

Inauguration festivities set

Mayor Angelo R. Martinelli and members of the Yonkers City Council will take the oath of office in a New Year's day ceremony on the steps of City Hall. Newly-elected County Court Judge Gerard Delaney will administer the oath of office to those officials and also the four county Legislators from Yonkers, City Judge John D'Apice and City Justices James A. Panettiere and Gilbert Rabin.

The Republican-Conservative mayor was elected to his third term along with a GOP city council.

Martinelli will give an inauguration speech at the nighttime ceremonies. A reception will be held afterwards inside City Hall.

HELP

A Neighbor

The following service groups, organizations and agencies are in need of volunteer HELP. Call, write or visit the appropriate agency and HELP A NEIGHBOR.

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Westchester Division
21 Bloomingdale Road, White Plains
919-8300, ext. 415, 416

A busy social worker is looking for volunteer assistance. Somebody is needed to work setting up the children's library. Also, a receptionist is sought. These are just some of the volunteer openings currently available at this medical center. Please call the office for an interview. Transportation is available from the center of White Plains.

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63 Central Ave., Ossining 762-2369

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TAKE NOTE

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Bid boosts future of Getty Square

By JOSEPH KELLY
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New construction bids for a Getty Square beautification project, much lower than earlier proposals may make it possible for work to get under way in the spring according to officials at the Yonkers Community Development Agency.

The Bellino Construction Co. of 745 Nepperhan Ave. submitted a low bid of \$840,000 for the job, which calls for construction of a fountain, tiled colonnades, a special lighting system and a glass enclosed mini-police sub-station.

Community development officials were unhappy last month when the lowest bid came in at \$1.3 million, more than double what was budgeted.

The beautification program is part of the effort to make the square more attractive to merchants and shoppers.

After the high bids were received, officials considered eliminating several "frills," including the police sub-station, some expensive tile facing for the colonnades, and granite-faced walkways and sidewalks.

The granite walkways were eliminated for a saving of \$200,000, according to John Cotumaccio project manager for the CDA. The contractors were told to submit bids to include the other items as alternates that could be eliminated at a later time, Cotumaccio said.

Other bidders were Thalle Construction Co., Briar Construction Co. and JMC Enterprises of Pelham Manor.

Cotumaccio said he needs approval from the CDA board by Jan. 1 to begin construction in the spring.

The focal point of the project is construction of a 20-foot high colonnade and fountain on the square's southwest corner.

Police arrest CAP employee

By JAMES ELLISON
Staff Writer

A 26-year-old Yonkers Community Action Program employee was arrested Thursday at his home here and charged with writing \$900 in checks to himself cashed to the city's largest anti-poverty agency, police said.

Paul Collins of 42 Pine St. was arr-

igned in Yonkers City Court Thursday on a charge of possession of a forged instrument, a felony. He spent the night in the Westchester County Jail in Valhalla and was scheduled to be back in City Court today to be represented by a Legal Aid attorney.

Police said Collins, who worked in the agency's fiscal department and handled payrolls, made at least three checks payable to himself and stamped them with an outdated engraved signature of a person

previously authorized to sign CAP checks. Court records said Collins cashed at least two checks for \$333.27 and drew them Oct. 24 on CAP's checking account at The Bank of New York-City Trust Region branch at 38 S. Broadway.

This was the second incident of alleged check forgery at CAP that police have investigated. Last year, an undetermined amount of money in Social Security reimbursement checks made out to CAP workers were believed to be cashed by other

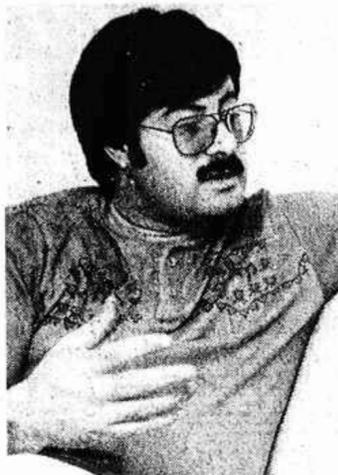
agency workers but no arrests were made.

CAP Executive Director Rose Brown said Thursday that she had notified police about Collins' alleged check writing scheme. She said he had worked at the agency about one year.

Mrs. Brown said authorization for the engraved signature plate Collins allegedly used was canceled a year ago.

Police said the case is still under investigation.

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CRAIG GLASSMAN
... could make \$1 million

'Son of Sam' cast: An update

By STEVEN CLARK
Staff Writer

Four months after Son of Sam suspect David Berkowitz was arrested in Yonkers - a case that has changed many lives - it is his downstairs neighbor Craig Glassman who has emerged as the big winner.

Glassman has parlayed the worldwide exposure given the arrest of the suspected "Son of Sam" into a soon-to-be published book, which has already been contracted for a newspaper serialization and could be made into a movie. The tentative title of Glassman's book is "I Captured the 44-Caliber Killer."

Other principles in the arrest of the 24-year-old postal worker have been affected, but not as much. Then-Inspector Timothy Dowd, who led the investigation for the man who terrorized the metropolitan area for more than a year, retired soon after being promoted to chief. Yonkers patrolmen Peter Inervallo and Thomas Chamberlain,

who tipped off the homicide task force on Berkowitz' erratic behavior, have been promoted and are now working out of detective division. Sam Carr, the "Sam" in Berkowitz' twisted fantasy life filled with demons, has retreated to his house at 316 Warburton Ave. He refuses to talk to the local press, because he believes he has been cast in a bad light. It is known, however, that the story he hoped to sell for \$10,000 was never bought. "We are not interested in making any money," said Mrs. Frances Carr, his wife.

There is no longer a 35 Pine St. The apartment building was changed several months ago to 42 Pine St. because of the adverse publicity. Berkowitz' 7E apartment has undergone "a complete overhaul," according to rental agent Eleanor Mayo. Remnants of his delusional paranoia, such as "Mr. Williams, who lives in the hole," has been eliminated by the use of a paint brush and plaster.

Ms. Mayor said that the apartment, now

given the number 7F, (as is the apartment next door to it) has just been put on the market. She is expecting prospective tenants to look at the apartment for the first time this weekend.

The rental agent said the delay in renting the apartment was due primarily to the police, who kept the door sealed until recently.

Glassman, a nurse in Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx and a part-time deputy with the Westchester County Sheriff's office completed his manuscript two months ago. He has acquired The New York Times Syndication Sales Corp. as his agent, the same people who have rights to the Nixon tapes and Star War magazines.

"The book will lightly touch on why I moved here, to my reaction when I received the first letter, the other letters (he received four letters before Berkowitz' arrest, and one since), the fire at my door, everything in chronological order," he said. "It will then go into detail on the capture of Berkowitz."

Glassman said that the "lighter moments" involving the actual capture will be included. After talking an hour and a half to a relative and doing his laundry Glassman walked down to Berkowitz' car at about 8:45 on the night of the arrest, August 10. New York City detectives said to him "Are you David Berkowitz?" After he explained he was not, but a deputy sheriff investigating his neighbor, he spent the rest of the evening outside 35 Pine St. with police who had encircled the apartment.

The book will also deal with why Glassman believes he was chosen by Berkowitz as "a demon" and what occurred in his first and only face-to-face encounter with the suspect on the drive to police headquarters.

The only money Glassman has seen up to now is from the syndication rights, which were sold to The New York Post and will then be seen in 468 other newspapers.

The "couple of thousand dollars" Glassman has earned was used to help purchase a new car, a 1977 Monaco. He has been told that he would make anywhere from \$50,000 to \$1 million should a television movie be made - which his agent says is presently being negotiated and could be readied for the spring.

Glassman believes by the time his book is out, the public's interest will be renewed. "We were very aggressive at first about getting the book out," he said about himself and co-author and friend Ira Levy. "We've learned to be patient. Things just don't happen."

Glassman enjoys the publicity he's gotten over his role in the capture. He has maintained that he was the first one to draw his gun on Berkowitz that night. "The fame is great," he said. "Only without the fortune it isn't worth anything."

8 pastors voice support

Kubasek calls ouster 'ethnic slur'

By DAVID COPITHORNE
Staff Writer

The pastors of eight Yonkers churches have signed a letter protesting the Republican Party's decision to criticize Councilman Stephen J. Kubasek Jr., (R-7), and suspend him from the party's city council caucuses.

"We can only view this as an apparent instance of ethnic discrimination and cruel and unusual punishment of Councilman Kubasek for voting his conscience," the letter says.

The Executive Committee of the Republican City Committee passed the resolution criticizing Kubasek after he defied it Tuesday by voting to grant City Clerk Aloysius Moczydlowski, a Democrat, a five year contract at \$23,500 a year.

The Republicans had voted to request the council to hold off on the decision whether to reappoint Moczydlowski until after the new city council, which will have a Republican majority, takes office in January.

Kubasek was the only council Republican to vote for Moczydlowski's appointment, which angered the party's executive committee.

He said that Moczydlowski is popular in

the 7th Ward and that a majority of his ward committee had requested that he support the clerk's reappointment to the post, traditionally a patronage appointment of the political party in power.

Kubasek charged the Republicans with being prejudiced against people of Slavonic origin and claimed that the executive committee's decision to criticize him was an "ethnic slur." He said he has hired a lawyer and will file a charge of discrimination with the city's Human Rights Commission.

In the 7th Ward, there is a heavy concentration of Slovaks who are very active in politics, with much of the base of their power being centered in local churches.

The pastors joined Kubasek in charging the Republican executive committee and Republican City Leader Frank Coppola with taking away Kubasek's right to exercise free choice in his vote.

"We commend Councilman Kubasek for not forgetting where he originated from and what his 'roots' are. He is our only Slavonic representative on the City Council and he has never forgotten or ignored us," the letter said.

The letter was signed by the Rev. Joseph E. Pacacha of the Most Holy Trinity R.C. Slovak Church; the Very Rev. Vadim

Pogrebniak of the Holy Trinity Russian Orthodox Church; the Rev. Dewey Stromeyer of the Holy Trinity Slovak Lutheran Church; the Rev. Eugene Kosnik of Saint Casimir's R.C. Polish Church; the Very Rev. Elias Kozar of Saint Mary's Orthodox Church; Msgr. Basil Feddish of Saint Michael's Ukrainian Church; the Rev. Edward Balint of the Slovak Emmanuel Lutheran Church; and the Rev. Basil Kravnyak of Saint Nicholas of Myra Greek Catholic Church.

The eight parishes represent five different Slavic nationalities, three different religions and two eastern rite churches.

Coppola today charged Kubasek with trying to confuse the issue. "It just boggles the mind to say it's ethnic," Coppola said. "It's merely a matter of intra-party policy."

He said that although Kubasek still is technically suspended from the caucuses at which Republican councilmen discuss their votes in upcoming council meetings, the door is still open for Kubasek to get in touch with him and reach a reconciliation.

However, Kubasek said Thursday he will refuse to "come crawling" to Coppola. He said he is demanding an apology from Coppola and the executive committee members who voted to criticize him.



Joyful couple

Happiness is Robert and Sophie Miller of Hastings-on-Hudson who

enjoyed themselves at the Dobbs Ferry Lions Club Christmas Party

for senior citizens held Thursday at Rudy's Beau Rivage in Hasting. —Staff Photo by Vince Antolini

Fire code violation checks maintained

By ERIC NADLER
Staff Writer

In sharp contrast to New York City where fiscal constraints have forced the fire department to reduce building inspections by 40 per cent, financially troubled Yonkers has been able to maintain levels of fire code violation searches.

Fire department records inspected this week reveal that 31,640 inspections were conducted in 1976 and 30,752 were conducted through Nov. 30 of this year. These figures compare favorably to the 32,103 inspections performed in 1975 and the 32,320 in 1974 before the fiscal crisis hit Yonkers. In New York City, fire department statistics revealed that in 1971 there were 767,189 buildings inspected and by 1976 the figure slid to only 474,331.

Yonkers Fire officials say they have been able to maintain inspection rates despite a severe reduction in manpower in the department's Fire Prevention Division

by routing citizen complaints to the city's fire companies.

Each company is averaging about 40 inspections a week, according to Capt. Neil Curry, recently appointed to review the department's inspection procedures. All multi-family (three or more families) and commercial structures are inspected at least once a year, fire officials note. Schools, hospitals and nursing homes are inspected monthly and "hazard target areas" such as factories or lumber yards are inspected at least quarterly. Capt. Curry said, as mandated by state law and department guidelines.

Thomas Flynn, head of Firefighters Local 628, Wednesday said that he had no evidence to contradict the department's claims about the level of inspections. Yet he said the emphasis on inspections in the depleted ranks of firemen is "detrimental" to front line fire fighting capacity. Flynn said response time to emergency calls is necessarily longer when men are away

from centrally-located fire stations doing inspections.

Capt. Curry disagreed, noting that a new inspection procedure whereby men are sent on their truck to a block to do inspections allows quick response. "We have no evidence to suggest delayed response times," he said.

Members of the Fire Prevention Division still perform some inspections, but much of their time is spent checking new construction plans and with reviewing certificates of occupancy.

Fire companies inspect commercial and residential structures for such violations as blocked exits and improperly functioning sprinkler systems. Violations result in fines as high as \$500 for a third offense.

Through Nov. 30, 5,121 violations have been issued, according to fire records. The amount of fines levied through that date was unavailable because many cases are still pending in court, fire officials said. Last year fines for uncorrected fire code violations totaled \$4,215.

Herald Statesman Wins Gannett award

The Herald Statesman and other Westchester Rockland Newspapers have won first place for staff coverage this year in the first Best of Gannett competition among the 73 dailies in the nationwide newspaper group.

The first place award to WRN is for an entry that included coverage of the "Son of Sam" case in Yonkers from The Herald Statesman, the Con Edison blackout from the White Plains Reporter Dispatch and the mass shooting Feb. 14 in New Rochelle in which Frederick Cowan killed six persons and himself from the New Rochelle Standard Star.

The second prize in the investigation-in-depth category went to Peter Johnson of the Ossining Citizen Register for a series exposing illegal lotteries conducted by volunteer fire departments in Ossining.

The names of the winners were announced by Allen H. Neuharth, president and chief executive of Gannett. At a year-end meeting of Gannett executives in Chicago. They were selected from nearly 2,000 entries from the competition which ended Sept. 30.

"These awards demonstrate the Gannett Group's ability to achieve journalistic excellence from its smallest newspapers to its largest, each operating independently on news matters, to serve their communities in the best possible ways," Neuharth said.

"We are especially proud that the efforts of the top winners helped to make their communities better places to live and work in addition to fulfilling the highest professional standards," Neuharth added.

The top award in the group went to reporters Roger Hedges and Sharen Johnson of Gannett News Service for outstanding achievement for reporting of irregularities in the use of state-owned airplanes in Illinois.

The articles resulted in the resignation of one official and the firing of another by the governor.

They win \$1,000 for their award. Winners in individual news categories receive \$250.

