

What are Structo Schools? Herewith are the Answers

BOSTON, Mass. — Structo Schools Corporation of Boston, the firm which will supply the component parts of the two schools being designed for Franklin Township by Micklewright and Mountford, Trenton architectural firm, is really an old firm with a new name.

The parent of Structo Schools Corporation is Anderson-Nichols & Company of Boston, an internationally-known consulting architectural and management engineering firm. Anderson-Nichols & Company is well known throughout American business and government circles. One of the most dramatic feats performed by this firm to date has been the designing and engineering of the so-called Texas Towers, the famous man-made radar islands off the northeast coast of the U. S. The company has another wholly-owned subsidiary, which is what Structo Schools Corporation is, called ANelex Corporation. ANelex is a manufacturing division which has developed high-speed synchronous electronic data processing installations to record and print in readable form the computations and decisions of giant electronic "brains." The wraps have recently been removed by the government from some of this equipment, one example of which is capable of printing at the rate of 108,000 characters per minute.

What is now the Structo Schools Corporation began six years ago at Anderson-Nichols. Actually, it took the form of a research and development program. Interest was aroused in developing a low-cost school building technique because of tax and other situations which existed in a small town outside Boston where E. Ross Anderson, senior partner of Anderson-Nichols, lives. The school population and the tax rate to accommodate it were headed up. In addition, existing school facilities were inadequate and outdated. They did not provide a healthy atmosphere

Churchwomen Plan For Day of Prayer

WOODBRIDGE — Services for World Day of Prayer, to be observed throughout the world will be held locally under the auspices of the United Church Women of Woodbridge, tomorrow.

Three separate sessions will be held with the first service slated for 2 o'clock in the Methodist Church here and the second at 4 P. M. in the First Presbyterian Church, Avenel. The third session will be held at the same time in the Methodist Church here for the Protestant Youth Council of Woodbridge.

At the afternoon meeting the Rev. William H. Schmaus of Trinity Episcopal Church will be the speaker. His topic will be "One Flock, One Shepherd." Mrs. Walter Scull will be the guest soloist and George Ruddy the organist.

Rev. Earl H. Devanny will give the opening prayer at the evening service in Avenel. Mrs. Harlan P. Trull, president of the United Church Women will give the welcome message. "Call to Prayer" by Mrs. Charles H. Kuhlman. Women representing the various churches of the township will participate in the prayer and praise service. They are Mrs. Edwin Earley, Presbyterian Church; Mrs. Mabel Shepard, Trinity Episcopal Church; Mrs. Ernest Moffett, Congregational Church; Mrs. Fred Briegs, Presbyterian Church; Mrs. Albert Bergen, Hill, Presbyterian Church, Avenel; Mrs. William Dinkins, First Baptist Church.

Rev. Dewey Fagenburg will offer the "prayer of the day" and Rev. Clifford Munn the "offering."

The proceeds from the "offering" will be divided between Home and Foreign Missions for education, hospitals, and medical schools. This year the service comes from the Cook Training School for Indian Christian Leaders in Phoenix, Ariz., a school which receives part of the "offering" each year.

Rev. Laszlo Kecskemethy will close the meeting with a benediction. Mrs. Kuhlman is the general chairman and Mrs. Ralph E. Stauffer is in charge of ushers.

The youth program will use the American Indian adaptation of the World Day of Prayer Service. Those taking part will be Misses Sandra Schoonover, Priscilla Puckett, Carl Hohferr, and Gilman Kutcher. Rev. John Bunce, assistant pastor of the Methodist Church will be the guest speaker. His topic will be "Into All Lands." Donald Peck will be the organist. Miss Schoonover and her committee are in charge of arrangements.

MOTHERS' CLUB MEET

WOODBRIDGE — A regular meeting of the Mothers' Club was held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. James Sabatino, 16 Winston Drive, with Mrs. Runyon Ernst as the co-hostess. The guest speaker was Miss Mary Filosa, of the Reading Clinic, Rutgers University. He topic was "Reason for Reading Difficulties and Methods used in Correcting Them." The March meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. John Aquila, 170 Edgar Street. Mrs. Edward Keating was a guest.

for child development. As a matter of fact, one of Anderson's own children developed a bronchial and asthmatic condition because of poor ventilation.

So, Anderson-Nichols embarked on an expensive and lengthy program which would provide the answer for attractive, healthful, fire-resistant, flexible, modern school buildings at a cost that could keep town management and officials sane.

Component parts of the buildings which will appear in Franklin Township, should the referendum of March 1 be approved, have been tried and perfected throughout various school systems in Massachusetts. Mr. William Deegan, formerly city manager of Quincy, Mass., and now executive vice president of Structo Schools, had much to do in coordinating this research and testing in his own city. It was as a result of his keen interest in the Structo program, gained during his terms as a city manager, that Mr. Deegan came to devote full time to Structo.

Emphasizing that Structo Schools are not prefabricated buildings, Deegan points out that the key to the economy of the buildings is the employment of a basic unit design. Unit design means standardization to meet universal school needs. Further, it allows for ready expansion and addition to existing buildings which actually improve the utility and appearance of the buildings.

Built into the basic unit designs of the schools are components which are made from existing manufacturing facilities. For example, the steel curtain wall construction of the schools uses the same panel units that are now manufactured by U. S. Steel and in use in office buildings.

The modular units of the Structo Schools have literally been planned from the inside out to meet the needs of the child. Much consultation and research was carried on with school architects and educational consultants to arrive at the Structo modular unit. One facet of the plan which has now been perfected is that it increases by some fifty percent the actual teaching area of each classroom. This in itself is a tremendous economy factor.

The school has been designed to meet the psychological, as well as the physical requirements of the child. Teaching areas are flexible, with movable furniture; room temperatures and humidity are automatically controlled. The use of prismatic glass in overhead lighting introduces light evenly over the entire classroom area. Optional equipment includes every known electronic teaching aid, even to closed-circuit television facilities. As well, each classroom meets the national standard of accommodating 30-35 pupils with comfort.



BENJAMIN BERTMAN

NAMED DIRECTOR: Benjamin Bertman, vice-president of the Russell-Stanley Corporation of Woodbridge, has been named director of the First National Bank in Carteret, it was announced today.

Auxiliary to Mark 26th Anniversary

AVENEL — Plans were made to celebrate the 26th anniversary of the Ladies' Auxiliary to Avenel Fire Company, March 17, at a meeting Tuesday in the firehouse. Mrs. Stanley Derewsky was named chairman.

An invitation was accepted from Fords Memorial Post to participate in the Memorial Day Parade.

A Valentine social was held after the business session. The choral group under the direction of Mrs. Everett Johnson, sang several selections.

Mrs. Michael Hrabar was guest of honor at a baby shower which was held under the chairmanship of Mrs. Michael Tedesco.

The dark horse prize was won by Mrs. Walter Meyer, and hostesses were: Mrs. William Russell, Mrs. Zolton Vargo, Mrs. William Hofesang, Mrs. Frank Wanca, Mrs. Godfrey Thompson, Mrs. Elwood Smith and Mrs. Joseph Ward.

Port Reading Juniors Give Valentine Play

PORT READING — The Junior Mousketeers of Port Reading presented a Valentine play at the home of Mrs. William Treider, 40 Third Avenue.

The play was written by Florence Treider and Nancy Treider. Other members of the club are Nora Ricci, Christina Kollar, Alfred Buczynski and Linda Treider. The refreshments were donated to the Polio Fund.

Port Reading Personals



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Children of Mary Meet
Members of the Children of Mary Sodality of St. Anthony's Church will receive Holy Communion in a body Sunday at the 5:00 o'clock Mass.

Outgoing officers, Misses Albina D'Alessio, president; Julia Pillo, v. ce-president; Annette Coppola, secretary; and **Dolores Cluffreda,** treasurer will meet Saturday at 4:15 P.M. with incoming officers in the church hall. Incoming officers, Misses **Dolores Cluffreda,** president; Anna Rotil, vice-president; Nancy Cotter, recording secretary; Joan Martino, corresponding secretary; and Anna Marie Nagy, treasurer will be installed Sunday after Mass.

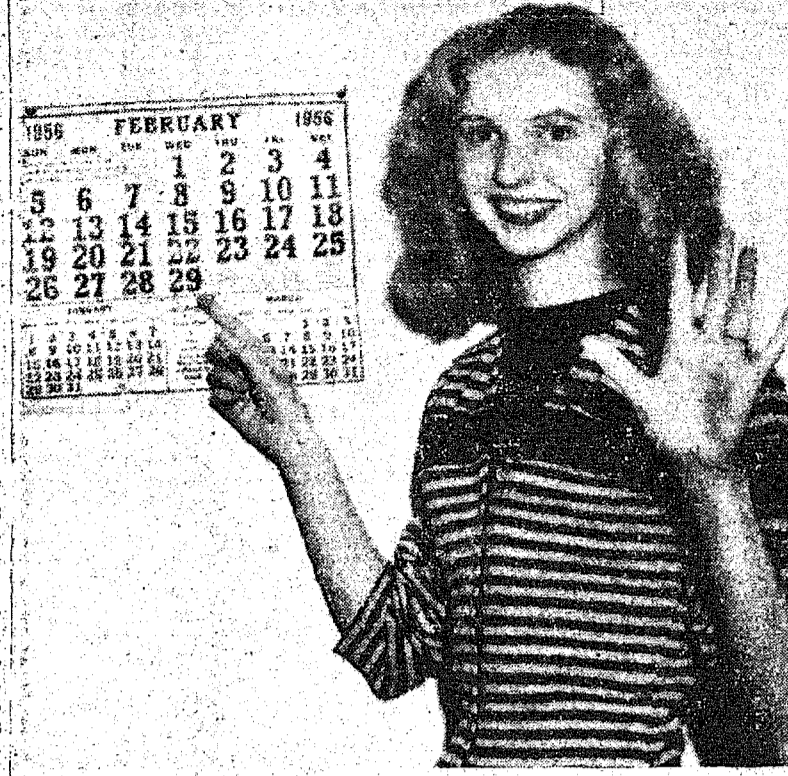
Valentine Party
Girl Scouts of Troop A sponsored by St. Anthony's Church held a Valentine party Monday night in the church hall with Mrs. Andrew Warso, Mrs. Herman York, and Mrs. Jack Timar, leaders, in charge. Games were played and refreshments served. Birthdays of the following were celebrated: Margaret Ferik, Barbara Lakatos, and Mrs. York.

Parents who attended were Mrs. Peter Dossena, Mrs. William Treider, Mrs. Stephen Lazar, Mrs. Michael Ferik, Mrs. George Hasko, Mrs. Stanley Frederic, Mrs. John Ahlring, Mrs. Americo Coppola, and Mrs. William Golden.

Stations of Cross Friday
Throughout Lent, which began yesterday, Stations of the Cross will be recited every Friday evening at 7:15 o'clock in St. Anthony's Church. Novena services in honor of St. Anthony will be held every Tuesday evening at 7:15. All are urged to attend Lenten services and daily Mass throughout Lent.

Postal Exam Scheduled
Applications for the postmaster's position at the Port Reading Post Office are available at all post office buildings or may be obtained from the Civil Service Department in Washington, D. C. The closing date is February 21 and exams will be given at New Brunswick.

Guest Speaker
The Port Reading Fire Company at its regular meeting had as its guest Frank Fehr, Safety Director of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority. Mr. Fehr spoke on the "Safety Angle Pertaining to Fire-



MISS BARBARA ANN KNOTT

FIVE YEARS OLD OR TWENTY? Miss Barbara Ann Knott, 105 Indiana Avenue, Iselin, will actually have her fifth birthday on February 29 and is engaged to be married. Miss Knott, of course, was a leap-year baby and only has a birthday every four years. Above she is shown pointing to the date of her birthday with one hand and the number of birthdays with the other. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Knott, Barbara has two sisters, Mrs. Jane Bier, New York State, and Linda, 12, at home. A graduate of Woodbridge High School, Barbara is employed at Raritan Arsenal. She is engaged to Sabel Stafford, West Virginia, who is stationed with the Army in Korea. He plans to return to the States in July, and an October wedding is being planned. During the off-years, when there is no calendar birthday, Barbara has a party on February 28 and receives her gifts on March 1.

matic Duties in the Operation of the Turnpike. Due to the easy accessibility of both north and south bound entrances to the Turnpike, Mr. Fehr appointed the local Fire Department to cover all fires originating on the Turnpike in the local fire district, and also appointed them on a standby basis. His offer was voted on and accepted.

Mr. Anthony Ragucci was voted in as a new member. A donation was voted to the March of Dimes. The Communion Breakfast date was set for Palm Sunday, March 25. Chief Steve Lazar, and Assistant Chiefs Richard Zuccaro and Michael Gulch were appointed in charge of arrangement. Rocco Simeone was voted welfare chairman for the month.

Auxiliary Activities
The Auxiliary card party committee met Monday at the home of Mrs. Leo Cluffreda, 601 Turner Street. The card party will take place Tuesday, February 21, in the firehouse. Mrs. Cluffreda will be assisted by the following com-

OBITUARIES

MRS. ELIZABETH SPISAK
WOODBRIDGE — Mrs. Elizabeth Spisak, 54 Claire Avenue, died Sunday at home. Surviving are her husband, Paul; two daughters, Mrs. William Tarci, Avenel, and Mrs. Emil Gavinski, Woodbridge; two grandchildren and two sisters, Mrs. John Toth, New Brunswick, and Mrs. Andrew Takacs, in Europe. Funeral services were held this morning from the Greiner Funeral Home and in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. Burial was in St. James' Cemetery.

14 Green Street, Woodbridge and at 9 o'clock in St. Anthony's Church, Port Reading. Burial will be in St. James' Cemetery, Woodbridge.

CHARLES VIDAKOVICH
PORT READING — Charles K. Vidakovich, 75 Daniel Street, died Sunday at Perth Amboy General Hospital after a short illness. He was an employe for the past 28 years of the Armour Co., Carteret.

Husband of the late Helen Bathany Vidakovich, he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Charles Hendricks, Port Reading and Mrs. Stanley Kalamon, Carteret; three sons, Marco, Nicholas and Charles, all of Port Reading; five grandchildren and a sister in Europe. Funeral services were held this morning from the Greiner Funeral Home and in St. Anthony's Church. Burial was in St. James' Cemetery.

MATTEO RENZULLI

PORT READING — Matteo Renzulli, 64 Fourth Street, died Tuesday at Perth Amboy General Hospital after a brief illness. He is survived by his wife, Antonina, and two daughters, Louise and Mary, and two sons, Anthony and Felix, all of Springfield, Mass. Funeral services will be held tomorrow morning at 8:30 o'clock from the Greiner Funeral Home.

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We here and now make a solemn promise to you. This victory is only the beginning. We intend to stand watch and make sure that the best interest of the Community is served to the end that our children will have adequate classrooms as soon as possible at the least cost to the Taxpayer.

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