



NEW ADDITION — Central Foundry addition was made to the Massena plant of this General Motors subsidiary in the spring of 1979. The

company boast a contribution of more than \$83 million to the local economy, including wages and purchases.

Massena Opens Industrial Park

BY BERYL BOND
MASSENA — Declaring "This is a special occasion for Massena and the North Country," MC Lou Stoiber, chairman for the Industrial Park Committee, introduced a series of speakers who had been involved in the launching of an effort here to garner jobs and industry for the area.

The setting was the new Industrial Park located off South Main Street, behind the village garage. The time was 11 a.m. Sept. 27, 1979. The day was sunny, the skies were blue, and smiles were on every face, reflecting both the achievement and promise the participants spoke about in brief addresses to those attending the ground-breaking ceremony.

Chrysler Dealer Also Repairs Cars

MASSENA — Our staff includes five experienced and factory-trained mechanics who can install air conditioners. We also feature automatic speed control units and Sun electronic equipment as part of our speciality line.

Not only this, but we also do automatic transmission work. Our instant parts data communication system includes a computerized parts locator. If you need parts in a hurry stop in and watch our system work. Whereabouts of your part and immediate shipping is optional.

Even if you do not wish to purchase, come in and ask either our parts or service man to show you around.

And remember there's always a good selection of new and used cars at Massena Chrysler Plymouth.

Stoiber said the Massena Town Board "bit the bullet and appointed a committee" of Earl Gero, Lawrence Dalton, Walter Basmajian, Francis Walsh and himself. That membership, he said, was totally committed to the success of the park. The chairman paid tribute to Supervisor Floyd Richey and Mayor G. Laurence White, saying "We wouldn't be here today without their support and that of the county legislature."

The committee chairman lauded, as did other speakers, the activity of St. Lawrence County Economic Developer William Cook, saying we "leaned on him for service and support."

Greg Foster, President of St. Lawrence Smelting and Processing, a dress plant to be located in the park, said the plant was "started in thoughts years ago, and was tentative and difficult at times. We will now proceed as fast as possible, and hope to be under construction in a couple of weeks and in operation next spring. We will be a part of the positive economic development of this community."

"I'm happy to have people in Massena with the foresight to tackle such a big job and carry it through," Supervisor Floyd Richey said, in pointing out this is "only the beginning" and will mean more jobs here.

Walter Basmajian, who was born and raised in Massena, called the Park's establishment "the greatest accomplishment," and praised the work of the village and town boards, Cook and Foster.

Cook cited the work of Engineer Bob Brown, and the seed money for the project that was provided by Dave Demarest, Jim McGuinness and Walter Basmajian, which was the initial \$18,000 to purchase the land and get it going.

"The plant to be located here will recycle, and this is in the spirit of what we are doing," Rosemary Pooler, State Consumer Protection Agency head said in expressing enthusiasm for the undertaking.

Bennett Abrams, chairman of the county legislature, said that he was happy to have Bill Cook recognized and to have the county a participant in the economic development effort in Massena.

Wrapping it up, Stoiber declared "There's no reason why the North Country can't be successful."

Pellegrino, Oil Pioneer, Remains Very Active

MASSENA — John Pellegrino, over 83 years of age, is still active in business. Starting in the city of Utica in 1925, Mr. Pellegrino returned to Massena in 1927 in taking over the Northern Maytag Company. He added oil-heating and propane gas to the business in pioneering oil heating in the North Country, serving over 4,000 customers.

Upon the death of his oldest son, Vincent, the oil division was sold. Mr. Pellegrino is well recognized with the Maytag Company, and is one of the very few left to survive its founder and friend Fred L. Maytag. During all these years he has been in business, he enjoys dealing with the younger third generation and is often reminded of their grandmothers buying their first washer, a Maytag from Pellegrino.

Pellegrino Gas & Appliance has a wide distribution in St. Lawrence and

Central Foundry Added \$83.4 Million To Economy

MASSENA — General Motors' Central Foundry Division Massena Plant added a record \$83.4 million to the local economy in the form of wages to employees and purchases from local

supplies in 1979, according to a year-end statement released today by Robert P. Hendrichs, plant manager.

The total is 23.5 percent higher than the previous record of \$67.5 million set in 1978.

7,464 suppliers in the state. GM's manufacturing employment in the state averaged 41,000 in 1979, versus 40,000 in 1978.

Realty Firm Ups Volume During '79

MASSENA Paul E. Fournier, Realtor and owner of Fournier Gallery Of Homes reports that in 1979 his combined offices and sales staff handled 150 sales, totaling \$5,650,000 in dollar volume. Although sales were down, the dollar volume was up about 7 percent with the increase in the average sale price of property hitting \$38,250.

Fournier Realty's first office was opened in August 1969, and there are now five offices in St. Lawrence County with the main office being at 124 Main Street in Massena. Other branches are in Potsdam, Canton, Ogdensburg and Gouverneur.

In March 1979 Fournier and his wife, Carolyn, attended a Gallery of Homes convention in Williamsburg, Va. After taking courses offered by the New York State Realtors Institute in Syracuse, Rochester, Ithaca and Albany, he received his GRI designation being the second only broker in St. Lawrence County to achieve this designation. Mr. Fournier is Vice President of the St. Lawrence County Real Estate Board. Each year he has conducted Home Buyers Seminars to help the people who are buying their first home learn all there is to know about buying a home. Mr. Fournier is a Certified Residential Appraiser, being a member of the American Association of Real Estate Appraisers.

Employment at the plant averaged 1,426 in 1979. Payrolls totalled \$35.6 million, almost a 25 percent jump over the 1978 figure of \$28.5 million. Last year \$47.8 million was paid out by the plant to purchase goods and services from local suppliers, a 22 percent increase from the \$39.0 million spent in 1978.

In addition, seventy awards totalling \$36,178 were earned by employees through the GM Suggestion Plan for their ideas on improving the plant's efficiency and safety.

Expenditures at the 11 GM manufacturing facilities in New York State totalled a record \$1,544 billion, up 16 percent from the previous high of \$1,328 billion spent in 1978. This included more than \$978 million in payrolls and, nearly \$568 million for purchases from

Looking ahead, Hendrichs noted, "The automotive aluminum parts manufactured at the Central Foundry Massena Plant play an important part in GM's efforts to develop increasingly more fuel-efficient vehicles. The cars GM is making today in the U.S. achieve a fleet average of 21.4 mpg, compared with 12 mpg in 1974, and every model in every line is more fuel-efficient."

"In fact, GM's worldwide capital expenditures necessary to build new products, modernize plants and equipment and provide for anticipated productive capacity requirements, totalled \$5.3 billion in 1979," Mr. Hendrichs commented, "GM's capital expenditures are expected to exceed \$8 billion annually in the early 1980's. This trend should benefit both our plant and our community."

WINTER CLEARANCE SALE

20% OFF ENTIRE STOCK
Ladies Queen and Half Sizes

ON SALE FEB. 4th -9th

We carry name brands such as...
 Lady Devon - Barry Ashley
 Ronnie Phillips — Casualmaker
 Exquisite Form - Danskin

Sizes from 38-52
 14 1/2 to 32 1/2

Fashion Plus 67 MAIN ST., MASSENA

ALL 1980's IN STOCK

FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY!

| | |
|---|--|
| <p>Sleek and Slippery: TAKE IT TO THE LIMIT PLYMOUTH HORIZON TC3</p> <p>3.7-liter (225 CID) Slant-Six engine, TorqueFlite 3-speed automatic transmission, power brakes with front discs, glass-belted radial whitewall tires, transverse torsion bar front suspension.</p> | <p>First American front-wheel drive small car. Holds four adults, high-back custom vinyl bucket seats, folding rear seat and hatchback holds 33.9 cubic feet of cargo.</p> |
| <p>You Know A Good Thing WHEN YOU SEE IT PLYMOUTH VOLARE</p> <p>Six-Passenger roominess and comfort in sedans and station wagon models.</p> | <p>Standard equipment includes 3.7-liter (225 CID) Slant-Six engine, three-speed manual transmission, glass-belted radial tires, isolated transverse torsion bar front suspension, front disc brakes and more.</p> |
| <p>The Mid-Size Car With QUALITY AND VALUE</p> <p>New styling and engineering for 1980.</p> | <p>CHRYSLER LEBARON 3.7-liter (225CID) Slant-Six engine, wide ratio TorqueFlite automatic 3-speed transmission, Transverse Torsion Bar front suspension with anti-sway bar.</p> |
| <p>More Than Transportation: A MATTER OF FAMILY PRIDE</p> <p>Back in the Plymouth line-up for 1980</p> | <p>PLYMOUTH GRAN FURY Generous six-passenger roominess plus standard luxury comforts of a full-size car.</p> |
| <p>PLYMOUTH ARROW SPORT PICKUP</p> | <p>2.6-liter four-cylinder Slant Shaft MCA-JET engine, five-speed manual overdrive, transmission and three-spoke sport styled steering wheel.</p> |

MASSENA CHRYSLER-PLYMOUTH INC.

98 Center St. 764-0283

MAYTAG MAD MARATHON! MID-WINTER Clearance on MAYTAG

out... OUT... they go!
 savings on famous Maytag dependability.

WASHERS • DRYERS • DISHWASHERS

feature packed-

HEAVY DUTY WASHER •
 BIG LOAD DRYER •
 BIG CAPACITY DISHWASHER

SAVE NOW

ACT FAST!

PELEGRINO your MAYTAG dealer For over 55 Years

MAYTAG BIG CAPACITY DISHWASHERS GOOD SAVINGS

NORTHERN MAYTAG COMPANY

PELEGRINO GAS & APPLIANCE 29 Center St. MASSENA
 GIBSON APPLIANCES, PROPANE GAS SERVICE, WATER-HEATERS

WE DELIVER, INSTALL, SERVICE ANYWHERE IN ST. LAW. COUNTY