**Rail switch moves behind scenes**

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Preparations for a takeover of Conrail by private investors were underway this week, but the timetable isn't set. The process won't feel the effect of the change for some time.

**Jude's School for the Severely Retarded and Physic­**

Westchester, Inc. Its aim is to serve

forced to

heavily on parents to help raise funds for their

participation • and donations • had given them,

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of the group.

Ken Plath, Muriel's husband, is the elected president

our combined experience, we

state voting power and

positions in parent associations directly affiliated with

Retarded Children.

"Parent power" is what GROW members hope to

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efforts of other such agencies.

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Nat Mills of Montrose, one of GROW's founders,

GROW will hold an open

meeting

improvement program. A grant of $1

of the still-to-be created Metro North Rail­

E. Stangl, president of the MTA's Metro

Senior Citizens, he said.

on intensive labor negotiations and a compli­

setting or inventory control.

Instead of commuter comforts, officials

On September 14, on its requests for federal

be held in the New York State Hearing

Administration of the U.S. Depart­

The Metropolitan Transportation Au­

The hearing will cover five requests

— Negotiation of new labor contracts

— A salary and fringe benefit program

— Plans to set up administrative sys­

— Monitoring the progress of $65 million

— Setting up an $105 million

The hearing authority will hold a public hearing

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SUMNER GREG — Two西红柿 Timothy Salimay displays a
giant squash which he says his father, Robert, grew in the family
garden in front yard of their home in Rego, Brewster. The oversized vegetable

weights nearly 40 pounds.

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