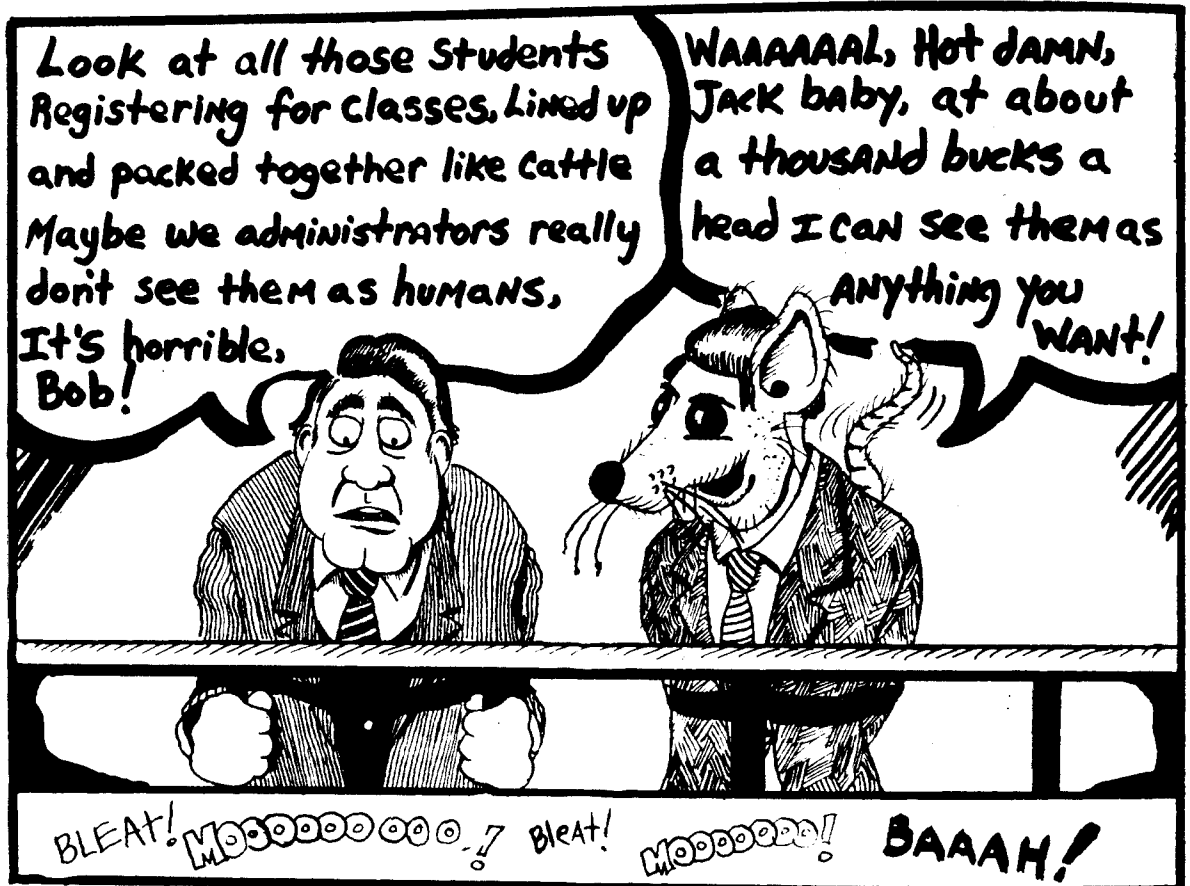
This problem will be even more severe if the "out by Friday night" rule is applied at the end of this semester, because many residents, especially those in suites, have to arrange for the removal of carpets and furniture — even if they are returning in the fall to the same room.

Similar policy revision is necessary for the check-in procedure, whereby just two weeks ago students were told they could not move in until Sunday, January 25. Though the rule was widely ignored, and — thank you — not enforced, some students were threatened with intersession housing charges, despite the fact that intersession

housing had ended 10 days earlier.

Responsibility should not rest upon residence hall directors to choose whether or not to enforce such rules. The policy must be made clear, as well as sensible. Some students must return early to participate in activities and sports events. And students must always be given opportunity, as they were last spring, to add or drop classes without signatures and register without a late fee being imposed.

The purpose of a university is to teach, and for many, the purpose of campus residency is to aid in learning. If Residence Life is truly committed to these ideals it must reform its policies to avoid such conflicts between bureaucracy and academics.



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# Facts Beat Out Rhetoric In Nicaragua Debate

By Jordy Rockowitz

In past College Republican letters and viewpoints in *Statesman* and in the big business-controlled American media, we have heard Nicaragua referred to as a Marxist-Leninist totalitarian dictatorship managing to rule its people only by the iron fist of repression. This type of propaganda, known as "red-baiting," is an extremely effective weapon utilized by the right wing and the liberal left of America to discredit an anti-imperialist people's government. The propaganda usually contains no validity but strikes a responsive cord in the minds of Americans who are taught only to hate anti-imperialist governments, not to understand them. In this article I will attempt to refrain as much as possible from leftist rhetoric, and will present various statistics indicative of Nicaraguan democracy and the numerous violations of international law by the United States in seeking to destroy a sovereign nation.

Firstly, the notion of Nicaragua being a Marxist-Leninist dictatorship is a blatant lie. There are self-proclaimed Marxists in the government, but since 60 percent of the economy is controlled by the private sector, Nicaragua could hardly be called a Marxist-Leninist state. Also, in the new constitution, recently approved by all seven parties, there is a clause that states Nicaragua will remain a mixed economy.

The big business press and other capitalist politicians have accused the Sandinistas of disallowing religious freedom. This assertion can be easily refuted. In

1986, religious schools received \$733 million cordobas in subsidies. Prior to the 1979 revolution, the Catholic Church had 167 parishes in Nicaragua, and presently under the Sandinistas it has 178 parishes. Finally, Miguel D'Escoto, the foreign minister, and Ernesto Cardenal, the minister of culture, among others, are both ordained priests in the Catholic Church.

In 1984 there were elections in Nicaragua in which the Sandinista candidate for president, Daniel Ortega, won 67 percent of the vote. There were six other parties in the election whose ideologies ranged from the pro-capitalist Independent Liberal Party, a split-off from Somoza's Liberal Party, to the crazy, ultra-left Marxist-Leninist Party. In the election, the three capitalist parties — the Democratic Conservative Party, the Independent Liberal Party, and the People's Social Christian Party received 14, nine and six seats, respectively, in the National Assembly.

Now on to various facets of Nicaraguan democracy. Prior to the revolution, there were 133 trade unions, now there are 5763 unions with more than 260,000 members. There are 485,000 Nicaraguans organized into Sandinista Defense Committees (CDS), neighborhood based organizations that participate in community projects and help patrol the neighborhoods. Over one million students are enrolled in some kind of formal education, 100 percent more than in 1978 under dictator Somoza. Since the revolution, over 1100 new schools have

been built and 182 of them are on the isolated Atlantic Coast.

The Nicaraguan people have benefited enormously from Sandinista-initiated social programs. For the first time in Nicaragua, miners receive pensions. There are 318,716 Nicaraguans who benefit from social security and an additional 1,120,700 who are protected by other social services.

The land reform policy has truly been revolutionary. Four point seven million acres have been distributed to 97,000 families. 2,380,000 acres of state land have also been redistributed. Prior to the revolution, 2000 landowners owned 50 percent of the land while 120,000 peasants owned 3 percent of the land. Those 2000 landowners now own 10 percent of the land under the Sandinistas. Finally, the Rio San Juan region was recently declared to be the first region in Nicaragua to be free of landless peasants.

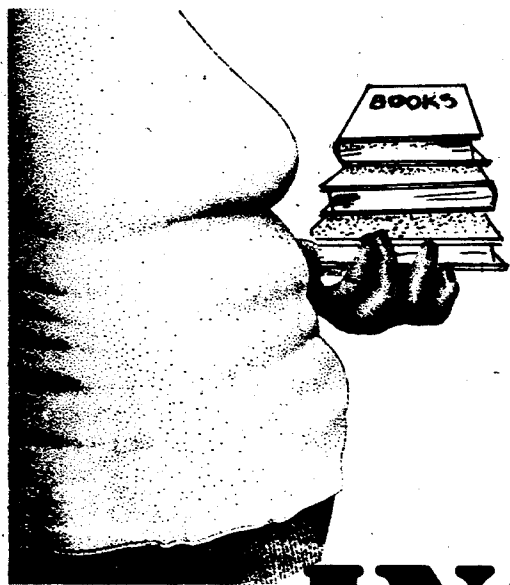
The Sandinistas have undertaken an ambitious health care program which has been hitherto unmatched by most Latin American countries, save Cuba. Polio has been eliminated, measles have been reduced from 3784 cases in 1980 to 60 cases in 1986. Nicaragua now has the lowest infant mortality rate in Central America. In Somoza Nicaragua, life expectancy was less than 50 years, unemployment was approximately 50 percent (now it is 12 percent), 9/10 of the population of Managua lacked some combination of running water, electricity or paved roads, and the notorious of National Guard saw to it that only 60

percent of all workers were unionized.

Now, on to the United States' violation of Nicaraguan sovereignty and of international law. These include violations of the Arms Export Control Act, the Neutrality Act, the Boland Amendment, the Friendship Act, the Intelligence Oversight Act, the Organization of American States Charter, the UN Charter and finally a 1984 CIA/congressional understanding on disclosure of covert activities. The US war on Nicaragua has also been ruled illegal by the International Court of Justice. The US has violated Nicaraguan airspace more than 500 times with US-made Honduran airforce planes, and the US has compelled more than 200 illegal spy flights over Nicaragua by SR-71, RC-135 and U-2 spy planes.

In conclusion, I feel that rather than being constantly fed lies by our government and big business media, it is time that we citizens of the United States discover how truly immoral and illegal a war our government is perpetrating on such a poor country, whose budget is 62 times less than the cost of manufacturing 1 US B-1 bomber. Is Nicaragua really a threat to our national security, or is it that Nicaragua's people's revolution represents a call to arms to other super-exploited Third World countries to throw off the yoke of imperialism and establish a system designed to meet human needs, rather than to fill up some greedy businessman's wallet?

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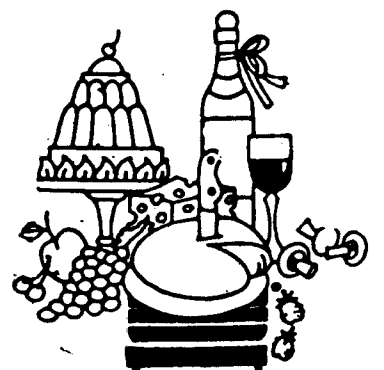




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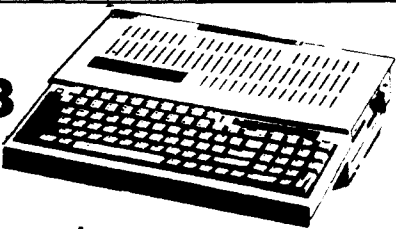
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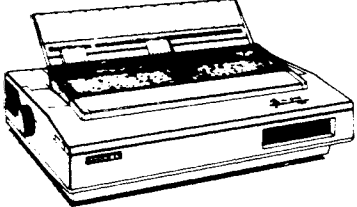
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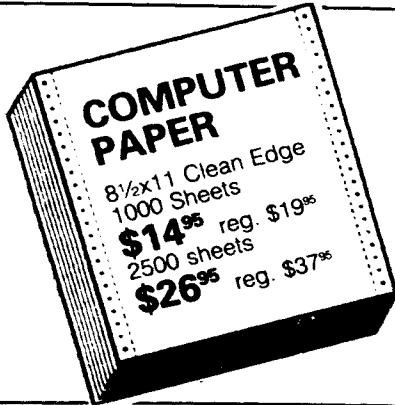
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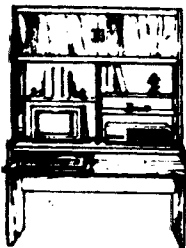
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# Old idea spawns new

by Robert John Hendriks

It's been more than two decades since former Suffolk Executive H. Lee Dennison first talked about developing a spot in this county where all modes of transportation would converge to form a regional transportation hub.

In 1965, it was a dream before its time.

Today, however, the Dennison vision — painted in a plethora of planning reports prepared by the county — is the closest it has ever been to reality. A busy MacArthur Airport, the rebuilding of the Ronkonkoma Train Station, the electrification of the Long Island Rail Road's (LIRR) mainline and the commercial and industrial growth in the area, are the ingredients that are making the hub Suffolk's major transportation and economic center.

The industrial corridor along Veterans Memorial Highway, from the Village of Islandia through Bohemia, has come under the spotlight of Long Island developers. The unprecedented industrial growth in that area has forced Islip planners to rezone a major portion of the Veterans Highway corridor, creating a zoning category unique to the strip which encourages "high-class" development.

On the Brookhaven side, more than 128 acres of prime industrial space bordering the Ronkonkoma hub are poised for development. Last year, the town board upzoned that acreage to a new zoning category, J-7, which encourages innovation and discourages mediocrity. The new zoning also gives more options to the planning board in an effort to attract development consistent with overall plans for the area. "I think the concept is very

viable," said Vincent Donnelly, commissioner of planning, environment and development for Brookhaven and a member a bi-town and county task force which is studying the concept.

"The location is ideal," added Donnelly. "There is no place like it on Long Island. This is right in the middle of an area which is primed for this type of redevelopment...everything is falling into place." Brookhaven planners say that the transportation hub could become one of the best planning initiatives the town has ever seen.

Suffolk County planners had the same vision in 1965 when they completed the "Park and Ride" report. The report coined the phrase "multi-modal transportation hub". It also suggested that the train station-airport area — due to its proximity to major roads like the Long Island Expressway, Veterans and Sunrise Highways and major county routes — was ideal to serve as the heart of Long Island's transportation arteries.

Dr. Lee Koppelman, who heads the county's planning department and is the executive director of the Long Island Regional Planning Board, said the rationale behind the plan was to attract commercial growth to the area to "provide jobs where the people are." "It all ties in with the industrial development of Long Island," he said. "We wanted to have jobs where the people are. This was the thinking behind it." Dr. Koppelman added that one of the major steps in establishing the hub will be the electrification of the mainline from Hicksville to Ronkonkoma, due to be completed by early 1988.

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# multi-modal hub in Ronkonkoma area

The stall in the electrification program has essentially stalled the entire concept, which has languished on the pages of planning reports for two decades. "The MTA itself was not moving along with any kind of dispatch," said Koppelman.

Acting County Executive Michael LoGrande, who served as a county planner during the "visionary" days of the hub, said that when he helped prepare a report in 1967 on the multi-modal hub, its time had not yet come. "It is the difference between visionary planning and long range planning," he said. "It is starting to look like there is a measurable plan."

It was not until former County Executive Peter F. Cohalan took office that the plans for the hub were taken off the back burner and the county began to lobby for funds to study the feasibility of creating the hub. While the study was in the works, however, the hub grew naturally along with the growth of the Long Island economy.

"I think it is a catchy phrase," said LoGrande of the hub. "It is there now. The new train station under electrification will be a help. But the reality of it is, you do have a multi-modal hub. The die has already been cast."

The Town of Brookhaven planning department, along with the Metropolitan



MacArthur Airport will be the center of the new transportation hub.

(Photo by Sidney Stafford)

Transit Authority (MTA), will be sending out a joint request for proposal to developers interested in embarking on the first major privately financed project in Brookhaven's hub area. Brookhaven is looking to attract a developer interested

in building a 100,000 square foot office-commercial center combination at the heel of the Ronkonkoma Train Station. The building will house various commercial establishments on its ground floor, including the train station and the

post office, while providing office space on upper levels.

The town is also looking to finance major public works projects in the area, including the improvement of roads and the installation of a sewer district. The

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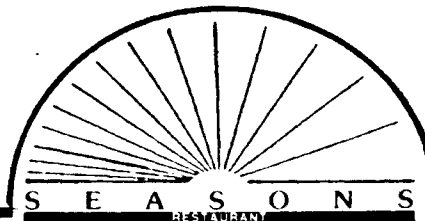
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# Building moratorium called by town

by Robert John Hendriks

In an effort to smooth the path for the implementation of a revised master plan throughout the town, the Brookhaven Town Board set a public hearing last week on a proposal to ban building in eastern Brookhaven and along major roads in the town.

If the ban is passed Feb. 3, town officials say it will be retroactive to Jan. 21. All applications for projects in the six eastern school districts and commercial projects along state and county roads submitted to the town after that date, will be put on hold for six months. After the moratorium is passed, town planning officials will reveal the specifics of

recommendations made by the town's master plan consultants.

"Hopefully, the actual airing of the recommendations is going to be on or about the time of the public hearing," said Donnelly. The hearing will be held in the Town Board's Meeting Room at the Brookhaven complex in Medford. "There will be no delay," he added.

Town officials expect that thousands of acres in eastern Brookhaven's pine barrens will be upzoned. Sitting beneath that acreage is the county's sole source aquifer which supplies drinking water to much of Brookhaven's 380,000 residents. Officials say that the drinking water beneath Brookhaven's pine barrens may

be the future supply for all of the county.

The moratorium will also put a clamp on all commercial development along state and county roads line Routes 25, 25A, 80, 83, 112 and 347. Planning officials say that strip commercial will essentially be eliminated along these routes, thus strengthening downtown areas and stopping piecemeal development along the town's major roads. "We have a disproportionate amount of commercial zoning," said Donnelly. "Another problem is that we have growing traffic problems as well. It's more difficult to control the traffic when the parcels bordering your roads are zoned for strip commercial."

The moratorium will stop developers from filing "bogus" applications. If specific land use changes were revealed and a moratorium were not in place, land owners would likely file hurried applications in an effort to "get under the wire" and use their land under present zoning.

"At the present time, the master plan consultants have reached a point where

*"There are some activists in town who don't want to see another stick touched.*

*Responsible leaders, however, must deal with reality and the reality is that we can't stop growth, we can merely control it."*

—Peter Scully  
Deputy Town Supervisor

they can bring to the town board very specific land use changes," said Donnelly. "There has to be a time-out called so that the town board can step back and take a hard look at the recommendations of the master plan consultants."



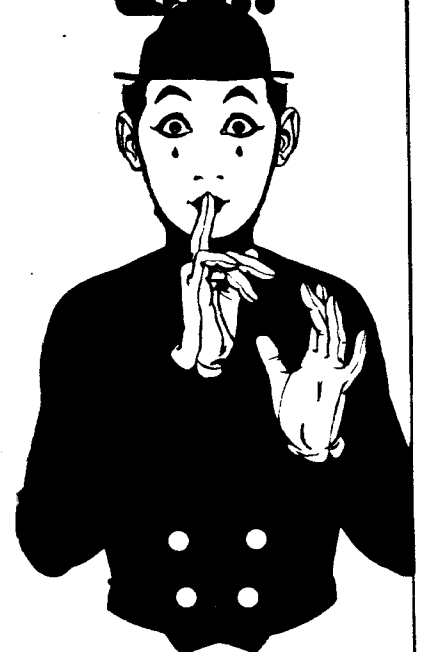
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## Moratorium ...

The town board has been under great pressure from area civic leaders to control development at a time when much of the town's open space is the target of developers. Area civic leaders say the traffic problems must be addressed before development should be allowed to continue.

Frank Frisenda, president of the Middle Island Civic Association and the chairman of the Longwood Alliance, says that development is the key issue in the town. He is attempting to bring civic groups together under an umbrella organization in an effort to put greater pressure on town officials to limit growth. "We are concerned with over-development," said Frisenda. "We are not happy with how the town is handling that. We are not interested in stopping development. We are interested in controlling it."

At last week's town board meeting, Frisenda praised the town for proposing the moratorium and urged them to endorse the plan by voting it into place Feb. 3.

Town officials say the moratorium proposal is one more evidence that Brookhaven is sensitive to environmental

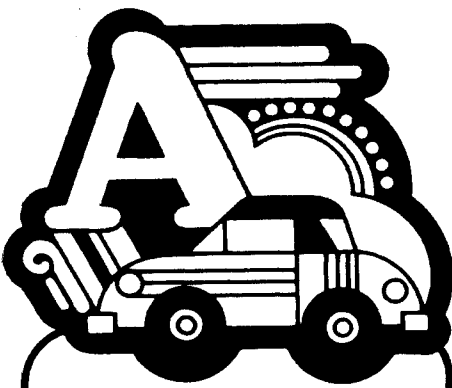
issues. "There are some activists in the town who don't want to see another stick touched," said Peter Scully, deputy town supervisor. "Responsible leaders, however, must deal with reality and the reality is that we can't stop growth, we can merely control it."

Town officials expect that the moratorium will last no longer than six months. Civic leaders at the town board meeting last week were concerned that the moratorium would be passed, but no action would be taken by the town during the six month period. "I will personally see to it that something gets done," said Councilman Joseph Macchia, who is running for re-election in November. "Something better get done. You have three people running for re-election on this board in November."



Vincent Donnelly

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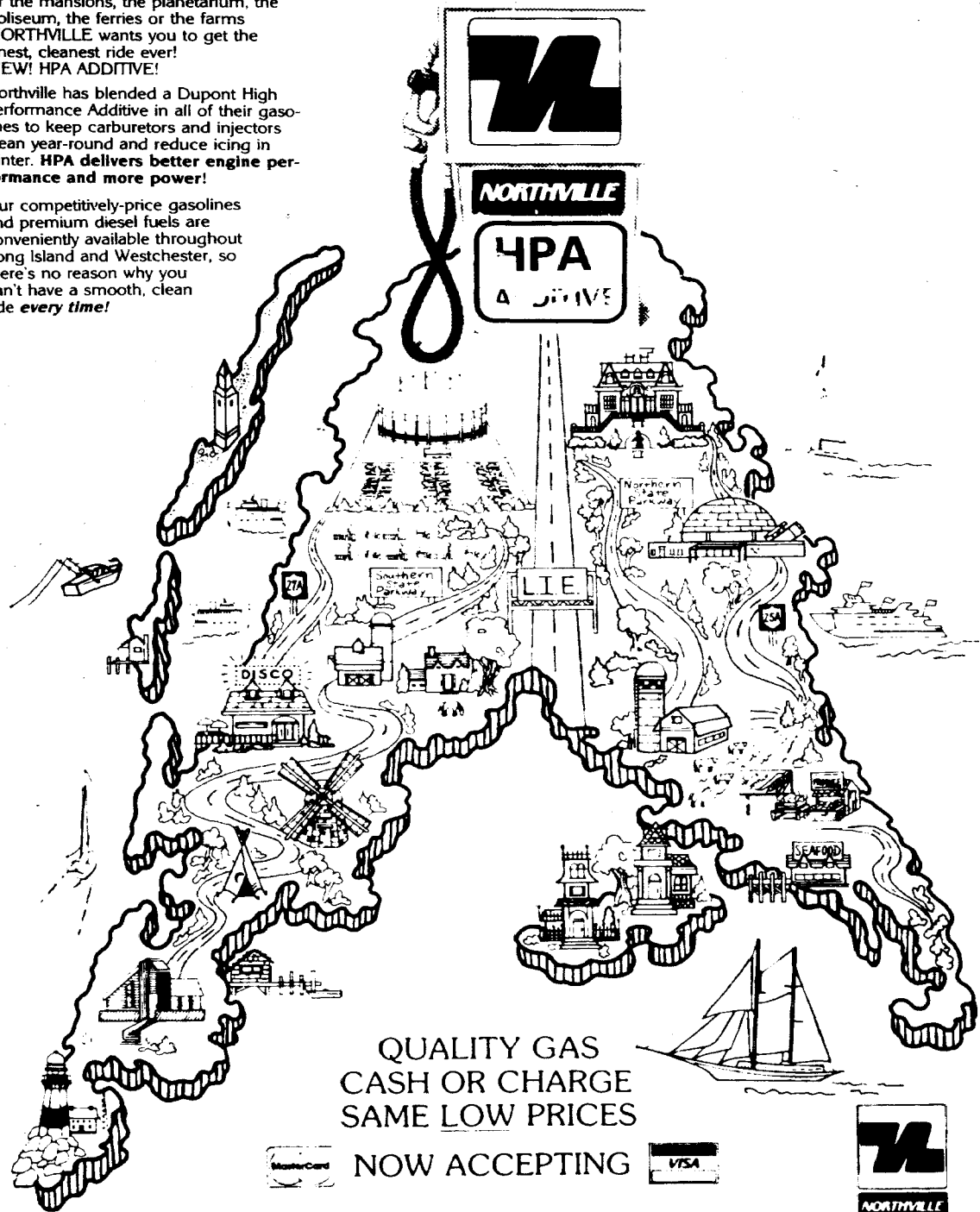
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*Suffolk farmers:*

# Can farm crisis happen here?

by Anne Fauvell

In the midwest, the farm crisis continued in 1986. Foreclosures, bankruptcy, even suicides are everyday news items in America's Heartland. Is this the future for Suffolk County farmers?

Mechanization and new farming methods eliminated the least educated, the most traditional and the poorest farmers in the midwest.

When the land was more expensive in the midwest, farmers planted more crops intensively, used more chemicals, larger machinery.

Unlike Suffolk County farmland, which continues to rise in value, land values declined, some by 50 percent between 1981-5, in Iowa and Nebraska. In Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, Missouri, land values declined by 40 percent. The farm debt-to-asset ratio rose nationally from 16 percent to 20 percent between 1979 and 1984.

The midwest has huge farms; the small farms predominate in Suffolk County and the northeast. Moreover, in the midwest, there isn't much ready access to off-the-farm employment. In Suffolk County, off-the-farm employment is within easy access of the farm. Farming families can

augment their income more easily.

Small farms like the ones in Suffolk County can derive about 64 percent of the total income from off the farm sources of employment. The USDA estimates off-the-farm employment brings in \$17,000 to \$20,000 per farm per year. This income can compensate for a low cash flow, allowing farmers to keep up with their loan schedules.

Because the midwest farms are cash-crop and or livestock farms, they have low profit margins in the current market. The cost of going to market is easier in Suffolk County. The markets are closer, and it is quicker to truck "farm fresh" produce to local markets and to local consumers.

When new technologies were used in the midwest during the 1970s, production of corn, soybeans rose in Iowa, Illinois, and Indiana. But the export market shrunk. Producing a new type of crop is not easy to accomplish in the midwest.

Since the markets are close by in Suffolk County, the farmer knows what consumers want and need. Moreover, Suffolk County is made up of a variety of ethnic groups who have special vegetables as their heritage. For instance, there are many farms in Suffolk County devoted exclusively to growing



Mary Borella Keane at Borella's Farm Stand in Setauket.

(Photo by Gregor Tarjan)

vegetables for Chinese food.

This diversity encourages new crop demands and an increase for Suffolk farmers to try innovative crops for production increase. The farmers are able to meet the challenge of changing crops because the markets are nearby. Suffolk farmers know their consumers.

And fresh produce is easily accessible for consumers in Suffolk County.

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# Municipal bond options still open

by Tom Kavazanjian

Opportunities remain in the tax-exempt municipal bond market. Despite a new tax law that will lessen the need to shelter income, restrict the volume of certain types of tax-free bonds, and impose more stringent requirements on issuers, yields on municipal bonds will continue to be favorable. Many analysts feel that the prices of tax free bonds will in fact continue their rally.

Bonds issued by states and municipalities traditionally have been exempt from federal income tax. Usually the state in which the bond is issued forgives taxes, as well. Municipal bonds are, and will remain, second in safety to U.S. Government Securities. For the most

part, the Tax Reform Act of 1986 retains all of these advantages.

What will change, and how will those changes influence the municipal bond market?

With the maximum tax bracket reduced ultimately from 50 percent to 28 percent, the tax shelter that municipal bonds provide was originally thought to lose some of its appeal. However, prices in the tax-free market have already discounted the lower bracket and the allure can still be considerable. This is especially true in 1987, a transitional year. For that year the top tax rate will be 38.5 percent. If you file in that bracket and hold a municipal bond paying a tax-free 6.5 percent, you must earn 10.57 percent

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certain private use purposes. Bonds for sports and parking facilities, as well as convention centers, industrial parks and a few other uses that were issued after Aug. 16, 1986 will be taxable. Such bonds issued before then remain tax-free.

Under the new law, "public purpose" bonds, those issued to pay for essential government services, will continue to be tax-exempt. However some newly issued bonds will be considered "private activity" bonds. The drawback is that the interest paid by such non-governmental bonds (used to finance airport construction, for example, or housing projects) may subject an investor to the alternative minimum tax.

The minimum tax applies primarily to high-income taxpayers who utilize substantial tax deductions. Taxpayers who believe they might be liable to the minimum tax are likely to be cautious about investing in private activity bonds. To overcome this uncertainty, and woo back such buyers, issuers of the newly taxable municipals are expected to increase the yields. Investors who are not affected by the minimum tax will profit from the extra yield.

Tax reform makes one type of municipal bond even more attractive.

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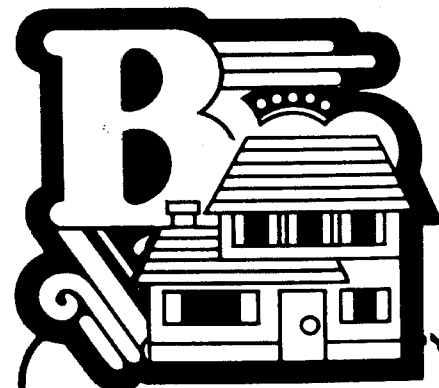


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# Life insurance not just that

by Tom Kavazanjian

Life insurance is no longer just life insurance. Even before tax reform, as insurance companies sought to compete with products in the investment industry, single premium policies became popular as a way to combine tax-advantaged savings with a death benefit. Now, because the new tax law preserved the distinct tax-advantaged qualities of life insurance, they are the lucky tax-free survivors.

The single premium policy is a high-yielding, tax-free, fixed-rate savings vehicle or a family of mutual funds whose growth is tax-free. Both plans contain a death benefit.

Expect to see these single payment policies being used as savings vehicles with the added benefit of estate protection. This is because they serve so well as alternative investments for people wanting to diversify among municipal bonds, IRAs and Keoghs, as well as custodial accounts.

As an alternative to municipal bonds, single premium life also can offer savings free of current income taxes (not just Federal, but state and local as well). In addition to IRAs and Keoghs, single premium life can be used to augment current retirement planning accounts because there is virtually no cap on the

## Bonds ...

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New limitations on how much money can be put into traditional retirement savings plans, and how much can be withdrawn, make zero coupon tax-free bonds a good supplement to formal retirement plans. Interest is not paid, but instead is compounded tax free over the life of the bond.

Municipal bonds will continue to offer competitively high yields and may well represent some of the best values in the fixed-income marketplace. There is more to choosing an investment than tax considerations.

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amount which can be invested. The investment grows income tax-free, and cash flow can be taken through low cost loans (generally 0 percent - 3.5 percent) to supplement income with no income effect on Social Security. As for custodial accounts, single premium life grows free of current income taxes at all ages. The parent-policy owner does not lose control of the investment at the child's age of majority.

These scenarios assume that the policy is kept in force, and any outstanding loans at the time of death are automatically deducted from the death benefit. However, whether or not loans are paid back is up to the policy owner.

Few policies held with a highly-rated insurance company could be considered a risky investment. However, how an in-

vestor seeks his growth within a policy does become a question of risk.

For less risk, consider purchasing a fixed single premium policy. That is, a policy with a fixed rate of interest which grows through compounding, as does a CD, except that the growth is free of current income taxes. Over the life of the policy the interest rate will be reset by the insurance company to reflect prevailing interest rates, but depending on the plan, the policy holder may be given a window to decide whether he wishes to continue the policy. Again, in order to retain the tax-free growth and death benefit, the policy must remain in force.

For higher risk, look into the variable single premium plan. This is the newer type which allows a family of mutual funds to be "wrapped" in life insurance.

As with other mutual fund families, these funds represent a variety of options among stock, bond and treasury funds. Although the actual funds are not normally tax-free, whatever growth occurs is free of current income taxes. And the usual benefits of exchangeability and professional management still remain. Also, a minimum death benefit is guaranteed by the insurance company.

Because of its suitability to most financial portfolios and its relative safety as an investment, single premium life insurance has come of age. Your financial consultant can tell you more about how these tax-advantaged insurance policies can add to your investment portfolio.

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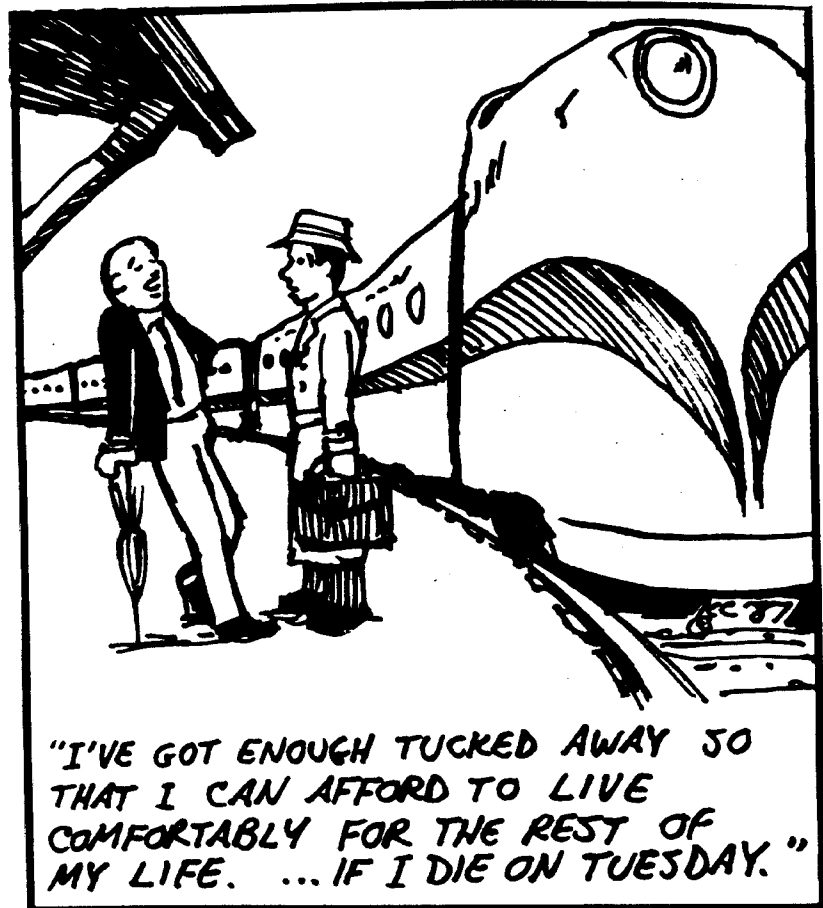
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town will borrow on anticipated tax revenues from the 128 acres in the hub and start paying the note back three years from the borrowing date. The improvements and the first project, which will be built on MTA property and leased to the developer, will be the push that the hub needs to live up to high expectations, says Donnelly.

"The first project will start the ball rolling," he said. "The development community will finally start believing that government can do it and it will come and join us. Enticing people to get involved in something like this is not easy. But the credibility of government on a project like this is growing."

Donnelly said that developers have been willing to sit back and wait while government — town, county, and even federal — made the first moves. "Once the hub area takes off," said Donnelly, "the Expressway corridor will pop. I envision this being the king pin from which the rest of the quality development will take off."

The demand for industrially zoned land around Brookhaven's major portion has been great. Parcels along Veterans and

Sunrise Highways have been quickly developed. The boom is not without its problems, however. Traffic has been one of the major concerns of the state and both Islip and Brookhaven officials. Islip has implemented two moratoriums in the past year which were designed to freeze building and give planning officials time to address traffic concerns.

Also, Islip officials have heard from Bohemia residents who want activity at MacArthur Airport to slow down. As a result, Islip rejected federal funding to expand the facility and its runway. For officials in both towns, it has been several years of walking the fine line between controlling development and encouraging needed growth.



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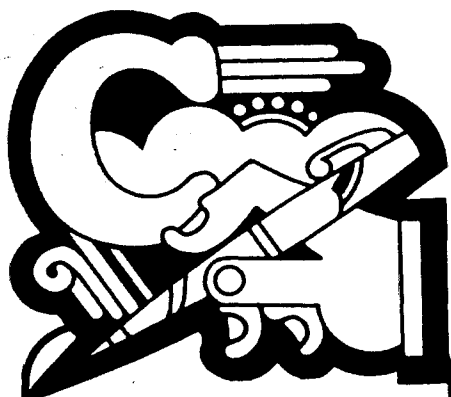
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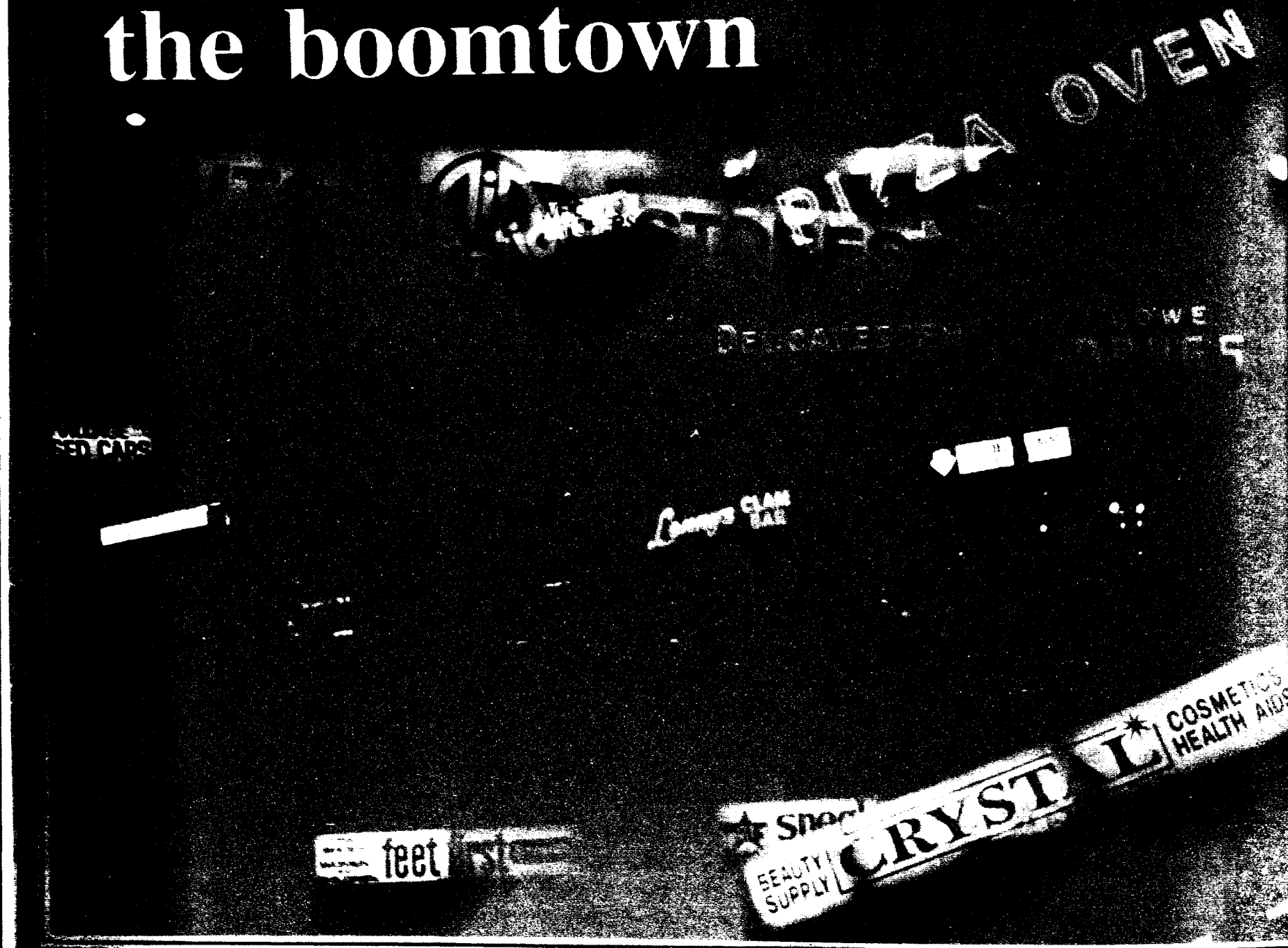
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# FORECAST 1987

## Welcome to the boomtown



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## Civic leaders worried about 1986 development

by David Squires

It was 22 years ago that Nassau County resident Kathi Bogensberger got married and moved out to the "boondocks."

"Twenty-two years ago," she says, "Nassau County was like the Three Villages are now. Out here was the boondocks."

She regarded her husband, a Centereach native, as one of the country folk. "I felt like I was marrying somebody with hayseed in his hair," she says.

In those days, a trip down Pond Path was like a drive through a wild, primeval forest. Bogensberger remembers worrying one day, as she drove down the road, what would happen if her car were to break down. "Nobody would have ever seen us again," she says.

Today, Bogensberger, acting president

of the Three Village Civic Association, no longer has worries of underpopulation. Her present worry is that of over-congestion. "To have to shop in this traffic is scary," she says. "The entire county is grinding to a halt, because nobody is managing the roads."

The worst of the bunch, she says, is Nesconset Highway (Route 347). "We need the state to tell us what to do with 347," says Bogensberger, a member of the Route 347 advisory committee.

Last week, the Brookhaven Town Board called a six-month moratorium affecting all new applications for commercial and residential developing in six eastern school districts (see related story, page 3). The moratorium also will delay the processing of applications for strip

commercial development along 64 miles of state and county roads.

"What we need here is for the town to use its discretion intelligently," says Suffolk Legislator Steve Englebright.

The town is in the process of formulating its master plan for future development. The master plan calls for the elimination of strip commercial development, in favor of an intense concentration of development in one place, creating "downtowns" for each town, with more open spaces in between.

Englebright, who has lived in Setauket 16 years, said it was the lure of open space that brought him here initially. "Once those open spaces are gone, this is Nassau

County or Queens," he says. Englebright added that the development of recent years "is in direct contrast to what attracted people here in the first place. The quality of life here is going to be defined by what happens to our open space."

In the days when Englebright first moved to the area, Nesconset Highway was supposed to serve as a continuation of the Northern State Parkway, which adjoins it. In the process of developing the parkway system, however, its master designer, Robert Moses, ran out of money. "What we have now on Route 347 doesn't come close to being a parkway," Englebright says. "Not even close."

Englebright cited the proposed

Carrefour hypermarket on Route 347; the proposed Grossman's expansion on the same road; the proposed Campus Office Center behind the Setauket Post Office on Route 25A, and the ongoing construction of two high-density condominium com-

plexes on Old Town Road as developments that would increase the traffic problems and hurt the environment.

The Carrefour complex is "particularly troubling" to Englebright, because of its placement in the Setauket-Centereach Pine Barrens, where six wells supplying drinking water to the area are recharged

by water leaching through the bed of the pines. "That area shouldn't have a regional shopping center," he says. "It all makes 1986 an ominous year, with respect to the long-term open space availability and quality of life in the

community," he said. Bogensberger said that the construction of 1986 didn't bother her last year. It bothered her in 1984 and 1985, when the proposals came before the town and were accepted. "It takes a long time for building to go on in this town," she says. Once the town rules a piece of property

can be developed, Bogensberger sees it as though there is already a building there. "So," she says, "the building in 1986, affected my brain in 1985."

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The building goes on in the Three Villages: (top) A view of the framework of "The Lakes at Setauket," a 348-condominium complex next to Ward Melville High School; (bottom) Behind the Village Green in Stony Brook, an old foundation is removed as a group of new stores and offices goes up.



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## Farming ...

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Welles Homestead Acres, Phillips Lane, Aquebogue. Lyle Welles is now working his family's farm which was established 1661. He began farming in 1980, 21 years after his father gave it up. Welles grows 20 to 25 different crops including broccoli, sweet corn, peppers, cauliflower, cucumber which he also sells to grocery stores. His wife, Susan, trucks their crops to farmers' markets, setting up tables at places like the University at Stony Brook, the Hauppauge Motor Vehicles Building, and the Brookhaven Lab, which has a closed market. Welles begins his farming in March preparing the soil; first transplants are in the first week of April. Between January and March he cleans his machines and cleans and brushes the grading barns for next year's crop. Lyle Welles rents his father's and his uncle's land. One of their best products is broccoli which is sold at retail farmers' markets. They have a fairly large labor force to help work their 70 acres. The problems of the midwest did not directly affect Welles, because his cash crops are all vegetables. However, the drought in the southeast helped him to maintain his prices.

In 1987, Welles is looking to expand his operation by planting asparagus which are cut in May, and he hopes to grow Christmas trees on five to ten acres of land. "It's a long wait for a harvest, eight to ten years from plant to harvest, but the consumer demand is there," Welles says. "People want to cut their own Christmas trees."

Welles says a farmer has to be versatile and able to switch his crops. "I was originally growing onions, but very little retail existed, so I changed my operation to green beans. The midwest farms just don't have as many varieties of crops as we do."

At Borella's Farm Stand on Old Town Road in East Setauket, Mary Borella Keane runs the farm stand. The rain in 1986 did not help the pumpkin crops. "By the time they were ready to be picked the pumpkins were all rotten from laying in wet dirt," she says. Keane says it was also a poor year for cauliflower, which began too early. The mild fall season was not good for broccoli either, and the late tomato crop was lost. Borella's other crops are corn, tomatoes, cucumber, eggplant and squash. They plant on 35 acres and in 1987, Borellas plans to extend the operation by having more annuals, more varieties of geranium, snapdragons, portulacas and phlox for rock gardens. "The demand for these types of plants is getting better," Keane says, "especially impatiens and ageratum."

Fox Hollow Farm Stand, where farmer Jake Rottkamp in Calverton works 150 acres of sweet corn and 50 acres of pumpkins, tomatoes, strawberries, and winter and summer squash. There are 2½ acres for strawberries for consumers to pick. The Rottkamps sell to other farm stands from Hicksville to the Hamptons. "Our land values are very high on Long Island, our machinery isn't large," Rottkamp says. "We've had a decent yield in 1986 and expect to have another in 1987." The problems of the South and midwest have not affected Fox Hollow Farm. However, it only takes a week of cloudy days to ruin his crop of melons and pumpkins.

"Today's farmer needs \$500,000 easy just to begin an operation," he says. "It's still a gamble and an adventure" says Jake's wife, Lolly Rottkamp, who will

continue to work the farm's yard stand selling to wholesale buyers despite the long seven-day work week.

Robbie Hartman continues to grow potatoes in Riverhead, but potato fortunes are down on Long Island and much cheaper than other areas. Certain chemicals can be used in Delaware, Pennsylvania, Idaho, Florida, North Carolina which cannot be used on Long Island because of the groundwater contamination threat. Hartman says it is much more difficult to farm today.

"There's so much pressure on the producers," he says. "Products from all over the world can use all kinds of chemicals and not be subject to tests our produce must pass. Farming is in a difficult stage on Long Island with high taxes

and a higher cost of operation." Hartman believes that United States agriculture is in trouble because of the imports of produce from places like Canada, Mexico, Argentina and South America. Hartman will continue his operation in 1987, but will plant less acreage.

Raymond Halsey of Water Mill grows mixed vegetables including celery, kale, peppers and small fruits, raspberries, strawberries, blackberries on his 60-acre farm situated between Southampton and Bridgehampton. The Halseys sell their produce roadside at The Green Thumb in Montauk. Because of the high production overhead, high labor, high taxes and high unemployment rates, Halsey says 1986 was only fair for him. Since his crops

aren't growing year-round, summer help is needed, which is difficult to find. "Farming is still long, hard work," Halsey says. He says he needs to trim down his operation, and make it more cost-efficient.

In 1987, Halsey plans to make his plantings smaller, and will cut down on production. Also, he plans to use a different type of feeder machine.

Two hundred items are grown on the farm including parsley, basil, lettuce, peppers, eggplant, summer, winter squash, fennel.

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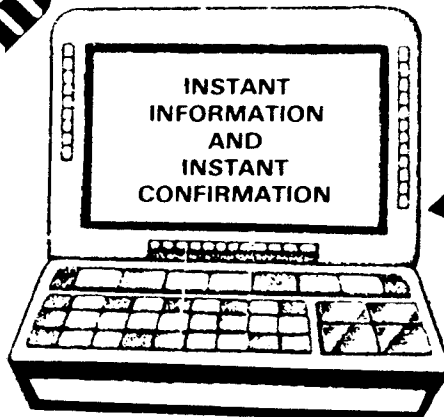
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# Finance 1987

by Stephen Maroney

The year of 1987 should prove to be an interesting, demanding, and challenging year, filled with legacies established and-or left over from '86.

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should not be taken for granted.

Be that as it may, we at Extebank feel that the established patterns, the positive position of Long Island, will continue, and that 1987 will be a reasonably good year for both the business community and homeowners alike.

We anticipate that the escalation in real estate values could level off, but will not necessarily decline, as others have suggested. Employment should remain strong, and in general, the economy will continue to move along at its current pace.

Supporting that theory is the fact that the diversity of industry on Long Island is now at a point where employment is no longer totally dependent on one industry. Not too long ago, Long Island lived and died according to the fortunes of the aerospace companies headquartered here, primarily involved in military-defense contracts.

Today, Nassau and Suffolk counties combined rank third in percentage of total shipments of manufactured goods made in the United States, fourth in total number of plants, and fifth in total receipts generated from service-industry companies. Unemployment rates in the

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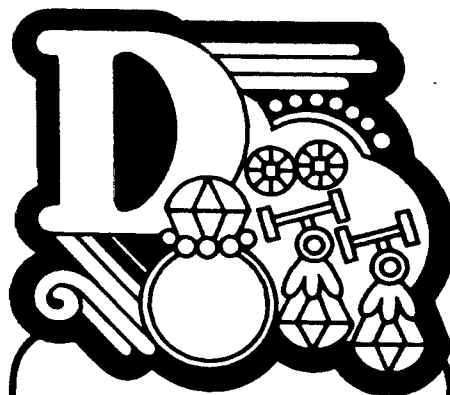


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rates could very well stay the same over the next 12 months. Certainly there are mixed opinions on that subject, as well as varying points of view regarding real estate values, employment, and the Long Island regional economy.

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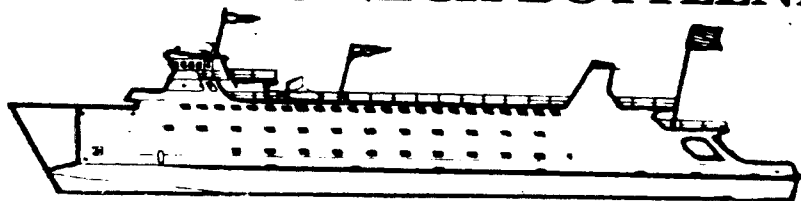
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Inside looks:

# Real Estate 1987

by Ray Lowenberg

The local real estate market was the best in memory in 1986 and there is reason to believe that 1987 will be even better.

However, there are two factors which could cloud this otherwise bright picture.



Ray Lowenberg

These factors are price increases expected by local homeowners and the continued close appraising demanded by lending institutions. Unfortunately, these two factors make it difficult for homeowners who want the highest price possible for their home while lending institutions wish to protect their investment, even if this means requiring very tight appraisals.

In 1986, this problem first arose and it

caught most of us unaware. Many sales were held up by appraisals which came up with a value under the market value and sales price of the home. In the past, most brokers were able to provide the appraiser with more up-to-date comparables (recent home sales) and the appraisal would be adjusted. However, with the volume of sales, refinances, and home equity applications appraisers became more reluctant to reassess their appraisal. In 1986, the pressure was on the appraisers to be very accurate in their figuring and there is no reason to expect that 1987 will be any different. However, if homeowners are reasonable in their expectations this should pose no real problem.

Except for these factors, 1987 shapes up as a potentially bigger year than 1986. According to most lending institutions interest rates will remain stable and mortgage money will be available. The greater Three Village Area continues to be a prime location. And the specter of new construction will abate due to the lack of available land and restrictions imposed by the Town of Brookhaven on developers. In 1986, the resale market was overshadowed by new home construction.

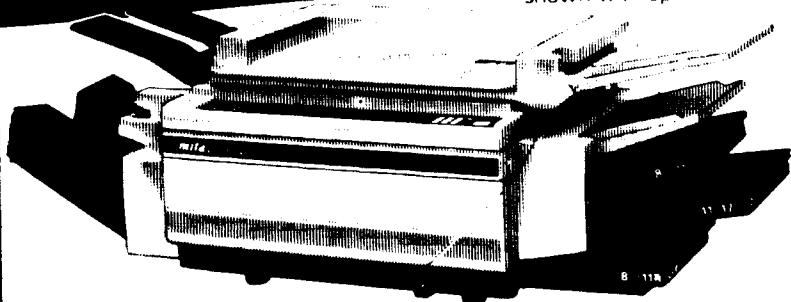
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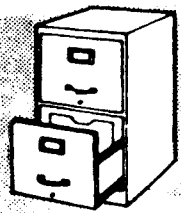


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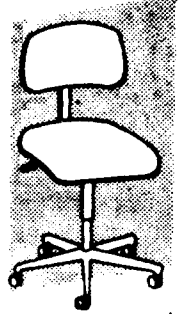


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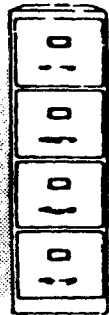


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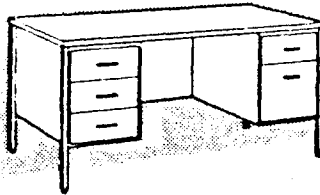
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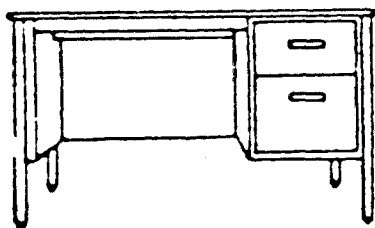


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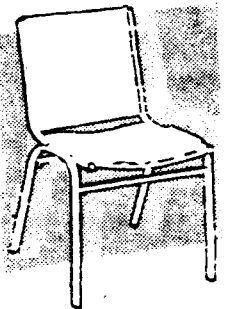
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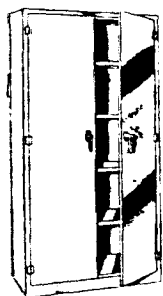
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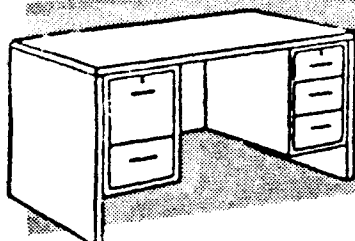


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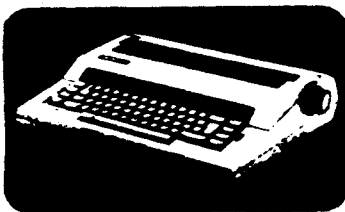
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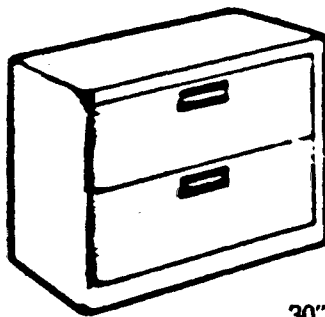
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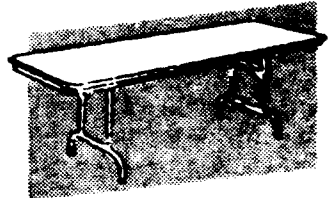
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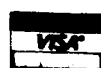
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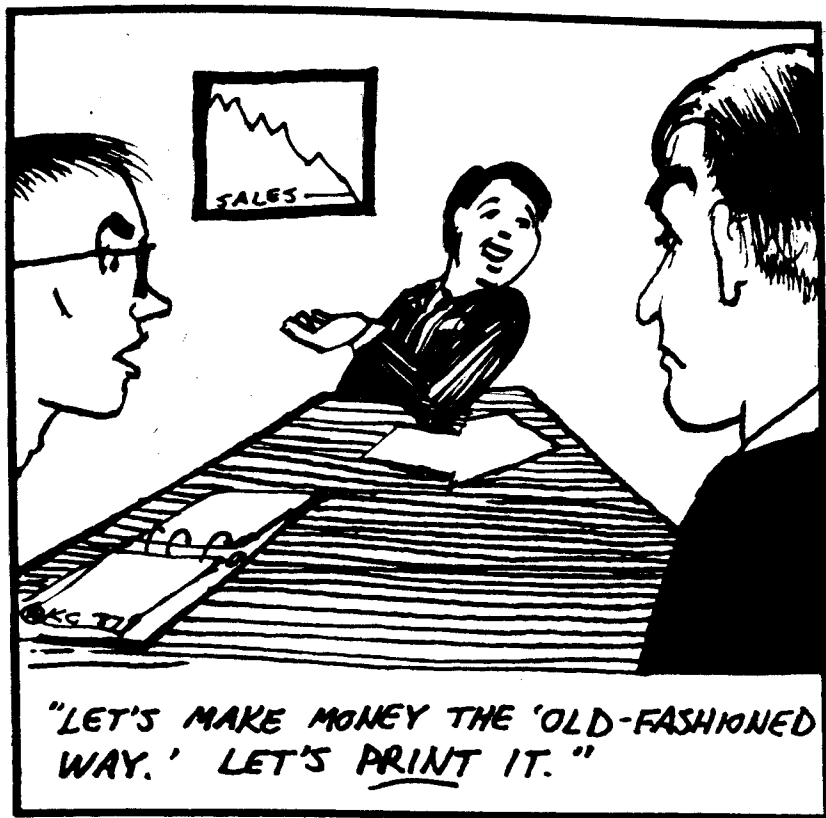


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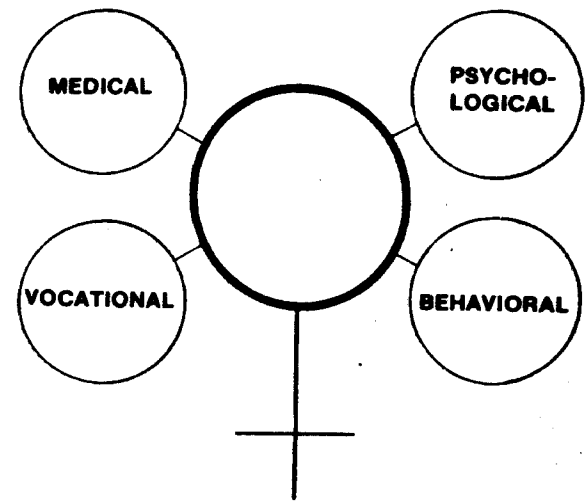
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### Farming ...

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change our program; sometimes change our products," Halsey says. In five years, the farm's strawberry acreage was cut from nine acres to less than two. He says: "Years ago people did more canning, freezing and jellies, so they picked ten, 20, 40 quarts of strawberries. Five years made a difference. Now picking strawberries is more like family recreation in the fields, so we have to try another crop."

There is always seed research to be done, inventories to be made, specialty items to be checked, price fluctuations and cross references of seed prices, plus the availability of the seed. Research is done every year for new crops.

At Hargrave Vineyards in Cutchogue, Louisa Hargrave said 1986 was a great year compared to 1985. What went on in the cellar in 1985 after Hurricane Gloria with no electric power and grapes fermenting in the dark, no one knows, but the result was a lighter, fresh-tasting wine that has been a hit with consumers. As a result, the Hurricane Gloria wine has completely sold out. Although there will be no new operational innovations for 1987, the Hargraves plan to have a new art label for their wine. The Hargraves operation is a traditional one — hand operated, hand picked, more personal.

Bob Novak of NOVA Farms, Main Road, Calverton is a farmer trying a new crop. He is a millet grower. Millet is used as bird seed. Novak tried growing 20 acres of sunflower seed. "It didn't work out. I had more trouble from poachers, people stealing more seed than the birds. I was always chasing people from the

field. If I ever attempt to grow sunflower again, I'm going to camouflage the crop," he says. Novak grows millet on 140 acres of rented land and sells nationwide to retail pet shops.

"It is difficult to rent land," he says. "I am competing with sod farmers who need the land for many years. Some owners have long standing deals with other renters." In his research, Novak found that millet is a good crop for Long Island. Many fungal diseases will not affect it. He begins planting at the end of April, harvests 90-100 days. One field planted in Riverhead was planted too late. "Twenty percent of that field was hit by wildbirds on their migratory path," he says.

His main objective for 1987 is to get the highest yield for acreage. "Which means more research and experimentation," he says. "It's all a learning process."

Suffolk County is the leading county in agriculture in New York State. Suffolk farmers raise more than \$100 million dollars in crops and livestock. Farmers continue to respond to the challenges in agriculture. They are willing to take risks.

The soil is still fertile and can produce diverse crops like cabbage, potted plants, sod, flowers and Chinese snow peas. They have a long growing season and continue to harvest in the fields until December. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture it is the richest farmland in the state. Suffolk farmers continue to be challenged by high land values and high taxes. However, farmers still continue to work long hours, hard labor and change operation, making every effort to stay with the land.

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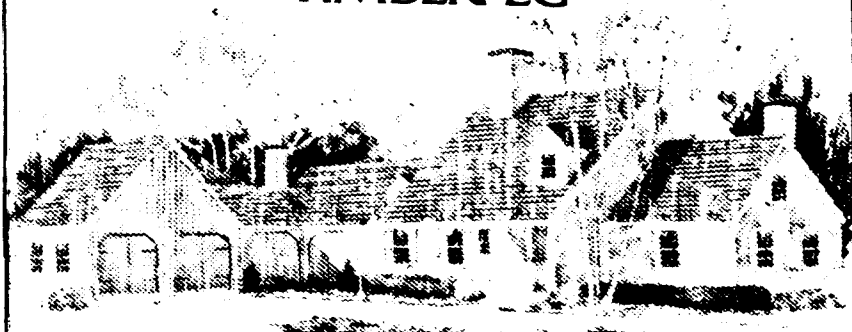


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How can this be? Frankly, we wish we had the answer to these questions, but the best we can offer are educated guesses. What we are finding are much fewer first time homebuyers. The primary home buyer in the Three Village Area has already owned a home and is either "trading up" or transferring in from another part of the country.

This buyer tends to maximize his leverage and take on the largest mortgage possible, then use whatever equity is needed to finance the purchase. However, depending on where this buyer is coming from the difference in accepting this is amazing. The local "trader-upper" is much more prepared to accept the cost of the home while the transferee experiences "sticker shock", especially regarding property taxes.

A new buyer can expect carrying charges somewhere in the neighborhood of \$1500 each month. That means a family income of approximately \$75,000 a year.

The next question to be addressed is the effect of federal tax reform on home

ownership. Obviously, with a decrease in rates the tax advantages will be lessened. Most tax experts believe that the after-tax cost of owning a home will increase an average of 10 percent. However, home ownership will continue to be an advantage at tax time, as compared to renting. These same experts expect the cost of renting to increase, as landlords attempt to increase profits lost by tax reform. About the only segment of the market to be negatively affected will be investment properties, for many of the tax advantages associated with these have been eliminated or severely curtailed.

The effect on investment property should not affect the traditional benefits of owning a home. In fact, several may have been enhanced. Among those most important to the Three Village Area are: appreciation, capital gains, and second mortgages. Appreciation should continue to increase between five percent and 11 percent. Capital gains are relatively unaffected, for when you sell your home you can still defer the taxes on the profit by purchasing a replacement home of equal or greater value. The new law also keeps the option of shielding up to \$125,000 in profits from taxation upon reaching age 55.

On the down side are the changes affecting income averaging (gone) and the end of the capital gains exclusion, dictating what can be done with the money if you want to deduct the interest on the loan. If you borrow only as much as your original purchase price plus the cost of improvements, all interest is deductible.

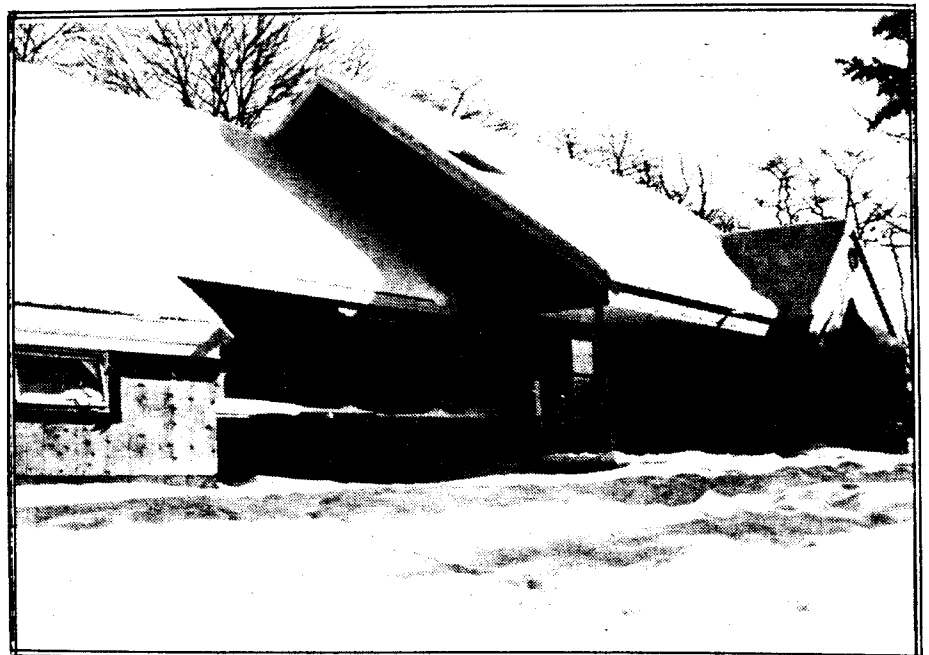
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excess equity for medical bills, education expenses, or home improvements. Any other use is to be considered consumer interest and is subject to the four-year phaseout.

The Three Village residents most likely to be affected are renters. The lack of available and affordable rentals continues to be a major problem in this community. There are no plans for new

rental units and with conversions taking place, the units that are available will cost more. The good news is that with rents increasing and interest rates decreasing, the gap between renting and owning is narrowed. The Three Village Area will continue to be a community of homeowners, with rentals difficult to find.

Ray Lowenberg is administrative sales manager of Daniel Gale Real Estate in Port Jefferson.



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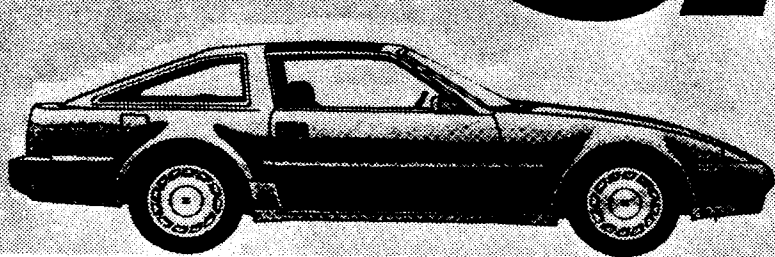
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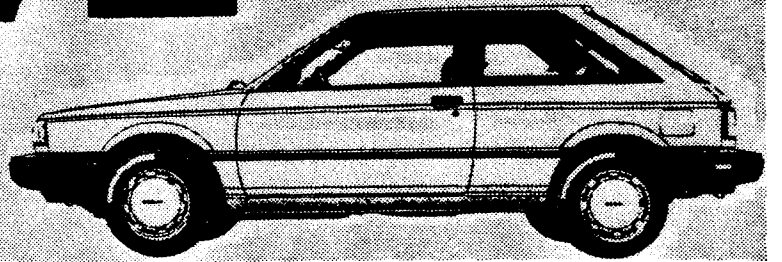
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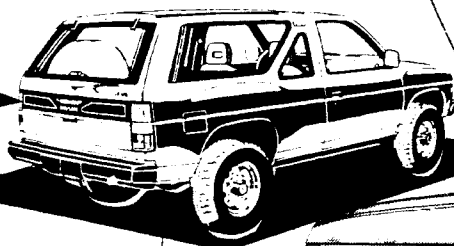
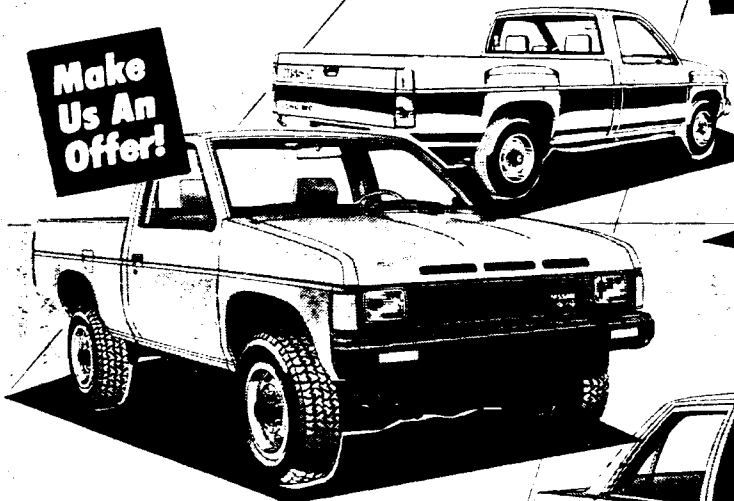
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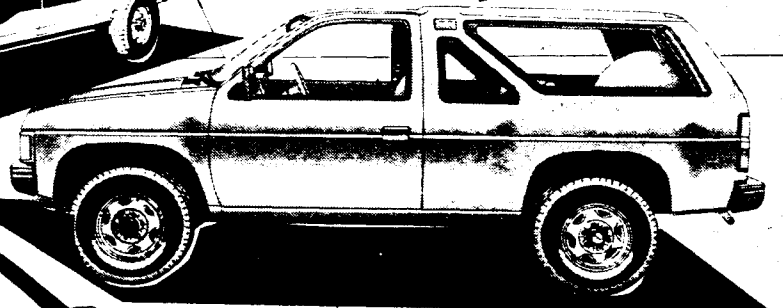
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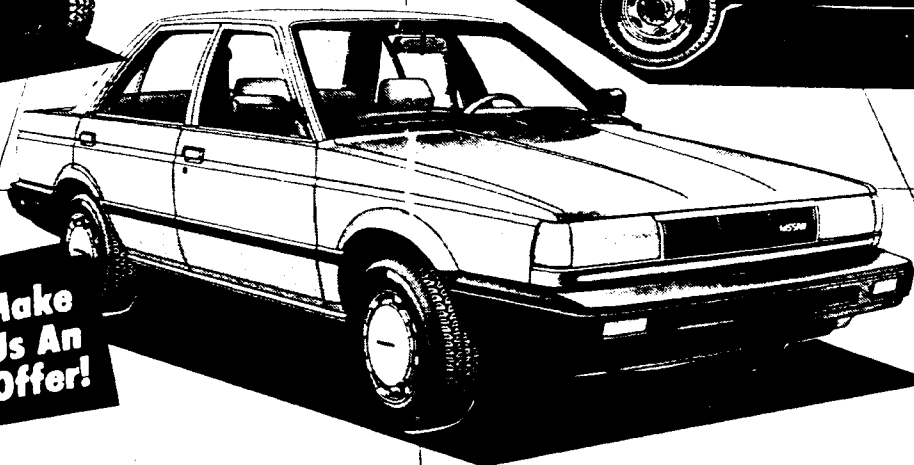
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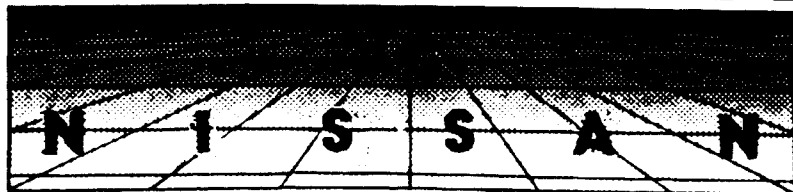
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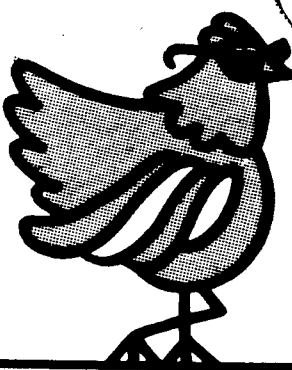
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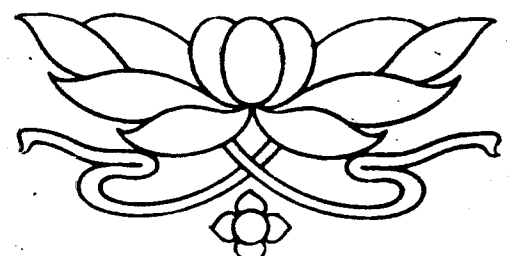
Resigned to the fact that I've got to eat something and eat it pretty darn soon, I did what everyone else in the world does when they decide they need food quick, I got picky. What to eat, oh what to eat. Oh woe was me, for there was "nothing" in the house to eat. Immediately I had a vision, a great idea emblazoned across the heavens! Eat out.

It's not that simple. Having made this landmark decision, there was nothing for me to do but, you probably didn't guess, get picky again. Where should I eat?

Well if one thing I certainly can't stand, its making decisions. Having already figured on eating and eating out, I was about spent for the week. So I had someone else make that last decision for me. I turned to the *Fine Dining Guide* in *Statesman*.

Ah, so free of care was I. All my troubles begone. For within a few short minutes (I do read slowly, but very carefully) I learned all I needed to know: prices, selection, location, etc. The *guide* was absolutely filled with nothing but food, food, food! Pizza, sandwiches, seafood, steaks, need I say more? Well okay.

Yes, thanks to the *Fine Dining Guide* I was free to go out and face my hunger with some solid food. No longer would I fear what lay ahead, if not for one thing. I then had to decide whether to walk or drive or take the bus, or maybe I should order in ...



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# Questions Linger After Lec. Center Toxics Tests

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A similar problem with the tests performed is one that has stirred some controversy all over the country in recent years. The federal acceptable limit for benzene, a compound linked to increased cancer risks, is 10 parts per million. But *The Wall Street Journal* reported in 1985 that the Occupational Safety Hazard Association lowered the limit from 10 parts per million to one part per million in 1978, only to have the Supreme Court reinstate the old limit. Since then, more evidence has been published linking benzene in the work-

place to increased risk of leukemia.

The air-sample test results for benzene showed that no detection was made. Therefore, the conclusion is that the air in the lecture center several weeks after the fire contained less than .27 parts per million, well below the federal limit. Air-sample analyses performed by Clayton showed no detection for any of the other compounds tested.

Drury said that the air sample tests were "a waste of money." He said that if any compounds were found in the air long after the fire, it would indicate levels of "outrageous concentration" at the time of the fire.

Francis maintained that there was "never any threat to safety" in the lecture center, but that the situation was incredibly disruptive to the university community. He did say that if a similar situation were to arise in the future, better care would be taken to ensure that testing would be done quickly and accurately.

Goldfarb said that he and Francis had met with other administrators and discussed the handling of such situations in the future. He said that he believes classes should have been moved immediately. "I hope that we can learn from our past mistakes," Goldfarb said.

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Last fall, the Lounge reopened as a coffee and snack bar, without serving alcohol. During that time, the GSO began programming events in the back room, and allowing student clubs to use the room for meetings. According to the agreement, the GSO may use the back room from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, and later than 10 p.m. if the organization requests it a week in advance.

During the spring semester, the Lounge will be open between 4 p.m. and 12:30 a.m., Monday through Saturday. Persky said FSA will be looking into the possibility of adding a light food menu and improvements to the Lounge if its operation is successful.

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# Beating Predictions, Admissions Hold Steady

By the College Press Service

Defying predictions once again, enrollment on the nation's campuses rose last fall, the U.S. Department of Education reported last week.

The Education Department — as well as virtually every other agency and observer who ventured a guess — last summer pre-

dicted enrollment would hold steady or fall slightly this year.

The department's Center for Education Statistics said in a press release that some institutions attributed the year's increases to improved academic programs — some developed especially for women — and to more intensive recruiting of non-traditional

students.

All told, 151,000 more students enrolled this year, bringing the total number of people taking classes last fall to 12.3 million. It amounted to a one percent increase in the American student body, the department census showed.

A wide variety of schools

enjoyed increases. Virginia's community colleges, the University of Maine System, the University of Minnesota System, Eastern New Mexico, and Western Michigan, among scores of others, all reported jumps.

On the other hand, schools like Montana State, the College of Santa Fe (N.M.) and Blue Ridge

Technical College (N.C.), suffered population losses.

The biggest increases, though, were among two-year colleges, which had suffered the biggest enrollment losses in 1985-1986. Nationwide, two-year college enrollment rose a significant 2.5 percent.

Enrollment at four-year schools held steady, partly because of "intensive" marketing efforts aimed at older and part-time students as well as traditionally-aged freshmen, the department found.

Many experts had predicted college enrollment would decline precipitously through the decade because there are fewer 18-year-olds — the people who traditionally have populated campuses — in the population at large.

But the new Education Department census shows college enrollment nationwide has declined only once, in 1984. That decline, moreover, followed 1983's all-time record enrollment of 12.46 million students.

"The big story is that the projected decline has not occurred," said Dan Savage of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges (AACJC) in Washington, D.C. "The available pool [of college students] was to shrink by 50 percent because of fewer traditionally aged students, but there are a whole lot of adults going to college, especially non-traditionally aged women."

For example, enrollment at tiny Arkansas Baptist College in Little Rock will "increase slightly" in the coming years as the "majority of students" will come from people older than age 25, said Admissions Director Mary Jacobs.

"There's also a trend toward part-time students," at two-year colleges, said Dean Donald Shoemaker of Blue Ridge Technical College in Flat Rock, N.C.

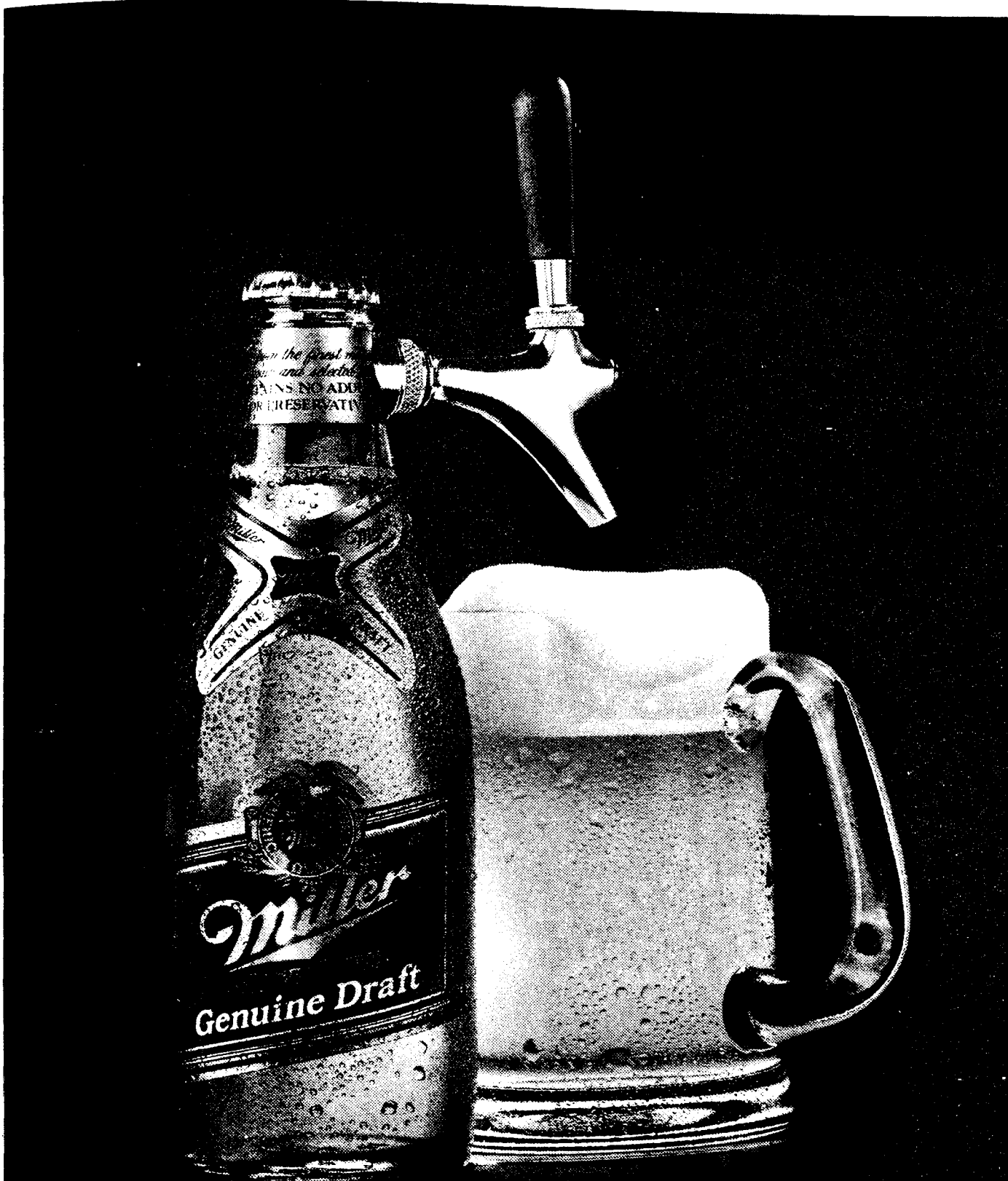
Some smaller four-year universities, by contrast, are struggling to keep the students they have.

"We're hoping to stay approximately the same — at about 6,500 students — during the next five years," said Gary Wickstrom, registrar at Michigan Technical University in Houghton, Mich. In the early 1990s, the number of 18-year-olds in the general population is due to creep upward again.

Until then, Michigan Tech Admissions Director Fred Gunnell hopes to recruit older, employed students "who are retraining to put themselves on a better position for job placement or advancement."

The AACJC's Savage notes the job market could have a big impact on enrollment trends during the next few years. "When people are out of work, they go back to school. There was a community college boom with the last recession," he said.

Further projections are for "level enrollment," Savage said, "but the wild card here is senior citizens. A rapidly growing segment of the student population is the over-45 group. Some colleges plan to build what are called 'renaissance communities' [retirement communities] right on campus."



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Hockey			<b>at Freeport vs. St. Francis at 8 p.m.</b>	
Women's Basketball		<b>vs. Ithaca at 6 p.m.</b>	<b>vs. William Smith at 5:30 p.m.</b>	
Men's Basketball			<b>vs. St. Joseph's at 2 p.m.</b>	
Men's & Women's Indoor Track		Millrose Games	Princeton Relays	

## Thompson Can Really Coach

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think what you'll see is a reaching into and response from the private sector to supply a contingent of 10 to 15 tutors, who would go through training and the traveling with the Olympic squad that we send to Seoul.

Coach John, quite naturally, is reacting to all this with top hat and cane diplomacy. The only comment he'll make about all the problems is that he would like to have three Patrick Ewings in his selection of a team, and that he plans to spend quite a bit of time this year at the Pan-Am Games in Indianapolis, where Denny Crum of Louisville is handling the head coaching duties. What Coach John hopes to do there is to get a big leg up on evaluating the prospective ballplayers, and get some feeling on what the desires and commitments of certain players will be, before they start the 1987-88 college season.

## Sports Briefs

Both Stony Brook basketball teams continued their winning ways last night. The women's basketball team captured their ninth straight win as they coasted past the King's College Lady Knights, 75-58 before a home crowd.

Stony Brook (12-1) was led by Michele White, who netted 17 points, while Leslie Hathaway and Joanne Russo chipped in with 10 points apiece. The Pats came into the night's action ranked 15th in the nation, and wasted no time with their weaker opponent as they jumped out to a 41-27 halftime lead. Terri Wheeldon had 26 points to lead King's College (8-6).

Tom Blumbergs capped off a brilliant second-half comeback when he sank two free throws with only three seconds left to give the men's team a dramatic 96-95 win over the Nomads of York College. The Patriots fell behind early in the game as York jumped out to a 52-40 lead.

The deficit ballooned as high as 20 before Stony Brook began their comeback. The Pats swarming defense baffled the Nomads into 26 turnovers. Frank Prantil led all Patriot scorers with 31 points, while Blumbergs added 27 points and nine rebounds. In a losing cause, Michael Lee had 31 points for York College (13-5).

The win was Stony Brook's fifth consecutive and upped its record to 11-4.

As some of the great names in the track and field world gather at Madison Square Garden on Friday night for the start of the Millrose games, two Stony Brook students will find themselves right in the middle of the competition. Race-walkers Curtis Fischer and Pat Flannery received an invitation to compete in the games after a successful showing in the Public Athletic Conference Indoor Championship held at Farmingdale last weekend. Fischer won the 3,000 meter walk (12:58.0), while Flannery finished second (13:03.7).

The women also excelled at the PAC championship as they went on to victory with a total of 28 points. Sue Yarsinske was a two-time winner for Stony Brook. Yarsinske won the 400-meter dash in 1:02.7 and was a member of the winning team in the two-mile relay. The team of Yarsinske, Lily Huang, Brenda Collins, and Dedee Meehan finished first (10:45.8).

— Jeff Eisenhart



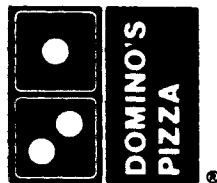
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# Statesman SPORTS

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## Icemen Still Having Ups and Downs

By Hank Ryanfrank

Consistency. The hallmark of champions. Consistency. That elusive quality so necessary for a successful team. Consistency. That trait for which the Stony Brook Patriot ice hockey team is still searching.

The Patriots ended the first half of the year with a 4-4 record in the Metropolitan Collegiate Hockey Conference. That record puts them in a dogfight for a playoff position with Hofstra, C.W. Post and Fordham. Only two of those teams will go the post-season round.

The team came off the Christmas break with a home game against C.W. Post. In a season of 18 regular season games, every game against a divisional rival is important. And the Patriots rose to the challenge.

Playing one of their best periods of the year, the Pats stormed to a 4-0 lead after the first 20 minutes. Co-Captain Gerry Bonfiglio scored his first of three goals of the night less than a minute into the game. Leo Imperial then added two of his four goals for the evening. Jean-Pierre Kosciuk, starting his third game of the year, turned aside everything the Pioneers threw at him. Kosciuk's style was unorthodox but effective.

The Pats then went into something of a shell, letting up two quick post goals early in the second period. However, Bonfiglio, in the midst of killing a penalty, raced the length of the ice to tip away a Steve Reynolds clearing pass from the Post goaltender. Then, from an almost impossible angle, he fired the puck into the open net. The second period ended with the Pats still holding a comfortable three-goal lead, 6-3.

The third period turned out to be very wild. After Post cut the Patriot's lead to 6-4, the team seemed to come to life. Goals from Imperial, Fred Helm, Keith Kowalsky, Tim Carney and finally Bonfiglio opened the Patriot lead to 11-4, with about seven min-

utes left in the game. Keith McAdam, the Post coach, in a bid to get back into the game, pulled his goaltender. The Pats, not wanting to run up the score, fired most of their shots into the corners.

After the game Coach George Lasher said, "Well, we had to win this game, and we did. It was not the prettiest of efforts, but it got the job done. Our defense is playing terribly erratic — we stopped Post cold in the first and then let up seven goals in the final two periods. It seems like everyone wants to get in on the scoring act. We get over-confident, forget to backcheck, forget how to clear the front of the net, forget how to play man to man, try outrageous moves that we just can't pull off and what happens... we let Post back into a game that they should not be in."

The coach's comments seemed accurate when viewed against the backdrop of the next Patriot's game a week later. This time the Pats travelled north to play Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU). The SCSU team scored 37 seconds into the game enroute to a 13-3 rout of the Patriots. Stony Brook played tough for the first 20 minutes and only trailed 2-0 after one period. But then the roof fell in as five unanswered SCSU goals flew past the Pat netminder. The Patriots made an attempt to get back into the contest with a power play tally by Steve Reynolds and a short handed effort by Bob Coppola, but it was far too little.

"It was a dismal effort," Lasher said on the long bus ride back. "I can't think of one positive thing, except maybe for the fact that it is behind us now. We were outthusted for 90 percent of the loose pucks, out gunned, out hit, and out finessed."

"I didn't come up here expecting to blow these guys out, but neither did I expect us to provide the type of show that we did. I put a great deal of the blame on myself. We are just not prepared as well as some of the



The Patriots tried shooting for consistency against C.W. Post.

teams we have been facing. You could see it in something as simple as the breakout game. SCSU cleared the zone with ease. We ran around, tried to stickhandle past two or three guys, threw the puck away... you name it, we did it," Lasher said.

"It's 'back to basics' time," the coach said. "Simple one on one drills, skating, agility and more work on the breakout play. We are a better team than we have shown, and we are going to prove it. We have to play with more consistency."

ICENOTES: Bonfiglio's three goals and two assists in the Post game enabled him to reach the 50 goal and 100 point milestones. The hat trick was the seventh of his career, a new Stony Brook record. Bonfiglio was honored on Viacom Cablevision's "The Big Whistle's Hotline" as the Athlete of the Week. Bill Chadwick, a NHL Hall of Fame Referee, is the star and producer of this one hour sports program.

## 'Big John' Can Handle Challenge of 1988 Games

Seoul, South Korea, 1988, is just around the corner, and for the first time we have an Olympic basketball coach that's over 6-feet four-inches tall: John Thompson, the towel-wringing, resident capital-G genius of Georgetown University.

For the few who are unfamiliar, he's known as "Big Bad John" to his opponents in the Beast of the East — a strong, General Patton, Lee Iacocca Liberty person who's very patriotic, and in my mind at least, there's no doubt that he was a clear-cut choice if the U.S. is to maintain the gold once again.

Coach Thompson was not, by any stretch of the imagination, a political choice when it came to deciding who would head up the U.S. hoops squad this time around. Anyone who's been familiar with the international scene for the last decade knows that his credentials are strong as the Rock of Gibraltar.

First off, he was an assistant to Dean Smith of North Carolina in Montreal, when we won in 1976. And he also helped in selecting the material for Bobby Knight of Indiana in 1984.

Positives? "Big Bad John" is loaded. His style of play was created for the Olympics — coast-to-coast pressure on D, and a giddy-up offense, which if it doesn't immediately convert, is followed by patient patterns. Coach John also knows how to use a long bench, which is a definite asset because of the physical style of international play, and which means that at least 10 of the 12 U.S. Olympians will be sure to get their fair share of PT.

One other thing: Coach John also has a complete understanding of international rules, and he also spent time last



summer with Coach Lute Olsen of Arizona at the World Games in Madrid. Make no mistake, he is no stranger to the international bullring.

So, those are all the positives. All the items on the asset side of the ledger. Now, I think, it's time we got on to the list of things on the liability side — things that Coach John, or for that matter, any Olympic coach, has to deal with this time around.

First off, this is not a summer Olympics, but a games of the fall, when the leaves are starting to turn. It goes from September to October, which creates major headaches for the National Basketball Association. How, for example, can a senior who was drafted in the spring be watching the sunset on the Yellow Sea at a time when NBA clubs are already through their training camp and getting ready for their season opener?

As if that weren't enough, let's take a look at problem number two, which concerns the athletes who are still in college. Right now, it looks like they'd be missing at least three weeks of class — which is a no-no — unless you figure to take them out for the whole semester. And, believe me, that's a no-no to the poor college coach who has recruited the kid and has him on his team.

So what are the answers? Well, I really believe that David Stern, commissioner of the NBA, will do everything he can to help solve the problem with the pros, because in the past the NBA has done more than its fair share to make our U.S. Olympic team the best that it can be — both financially, and also by adjusting their rules.

As far as the college basketball players are concerned, I

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