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Consultant Proposal Spelled Out

By JOANNE BERMAN
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OSWEGO—A detailed proposal, submitted by Fifth Ward Alderman Thomas Halpin, concerning the role and functions of a consultant for the city's Department of Public Works was distributed at last night's Common Council meeting.

Outlining the purpose for hiring the consultant, Halpin's statement indicated that the individual involved would assist the DPW commissioner, the mayor and aldermen in "determining the needs and priorities" of the DPW. The idea was first proposed in a Palladium-Times guest editorial.

The consultant would also assist in reviewing present practices and policies and make recommendations where needed, according to Halpin's proposal.

Consultant duties would involve reporting directly to both the mayor and aldermen, devoting a minimum of 10 hours daily to the job, assisting both the mayor and aldermen in their daily functions which relate directly to the DPW, working with the DPW commissioner in developing procedures, reviewing and evaluating all policies and practices established by the DPW and a number of other tasks.

Also cited were the overall responsibilities of both the mayor and Common Council to the consultant, along with a listing of qualifications for the job.

Halpin's proposal also indicated that an appropriation not to exceed \$10,000 should be adequate. This, he said, would include a fixed fee of \$3,000 per month for the consultant, not to exceed three months or a total of \$9,000.

Halpin's proposal also stated that an additional \$1,000 should be available for additional clerical services, reproduction expenses for reports and miscellaneous expenses if needed.

Mayor William S. Cahill, in response to Halpin's proposal, said that he believed that a DPW consultant had been hired in 1976 during the Fitzgibbon's administration.

While the consultant at that time had some "good suggestions," said Cahill, it appeared that none of the recommendations had been followed.

This time, Cahill said, copies of recommendations will be distributed to aldermen.

Cahill also indicated that he could not see where "anything but good" could result from the hiring of a consultant.



FIJI BOUND—The "Ostygorsk," a barquentine type research vessel from Kingston, Ontario, sailed into Oswego Harbor over the weekend. The captain of the vessel, his 11 crew members and two dogs are headed down the New York State Barge Canal on their way to the Atlantic and eventually on to the Fiji Islands in the Pacific. The crew was taking down the masts yesterday in preparation for the trip through the barge canal, as the ship prepares to leave on its five-year voyage to study marine biology. (P-T photo by Frank Steck)

County Unveils Office Plans

By BRIAN KIDWELL
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OSWEGO—A \$1.4 million addition to the Alvin Krakau Community Mental Health Center here has been proposed as the solution to Oswego County government's need for more office space.

Members of the legislative committee voted unanimously for the idea Monday night. As a result, a resolution will be put before the full legislature Thursday night calling for approval of a 10-year bond in the amount of \$1,483,200.

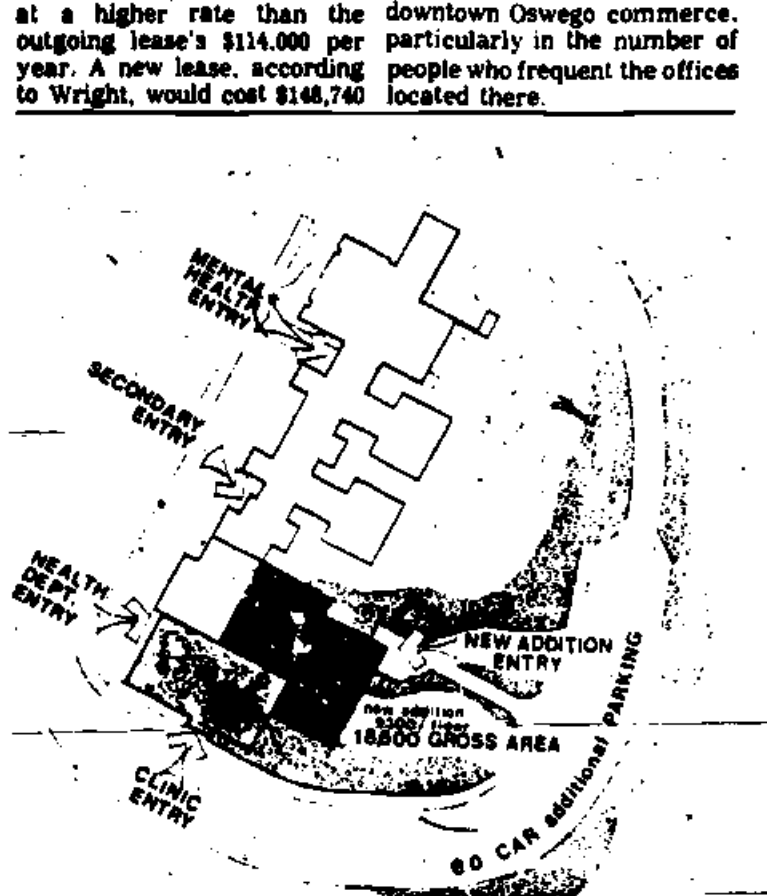
Committee members were briefed on the proposal by County Administrator James Wright and Syracuse architect Joseph Maryak. Maryak's firm is overseeing the renovation of the Krakau gymnasium to two floors of office space for Health Commissioner Rupert Collins and his staff and agencies.

County officials stated their need for more office space at this month's legislative session. A lease with the Riverfront Office Building in Oswego is due to expire next August and the county has five departments located there.

When the matter was discussed behind closed doors two weeks ago, legislators were told that they could consider committing the county to another five-year lease, purchasing the Riverfront complex outright or adding onto one of the county's existing buildings.

Purchasing the Riverfront would have involved negotiations with its owner, Joseph Castaldo. In recent weeks, Castaldo had priced the building at \$1.35 million. Meeting with county officials Monday afternoon, Castaldo reportedly lowered the price to \$2,053,000, giving the county a \$91,000 credit reduction.

Wright detailed the lease renewal alternative by telling the committee that it would be



MORE OFFICE SPACE?—An architect's rendering of the Alvin Krakau Community Mental Health Center shows where county officials want to put 16,800 square feet of office space and additional parking facilities. Total cost of the project is \$1,483,200.

at a higher rate than the outgoing lease's \$114,000 per year. A new lease, according to Wright, would cost \$146,740 per year, or \$745,000 over a five-year period.

"Neither one of these," Morey said of the purchase and lease renewal considerations, "is in the best interests of the county."

Wright said that bonding at nine percent interest a year would require an out-front county contingency payment of \$75,000 in accordance with a five percent of the total bond requirement. To bond for purchase of the building, Wright added, would cost a five percent requirement of \$101,500.

Consideration was given the Riverfront's importance to downtown Oswego commerce, particularly in the number of people who frequent the offices located there.

To that end, Wright noted that two county departments—motor vehicles and personnel—would likely be kept in a downtown locale as yet ascertained. Wright called the two departments ones that generated "heavy traffic."

"We want," Wright said, "to minimize the impact on downtown."

Committee members were supportive. Stanley Faulkner (Amboy) called the Krakau locale a "much better position" than the others considered, which included the Oswego County Jail farm, the county social services headquarters in Mexico and the Mid-Town Plaza in downtown Oswego.

News In Brief

Polish Government Protests

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — The Polish government demanded that the United States, Britain, France and West Germany put a stop to broadcasts which it said were slandering the Communist regime and amounted to "subversive propaganda."

The government also warned supporters of Solidarity, the suspended trade union, that any more demonstrations would be dealt with severely.

Students Headed For Court

AUBURN, N.Y. (AP) — A group of students headed to court today to try to prevent the Rochester Institute of Technology from permanently closing Eisenhower College.

RIT announced July 22 it wouldn't reopen Eisenhower in September because the financially-ailing Seneca Falls college had lost \$5.7 million in three years.

Woman Still Wants Settlement

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — The death of millionaire businessman and Reagan adviser Alfred Bloomingdale won't affect a \$10 million lawsuit filed by a woman who claims he broke an agreement to support her for life, the plaintiff's lawyer says.

Bloomingdale, 66, died of cancer Friday at St. John's Hospital in Santa Monica.

Soviet Sailor Recovering

SEATTLE (AP) — A Soviet seaman brought ashore in agony after half his appendix was removed aboard ship is leaving with a scar on his abdomen and a smile on his face after putting his socialization skills to work.

"It's been very nice, very interesting," Daniel Semd-novich Nomogovov said from his hospital bed Monday night after recovering from two appendectomies that involved his crewmates, the U.S. Coast Guard and the staff of Olympic Memorial Hospital in Port Angeles.

Pot-Growing Grandma On Trial

HOUSTON (AP) — The judge hearing the case of an 82-year-old woman accused of cultivating pot says it's "obvious" neither he nor the jury would sentence the great-grandmother to prison.

But he says the prosecution must go on, regardless of her age.

"There's not a judge in the world or a jury around here that would send her to the pen," District Judge Mike McSpadden said Monday after the jury was seated in the trial of Laura Clark.

Toxic Wastes Moving From PAS Dump Site

By BRIAN KIDWELL
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OSWEGO—As promised by schedule, barrels and truck tanks filled with liquid wastes have been leaving the abandoned Pollution Abatement Services site for the past two weeks.

Workers from the SCA Chemical Services firm have so far removed an estimated 40,000 gallons of liquid wastes, according to SCA spokesman Jeffrey Brandow.

Brandow said Monday that most of the wastes have been removed in tanker trucks, which have left the site on a scheduled basis every day.

"We've started sending out one or two (trucks) a day," Brandow said.

As for the other reported mode of removing the wastes—by flatbed truck—Brandow said that one flatbed truck with 60 barrels has left the E. Seneca Street site since waste removal began in earnest.

The estimated volume of the barreled wastes, according to Brandow, has so far amounted to 3,750 gallons.

What has been removed so far by the SCA trucks, Brandow noted, represents the total emptying of one above ground tank and three underground tanks at the site.

Oswego County Fair Opening Today

By MARY BETH ROACH
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SANDY CREEK — A heavy slate of free entertainment, a full schedule of competitions and festivities and a host of rides provided by Ontario Amusements, are sure to win Oswego County's Fair a blue ribbon this year. The event, which is in its 125th year, opened today and will run through Sunday.

Admission is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students. Parking is free.

In addition to the many and varied booths and exhibits, fairgoers will also be treated to such daily features as the Oswego County Pomona Grange Barbecue to be held at noon daily through Friday, action-packed grandstand attractions and free entertainment nightly at the Tent. A \$4 ride special is also being offered on certain Fair days. The fair buildings open at 10 a.m. and close at 10 p.m. except Sunday when they close at 7 p.m.

Opening day festivities today included several judgings, a baby show and harness racing.

The action continues tonight with a bicycle drawing at 5 p.m. and a fireworks show at 8 p.m. at the grandstand. Jim DuBois and "The Round Mound of Sound" will be in the Tent from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Grange Day on Wednesday opens with a junior cattle show at 9:30 a.m. and a baked goods judging is scheduled for 1 p.m. Youngsters in the county get to show off their abilities in a talent show from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Tent. Gates open for harness racing at 2 p.m. and the grassed pig contest is due to start at 3 p.m.

Kicking off the Friends and Neighbors Night on Wednesday will be a 7 p.m. parade featuring none other than Ronald McDonald and the Golden Arches, and the Jack and the Beanstalk show. The parade will be on its way to provide light music, stand at the will feature good clean (?) fun. The Tent 7 p.m.

has played extensively in the county, is well known for renditions of top country hits as well as for originals. The Mac Brothers have put rowdy back in country music.

An open dairy show and a junior pet show are the opening attractions Thursday, Senior Citizen's Day. Both programs are to begin at 10 a.m. Also featured on Thursday will be a senior citizen program at 1:30 p.m.

The grandstand is the site Thursday for the New York State Sanctioned Super Modified Tractor Pull. The two pulls are scheduled for 1 and 7 p.m.

In the Tent Thursday will be George Lamb and Country Sounds. Their show will run from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Livestock and poultry shows and various races are the order of the day on Friday, which has been designated Agricultural Day. A beef cattle show will be held at 11 a.m. and a sheep, dairy goat and swine show will be at 2 p.m. Also at 2 p.m. on Friday, there will be a chicken stampee, complete with plenty of cackles and clucks.

Ronald McDonald and the Ronald McDonald House Float.

Sgt. Bud Scharoun, head of the Oswego County Sheriff's Department's K-9 Unit, will bring along his deputies and their canines for a display of the unit's talent. The K-9 Unit will be performing at the grandstand Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday before the nightly shows. They will also be out on the field putting on demonstrations.

Quilt Display

There will be a quilt display at the fair Aug. 28. There is no display charge and no prize money will be offered. The public will vote for its favorite quilt however.

Bingo has returned to the Oswego County Fair. It will be played in the old Junior Building from opening day (Aug. 24) to Aug. 28, no games will be played Sunday. The games will be played between 1 and 4 p.m.

It will take only one ticket at the fair to ride any of the rides. Tickets will be 50 cents apiece. The second "Children's Day" will be Aug. 29. On that day children may ride from 1-4 p.m. for only \$4.

At 3 p.m. Wednesday is the grassed pig contest, always good clean (?) fun. The Oswego County Pomona

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Cahill Names Aide

OSWEGO—Mayor William S. Cahill has appointed William McCarthy to the post of executive assistant to the mayor.

The appointment will take effect Monday, and will last for the duration of Cahill's term in office, according to a letter distributed at last night's Common Council meeting.

McCarthy, a former county legislator, said he was "nicely surprised" by the appointment, which this year

..And There's Something For Everyone

McDonald House Family Day at the fair. There will be a rodeo at the grandstand at 2 and 7 p.m.

Finally, on Sunday, the highlights will include such things as an auto show, rope pull, and it is Children's Day, from 1-3 p.m.

noon Thursday. Also Thursday, at 1:30 p.m. will be the senior citizens program.

On Friday is the great chicken stampee at 2 p.m. and at 8 p.m. the demolition derby gets underway.

Saturday is Oswego County Legislature and Ronald

Heavy Fighting Erupts Near City

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Heavy fighting erupted today in mountains east of Beirut as the fourth contingent of PLO fighters left the Israeli-tinged capital on a Cypriot ship escorted by the U.S. Navy. Marines poised to come ashore to join a peacekeeping force.

New battles were reported in Lebanon's central mountains close to the Beirut-Damascus highway, which Palestine Liberation Organisation guerrillas are scheduled to take on Wednesday on their evacuation to neighboring Syria.

The Israeli military command in Tel Aviv reported in a terse statement that "heavy east of Beirut between Syrian troops and Israeli-backed Christian militiamen. But Christian radio broadcasts in Beirut said Israeli forces were locked in heavy artillery duels with Syrian and Palestinian forces in three villages along a strip of the highway about 13 miles east of Beirut.

Lebanon's state radio said the flare-up prompted U.S. special envoy Philip C. Habib, who arranged the PLO pullout from Lebanon after a 10-week Israeli siege, to confer with Lebanon's Christian President Elias Sarkis and Moslem Prime Minister Shefik Wazzan on ways of checking the

