



**DORM DESIGN** — Dormitories at Canton ATC were designed to house 864 students in double rooms, but because of the high numbers of students, they now house some 1,043. Sixty-five percent of ATC students living on campus are tripled in the residence halls' double rooms. This is one of the problems faced by Canton ATC as it grapples with continuing budget cuts from the state.

### Canton S & L Gains

**CANTON** — The Canton Savings and Loan Association enjoyed "another strong year in 1979," President Harold W. Wilder told members gathered for the association's recent annual meeting here.

Wilder said that although savings growth slowed somewhat in the last half of the year, savings gains for 1979 totaled \$3,126,282. He pointed out that savings totals are important because new deposits provide much of the money

Canton Savings has to lend to home buyers, and it takes an average of 12 savings accounts to provide the funds for one mortgage loan.

"We're proud of our role as a specialized mortgage lending institution," Wilder said. "Savings associations were created nearly 150 years ago to serve the thrift and home ownership needs of the American people, and we at Canton Savings take that responsibility very seriously."

"We're especially proud that we helped 115 local people purchase homes here last year, in addition to financing the construction of 11 new homes," he said.

Canton Savings paid \$2,917,743 in interest to its savings depositors, an increase of \$398,792 over 1978. Assets at year-end stood at \$51,072,508. After expenses and taxes, \$391,011 was added to reserves, bringing total reserves up to \$5,589,988, or 12.7 percent of savings capital.

During the meeting John M. Merrill, Thomas P. Patterson and Frederick A. Rexford were re-elected directors of the association.

At the board's organizational meeting, the following officers were re-elected: Wilder, president; Merrill, vice-president; Lita M. Maroney and Anna Mae Kennedy, assistant secretaries; Richard J. Hand, appraiser and collection manager; and Albert Jakobson, attorney. Other members of the board include: Wilder, E. Frederick Barbour, Walter J. Leonard, Karl M. Mayhew Jr., Dr. Allen P. Splete and Robert P. Whalen. Henry B. Horn and G. Atwood Manley are directors emeritus.

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### Variety Shop Is Opened

**NORWOOD** — Patty's Variety Shop, 30 Main St., Norwood is the first business venture for owner Patty McGinnis. "I love it," reports Mrs. McGinnis, who opened the store on Oct. 29, 1979.

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## ATC: Protecting Programs Against Cuts

**CANTON** — Can there be optimism in face of adversity? Obviously, the answer is yes, but optimism is something that has to be worked at in adverse conditions. This is true of a state-supported institution, as well as an individual family.

At the State University of New York Agricultural and Technical College at Canton (Canton ATC), new emphasis is being placed on protecting programs which the state budget does not support. Now that more cuts are being mandated in the new budget, there is even greater need for increasing self-support, according to Canton ATC spokesmen.

Why? The following facts are significant: Of the \$15.4 million budget at Canton ATC, only \$9.7 million comes from the state.

— The actual student-faculty ratio at Canton is 21.5 to 1, while the state bases assistance on 20.5 to 1.

— Canton ATC serves 2,605 credit course students, while the state bases assistance on 2,000.

— Canton ATC serves more than 500 North Country residents with non-credit educational programs, with no state assistance.

— Students housed on campus number 1,100, but residence halls were designed for 864. This means that 90 percent of the freshmen housed on campus are tripled in double rooms.

— Due to the lack of vacancies on campus, second-year students are required to apply for a room through a lottery system; of the 500 students who desire housing on campus in their second year, only 300 can be accommodated.

— As a result of lack of accommodations, some students choose another college or transfer to a college that can house them on campus.

— Canton ATC has a hockey team that has won the NJCAA national championship six out of seven years, yet the college has no ice arena.

— Annual equipment replacement should be at the rate of 10 percent of campus inventory, but this year the state allows only 1.1 percent.

— Canton ATC provides \$653,000 in research and public service activities, while the state provides nothing for these.

That \$653,000 comes from competitive grants which save New York tax dollars and provide needed programs to area citizens. In the area of public service,

some 17,000 North Country residents who participate in community organizations use campus facilities. A partial listing of those groups includes: Canton Volunteer Fire Department; Seed, Feed and Fertilizer Dealers; St. Lawrence County Continuing Education Council; Youth for Christ-Campus Life; Cub Scouts; St. Lawrence County Holstein Club; Grasse River Players; Canton Rescue Squad; American Red Cross; St. Lawrence County Firemen's Association; Emergency Medical Services Council; Boy Scouts of America, Canton; St. Lawrence County Cooperative Extension Bureau; Helping Hand; St. Lawrence County Manpower Training Testing; St. Lawrence County Professional Engineers; Health Organizations; Canton Chamber of Commerce; Day Care Center; State Police Trooper Examination; Educational Consortium of Health Care Agencies; Black River-St. Lawrence Regional Planning Board; high school groups and church groups; H. Tractor Certification; League of Women Voters; and the Canton Senior Citizens.

Valuable research is funded by the Canton College Foundation, a not-for-profit fund strictly for Canton ATC use. Wind energy research, a study of the

Grasse River for heavy metals, dairy beef raising, dairy heifer raising, a study of the effects of aerobics on cholesterol in the blood, metrics for business — there's a long list of research projects by faculty and students for the public, conducted without a penny of state money.

In addition, funds from the College Foundation provide grants, scholar-

ships and work-study opportunities for students.

**The Decade of Austerity**  
What does it all mean for 1980 and beyond? It means that Canton ATC is battling the cuts — cuts that have taken 20 staff positions in the last five years, though the student enrollment has risen 42 percent in the past decade.

### Sew-Rite Arrives

**POTSDAM** — Sew-Rite Sewing, located at 29 1/2 Maple Street, is a newcomer to the Potsdam business scene, having officially opened its doors to the public on Oct. 1, 1979.

The store, which is owned and operated by Joe Matthews, specializes in sewing machines and cabinets, carrying 16 lines of machines including White, New Home, and Pfaff.

Matthews, an employee with the Singer Sewing Machine Company for 13 years before he bought out their Massena location also specializes in machine repairs and maintenance. He has also worked as the district manager for New Home Sewing Machines, a New Jersey-based operation with Matthews crediting the experience he gained with New Home as being very influential in his establishing the Potsdam store.

In the coming year he plans on having several sewing seminars within the Sew-Rite store, with these seminars being conducted by the various sewing machine manufacturers. He is also considering opening up a store in the Malone area.

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