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I-684 again packs house

By DAN MARGULIES

NORTH SALEM — "I don't think the state wants to build" any interchange on I-684 between Route 35 and Hardscrabble Road, Frederick Law, Lewisboro town planning board chairman, told Patent Trader at a public hearing on interchange building plans Thursday night.

About 250 persons attended the State Department of Transportation hearing at North Salem High School. During five hours of statements no one expressed full approval of any of the four DOT alternative plans for interchanges near Goldens Bridge or at Purdys.

Leonard Bibbo of Bibbo Associates, planning consultants to the Goldens Bridge Chamber of Commerce, asked whether DOT alternate two, an interchange at Route 138, was "really offered in earnest?"

The North Salem Citizens Committee,

which claims credit for the protest that prompted the hearing, attended in force. More than a dozen members presented statements against construction of an interchange at Purdys.

Donald P. Mossman, North Salem supervisor, spoke for the town board saying denial of access at Route 116, Purdys, would be "catastrophic to development" of the town.

Route I-684 represents a "tremendous expenditure," he went on, "it is logical we use it."

Alvin Jordan, Lewisboro supervisor, said without the Goldens Bridge interchange "we would be the only town that would have no access" to I-684 from the Cross-Westchester Expressway to I-84.

He presented Mr. Law to outline an interchange plan endorsed by the town board for Route 138, Goldens Bridge. The town plan is a modification of DOT alternate no. 2 to eliminate the need for destroying seven homes and changing north-bound ramps to make exits and entrances more convenient and safer.

The plan was produced for the town by Frederick Clark Associates, consultant planners.

DOT plan no. 3, an interchange north of Goldens Bridge at Nash Road, was attacked vigorously by almost every speaker. It was charged that secondary roads at the proposed interchange were woefully inadequate and that the roads "didn't go anywhere."

Mr. Mossman said the Nash Road proposal was "most frightening" for the environment. It has long been planned as a conservation area by the town, he said.

Strongest support for alternate no. 1, no interchange at all, came from some members of the North Salem Citizens Committee and a spokesman for the New York City Water Supply Co.

This position, based on a desire to preserve the adjacent city reservoirs, brought some laughter when later speakers pointed to company plans for a hotly contested 300-vehicle maintenance garage on land abutting the reservoir in Katonah.

Mrs. Barbara Mooney, treasurer of the North Salem Citizens Committee, challenged DOT's report of the need for an interchange to foster the "desired growth"



BARBARA MOONEY



DONALD MOSSMAN

Digest, employees deny bias charges

CHAPPAQUA — The Reader's Digest said Thursday, in response to charges of "sex discrimination," that its personnel policies are "among the most enlightened in the nation."

Management cited the Digest's pioneering in such areas as a four-day week, four-week paid vacation for all employees after one full year of service, profit sharing and pension plans.

In short, said the management statement, the Digest is a model organization in employee relations.

Wednesday morning, some 40 women in both the Chappaqua and New York offices accused the Digest of "sex discrimination," and filed a complaint with the Equal Opportunities Commission in New York.

Led by two associate editors, Elaine Franklin and Pat Tarnawsky, the group charged the Digest with a number of unfair practices which, the group charged, discriminated against women.

The Digest, in answering these charges, did admit that "some inequities have existed and continue to exist with

regard to women employees." But, management said, they are working to correct these inequities.

Three weeks ago, Hobart Lewis, president of the Reader's Digest, issued a directive on how to "increase opportunities for promotion among women employees" some of the ways to solve

present inequities, the memorandum said, were

Have a thorough review of job titles and compensation to insure equality of status, titles and income.

Launch training programs to help staff

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Lakeland budget rejected, 5 pass

The Lakeland school budget was the only one of six to be rejected by voters who went to polls in school district elections this week in upper Westchester. School budgets were approved in Bedford, Chappaqua, Mt. Pleasant, North Salem and Yorktown. A rundown of the election results in the six districts follows.

Lakeland

SHRUB OAK — Lakeland school district voters Thursday rejected a proposed budget for next year for the second time. The vote was 2,029 to 1,579. Voters approved two propositions to provide transportation and textbooks.

The propositions are not contingent on passage of the budget. The transportation and the books will be provided whether the board chooses to adopt an austerity budget or voters should approve a budget submitted later.

Proposition three and four, which would have provided transportation up to 15 miles for high school students, and a high school reading teacher, were rejected. Both propositions were placed on the ballot last week by petitions from voters. The first two propositions were submitted to voters by the board.

Proposition one passed 2,117 to 1,511 and proposition two by 1,947 to 1,681. Proposition three was rejected 2,127 to 1,502 and proposition four was beaten 2,541 to 1,030.

The rejected budget totaled \$15,727,459.

North Salem

NORTH SALEM — North Salem voters passed the \$3,345,017 school budget Wednesday by a vote of 513 to 427.

A proposal to decrease the term of office of the trustees from five years to three was passed, 731 to 169.

In the election for a one-year on the school board, David Lawrence beat incumbent Frank Palm, 526 to 463.

Betty Hermesen, unopposed for the last five-year term on the board, obtained 696 votes. Robert Taylor unopposed for a two-year term, received 718 votes.

Yorktown

YORKTOWN — Yorktown voters approved by a wide margin next year's budget for the Yorktown central schools in

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Apartments proposed near Kisco

By ELIZABETH SIMONOFF

BEDFORD — William Green, the owner of some 200 acres on the Mt. Kisco village edge of the town of Bedford, plans to seek rezoning of his land for apartments, but not immediately, he told Patent Trader this week.

Mr. Green, who lives on Oregon Road, bought the 200-acre former Dr. Alfred Cook estate in a \$1 million transaction over a year ago, and recently purchased the John and Mary Boyd property of 17 acres on South Bedford Road for an amount in excess of \$300,000.

The Cook estate had frontage only on Sarles Street, a narrow town road, but the adjoining Boyd land fronts on South Bedford Road and would provide access to the main highway for the entire parcel.

Mr. Green told Patent Trader that he is still in the process of assembling land and does not expect to apply for rezoning now.

He said he is thinking in terms of upper income housing, "something very nice, in keeping with the character of this area." He believes there is a need for apartments for the growing number of people who work in corporate headquarters like IBM. "Low income housing has already been done at the north end of the village," he said. "This will be something rather elegant."

Mr. Green said he drives through Sarles Street on his way to and from his home, and decided to buy the Cook estate

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18 delegates in three districts sought by McGovern backers

(A voter's guide to delegates, district by district, appears on page 5.)

By JON SHERWOOD

Senator George McGovern is expected to receive all 18 National Convention delegates from the three Congressional Districts involved in Tuesday's Democratic primary in Westchester and Putnam County.

The delegates pledged to him would swell his statewide total to as many as 230 out of 278 delegates at stake in the primary.

This was the assessment before the primary County voters will ballot from noon to 9 p.m. Tuesday at 746 polling places in Westchester and 25 in Putnam.

Primary interest involves Senator McGovern's success — or lack of it — the choice by Republicans in the 24th Congressional District of a candidate for

Congress, the outcome of the Democratic battle between the organization and McGovern partisans for state committee seats, and judgeship races. The latter involves the first woman to run for associate judge of the Court of Appeals.

In Westchester, about 145,000 Democrats are eligible to vote. In Putnam, 18,894. The Westchester total was swelled by more than 4,000 18-year-olds registering for the first time. In the 24th Congressional District about 89,000 Republicans are eligible to vote in the three-way GOP Congressional primary.

The top contender there is District Attorney Carl A. Vergari, who is expected to win handily. His opponents are Glenn H. Easton Jr., of Port Chester and Andrew C. Risoli, of Mt. Vernon. Mr. Easton is financial consultant to a New York museum, and Mr. Risoli is a lawyer.

Mr. Vergari earlier this week said he "expects it to see a comfortable majority" of GOP voters favoring him. He acknowledged that his two recent hospitalizations made him rely on the GOP organizations to do his campaigning. Since last week, he has been on the campaign route, culminating Sunday at a fund-raising affair at Governor Rockefeller's Pocantico Hills estate.

Mr. Easton said because of Mr. Vergari's hospitalizations, "I'm fighting the invisible man." His request for a three-way debate was declined by Mr. Vergari, he said. Therefore, he and Mr. Risoli engaged in radio debate Thursday and Friday.

Convention delegate contests in the 23rd Congressional District in western Westchester and part of the Bronx involve McGovern backers and a slate pledged to Rep. Shirley Chisholm. The Senator's slate is assured of easy victory.

The 24th Congressional District primary involves a McGovern slate opposed to one of the few in the state pledged to Senator Edmund Muskie of Maine. There too, the McGovern slate is favored. In the

25th District, which includes parts of upper Westchester and Putnam County, the McGovern slate is unopposed and does not appear on the ballot. The senator, therefore, has those delegates clinched.

The three-district total will give him 18 of the 278 delegates available state-wide.

Mrs. Gloria Karp, co-ordinator of McGovern's county campaign, who is on the ballot in the 24th District said she is "concerned with the identification problem." The contesting slates are not identified as

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Acupuncture a while off for upper Westchester

(An interview with Dr. Sam Rosen of Katonah on the subject of acupuncture appears on page 11)

MT KISCO — Although experimentation with acupuncture as an anesthetic in surgery, and a pain reliever for some ailments, is now under way in the United States, it is likely to be awhile before the new technique, learned from the Chinese, is used in upper Westchester.

Dr. Arthur Green, an internist and head of Northern Westchester Hospital's intensive care unit, confesses to hang ups about the use of acupuncture which are shared by many American doctors. It is "incompatible with everything I've been taught," Dr. Green says.

Observation of acupuncture in China by several distinguished American doctors, including Dr. Sam Rosen of Katonah, an ear surgeon (see page 11 story), are "very valid," Dr. Green

concedes, however. And he would "love to see" acupuncture surgery performed himself.

Dr. Green is one of those who thinks there may be an element, similar to hypnosis, in the acceptance of acupuncture by the Chinese, who have long been conditioned to its use to relieve minor pain.

He recalls cases, when he was a resident at Jacoby Hospital, of young women brought into emergency who were completely paralyzed from the waist down. The paralysis was genuine, they could not feel needles stuck in their feet. Yet, when a girl's mother was brought in, she would snap the patient out of it and have her on her feet in two minutes.

Such paralysis, though real, was apparently of hysterical origin. It is much less common in upper Westchester than among the poor in big cities where there is a "higher level of frustration and deprivation," Dr. Green notes.

Conservationist support sought against garage

By DAN MARGULIES

ARMONK — Five Old Orchard Road families will appeal this week's State Supreme Court ruling permitting construction of a bus garage for BOCES near their homes.

Kenneth Lange, attorney for the families, said they are seeking the support of Westchester County and various conservation groups in their appeal. County officials have long been on record opposing the bus garage site.

Conservationists fear the damage the

garage operation might cause to adjacent Cranberry Lake.

Robert Trainor, state Supreme Court justice, issued his decision in favor of BOCES Monday. Final judgement on the case will be issued formally next week. Judge Trainor said the Old Orchard Road residents failed to prove their charges of danger to the ecology of Cranberry Lake and fire and traffic hazards stemming from garage operation.

The Town of Harrison is appealing a similar suit.

Construction began in January, 1970, but was halted a month later by the first of three suits. The first suit, brought by then

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Buses washed at rejected BOCES site

ARMONK — BOCES has been washing its bus fleet at the mid-Westchester campus site it rejected as a location for its new bus garage because of traffic problems.

Old Orchard Road residents here who are protesting construction of the new garage above Cranberry Lake were told by BOCES in 1970 that the wash bays would be eliminated at the neighborhood facility.

Residents thought the washing would contribute to the damage to the lake's ecology they fear from the bus maintenance facility. In an attempt to compromise with angry citizens, BOCES announced it would eliminate the wash bays and take several other steps to improve community relations.

Most of the other items were "cosmetic," according to Kenneth Lange, attorney for the Old Orchard Road residents. The group is appealing its case to prevent construction of the garage altogether. Con-

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Berking backs Sen. McGovern

WHITE PLAINS — Max Berking, the county's Democratic leader, Thursday announced his support for the Presidential bid of Senator George McGovern.

In February, Mr. Berking had come out for Senator Edmund Muskie, who has since abandoned active primary campaigning for the nomination.

"George McGovern has strong support in Westchester, but he and I know we need the support of all Democrats to win in November. Senator McGovern has assured me of his desire to work with all elements of our party, and I believe him," Mr. Berking said.

Mr. Berking is scheduled to meet during the weekend with Senator McGovern in New York. In 1968, after the assassination of Senator Robert Kennedy, Mr. Berking had backed Senator McGovern.

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