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# Wives Helping Out-Of-Work Husbands

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This is the second in a three-part series on the area economy.

A 6.3 per cent unemployment rate still means that 93.7 per cent of Seminole County's workforce is working. But those persons out of work are suffering.

Men who have worked hard all their lives are having to watch their wives go to work to take up part of the bread-winner's role. The hurt is as much to pride as to the pocketbook. Going to the unemployment office does not come easy. The trek to the food stamp office on Oak Avenue creates extreme distress for them. The county or state welfare offices are almost the last straw.

One Longwood man, a skilled tradesman, lost his job after nearly 20 years. He was out of work for one week before finding another job at Fernandina Beach about 125 miles away. Besides lost time in commuting, it meant a \$100 a week cut in salary as

well, but he is grateful to be working. The family has cut expenses "to the bone" and the telephone is the latest "luxury" to go.

A brickmason and block layer in Altamonte Springs has been out looking for work every day since his job gave out two months ago. Just the other day, he drove a neighbor with him to a job prospect at a shopping center. The neighbor, he allowed ahead of him in the line waiting to be interviewed for the position, got it.

His wife, although in poor health, goes to her part-time job at a department store in the afternoons. The husband and wife, native Southerners and used to substantial breakfasts, now see that their young son eats a good meal while they diet on coffee in the mornings. At lunch, the couple snucks while their son, sent

with coins in hand, buys a nutritious lunch at school. She cooks a good meal in the afternoon for her husband and son before going to work.

He won't apply for food stamps or free school lunches. Not yet. With a good record of prompt bill payment over the years, those to whom debts are owed are being patient.

Another couple in Sanlando Springs is living on savings and the wages of the wife's new part-time job at a cafeteria. In his 50's, this man had never been out of work in his life.

A homebuilder from Sanford thought he was a failure in life when his wife had to go to work to support the family. She had never worked before and had no particular skill except as a homemaker. He sold a house last week and things are looking better.

A well-paid executive in a development firm in Seminole lost his job in August. He tried sales work for a while, but was un-

successful. Recently, he got a job in St. Petersburg in construction work as a foreman and now hopes to be named manager of an apartment complex. In the meantime, his family continues living in Seminole and he comes home on weekends.

The stories go on and on. Families that had more than enough money to live well, now economize. They shop for the best food buys. Their air-conditioners were turned off last summer. Clothes dryers are not being used. Hanging out the laundry to dry in the Florida sunshine is back into vogue.

Turning off the lights as soon as one leaves the room. Smaller More meatloaf, spaghetti, macaroni and cheese, bread from the day old store, bean soup, potato soup and less pizza, fewer hamburgers, less steak and roasts are the bill of fare.

A food bargain is the name of the game with a prayer that things will get better.

# Stromberg-Carlson Cuts Its Work Force

By BILL HOWELL  
Herald Staff Writer

Stromberg-Carlson Corp. here has laid off 95 employees indefinitely from its normal 900-man work force and furloughed an additional 575 for two weeks beginning Dec. 23.

The move was announced to employees Friday according to Joseph G. Hartwig, industrial relations manager. It is the first general layoff here for the telephone equipment manufacturing firm since it began its Sanford operations in 1971, Hartwig said.

The company will retain about 225 workers to meet basic customer commitments and emergency service needs.

"The 95 were laid off indefinitely and we don't know exactly how soon we can recall these people," Hartwig said. "I don't see us being able to do a thing until the general economic outlook improves."

The furloughing was a general move for the firm's four plants in Sanford, Rochester, N. Y.; Camden, Ark., and Charlottesville, Va. Stromberg-Carlson, with general headquarters in Rochester, is a subsidiary of General Dynamics Corp. of St. Louis (NYSE).

The Sanford operations of the firm realize an annual payroll of approximately \$5 million. Reasons for the layoffs and furlough were due to major customers having been forced to postpone new construction and modernization programs.

because of the high cost of capital (the prime interest rate charged by banks to favored industrial customers has been running at historic highs).

Hartwig put the blame squarely on the prime rate and cost of capital, the decline in housing starts and delays experienced by telephone companies to get rate improvements to meet rising costs.

Stromberg-Carlson manufactures telephone equipment for independent telephone companies.

The move affects primarily production line workers at the plant, but some supervisory personnel have been furloughed or shifted to other types of jobs, Hartwig said.

Those furloughed will receive normal holiday bonuses and retain their company benefits, but no wages will be paid for the two-week period.

The layoffs hits employees hired during 1974 and all levels of seniority affected by the Christmas furlough.

Hartwig said he believed all

will be eligible for unemployment benefits.

Curried on additional layoffs or furloughs, Hartwig told the Herald, "At this moment in time, we feel that this will be it. But if the general economy suffers any further declines, we will be forced to adjust our manpower accordingly."

Many have been optimistic about a turn-around in the national economy at the first of the year. However, few indicators have surfaced to evidence this.

# Zoo Official Seeks Aid

Central Florida Zoological Society President James Ryan was scheduled to appear before the Seminole County Commission today seeking assistance with paving necessary roads within the Society's planned zoological park off U.S. 17-92 and 14, west of Sanford.

He expressed confidence in the success of the Society's efforts and cooperation by the entire area in donating more than 55 per cent of the \$87,000 goal necessary to complete construction of the new zoo. Ryan said an additional \$100,000 will be needed to pave roads within the park and fence the facility's entire perimeter before it can be opened to the public.

"There's no question in my mind sufficient money will come in to save the animals for the area," Ryan said.

The \$100,000 cost of road paving and park fencing has always been considered of secondary importance to raising the funds for the zoo construction to house the animals and thus save them for the area, Ryan said. The road paving is estimated to cost \$60,000 and fencing \$38,000.

Ryan said the society's plan is to seek volunteer assistance with the fence installation. The fencing, a requirement of state and federal law, is more to keep people out of the animal's natural habitat than to keep the creatures inside the boundaries of the park.

The natural environment at the large park is being retained with cat cages and other buildings designed to blend in with wooded scenery.

The paving is necessary because roads in the jungle-like atmosphere becomes quagmires when it rains.

Since considerable money could be saved if the county does the paving with its equipment and labor, Ryan was to make the appeal today.

Meanwhile, Ryan also was confident today that the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission deadline for improving living conditions for the exotic animals at the old zoo at Park and Seminole Boulevard will be extended.

Ryan said improvements for the animals have been made at the old facility and substantial sums have been raised toward the \$47,000 goal for completing housing arrangements for the animals at the new park.

A Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission representative is expected to inspect the facility for a "look-see" at the improvements this week, Ryan said.

Zoo Director Jack Hanna has enlarged cages, improved to a degree the faulty drainage system and rearranged animals. Some of the easier to care for animals — parrots and monkeys — have been farmed out to friends and families who could take care of them.

A special showing last week of Stan Brock's "Forgotten Wilderness" at the Sanford Plaza theatre raised \$300 for the cause.

Meanwhile, at the new site, construction began again on the buildings. Fifty per cent complete are three buildings to house the monkeys, large cats, and other animals. Yet to be built are the children's petting zoo, elephant, hippopotamus and alligator housing, enclosures for grazing animals, the medical center, a concession building and an office building.

Between periodic inspections.

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## WEATHER

Yesterday's high 70 low this morning 41. Considerable cloudiness with a chance of rain through Tuesday. Complete weather details page 5A.



## SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

# Boston To Submit New School Plan

BOSTON (AP) — The Boston School Committee submits its phase two desegregation plan in federal court today and decides whether to close schools early for the holidays following a weekend of massive demonstrations for and against busing.

U.S. District Court Judge W. Arthur Garrity ordered the committee to approve a plan and submit it to him by noon today. The committee scheduled a vote on the plan, which is slated to call for the busing of 35,000 school children, just 30 minutes before the deadline.

The initial court-ordered desegregation plan was implemented in Boston schools this fall with the busing of 18,000 of the system's 98,000 pupils. That plan has already divided the city and led to sporadic racial violence. Sunday, some 4,300 school busing foes rallied on Boston Common, listening to speeches denouncing Garrity and calling for a constitutional amendment to prohibit forced busing.

Just 24 hours earlier the Common was the scene of a prointegration rally which attracted an estimated 20,000 demonstrators, capping a threemile "National March Against Racism."

Both rallies followed a week of violence and demonstrations in a number of high schools, and the stabbing on Wednesday of a white South Boston High School student. Seven schools in the predominantly white section of South Boston and Roxbury High in the city's black section have been closed since that incident.

The school committee will decide today whether to keep the schools closed throughout this week, which would give students an extended Christmas vacation and a lengthy cooling off period.

Lorraine Faith, mother of Michael Faith, 17, whose stabbing touched off the week's earlier demonstrations, addressed the Sunday crowd.

She said Garrity "seems to have more power than any dictator who ever crawled on the face of the earth."

"When my son was stabbed, Judge Garrity responded by heaping more indignities on us. He made it a federal offense for more than three of us to gather in our own neighborhood," she said.

Faith is listed in good condition at Boston City Hospital and is expected to be released shortly.

The demonstrators came by motorcade and on foot Sunday, many from South Boston and others from suburbs to the south of the city.

# Energy Committee To Meet Thursday

The possibility of a home heating oil fuel shortage during the current cold months and the chance of a general petroleum shortage after the first of the year will be discussed by the Seminole County Energy Resources Committee Thursday.

The committee was created by County Commissioner Sid Vihlen Jr., after area residents experienced problems obtaining heating fuel during last winter's fuel shortage.

Vihlen said that he "will be making extensive efforts to collect all available information . . . for identification at our upcoming meeting."

According to Vihlen, some counties have indicated that they are already having trouble finding acceptable fuel sources this year.

The committee is a composite of representatives from petroleum distributors, power companies, natural gas distributors, city governments and low income families.

The meeting will follow a dutch-treat luncheon in the Sanford Marina Holiday Inn at noon on Thursday.



DISNEY BUILDS A 'MOUNTAIN'

Several former astronauts are expected to be on hand for the opening of RCA's Space Mountain (far right) at Disney World on Jan. 15. It will be a high speed thrill adventure — simulating a race through the length of a football field. (Herald Photo by John A. Spolski)











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MONDAY

Table with TV listings for Monday, including programs like 'To Tell The Truth', 'Concentration', 'What's My Line', etc.

TONIGHT'S TV

Table with TV listings for Tuesday, including programs like 'Sunrise Jubilee', 'The Bishop Grady', etc.



HOLIDAY SCHEDULE AT MAGIC KINGDOM
Motion Picture star Rock Hudson narrates the Christmas story at the annual Candlelight Processional at Walt Disney World Dec. 21 and 22 at 7 p.m.

'She'd Rather Not Talk About It'

By JAY SHARRITT
AP Television Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — Stephanie Edwards, who occasionally appeared in the "Girl With Something Extra" series, is a girl with something extra.

Gone with Wind

A crossword puzzle grid with clues for 'Gone with Wind'.

BOOK REVIEWS

THE SEARCH FOR JOSEPH TULLY. By William H. Hallahan. Bobbs-Merrill. 271 Pages. \$6.95.

Advertisement for S+S Cafeterias featuring a menu with items like 'Baby Beef Liver', 'Smothered Chicken', and 'Chopped Sirloin'.



SANTA! ARE YOU UP THERE?
It might be a bit early for some folks, but not Leslie Crabtree, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Crabtree, 499 Elliott Ave., Sanford.

Jobless Must Wait Four Weeks For Check

By DONNA ESTES
Herald Staff Writer
This is last installment of three-part series on area's economy.
Unemployment insurance, welfare and other programs are available to qualified people out of work, but there is a three to four week waiting period between the time a person applies for and receives help.

Unemployment Rate Soars

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Florida's unemployment rate has skyrocketed to 7.1 per cent, state officials say today.

City Commission Establishes Annexation Fees

By BOB LLOYD
City Editor
Sanford City Commissioners have voted to draw up an ordinance setting, for the first time, fees for annexation applications and reviews.

County Endorses Overpass

By BILL BELLEVILLE
Herald Staff Writer
A resolution asking for special federal funding for a highway overpass on SR 46 over the Seaboard Coastline Railroad west of Sanford was endorsed today by the Seminole County Commission.

Aid Bill Passes

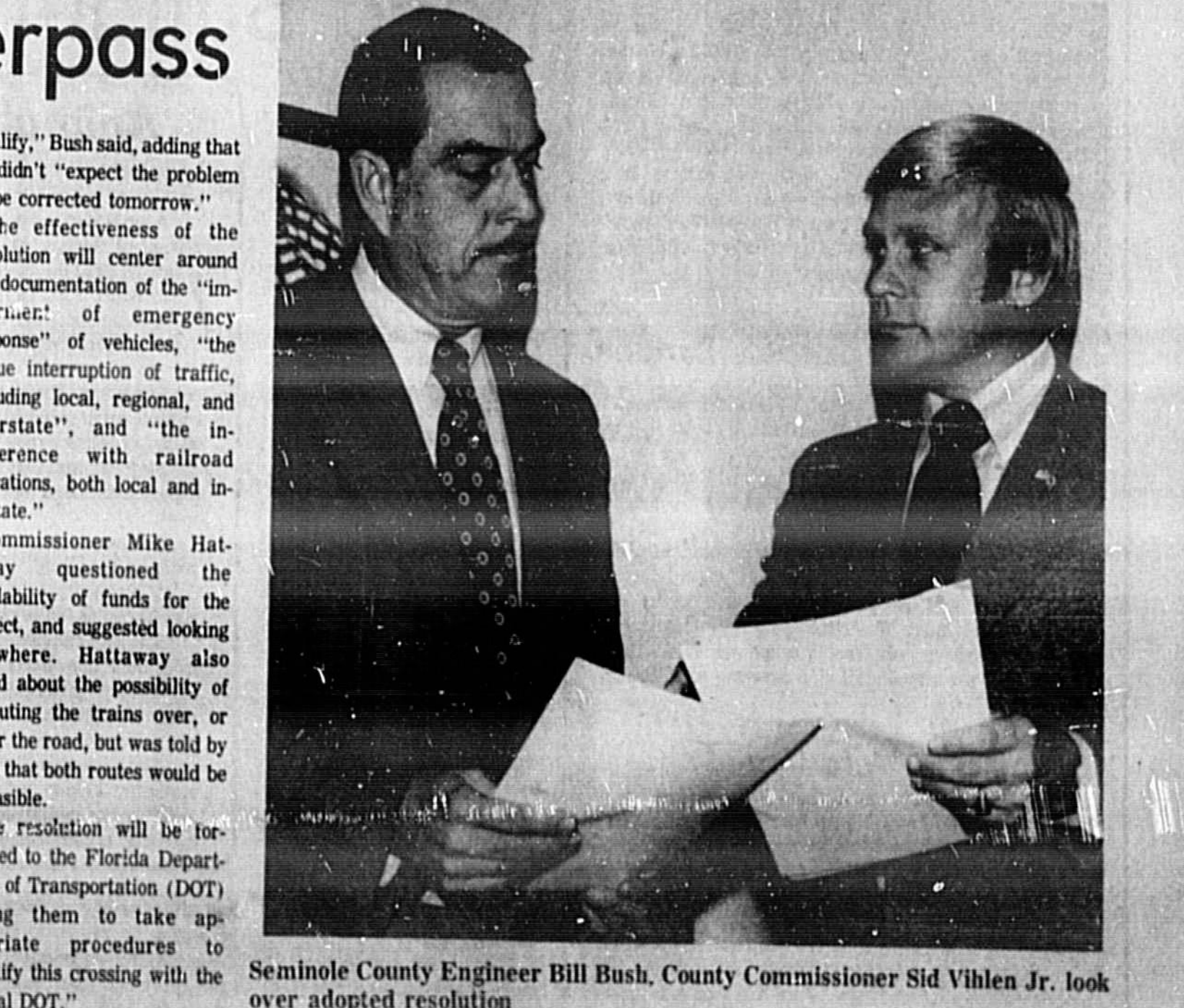
WASHINGTON (AP) — A House-passed highway aid bill would authorize new money for rural roads and more funds to cities that want to strengthen mass transit systems rather than build highways.

Advertisement for Plaza Theatre featuring 'The Bear' and 'The Christmas Rerun'.

Advertisement for Ritz Theatre featuring 'Lialie!' and 'The Sunnes'.

Large advertisement for ZAP! restaurant featuring 'We've zapped our prices Monday through Thursday' and menu items like 'Steak \$3.95' and 'Roast Prime \$4.25'.

Advertisement for Freddie's Steak House featuring 'Heavy Western Beef Chopped to Perfection'.



Seminole County Engineer Bill Bush, County Commissioner Sid Vihlen Jr. look over adopted resolution.