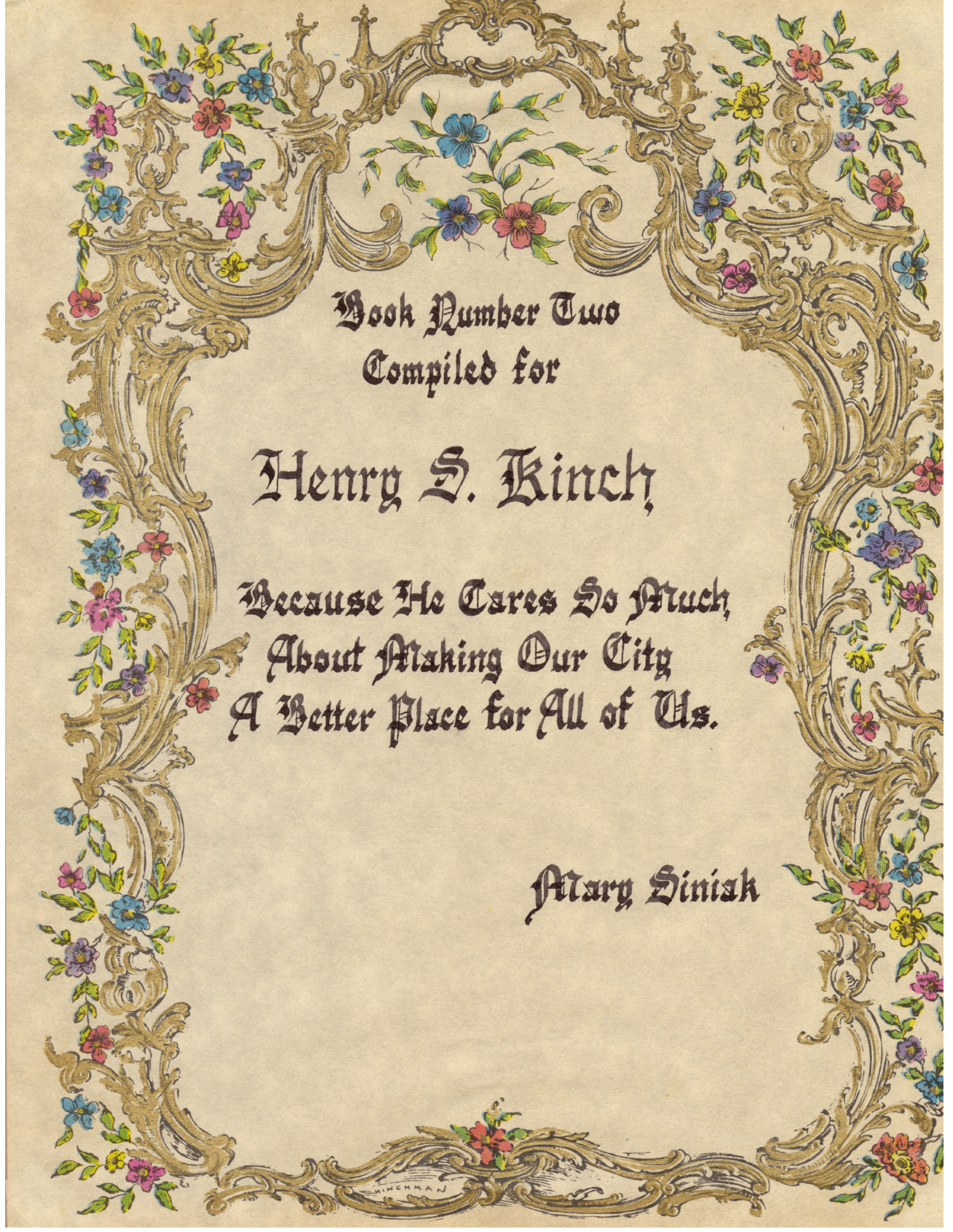


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A close-up portrait of a middle-aged man with light brown, wavy hair and blue eyes. He is wearing a dark suit jacket, a white dress shirt, and a dark tie with thin red and white stripes. The background is a dark, textured grey. The entire image is framed by a thick red border.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1981

Gloves off in race for mayor

Pawtucket

By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — The mayoral campaigns of Councilman Henry S. Kinch and Mayor William F. Harty Jr. are expected to heat up considerably between now and the Nov. 3 election. Many observers predict a marked escalation in spending and in the candidates' criticism of each other.

Sources said they expect the candidates to drop their gloves and to stop pulling punches.

Harty has promised to campaign more vigorously than he did in the months leading up to the primary. Sources close to his camp said yesterday that even before Kinch beat him in Tuesday's primary, Harty's aides were planning to increase spending this month.

Harty is acknowledged to have more financial resources than Kinch, and that advantage was demonstrated by the amount of advertising Harty purchased before the primary.

After losing to Kinch by 648 votes Tuesday, in an election Harty

Analysis

was expected to win, Harty's forces likely will press every advantage they have, including financing, most sources agreed.

"THERE WAS a pretty obvious effort to try to draw Kinch out and exhaust their resources before the primary," a source said. "The goal was to have Henry peak and finish about 500 to 1,000 votes behind in the primary. Unfortunately, it is not clear that he's peaked, and he turned the anticipated results around on them."

"I understand that the former mayor is so upset about his son losing, that he's going to spend some of his own money," another source said.

Dennis M. Lynch Jr., the son of former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch, is Harty's campaign manager.

It also was learned yesterday that some Kinch supporters are counseling him to be tough in his criticism of Harty, especially in trying to link him with the previous administration.

"He has these issues," said one knowledgeable observer, who asked not to be identified. "The close association between Harty and Lynch. The fact that as president of the City Council and chairman of the party, if anyone was in a position to stand up to Lynch, Harty was, and he didn't."

"I've really urged Henry to paint Bill as not being his own man," the source said. "I think that's the best way to go about this, and I think you'll see more of it."

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OTHERS SAID that Kinch forces might attack Harty's background by asserting that it is not time for another "real estate businessman-mayor." Lynch worked in the real estate business before he was mayor.

At the same time, some people think that Harty's aides will advise their candidate that having an image as a "nice guy" is good, but that an election is an election, and Tuesday's results mean that it is time to get tough.

Some say that if Kinch makes an issue of Harty's not offering opposition to Lynch, Harty should counter by pointing out that Kinch did little to oppose the former mayor, and that Kinch is being deceitful by raising the issue.

Others said Harty also might make an issue of Kinch's private employment by saying that while Kinch is trying to paint himself as being in a key management position at the Gorham Corp., his duties actually are more mundane, and do not include responsibilities that would train him to handle a municipal budget of \$50 million.

"I think Bill realizes it's time to forget that he and Henry are friends, that they worked together on the council for 12 years and attended social functions together with their wives for years and years," said a local official who backs Harty.

"They can remain friends, certainly, but this is business, and I think there is the feeling that Bill has to evolve a feel for the jugular."

"He's got to grow a harder shell very quickly," the source said. "Unfortunately, it's time for that. It's unfortunate, too, that sometimes voters see that sort of viciousness as a test of the degree to which a candidate wants a job. And I think the voters now expect Bill to be a little desperate."

"The point about linking him with the mayor will have limited returns for Kinch, of course," another source said. "First of all, remember that Dennis Lynch is well liked in most quarters in this community."

"And also remember that if Henry is going to claim he's got a better record as a councilman and, at the same time, criticize Bill for not dissenting from some of Lynch's positions, Henry should be forced to show where he took the initiative, and Bill's got to make him do that."

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1981

Harty, Kinch have equal funds

Harty spent \$11,000 more during primary campaign

The two survivors in Tuesday's mayoral primary began their drive for the Nov. 3 general election with about equal amounts in their campaign war chests, according to campaign finance statements submitted to the State Board of Elections for the pre-primary reporting period.

According to the financial statements filed Sept. 30 by their campaign treasurers, Mayor William F. Harty Jr. raised and spent \$11,000 more than Henry S. Kinch during the period.

The Harty campaign had receipts of \$39,829.56 between July 1 and Sept. 29, and spent \$29,634.77, leaving a cash balance of \$10,194.79, the report by campaign treasurer C. Robert Coutu showed.

Kinch was left with a Sept. 27 balance of \$9,634.94 after raising

\$28,419.25 and spending \$18,784.31. According to his treasurer, Vincent R. Duffy, this amount includes a balance of \$4,210 already in Kinch's coffers when he began his campaign.

Both Lawrence L. Goldberg and James A. Kenney, the two other candidates in the mayoral primary, filed affidavits claiming their expenses were less than \$5,000. Goldberg also reported he received no contribution exceeding \$200.

Harty's two pre-primary statements filed with the elections

board listed 14 contributors of \$200 or more. Kinch reported five contributions that size or larger.

The bulk of the expenditures of both candidates were for advertising, signs, postage, phones and expenses related to staging fundraisers at the Pawtucket Country Club. Harty also made contributions to the campaigns of candidates for city council and the school committee.

Major contributors to the Harty campaign are as follows: Deblois Political Action Fund, \$600; Dennis

M. Lynch, \$500; Coutu Bros. Inc., \$500; Ferland Corp., \$500; Lee Pare & Associates, \$500; D & B Auto Inc., \$500; Bruce Envelope Co. Inc., \$500; Charles Dudinski, Providence, \$500; Pawtucket Red Sox, \$400; Fairlawn Construction, \$300; Stanley and Elizabeth Moskwa, \$300; James M. Pascale, \$300; Gaskell Associates, Cranston, \$300, and Cerels Inc., \$300.

Contributions detailed by the Kinch campaign are James Murray, \$500; Lee Pare & Associates, \$400; Sandra Taylor, \$300; C. Pezza & Son, Johnston, \$300, and Alpha Electric, \$250.

Kenney reported that he spent \$3,800 of his own funds on his behalf, and listed \$300 contributions from Joseph T. Kenney and Thomas F. Kenney.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1981

Organization won primary for Kinch

Analysis
By **BOB LITCHFIELD**
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Political insiders are still sifting through Tuesday night's primary election results looking for the meaning, and there seem to be as many theories as there are analysts.

But one fact stands out in everyone's mind: the organization put together on behalf of Henry S. Kinch was more effective in getting out potentially supportive voters

than were the troops loyal to Mayor William F. Harty Jr.

Now, with the primary behind them, everyone expects the tempo of the election drive to increase and for both sides to pull out all the stops.

Beyond that, however, the consensus ends.

Was Kinch's 850-vote plurality in the primary truly indicative of the relative strength of the two candidates, or was Kinch simply able to mobilize more of his supporters

Tuesday?

Was the turnout of 11,500 (32 percent) low or was it what could be expected? Did the weather or the predictability of a Harty-Kinch runoff affect that turnout?

Is it true, as Kinch claims, that many voters are looking for a change, or are many people who didn't vote Tuesday more likely to cast ballots for Harty in November?

Despite the post-election protestations to the contrary, it must be presumed that Harty expected to

win the primary, even that he should have won the primary.

The fact that he didn't was clearly a shock to many within the Harty organization. Some of those people had been predicting that a decisive Harty win would deliver a knockout blow to Kinch.

Not only did Kinch's strong showing keep him in the race, it gave him momentum and will help negate the one clear advantage Harty had before Tuesday: the ability to raise the substantial amount of

money needed to wage a successful campaign.

From Harty's point of view, there were several distressing results Tuesday. First, he failed to carry the Third District, his home area and a section of the city that always had given him a comfortable cushion of votes while he ran for his at-large council seat.

Secondly, the voter turnout in the Fifth and Sixth Districts, the only two he won, were low in comparison (See **MAYORALTY**, page 6)

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to the others. That may be due to the fact that there were no district council races there, as Harty supporters pointed out, but there was no council primary in District 2, either, where Kinch won by 200 votes.

Kinch's victory in the 3rd District was totally surprising and Harty supporters still are at a loss to explain it.

The Harty campaigners apparently are going to adopt some of the highly successful campaign tactics put in use by Kinch. The Harty election effort had been centralized in Democratic Headquarters downtown. Now, however, it appears that district organizations will be established in each ward.

The primary result also has fueled speculation as to the extent that Harty's close affiliation with former mayor Dennis M. Lynch hurt him with many voters.

Harty has been accused of trying to ride in on the organization that methodically re-elected Lynch four times. Dennis Lynch Jr., the eldest son of the former mayor, is Harty's campaign manager and the most visible person in the Harty organization.

Even some people on the Harty

team reportedly have told the mayor that having Lynch's son as his campaign manager was a mistake, that Harty should have acted early to put his own stamp on his election team.

One political veteran noted Wednesday that "No matter how good you are, people just want a change sometimes." Harty's term as mayor, he noted, is widely viewed as an extension of the Lynch administration.

Kinch is hoping to capitalize on that feeling, if, as he believes, it is widespread, and use his primary victory to the best psychological advantage.

Harty, though, is still the mayor, and can be expected to make full use of every asset the incumbency brings. Many of his supporters are fighting for their political lives — and of course, in some cases their jobs.

Both Harty and Kinch are reportedly being counseled to get tougher in their criticisms of the other. People in both camps expect the election to be close and tough, and they expect that whoever goes down in November will go down swinging.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1981

For new police station/court center

Kinch, Harty oppose bonds

PAWTUCKET — The two mayoral candidates agree on at least one issue: both oppose the upcoming \$3.6 million bond issue that would finance transformation of the former Anna J. Burns School on Prospect Street into a police and court center.

The candidates, Mayor William F. Harty Jr. and City Council President Henry S. Kinch, both voted as council members to place the bond issue on the Nov. 3 ballot, but now believe in light of federal budget cuts affecting the city that the renovation would be too expensive.

They disagree as to the future of the school and the police station,

now located in the south wing of City Hall.

Harty believes the school should be sold to a private investor. He said present police quarters, while "not ideal," are "tolerable."

Kinch said that if elected, he would study the possibility of renovating the police station and would consider keeping the school for office space.

The bond question will remain on the ballot, but both candidates are asking the electorate to vote against it.

During his press conference, Harty called for passage of the two other bond questions, which concern street and sidewalk construction

and repair of school buildings. Kinch made no mention of those.

Kinch, meanwhile, does not see the timing of the announcement from both camps on the Anna Burns question as a coincidence.

Harty made his announcement at an 8 a.m. press conference today at City Hall. Kinch informed the media of his position Wednesday afternoon.

Harty called it a coincidence, noting that his office had informed the media Wednesday afternoon of his press conference today.

"We heard that he got wind we were going to make an announce-

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ment this week and he called a hurry-up press conference," Kinch said today.

Harty said he had been concerned about the bond issue for several months. "I'm not surprised he (Kinch) has taken this stance (against the bond issue)," Harty said. "The very obvious thing is we aren't doing it because of his stance."

Kinch said the bonding package would end up costing city taxpayers \$5.9 million when interest costs over 15 years are added, and said that in his mind the project "does not make economic sense."

"Passage of this package would increase our city's total bonded indebtedness by 14 percent, a very substantial increase," Kinch said. "I do not believe this is the time for the city to engage in a new and expansive remodeling program without hard thought being given to the impact such a program would have on the overall financial picture."

Kinch pointed out that \$8 of the city's \$76.60 tax rate now goes toward paying off the city's \$24 million debt. With the Burns School bond issue approved, another one dollar would be added to that tax rate, he said.

Harty agreed with Kinch's estimation of the fiscal impact. Additionally, he said that federal cutbacks will not only mean fewer dollars for the city but reduce the need for additional space in City Hall or the former school for city departments now renting quarters elsewhere.

The school renovation, with the District and Municipal courts also moving to the school, was proposed by the administration of former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch. Harty said he was never "red hot" about it, but neither was he opposed, which is why he voted to place it on the ballot.

"The idea is not a bad idea, but it's an idea whose time hasn't come," he said. "We're asking everybody to tighten their belts."

Kinch said he voted in January to place the bond issue on the ballot so the voters could debate its merits. He said he believes there are alternatives to moving the police department into the Burns School building, which was vacated by the school department in June.

"We could renovate the existing police space, or retain the school building as office space by relocating other city departments there," he said, noting that such a move would save the city at least \$60,000 a year in rent.

But Harty said he has asked the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency to look into the possibility of selling the former school to a private investor "so that it is a tax producer, not a tax burden."

Harty said that while the police department would like "upgraded facilities," Police Chief Joseph C. Roy "understands that the situation is such that right now it is just not practical."

Harty said that given the federal cutbacks in community development and human services programs, "it is clear that certain offices will require less space than previously considered."

THE QUALITIES OF LEADERSHIP HENRY KINCH HAS THEM

HENRY KINCH — PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR

There's a science to running city government on a day-to-day basis — it's called Public Administration. Henry Kinch has a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Administration. Henry graduated, with honors, from Roger Williams College. He knows about municipal finances, accounting, and the value of long range planning. Henry, who graduated from Tolman High School, has the knowledge and technical training to be a great Mayor. Those are the qualities of leadership and Henry Kinch has them!

HENRY KINCH — SKILLED BUSINESS MANAGER

Henry Kinch has been a plant manager for the Gorham Company for 10 years. He is used to big companies and big responsibilities. In addition to his college degree in Public Administration Henry has been trained in Time Study and Industrial Engineering by the Gorham Company. Henry Kinch knows how to run a business, negotiate labor contracts face to face, and how to get the most out of every dollar spent. Those are the qualities of leadership and Henry Kinch has them!

HENRY KINCH — PROVEN GOVERNMENT LEADER

Henry Kinch was elected to the City Council in 1969 and is now the City Council President. Henry has proved his leadership in saving \$2.7 million on the construction of Jenks Junior High School, collecting \$248,000 in back taxes from Narragansett Race Track, and starting the Home Ownership Opportunity Program (HOOP) a pilot program that got houses built for people of moderate income. Those are the qualities of leadership and Henry Kinch has them!



LET'S TAKE
A
NEW
DIRECTION

KINCH

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Chairman

Harty, Kinch oppose bond issue proposal

Say project to convert school too costly

By JOSEPH DRISCOLL
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Mayor William F. Harty Jr. announced today that he opposes a proposed \$3.6-million bond issue to convert the former Anna Burns school to a combined police station and court building.

City Councilman Henry S. Kinch, a candidate for mayor in the November election, said yesterday that he opposes the bond issue, which will appear as a referendum on the Nov. 3 ballot.

Harty denied at a press conference this morning that his opposition is linked to Kinch's earlier comments about the referendum. "I guess we're on the same wave length," Harty said. "He just got his (statements) in yesterday."

Kinch and Harty, then a councilman, voted last January to put the bond issue on the November ballot, after such borrowing had been proposed by former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch. The candidates since then have decided that it would be too costly for the taxpayers.

Kinch said that the 15-year bond would cost the city \$5.9 million,

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including interest. Harty estimated that the bond would cost the city \$5.53 over the 15-year period.

"At the time the bond issue was proposed, we did not know the extent of the federal cutbacks and their devastating impact," Harty said. "It is clear now that even more cutbacks are forthcoming."

Under the proposal, the Anna Burns School on Prospect Street would be renovated to house the District and Municipal Courts and the Police Department.

The plan calls for the the Redevelopment Agency, Office of Community Affairs, Board of Canvassers and the Planning Department to move to the space vacated by the police, Harty said.

Harty said the idea of a bond issue to establish a new police headquarters is "an idea whose time has not come. It's impractical." He said that the current (police) quarters are crowded and that the plan to establish more spacious

offices for the police initially had some merit.

"The police are crowded but we'll have to make do the best we can for now," he said. "It (the police office space) is livable but, it's not ideal."

In announcing yesterday that he opposes the bond issue, Kinch said that if he is elected mayor he would study the possibility of renovating the current police headquarters, which now also houses the Fifth District Court.

He said that an empty garage area behind the building possibly could be used for expansion.

The Burns School now houses some Recreation Department and Civil Defense offices. Kinch said he would continue those uses and possibly expand its use to also include offices for other city agencies which now rent space in private buildings.

Harty said today he believes that the school should be sold to a private developer so that it would be a tax producer, not a tax burden.

"As a contingency, I am directing

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the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency to prepare a marketing packet for possible sale of the former school to the private sector," Harty said.

He said that proposed bond issue, which will be submitted to city voters, would raise the city's current \$76.60 property tax rate to \$77.60 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

Harty said he was not surprised that Kinch took the same stand. He said that he and Kinch initially voted on the council to put the issue on the ballot to give the voters a chance to decide for themselves.

Kinch, who was downstairs in City Hall after the mayor's press conference, said he had thought that the mayor would oppose the bond proposal. "We (his campaign supporters and workers) knew that he (Harty) got word we were going to come out against it and called his own press conference on the subject," Kinch said.

The Evening Bulletin
Thursday, October 15, 1981

Kinch leads, Harty trails, both happy

By ED GAULIN
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Henry S. Kinch has vaulted from the role of the underdog to that of favorite since the Oct. 6 mayoral primary, exchanging places in the process with William F. Harty Jr.

That has neither of their campaign managers upset. In fact, both seem comfortable with the new perceptions of their candidates created by Kinch's first-place showing in the primary, where he led Harty by some 800 votes.

"I'm not surprised at all," said

Kinch's campaign manager, Andrew E. McConnell.

He insists that Kinch did not gear for the primary and has, from the beginning, aimed for Nov. 3 as the time to peak. Winning the primary was just a bonus, he said. "We weren't fearful (of early peaking) before and we are not now," he said.

But he said he and Kinch and the campaign lieutenants make sure that complacency will not seep into the campaign because of the primary win.

"We've tried to instill in all of

(the campaign workers) that results have turned around before between the primary and the election," McConnell said. "There was no sitting around and gloating the next morning," he said of the primary victory.

Harty's campaign manager, Dennis M. Lynch Jr., said he was not really surprised by the second-place showing in the primary because the Harty camp has been polling "almost every week" by random sampling on the telephone. "Yes, we were worried," he said of the primary, "because the largest number of voters were undecided."

He said the newspapers had made Harty the "favorite" to win the primary. He said Harty never should have been the favorite because he got launched into the campaign much later than Kinch and really did not have enough time to make up the difference.

"We can come from behind and win," he said. "That's the only way I know how to campaign. That's the way I was taught by my father (former mayor Dennis M. Lynch)," he said.

McConnell said the primary — other than changing the image of

Kinch from underdog to favorite — has had very little effect on the campaign.

Was there an influx of money after the primary?

"That didn't really materialize," McConnell said.

He said money has been coming in regularly from hundreds of individuals and from \$15-a-ticket dinners at local restaurants. That is still the case, he said.

In November, "I have the feeling that we're going to see even better

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results out of the first and second (council districts)," he said.

He said Kinch is supported in those districts by councilmen Philip J. Moran and James E. Doyle. He said Moran did not have to worry about surviving his primary and Doyle did not even have a primary opponent. He said he thinks supporters of Moran and Doyle who will also support Kinch in the election did not come out in the numbers they would have if the councilmen faced serious challengers.

"We're going along just as we planned back in July," McConnell said. "For a long time we didn't even know if there would be a primary," he said. "We were geared towards November from the begin-

Lynch said he doesn't view the primary as a defeat. "We won, we were not knocked out of it," he said of the elimination contest which ended the campaigns of James Kenney and Lawrence Goldberg.

"It gave us a month to organize the neighborhoods," he said.

He said the biggest problem in getting supporters out for the primary was the favorite's role the media dressed Harty in. "That may have held the vote down," he said.

But the real support Harty has was manifested the day after the primary when the largest crowd to date in the campaign squeezed into Harty headquarters, Lynch said.

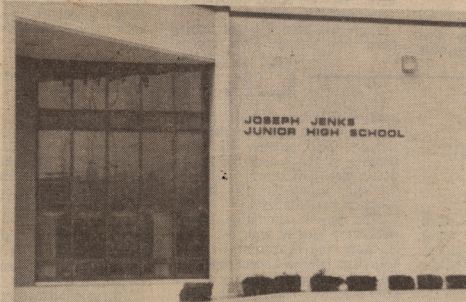
you have to remember that in a four-man field, one of the candidates began working in June and July," he said of Kinch. While Kinch was campaigning and building momentum, Harty was "learning the job," Lynch said. "He immersed himself in City Hall."

Learning the job "took Bill Harty between seven and eight in the morning and six at night for several weeks," Lynch said. "Now, it's late August before we got started."

"We want to make sure we peak on Nov. 3," he said. "I feel that if 18-20,000 people vote...we'll do very well" in November.

"Our polls show improvement week by week," he said. "We can come from behind and win."

HERE'S HOW HENRY KINCH SAVED \$2.7 MILLION ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF JENKS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL



ON APRIL 2, 1973 THE PAWTUCKET SCHOOL COMMITTEE HELD A SPECIAL MEETING TO SEEK CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL FOR AN \$8 MILLION BOND ISSUE TO REPLACE JENKS JR. HIGH SCHOOL.

HENRY KINCH STOOD ALONE IN SAYING JENKS COULD BE BUILT FOR LESS

"He (Henry Kinch) said he does not feel the school board has looked at alternatives and suggested that an 1,100 pupil junior high school at perhaps \$5 million would solve the problems posed by Jenks ..."

Evening Times
April 3, 1973

"He (Henry Kinch) advised the Committee that his opinions were his own and had no reflection on the other councilman. He noted that from reading the newspapers he assumed the School Committee was going to request a \$10 million bond issue, that is \$8 million for the replacement of Jenks Jr. High School and \$2 million for the replacement of Cottage Street School. As a councilman he said he was committed to a balanced program for the City of Pawtucket and would not be a party to the \$10 million program as he felt this would bring fiscal irresponsibility to the City of Pawtucket."

Official Minutes
Pawtucket School Committee
April 2, 1973

ON APRIL 4, 1973 THE PAWTUCKET CITY COUNCIL VOTED TO REJECT THE SCHOOL COMMITTEES \$8 MILLION BOND REQUEST.

HENRY KINCH LED THE WAY IN GETTING IT DONE

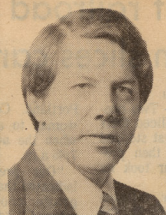
"Opposition to the entire bond issue was led by Councilman Henry S. Kinch. He said he wanted the new schools, but feared the impact the cost would have on the city's financial standings, and the city's other projects."

EVENING TIMES
APRIL 5, 1973

AS A RESULT OF HENRY'S EFFORTS JENKS WAS REPLACED AT A COST OF \$5.3 MILLION. SAVING PAWTUCKET \$2.7 MILLION.

"The 1,200 pupil proposal is not a new one. Councilman Henry S. Kinch of the fourth district has advocated it as a way of giving the city more bonding flexibility. He has previously been alone in his advocacy of this plan."

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL
APRIL 24, 1973



JUDGE THE KIND
OF MAYOR HE WILL BE
...BY THE KIND
OF COUNCILMAN
HE HAS BEEN

KINCH
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Andrew E. McConnell,
Chairman

The Narra memorandum here's what it contains

The City Planning Department memorandum which has led to the latest sparring match between Mayor William F. Harty Jr. and City Council President Henry S. Kinch is a three-pagedocument that was never meant to be seen by either Kinch or the public.

The city planner who wrote it and the head of his department said the memo was intended for the mayor's perusal, not intended to end up as it has — the subject of a political campaign controversy.

Kinch, who made the memo public, has refused to say how he obtained it. He did say that he did not get it from anybody in the planning department. But Kinch used the document to buttress his contention that the track project is faltering and is being mismanaged.

Harty — angry at what he calls Kinch's negative attitude about the track, the tenor of the Hennigan memorandum and the leak of the document to the media — blasted both Kinch and Hennigan.

Kinch today issued what he called "a plug for Ed Hennigan." He said he believes Hennigan is a conscientious department head and has always found Hennigan "hard-working and very competent."

Kinch defended the release of the memo, saying he believes all city documents should be public.

The document was actually written by city planner John S. Burgess, but appears under Hennigan's name. It deals with the third proposal of the Narra Viking firm which was the selected developer for a 20-acre parcel at the track which included the grandstand, clubhouse, paddock and administration buildings.

Narra revised its proposal for a major jewelry complex after a fire in the spring destroyed the clubhouse. The third proposal is for a \$6.3 million mini-park within the industrial park. It is more than double the \$2.75 million plan Narra had just after the clubhouse fire.

The memorandum says the new proposal, "Unlike Narra's original proposal (supposedly backed by a legally binding commitment)

which specifically addressed questions of building usage, design, employment, time of performance and solid investment estimates, this new concept raises far more questions than it answers."

The memorandum says that less than 30 percent of the estimated project cost "has any relation at all to the original proposal." The balance is based on speculation, according to the memorandum.

"Even the grandstand has been scaled down from the once exciting rehab project which was an important consideration in selling this property to Narra," the memorandum states.

"What should be clear to all of us is that Narra, for any number of good reasons, has defaulted on their commitment to build, own and operate a \$6 million jewelry complex employing over 1,000 people," the memorandum states. "This is the first fact to be recognized and dealt with."

The memorandum continues: "While it may be true that the unfortunate fire has necessitated plan changes, we should recall that the original proposal was being scaled down before the fire, and now it appears that not only the clubhouse went up in smoke but also all of the jobs and operations which were supposed to be located within it," the memorandum said.

The memorandum said the high percentage of the new plan based on speculation makes it impossible for the city to "accurately estimate the two major elements which are essential to meet HUD (Housing and Urban Development) requirements — jobs and private investment," the memorandum states.

The memorandum said the city has two alternatives: go with the latest Narra proposal but with the city actively involved in the site and building designs and tenant selections and the posting of a performance bond by Narra.

The other alternative, according to the Hennigan memorandum, is for the city to "recover" the portion of the 20 acres not to be used immediately by Narra and to "parcelize the site and market the site ourselves."

HENRY KINCH — HIS ANTI-CRIME PROGRAM

PROPOSAL #1: CRACK DOWN

ON NEIGHBORHOOD TROUBLE SPOTS

Henry Kinch knows that one oof the most annoying and troublesome crime problems facing Pawtucket residents is juvenile rowdyism and vandalism. This problem occurs throughtout the city — on street corners, city parks, and school yards. Drinking, loud music, and the destruction of public and private property is common. When Henry Kinch is Mayor, he will institute a crackdown on these trouble spots. Police will be quickly dispatched, arrests will be made when necessary and the problem will be stopped. Respect for the rights of taxpaying citizen's will be restored. That's just a part of Henry Kinch's anti-crime program.

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Chairman Andrew E. McConnell

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The memorandum adds that: "The remaining 70 percent is made up of buildings whose shells will be built on speculation and hopefully sold or leased to firms who will complete the interior work. In other words, 70 percent of this proposal would reproduce four times over the Marshall building which lies vacant across the street."

Kinch said the report makes it clear that the Narra proposal is indicative of the way the administrations of former mayor Dennis M. Lynch and Mayor William F. Harty Jr. have handled the track situation. He said both seemed more interested in ribbon cuttings than in solving a very difficult situation at the track.

The memorandum, he said, merely proves that nothing has changed since Lynch left office and Harty was sworn in.

"I would take it out of the hands of the mayor's office," he said of the track proposal. He said he would put the authority for selecting track developers in the hands of the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency (PRA). He said the track is the sole development of city-owned property which is in the hands of the mayor's office rather than the PRA.

Kinch said the Lynch and Harty administrations have allowed developers to buy parcels at the track for very small down payments, without any deadlines by which to produce.

But Harty said Hennigan's report is based more on "editorializing" than on fact.

"I think his nose is out of joint," Harty said of Hennigan.

Harty said both Kinch and Hen-

ward with alternate plans of their own.

"My door is always open. If they're not satisfied with a developer, then let them bring in another one," Harty said.

"Henry has done nothing but criticize. He hasn't done anything positive," Harty said. "If they've got some concrete proposals, then let's see them," Harty said.

He said it is wrong for Kinch and Hennigan to criticize him for allegedly letting developers have a free hand at the track. "They'll have to produce or get out," Harty said of any developers selected for the track.

"I should throw them out now, when I have nobody else?" he asked rhetorically.

He said Kinch has from the beginning of the campaign hammered away at his contention that the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency should be in control of selecting developers. "I'm sick and tired of answering that," Harty said. "That's like saying, 'From now on, Saturday follows Friday,'" Harty said.

The PRA, he said, already is fully involved in the track project and selection of developers.

Obviously incensed at the leak of the memorandum to the media, Harty blasted Hennigan, saying he is the slowest of any department head to get his work done.

"I got every other department head's status report on time and got Hennigan's a month late," Harty said.

He said Hennigan is so negative about the track "he drives the developers wacky. Everything he says is uh, uh, uh; he should add that to his vocabulary," Harty said.

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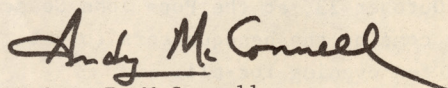
Winner exults in 'unbelievable' primary victory **Vigorous campaign paid a big dividend**
Kinch was on the go daily from noon until late at night

As you now know, the KINCH CAMPAIGN scored a solid success in the Primary election held October 6th. Our fine showing can be directly attributed to the hard work and leadership of HENRY KINCH coupled with the labor and loyalty of all our campaign workers. As I've said in the past, we viewed the Primary as a "Benchmark" en route to the general election on November 3rd. There will be many more voters turning out for that election and our job is to insure that they have received the message that Henry Kinch is the most qualified, most deserving man to serve as their Mayor in the coming years.

The job of getting that message out and of getting the Kinch voters to the polls has just begun. Our efforts, as strong as they have been, must now be accelerated over the next few weeks.

My call to each and every one of you is to renew your commitment to Henry Kinch and to vigorously join in his campaign toward VICTORY.

Keep the good fight going!



Andrew E. McConnell
Campaign Chairman

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An important aspect in this campaign is to spread the word about Henry to your relatives, friends, and neighbors. This can be done in many ways. The most effective means we know of are:

(a) Our door-to-door campaign.

Teams of volunteers are going throughout the City to personally carry the Henry Kinch message. We are looking for more of our friends to join in this effort. Please call Tim Duffy at the Kinch headquarters (#724-2120) or (#728-5051) and join a winning team!

(b) A personal message from you.

Come to the headquarters, review the voting lists, and a personal message by postcard or letter will be sent to your friends.

AT THE HEADQUARTERS

There are a multitude of jobs to be performed at the various Kinch headquarters. This work can be done at anytime, day or night, to fit your particular schedule. Merely contact Di Hammond, either by phone or personally, at the Armistice Boulevard Headquarters (#724-2120) or (#728-5051) to schedule yourself into this team effort.

LEAFLET DROPS ARE ON THE SCHEDULE BETWEEN NOW AND ELECTION DAY.

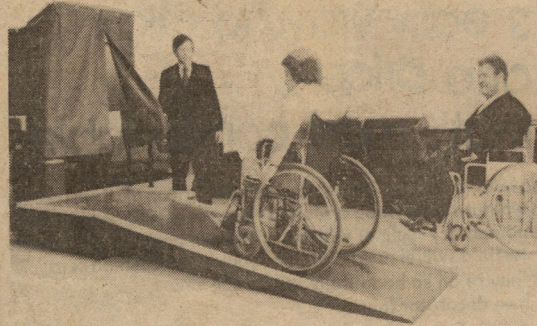
Be sure to call headquarters to insure that you will be contacted and included in these projects. Remember, the task is easy and refreshments are served.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tickets are still available for the buffet-dance being sponsored by the Third Ward Committee for Henry Kinch. The "Oldie but Goodie" festivities will be held on Friday, October 23, at the Pope John Council on New Road. Call Dick McCluskie or come by the headquarters to get your tickets. This promises to be a fun evening for all.

HENRY KINCH

"A RECORD OF GETTING THINGS DONE FOR PEOPLE"



—A COMMUNITY LEADER

A simple thing like using a voting machine is almost impossible if you're handicapped. Henry Kinch went to work on the problem. He designed and had built a ramp to help the handicapped so they could vote just like everyone else. That's getting things done for people!

"Before Henry Kinch had a ramp built for us, we had to vote using shut-in ballots. Now the problem is solved thanks to Henry Kinch.

**Delores Laverne
Vincent Conlon**

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TUESDAY, October 20, 1981

Kinch, Harty trade blasts on track

By ED GAULIN
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Mayoral candidate Henry S. Kinch Monday pointed to a Pawtucket City Planning Department memorandum on a revised proposal for a portion of the Narragansett Park industrial development as further proof that the project is being mismanaged.

The leak of the memorandum infuriated Mayor William F. Harty into an icy blast against Kinch and

Planning Director Edward M. Hennigan.

Kinch, in an interview Monday with *Evening Times* reporters and editors, cited an Aug. 27 memorandum regarding the Narra Viking proposal for a major jewelry complex on 20 acres of land and buildings at the development.

The latest of Kinch's attacks on Harty's handling of the Narragansett Park project brought the sharpest retort yet from Harty. The

mayor, for the first time, also lumped planning director Hennigan with Kinch in his counterattack.

"I'm sick and tired of their negativism about the track," an irate Harty said today. "I'm very, very unhappy with him (Hennigan) and the report and I don't care who knows it," Harty said.

Narra Associates, one of the first designated developers at the 180-acre former racetrack, has submitted two revisions to an original

proposal calling for a \$5.75 million development utilizing the clubhouse, grandstand, paddock and administration buildings for a jewelry manufacturing complex.

But a fire last spring which destroyed the clubhouse — one of the two larger buildings — caused the firm to revise its plan down to a \$2.75 million project.

The newest Narra proposal called for total spending of \$6.3 million, \$5.1 million by Narra and \$1.2 mil-

lion in spending by anticipated tenants.

The memorandum from the planning department stated that the latest Narra plan was "highly speculative."

The Hennigan memorandum states further that: "Less than 30 percent of the newly-estimated \$6,310,000 project cost has any relation at all to the original proposal."

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Harty changes style, blasts away at Kinch

By BOB LITCHFIELD

Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Mayor William F. Harty Jr. took to the offensive Tuesday night in his first face-to-face meeting with Henry S. Kinch since the primary election.

Harty questioned his challenger's credibility during the campaign, saying Kinch's claims of achievements while on the City Council are inaccurate and overstated.

Harty's change of campaign style and rhetoric during the exchange is further indication that the mayoral race is gaining in intensity as the Nov. 3 election date nears.

Speaking before 200 persons at a forum at Fogarty Housing for the Elderly, the mayor also took a shot at Kinch's labor endorsement, saying he wanted "to know what he (Kinch) promised" (in return for labor support.)

Noting Kinch's position throughout the campaign is that he intends to negotiate personally with municipal unions, Harty remarked: "That's like leaving the fox to guard the chicken coop."

Kinch, in turn, chose to ignore Harty's comments pertaining to his endorsement by the Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO, and various local unions. He said afterward that at no time had he made concessions or promises to organized labor to win union support.

Kinch calmly defended his campaign statements, at times quoting from press clippings, took aim again at the Narragansett Park development and pledged to use tax savings he has detailed to hire additional police.

Both candidates commanded the allegiance of roughly half the crowd that jammed into the Fogarty activity room, cheering or booing as the two men scored points.

Kinch charged that development of the former racetrack is not proceeding as it should because "too many friends and friends of friends are involved" and because the project is being coordinated by the mayor's office, "which lacks the staff and expertise to select developers."

He also said the city should admit it is not going to realize its Sept. 1982, project deadline and should ask the federal government for an extension, noting that of 3,600 jobs the city has pledged to generate at the site, only 100 exist now.

conditions. No one can afford to pay the interest rates they're asking of manufacturers."

Harty's campaign aides had hinted earlier this week that the mayor was ready to launch a counteroffensive against Kinch's campaign. Harty finished more than 800 votes behind Kinch in the Oct. 6 primary and it had been widely felt within both camps that Harty had to take the initiative if he hopes to win on Nov. 3.

Harty himself accentuated the departure from his past campaigns, prefacing his attack by noting he never had attacked an opponent in 12 years running for the city council.

The mayor then claimed "the credibility of the candidates should be a vital issue in this campaign." He said Kinch is wrongfully claiming credit for such things as saving the taxpayers \$2.7 million by proposing a scaled-down Jenks Junior High School in 1973, and forcing Narragansett Race Track to pay two years of back taxes it owed in 1977.

He said that as council president for seven years, he has executive experience "head and shoulders above Henry Kinch." Kinch responded by noting he is the only candidate with a degree in public administration and said his work as a Gorham plant manager has given him the skill and experience needed to run the city government.

After Harty's barrage during his opening statement Tuesday, Kinch began his by noting (the mayor's position is) "No more Mister Nice Guy."

Kinch then launched into a documented defense of his campaign claims, pulling out newspaper stories to prove points. He said his record of accomplishments on the council is unmatched and said the mayor "cannot point to a single Harty program."

Kinch said he alone went to the school committee in April, 1973, to complain the proposed Jenks school was too large and too expensive. And, he said, he led the fight on the city council that eventually reduced the size of the bond issue to construct the new building.

On the collection of back taxes from the Narragansett Racing Association, Kinch said "no one said 'boo' until Henry Kinch stood up and asked why every other taxpayer was expected to pay up while the racetrack fell behind on its payments. I guess everyone else decided it might be a good idea to jump on the bandwagon."

Harty contends the Racing Association was prodded to pay its delinquent taxes because former mayor Dennis M. Lynch finally threatened to tear up the street in front of the racetrack entrance when the track owners were struggling to stay afloat.

"In a strong mayor system, the city council can only suggest," Harty said. "In this campaign, Henry Kinch has rewritten the history of the Pawtucket City Council."

HENRY KINCH BRINGING NEW IDEAS TO PAWTUCKET

"Anyone's problems with city SERVICES should be solved—fast."

Henry Kinch

CITIZEN ACTION OFFICE

When a Pawtucket resident has a problem with city services — trash not being picked up or a flooded basement — there should be one telephone number to call. When Henry Kinch is Mayor, there will be. Henry will create, at no additional cost, a Mayor's Citizen Action Office — a single, centralized office whose responsibility will be to cut through red tape and get a solution — and fast!



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"A RECORD OF GETTING THINGS DONE FOR PEOPLE"

When Henry Kinch started the Home Ownership Opportunity Program (HOOP) he did more than put untaxed city land back on the tax rolls. He helped qualified families of moderate income to build and own their own homes ... That's getting things done for people.

"Because of Henry Kinch and the HOOP program, my family and I are finally able to live in our own home. It's really great."

Ronald Pappas

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THURSDAY, October 22, 1981

City income tax: what did Kinch say?

The acting mayor knows I never made such a statement. He knows full well that I am unequivocally opposed to any such plan.

— Henry S. Kinch

I'm not accusing him of advocating it. All I'm saying is that I wouldn't even suggest a city income tax.

— William F. Harty Jr.

By ED GAULIN

Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — The latest controversy in the mayoral election is reminiscent of the slogan in those hair color ads: "Did he or didn't he?"

The question:

A month ago, at a debate spon-

sored by Project Hope, did mayoral candidate Henry S. Kinch offer a city income tax as a possible alternative to the property tax?

Kinch's opponent, Mayor William F. Harty Jr., says Kinch made such a statement at the debate and he chided the news media for letting his opponent "off the hook."

Kinch quickly counter-attacked on the issue. He said he never advocated an income tax; said only that there are many alternatives to the property tax that could be considered and are considered in many other communities; and that Harty is "desperate" and is seeking an issue to try and turn the campaign around.

Pawtucket lawyer Lawrence R. Goldberg, a candidate for mayor (eliminated in the primary) who was a participant in the Project Hope debate, said today that Kinch in fact said something like: "There's always an income tax," just after denouncing the property tax system as inherently unfair.

"I remember saying — because I was the next speaker — something like, 'Well, it certainly is refreshing Mr. Kinch, that you are forthright enough to say it, but do you really want an income tax?'" Goldberg recalled today.

Kinch today issued a statement saying tht Harty is currently employing "one of the oldest and most

desperate political tactics."

He charged that Harty "is recklessly attacking an opponent's record in an attempt to destroy his credibility. "More outrageous than attempts to destroy my credibility," Kinch said, "is an attempt...to suggest that I made a statement supporting a different municipal tax."

"He knows that any such statement would have been reported by the local newspapers. No such statement has ever been reported because the statement was never made," Kinch said.

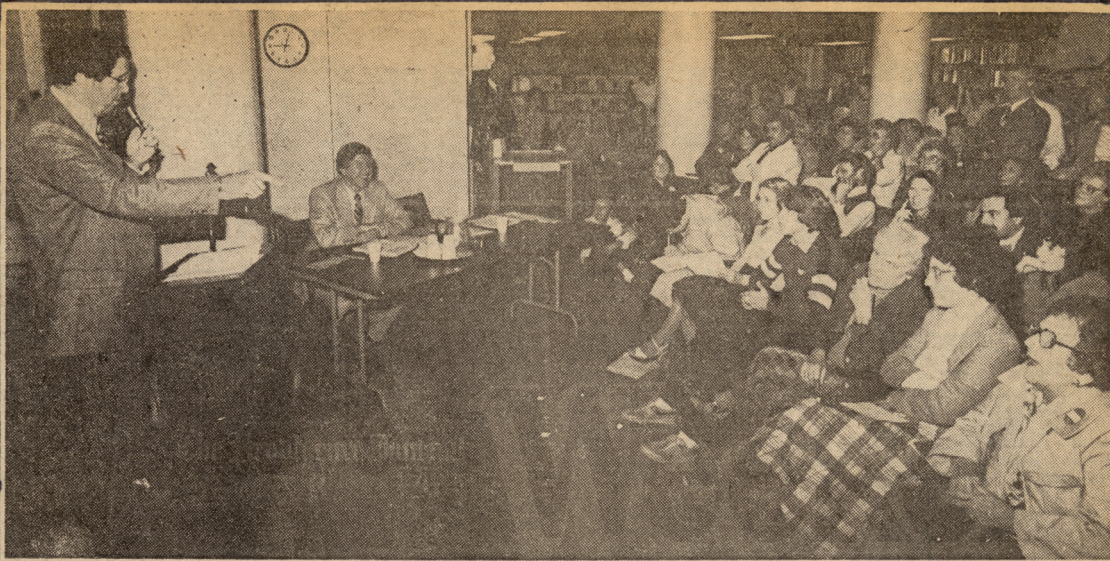
"All I'm saying is that I wouldn't even suggest a city income tax," Mayor Harty retorted this morning. "I'm not accusing him of advocat-

ing an income tax," Harty said.

"He said I'm attacking his credibility and I am, because of what he's trying to take credit for in his ads," Harty said.

"This attempt to destroy my credibility is totally out of character (for Harty)," Kinch said. "It leads me to believe that perhaps someone else is calling the shots in his campaign."

Harty said he raised the issue legitimately and is not attempting to blow the issue out of proportion. But he said Kinch did make the statement, 200 people who attended the debate know it, and Kinch ought to admit it.



—Journal-Bulletin Photo by PAULA BRONSTEIN

THE ISSUES: During a debate by Pawtucket's mayoral candidates, incumbent William F. Harty Jr. stresses a point as Councilman Henry S. Kinch listens while seated.

Harty, Kinch in bitter confrontation

By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — In a rancorous confrontation, Mayor William F. Harty Jr. and Councilman Henry S. Kinch last night accused each other of distorting their statements and records as they debated at the invitation of the League of Women Voters.

The candidates for mayor, who have called each other friends and served in nearly complete harmony on the City Council for 12 years, agreed on little and frequently made derisive comments about each other.

An ill-behaved group of about 150 spectators crowded into the public library and often muffled and interrupted the candidates' comments with catcalls and heckling.

Kinch, who outpolled Harty by 848 votes in the Oct. 6 primary, for the first time in the campaign questioned the accuracy and fairness of the property tax revaluation now being conducted in the city. After repeating his criticism of the city's awarding, without competitive bidding, a \$500,000 contract for the revaluation to William E. Coyle Jr. and Associates Real Estate Consultants, Kinch said, "this is not what I call a real revaluation."

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"HIGH SCHOOL and college kids" have been hired by the company and are conducting the survey in a haphazard fashion, Kinch asserted. He said he was recently in a home when one of the revaluation workers stopped by.

"He didn't even check the second floor," Kinch said. "He said, 'I'm only getting paid four dollars per house. I don't have the time to check the second floor.'"

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"And then he asked if it was the same as the first" floor, Kinch said.

Harty countered by saying that the revaluation is fair, and that the field workers only are gathering some information which then will be put into a computer. Harty said that the computer evaluates the information in a "scientific" manner.

Harty, who replaced former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch on July 13 after Lynch became state purchasing agent, accused Kinch of trying to "cover up" a statement made at a previous debate. Harty said Kinch had suggested the possibility of a city income tax. By saying later that the city must seek alternates to the current taxing method, Kinch has continued to raise the possibility of imposing an income tax, Harty said.

"If you can't keep Pawtucket going without an additional set of taxes, then you don't deserve to be mayor," Harty said.

Harty said that Kinch's attempt to hide his comment by insisting that he did not make it raises questions about his credibility.

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HARTY ALSO ACCUSED Kinch of untruths in campaign advertisements. He said, for example, that Kinch said he was responsible for a bus shelter in front of the Fogarty Manor elderly housing facility. Harty said he was responsible for having the bus shelter installed.

Kinch said that he did not and does not advocate a city income tax. He said he did not suggest one as an alternative.

The reference to a municipal income tax in a debate before the primary was made in the context of citing alternates that other communities have considered in fashioning a fairer system of taxation, Kinch said.

Kinch did not comment directly on Harty's other criticisms of his credibility.

Harty accused Kinch of making "sweetheart deals" with the city's municipal workers' unions to get their endorsement. Harty said that by making promises to the unions, Kinch had damaged his ability to govern the city fairly and to act in the taxpayers' interests in negotiating contracts.

Kinch denied that he made deals with the unions, and said that Harty, too, had sought the endorsements.

Kinch then accused Harty of acting on behalf of his friends in working to get state assistance for the construction of a mall at the Narragansett Park development. He identified Joseph Beretta of the Robinson, Green, Beretta Corp., which has an interest in the proposed mall, as a friend of Harty's. Kinch also said that Harty had allowed another "friend," Norman Beretta, to earn a \$100,000 to \$250,000 commission by selling the land at the former race track.

Harty did not reply immediately to Kinch's accusations. Instead, he commented on the question that had been asked about the development of the land at the former race track.

But Harty later denied that the Berettas (who are related) were hired by the city because they are his friends. He said that former Mayor Robert F. Burns also had hired the Robinson, Green, Beretta Corp.

Kinch said that his record as a City Council member is far better than Harty's was. He said that Harty had failed to sponsor a single program of his own as a councilman. He challenged Harty to cite such a program.

HARTY SAID that he had acted as the council president and, as such, was a "go-between" for the council and the city administration. Harty said it was his role to guide legislation through the council, not to sponsor it.

Harty accused Kinch of exaggerating his record and of grandstanding. He said that Kinch's criticizing the development at Narragansett Park were poorly timed and have harmed the development, Harty said. The developers have complained about Kinch's criticisms, Harty said.

Each man took his share of personal swipes at the other.

Harty, in his opening statement, said, "I didn't want to get into this type of campaign. You started it."

Kinch referred to several of Harty's statements as "a typical trick of Bill Harty's."

In his closing statement, Harty referred to Kinch's "cheap shots" and said, "I've had it, and I'm sick of it, and I'll go outside with you if need be."

After a prolonged pause, during which Harty appeared to be listening to a spectator talking inaudibly, he explained that he meant his statement as an offer to continue the debate outside, not to fight with Kinch.

Interviews with Pawtucket mayoral candidates

Henry S. Kinch

Q. — Mr. Kinch, a central theme in your campaign has been that Pawtucket needs a "new direction." What do you mean by that?

A. — I see this as a very crucial election in Pawtucket for two reasons. First, because it is the first really contested election in eight years. Second, because the federal budget cuts we're beginning to feel now are going to be magnified in the future. I think it will take bold leadership to cope with budget problems. I think my record shows I can supply that leadership.

I've already detailed some \$119,000 in tax savings, and I will be announcing others later in this campaign. I think major savings not only are possible in this city, I think they are a must.

To that end, I've proposed and talked to the Chamber of Commerce about establishing a task force to look at efficiency in city government. This would be a total review.

Q. — Your campaign advertisements ask the voters to "check the records" of the candidates. What is your point?

A. — I believe the record will show that I have done a considerable amount for this city in the 12 years I have been on the city council, a council that is not supposed to have the power to do much.

Because of my actions, the city saved \$2.7 million on construction of the new Jenks Junior High School building. I spoke up on the back taxes owed by the Narragansett Racing Association and those taxes

were paid. I co-sponsored the establishment of a homesteading program that already has given three families the opportunity to own a home in this city when they otherwise could not, and two more sites are being prepared.

My opponent has no such record to point to. He cannot claim a single program he has initiated in 12 years.

Q. — Mayor Harty recently has charged that you have made deals with municipal labor unions in order to win their endorsement. How do you answer that?

A. — That is totally untrue. I have a great deal of experience in labor relations and contract bargaining as general manager of a Gorham plant in Mansfield. I was a member of a three-man negotiating team for three contracts, though not as chief negotiator. I received labor's endorsement because union officials know I can negotiate a fair contract. They respect me and my ability.

I have a letter from Paul MacDonald, president of Local 16031, United Steelworkers of America, congratulating me after the primary. Quoting from it: "You and I and Local 16031 have had some pretty tough face-to-face negotiations over the years. When you become mayor of Pawtucket, it will certainly be the Gorham Company's loss and the City of Pawtucket's gain."

Q. — It seems fair to assume that there will be changes in department heads and other appointments if you



William F. Harty

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A. — I think fortunate if it picked Dennis Lynch as a good, decent man, and, from disagreements young and territorial than I am.

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are elected. Have you made up your mind on any of those? Have you promised anyone certain jobs?

A. — I haven't given it much thought, and I haven't made any promises. I think the city's situation calls for a different type of thinking on the part of administrators, though. We have to look at ways to restructure government to make it more efficient, to do the same things with less money.

Q. — One of your proposals deals with eliminating the parttime job of superintendent of cemeteries. Why?

A. — That department is a prime example of what I've said about restructuring government to save money. Until recently, when a foreman was transferred, there were seven people in that department, one a clerk, and three supervisors. We have a parttime superintendent at \$14,000 a year and a fulltime su-

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Q. — People have suggested that naming Dennis Lynch Jr. as your campaign manager was a mistake. Do you think that has hurt your campaign?

A. — I think it would be unfortunate if it has had any affect. I picked Dennis Jr. because he's a tireless worker. I've also found he's a good, decent and honest young man, and, frankly, we've had some disagreements, usually because he's young and tends to be more emotional than I am.

Ten years ago, my campaign manager when I ran for re-election to the council was Dennis Lynch — before he got into politics. So these are people who supported Bill Harty before Dennis Lynch became involved. Yes, I have the so-called Lynch crowd with me, but also many others who have no relation to Lynch.

Q. — You and Henry Kinch also have been friends. Do you think that friendship will survive this campaign?

A. — I think Henry has put a strain on that friendship, but I'd



hope we're both man enough to be friends after it's over. I will say that if he wins, I'd certainly be the first to congratulate him and do anything to assure a smooth transition.

Q. — Kinch has criticized the handling of the Narragansett Park development by both the Lynch and Harty administrations. This week, he produced a planning department memo he said backed up his charge. How do you answer that?

A. — The development is progressing well (but) Kinch's making a political football of it is hurting the project. He has never offered a single constructive idea.

I've rejected his idea that the planning department have overall responsibility for the development. I don't think that's their expertise. The planning department has duties.

(See HARTY, page 4)

Harty and Kinch: the fight gets rough

By **BOB LITCHFIELD**
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — The early sparring rounds are over in the mayoral title fight.

(See Times interviews, below) Thursday night's mayoral debate featured plenty of verbal punches and, in many minds, the likelihood of bodily ones as well. It was a fiery start for a deciding round.

Mayor William F. Harty Jr. and Henry S. Kinch, who traded jabs

earlier this week, started throwing haymaker blows Thursday night. The attacks have turned increasingly personal between the two men, who acknowledge they built a close personal friendship while on the city council together.

Most of Thursday night, the tone of debate was like a boys' confrontation on a playground: "You started it. What'd you call me? I'm not afraid of you."

Tempers grew short during the

debate, staged before 300 fiercely partisan, often rowdy and ill-mannered spectators at the Public Library.

And at the finish, Harty was clarifying his challenge to Kinch to "go outside with you after this debate." He explained he meant for further verbal exchange only. Some clearly interpreted the remark as a challenge for physical combat, especially since Harty already had shed his suitcoat earlier after personally

deriding remarks by Kinch.

But if anyone was keeping score of the 'rabbit punches' at the library, the winners might be the 300 partisans who at times acted as though they were viewing a bar brawl. In fact, some of them were screaming for that type of finish...one in the parking lot.

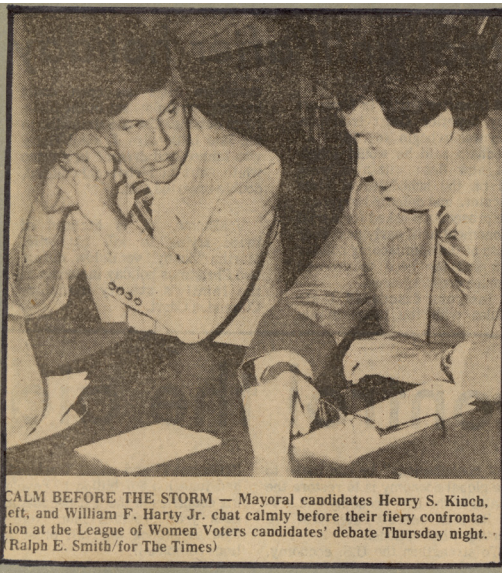
Perhaps it's fitting that in the first major election in the city in eight years, emotions are running high. And the intensity of the rivalry

appears to be growing as the Nov. 3 election nears.

On Tuesday night, at a candidate forum at an elderly housing high-rise, Harty and Kinch showed up with about 100 supporters each. Harty unleashed an attack, his first of the campaign, on Kinch's "credibility."

Thursday, the number of partisans grew to 150 on each side. They

(See DEBATE, page 7)



CALM BEFORE THE STORM — Mayoral candidates Henry S. Kinch, left, and William F. Harty Jr. chat calmly before their fiery confrontation at the League of Women Voters candidates' debate Thursday night. (Ralph E. Smith/for The Times)

'Average' city taxpayer?

I was surprised to read in *The Evening Times* (Oct. 21) a letter from an elected Democratic official trying to pass himself off as one of "us laymen trying to gauge who we should vote for in the upcoming Mayoral election Nov. 3." William E. Murray is an elected member of the Democratic Third District Committee, serving on that body with Mayor Harty. He cast his vote publicly at the Democratic City Committee meeting to give Mr. Harty the party's endorsement.

Obviously, he's trying to portray

himself to *The Times* and it's readers as an apolitical, average Pawtucket taxpayer; when in fact, he is most actively involved in Mr. Harty's campaign.

His attack on the record, integrity and credibility of Mayoral Candidate Henry S. Kinch was no more than a blatant, politically-motivated effort to smear Mr. Kinch and his clean record of accomplishments.

I am not an elected, political official.

Susan Zagroski
Pawtucket

Debate •Continued

filled the library lobby, its reference department and balcony; red Harty buttons on the right, green Kinch buttons on the left.

They wanted blood. By luck of the draw, Kinch got in the first punches.

He charged Harty had changed his tactics "out of desperation, after finishing second in the primary" and was "making misstatements about my campaign in a desperate attempt to turn around the election."

Harty responded that it was Kinch who "started this type of campaign. He's been blasting away at the former administration and me for months," Harty said. "Now I strike back and he can't take it."

Harty repeated his blast that Kinch had made deals and promises to labor organizations in exchange for their endorsement. "How much are your deals going to cost the city, that's what I want to know?" Harty asked.

Kinch shot back that Harty had sought and got labor endorsements for the last six years.

"Now it's the first time you didn't get it," Kinch said. "I say it's sour grapes. You do have the endorsement of the board of realtors, though. So I'll ask 'What are you going to sell now? City Hall?'"

Kinch then repeated his challenge to Harty that the mayor produce a record for his 12 years on the city council.

"He doesn't have a record, or a single program he can call his own, so he has two excuses," Kinch said.

"First, that he's an at-large councilman, so he has to look at 'the big picture'; then that he's council president and has to shepherd his flock. Just because you have a gavel in your hand, that doesn't stop you from thinking."

Harty said his council role was that of liaison with the administration of former mayor Dennis M. Lynch, and again accused Kinch of grabbing headlines with "grandstand plays."

Back on the offensive, Harty challenged Kinch to "show me where you once voted against the Lynch administration on anything major."

Kinch, who had been campaign manager for James Doyle when Lynch beat Doyle in 1973, reminded Harty that Lynch had pushed for a four-year term for the mayor and council.

"Well, let me tell you," he began, raising his arm for emphasis. "Henry Kinch voted against Dennis

Lynch's four-year term."

In their responses to questions about reevaluation, downtown, use of the Burns School and the Narragansett Park development, the two combatants always came back to their "knockout" themes.

Harty suggested Kinch's criticism of Narragansett Park had hurt progress by "injecting politics" into "the best damn project this city's ever had."

To that, Kinch launched what Harty in his rebuttal would call "the foulest accusations I've ever heard."

"Politics has been part of the track development for four years," Kinch said. "It's been handled as a development for friends."

"Why else," Kinch said, "have developers been selected by the mayor's office rather than by the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency?"

"Why?" he asked, "was Norman Beretta able to collect a commission of at least \$100,000 on the sale of the racetrack? Why has three-fourths of the architectural work been done by Joseph Beretta (of Robinson, Green & Beretta), another friend of Dennis Lynch?"

"The real crime is, it's all legal," Kinch said. "I've made progressive proposals to get politics out of the racetrack."

Harty protested that the developers he is dealing with "are not friends of mine," that Sam Forte, who recently purchased land to expand his East Providence business, "I'd never even met."

In closing statements, Harty said Kinch calls the mayor "acting mayor" but likes to call himself "council president."

"He's the 'acting' president," Harty said. "And if a vote came up on it, he couldn't even get the job; the vote would be 4-4."

Harty •Continued

and responsibilities there now that are within their scope. They, the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency and every other department involved in putting the project together know what is going on. There's nothing secretive involved.

Kinch seems to want to throw out a developer who has already put up an investment of \$575,000 there — but he doesn't have anyone else in mind.

I don't want "yes men" around, but I was unhappy with (City Planning Director Edward) Hennigan's report because I considered it editorializing. It definitely was written in a manner that is inappropriate. Everything from the planning department ends up in Henry Kinch's hands, Hennigan knows that. I don't want to say it's this guy or that guy, but someone used the power of their office to try to embarrass me. I can't stand for that.

Q. — Kinch also has said that the city cannot meet its deadline for the racetrack development. Is that true?

A. — He's done a flip-flop on that, too. First he tried to say the city might have to pay back its federal grant if the project weren't done on time. Now, he says we should ask the federal government for an extension. We talk to HUD. They basically are satisfied...they tell us that it's going well. We already have received one extension we sought and we're confident we'll agree on a timetable. Realistically, are they going to ask for the federal money back? No.

Q. — Is the current city revaluation being done fairly? Should the work have been put out for bid?

A. — Consultant services are exempted from bidding procedures, so, no, there was nothing wrong with the contract for the work.

I don't know how much it will cost, but I know it won't exceed the \$500,000 we budgeted, and hopefully less. The expenses will have to be justified. I didn't hire Coyle (the revaluation firm), but I think he's probably the best qualified.

You'll always run into problems, but we have an elaborate appeals system set up. I expect there'll be errors, and I know Coyle is geared to handle massive appeals.

The average person doesn't understand the process: many are assuming that if their property's assessed valuation goes from \$15,000 to \$30,000, their taxes will double. That's not true, of course. The total tax bill is what you are concerned with. I tell people not to be afraid to question their new valuation. There are bound to be mistakes.

Q. — You recently charged that your opponent has made promises to labor unions to gain their support. How do you justify that allegation?

A. — I plan to do my own bargaining with labor unions, too. But I question how tough a stance he can take against the firefighters' union, for instance, when the entire leadership of that union can be found any night working in his headquarters. I said I think he already has done his negotiating, and it's obvious he's the hand-picked candidate of the unions.

Q. — We can assume then that you plan to take a tough stance against the firefighters' union?

A. — The city's contract with that union is unacceptable to me. I believe it needs serious revision. The minimum manpower provision is costing the city more than \$1,000 a day in overtime pay.

Breaking it down, each firefighter costs the city \$31,695 a year. That includes an average \$15,266 in salary and an unbelievable \$16,430 in benefit costs. Much of that is due to overtime and a ludicrous equalized overtime clause. Each firefighter works 151 days a year; that's fewer days than teachers, yet we're told we have to have 30 men on a shift and if five call in sick we have to call in five and pay them overtime. Not only that, but one who calls in sick all the time gets rewarded by being guaranteed he'll collect the same overtime pay as the guy who was paid to work for him. Certainly the potential for abuse is there.

Q. — How do you feel about contracting out city services if private industry can perform them cheaper or more efficiently?

A. — I certainly think those things deserve examination, and I think the studies were worthwhile, though I never was in favor of a private rescue service. With garbage pick-up, or one-man garbage trucks, you run into the problem of getting the union to go along.

I'm also proud I could get an agreement with the union on the rescue that will greatly improve our service, and I don't think we got enough credit for that.

The rescue, operated by 16 men, makes nearly 5,000 runs a year while the regular fire department handles about 300 a year. Obviously the load isn't equally distributed. That's one reason we had trouble retaining trained men on rescue. As soon as they'd get trained, they'd bid off the rescue and a junior man would have to take it. That led to the quality of the service being questionable at times. Now we can offer an incentive to someone with a career in rescue. It's bound to improve service.

Q. — Does the city need more policemen?

A. — We are probably short five or six patrolmen now, and we are advertising to fill those jobs. There are other problems other than numbers, though. We need more flexibility in deployment, better use of the patrolmen, such as more on duty at night, and we really need new police vehicles.

I'm willing to listen to arguments for minimum manning. From a public safety standpoint that seems a legitimate concern. But we actually have more policemen now than we had years ago. So I believe hiring more patrolmen is a simplistic answer and not the only solution.

Q. — You've defended the part-time job of cemeteries superintendent, one your opponent wants to eliminate. Why?

A. — You're not going to save that \$14,000 salary by doing away with the job. The cemeteries superintendent has saved this city more than that amount. There were 12 men in that department when he started, and now it's six. He earns his pay.

Q. — Do you plan a cap on city spending?

A. — Personally, I'd like to see no budget growth, but with salary increases built in, that isn't realistic. I'd like to operate on a pretty strict five percent cap.

Kinch

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pervisor at \$15,000 a year. Maybe we could afford that before, but now we can't.

Q. — You have proposed using savings from budget cuts you say you could make to hire additional policemen. Why do you think it necessary to use the money that way?

A. — Presently the city has unfilled vacancies in the police division, some of them now being filled. My concern is that the police response time in this city still is too slow. It should be three to five minutes.

Right now people are put on a priority list when they call, and if the complaint isn't considered urgent, they might wait 15 minutes or longer for a patrolman to show up. It's not the fault of the patrolman, but it's too long a time to wait. I'm committed to cutting response time to five minutes. I'm also committed to improving coverage during high-crime periods.

Q. — On many occasions, you have challenged the role of the mayor's office in the Narragansett Park development and have made other allegations about that project. Why?

A. — In every other industrial park in this city, it was the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency that selected developers and coordinated the project. They have the experience and expertise to do that. And they've been highly successful. At Narragansett Park, those determinations are being made in the mayor's office, and they are being made for political reasons.

The Lynch, and now the Harty administration, is more concerned with cutting ribbons, giving the appearance of progress, than they are in seeing that land put to the best use by sound developers.

A planning department memorandum to the mayor dated Aug. 27 warns that the revised plan of Narra Associates is really not a good sound proposal. It points out that 70 percent of the \$6.1 million commitment consists of putting up shells of buildings, on speculation, that later tenants would have to finish. Yet Mayor Harty went ahead and cut a ribbon, because it's an election year.

Another part of the problem is that the major developers are friends of the former mayor, and friends of friends. No one has taken a hard line with these developers. The group chosen to develop the mall there have little or no investment in that property. They can, and are, tying up that land until they are ready to use other people's money to build it.

First of all, I'd turn over responsibility for selecting developers to the Redevelopment Agency. And I'd want developers to make a substantial deposit, which many have not done. I think if you eliminate the political influences, you'll get people in there who are ready to build. That's what I have proposed to do.

Q. — You and Bill Harty have been friends during your years on the council. Do you think that friendship can extend past this election?

A. — Absolutely. It's been my experience that the candidates themselves usually can shake hands after it's over. It's the campaign workers, the real ardent supporters, who have the lingering ill feelings. I value Bill Harty's friendship. I just think his opponent is the man we need as mayor at this time.

Q. — Another of your criticisms is with the current revaluation procedure. How would you have handled that process?

A. — I think the city charter intended that that work be put out for bid by appraisal firms. I would have sought bids, because I believe we could have gotten a better price. Then again, I think the city might have been able to do the work in-house, and saved a large part of that \$500,000. Our neighborhoods are fairly uniform in this city. It's a numbers game, and we could have played a numbers game ourselves and come out with about the same figures.

What we have now is not really a revaluation. We have untrained high school and college students out with yardsticks making lists. They are really solicitors on piecemeal, being paid \$4 a house. It's a very unprofessional job, and I think there are going to be a significant number of mistakes and a lot of appeals.

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A. — That is possible, certainly. It would depend on the outcome of the review I mentioned earlier.

Q. — What is your position on contracting out city services if private industry can perform them cheaper or more efficiently?

A. — Generally, I'd rather have the management control over services that the city provides. That's certainly true with the rescue service. The city can provide that service with more control over its quality if we keep it in the fire division. I'd also rather have that control over trash collection.

Q. — Does the fact you led the field in the primary election make you confident going into the final days of the campaign? What happens if you lose?

A. — I'd like to think my showing was because I'm a very credible candidate, that the voters considered my background, work experience and efforts on the council. For 12 years, I've devoted one-third of my life to public service for this city. I had to decide now whether I want to make that commitment full-time. Am I confident? No. I'm working just as hard as before. Harty, I've heard, will be spending \$20,000 on television and radio advertising between now and the election. I don't have that kind of money, but I have faith the voters really do go out and pick the best man.

Campaign intensifies; tactics unchanged

By KRUPA
a Staff Writer

Campaigners speak about the heightening of the city in eight days away. Voters will choose William F. Harty and Henry S. Kinch. Kinch is the man to hold the "strong mayor" position established by the city. They will make the light of a new election whose poll money less than \$10 million less in the face of a recession. Kinch is getting their stump more re-

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WEDNESDAY, October 28, 1981

Kinch lashes Harty tax 'half truths'

Mayoral candidate Henry S. Kinch Tuesday accused Mayor William F. Harty Jr. of adopting a policy of deliberate deception in the closing days of the campaign.

"(Harty) and the people running his campaign have decided that honesty is not the best policy," Kinch said in a written statement. "In desperation they have decided that half truths and gross misrepresentation of the facts are worth it's at."

"Like a desperate boxer losing a fight, they have decided to throw as many inaccurate and wild blows as possible in order to try to win the election in the 15th round."

Kinch reiterated his stand that he has never advocated an income tax, as is suggested by a campaign brochure being distributed by the Harty campaign.

"I am unequivocally opposed to an income tax," Kinch said. "On Oct. 22, the acting mayor, on the front page of The Evening Times, said: 'I'm not saying Henry Kinch is advocating an income tax.'"

"Within days, he and his campaign supporters are passing out political flyers and buying newspaper advertisements suggesting just the opposite. Is the acting mayor so desperate to get elected that he has given up all attempts at honesty and integrity?"

"He claims that I made a statement about an income tax four weeks ago at a debate. That debate was attended by two news reporters from different newspapers. Neither printed any such statement in their stories."

"If I had made such a statement it no doubt would have appeared in banner headlines. It must be obvious to all that the charge is just a cheap last-minute trick."

"During the course of the campaign, I have distributed 62,000 leaflets, issued dozens of press releases and mailed thousands of pieces of mail. I have made hundreds of speeches and spoken to thousands of people in their homes. Nowhere is there evidence I have ever advocated an income tax."

"That fact, however, does not stop the acting mayor from trying to make the charge. A desperate man will stop at nothing."

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"Television is a waste of money, because you've got as many as two million people not involved in the race, watching it," said Kinch's campaign manager, state Rep. Andrew E. McConnell. "Radio could be useful, but we're watching our advertising budget very carefully."

Although Harty said that he "never, ever" has contemplated using radio or television, Lynch said that the campaign has gone to the television studio, but that the segments which were taped will not be used because Harty does not have enough of a track record as mayor.

HARTY INSISTS that Kinch has "puffed up" his record as city councilman. He said that former Mayor Lynch already had moved to force interests in the former Narragansett Park Race Track to pay overdue property taxes when Kinch brought the situation to the public attention.

Harty accused Kinch of telling an "out-and-out, bold-face lie" about getting the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority to put up a bus shelter in front of Fogarty Manor. Harty asserted that the shelter was built because of his efforts and those of Councilman John E. Carney and state Rep. R. Kevin Horan.

Kinch also has been less than truthful in commenting about a municipal income tax, Harty said.

In September, in their first debate of the campaign, Harty said that Kinch opened discussion about a municipal income tax by saying that it was one of a number of alternates that could be used to offset the property tax system, which many municipal financing experts think is less equitable than an income tax. Harty said that Kinch called the income tax "an alternative," and that Kinch has continued to stress the need for the city to immediately search for such alternates.

Kinch denied that he ever has favored a local income tax, and asserted that he never would propose one. Kinch said that he commented about such a tax in a reply he made to a question about the current property revaluation and in the context of what other communities have done to ease the burden on the property taxpayers.

Kinch has tried to link Harty closely with the administration of former Mayor Lynch, and Harty says that is unfair.

Kinch has criticized the relationship of the elder Lynch and Harty to two real estate men, Joseph and Norman Beretta. Norman Beretta serves as a Harty fund-raiser, as he did for Lynch, and was the real estate agent for the disposal of land at the former race track.

"THE REAL CRIME," Kinch said at a recent debate, after citing the relationships and the number of municipal contracts awarded to Joseph Beretta's architectural company, the Robinson, Green, Beretta Corp., "is that it's all legal. That's the real crime."

Harty points out that Norman Beretta long has been his friend and a friend of former Mayor Lynch's, and that former Mayor Robert F. Burns also did business with the Robinson, Green, Beretta Corp.

Kinch last week stood by his criticism of the accuracy of the current property tax revaluation, but said there is nothing the city can do about it now.

Kinch said that field workers employed by William E. Coyle Jr. and Associates Real Estate Consultants, the firm the city hired to conduct the revaluation, are less than conscientious. Kinch said that the workers spend little time in each home, and added that the city could have accomplished the same thing by using city workers and without paying \$500,000.

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By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Campaign aides and workers speak about the quickening pace, the heightening intensity. The most important mayoral election in the city in eight years is eight days away.

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THE PROOF!

PAWTUCKET—Narragansett Park's evasive silence toward the City of Pawtucket ended last night when an attorney for the closed race track assured the City Council that the \$280,000 it owes the city in taxes will be paid by July. Councilman Henry Kinch had lashed out at Narragansett Park nearly two months ago, complaining that numerous requests for the back taxes had never been answered. A fellow councilman last night credited Kinch with prodding (the track owner) into a response.

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL
APRIL 21, 1977

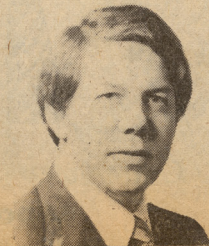
He (Henry Kinch) said he does not feel the school board has looked at alternatives and suggested that an 1,100 pupil junior high school at perhaps \$5 million would solve the problems posed by Jenks ...

EVENING TIMES
APRIL 3, 1973

The 1,200 Pupil proposal is not a new one. Councilman Henry S. Kinch of the fourth district has advocated it as a way of giving the city more bonding flexibility. He has previously been alone in his advocacy of this plan.

PROVIDENCE JOURNAL
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LET'S TAKE
A
NEW DIRECTION



KINCH
MAYOR/DEMOCRAT

Andrew E. McConnell,
Chairman

HENRY KINCH

— A COMMUNITY LEADER

"A RECORD OF GETTING THINGS DONE FOR PEOPLE"



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"Henry Kinch has helped the elderly year in and year out. He's the kind of Mayor we need!"

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Realtor: Kinch lied about revaluation

Asserts candidate sought political gains

By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — One of the principals of the real estate consulting company that is conducting the city's property revaluation accused Councilman Henry S. Kinch yesterday of criticizing the process without understanding it.

William E. Coyle III of William E. Coyle Jr. and Associates Real Estate Consultants said that Kinch, a candidate for mayor, has accused the consulting firm of using high school and college students to complete the revaluation, but that no high school students and only one college student have been employed.

At president, 20 of the 28 "listers" used by the firm to gather information about property in the city are real estate brokers registered either with the Society of Real Estate Appraisers or the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers, Coyle said.

OF THE OTHER eight listers,

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several have backgrounds in real estate and the others all are qualified, he said.

"If anything, they are overqualified for what they are called upon to do," Coyle said. Citing what he called the firm's "national reputation," including work recently in Michigan and at Quonset Point, Coyle said, "We certainly know how to measure buildings."

"Essentially, all the listers are doing is counting rooms and measuring the perimeter of buildings," Coyle said. "That's it in a nutshell. They don't conduct the actual revaluation."

He accused Kinch of "bold-faced lying" and of exploiting a sensitive, complicated issue for his own benefit in the mayoral campaign.

"I hope he's researching his other issues better than this one," Coyle said.

Kinch said yesterday that he was

not aware of the precise ages and qualifications of the listers used by the Coyle firm. He said he requested, but never received, a list of those employed by Coyle to assist in the revaluation.

Kinch said that his criticism of the revaluation, which began in a debate with Mayor William F. Harty Jr. last week, was a reaction to the complaints of about 15 residents. Many of the residents spoke at revaluation forums scheduled recently by city councilmen who represent the six council districts.

"It's not only coming from me," Kinch said. "He's getting the same thing every forum he goes to." In a debate sponsored by the League of Women Voters on Oct. 22, Kinch also said that the listers, because they are paid per piece of property, instead of by the hour, are not spending an adequate amount of time in some houses.

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KINCH MENTIONED in the debate that a resident had told him See REVALUATION, Page C-3

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about a lister who said he did not have time to look at the second floor of a house because he was being paid only \$4 per house.

Coyle said Kinch had not taken the opportunity to go to the firm's office, as other candidates for municipal office have, to learn about the revaluation.

"We offered him the opportunity to get the information he wanted," Coyle said. "He never took that opportunity. Why he's taking this type of swipe I don't know."

Coyle said that the Pawtucket-Blackstone Valley Board of Realtors endorsed Harty for mayor. Harty is a former president of the board, Coyle said. The firm was hired by former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch, a close political supporter of Harty's.

HENRY S. KINCH
34 POTTER STREET
PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND

Dear Voter,

October 27, 1981

A short time ago, I wrote to thank you for your courtesy in speaking with me during my door-to-door campaign. In speaking with you, I asked that you examine my record and proposals and consider me as your candidate for Mayor of Pawtucket. The votes of many of the people I met made these headlines below possible.

I consider it an honor and privilege to be a candidate for Mayor, just as it has been a privilege to serve on the City Council for the past 12 years. If elected your Mayor, I will continue to work as diligently as in the past to provide the leadership necessary for the difficult times ahead.

Once again, I urge you to consider my record and my proposals and to support me for Mayor of Pawtucket on election day, November 3rd.

Sincerely yours,
Henry S. Kinch
Henry S. Kinch
Councilman-4th District

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Kinch solid winner in mayoralty race

'Amazing,' says Kinch;

By BOB LITCHFIELD
Times staff reporter
PAWTUCKET — "Amazing" was the way Henry Kinch described his first place showing in Tuesday's mayoral primary election, but several rules away, at Democratic Headquarters downtown, Mayor William F. Harty Jr. was asking "Upset, what upset?"

Kinch outruns Mayor Harty in clear upset

Harty claims he justifiably considered the underdog, finishing 800-...

in the field, and lived to fight another day — Nov. 3 in the general election. Kinch fashioned his primary victory, 5,685 votes (46 percent) to 4,677 (41 percent) for Harty, by winning in the three districts who expected to fare worst. Harty in his...



Winner exults in 'unbelievable' primary victory

By M. J. ANDERSEN
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer
PAWTUCKET — "Unbelievable." The word rolled slowly and sonorously off Henry Kinch's tongue three times last night as he stood before a crowd of admirers packed into "My Brother's Pub" on Columbus Avenue. Kinch had edged his way through them — to reach the podium, where the results of his upset victory in the mayoral primary were scrawled on a chart. His supporters were cheering, "Kinch, Kinch, Kinch," and from several quarters came shouts of "ho-o, ho-o," as if at least three Ed Mahons had been set free in the room. Everywhere were the splashes of green that have grown to symbolize the Kinch campaign — pale green carnations, green...

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Kinch upsets Harty in primary for mayor

Vigorous campaign paid a big dividend

REP. ANDREW E. MCCONNELL, CHAIRMAN *Kinch was on the go daily from noon until late at night*

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Kenney backs Harty

James A. Kenney, a candidate for mayor who was eliminated in the October primary election, has endorsed William F. Harty Jr. for the post.

Kenney attacked Harty's opponent, Henry S. Kinch, saying Kinch has proposed alternatives to the city property tax — the principal means the city has of raising revenue.

He said Kinch cited a city income tax as a possible alternative to the property tax at a debate at Sacred Heart Church prior to the primary. "I was shocked when Henry Kinch cited a city income tax as one alternative to the property tax," Kenney said. "I have been around long enough to know that any alternative tax is a new tax."

He said Kinch is too close to the municipal employee unions. "As a former personnel director, I know that over two-thirds of our taxes go directly to city employees. In these trying times, I want a man who owes nothing to the city unions — including the firefighters," Kenney said.

He said Harty, in the past 12 weeks, has shown leadership, while Kinch has tried to mislead the people about his 12-year record as councilman. "It is as if Henry Kinch were the Rip Van Winkle of Pawtucket politics and is just waking up in order to satisfy his aspirations for higher office," Kenney said.

Kinch renews attack on track development

Mayoral candidate Henry S. Kinch has renewed his attack on the management of the Narragansett Park development.

"New direction is needed at Narragansett Park in order to get that project moving," Kinch said. "It is a well-established fact that poor management at the park has resulted in a huge wasteland of undeveloped acres crying for

industry to come and provide jobs and new taxes," he said.

"The simple fact remains that in the three years in which the acting mayor served as chairman of the Narragansett Development Council, the city has consistently missed its goals as required by the federal government which provided the money necessary for the city to purchase the race track," Kinch said.

"This project was supposed to provide 3,600 jobs but has developed less than 200," he said, and \$40 million in private investment was to have been raised but less than a third of that amount has been raised with less than a year to go under terms of the grant.

"Of the 180 acres available at the park, less than half has seen any development with no development at all on the East Providence portion of the track which the city of Pawtucket owns," he said. "Many ribbons have been cut, few buildings built and little in the way of needed property taxes collected to ease the tax burden of homeowners," Kinch said.

Kinch said he would implement a four-point plan on the track if elected.

He said he would assign the city Planning Department the overall responsibility for the project instead of the mayor's office; give the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency (PRA) the authority to designate developers; institute a cash flow system to make land sales pay for ongoing improvements so that even more developers would be attracted to the park; and "ensure that quarterly (public) reports be issued by the Planning Department so that the citizens of Pawtucket would know exactly what progress was being made."

Harty attacks Kinch on 'desperate' claim

Mayor William F. Harty Jr., seeking a full two-year term in next Tuesday's election, said he is incensed at attempts by his opponent, City Council President Henry S. Kinch, to paint him as a desperate man.

"If anyone is desperate, it is Mr. Kinch," Harty said. "Less than 58 hours after I became mayor, my opponent had the nerve to charge me with mismanagement. For the past three months, I have listened to cheap shots and innuendos that distort my record and the record of the entire City Council," Harty said.

"Now the pot is trying to call the kettle black," he said. "I'm not the one who is desperate. I'm the mayor of the only city in the state with a Double A credit rating and with a budget surplus," Harty said.

Harty again hit Kinch on the issue of a city income tax. "I am asking the same question as did *The Evening Times* in its headline Oct. 22: 'City income tax: what did Kinch say?'"

"I am not saying that my opponent advocated a city income tax. I am saying that on Sept. 22 before 200 people he cited a city income tax as an 'alternative.' Or does my opponent think that Mr. (former mayoral candidate Lawrence) Goldberg is hard of hearing or lying?" he asked.

He said Kinch repeated on Oct. 20 and on Oct. 24 that there are alternatives to the property tax. "I believe that the public deserves an explanation. What are these alternatives? I say that these alternatives can only mean a new tax for city residents," Harty said. "The only thing that is worse than the desperation politics of my opponent would be more taxes," he said.

"I challenge my opponent to explain what these alternatives are and how much they will cost the taxpayer," Harty said. "Perhaps if the city unions had endorsed me, I might also be looking for new taxes," Harty said.

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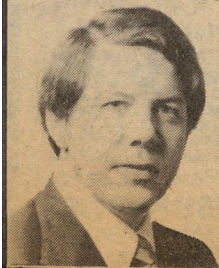
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Harty spending more money than

By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Mayor William F. Harty Jr. has spent about 40 percent more and has raised about 32 percent more money than City Councilman Henry S. Kinch so far in their campaigns for mayor, according to reports filed with the state Board of Elections.

The candidates yesterday submitted the last contribution and spending reports required by state law before the Nov. 3 election. Harty's report was for the period between early July and yesterday, and Kinch's report was for the period between early July and Monday.

According to the reports, Harty has spent \$57,049.41 so far and has raised \$61,705. Kinch has spent \$34,352.20 and has raised \$42,300.50.

Kinch has tried to cast Harty as the candidate who has the most access to financing. Last night, despite the figures listed in the reports, Harty tried to dismiss that charge.

"I... take offense to that," Harty said about Kinch's tactic. "Judging from the signs, newspaper advertising,

Chides opponent about union fund-raising efforts

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and so forth. I would say that he's outspent me in every one of those categories. That's my personal opinion."

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THEN HOW can Kinch's reports be explained, Harty was asked.

"I can't explain how he does his campaign system," Harty said. "It just seems like he's spent more than me... I'm not accusing him of falsifying the reports."

Kinch said that his staff successfully has cut corners in the campaign. He said, for example, that he has two teams of 20 people who voluntarily cater coffee hours and other meetings with constituents.

"He (Harty) pays for these things because he can

afford to," Kinch said. "We're not able to afford to run that kind of campaign."

Harty criticized Kinch for accepting a substantial contribution from organized labor. He asserted that the money and the endorsements that Kinch received from municipal workers' unions, would make it harder for Kinch to manage the city budget because he will owe allegiance to organized labor.

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catch up with Harty's after the summer. Harty had raised about \$16,000 more than Kinch during the summer. But between Sept. 9 and yesterday, Harty raised \$25,435, and between Sept. 7 and Monday, Kinch raised \$21,602.50.

Since Oct. 12, Kinch has raised \$9,417.50. From Oct. 14 to yesterday, Harty raised \$6,620.

In the same periods, Kinch spent \$9,297.01, compared to Harty's \$11,943.49. It was far and away the closest Kinch's spending has been to Harty's in any of the four reporting periods required so far by state law.

But Kinch said last night that the figures which show that he is catching up to Harty, "don't mean anything."

"It was just the way the fund-raisers have been planned," Kinch said. "It's coincidental, really." He said that it has not been part of his strategy to accelerate spending and fund-raising in the later stages of the campaign.

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Of the \$21,602.50 contributed to Kinch's campaign since Sept. 7, \$15,650 was accumulated at three fund-raisers. In addition to the union event, there were two other fund-raisers, one on Sept. 20 and the other on Oct. 26. The first fund-raiser was a \$15-per-person event at My Brother's Pub, a local tavern, Kinch said. The second was a \$7.50-per-ticket night at a Knight's of Columbus hall in East Providence.

No fund-raising figures were provided by Harty's campaign. His campaign manager, Dennis M. Lynch Jr., said he recalled a fund-raiser at the end of September, but he could not remember how much money was raised.

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THE BALANCE remaining in Harty's campaign treasury as of yesterday was \$4,655.32, according to the report filed by his assistant campaign treasurer, Edward J. Galvin. Kinch has \$8,128.30 remaining, according to the report.

But Harty and Lynch said that does not mean that Harty's campaign is in trouble.

In fact, Harty was questioned about his finances at a fund-raiser last night at a restaurant in Central Falls.

Lynch said that the balance figure represents about 1½ days of newspaper advertising normally purchased in the last week of a mayoral campaign in the city. When asked if the campaign was running out of money, Lynch said, "If you know the Harty family, you know that's not true."

He did not elaborate. But among the contributions that Harty reported recently was a \$2,500 donation that he made to his own campaign last Friday and a \$1,500 contribu-

tion that his father, William F. Harty Sr., made on Oct. 18.

Those who also contributed more than \$200 to the Harty campaign since Oct. 14 were: Bernard and Mary O'Toole of 101 Naushon Rd., \$400; James A. Murphy Jr. of 70 Crescent Rd., \$500; Richard and Carol Smith of 53 Cable Hill Rd., Lincoln, \$300, and William K. Toole Jr. of 9 Barberry Drive, East Providence, \$350.

Total contributions by individuals in excess of \$200 must be reported by state law. Some of the Harty contributors did not give their entire contribution at one time.

Kinch received such contributions from two sources: Philip J. Hill contributed \$1,000 and a group called the "Third Ward Democrats" contributed \$1,097.50.

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KINCH SAID at first that he did not know who Hill was. But a campaign staff member told Kinch that Hill was the owner of Able Bituminous Contractors of East Providence. Hill, contacted at home last night, said he contributed the money because "I think Henry is a great man."

When asked what connection he has to the City of Pawtucket, Hill said his company, which manufactures asphalt, regularly bids on city contracts and frequently does business with the city.

Kinch said that the Third Ward Democrats include Richard McCluskie, a candidate for an at-large seat on the City Council and a former city councilman, and other supporters in the city's third council district. Despite the fact that Harty has lived in the district most of his life, as has former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch, a strong Harty supporter, Kinch beat Harty in the district in the Oct. 6 primary.

**NO NEW
CITY TAXES**

Six-way council race is seen as a wide open nail-biter

By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Observers and most contestants in the at-large City Council election this year say that largely because of a competitive mayoral contest and a split in the city Democratic Party almost anything could happen when six candidates, who finished close to each other in the Oct. 6 primary, face off Tuesday.

The six-way race is between two incumbents, Kathleen A. Magill and Brian J. Sarault; two former officeholders, Richard F. McCluskie and Ambrose L. Campbell; the brother of two General Assembly members, Stephen J. Durand; and a person seeking elective office for the second time who ran strongly in October, Gary S. Allard.

The voters will elect three at-large councilmen from the field.

"They're scrambling," said a local official, who asked not to be identified. "There was a time when those who were endorsed would have been shoe-ins, but that certainly isn't the case this year."

"Since (former Mayor Dennis M.) Lynch has been in, unendorsed candidates have rarely won," said another local politician, who also requested anonymity. "People are confused as to who to vote for. The party has endorsed some people. Labor has endorsed others. I guess this is all a little bit different. I think some people are biting their nails."

The Democratic City Committee endorsed Mrs. Magill, Durand and Sarault. The Pawtucket Rhode Island Coalition of City Employees (PRICE) and the Pawtucket-Central Falls Central Labor Council endorsed Mrs. Magill, Allard and Campbell. Although political observers nationwide recently have discounted the effect of organized labor's endorsement on the vote of the rank and file, the city is heavily oriented toward the worker, and the former Lynch administration is perceived by municipal workers as having spurred solidarity.

THE OCTOBER PRIMARY was very much a trial run for the November election. In October there were only seven candidates in the field, and only one needed to be eliminated from the Nov. 3 ballot.

Mrs. Magill, who received 5,785 votes, outran the field by 1,520 votes. The next five finishers were within 1,044 votes of each other.

Mrs. Magill also received the most votes in 1979 in her first election. She is considered by most sources as a favorite for one of the three at-large seats.

She is the wife of R. Thomas Magill, a former candidate for mayor against Lynch and the leader of two local labor groups, PRICE and the Central Labor Council.

"There is definitely a split (in the party)," said Mrs. Magill, who, with her husband, is a strong supporter of City Councilman Henry S. Kinch, a mayoral candidate. "It is more competitive. But I think the people are smart enough to consider the record."

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"There's people all over the lot this time around," said Sarault, whose campaign has generated a flurry of activity in recent days, some say because he is worried about the outcome.

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ALTHOUGH MUNICIPAL elections in Pawtucket are nominally nonpartisan, the endorsement of the local Democratic Party does have an impact, and candidates frequently include party designations on campaign literature and advertising. It is infrequent that there is dissension in the party. Even in 1973, when Councilman James E. Doyle and Lynch competed in the last close mayoral election, Lynch received only two votes of the Democratic City Committee for endorsement.

This year, Kinch received 18 votes and Mayor William F. Harty Jr. 24 from the 42-member committee, and some former allegiances have fallen asunder.

Because the mayoral contest is considered to be close, common reasoning is that candidates in the council at-large race cannot rely on firmly grasping the coattails of either Kinch or Harty and riding along to victory.

What affect does allying oneself with a mayoral candidate have on the at-large council race?

Probably not much — if you listen to the candidates.

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THE AT-LARGE candidates are evenly split in their mayoral endorsements. Sarault, Durand and Allard support Harty. Mrs. Magill, McCluskie and Campbell support Kinch.

Durand, endorsed by the party largely because of his heavy backing on the city's west side from Councilmen John E. Carney and Raymond W. Houle Jr., and from former state Sen. Michael F. Horan and state Rep. R. Kevin Horan, said he does not think his allegiance to Harty will affect his showing.

"I originally thought that might be the way it would go," Durand said. "But I think the voters have shown in recent years that they're less likely to identify with party labels, or who I'm voting for for mayor."

But there is another facet to the split, one that will come into play after the election. Some observers and city politicians say they believe that the results of the at-large council race will determine which faction controls the council after the election.

Their logic is this: Three councilmen are running unopposed. They are Carney, Houle and Doyle. A fourth councilman, Philip J. Moran, faces only nominal opposition in the First District. Carney and Houle are for Harty. Moran and Doyle are for Kinch. That leaves the balance of power with the three at-large councilmen.

If Kinch's supporters take two or three of the seats, he would control the council, some say.

If Harty's supporters take two or three of the seats, he would control the council. Because Harty relies heavily on Lynch's campaign machine and former aides, some, especially Kinch supporters, say that that machine also would exercise some control.

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SOME CANDIDATES believe that grudges will be carried well beyond the election and that the traditionally unified council will,

like the party, be splintered after Nov. 3.

Other candidates say they believe that is nonsense and that the councilmen elected will forget about the tumultuous mayoral race and get on with running the city.

Some observers and candidates have suggested that ballot positions will have an impact Tuesday, especially when there are more than three candidates. But the candidates are of two minds on this also.

Sarault, who says he has drawn less than advantageous ballot positions for all of his three candidates, is third on the ballot this year.

"It can play an important role," Sarault said, "but that's difficult to measure."

"Some people have been drumming up this ballot-position stuff as being important," said Allard. "I think that's pretty ignorant and insulting in terms of the candidates who go out and campaign and the people who vote conscientiously."

The candidates said they have sought to raise various issues in approaching the constituents.

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MRS. MAGILL said that explaining the effect of the current property tax revaluation, addressing residents' concerns about the development of the former Narragansett Park race track, vandalism and crime are all issues.

Sarault said he has approached the questions of the city's ability to operate after the effects of President Reagan's budget cuts are felt and the effect of the revaluation.

McCluskie said that revaluation is an issue, but crime is the most important concern of the city's residents. McCluskie said that the Community Organized Against Crime Program has been effective in some neighborhoods but that the council has failed to pursue the program citywide.

Durand said that he would pursue the repeal of the \$10,000 property-tax shelter afforded Brown University professors by state law. He also said that it is unfair that autos are assessed at 100 percent of their market value while other property is assessed at less than half market-value.

Allard said that crime is a major problem and that the ranks of the city Police Department should be bolstered. He also suggested mandatory criminal penalties for youths convicted of crimes and vandalism. He said the city can act unilaterally in this regard by forming a board to handle young criminals, similar to the board that was rejected recently in Cumberland by Mayor Francis M. Stetkiewicz.

Campbell said that the city should operate on a tighter budget and that he would vote against authorizing more revenue raising through municipal bonds. Campbell said that bond interest puts the city further in debt. He added that as a member of the General Assembly he frequently voted against authorizing bonds for the city.

**THE ACTING MAYOR CONTINUES TO
TALK ABOUT A CITY INCOME TAX**

HERE'S WHAT HENRY KINCH HAS TO SAY:

**“I am unequivocally opposed
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WHAT PAWTUCKET MUST DO

- In 1978 Pawtucket was given 4 years to complete the development of 180 acres at Narragansett Park.
- In 1978 Pawtucket was given 4 years to create 3,600 jobs.
- In 1978 Pawtucket was given 4 years to attract \$40 million in private investment.

WHAT PAWTUCKET HAS DONE

- Pawtucket has spent over 3 years and has only developed 90 acres.
- More than 3 years have past and only 110 jobs have been created.
- In over 3 years Pawtucket has only attracted less than 1/3 of that amount.

THE ACTING MAYOR SAYS NARRAGANSETT PARK IS ...

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS DEBATE

HENRY KINCH SAYS ...

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THE QUALITIES OF LEADERSHIP HENRY KINCH HAS THEM

HENRY KINCH — PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR

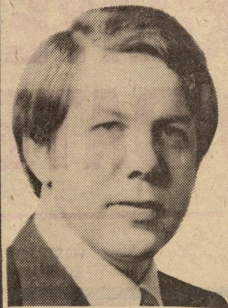
There's a science to running city government on a day-to-day basis — it's called Public Administration. Henry Kinch has a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Administration. Henry graduated, with honors, from Roger Williams College. He knows about municipal finances, accounting, and the value of long range planning. Henry, who graduated from Tolman High School, has the knowledge and technical training to be a great Mayor. Those are the qualities of leadership and Henry Kinch has them!

HENRY KINCH — SKILLED BUSINESS MANAGER

Henry Kinch was elected to the City Council in 1969 and is now the City Council President. Henry has proved his leadership in saving \$2.7 million on the construction of Jenks Junior High School, collecting \$248,000 in back taxes from Narragansett Race Track, and starting the Home Ownership Opportunity Program (HOOP) a pilot program that got houses built for people of moderate income. Those are the qualities of leadership and Henry Kinch has them!

HENRY KINCH—PROVEN GOVERNMENT LEADER

Henry Kinch has been a plant manager for the Gorham Company for 10 years. He is used to big companies and big responsibilities. In addition to his college degree in Public Administration Henry has been trained in Time Study and Industrial Engineering by the Gorham Company. Henry Kinch knows how to run a business, negotiate labor contracts face to face, and how to get the most out of every dollar spent. Those are the qualities of leadership and Henry Kinch has them!



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Pawtucket let developer delay paying for land

Builder was allowed to avoid first year of taxes; Lynch declines to comment

By JOSEPH DRISCOLL
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PROVIDENCE — An East Providence developer erected a \$1-million building at Narragansett Park on land that he didn't buy from the City of Pawtucket until several months after construction was completed, the *Journal Bulletin* has learned.

Narragansett Park Associates began construction of the 64,000-square-foot combination office-industrial building on 5.5 acres of city land in February, 1980. Construction was completed late last fall, according to a city official.

However, the developer did not buy the land until March 5, 1981, according to the deed on file at City Hall.

Because of the delay in transferring title to the land, the city waited more than a year to collect the \$152,872 price for the property and has unofficially written off one year's taxes on both the land and building.

The favors done for the developer during the administration of former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch were never made public. Lynch, now state purchasing director, refused yesterday to discuss the matter.

John L. Marshall III, president of Marshall Contractors Inc. of East Providence and a general partner in Narragansett Park Associates, said yesterday that in 1979 he gave the city a deposit equal to 10 percent of the purchase price of the land and was given an option to buy it. But he did not answer questions about why he erected the building without first paying for the land.

ASKED IF Lynch agreed to give him special concessions for agreeing to be one of the initial developers of the former race track, Marshall said he did.

He said he was "cooperating with the city" and Lynch was helping him by allowing the land purchase to be postponed.

Marshall said that when he announced in November, 1979, that he would build, he had a tenant lined up and thought he could find others during the construction period.

But the tenant, Information Systems of Pawtucket, a computer services firm, changed its plans and Marshall has not been able to find any tenants for the building, which is at the main entrance to the industrial section of the track development.

"When you build, you like to have a situation where you have a tenant," Marshall said.

Narragansett Park Associates borrowed \$1.2 million from Industrial National Bank for the project, according to City Hall records. Marshall said that if he had to pay taxes on his empty building in addition to loan payments, "I'd scream."

Since the land and building technically belonged to the city last Dec. 31, the annual tax assessment deadline, Marshall did not get a 1980 tax bill. The building has not yet been appraised by the tax assessor.

Assessor William G. Carden said yesterday that an appraisal would be done by the end of this year and that the developer will be mailed a tax bill for 1981 next May.

Marshall said yesterday that since the building is not producing income, it has become a financial burden to him. If he knew in advance the difficulty he would have locating tenants, Marshall said, he would not have erected it.

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MARSHALL, a friend of Lynch, was one of a handful of developers who signed commitments to buy land at Narragansett Park so the city could win a \$5.95-million federal grant in early 1979 to buy the property from the Narragansett Racing Association.

The federal government required evidence of interest from developers in the project before it would give the city the money.

Mayor William F. Harty Jr., who replaced Lynch last July 13, said yesterday that while it would have been better for the city to be paid sooner for the land, the management of the park's development has been and is being well handled.

The mayor said he didn't see anything wrong with the way the former administration handled the project. He said that developing the former race track was a good deal for the city and would help boost the city's tax rolls as well as bring in new jobs.

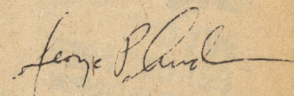
A Letter, Not to the Editor, But To My Friends:

I will vote for **HENRY KINCH** for Mayor of Pawtucket on November 3rd. I urge each of you to join me in supporting Henry Kinch.

Has he been an active, effective advocate for our neighborhood? Ask your friends who live on Division St., Prospect St., Rhode Island Ave., Bishops Bend, Pleasant St. and the Towers East Housing for the Elderly how they, who know him, feel about Henry Kinch.

It hasn't been necessary to write a "letter to the editor" to get Henry's attention and efforts for the neighborhood. "Call Henry!" Or, He'll call you for your opinion and suggestions to get to the bottom of a problem. You can talk to him. Red tape and double-talk, I've never had.

The next two years are going to be difficult ones, of necessary readjustment, for Pawtucket. I want to see at the mayor's desk someone I have confidence in, who, himself, has confidence, ability, understanding, a willingness to listen, and a desire to work with people in the best interests of all of Pawtucket. I believe Henry (and he is "Henry" to the people of this district) is the person we need for Mayor of Pawtucket.



GEORGE P. ANDERSON
26 South St., Corner of Division St.

HENRY KINCH AND THE ACTING MAYOR AGREE ON TWO THINGS . . . THEY'RE BOTH AGAINST PERSONAL INCOME TAX AND THE BOND ISSUE.

THE RECORD SHOWS THAT HENRY KINCH LED THE WAY...AGAIN!

THE KINCH RECORD

On Thursday, Oct. 22, Henry Kinch came out against a personal income tax.

"Kinch said that he did not and does not advocate a city income tax."

**EVENING TIMES
OCT. 23, 1981**

On Wednesday, Oct. 14, Henry Kinch came out against the \$3.6 million Anna Burns School Bond Issue.

"Kinch informed the media of his position Wednesday afternoon."

**EVENING TIMES
OCT. 14, 1981**

THE ACTING MAYOR'S RECORD

On Saturday, Oct. 24, **Two Days Later**, the Acting Mayor said:

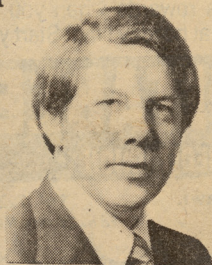
"No Personal Income Tax."
**POLITICAL FLYER
Distributed SAT., OCT. 24**

On Thursday, Oct. 15, **A Day Later**, the Acting Mayor came out against the Anna Burns School Bond Issue.

"Kinch announced his opposition the day before the acting mayor held a press conference to oppose spending the money."

**PROVIDENCE JOURNAL
OCT. 25, 1981**

**LET'S TAKE
A
NEW DIRECTION**



**KINCH
MAYOR/DEMOCRAT**

Andrew E. McConnell,
Chairman

Structure built, then land sold

A Narragansett Park developer did not pay for the 5.5 acres of land he purchased at Narragansett Park until four months after he had completed construction of a \$1-million office-industrial complex, it has been disclosed.

Narragansett Park Associates gave the City of Pawtucket a 10 percent down payment on the \$152,872 price of the land in Nov., 1979. Construction of a 64,000-square foot office complex began in February, 1980, and the building was completed late that fall.

However, the developer did not buy the land until March 5, 1981, according to the deed on file at City Hall.

Because of the delay in trans-

ferring title to the land, the city waited more than a year to collect the balance of the land purchase price and has unofficially written off one year's taxes on both the land and building.

John L. Marshall III, president of Marshall Contractors Inc. of East Providence and a general partner in Narragansett Park Associates, acknowledged that the building was constructed before he purchased the land. Marshall noted that he had a tenant lined up when he agreed to purchase the land, but that tenant, Information Systems of Pawtucket, changed its plans. The building has remained vacant since its completion nearly a year ago.

Asked if former Mayor Dennis M.

Lynch had agreed to give him special concessions for agreeing to be one of the initial developers of the former race track, Marshall said he did.

Marshall said he was "cooperating with the city" and Lynch was helping him by allowing the land purchase to be postponed.

The federal government had required the city to line up commitments from developers for \$40 million in private investment at the 180-acre site before awarding a \$5.95 million grant to purchase the property.

Lynch, now state purchasing director, declined to discuss the matter.

Mayor William F. Harty Jr., who

took office in July, said today that the only question in his mind is whether Narragansett Park Associates should have paid taxes on the land and building in 1980.

Since the land and building still belonged to the city last Dec. 31, Marshall did not get a 1980 tax bill. The building has not yet been appraised.

Harty said it is normal procedure to give tax breaks to vacant commercial properties and that the city would have been justified in giving Marshall an abatement, even if a bill had been sent.

"The city was protected," Harty said. "It owned the land and building and could have repossessed both. The building certainly has been no boon to Marshall."

Marshall said Wednesday that the building has become a liability to him. He said if he had known in advance the difficulty he would have attracting a tenant, he would not have erected it.

Tax Assessor William Carden said an appraisal would be done by the end of this year and that the developer will be mailed a tax bill for 1981 next May.

Marshall, who is a friend of Lynch, was one of a half dozen developers who signed commitments to purchase land at the former racetrack before the city received its federal Urban Development Action Grant.

Coyle defends revaluation procedures

PAWTUCKET — Officials of the real estate consulting firm overseeing the property revaluation in the city have defended that process and their role from criticism by mayoral candidate Henry S. Kinch.

William E. Coyle III of William E. Coyle Jr. and Associates said Wednesday that Kinch has made inaccurate statements and allegations "because he does not understand the process.

"He's taking swipes at people he has no business taking swipes at," Coyle said in reference to Kinch's statements that the consultants have hired unqualified high school and college students to compile information.

"We never hired any high school students and maybe one of the 28 listers is in college — in a master's program," Coyle said. "That statement (of Kinch's) is a lie. He is taking a complex, sensitive process and trying to exploit it for political advantage."

Coyle said of 28 "lister" now used by the firm to gather data about individual parcels, 20 are members of the Blackstone Valley Board of Realtors and several others are licensed to sell real estate. All are qualified, "if anything over-qualified" to do the work, he said.

Kinch, however, stood by his previous statements concerning the revaluation procedure. He said the city should have sought bids on the work, and that he considers the arrangement made by former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch to be "a sweetheart deal" with the realtors board.

That organization, of which Lynch is a former president, endorsed Mayor William F. Harty, who also is a member, Kinch noted.

Kinch said the way the revaluation is being carried out is not the way it had been originally presented when the city appropriated \$500,000 for the state-mandated project. "If all they're doing is paying someone \$4 a house to take measurements and ask a few questions, then I think we could have gotten it done cheaper or done it in-house," Kinch said.

Coyle responded by saying Kinch has misinterpreted the role of his firm, which he said has a "national reputation" and experience in all facets of property appraisal.

"We are the general consultant to the revaluation," Coyle said. "We were hired to make sure the job does not exceed the budget, which, by the way, the city council appropriated two years ago."

Coyle said the revaluation actually is being performed "in house" using city records, equipment, book-keeping and, wherever possible, the city computer. And he said the revaluation is being conducted cheaper and faster here than in cities of comparable size that have sought bids from firms to perform the work.

The listers merely are collecting information on all 23,000 parcels of land, counting rooms and measuring buildings, he said. That information will be fed to computers that have been programmed to analyze all pertinent facts to come up with a "market-oriented" valuation.

He said that it is cheaper to buy

computer time on a program already written for the purpose somewhere else than it would be to hire keypunchers and program the city computer.

Kinch said his criticism was a reaction to complaints from property owners who have attended revaluation forums scheduled in all six councilmanic districts. "The criticism is not only coming from me," he said. "It's the same story at every forum."

Kinch said he had never been furnished the names of the listers even though the city council had requested that information. Coyle, however, said that if the council had requested such a list, they were sent it.

Coyle said that list never has been made public because many of the persons involved, for various reasons, do not want to be identified.

"These are all reputable, experienced and qualified people, and they're being made to look like a bunch of jerks," Coyle said. "They include the principals or brokers from nearly every real estate agency in the city. Before they were hired, we contacted everyone who had ever expressed an interest in working on the revaluation." Coyle said those persons included Kinch's brother, Lowell, a realtor, who at the time declined.

Coyle said it is inevitable mistakes will be made, but that extra checking is being done to minimize errors and point out potential problems. The firm has geared up to handle up to 4,000 complaints, or the standard 20 percent usually planned for, he said.

Incumbents: Campaign lacks issues

But rivals for school board seats disagree

By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Some school officials feared that because the terms of all School Committee members will end simultaneously for the first time in the city's history, committee and the School Department business might be thrown into disarray by the campaigns for the election on Tuesday.

They feared that a slate of candidates raising a single issue might be elected and that the voters could give the advocates of a special interest the responsibility of overseeing the city's schools.

But that has not happened.

In fact, some people wonder whether there are any issues in the School Committee campaign.

"I don't see any issues at all," Committeeman John V. Brady said.

"I don't think there have been any issues raised by the campaign," committee Chairman Stephen M. Robinson said.

BEFORE THIS YEAR, the terms of School Committee members always had been staggered so that no more than three of the seven committee members were elected in any year. But in 1974, a Charter Review Commission was appointed to study the City Charter. After disputes over the terms of elected municipal officials were resolved, neither the commission, the

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City Council, former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch, the School Committee nor the city's General Assembly delegation got the different School Committee provisions they had sought.

After some factions in the dispute compromised and others were out-muscled, the six-year, staggered terms for committee members were reduced to simultaneous two-year terms.

Most committee members oppose the new format. They do not like campaigning every two years with all of the seats in jeopardy because they think that it will reduce the stability of the board. But that has not been a problem this year.

Brady, 74, who has served on the committee since 1976, said that the only issue is experience. Brady said that those among the 11 candidates who are not incumbents really are not aware of the responsibilities, the frequent meetings and long hours that the position requires.

But some of the newcomers are waging scrappy campaigns.

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Friday, October 30, 1981

ELECT

James MURRAY

School Committee



**"To CHANGE, not
just to Join Them"**

KEEP POLITICS OUT OF OUR SCHOOLS

JAMES MURRAY

The only Candidate
with a graduate
degree in Education

James Murray
212 Cottage St., Pawt.

The issues they are raising are embarrassing to the incumbents: The role of politics, especially those in City Hall, in operating the schools; the need for more access to vocational training for city students, and the poor performance of city students on the Scholastic Aptitude Tests (SATs), which most colleges and universities use to determine how well students are prepared for higher education.

TWO CHALLENGERS, James Murray, a local lawyer, and Mark C. Ambrose, a storeroom clerk and radio announcer, have said that the city is not doing enough to provide vocational education. They add that only one-third of the students seeking vocational training are involved in such programs. Murray said that the current School Committee and administration have failed to apply for a number of state programs to finance vocational education courses.

Ambrose said that the city should develop its own vocational curriculum, instead of relying on positions to open at the William M. Davies Vocational School in Lincoln.

At a recent debate, Committeeman James Kareemo said that students have a good chance of attending classes at Davies by applying through their guidance counselors. Robinson said any increase in vocational programs must be evaluated in light of the cost.

"I can quickly calculate that to send all the students to Davies who want to go there would add \$5 to our city tax rate," Robinson was quoted as saying.

Two other School Committee candidates, Calvin E. Carpenter, a credit manager at a local company, and William H. Deaett, a technical manager at a local company, said that the SAT scores are an issue.

CARPENTER SAID that the quality of education in the city was reflected in the scores on the tests, and that the committee should move to improve the school program. He said that introducing remedial programs and stressing basic education will help.

Deaett, who is well known on the city's west side as a member of many community groups, especially those related to schools, said that after the publicity given to city students' poor SAT performances, the Teacher Corps Community Council program, of which he is a member, began conducting classes to prepare students for the SAT and the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT).

But candidate Robert Plante, a veteran advertising manager for a local company, said that the SAT scores should not be used as an indicator of the quality of education in the city. He gives the city schools, and public education in general, high marks for beautiful buildings, good equipment, good pay for teachers, which helps attract quality instructors, and the mixture of students from different social and economic groups.

Murray also has been outspoken in his criticism of the present school administration and the influence of municipal politics on School Department affairs. He frequently and harshly challenged the current School Committee and administration when he represented Ernest R. Forest, the former principal of Tolman High School, after Forest had been fired.

Murray says he still believes that in firing Forest, the School Committee acted on orders from Lynch.

MURRAY SAID that when he cross-examined School Supt. William J. Histen during the appeal of Forest's termination, Histen said politics played a role in the firing.

Murray has called for an evaluation of all school administrators, including Histen. Murray also says that the administration has been lax in applying for state financing for many programs.

School Committeeman Daniel V. McKinnon, a 10-year veteran of the board and a former board chairman, has sought to cast himself as an independent member of the committee. McKinnon has been critical of the role that municipal politics plays in the School Department.

He opposed the closing of the Anna J. Burns School and, in the recent debate, said the position on the school by the two mayoral candidates, Mayor William F. Hartly Jr. and Councilman Henry S. Kinch, proves the wisdom of his decision. Hartly and Kinch oppose a bond referendum on Tuesday's ballot that would provide money to convert the school to a new police headquarters and District Court.

In the debate, School Committeemen Brady, Robert A. Paquin and William L. Hird cited what they said were their accomplishments in recent contract negotiations. They observed that recent labor disputes have not resulted in strikes by School Department employees.

McKinnon said that he has not raised specific issues in the campaign, largely because the race has been "dwarfed" by the mayoral campaign, but he said he is running on a record of fiscal conservatism and independence. McKinnon said that former Mayor Lynch often interfered in School Committee matters.

Committeeman William Hird also said he has not raised any issues, but that he was running on his record of experience on various subcommittees.

FRIDAY, October 30, 1981

Bitter mayoral campaign winds down

By **BOB LITCHFIELD**
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — To hear the two principals in the mayoral race tell it, their opponent's "dirty tricks" squads make Richard Nixon's crew look like a conclave of cardinals.

The election campaign that is winding down to a conclusion Tuesday has not been what candidates like to call a "positive" one for the most part.

The most hotly contested city election in nearly a decade has been a bitter and expensive one, particu-

larly so in the final days. One of the last major events in the campaign is a televised debate over Channel 36 tonight at 7:30.

Mayor William F. Harty Jr. and Henry S. Kinch continue to denounce each other's tactics and raise accusations in campaign statements. Even beyond the official pronouncements, "unofficial" rumors have been spreading faster than gypsy moth caterpillars.

Both sides have alleged that their opponents' campaign workers are making harassing early morning

phone calls to voters, purporting to be working for the other side.

Harty's forces accuse Kinch of inuendo in trying to discredit the handling of the Narragansett Park development and of deception in presenting a list of accomplishments while on the City Council.

On the other side, Kinch loyalists are crying foul over the Harty camp's attempt to link Kinch to an income tax in a campaign flyer being distributed this week. At issue are comments Kinch made in answer to a question during a can-

didate forum five weeks ago.

Harty also has tried to paint Kinch as "the hand-picked candidate of organized labor" because of his labor endorsements, while Kinch is making much of Harty's close association with former mayor Dennis M. Lynch.

Harty, the Kinch campaign now contends, has turned in desperation to misrepresentation and mud-slinging in a last-minute attempt to pull out a victory at the polls.

Last week at a debate at the Public Library the two men traded in-

sults while being urged on by 300 unruly partisans. The campaign hit a low point

The mood was more gentlemanly when the two were interviewed the next morning for a radio talk show that aired Sunday.

But the charges and counter-charges resumed with a vengeance this week when Harty's tax circulars began appearing, cam-

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Mismanagement charged in sale of race track land

PAWTUCKET — Councilman Henry S. Kinch, a candidate for mayor, said today that the disclosure of a special arrangement that allowed an East Providence developer to erect a \$1-million building at Narragansett Park without first buying the land from the city shows that the track development project has been mismanaged.

A check of land records by the *Journal-Bulletin* showed that the developer, Narragansett Park Associates, constructed the 64,000-square-foot combination office-industrial building in 1980, but did not buy the 5.5-acre site until March, 1981.

Because of the delay in transferring title to the land, the city waited more than a year to collect

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the \$152,872 price for the property and has unofficially written off one year of taxes on both the land and the building.

Kinch, who has repeatedly charged that the development of the track has been mismanaged, said, "It is clear that the real development of the track has been the development of cozy relationships between friends of friends in the mayor's office."

The general partner of Narragansett Park Associates is John L. Marshall III, an East Providence contractor, and a Lynch friend.

"It has long been my contention," Kinch said, "that the development of the race track should be taken out of the mayor's office and turned over to the Planning Department. I think that this incident proves just how necessary that change is."

"I'm not saying that anything illegal was done," he said. "All I'm suggesting is that this matter must be closely examined."

Election •Continued

paign finance statements were filed and it was disclosed that a Narragansett Park developer had received tax concessions from the administration of former mayor Dennis M. Lynch when he constructed a \$1.2 million office-manufacturing complex on land he didn't pay the city for until four months after the building's completion.

It is in this atmosphere that the two men will face off tonight in a debate to be telecast over Channel 36, the state's public television station. It will be the final head-to-head confrontation in the three-month-long battle for the mayor's office.

To date, Harty has outspent his challenger by some 40 percent, according to reports filed with the state Board of Elections this week.

According to the reports, Harty had spent \$57,049.41 by this Tuesday. Kinch's financial statement pegged his expenditures as of Monday at \$34,352.20. Since July, Harty has raised \$61,705 to Kinch's \$42,300.50, though contributions to the Kinch campaign have closed the gap since the council president's surprising win in the Oct. 6 primary.

Between Sept 9 and Oct. 27, Harty raised \$25,435, and between Sept. 7 and Oct. 26 Kinch reported \$21,602.50 in contributions. But Kinch has raised \$9,297.01 since Oct. 12 while the Harty campaign has reported it took in \$6,620 since Oct. 14.

Of the \$21,602.50 contributed to Kinch's campaign since Sept. 7, \$15,650 came in from three fundraisers. Kinch received \$2,610 from a union fund-raiser in late September. In addition, he benefitted from a \$15-per-person affair Sept. 20 at My Brother's Pub and a \$7.50-per-ticket event Oct. 26 at a Rumford Knights of Columbus Hall.

Kinch reported individual contributions of \$200 or more from Philip J. Hill, an East Providence contractor who donated \$1,000, and the "Third Ward Democrats" who contributed \$1,097.50. Kinch said that group includes council at-large candidate Richard McCluskie and other supporters in the third council district.

Harty's report did not detail fund-raising figures, but Harty's campaign manager, Dennis M. Lynch Jr. said he recalled such an event in late September, but he could not remember how much was raised then.

Harty also reported he made a \$2,500 personal contribution to his campaign on Oct. 23, and a \$1,500 contribution from his father, William F. Harty Sr., on Oct. 18.

Listed as contributors of more than \$200 to the Harty campaign were Bernard and Mary O'Toole, \$400; James A. Murphy Jr., \$500; Richard and Carol Smith, \$300; and William K. Toole Jr., \$350.

HENRY KINCH

Pawtucket politics '81

Kinch: disclosures confirm charges

Mayoral candidate Henry S. Kinch says his charges of mismanagement at Narragansett Park have been confirmed by recent disclosures of "improper land sale and property tax avoidance" by an East Providence developer at the former racetrack.

It was reported in newspapers Thursday that Marshall Contractors constructed a 64,000-square-foot building in 1980 without first having purchased the land. By delaying purchase of a 5.5-acre parcel until March this year, the Marshall firm avoided paying 1980 property tax on the land and the building, Kinch pointed out.

"What in essence has happened here," Kinch said, "is that every taxpaying homeowner has subsidized construction of a \$1.2-million building with their hard-earned tax dollars."

Kinch said the delay in purchasing the land and subsequent tax avoidance apparently was done with the knowledge and approval of former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch. John L. Marshall III, president of the development firm and a friend of Lynch's, indicated the agreement had been made with Lynch.

Kinch, who has repeatedly charged that the development of the racetrack has been mismanaged, said, "It is clear that the real development here has been the development of cozy relationships between friends in the mayor's office."

Kinch, who in July proposed a four-point program to change the way the development is handled, said the Marshall incident proves his suggestions are necessary. "It has long been my contention that development of the racetrack should be taken out of the mayor's office and turned over to the Planning Department," Kinch said. "More importantly, my plan would require quarterly progress reports by the planning department that would prevent a repetition of this."

"It pains me to think," Kinch said, "that as chairman of the Project Development Council the acting mayor would be involved in a scheme which has wrongfully deprived the City of Pawtucket of much-needed tax revenue."

"I'm not saying that anything illegal was done. All I'm suggesting is that this matter must be closely examined."

"The acting mayor said he sees nothing wrong with the method used to construct this building. That suggests that if he is elected, these same arrangements will continue to be made."

Kinch said he would appoint a "blue ribbon commission" of attorneys and accountants to review each agreement signed by developers to date "to insure that all stated commitments made to the city are accurate and are being carried out."

Houle: Kinch creating 'one-man-show' impression

Pawtucket Fifth District City Councilman Raymond W. Houle Jr. has criticized mayoral candidate Henry S. Kinch for his campaign claims.

"This particular candidate for mayor is trying to create the impression that the whole city has been a one-man show during these years, and I resent this greatly," Houle said.

He said Kinch is trying to take sole credit for the scaling down of the original plans for the new Jenks Junior High School. "Henry Kinch was no more instrumental in changing the nature of the Jenks proposal than were any other members of the City Council," Houle said. "It was a joint decision by all parties involved, and I will certainly attest that there was no overriding influence on this decision by anybody," he said.

He said he was at every session with the council involving the federal grant for the Narragansett Park development — a major issue of the mayoral campaign.

"Not one word was uttered to indicate any disagreement or negative feeling. In fact, not one word was uttered when developers were submitted to the City Council," Houle said. "The truth of the matter is that Pawtucket has grown and prospered through the years not by any one individual," he said.

"Every statement made in (his advertisements) misleads one into believing that to advocate or propose anything means (the same as) to do it," Houle said.

Houle said the only real issue in the mayoral campaign is: "Who do you want to handle \$50 million of our money?" He said he supports William F. Harty Jr. for that job.

McAloon backs Kinch

John T. McAloon, candidate for the Pawtucket City Council in the Fourth District, has endorsed Henry S. Kinch for mayor.

Kinch has been the councilman from the Fourth District for the past 12 years.

"Based upon Mr. Kinch's outstanding record of accomplishments on the City Council, I view him as the most qualified candidate to lead Pawtucket in the upcoming years," McAloon said.

"Seldom do we find someone like Henry Kinch in public office who has continually come forth with new, innovative programs and who has put in the time and effort to see them put into effect," McAloon said.

LETTERS:

Questions as election nears

Henry Kinch has recently said that Mayor Harty is desperate because he is attacking Henry's credibility. From that statement we can assume that Henry has been desperate from the start, because he has been attacking Mayor Harty's credibility. Rummaging

through Henry Kinch's campaign statements one has to ask him a few questions:

1. What proposals has he brought forth since becoming president of the City Council?
2. Shouldn't the taxpayers expect Bill Harty to be in the Mayor's of-

fice as much as possible doing his job campaign or no campaign?

3. If Henry Kinch says a vote for him is a vote for change, then where has HE been these last 12 years and why do we need any change?

4. Does he really expect all of us to believe that he and he alone has collected the past due taxes at Naragansett Park?

5. While Henry has been serving on the council (and he has done a good job) were there no other councilmen also working with him?

6. Does running for mayor all of a sudden bring new facts to light so he wants to fire the superintendent of cemeteries who he has supported all these years?

7. How many employees has he negotiated for at Gorham and for how long?

Henry recently mentioned that Mayor Harty had made the campaign negative when he finally started trying to get Henry to answer some of these questions, which were raised by Henry's own statements, and turn around Henry's own negative style. Finally, that Bill Harty's friendship with Dennis Lynch should come into focus at all was the most negative and wrong move Henry Kinch could have made. To Bill Harty's everlasting credit he never denied or tried to play down a friendship that began long before politics just so he could get some votes in November.

Not all Harty supporters were with the former Lynch campaign. Some, like myself, supported and worked for Jim Doyle. Mine will be a vote for Bill Harty and this city needs more like him.

James A. Murphy, Jr.

Murphy is a Harty campaign worker. — Editor

'Erroneous, prejudicial' try to 'belittle' Murray

Unless I have missed some very important documentation in the U.S. Constitution, I have yet to read where a ward committee person of any political party is prohibited from speaking the truth.

I refer to Ms. Zagroski's letter in The Evening Times (Oct. 24) where she erroneously and prejudicially attempts to belittle Mr. William Murray for his courage in speaking the truth as regards Mr. Kinch's misrepresentations and questionable claims and allegations.

Mr. William Murray, a gentlemen, who needs no defense for his actions because his personal life style and commitment to his community speak for themselves, is a man unafraid to stand forward, is a man willing to take a public posi-

tion, is a man open to have others know where he stands and in what he believes. He has in no way sacrificed his constitutional guarantees of free expression (free speech) because he is committed to open involvement in the political process. He is first and foremost a citizen and taxpayer in this country, this state, and this city. As such, he believes the sacred trusts of his government must be protected by people of integrity, people of honesty, and people of truthfulness. He will not allow misstatements, innuendos, and deliberate prefabrications to go unanswered. Thank God that our community is fortunate enough to have such a committed gentleman.

William J. LeVasseur
8 State St.
Pawtucket

'Gutter politics' at doorway

Saturday night Henry Kinch, candidate for mayor and Kathy McGill showed up at a time being held by Raymond Houle at St. Jean's Church.

When they arrived at the door they were told by one of Ray Houle's men that Kathy McGill could attend because she was endorsed by the Democratic Committee, but Henry Kinch could not attend. I believe that this is one of the lowest forms of "gutter politics"

that I ever saw. I believe that Ray Houle should be called upon to explain to the people of Pawtucket for his actions.

Mr. Cluskie was also turned away from when he tried to attend the meeting later that night.

As a citizen of Pawtucket, I believe that Ray Houle should be called upon to explain his actions.

Ernest J. Gingras
261 Weeden St.
Pawtucket

Friendly advice

Who is Bill Harty?

A man who took the time to spend a few nights a week at the Pawtucket Boys Club giving the youth of Pawtucket some direction. I know this is the truth because my son was one of the boys who received friendly advice and guidance from him. Bill Harty doesn't want me to publish this letter — and I think that is the kind of guy we need in Pawtucket. That is the kind of man Bill Harty is — a quiet man, who gets the job done with dignity.

Richard Ryan
154 Littlefield St.
Pawtucket

'Bad joke'

The firemen work 151 days a year and get \$30,000 in salaries and benefits. WOW!

That's what I said to myself as I read Mr. Harty's interview in the Times last Friday: 151 days a year, that's less than 1/2 a year of work. I don't mind a guy getting paid for his work but this seems ridiculous. Mr. Harty also mentioned that the leadership of the firefighters union were working for Mr. Kinch. Is this true? If it is its a bad joke on the taxpayers.

James McGeough
Pawtucket

'Is this the manner of speech..?'

As one who was present at forums held recently at the Fogarty Housing for the Elderly and the Pawtucket Public Library I as appalled by the tone set by Mayor William F. Harty, Jr.

Thursday, Oct. 22, at the League of Women Voters Debate held at the Pawtucket Public Library Mayor Harty referred to Henry Kinch, his opponent for the office of mayor, as a "gnat," a "clown," and said he (Kinch) "wasn't even a gentleman." At one point he even

challenged Mr. Kinch to "go outside with you if need be." Tuesday, Oct. 20, at Fogarty Housing Mayor Harty said that Mr. Kinch "got his jollies" from his campaign style.

Is this the manner of speech we should expect from the mayor of our city? If the purpose of the debates was to inform the voters, they did just that as far as I'm concerned. I learned that the current mayor is street-wise but unpolished. Put my vote in the Kinch column.

Sandra T. Lubera
Pawtucket

Desperation, frustration in campaign

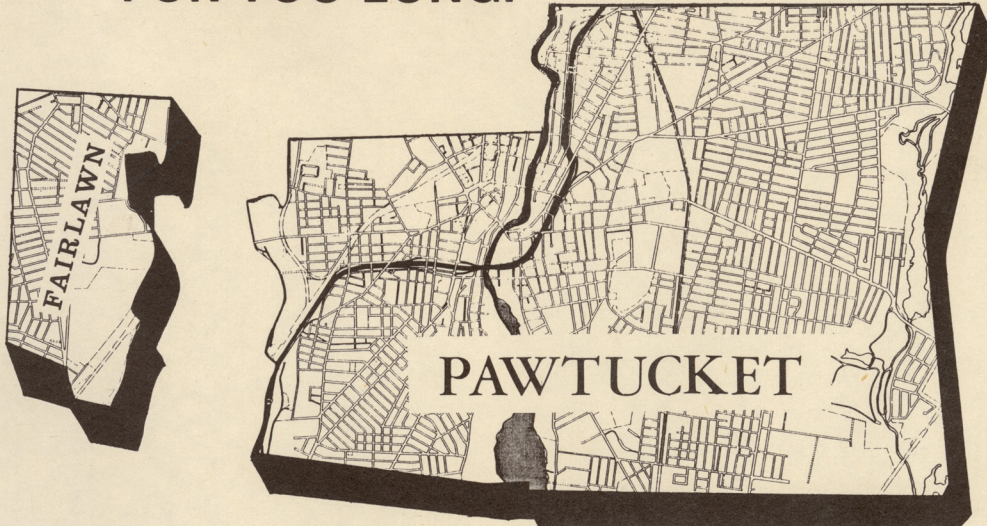
Today I received a flyer from Mayor Bill Harty. It stated that his opponent, Henry Kinch, considers a personal income tax as an alternative to current taxes. At the same time Mr. Harty says publicly that Henry Kinch has never advocated such a policy.

What Mr. Harty is really saying is if you don't have an issue, create one! This is a definite sign of desperation by a candidate for mayor who simply has no record to place before the taxpayers. The frustration of that fact has him grasping at straws. Mr. Harty is, as anyone who has met him will tell you, a nice guy. What he seems to be up to lately is beneath him. One has to wonder what is going on behind the scenes.

On the other hand, I commend Henry Kinch for his documented, straight-forward campaign.

Brenda Basiliere
111 Norfolk Ave.
Pawtucket

HENRY KINCH SAYS: "FAIRLAWN HAS BEEN ISOLATED FOR TOO LONG."



Fairlawn always seems to be last when it comes to road repairs, athletic facilities, and snow removal. The real proof that Fairlawn is short-changed can be seen by examining appointments to City Boards and Commissions. Not one single Fairlawn resident is on the Purchasing Board, the Board of Trustees of the Library, the Personnel Board, the Board of Appeals, or the City Planning Commission. In fact, only 1 out of 10 appointments to Boards and Commissions live in Fairlawn!

Will the Acting Mayor do anything to change this?

**His Campaign
Manager,
says: NO!**



—Sen. Mich

**And the Acting
Mayor says NO!**

the former mayor's son and Harty's campaign manager. "Those are not political issues, they are policy issues. "As far as the appointments go, Mayor Harty has already indicated his satisfaction with the individuals recruited into the administration of Mayor Lynch," he added. But district committee members and politicians say that the candidates' over- are sometimes gre for promises of and commi to main city te political appointments the committee and reside trict were discussed. "We would a appointment mittee shouldn't city. The times cert Chartier more forget by and Dennis are committee. er Mayor Dennis M. Lynch in 1973, they w support for Harty. Harty has announced his of Lynch's personnel in City Hall and announced that he will carry out the former mayor's policies. City Committee members yesterday bid that M... will's endorsement of bid...

It's time to take a **NEW DIRECTION**. Henry Kinch says, "Under a Kinch Administration all districts of our city will be fairly represented."

VOTE KINCH NOVEMBER 3rd

Party bitterly split in mayoral contests

Pawtucket: Harty and Kinch in close race

By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — For 12 years, they served in harmony on the City Council, agreeing with nearly everything former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch said. They were members of a team. And, they were friends, often attending social functions together with their wives and families.

Now Mayor William F. Harty Jr. and Councilman Henry S. Kinch are pitted in a struggle that has divided them, their party, the City Council, the General Assembly delegation and the city itself.

They are fighting for control of this densely-populated old mill city, a community where well-kempt suburban neighborhoods and ethnic enclaves surround a depressed business district.

The man who wins this mayoral race will preside over a city that has been financially stable for years, but, like all cities, soon will be buffeted by all sorts of federal aid cutbacks. The winner also will be a political heavyweight in the Blackstone Valley, where the rest of the state's politicians can still count on an overwhelmingly Democratic vote.

The race is close. Harty and Kinch know every vote is important, and they will not rest until after the polls close Tuesday at 9 p.m.

THE HARMONY that was the rule in city politics since Lynch's first election in 1973 dissolved in June. It was then that Lynch resigned. In keeping with the City Charter, Harty, the council president, stepped up to the mayor's post. He made no secret of his intention to seek election. Even before Lynch's formal resignation June 16, Kinch had campaign workers compiling a list of probable voters. Within a week of that announcement, Kinch declared his candidacy.

Kinch was off the block early, trying to scare off other potential candidates. He immediately criticized Lynch and Harty, trying to put some distance between himself and their administrations.

Harty did not move quickly to stump. He said he was learning to handle the reigns of the "strong mayor" form of government provided by the charter. It was not long before Kinch's aides were accusing Harty of employing a "Rose Garden strategy," just like incumbent Presidents who opt to stay in the Oval Office rather than take their chances on the campaign trail.



PAWTUCKET CANDIDATES: Mayor William F. Harty Jr., left, and Councilman Henry S. Kinch.

Their candidacies shook the party structure. While municipal elections are nonpartisan, the city Democratic Party has always endorsed candidates. When Lynch beat Councilman James E. Doyle in the last close mayoral contest in 1973, Doyle got 40 votes on the 42-member Democratic City Committee. This year, Harty got 24 votes and Kinch 18.

FOUR MEMBERS of the City Council support Harty, and four support Kinch. (Since Harty's departure, the council has had only eight members.)

The city's 13-member General Assembly delegation also is split. At week's end, six were supporting Kinch; five were in the Harty camp, and two were claiming neutrality.

The schism has affected other races. During the Lynch years, the party endorsed whomever Lynch wanted. Candidates clung to Lynch, and followed him into office.

This year, there are no coattails. Throughout Kinch's campaign there has been a sense of urgency. A city official, who claims to be

friends of both candidates, once remarked, "Henry wants this so bad he can taste it."

Kinch's staffers and volunteers claim to have compiled the most thorough list of voters supporting a candidate in the city's history. As Kinch or one of his lieutenants campaigned door-to-door, they stopped only at the homes of probable voters. The names of potential Kinch votes were noted on a file card so follow-up telephone calls could be made.

"Henry's people will stand out in the rain for him," Kinch supporters remark. "Harty doesn't have people like that. They're all the former mayor's people."

ON THE NIGHT of the primary, Harty's campaign manager, Dennis M. Lynch Jr., said that Harty's voter lists were those remaining from the former mayor's campaigns.

Indeed, many of Harty's supporters were Lynch's supporters.

Lynch's son is Harty's campaign manager. John B. Lynch, the former mayor's brother, and Norman Beretta sit on Harty's campaign finance committee. Both had served as the former mayor's treasurer or assistant in various campaigns. Robert J. Rahill, a local lawyer who served as a Lynch campaign staffer and as the city's chief labor negotiator, is a key Harty strategist. Nicolas P. Retsinas, Lynch's administrative assistant, remains Harty's key aide.

Nonetheless, Harty bristles at the suggestion that he is surrounded by "Lynch" people.

"I get upset about it," he said in an interview before the primary. "I wish young Dennis's name was Harty Schwartz or something."

Harty says he picked the younger Lynch because of his knowledge and ability. Lynch was his father's campaign manager in 1979 and ran

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tucket should impose a special income tax on its residents.

At one of five debates during the campaign, Kinch, in answering a question about the present city tax reevaluation, said that the property tax system is inherently unfair. As evidence of the unfairness, Kinch said that some communities have considered other alternatives, including an income tax.

Three weeks later, Harty tried to make political hay out of that comment by claiming that Kinch was in favor of a municipal income tax, or at least had suggested it as an alternative.

Kinch's credibility — an issue Harty has hammered on — came into question again last week when Kinch charged that the city's property revaluation project was being conducted "haphazardly." He claimed that unqualified high school and college students were being asked to judge the value of residents' homes.

That comment brought rebuke from William E. Coyle III of William E. Coyle Jr. and Associates, the firm conducting the revaluation. He denied his employees are unqualified and said 20 of 28 field workers are registered realtors.

Governor Garrahy's campaign in the city in 1980. He says that other of the so-called Lynch men were actually his friends first.

"You have to remember that I've been around longer than Dennis," Harty said. "I knew these people as friends when I was elected to the council in 1969. Dennis was elected in 1973."

KINCH HAS MADE his major campaign issue what he calls the mismanagement of development at the former Narragansett Park race track.

But he introduced the matter in a somewhat bumbling fashion.

At a City Council meeting, shortly after Kinch announced his candidacy, he produced a Department of Housing and Urban Development document that cited problems with the development. Kinch called the document "an audit," claimed it had been "hidden" from the public and said the city was in danger of losing the entire \$5.95 million the federal government gave the city for the project.

Two days later, a HUD official said that the document was only "an audit report," meant to inform the city of minor, technical problems which the city had already resolved. The officials also said that the federal government could not, under any circumstances, reclaim the \$5.35 million the city has already received.

Kinch has continued to press the issue, however, saying that the development has not been handled well. He still insists that the city may have to repay the money.

KINCH IS NOT alone in using such information to make the other side look bad. Harty has done so on another issue, that of whether Paw-

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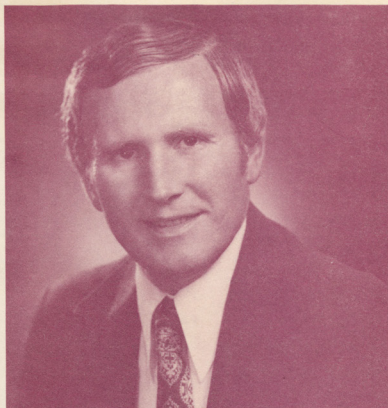
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REMEMBER MARK **AMBROSE** — VOTE NOV. 3RD

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Tuesday, Nov. 3rd.

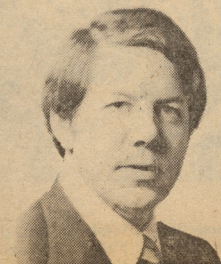
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AN ACTING MAYOR ACTING DESPERATELY!

The Pawtucket Mayoral race has become an issue of credibility. One candidate, Henry S. Kinch, has talked of his 12 year record as a city councilman, which is well documented by public record and numerous newspaper accounts. The other candidate has decided on a desperate last minute political attack on Henry's record in order to get elected. That kind of mean-spirited attack is one of the oldest and most desperate political tactics.

The purpose of these desperate attacks is to confuse the voter and destroy Henry Kinch's credibility. For 12 years the acting mayor has never once disputed Henry's record, but in the last 12 days of this campaign, he is making charges that have never been heard before. It makes you wonder why.

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Robert T. Magill, President

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Campaign Chairman—Ken Riley

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1981

EDITORIALS:

Bond issues: 2 OK, 1 reject

Voters in Pawtucket will face three bond issues in Tuesday's election, two of them no strangers. *The Times* urges voters to approved two of the issues and reject a third.

BURNS SCHOOL. The conversion of the former Anna J. Burns School into a police headquarters and courthouse has not been a wise idea from the very start, despite the fact it will leave the city sitting with another piece of school property sitting idle for possibly years to come. The Burns School was designed to be just what it was — a school, not a police station and a courthouse. The price tag for this project is \$3.6 million, \$2.5 million of it to convert the school into a police station and courthouse, \$1.1 million to convert space in city hall now occupied by the police department into office space for city departments now in rental space.

The plans for this project were designed by former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch but were drawn up before Reaganomics. Now, President Reagan has trimmed budgets to the point every single municipal project must be rethought. While it is a wise idea to quickly put the Burns School back into use, rather than have the city sitting with another old Jenks Junior High School on its hands, the proposal for it to be a police station and courthouse is not wise, not at \$3.6 million or any other price tag. *The Times* urges voters to reject the Burns School bond issue.

SCHOOL EQUIPMENT. Voters will be asked to approved a bond issue not to exceed \$250,000 to do, among other things, improve the heating systems in aging city schools. This does not mean to increase heating, it means to install equipment to better utilize existing heating systems and thus — hopefully — eventually save the city money in the long run. The price is \$250,000 and well worth it. *The Times* endorses this project.

STREET REPAIRS. Anybody who has lived in Pawtucket for more than a week knows the woeful condition of many of the city's streets and sidewalks. The fact the streets and sidewalks need repairing is beyond question. The question is: How much can be done with the amount to be supplied by this bond, \$500,000?

However, if voters decide to approve both the state transportation bond issue and the city bond issue to improve streets and sidewalks, perhaps the job can be done. *The Times* heartily endorses both.

It's your turn

It has been a long and at times bitter mayoral campaign. The two candidates, William F. Harty Jr. and Henry Kinch (listed alphabetically so there will be no closing arguments on whose name goes first) have discussed and debated the issues at great length. There have been charges and countercharges but little, it would seem, remains to be said that could not have already been said.

There have also been at times heated races for seats on city council. There are also races for the school committee, which unfortunately have taken a back seat this time around with the heavy campaigning for other positions.

No matter. Except for the final shouts, the choice is now up to the voters. As of 9 o'clock Tuesday night, we will have selected the people whom we wish to lead the city of Pawtucket for the next two years. The only way you can have a say in this critical matter is to go to the polls tomorrow and make an intelligent decision.

It takes only a matter of minutes to vote. They are extremely valuable minutes and well worth the effort. Vote.

HENRY KINCH



FOR
MAYOR
DEMOCRAT

Where to vote

Here is a list of polling places open for today's Pawtucket election. Polls, open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., are listed first by council district number, then by representative district number:

- District 1-1, 78-1, Winters School, Broadway
- District 1-2, 78-2, Burns Manor, Park St.
- District 1-3, 78-3, LeFoyer Club, Fountain St.
- District 1-4, 79-1, Curvin-McCabe School, Cottage St.
- District 1-5, 79-2, Curtis School, Benefit St.
- District 1-6, 79-3, Curtis School, Benefit St.
- District 1-7, 79-4, Curvin-McCabe School, Cottage St.
- District 2-1, 78-4, Burns Manor, Park St.
- District 2-2, 79-5, Cottage St. Fire Station
- District 2-3, 80-5, German Hall, Carter Ave.
- District 2-4, 80-4, St. Leo's School.
- District 2-5, 80-1, Potter School, Newport Ave.
- District 2-6, 80-2, Potter School, Newport Ave.
- District 2-7, 80-3, Goff School, Newport Ave.
- District 3-1, 77-3, Fire Station, Columbus Ave.
- District 3-2, 81-1, Italian Dramatic Club, Memorial Dr.
- District 3-3, 81-5, Fire Station, Newport Ave.
- District 3-4, 77-4, Burns School, Prospect St.
- District 3-5, 81-2, St. Teresa's Church, Newport Ave.
- District 3-6, 80-6, Jenks School, Division St.
- District 3-7, 81-4, Fallon School, Lincoln Ave.
- District 3-8, 81-3, Fallon School, Lincoln Ave.
- District 4-1, 76-1, Towers East, East Ave.
- District 4-2, 77-1, Little School, So. Bend St.
- District 4-3, 77-2, Little School, So. Bend St.
- District 4-4, 77-5, Burns School, Prospect St.
- District 4-5, 76-2, Varietur School, Pleasant St.
- District 4-6, 76-3, Varietur School, Pleasant St.
- District 5-1, 75-3, St. Germain Manor, Mineral Spring Ave.
- District 5-2, 74-2, St. Germain Manor, Mineral Spring Ave.
- District 5-3, 74-1, Baldwin School, Whitman St.
- District 5-4, 75-1, St. Mary's School, Pine St.
- District 5-5, 75-2, Baldwin School, Whitman St.
- District 5-6, 76-6, Advent Church Hall, Pawtucket Ave.
- District 5-7, 76-4, Fire Station, West Ave.
- District 5-8, 76-5, Advent Church Hall, Pawtucket Ave.
- District 6-1, 74-3, Kennedy Housing, Broad St.
- District 6-2, 74-4, Woodlawn Regional School, Weeden St.
- District 6-3, 74-5, Smithfield Ave. Congregational Church.
- District 6-4, 75-4, Euart Post, Overland Ave.
- District 6-5, 75-5, Fire Station, Smithfield Ave.

The election:

About 20,000 expected to vote in city

PAWTUCKET — City voters will elect a mayor, city council representatives and a full seven-member school committee Tuesday. In addition, they will decide on three local bond issues and a state highway spending proposal.

The city Board of Canvassers will open 42 polling places to accommodate an estimated 20,000 voters.

Voter Registrar Julio Sequeira said he expects voter turnout to be at least 50 percent, and could approach 60 percent with good weather, as is forecast. There are 37,387 persons eligible to vote, and 361 were added to the rolls since the Oct. 6 primary.

The canvassers also have 412 absentee ballots and 25 special ballots to count.

The mayoral race is the most hotly contested one in nearly a decade and its outcome could be a determining factor in several key council elections. That's particularly the case in the at-large contest, where three candidates each have lined up on the sides of Mayor William F. Harty Jr. and Council President Henry S. Kinch.

*Polls open
at 7 a.m.,
polls close
at 9 p.m.*

Both men have been campaigning hard in the closing days, visiting factories and making as many other appearances as possible.

Both also have been waging war with campaign flyers that criticize their opponent's tactics. Harty today accused Kinch of "confusing the issue" about taxes, an issue Kinch claims the mayor wrongfully raised in the first place. Harty, who has had stickers declaring "No new city taxes" placed on his signs, was protesting Kinch's adding the same message to his own signs.

Kinch has been canvassing the city door-to-door since July, when

he announced his candidacy. Harty, according to his campaign manager, Dennis M. Lynch Jr., has been scheduling as much door-to-door work as possible in the waning days, as well as meeting with groups of undecided voters identified by his campaign workers.

Kinch's superior organizational effort and relentless door-to-door pursuit of the voters is widely credited with giving him an 850-vote plurality in the primary despite the fact that Harty won the battle for the Democratic Party endorsement.

Since the primary, Harty's campaign moved to decentralize its organizational effort, and followed Kinch's strategy of going with neighborhood campaign teams.

"Going door-to-door is tough to beat," Lynch said. "We've been doing as much of that as we can, but obviously it's an advantage to Kinch. He's got the time for it while the mayor has been a fulltime mayor in addition to campaigning."

Lynch said the Harty campaign has concentrated since the primary in identifying undecided voters: "I feel there's still a big block of undecided votes out there," Lynch said. "That's who we've been aiming our message at."

Kinch's campaign manager, State Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, said he doesn't believe the undecided voters are numerous. He said he thinks most people already have their minds made up. Kinch's campaign effort has been geared to identify the persons who favor their man and to get them out to vote.

"I think we've covered all the bases," McConnell said. "We've done everything you're supposed to do to win an election. If we come up short, at least we'll know it wasn't because of oversights on our part."

Both Harty and Kinch gave up

council seats they'd held for 12 years to seek the mayor's office after former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch resigned July 13 to take the post of state purchasing agent.

Three at-large seats, including one being vacated by Harty, are up for grabs Tuesday. The other two incumbents both are seeking reelection — Kathleen A. Magill and

Brian J. Sarault. Both have the Democratic endorsement, though Magill is aligned with Kinch while Sarault is supporting Harty.

Harty also is being supported by Stephen J. Durand, who picked up the other Democratic Party nod, and Gary S. Allard.

Besides Magill, at-large candidates lining up with Kinch are former Councilman Richard F. McCluskie and former councilman and state senator Ambrose L. Campbell.

There also are three district council races. In District 1, Councilman Philip J. Moran, a Kinch supporter, is being challenged by John Clark; incumbent 3rd District Councilman Frederick A. Daley, who is aligned with Harty, is opposed by Kevin Rabbitt, and two newcomers, John McAloon and Thomas Hodge, are competing for the 4th District seat being vacated by Kinch. McAloon last week announced he is supporting Kinch.

In the school committee race, eleven persons agree on the ballot, including six incumbents seeking reelection. Only Maureen Massiwer, a policy coordinator in Gov. Garrahy's office, is stepping down.

Five of the six garnered Democratic Party support — Chairman Stephen Robinson, Daniel V. McKinnon, Robert Paquin, John V. Brady and James Kareemo. The party nod also went to William Deaett and Robert Plante. William Hird, an incumbent, is running without the endorsement.

The local bond issues include a \$3.6 million proposal to renovate the Burns School on Prospect Street for a police-court complex. Both mayoral candidates have announced opposition to that question. The other two local bond proposals are for yearly street repair and school building repair.

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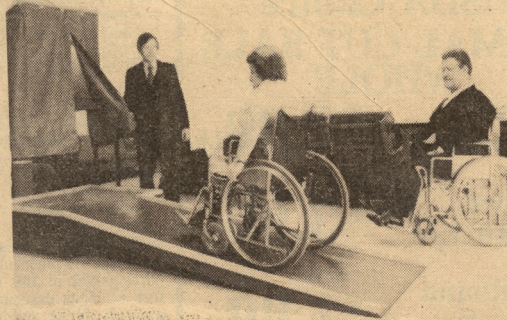
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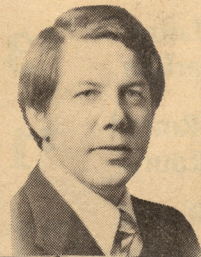
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A simple thing like using a voting machine is almost impossible if you're handicapped. Henry Kinch went to work on the problem. He designed and had built a ramp to help the handicapped so they could vote just like everyone else. That's getting things done for people."

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**Delores Lavergne
Vincent Conlon**

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Dear Friends,

During the last four months, I have had the pleasure of walking through your neighborhood seeking the support of each and every voter. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the residents of Pawtucket, for the kindness and friendliness you have shown me during my door to door campaign.

Sincerely,

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City of Pawtucket

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—A COMMUNITY LEADER



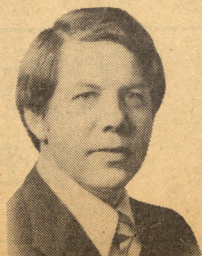
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When Henry Kinch started the Home Ownership Opportunity Program (HOOP) he did more than put untaxed city land back on the tax rolls. He helped qualified families of moderate income to build and own their own homes ... That's getting things done for people.

“Because of Henry Kinch and the HOOP program, my family and I are finally able to live in our own home. It's really great.”

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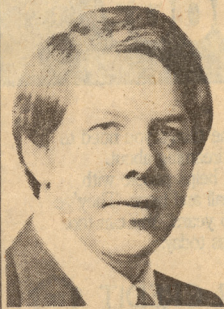
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Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — When one of them loses today, it will not be because he did not work hard yesterday.

On the final day before today's election, spokesmen for Mayor William F. Harty Jr. and Councilman Henry S. Kinch said the mayoral candidates were at work shaking the last few hands and smiling the last few campaign smiles, in a hard-fought battle that at times has showed signs of bitterness.

Dennis M. Lynch Jr., Harty's campaign manager, said that Harty campaigned the entire day yesterday. Aides had said that before the Oct. 6 primary, Harty spent most of his work days in his office, learning the mayor's job. But lately, Harty has been trying to meet as many voters as he can, Lynch said. Harty, former City Council president, automatically became mayor when former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch Sr. left on July 14 to become state purchasing agent.

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THE YOUNGER Lynch, the former mayor's son, said that Harty spent yesterday in two rounds of tours of local factories and mills. Sandwiched in between was a door-to-door tour of sections of the city which the Harty camp has indentified as crucial to victory.

State Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, Kinch's campaign manager, said that Kinch spent his time in much the same way yesterday. He met large groups of people at their jobs in the city. Kinch also made a last round of door-to-door stops in areas key to his campaign.

Today, McConnell said, Kinch is scheduled to greet residents at every polling place in the city.

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City voters opt for a 'new

By BOB LITCHFIELD

Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Voters apparently opted for a "new direction" Tuesday, giving City Council President Henry S. Kinch a resounding 2,200 vote victory over Mayor William F. Harty Jr.

Kinch had campaigned since July on a theme the city needs a new direction to

deal with the problems of the 1980s. An undercurrent of that theme was an unstated feeling that it was time for a change from the administration of former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch, and, by association, from that of Harty.

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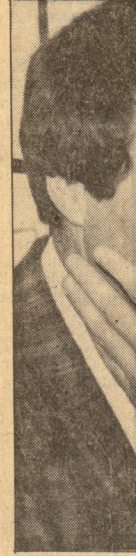
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Earl Dumin/The Times



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When Kinch takes over in January, he apparently will find a city council that split in support between him and Harty. The mayor-elect, however, said he expects council will "pull together" with him, rather than standing in his way for political considerations.

That was what happened in 1973, he said, when he had managed the campaign of Councilman James E. Doyle, defeated by Lynch in an equally hard-fought mayoral election.

Throughout the campaign people drew the comparison to that 1973 election. That was particularly true of Harty partisans who seemed convinced the same alignments that led to Lynch's victory then would come to bear this year in Harty's favor.

There were important differences, though, beyond the fact that Bill Harty is not Dennis Lynch and Henry Kinch is not Jim Doyle. The roles were reversed; Harty was the endorsed Democratic candidate representing the status quo this time and Kinch was the outsider.

Kinch staked out that terrain early in the campaign, gathering to his cause those disgruntled with Lynch for one reason or another. But he also had considerable support among the party rank-and-file. He denied Harty an overwhelming endorsement on the Democratic Party's city committee, losing the endorsement by only 24-18, then snatched away the labor endorsement.

Where Kinch really won the election, though, was "in the trenches" — with an organization that even his detractors came to admire.

Kinch's 849-vote plurality in the Oct. 6 primary forced Harty to change his strategy — to come out of the mayor's office and attack Kinch.

Most observers felt the switch in tactics had closed the gap and many believed Tuesday's election could be in doubt.

There was some concern in the Kinch camp about the effect of Harty campaign advertising in the final days. Harty campaigners attempted to portray the mayor as the "taxpayer's candidate" by tying Kinch to an income tax and asserting that his labor support would make it hard for him to take a tough stance in bargaining with municipal labor unions.

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During one of the campaign forums before the primary, Kinch had

said in answer to a question about property tax revaluation that the property tax system is inherently unfair. He noted that some communities have considered alternate forms of taxation, including a graduated income tax.

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Kinch said Tuesday he thinks people saw through the last-minute campaign rhetoric and zeroed in on issues he enunciated — his own record of accomplishment on the city council, the city's handling of the Narragansett Park development, and the necessity of budget-cutting measures and streamlining of city government.

"Two things won this election," Kinch told his supporters. "The people of this city wanted a new direction, they wanted a breath of fresh air in city hall, and secondly, there's never been a more organized campaign, one run more efficiently in the history of the City of Pawtucket."

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Harty took the results in Democratic

headquarters set up at Howard Johnson's Motor Inn on George Street, the scene of many previous Lynch election night victory celebrations.

Kinch received word of his election at McConnell's law office on East Avenue, then arrived at his election night headquarters at My Brothers Pub on Columbus Avenue with his campaign staff.

When Kinch reached the stage, with TV

cameras rolling, he intoned: "Are you ready for a new direction?" Hundreds of supporters broke into chants of "Kinch, Kinch, Kinch."

An hour later, Harty arrived, accompanied by his wife and campaign manager, Dennis M. Lynch Jr., the former mayor's son, to offer congratulations and pledge his help in the transition.

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After a rough and tumble, bitter campaign, Bill Harty and Henry Kinch were still friends when it was all over

Earl Dumin/The Times



SUBDUED: William Harty Jr., left, congratulates his winning opponent, Henry Kinch, elected mayor of Pawtucket.

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Kinch trounces mayor, sweeps four districts

Victor also scores in foe's strongholds, says citizens wanted new direction

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Blackstone Valley

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Track — developments that were lagging, anyway.

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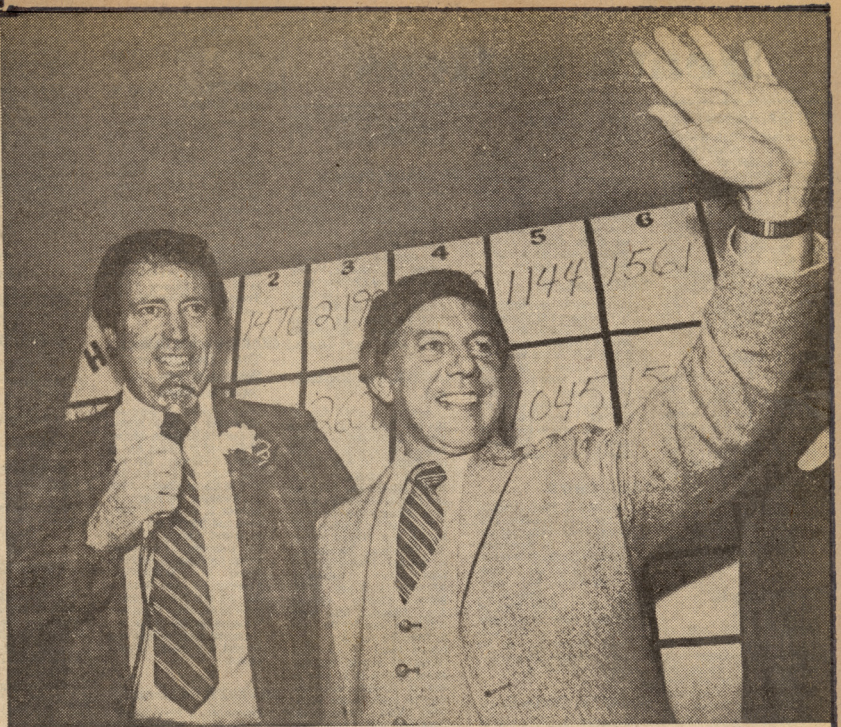
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But last night, the same route would have been impossible: Twice as many people crowded into the room as had on primary night, and there was no moving in or out. Last night, Kinch came in through a back door.

He took hold of his victory with a sure grasp. "They said in June

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TRANSFER OF POWER: Pawtucket Mayor William Harty Jr., left, concedes last night to Councilman Henry S. Kinch after the polls closed.

Winner

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that we had peaked," he declared. "They said in August we had peaked. They said in October we peaked. I want to tell them right now: We've peaked."

Sentiment among those in the crowd was that Harty had failed in his efforts to make substance of what they said were false issues, such as Kinch's alleged consideration of a city income tax.

"Oh, I LOVE it," a woman said enthusiastically as the early returns put Kinch in front. "That ol' sleazy campaign didn't work. I knew the people of Pawtucket were too smart for that."

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MORE THAN ONE person in the crowd indicated that the Kinch victory was a kind of tilting with political ghosts. They saw Harty as a continuation of the strong-arm administration of former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch, which had reigned in the city for the last eight years.

"We did it," said Roger Viens, president of Local 1012 of the city workers' union. "We beat the Lynch machine." He added, "and this guy (Kinch) is human. He really is."

Louis L. Soares Jr., a firefighter, said: "People affiliated Harty with the Lynch administration. It's been so many years of the Narragansett (racetrack project) and the downtown collapse ... the money's there, but the leadership isn't."

"People want a change," said his wife, Norma Soares, who was laid

off recently from a job in a local company.

As the crowd took up the chant, "We're number one," the eyes of several men and women glistened with tears, and children were lifted onto the shoulders of parents to watch the Kinch family gather in a group hug on the platform.

"I can't believe it," crowed Dusty Kinch, 18, the mayor-elect's son. He said he went home from Rhode Island College after school to hand out leaflets for his father.

Kinch credited his victory to the voters' desire for change and to a superior campaign organization, which was managed by state Rep. Andrew E. McConnell and organized by Joseph Fleming.

The polls had been closed little more than an hour when a man tallying results for the crowd announced, "Grab a beer and have a good time, because we've won this thing."

Voters signal

ELECTION RESULTS

WOONSOCKET MAYOR

GASTON A. AYOTTE*7901
ALBERT G. BRIEN 5534



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WILLIAM F. HARTY JR. 9128



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But last night, the same route would have been impossible: twice as many people filled the room as before, and there was no moving in or out. Last night, Kinch came in through a back door.

He took hold of his victory with a sure grasp. "They said in June that we had peaked. They said in August we had peaked. They said in October we peaked. I want to tell them right now: we've peaked."

SENTIMENT in the crowd was that Harty had failed in his efforts to drum up what they said were

false issues, such as Kinch's alleged consideration of a city income tax.

"Oh I love it," a woman said with enthusiasm as the early returns put Kinch in front. "That ol' sleazy campaign didn't work. I knew the people of Pawtucket were too smart for that."

More than one person in the crowd indicated that the Kinch victory was a kind of tilting with political ghosts. They saw Harty as a continuation of the strong-arm administration of former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch, which had reigned in the city for the past eight years.

"We did it," said Roger Viens, president of local 1012 of the city workers' union. "We beat the Lynch machine." He added, "and this guy (Kinch) is human. He really is."

Said Louis L. Soares, Jr., a firefighter, "People affiliated Harty with the Lynch administration. It's been so many years of the Narragansett (racetrack project) and the downtown collapse . . . the money's there, but the leadership isn't."

"PEOPLE WANT a change," said his wife, Norma Soares, who was laid off recently from a job in local company. She wore a white plastic hardhat with a green Kinch button adorning the front.

As the crowd took up the chant, Turn to KINCH, Page C-3

Kinch celebration

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waged a campaign on false issues. "We're number one," the eyes of several men and women glistened with tears, and children were lifted onto the shoulders of parents to watch the Kinch family gather in a group hug on the platform.

"I can't believe it," crowed Dusty Kinch, 18, the mayor-elect's son. He said he had come home from Rhode Island College after school to hand out leaflets on behalf of his father. "I worked every night," he said, and contended that Harty had

waged a campaign on false issues.

Along with the voters' desire for change, Kinch credited his victory to a superior campaign machine, managed by Andrew E. McConnell and organized by Joseph Fleming who, earlier in the evening, had been cautious about predicting victory.

The polls had been closed little more than an hour, when a man tallying results for the crowd announced, "Grab a beer and have a good time, because we've won this thing."

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Some 400 Harty supporters filled a function room at the motel and groaned and mumbled as the results were posted on sheets hanging on a wall. "We are just going to have to eat humble pie for a while," said one of them.

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"I'm going to go over and see him," Harty said. "But I want to stay here a while to see the results of the council and School Committee races," he added.

SUPPORTERS congratulated Harty for waging a good fight, while others comforted his wife. "It's been nice knowing you," Harty said to several well-wishers.

Harty said he wasn't sure what had gone wrong. He could point to no single issue that cost him the race. "We wanted to get 20,000 (voters) out and we got that," Harty said. "Kinch talked about a new direction and a change for the city and the people went for it. They responded to him more than they did to me," Harty said.

Harty also said his campaign was better organized for this election than it had been for the October primary, when he was also beaten by Kinch. "We were a little disorganized for the primary, but after the primary, we got organized and worked hard," he said.

In its waning days, the campaign had turned bitter, with Harty attacking Kinch's credibility and contending that Kinch was considering a citywide income tax.

HARTY DOWNPLAYED that last night. "We had our disagreements, but we are still friends," he said. "There will be some bitterness among the supporters, but that will go away after a while. After all, this was a contest — not a war," he said.

The campaign had also split the city's normally solid Democratic party, but Harty had won the endorsement. Harty doubted that the campaign would result in a permanent split. "The party will heal itself," he said. "It always has in the past."

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THE VOTES ARE IN — Councilwoman Kathleen A. Magill and Councilman James E. Doyle are all smiles as they help Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch, above right, celebrate at election night headquarters at My Brothers' Pub. Below, a defeated Mayor William F. Harty Jr. offers congratulations and vows a smooth turnover of power to Kinch. At left is State Sen. Lowell Kinch, brother of the newly-elected mayor. (Earl Dumin/The Times)



EDITORIALS:

Best wishes, Mayor Kinch

It is a race that is going to be discussed — argued might be a better word — for a long time to come. The William F. Harty Jr.-Henry Kinch mayoral race of 1981 may officially be over but it will be a long time before citizens of Pawtucket stop talking about it.

Harty, the man sworn in as mayor after Mayor Dennis M. Lynch left the post to take a job with state government, was the endorsed candidate of the Democratic party. He was, it is universally believed, Dennis M. Lynch's handpicked successor for the job of mayor of Pawtucket, the man selected to replace a mayor who had stood virtually unchallenged for eight years, a man who had been mentioned as a candidate for anything from congressman to governor.

The voters in the city of Pawtucket, unquestionably, did not buy it, at least by an unofficial margin of 2,200 votes. The endorsed candidate, Mr. Harty, president of city council before replacing Mr. Lynch as mayor, was rejected. The Lynch candidate — and that's how many people viewed the Harty campaign, right or wrong — was soundly defeated, thus ending the Lynch era in the city of Pawtucket.

In a way, it is a throwback to the era of Richard Nixon after his crushing defeat when he ran for and was defeated in the race for governor of California. After the loss ("You won't have Richard Nixon to kick around anymore"), Nixon went out and did his homework, hitting every backyard barbeque and small-time fundraiser he could find, from Bangor, Maine, to San Diego and all the way inbetween. He paid his dues and at the same time built up a considerable number of IOUs, and he was elected president as a result.

Henry Kinch saw the handwriting on the wall and as a result got off to a much faster start than his opponent. The charge that his "Kinch for Mayor" signs went up as Lynch was announcing his resignation as mayor of the city may or may not be true, but they went up in a hurry and soon the green and white billboards plastered every neighborhood in the city.

But there was more to it than that. Henry Kinch, like Richard Nixon, went about the city and slowly built a power base. He went to neighborhood meetings of little or no importance to more than a dozen or so people, dozens of times, and made himself known. He was becoming, to a lot of "little people," a man of the people, a man who didn't forget the people who put him in office in the first place.

This is not to knock Bill Harty, a fine man and a good councilman. But the conclusion must be, after the results came in, that Henry Kinch earned the respect of the people by remembering the people, and the people elected him to be the next mayor of Pawtucket. It was a lesson that Kinch learned from a man named Dennis M. Lynch nearly a decade ago, when Lynch was not endorsed by the Democratic party but decided to buck the system anyway. He won. So did Henry Kinch.

It can only be hoped now that both sides can work together for a better Pawtucket.

Speaking of signs...

Okay, it's over. Kinch defeated Harty, Hodge defeated McAloon, etc., etc. Yet as you read this, Pawtucket will still be plastered with signs of every color, size and shape allowing as to how candidate Joe Blow is much better at the job than candidate Joe Blow Jr.

Now is the time to start a clean-up Pawtucket campaign. The place to start is with political billboards/signs, whatever. They cover the city more thoroughly than early morning fog but are much more unsightly. The campaign is over, the wars have been won or lost, now it's time to again see houses, grass, trees, street corners without mounds of signs extolling the virtues of every candidate shy of Orvil Faubus.

Today is not too late to start.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1981

Moran double victory

Councilman Philip J. Moran Tuesday night stood under the large tent at the rear of My Brother's Pub on Columbus Avenue and basked in the victory celebration — his own and that of Henry S. Kinch.

Moran, as expected, trounced newcomer John W. Clark Jr., to gain a fourth term in the First District Council seat. He got 2,496 votes to Clark's 1,007, according to unofficial results.

"I expected to win big, yes," said Moran, but said he nonetheless worked hard on his campaign, going door-to-door for himself, while also touting Kinch, who won the mayoral election.

Moran said he helped "deliver 60 percent" of the first district vote to Kinch, while he himself won by 71 percent.

Moran, 48, noted that political "observers" saw the first and third districts as "swing districts," meaning that they could have gone to either Kinch or Mayor William F. Harty.

"The first (district) buried Mr. Harty accordingly because people believe in what I've done and who I was supporting," Moran said over the noisy crowd.

Clark, meanwhile, vowed to run again for political office in two years, but refused to say for what post.

Clark, 47, said he wasn't really surprised by the outcome. "I figured I'd probably do a little better than I did," he said. He said he thought his total was "pretty good," considering this was his first political outing.



VICTORY PARTY is celebrated for Kevin Rabbitt, who crushed two-term incumbent Frederick A. Daley in balloting for the Third District council seat. (Times photo)

Rabbitt a smash winner in Third District

Kevin J. Rabbitt, 27, a firefighter for five years until injuries from a sudden backdraft at a Walcott Street fire three years ago nearly claimed his life, won a smashing election to the Pawtucket City Council Tuesday.

Rabbitt, son of a former Third District councilman, John Rabbitt, ended the four-year tenure of Frederick C. "Nick" Daley.

Daley, closely aligned to former mayor Dennis M. Lynch, was denied the endorsement of the Democratic City Committee as well as that of the Pawtucket-Central Falls Central Labor Council.

Rabbitt had attacked Daley as an ineffective councilman who had not been responsive to the needs of the district.

Election night tallies announced at the Pawtucket Board of Canvassers showed Rabbitt with 3,166 votes to 1,293 for Daley.

"I think the people wanted a change," Rabbitt said. He credited his victory to the hard work of his campaign staff and the six or seven-day weeks he spent campaigning.

Daley said he worked hard as well, but conceded that the Rabbitt people "got the vote out." He said he felt running against the well-known name of Rabbitt was a liability he could not overcome. Daley said he was unsure if he would try for a comeback.

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Hodge: key council vote?

By **BOB LITCHFIELD**
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — City council members note that the situation could change before January, but it now appears one of three newly-elected councilmen holds the key to the council president aspirations of the two ranking council members.

When City Council President Henry S. Kinch is sworn in as mayor next Jan. 4, the second most visible political office in the city will be up for grabs.

The vote for council president could be one of the first indications of the new order heralded by Kinch's election. Already it has become the object of politicking, with three new councilmen elected Tuesday holding the deciding votes.

Raymond W. Houle Jr. and James E. Doyle, the two senior council members, both have acknowledged they are actively seeking the job. Houle was a strong supporter of Mayor William F. Harty Jr. while Doyle was firmly behind Kinch in the mayoral battle.

The organization of the council has been in doubt since Harty was vaulted into the mayor's office in July. As pro tem Kinch succeeded Harty, but the council could never break the 4-4 deadlock that then developed over Kinch's old pro tem slot.

Both Doyle, from the 2nd District, and Houle, the 5th District representative, wanted the pro tem post, seeing it as a potential stepping stone to the council presidency.

Doyle had the support of Kinch and Kinch's two other allies on the council, Philip J. Moran of the 1st District and at-large Councilwoman Kathleen A. Magill.

Houle could count on the votes of Brian J. Sarault, at-large, Frederick A. Daley, 3rd District, and John A. Carney, 6th District, all of whom also supported Harty in the mayor's race.

Both sides had hoped Tuesday's city election would resolve the council split in their favor. Kinch would be gone regardless of the outcome of the mayoral fight and Harty's vacant at-large seat would be filled.

The election results failed to provide a decisive margin and it now

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appears that Thomas Hodge, one of three new council members, holds the swing vote.

Doyle, Moran and Magill all were re-elected, as were Houle, Sarault and Carney, leaving a 3-3 deadlock among the holdovers.

Kevin Rabbitt, who trounced Harty supporter Daley in the 3rd District Tuesday, reportedly has lined up in Doyle's corner, while the new at-large representative, Stephen Durand, said he is leaning toward Houle, though he states he "hasn't been approached by anyone yet."

That apparently leaves Hodge, Kinch's successor in the 4th District, holding the crucial vote to break what again looks to be a 4-4 tie.

Hodge managed to avoid making

public his preference in the mayoral race even though his opponent, John McAloon, came out for Kinch late in the campaign.

Hodge has been noncommittal about which way he might go. Regardless of his personal choice, though, he also must consider that the district he'll represent on the council is the one that re-elected Kinch five times and supported him in his mayoral bid.

Kinch, who also has the allegiance of the district Democratic Party committee, reasonably can be expected to pressure his successor to support Doyle, to assure a sympathetic voice in the council leadership and deny a visible forum to his opponents.



HAPPY NEWCOMER — Campaign workers at the Main Street headquarters of Thomas Hodge help the newly-elected Fourth District councilman digest his win at the polls over John McAloon. (Antoine C. Boulanger/The Times)

Kinch undecided on replacing

By GREGG KRUPA
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But City Hall is abuzz with rumors about who will lose

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identified, said that John Q. Calista Jr., the director of the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency, who supervised much of the urban renewal in the city in the last decade, also will be asked to stay.

The battle for the City Council presidency is brewing between Second District Councilman James E. Doyle and Fifth District Councilman Raymond W. Houle Jr. The council will elect its president on Jan. 4. The council president presides over council meetings and automatically replaces the mayor, if the mayor's seat becomes vacant under certain circumstances. Harty, former City Council president, automatically replaced Lynch last summer when Lynch resigned as mayor to become state purchasing agent.

Kinch supporters said yesterday that Doyle would get five to six votes from those who were elected to the City Council on Tuesday. But others were not as certain.

SOME ASSERTED that a deal was struck between Kinch supporters and City Councilmen-elect Thomas E. Hodge and Stephen J. Durand.

But Durand, who owes some of his election support to the efforts of Houle, who shares a power base on the city's west side with City Councilman John E. Carney, state Rep. R. Kevin Horan, D-Pawtucket, and Michael F. Horan, a former state senator, said last night that he is committed to Houle.

The vote for council president "is a little close right now," Durand said. "It's shaping up to be a swing vote with four for Doyle, four for Houle and Tom Hodge in between."

Hodge refused to comment on the matter yesterday.

Doyle is so popular in his district that he often is unopposed for reelection to the seat that he has held since 1969. He helped usher in a lopsided victory for Kinch in the Second District last Tuesday.

Houle supported Mayor William F. Harty Jr. in last Tuesday's election. Houle, a former Republican, is the chairman of the council's Finance Committee.

Said to be allied with Houle are Carney, Durand and Councilman at-large Brian J. Sarault.

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Stetson said he has heard speculation, but nothing definite about his future or anyone else's.

Most of the city employees who are appointed by the mayor are wondering what will happen, Stetson said.

Municipal Court Judge John A. Mutter said he likely will keep his job because he is the city's first municipal judge, and is the person largely responsible for establishing the local court procedure. Mutter has been the municipal judge since 1973. As such, he rules on matters involving violations of city ordinances.

Other city officials who are appointed by the mayor were not available for comment.

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Planning Director Edward M. Hennigan likely will keep his job, officials say.

Hennigan bore the brunt of some criticism from Harty during the campaign. Harty was unusually harsh in his treatment of Hennigan. Planning Department employees are known to have thrown something of a victory celebration the day after the election.

Public Works Director Wayne M.

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HARTY CAMP

Tears, affection in defeat

By ED GAULIN
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Bill Harty walked through the door into the main ballroom to face the most difficult task of his political career.

A winner in all his previous campaigns and an early favorite this time, Harty had to come into a room full of people with sad faces and make them even sadder. He had to concede defeat for the first time in his political career.

When he got to the podium at the Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge function room, the microphone acted in a way that was symbolic of the whole election day for the Harty camp — it didn't work.

Three times Harty asked if he could be heard in the back of the room.

Each time a chorus of "We can't hear you" was returned.

"That's the first good news I've had in an hour," Harty said, his quip lost on most — appreciated by a few of his insiders.

"We can't hear you but we love you, Bill," someone shouted from the sea of tear-stained, ruddy-from-drinking and genuinely saddened faces.

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Eventually, the mike was working and Harty was telling the several hundred supporters on hand that winning the mayoralty was important but the friendships he had made in the campaign were even more important.

It was the usual type of concession speech a political candidate makes to a group of people who worked very hard for several weeks and came up short.

"It is apparent now that Mr. Kinch has emerged victorious," Harty said.

"It's a tough thing, I'll be honest with you," he said. "I felt today like we had a real good shot," he said. "I'm known as an emotional guy and my wife, she's smiling but she cried a little earlier," Harty conceded.

Then Harty broke down briefly — the only time in public Tuesday night — when he asked if his father were in the audience.

"No, Bill, your father's not here," someone shouted from the crowd. At that, Harty momentarily lost his composure, then quickly regained it.

Another voice from the crowd tried to take the edge off the sadness of Bill Harty's first-ever political defeat. "Tell 'em you'll be back in two years, Bill," he yelled.

"I don't know about two years, but for the next two months I will be mayor and I will do whatever I can for a smooth transition," he said.

Harty took aim at those who criticized him for naming Dennis M. Lynch Jr. as his campaign manager and — in their view — saddling himself with the stigma of running a continuation of the Lynch administration. "If I ever run again I will ask him (Dennis M. Lynch Jr.) to be my campaign manager," Harty insisted.

Harty told the crowd that he was going to go over to Kinch's headquarters to congratulate the mayor-elect.

In the audience at the time was former mayor Dennis M. Lynch, shaking hands with people, many of whom he has seen little of in the past few months.

In contrast to the high visibility of his son, Lynch had kept almost totally out of the campaign.

While Kinch during the campaign tossed dart after dart against the Lynch administration, the former mayor had kept silent. Harty had been forced into a position of defending both himself and Lynch and — at times — trying to put some distance between himself and Lynch, a longtime friend.

"There were many times during the campaign when I wished I was running for mayor," Lynch said. He said he had answers for the charges coming from Kinch, but was in a position as state purchasing agent where he had to "totally keep out of the campaign."

So, Lynch told a reporter, there was nothing more he could say about the campaign and its results.

Many of the people who gathered early at Harty's election night headquarters seemed apprehensive, noting, well before results were posted, how things might have been. There was much grumbling about how Kinch would be unable to live up to his campaign promises.

The Harty lieutenants posted results from the Fifth District first.

They showed Harty with a 99-vote lead. Several in the crowd applauded. But more people were quiet.

The 99 votes were not nearly enough, the politically knowledgeable were aware. Harty needed to take the Fifth by at least several hundred votes to have a chance.

None of the other district totals ever did get posted.

By the time Harty, clad in a plaid jacket with a white carnation in his lapel, entered the room, everyone knew it was to concede.

Ironically, eight years ago Henry Kinch was teary-eyed as a stunned group of Councilman James E. Doyle's supporters looked on in disbelief as their man was beaten by Dennis M. Lynch.

On Tuesday night, things were far different for Kinch, for Doyle, a strong Kinch supporter — and for Dennis Lynch's close friend, Bill Harty.

KINCH CAMP

The organization was superb

By BOB LITCHFIELD
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Organization — it's a cliché in politics.

The smiling victor steps to the microphone as throngs of jubilant supporters cheer and press forward with congratulations. The victorious candidate thanks each and every one of them, assuring them his victory is their victory, that only through their work did he prevail.

When Henry Kinch delivered that talk Tuesday night, he wasn't only making the obligatory gesture to his campaign workers. He felt it from the heart, and he knows the truth of his words.

The Kinch campaign organization peaked Tuesday, on schedule, and not beforehand, as Kinch's opponents hoped it had.

Kinch's "organization" had been considered impressive by any standards before Tuesday. Knowledgeable sources, and Kinch himself, credited it for his surprising primary victory last month. Opponents acknowledged its effectiveness and efficiency. People within cited the dedication and determination of their co-workers, many of whom went about the election campaign as a crusade.

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After his election as mayor Tuesday night, Kinch only wanted to talk to the press about his organization. He wanted to be sure that campaign manager Andrew E. McConnell and coordinator Joseph Fleming got all the credit they deserved.

The other obvious questions, about what direction his administration is apt to take and his plans for streamlining city government, were put aside for the moment — questions that could be answered tomorrow. Tuesday night belonged to "the organization."

"While the other guys were changing campaign managers daily," Kinch would tell his workers afterward, "I had one guy who was with me all the way, through thick and thin, one guy who deserves to be thanked by me publicly — Andy McConnell."

The mayor-elect also singled out Fleming for special recognition as the organizational mastermind.

The recognition was clearly deserved. For first-hand proof, a reporter stopped by Kinch's campaign headquarters on Armistice Boulevard at 7:30 p.m. on election day. A score of workers were busy compiling the 7 p.m. report from the polling places.

Fleming was sitting at a table, a pocket calculator in one hand, going through sheets listing voter turnout at each precinct. The totals were being brought in hourly.

The vote was reported to be heavy throughout the city. Usually heavy voting in Pawtucket tends to favor the endorsed Democratic candidate, in this case Mayor William F. Harty Jr., Kinch's opponent.

Was he worried by the high voter turnout, Fleming was asked by the reporter. "Not as long as it's our vote, and it looks like it is," Fleming replied, not looking up from his calculator, a smile crossing his bearded face as he checked new figures from the polls.

After punching out more figures, he announced in a very satisfied voice that voting in the 5th District was at 41 percent as of 7 p.m., or eight percent below the overall city average. The 5th, as well as the 6th District, were being conceded to Harty.

"That's what we want," he ex-

plained. "We're cranking it up in the 1st and 2nd (districts where the major political figures were backing Kinch) and the 4th (Kinch's home area) and hoping to come even in the 3rd."

Covering the walls were lists of voters divided into precincts. Ones who were known to support Kinch had a red dot next to their name. Those thought to be a potential supporter were identified as well. The information was gathered during Kinch's door-to-door campaign visits, and by campaign workers who canvassed streets Kinch hadn't reached personally.

On Tuesday, voters were identified at the polls, Kinch workers compiled the lists and sent them in to headquarters where the names were crossed off the master list.

By 7:30, workers were going over those lists, targeting households where likely Kinch voters hadn't been reported as voting yet. Phone calls were made to those homes.

In the 2nd District, Councilman James Doyle, a Kinch ally, had workers out knocking on doors if the resident had an unlisted phone number.

The headquarters, though, was only the clearinghouse for information, and the coordinating center.

The Kinch campaign had a bank of 43 phones scattered throughout the city. The phones were humming all day Tuesday, manned by campaign volunteers.

The Kinch campaign even had a campaign "battle song," written by Charlie Cash (no relation to Johnny), taped at Cash's home and played at rallies, including Tuesday's victory party.

The basic work, from the placement and construction of signs to arrangements for campaign parades and a "pep rally" Sunday, had been carried out with precision; very little was left to chance.

The voter lists proved accurate. Kinch won by 800 votes in the 1st, by 520 in the 2nd, by 600 in the 4th, and by 400 votes in the 3rd, traditionally the chief battleground in Pawtucket elections.

Fleming had been right. The turnout had been the Kinch turnout he and scores of others had painstakingly worked for.

Pawtucket voting totals

Mayor

	KINCH	HARTY
1-1. Winters School	311	181
1-2. Burns Manor	262	173
1-3. LeFoyer	166	139
1-4. Curvin-McCabe School	417	251
1-5. Curtis School	352	246
1-6. Curtis School	432	350
1-7. Curvin-McCabe School	406	210
2-1. Burns Manor	377	238
2-2. Cottage St. Fire Sta.	238	140
2-3. German Hall	253	241
2-4. St. Leo's School	201	164
2-5. Potter School	327	265
2-6. Potter School	195	170
2-7. Goff School	405	252
3-1. Columbus Ave. Fire Sta.	115	73
3-2. Italian DIP Club	297	160
3-3. Newport Ave. Fire Sta.	200	263
3-4. Burns School	120	105
3-5. St. Teresa's Church	557	458
3-6. Jenks School	304	299
3-7. Fallon School	534	460
3-8. Fallon School	473	381
4-1. Towers East	252	168
4-2. Little School	206	177
4-3. Little School	411	300
4-4. Burns School	439	163
4-5. Varieur School	299	248
4-6. Varieur School	304	216
5-1. St Germain Manor	147	197
5-2. St Germain Manor	54	102
5-3. Baldwin School	89	105
5-4. St. Mary's School	121	126
5-5. Baldwin School	210	196
5-6. Advent Church Hall	136	129
5-7. West Ave. Fire Sta.	64	75
5-8. Advent Church Hall	224	214
6-1. Kennedy Housing	377	332
6-2. Woodlawn Regl. School	188	279
6-3. Smithfield Ave. Cong. Church	340	276
6-4. Euart Post	296	242
6-5. Smithfield Ave. Fire Sta.	330	438
TOTALS	11,409	9,208

Council District 4

	HODGE	MCALOON
4-1. Towers East	178	192
4-2. Little School	174	174
4-3. Little School	358	290
4-4. Burns School	273	280
4-5. Varieur School	248	238
4-6. Varieur School	346	136
TOTALS	1577	1330

At large

	MAGILL	SARAUIT	DURAND	MCCLUSKIE	AILLARD	CAMPBELL
1-1. Winters School	249	171	174	191	185	156
1-2. Burns Manor	220	143	112	221	131	145
1-3. LeFoyer	167	113	90	108	95	128
1-4. Curvin-McCabe School	333	266	241	263	287	207
1-5. Curtis School	265	222	283	304	250	168
1-6. Curtis School	342	333	421	225	310	221
1-7. Curvin-McCabe School	305	234	255	183	270	138
2-1. Burns Manor	336	216	178	269	199	214
2-2. Cottage St. Fire Sta.	198	133	131	98	184	110
2-3. German Hall	242	202	173	146	204	169
2-4. St. Leo's School	197	133	135	126	173	100
2-5. Potter School	340	209	243	184	274	164
2-6. Potter School	219	140	121	115	166	108
2-7. Goff School	400	246	195	233	300	202
3-1. Columbus Ave. Fire Sta.	82	75	49	68	57	59
3-2. Italian DIP Club	223	130	149	220	136	134
3-3. Newport Ave. Fire Sta.	209	166	185	177	204	121
3-4. Burns School	97	61	51	107	50	65
3-5. St. Teresa's Church	506	294	315	510	506	236
3-6. Jenks School	295	265	205	210	216	240
3-7. Fallon School	483	312	308	448	472	259
3-8. Fallon School	430	300	233	419	413	213
4-1. Towers East	169	142	132	162	132	125
4-2. Little School	202	163	123	138	125	148
4-3. Little School	362	255	191	286	203	267
4-4. Burns School	344	269	147	306	151	226
4-5. Varieur School	260	257	191	179	144	147
4-6. Varieur School	224	205	204	148	198	107
5-1. St Germain Manor	126	143	205	113	61	49
5-2. St Germain Manor	62	75	110	30	37	37
5-3. Baldwin School	87	80	103	44	29	42
5-4. St. Mary's School	113	111	139	61	77	67
5-5. Baldwin School	198	151	216	103	97	108
5-6. Advent Church Hall	117	104	121	77	83	65
5-7. West Ave. Fire Sta.	50	46	84	36	24	40
5-8. Advent Church Hall	188	146	220	115	127	126
6-1. Kennedy Housing	365	321	290	200	231	167
6-2. Woodlawn Regl. School	200	237	232	135	112	103
6-3. Smithfield Ave. Cong. Church	296	276	264	175	189	134
6-4. Euart Post	264	206	263	135	128	120
6-5. Smithfield Ave. Fire Sta.	359	332	426	207	189	153
TOTALS	10,104	7,934	7,899	7,475	7,414	5,788

School committee

	BRADY	KAREMO	McKINNON	ROBINSON	PAQUIN	DEAETT	HIRD	AMBROSE	PLANTE	MURRAY	CARPENTER
1-1. Winters School	233	183	196	144	255	159	158	177	160	175	201
1-2. Burns Manor	221	201	170	137	163	126	139	161	104	151	165
1-3. LeFoyer	157	125	120	115	112	88	101	110	70	109	73
1-4. Curvin-McCabe Sch.	358	250	321	240	382	295	220	246	188	271	321
1-5. Curtis School	290	222	299	232	308	201	210	223	176	223	290
1-6. Curtis School	396	366	428	327	372	287	305	290	246	310	322
1-7. Curvin-McCabe Sch.	296	239	256	189	344	192	207	193	193	214	215
2-1. Burns Manor	294	248	231	188	245	201	174	215	171	199	202
2-2. Cottage St. Fire Sta.	166	128	170	120	205	101	145	131	101	144	137
2-3. German Hall	255	215	199	179	214	158	203	186	148	171	164
2-4. St. Leo's School	184	142	158	144	176	136	171	124	106	122	119
2-5. Potter School	294	267	275	244	312	242	248	202	208	216	193
2-6. Potter School	183	157	180	159	160	156	133	144	112	127	117
2-7. Goff School	353	282	312	277	268	217	283	234	233	244	226
3-1. Col'bus Av. Fire Sta.	99	79	69	70	49	58	57	62	44	51	53
3-2. Italian DIP Club	232	186	185	160	131	145	158	185	122	142	136
3-3. N'pt. Ave. Fire Sta.	215	191	225	192	148	149	212	147	142	126	153
3-4. Burns School	91	86	62	63	54	53	56	143	57	59	64
3-5. St. Teresa's Ch.	499	410	456	424	320	350	411	414	308	331	293
3-6. Jenks School	325	278	275	273	233	243	276	294	199	207	211
3-7. Fallon School	529	462	423	505	363	400	366	341	320	291	275
3-8. Fallon School	476	396	402	333	315	317	347	335	299	319	286
4-1. Towers East	165	156	150	120	110	123	125	128	132	127	117
4-2. Little School	237	168	168	152	127	159	167	153	118	164	115
4-3. Little School	390	280	272	256	224	275	242	247	198	229	233
4-4. Burns School	302	237	252	228	154	216	202	352	176	207	195
4-5. Varieur School	226	242	220	173	157	267	172	172	242	188	141
4-6. Varieur School	187	228	168	207	145	302	172	141	181	153	115
5-1. St Germain Manor	114	167	96	91	109	131	108	89	115	68	93
5-2. St Germain Manor	55	87	52	52	77	78	55	43	69	32	54
5-3. Baldwin School	61	77	59	48	70	86	62	45	78	37	43
5-4. St. Mary's School	96	133	92	82	77	136	78	76	140	65	69
5-5. Baldwin School	142	187	143	106	141	208	103	133	174	88	94
5-6. Advent Church Hall	117	121	102	101	76	134	111	63	100	69	71
5-7. West Ave. Fire Sta.	60	61	51	44	47	69	50	47	53	41	42
5-8. Advent Church Hall	196	179	171	156	142	205	174	121	136	130	129
6-1. Kennedy Housing	229	289	199	156	205	206	197	189	224	127	139
6-2. Woodlawn Regl. Sc'l.	219	248	198	202	179	191	150	125	173	131	146
6-3. Smith. Av. Cong. Ch.	268	383	240	293	167	234	189	168	202	178	177
6-4. Euart Post	218	291	197	237	155	191	174	176	156	155	141
6-5. Smith. Ave. Fire Sta.	341	555	302	309	243	289	327	225	246	212	219
TOTALS	9759	9199	8540	7748	7718	7714	7417	7170	6820	6600	6520

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SAD LOSERS — Mayor William F. Harty and his campaign manager, Dennis M. Lynch Jr., right, share a sad look as Harty acknowledged defeat Tuesday night. Below, former mayor Dennis M. Lynch and Mrs. Lynch concede Third District Council seat to William F. Harty.

Magill for mayor? ...Maybe so

By BOB McNAMEE
Times staff reporter

Henry Kinch was gliding through his jubilant supporters, accepting their congratulations on his mayoral victory, when several began pointing at the "mayoral candidate."

They weren't pointing at Kinch. They were motioning toward a beaming Kathleen M. Magill, a 37-year-old medical secretary running for re-election Tuesday to one of three "at large" position on the city council.

"Do you know how popular this lady is?" one Kinch supporter asked.

Pawtucket voters had already shown it, putting her on top of the six candidate at-large list by more than 2,000 votes over incumbent Brian J. Sarault, 10,104 to 7,934. Magill also led the field when she was first elected two years ago.

Newcomer Stephen J. Durand picked up the at-large seat vacated by losing mayoral candidate William F. Harty Jr. Durand defeated Richard F. McCluskie by more than

400 votes, 7,899 to 7,475.

All three winners had been endorsed by the city Democratic committee. Tuesday's victory was also a birthday present for Durand, who turned 25 today.

His brother, William, is a state representative. An older brother, Douglas, also served in the House. Ironically, Durand, vice president of Advanced Sublimation Techniques, Pawtucket, worked on Magill's election campaign two years ago.

Like all other city elections Tuesday, the at-large race was dwarfed by the hotly-contested mayoral campaign. Often, the only question asked of the council candidates was whether they supported Kinch or Harty — and with good reason.

But while political buffs waited to see whether the mayoral winner would pull his supporters onto the council, the voters had other concerns. Although voting heavily for Kinch, they passed over two Kinch backers on the at-large ticket, McCluskie and Ambrose Campbell, choosing instead Sarault and

Durand. Harty supporters, along with Magill, a Kinch advocate.

Magill had also won the October primary. That had been from the favorable first ballot position. But the luck of the draw played little role this time. Voters had to go five positions before finding her and four before arriving at Sarault.

Gary S. Allard, who came in second in the primary after drawing the second ballot spot, had the last spot this time: he came in fifth with 7,414 votes. Campbell had 5,788 votes.

Durand, meanwhile, had made it into the November field after finishing sixth in the primary from the sixth ballot position. This time he drew the first spot. "We did more work after the primary," he said.

Magill was encouraged by her strong showing and is thinking "down the line" of higher office. The mayor's office? "Maybe so. In a few years," she said — after Kinch has had his turn.

As for the nearly even split of Harty/Kinch supporters now on the city council, Magill hopes that won't

be a hindrance. "I would hope that the council would be 'man' enough to come out and support Henry," she said.

Durand will. "I'm sure I can (work with Kinch)," he said. He pointed out that Andrew McConnell, Kinch's campaign manager, is a close friend of the Durand family.

Sarault said he had supported Harty because his background was more suited to running a city government. He said he "wasn't knocking" Kinch; he didn't give him a ringing endorsement either after Kinch won. But working against Kinch when he takes the office "wasn't why I was elected," Sarault said.

Magill thought issues such as re-valuation, crime and vandalism played a minor role in the election, but said they received little publicity because of the mayoral race. Durand thought his call for an investigation of the city's automobile taxing policy was an issue. "I talked to 50 people who said they were coming out for me for that," he said.

Voters reject two bond issues and approve one

By BOB JAGOLINZER
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Voters yesterday overwhelmingly rejected bond issues for a new police station and school building improvements, but approved one to reconstruct streets and sidewalks.

Voters followed the advice of Mayor William F. Harty Jr. and City Councilman Henry S. Kinch as they rejected \$3.6 million in borrowing to convert the former Anna J. Burns School on Prospect Street to a new police station and courthouse. The proposal was defeated by 6,389 votes. A total of 10,496

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votes was cast against the proposal, and 4,107 were in favor.

A \$500,000 bond issue to rebuild streets and sidewalks was approved by a margin of 8,432 votes to 7,037. A proposal to spend \$250,000 to renovate older school buildings lost by a margin of 8,344 votes to 6,358.

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THE DEFEAT of the Burns School proposal was no surprise

because Harty and Kinch both opposed it. Both mayoral candidates said the conversion proposal was too costly, especially because of cutbacks in federal aid.

They both estimated that, with interest on the proposed 15-year bond, the project would cost the city nearly \$6 million.

Rejection of the Burns School proposal disappointed some members of the Police Department who had looked forward to having a new building.

John M. Orzechowski, president of the police union, had said before the election that department mem-

bers would like new quarters, although the union did not campaign for it. The department's superior officers did not get involved either. "It's up to the voters, not the Police Department," said Chief Joseph P. Roy before yesterday's vote.

The police station and the courthouse now use space in City Hall.

The \$500,000 to improve sidewalks and streets will allow the city to continue a program in which residents pay half the cost of repairing sidewalks in front of their houses.

The \$250,000 to renovate schools was to have been used to replace thermostats and make other improvements to heating systems in Tolman and Shea High Schools, Goff and Slater Junior High Schools and at the Nathanael Green and Potter-Burns Elementary Schools.

Eight elected to nine-seat council

By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — City Council members Kathleen A. Magill, Brian J. Sarault and Philip J. Moran were reelected yesterday, and will be joined in January by Thomas E. Hodge and Kevin J. Rabbitt. But the final composition of a new council likely will be decided by absentee ballots, which will determine who wins one at-large seat.

Rabbitt, a disabled city firefighter, defeated City Councilman Frederick A. Daley by a margin of 3,166 votes to 1,293, in the Third District, according to unofficial totals. Rabbitt's father, John, formerly represented the district. Daley had been endorsed by the Democratic City Committee, but Rabbitt and other opponents before the October primary had attacked Daley for being ineffectual.

Hodge beat John T. McAloon by a margin of 1,577 votes to 1,330. He will replace Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch, who had represented the district since 1969. Kinch, the leader of the Fourth District Democratic Committee, did not endorse either candidate.

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Moran, who was heavily favored, defeated John W. Clark by a margin of more than two to one. Moran won favor with his constituents recently when he helped lead the battle to close two unpopular bars in his section. The bars were owned by former state Rep. Richard B. Kiley.

Councilmen James E. Doyle, Raymond W. Houle Jr. and John E. Carney were unopposed.

In the at-large council race, Mrs. Magill and Sarault are assured of victory, according to the unofficial figures. Magill, for the second consecutive election, was the top vote-getter in the at-large race, with

10,040 votes. Sarault received 7,812 votes.

Mrs. Magill, whose husband, R. Thomas Magill, is a former mayoral candidate who heads the Pawtucket-Central Falls Labor Council and the Pawtucket Rhode Island Coalition of City Employees, is popular inside and outside labor circles.

Finishing third in the at-large race was Stephen J. Durand who, with Magill and Sarault, was endorsed by the Democratic City Committee. But 467 absentee ballots were sent out. Durand received 7,699 votes, only 287 more than Gary S. Allard and 304 more than Richard F. McCluskie. The absentee ballots will determine who wins the third at-large council seat.

Ambrose L. Campbell, a former state senator and city councilman, trailed the field with 5,790 votes.

MONDAY, November 9, 1981

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the people who put up the signs, addressed the envelopes, stuffed the envelopes, sealed the envelopes, canvassed door to door, spoke to their neighbors, made the phone calls, cooked the food, passed out the pamphlets and did all the things that had to be done.

But most of all, thank you to all the people of Pawtucket who had the faith to take "A NEW DIRECTION."

The Kinch Family
Henry, Eleanor,
Henry, Jr., Michael,
Christopher, Ann Marie,
Kathleen, Marilee
& Ralph too!



KINCH
MAYOR/DEMOCRAT

Andrew E. McCannell
Chairman

SATURDAY, November 7, 1981

Mayor-elect to name his transition team

PAWTUCKET — Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch said Friday he would name a transition team next week to help arrange an orderly transfer of power from Mayor William F. Harty Jr.

Kinch, who will be sworn in as mayor Jan. 4, said he would hold a press conference next Friday to name the members of that team. The time and place of the news conference has not been announced.

To date, Kinch maintains he has made no decisions on personnel changes in his administration, but speculation abounds that changes will be made in at least three key posts — city clerk, city solicitor and administrative assistant.

The mayor also has the power to appoint heads of the finance, engineering, planning, public works, public safety, community affairs and public health departments, as well as the municipal court judge and an associate.

Meanwhile, Kinch's campaign manager, state Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, moved to dispel rumors he was in line for the solicitor's job.

McConnell said that he told Kinch at the beginning of the campaign that he did not intend to take a position in Kinch's administration, including the solicitor's post, if Kinch won. McConnell said his position has not changed.

The present city solicitor, Marifrances McGinn, a cousin of former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch, is one of three current administrators expected to be replaced by Kinch.

The others are city clerk William A. Catelli, one of the last of Lynch's appointments before he resigned in July, and Nicolas Retsinas, administrative assistant to Lynch and Harty.

In addition, Finance Director Richard Mumford is expected to leave to take a job in private industry.

Sources close to Kinch confirm that there have been no decisions yet on replacements. There is consensus among those close to the mayor-elect, though, that he will move to put his own supporters in the city clerk, solicitor's and administrative assistant roles.

Most other department heads are expected to be invited to stay at their posts, however. They include Planning Director Edward Hennigan, Community Development Director John Q. Calista and City Engineer Eugene Jeffers.

Kinch gets a mandate for new di

By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Spurred by Henry S. Kinch's polished campaign machine, voters have invested heavily in his promise of a new direction.

Beginning on Jan. 4, Kinch will have ample leeway to guide the city through waters made turbulent by cuts in federal spending and what likely will be continuing economic stagnation. He will be armed with a clear mandate, the city's "strong mayor" form of government and a City Council that is unlikely to be obstructive.

Kinch's campaign effort was immensely successful. In the Oct. 6 primary and in yesterday's election, he amassed impressive totals against Mayor William F. Harty Jr. He captured about 55 percent of yesterday's votes, compared to Harty's 45 percent.

His campaign started even before Lynch resigned

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Kinch started out early, telling his aides to search city records for voter lists, even before former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch announced late last January that he intended to resign.

Building on a list of "probable voters" — residents who voted consistently in recent elections — Kinch and his aides prepared a list of those probable voters who said they would vote for Kinch. Aides said that

their list of supporters is the most accurate and thorough ever compiled in the city.

The list helped Kinch identify those areas of the city in which he was weak, and where he should concentrate his efforts.

News analysis

DENNIS M. LYNCH JR., Mayor William F. Harty Jr.'s campaign manager and the son of the city's former mayor, said that before the primary, the

campaign relied on voter lists used by Harty had used as a councilman.

But Harty was mayor, and then he relied on for a time 8½ years, president, and the elder Lynch agent.

Kinch persisted as a councilman. H

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Kinch promises action

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By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch says that the early days of his administration will be marked by swift movement, delegation of authority, innovation and imagination.

But he said he is in no hurry to disclose the specifics of his plans for governing the city.

THE ONLY SPECIFICS he would give about his plans were that a transition team will be named this week and that he will appoint a task force immediately after his Jan. 4 inauguration to identify the city's problems and to recommend solutions.

Flanked by his campaign manager, state Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, D-Pawtucket, and by his brother and political adviser, state Sen. Lowell W. Kinch, D-Pawtucket, the mayor-elect said that the same aggressiveness and willingness to take risks that he said marked his campaign also will mark his administration.

"I'm not going to be afraid to make mistakes," Kinch said. "Everything that we do is going to be done quickly."

"The residents of this city are going to see a mayor that's going to take hold of his job and this city and run it," Kinch said. "It isn't just that you're going to see movement, you're going to see a different system and approach."

Under recent administrations, much of the decision-making power was centered in the mayor's office.

Kinch said he intends to change that.

The mayor-elect said he plans to run the city under what he called a "cabinet" system.

Department heads will be encouraged to be innovative and imaginative, he said. They will be responsible for generating ideas for new programs and policies, especially those that will maintain the present standard of municipal services at reduced cost, Kinch said.

"In past administrations, some department heads were shut out to a degree," he said. "That is not going to be the case in the Kinch administration."

Does that mean he intends to replace many current city officials with his own people?

"That hasn't been decided yet," Kinch said.

But earlier in the interview, Kinch made it clear that the advisers and city officials who will work closest to him are people who are close to him now.

"I don't delegate authority to just anyone, because I'm a worrier," he said. "During the campaign, we

established a reputation of picking the right people for the job, and we're going to continue that."

But two of his closest advisers, McConnell and his brother, Lowell, will not have official capacities in his administration, Kinch said.

"I'm going to have a man in the House," Kinch said, putting his hand on McConnell's shoulder.

"And a man in the Senate," he said pointing to his brother. "And Lowell's also going to be a political adviser."

Kinch declined to disclose his specific plans for redeveloping the downtown area or the Narragansett Park industrial site, issues that he raised during the campaign.

He said in the campaign that he would take the race track development "out of the mayor's office and give it to the professionals in the Planning Department and the Redevelopment Agency."

When asked to compare what his administration will be with that of recent mayors, Kinch said policies during his term will more closely resemble those of Robert F. Burns than those of Dennis M. Lynch.

Kinch said that during the Burns years, the government financed less construction than it did in the Lynch administration. He added that Burns was more austere about controlling the budget than Lynch was.

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save the city money and to raise tax revenue. He repeatedly challenged Harty to cite "one, single program" which the mayor had proposed while Harty was a councilman for nearly nine years. Harty's only public reply was that it was his role as council president to guide legislation through the council, not to propose it.

So thoroughly was Kinch's image as a leader pushed as part of his campaign strategy, that on the day before Harty announced at a press conference that he opposed a local bond issue, Kinch walked into the local *Journal-Bulletin* office with a press release, announcing that he opposed the bond issue.

KINCH WAS AWARE that Harty had scheduled a press conference and that the mayor eventually might oppose the referendum. By assuring that his own announcement would appear in the *Providence Journal* on the morning of Harty's press conference, Kinch would be first to the punch.

Although Kinch and his aides have denied that they knew what Harty intended to announce, Kinch said a day or two later that being "first" to announce his opposition was more evidence of his leadership.

It was that incident and others that led Harty to complain to aides that Kinch had spies in City Hall or, at least, people sympathetic to Kinch who knew about Harty's plans.

Other Kinch tactics were equally clever.

Although Harty tried to portray Kinch as having suggested a municipal income tax as an alternate to the city's property tax system — a portrayal that appeared to be inaccurate — Kinch tried to place the soiled shoe on Harty's foot. A Kinch newspaper advertisement said: "The acting mayor continues to talk about a city income tax. Here's what Henry Kinch has to say, 'I am unequivocally opposed to any city income tax.'"

The message to the voters about the income tax was clear: Harty "talked about" it, while Kinch "unequivocally opposed" it.

And so the war was won.

WHAT ENEMIES were created by the siege and who will harbor ill feelings still is unclear. But some observers in both camps are willing to predict that if Kinch is a graceful winner, much of the resentment

will have faded when he takes the oath of office in two months.

"It's a crucial time, and that's the bottom line," a key Harty supporter said before yesterday's election. "Everybody knows it. When this is all over, whoever wins, I think you're going to see a period of time, maybe a month, two months, when people walk around with chips on their shoulders."

"And then, come next February, when the boys realize that Reagan is killing us, and we still can't find anyone to move downtown, and (Finance Director Richard A.) Mumford tells them that the heating bills have gone up 40 percent, they're going to take the attitude that mature men and women should take: This is just politics. And no matter how bitter the game gets, it's a game — a game played by people who prefer it to watching the damn television."

"But running the city is a business," he said. "And the taxpayers have invested in it, and they deserve a just return. And if they don't get a just return, it's going to be tougher to win the game the next time around."

Regardless of the final outcome of the City Council race, most observers were willing to predict that unless Kinch strikes out vindictively at such people as Councilmen Raymond W. Houle Jr., John E. Carney and Brian J. Sarault, who supported Harty, Kinch likely will have a council that, if not entirely sympathetic, will not line up against him and appear to obstruct his efforts to run the city.

As for other city positions, many of the department heads who are appointed by the mayor likely will be replaced by Kinch.

The City Charter gives the mayor power to appoint an administrative assistant, the city clerk, city solicitor, city engineer, the directors of finance, planning, community affairs, public works, public safety, public welfare, public health and a municipal judge and an associate.

It is considered virtually certain that Kinch will replace Nicolas P. Retsinas, who served Harty and Lynch as an administrative assistant, and City Solicitor Marifrances McGinn and City Clerk William A. Catelli. Community Affairs Director David M. Perlini also might be replaced.

It also is likely that Mumford will leave to take a job in the private sector.

It still is unclear what other appointments Kinch will make.

Kinch gets a mandate for new direction

By GREGG KRUPA
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Spurred by Henry S. Kinch's polished campaign machine, voters have invested heavily in his promise of a new direction.

Beginning on Jan. 4, Kinch will have ample leeway to guide the city through waters made turbulent by cuts in federal spending and what likely will be continuing economic stagnation. He will be armed with a clear mandate, the city's "strong mayor" form of government and a City Council that is unlikely to be obstructive.

Kinch's campaign effort was immensely successful. In the Oct. 6 primary and in yesterday's election, he amassed impressive totals against Mayor William F. Harty Jr. He captured about 55 percent of yesterday's votes, compared to Harty's 45 percent.

His campaign started even before Lynch resigned

their list of supporters is the most accurate and thorough ever compiled in the city.

The list helped Kinch identify those areas of the city in which he was weak, and where he should concentrate his efforts.

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Kinch started out early, telling his aides to search city records for voter lists, even before former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch announced late last January that he intended to resign.

Building on a list of "probable voters" — residents who voted consistently in recent elections — Kinch and his aides prepared a list of those probable voters who said they would vote for Kinch. Aides said that

campaign relied on lists used in his father's victories. Voter lists used later were based largely on those that Harty had used in his citywide campaigns as a councilman.

But Harty was campaigning for council then, not for mayor, and the Lynch campaign team, which Harty relied on for much more than voter lists, never really was tested after Lynch was elected mayor for the first time 8½ years ago. Harty, former City Council president, automatically became mayor last July when the elder Lynch quit to take the job of state purchasing agent.

Kinch persistently pointed to his record as a city councilman. He asserted that he had led battles to save

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DENNIS M. LYNCH JR., Mayor William F. Harty Jr.'s campaign manager and the son of the city's former mayor, said that before the primary, the

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Fleming was the 'nuts and bolts' man

Aide in Kinch campaign identified voters and directed phone bank

By BOB JAGOLINZER
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Behind Henry S. Kinch's successful campaign for mayor was Joseph T. Fleming, the man who coordinated those often tedious, day-to-day tasks that can make the difference between victory and defeat.

Identifying persons likely to show up at the polls, organizing and directing hundreds of volunteers and making the telephone bank run smoothly were among the things on which he concentrated.

Fleming, 28, a teacher at Slater Junior High, was Kinch's campaign coordinator. "He ran the headquarters and put together the nuts and bolts of the campaign," said state Rep. Andrew McConnell, Kinch's campaign manager.

Fleming said one of his first jobs was to identify probable voters. He and several other volunteers reviewed the voting lists and copied the names of more than 8,000 persons who cast ballots in 1979.

"Then we transferred those names to three-by-five cards, so Henry could carry them around with him," Fleming said. That helped the candidate decide which doors to knock on as he campaigned.

Fleming said that the effort to target voters was concentrated in Wards 1, 5 and 6, where it was thought that Kinch was weakest. The idea was to cut into Mayor William F. Harty Jr.'s strength in those areas. The strategy apparently

worked — Harty lost Ward 1 and won by only small margins in Wards 5 and 6.

Voters who reacted favorably to Kinch and to other volunteers who knocked on doors were contacted again by letter and leaflet. Other volunteers prepared and addressed the letters and stuffed and mailed the envelopes.

"We had 300 volunteers and they all worked, because they saw Henry working," he said. "We must have knocked on 75 percent of the doors in the city."

'We must have knocked at 75% of the city's doors'

On primary and Election Days, phones were manned in headquarters and in volunteers' homes. Supporters who had not voted by 5 p.m. were called and urged to vote, Fleming said.

In addition, Fleming was one of the inner circle of a half-dozen close advisers who helped Kinch plan his time, and decided which events the candidate would attend and where he would campaign.

Fleming started working in campaigns when he was 16. He was Kinch's neighbor. He recalled that one of Kinch's relatives once said to him, "Rather than hanging around, I should go to his house and cut the grass." Kinch had not attended to the chore because he then was running his first campaign for the City Council.

From that start, Fleming stepped up to passing out leaflets for Kinch's council run. As a youngster, Fleming had a casual interest in politics. But he found that helping in the 1969 Kinch campaign was "very exciting because I worked for a winner."

He has worked in all the campaigns for the six-term councilman. In 1972, Fleming worked in U.S. Sen. Claiborne Pell's campaign in Pawtucket by helping the candidate to identify potential voters.

Fleming also did a little work for former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch and school board member Maureen Massiwer. He helped them by distributing leaflets and putting up signs. "I also worked for Andy McConnell the first time he ran," Fleming said. "That was the only time he had opposition."

Fleming said that he works only for people he believes in and people who he thinks will do a good job if elected.

Now that Kinch has won, Fleming said, he has no immediate political plans. "I just got married four months ago and I want to enjoy it," he said. Fleming took only two days off since the Kinch effort began in June. He was not paid for his efforts.

Fleming has not decided whether he would like to become a campaign consultant, nor has he decided whether he would take a job in the Kinch administration if one is offered.

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Kinch transition team is appointed

PAWTUCKET — Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch today named a 23-member transition team to pave the way for a smooth takeover of city government by Kinch on Jan. 4.

Chosen to head the team was Kinch's campaign manager, State Representative and House Majority Whip Andrew E. McConnell.

Kinch also named two top administrators from Textron to serve as team leaders — Joseph Kruse, senior vice president of administration and Willard Gallagher, vice president of the international division of the company.

Kinch said the transition team would be meeting with department heads and with most city boards and commissions to gather facts about their operation and learn the status of various programs and projects.

McConnell noted the team also will pinpoint decisions Kinch will have to make early in his administration and potential problems or decisions down the road.

"My purpose in forming this team is to insure an orderly and well-informed transition in January," Kinch said.

"I can think of no one better qualified to head this undertaking than Representative McConnell, whose legal and legislative background

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make him uniquely capable for the task."

McConnell also thanked Mayor William F. Harty Jr. for offering his support and assistance in making the transition a smooth one.

The announcement of members of the transition team was made this morning at a press conference at the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce.

They are:

Avi Bloom of 38 Sayles Ave., assistant vice president of Carol Cable Company; Paul Bassett of 97 Merritt Road, East Providence, vice president for municipal finance, Hospital Trust National Bank, and former Pawtucket finance director; Thomas Chelle of 44 Armistice Blvd., president of R.I. Council 94, AFSSME; Robert Halkyard of 50 Sunset Drive, Seekonk, president of Information Systems of Pawtucket; Penny Maynard of 99 Tobie Ave., executive director of the East Providence Chamber of Commerce; Milton Noble of 45 Revere St., registrar at Brown University.

And, Mable Anderson of 26 South St., a teacher at Bryant College;

Raymond Arrighi of 165 Greenslitt Ave., a casualty claims manager at Gordon Boyd Company; Leo Butler of 192 Meadow St., assistant director of the work experience programs at the Blackstone Valley Community Action Program; Joseph Carvalho of 141 Sayles Ave., a cost estimator for Zarella Plumbing and Heating Co.; Andrew Casey of 196 Meadow St., former Pawtucket public safety director.

And, Vincent Duffy of 41 Riverview Ave., a social worker; Joseph Fleming of Enfield Street, a Pawtucket teacher; Malcolm Goldenberg of 61 Sheffield Ave., credit manager for Carol Cable Co.; Ronald Kelly of 239 Beverage Hill Ave., a principal in the Cranston school system; Sandra Lubera of 792 Mineral Spring Ave., purchasing agent for Carol Cable; Spencer Viner of 192 Daggett Ave., a Pawtucket lawyer; Mary Siniak of 353 Roosevelt Ave., a homemaker; Stephen White of 99 Oak Hill Ave., a Pawtucket lawyer; and, John Monahan of 592 Smithfield Ave., president of Monahan Real Estate Agency.

Proposals sought for reviving the Leroy

Pawtucket

By THOMAS S. BROWN
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — A downtown redevelopment group will hold a public forum tonight on how to revive the Leroy Theatre, which has been unoccupied since 1979.

Sponsored by Downtown Pawtucket Revitalization, the session will be held at 7 p.m. in the theater, which is said to have one of the best acoustical designs in New England.

DENNIS W. MOORE, executive director of the renewal group, said he hopes to organize a "nucleus of citizens" who would explore ways of arranging the purchase and redevelopment of the theater, which was built in 1923. The Broad Street theater, which is owned by Associates Realty, has been on the market at an asking price in the \$150,000 range, Moore said.

Moore said his organization has had a "very, very preliminary" inquiry about the building from a developer whom he described as "someone involved in local theater in a suburb of Boston, who has contacts with theater promoters." About 25 other people have contacted him since his group's executive committee met at the theater in June to discuss its plight.

Moore said he thinks some space will have to be used for a restaurant or offices for the building to become profitable.

"TO HAVE IT survive simply as a performing arts center would be a very, very difficult thing to pull off financially," he said.

A partly occupied commercial building is attached to the theater. Moore said he would like to see the redevelopment embrace the entire site.

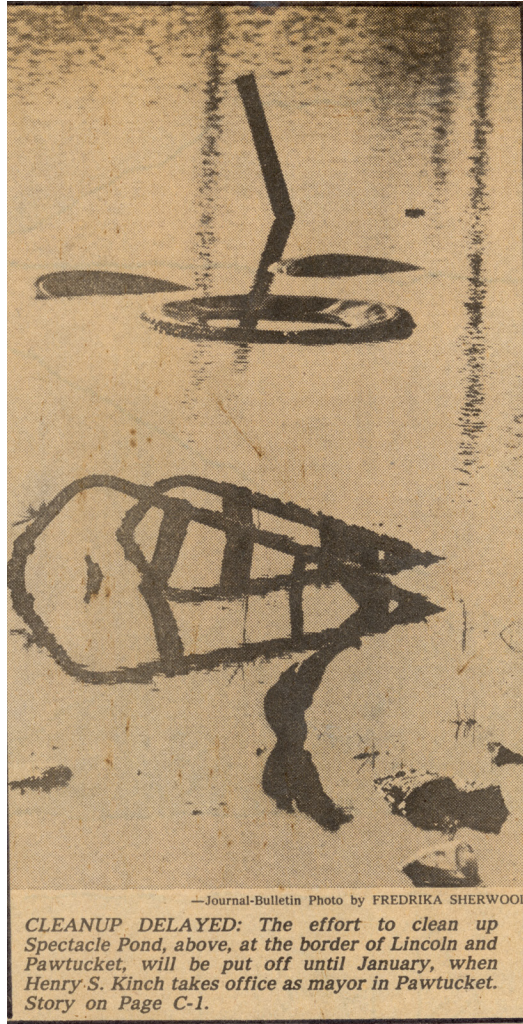
Moore said his group had been waiting for the fall election campaign to finish before trying to launch a full-fledged save-the-Leroy campaign. Mayor William F. Harty Jr. and Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch are among those who have been invited to tonight's meeting. Ocean State Performing Arts Center as an example of what can be accomplished when residents commit themselves to a restoration project. But he added, "I don't think our sights are set as high as the Ocean State."

The Leroy functioned as a movie palace until 1974. Later, it was leased by promoter Frank J. Russo for rock concerts, but the city lifted its license for such events in July 1979, citing safety code violations.

Downtown Pawtucket Revitalization estimates that it might cost about \$200,000 to renovate the building. Russo, when he was still interested in the building, estimated that such renovations might cost up to \$500,000.

Moore said one way of starting a renewal drive might be to hold a benefit at the theater to raise money to have an architect study such a project.

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—Journal-Bulletin Photo by FREDRIKA SHERWOOD
CLEANUP DELAYED: The effort to clean up Spectacle Pond, above, at the border of Lincoln and Pawtucket, will be put off until January, when Henry S. Kinch takes office as mayor in Pawtucket. Story on Page C-1.

Police hearing deferred until Kinch is mayor

PAWTUCKET — The police union's long-running effort to get an arbitration award enforced will not be reviewed at a hearing until two days after Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch takes office in January.

The hearing had been scheduled for Oct. 14, but reportedly was postponed when the city was unable to have its witnesses ready.

At issue is a so-called "vacancy clause" that was upheld by an arbitrator nearly 18 months ago. It requires the filling of vacancies that occur on any shift for any reason.

City officials have estimated that the clause could cost as much as \$1.6 million a year. The total police budget for salaries is \$2.4 million. Ptm. John M. Orzechowski, president of the city chapter of the Fraternal Order of Police, said that the city administration has threatened to lay off up to 13 officers if the clause is put into effect.

If it is enforced, the arbitration award could mean sizable increases in overtime pay for officers required to fill in for absent colleagues.

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Spectacle Pond cleanup put off until spring

Lincoln

LINCOLN — The effort by Lincoln and Pawtucket to clean up Spectacle Pond at the border of the two communities will be delayed until Pawtucket Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch takes office in January, Lincoln Town Administrator Burton Stallwood said Wednesday.

Earlier this fall Stallwood wrote to Mayor William F. Harty Jr. to suggest that the cleanup be a joint project of the Lincoln and Pawtucket Public Works Departments.

He said Harty agreed and referred the matter to Wayne M. Stetson, Pawtucket public works director.

But Stallwood said that because of the press of other business and

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Pawtucket's spirited mayoral race, little progress has been made.

"Now I want to wait until Henry Kinch takes office, so I can talk to him about it," Stallwood said. He added that the cleanup would have to wait at least until spring.

Lincoln owns the four-acre pond, which is a popular winter skating spot. Its water level has dropped because of the recent dry weather.

"The town cleaned up around the pond, and if the water level rose, it would be a nice spot," Stallwood said. The pond is fed by runoff from nearby house lots and streets, he added.

Both communities also asked the Rhode Island Army National Guard to do the cleanup. But the Guard declined because officials said Guard units do not have the equipment to work on the pond's muddy bottom.

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Kinch silent on department heads

By BOB LITCHFIELD
Times staff reporter

Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch promises that his administration will be "more businesslike" and that department heads will have greater input into decisions — but he insists there have been "absolutely no decisions" made on personnel changes he might make in City Hall come January.

Immediately following his election last week, speculation centered on three positions that observers believe Kinch certainly will fill with his own appointments — city solicitor, city clerk and the mayor's administrative assistant.

Names continue to circulate concerning those posts, but Kinch said that any speculation at this time is simply that.

"Potentially, there could be changes in all department heads, or there might be no changes at all," Kinch said Thursday, the day before he announced the names of persons who'll serve on a "transition team."

Kinch said he will make no announcements concerning appointments in his administration until the

transition team finishes its work and presents him with a report.

He said he expects the transition team will take four to six weeks to complete its charge.

Kinch said his "business-oriented" administration will rely more heavily on input from department heads, who he will expect to be innovative and imaginative in operating their departments.

"I think that in recent administrations department heads have not been utilized enough," Kinch said. "I expect to operate on a cabinet system. I don't want administrators who work like storekeepers, minding the store. I want people who can generate ideas, particularly ideas that will maintain present services at reduced costs."

Meanwhile, another round of rumors has spread through City Hall. One of the most recent is that Kinch is eager to replace Police Chief Joseph C. Roy.

Asked specifically about that, Kinch answered as he has done with every other bit of speculation, saying only that "no decisions have been made."

Several names have surfaced re-

cently for the post of city solicitor now held by Marifrances McGinn. Among them are State Rep. Mary McMahon, D-Dist. 81, who won the Darlington representative seat last year, and fellow attorneys Spencer W. Viner and Stephen R. White. All three were active in Kinch's mayoral campaign.

A possible replacement for Finance Director Richard Mumford is Paul Bassett, who held that job in the administration of Robert Burns and early in the Dennis M. Lynch administration before leaving to work for R.I. Hospital Trust National Bank. Mumford had previously been reported to be considering leaving for private industry.

Like the solicitor position, the city clerk and administrative assistant slots are filled presently with persons considered close to Lynch: William A. Catelli and Nicolas Retsinas, respectively. Mayor Wil-

But speculation swirls around him

liam F. Harty Jr. kept the Lynch team intact when he ascended to the mayor's office in July.

Both those jobs are likely to go to persons Kinch considers loyal to him, perhaps to one of his "inner circle," insiders point out. Kinch, who by his own description is "a worrier," probably will tend to work most closely with those advisers and city officials who are close to him now.

"I can't delegate authority to just anyone," Kinch has said. "During the campaign we gained a reputation for putting the right person in the job, people in whose expertise I had faith and confidence. I hope to continue that."

The city clerk's job is one whose stature was elevated during the Lynch administration because of the close personal association Lynch had first with the late Joseph Hanley, and afterward with the late

William Malloy.

Among several candidates for the clerk's job are Penny Maynard, an early Kinch supporter and a candidate for the 3rd District council seat, and members of Kinch's circle of advisers, most of whom have been involved in Kinch's council campaigns for a decade and have his "faith and confidence."

That inner circle is identified as including State Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, Kinch's campaign manager; State Sen. Lowell Kinch, the mayor-elect's brother and designated political adviser; Paul Breault, a staff member of the R.I. Legislative Press Bureau; schoolteacher and campaign coordinator Joseph T. Fleming; social worker Vincent Duffy, finance chairman for Kinch's mayoral campaign; Timothy Duffy, who works for the state department of business regulation and played another key

role in the Kinch campaign; and Tim Magill, who headed Kinch's 6th Ward campaign effort. Magill is a brother of Central Labor Council President R. Thomas Magill and brother-in-law of Councilwoman Kathleen A. Magill.

Vincent Duffy also has been mentioned as a potential welfare director should that post, now held by Gabriel Gregorio, open up.

Both McConnell and Lowell Kinch have said they will not take an official spot in Kinch's administration, preferring to remain in the General Assembly.

That would seem to fit with Kinch's stated desire to work more closely with the city's State House delegation for passage of legislation benefitting the city.

Such cooperation, for example, could lead to increased state aid for education, one hope of the financially-pressed school committee.

Kinch's win a 'textbook' model

By BOB LITCHFIELD
Times staff reporter

The Pawtucket mayoral campaign put together on behalf of Henry S. Kinch could be considered a "textbook" model, according to the people who planned and organized Kinch's election victory.

Starting with a core of persons whom he'd worked with for years, Kinch adeptly put together an all-volunteer organization that was characterized by efficiency, consistency and enthusiasm.

By the Nov. 3 election, the Kinch campaign had compiled lists of 8,300 voters identified as definite or likely voters for Kinch and was highly successful in turning out that targeted block at the polls.

It was determined early that Kinch would conduct a campaign based on personal contact with voters and a theme that he'd compiled as a "solid record of accomplishment" as a councilman.

Kinch's campaign never lost sight of those objectives, even after Mayor William F. Harty Jr. challenged the veracity of some of Kinch's campaign claims and tried to create other issues.

The candidate himself moved tirelessly from door-to-door canvassing and attending coffee hours and meetings.

Each contact with a prospective voter was reinforced with a postcard or campaign brochure hand-

delivered by a Kinch campaigner.

Directing the operation of scores of campaign volunteers were a close-knit group of advisers who had Kinch's trust and confidence. Each handled an aspect of the campaign in which he had particular expertise — Joseph T. Fleming, organization, Paul Breault, communications, and Lowell Kinch, finances. Overseeing the entire effort was the campaign manager, state Rep. Andrew E. McConnell.

"When we started thinking of running (for mayor), we devised a written plan, one that was function-oriented," Kinch said recently. "We analyzed the likely opposition, and our own strengths and weaknesses. We knew what things we had to do, and we did all of them."

"The only thing we didn't plan was winning the primary," mused Fleming, a 28-year-old Pawtucket school teacher, who, like Breault, McConnell and several others, has been working in Kinch's campaigns for a decade.

So Kinch could spend time meeting voters, McConnell took on much work normally done by a candidate. "People knew when they talked to Andrew they were talking to Henry," said Fleming.

"The candidate really sets the tone and Henry's the hardest worker I know," said Breault, a member of the Legislative Press Bureau at

the State House. "Henry infused everyone with the idea of going out and meeting people and working hard. He'd never ask anyone to do something he wouldn't do himself."

Breault said that as a result, the Kinch organization "never had any trouble getting people together," to leaflet, knock on doors, mail campaign literature or perform any other tasks.

Breault worked closely later in the campaign with Tim Magill in developing Kinch's newspaper advertisements, campaign brochures and press releases. Magill is a brother of Central Labor Council President R. Thomas Magill, who is married to Councilwoman Kathleen A. Magill.

Magill had worked in his sister-in-law's and other campaigns and also lives in Fairlawn, an area identified early by the Kinch team as one where they were weak and needed work. He headed the effort in the 6th council district.

Kinch moved to decentralize his campaign operations by setting up ward headquarters in two crucial areas. One such "headquarters" on Central Avenue served the 1st and 2nd districts, where Kinch's election bid was being aided by organizations headed by Councilman Philip J. Moran and Raymond Chartier in the 1st, and Councilman James E. Doyle and John Asermely in the 2nd.

Other ward teams were led by Richard McCluskie and Ray Arrighi in the 3rd, Frank Crawley and Mal Goldenberg in the 4th, Joe Carvalho and Bob Venturini in the 5th, and Magill and Hugh Monahan working out of a Smithfield Avenue office in the 6th.

"We tried to make each ward self sufficient," Breault said. "They had to be cognizant of the game plan, not just off on their own. But when we'd need 10 people from a ward to leaflet, the ward people got them."

"We had more than 100 people who mailed postcards to their close friends asking them to vote for Henry. The lists started from there. When Henry would get a positive response at the door, or at a coffee hour, we'd add another name."

Kinch attended about 50 "coffee hours" during the campaign, but they weren't like many such gatherings that frequently are attended only by hard-core supporters. Liz McConnell coordinated the coffee hours and the hosts were expected to invite mostly people who were not politically oriented and undecided about whom to vote for.

"We believed people would vote for Henry if they met him and talked to him," Breault said. "And we were sure to follow up the contact."

Transition unit observing, not hunting

By BOB LITCHFIELD
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — The transition team named last week by mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch is getting down to work, but City Hall employees don't have to worry about efficiency experts looking over their shoulders.

"This certainly isn't a witch hunt or anything like that," said state Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, who was tapped by Kinch to coordinate the transition unit. McConnell moved to assure city administrators

and workers that the transition team "won't be making evaluations or decisions."

McConnell said the 23 persons named to the panel will be gathering information about existing policy and the operations of the various city departments. Necessary facts and figures will be compiled in a report that will be submitted to the mayor-elect before the end of the year.

"It won't be a matter of inside transition team members being inside city offices every day," McConnell

said. "Much of the information can be obtained from questionnaires. After that, the team members involved in looking at a particular department will go in and talk to the department head and key personnel about their operation."

Kinch said during a press conference last week that the transition team is the first tangible move toward what he said would be a benchmark of his administration — "reaching out into the private sector to recruit people willing to commit their time and expertise to their

community."

The mayor-elect reiterated that one of his first moves will be to name a task force made up of business leaders to assess the city's economic position and make recommendations. He first made known his plan during the election campaign, and has discussed it with the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce, which has agreed to coordinate the task force review.

McConnell said he will call an organizational meeting of the transition team this week. He said it is

probable that seven or eight sub-committees will be formed, each one to gather information on a department and related boards and commissions.

McConnell noted jokingly that all the members named to the transition team share one quality with him — "They all are working for nothing."

Named to the team were a number of business executives and businessmen, two attorneys and

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McConnell to head City Hall 'fact-finding'

PAWTUCKET — State Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, named yesterday as transition chief for Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch, said he will conduct fact-finding on the Harty administration — but not fault-finding.

McConnell and Kinch used cautious, conciliatory language as they introduced at a press conference 22 other business, labor, and academic leaders who will assist in the transition on an unpaid basis.

"We're not going to be decision makers," McConnell, D-Pawtucket, said. "We're not going to be evaluators, really. We're just going to find out what's going on, and get a full awareness of what the departments are doing."

McConnell said team members would visit City Hall, but would not be working there on a day-to-day basis. He emphasized that he

wanted to avoid any suggestion that a "witch hunt" was in the works.

Kinch, who works as a manager in Textron's Gorham Division, chose two of his superiors to assist McConnell. They are: Joseph Kruse, senior vice president of administration for Textron, and Willard Gallagher, vice president of the conglomerate's international division.

Both are Pawtucket residents, and McConnell said they had volunteered their assistance to Kinch as soon as he won the election. However, neither attended the press briefing.

Three of the transition team members are employees of Carol Cable Co. They are: Avi Bloom, assistant vice president; Malcolm Goldenberg, credit manager; and Sandra Lubera, purchasing agent.

several educators. Many had been involved actively in Kinch's mayoral campaign.

Kinch also said he expects the transition team to give him status reports on ongoing projects and pinpoint decisions that will have to be made soon after he takes office Jan. 4.

"I want this transition to go as smoothly as possible," Kinch said. "I want to be fully knowledgeable about everything that's going on in each department come January."

Kinch said he has a broad and basic understanding of city government from his 12 years on the city council, and a strong background with a degree in public administration.

But he noted that he wasn't privy to the ins and outs of daily operations or certain other aspects of the government while on the council. That is the type of information he is looking for, he said.

Water board deficits dwarf city surpluses

Board can likely never repay Pawtucket's \$400,000 'loan'

By ED GAULIN
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — This city has ended its fiscal year in the black 28 consecutive times. That proud boast has contributed substantially to Pawtucket's Aa bond rating, the highest of any city in Rhode Island; what's more, deficit spending is forbidden by the city charter.

But for the past two years, the semi-autonomous Pawtucket Water Supply Board has carried a deficit that has dwarfed the city's surplus.

When the audit of the city's books for fiscal 1980 was announced by former mayor Dennis M. Lynch, the city showed a \$10,750 surplus. At the same time, the water department was some \$400,000 in the red — and was keeping afloat with city money.

According to Finance Director Richard A. Mumford, the \$400,000 is carried as a loan from the city to the water supply board. And since it is a loan that is repayable, it is on the books as a city asset.

That \$400,000 deficit had still not been expunged by the time an unaudited surplus of \$73,000 was announced this year by Mayor William F. Harty Jr.

But again, the auditing firm doing

the city's books — Pascarella & Trench of Providence this year — agreed that the \$400,000 was an asset, because it was a loan payable to the city.

In reality, it is very probable that the water board will never be able to repay that \$400,000 which the city accrued by paying water supply board bills.

And while the supply board is currently awaiting a decision on a proposed 40 percent revenue hike, state law does not allow for the new rate hike to be used to wipe out the deficit retroactively.

Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch declined to say what he will do about the water department deficit when he takes office. He said Harty is mayor for the next two months and he does not think it fair for city residents to be reading "the comments of two mayors" in the meantime. But he said he stands by remarks he made during the mayoral campaign.

And during the campaign, Kinch was harsh in his criticism of the water supply board. He said there was "absolutely no excuse for any

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department showing a deficit.

Kinch also said one of his first acts as mayor would be to demand that the members of the water supply board sign a promissory note to the city to make good for the deficit. If Kinch were able to get such a note signed, its value is questionable, since there appears to be no way the water board could raise the funds.

The deficit for fiscal 1981 and the first six months of fiscal 1982, is projected to add nearly \$900,000 more in red ink to the water department ledgers.

The latter portion of the deficit, however, may well be softened by the new rate hikes — IF the state Public Utilities Commission (PUC) allows the water department to apply the new rates to water delivered to customers during fiscal 1981, which goes back to July 1, 1980.

Even further deficits are mounting now — forcing the supply board to return to the PUC for another rate hike request as soon as it legally can, 90 days after the ruling on the current request.

The PUC has until the end of February to render a decision on the current request but is expected to issue one before the end of the year. So the supply board is expected to be back at the PUC, asking for more money, by March or April.

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Pawtucket assessor Carden talks of retirement and reappraisal job

Pawtucket

By THOMAS S. BROWN
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PAWTUCKET — City Assessor William G. Carden this week reviewed the progress of the citywide reappraisal and indicated that after 33 years on the job he is getting ready to retire.

Carden, asked yesterday about his plans, said, "I'm not positive just what I'm going to do." But he added, "We have mandatory retirement, and I will be 70 next June."

Carden declined to give a specific retirement date, but indicated he intends to stay on until the city completes its reappraisal of all property. William E. Coyle Jr., whose company is conducting the reappraisal, said he expects to finish by March.

Appointed by former Mayor Ambrose P. McCoy, Carden has survived six administrations and soon will see his seventh mayor, William F. Harty Jr., leave office. Carden said he would offer his resignation *pro forma* to the new mayor, Henry



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S. Kinch, but denied his departure date would be tied to the change in administrations.

Carden said he has chatted with Kinch since the election, but they have not discussed candidates for the assessor's job.

"I'm sure Mr. Kinch has his own ideas about whom he wants," Carden said.

Carden was serving as assessor when Pawtucket went through its last citywide revaluation in 1952.

"It was all brick and mortar back then," he recalled, explaining that property values in that era were based solely on the physical attributes of structures.

"These days, assessing has become diversified," he said, noting that a business's income has be-

come a factor in calculating values of its taxable property.

Carden said the present reappraisal has been running fairly smoothly, but his office does get intermittent telephone calls about it, mostly from elderly residents who ask why the field workers are in their neighborhood.

"I tell them each and every one of the 25 field men has an ID card. Don't allow anyone in the house without a card. And if they see an automobile they don't recognize, they can call the police who have a list of the license plate numbers of the field workers," Carden said. He added he had not heard of any cases of troublemakers posing as listers — that is; members of the appraisal crew who record features of the property they visit.

Coyle said that nearly all the city's homes had been visited by the field workers and now they are checking stores and factories.

The reappraisal will be done by computer, with spotchecks by people for accuracy.

Carden said property owners who are dissatisfied with the new appraisals, which they should get in

March, or who want an abatement will have an opportunity to appeal, first to the Coyle company, then to Carden and then to the Board of Appeals.

People often experience "mental shock" when they first find out their property assessment is being increased, Carden acknowledged.

"But it's the funniest thing: If people find out they're not being discriminated against, then they'll usually accept it," he said.

Carden said it's been his practice to grant tax abatements to businesses when they suffer setbacks. He offered as a hypothetical case a downtown building that is assessed on the basis of full occupancy, and then loses half its tenants.

"The owner will come in and say, 'Look, Bill, here's my (financial) statement.' We'll take it and study the whole situation and try to come up with a good sound judgment," Carden said. He noted that all abatements must receive the approval of the City Council.

Carden said he also is concerned about home owners. He said he has an appointment to visit the home of a 79-year-old disabled woman seeking tax relief.

"An assessor to me is just an employee of the city who has to be fair and equitable with all taxpayers, regardless of their political affiliation," Carden said.

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That grouping started with Mariam Al-Amir and ended with James G. Sukatos.

Then after a few fairly easy to pronounce names, the proceedings ended with Bhaskar Vyas, the last of the Class E licensees.

It would have been fun to here some of the licensees whose names were in the middle of the pack and not subject to the verbal bombardment of messers Kinch, Carney and Houle.

Here's a sampling of what those of us at the council session missed hearing: Bruno S. Czabanowski, Riccoti's Sandwich Shop; Panagiotis Delis, Toti's Pizza Palace; Kostantina Dernikos, City Line Pizza; Stavros Economou, Anthony's House of Pizza; Gesange Verein Eintracht, Eintracht Singing Society; Peter Elias Exarchos, Boston House of Pizza; Saterios Gannites, Liberty Lunch; Kosciuszko Polish Home of Pawtucket; George Koutsoukos, New York System.

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While the touchy issue of the council leadership has commanded attention, it is certainly not the only one which Kinch must deal with before he takes office.

There likely are the same pressures involved in filling key posts in the Kinch administration. Kinch staunchly maintains that no decisions have been made yet, but it appears almost certain that he will want to bring his own people into several slots that are considered more political than technical in nature.

Those are the posts of city clerk, city solicitor, and to a lesser degree, administrative assistant.

Additionally, several department heads could step down voluntarily. Tax Assessor William G. Carden has said he will retire early next

Most observers do not anticipate a purge of Harty supporters, but there could be a "selective weeding" as one noted. In order to mold an effective long-term political base, Kinch is being counseled not to act in a vindictive manner toward persons who supported Harty.

One who is likely to go, however, is Municipal Court Judge John Mutter.

Among several lawyers who are said to be interested in the municipal court judgeship are Joseph Keough and James Murray. Keough, who is associate judge of the municipal court, aided Kinch's election bid, as did Murray.

Kinch has said he would like to hold off making appointments until his transition team finishes its work and makes its report, in mid or late December. Others, however, are advising him to make his decisions sooner — to relieve the pressure from job-seekers and let the dust settle before he assumes office.

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LIKE A CLOCK — That's what the clock high above McCarthy Mall — Pawtucket Plaza is acting like these days — it's working again.

At least it was when Leo Rosen and I took a stroll at 3:13 p.m. Friday. Given the past erratic history of the chronometer, all bets that it's working right now are off.

SPEAKING OF LEO — Leo and Milt Rosen are not the happiest of merchants on the mall — that's well known. So it's not surprising that they are not really enthusiastic about the new ordinance which bars vehicular deliveries on the mall between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. daily. The ordinance, enacted by city council Thursday, sets a \$25 fine for each offense. The fines will not be metered out until January, however.

The ordinance is intended to keep those delivery trucks off the mall during the peak pedestrian traffic hours.

The mall management committee, city officials said, should monitor the situation to see how well it works and what possible modifications might be needed in the future.

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that she was elected by citywide balloting, was the leading vote-getter in the at-large race and citywide behind Kinch, and was an early supporter of the mayor-elect.

Some people in Kinch's circle of close advisers say Magill stuck her neck out the furthest in coming to their side before the Democratic Party's city committee handed out endorsements. For that reason, there is some pressure to secure the spot for her.

Moran also was on Kinch's side in the campaign and his ward organization helped Kinch roll up an

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Kinch will inherit rubbish decision, contract disputes

Harty says he won't decide on private trash pickup before leaving office

By JOHN R. KHOREY
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PAWTUCKET — Mayor William F. Harty Jr. doesn't expect to decide on turning over rubbish collection to a private contractor before leaving office Jan. 4.

He will also leave behind unresolved contract disputes with as many as three municipal unions.

Deliberations by a three-member arbitration panel considering a new contract for firefighters have not begun; no date has been set for arbitration over the replacement of city security guards with private security workers, and further discussions over a controversial clause in the police contract won't be held until after Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch takes office.

A proposal to hire a rubbish contractor to collect refuse was developed last spring by former

Pawtucket

mayor Dennis M. Lynch as an economy move. Last August, about a month after Lynch left office, eight companies submitted bids on the work.

The low bidder, Safe-way Disposal of Bristol, offered to provide the weekly service for \$419,000 annually for five years.

Salaries and benefits for 30 municipal sanitation workers and the cost of operating the city's fleet of sanitation trucks are more than \$600,000 annually.

The sanitation workers' union, Local 1012 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, has opposed the switch to a private collection service because of the likelihood that it could result in the layoff of at least some sanitation workers.

The union says its contract with the city prohibits hiring private firms to provide services that are

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the responsibility of city workers. The city disagrees.

Harty said that Public Works Director Wayne M. Stetson is still studying whether a switch to a private contractor would be in the city's best interest. The mayor said he would decide to make the switch only if evidence clearly showed that it would be cheaper and more efficient to hire a contractor.

Stetson said he has not been "pressed" to expedite his study and has done nothing on it for "a couple of months."

Harty said it is "very unlikely" that he will be prepared to make a decision by early January.

That would leave the decision up to Kinch, who declined yesterday to give his position on the matter.

In addition to trash collection, Lynch also proposed hiring private contractors to provide security guard and emergency services.

He made the switch to a private security service in July before leaving office.

Harty decided that the Fire Department should continue to provide emergency rescue services. The firefighters' union, Local 1261 of the International Association of Firefighters, opposed the hiring of a private contractor and that was a factor in disagreement over a new contract this year.

WHEN LYNCH moved to replace eight security guards at McCoy Stadium and Slater Park with private security men, the union representing the city guards, Local 1012 of AFSCME, sought a restraining order in Superior Court to block the change.

The union later delayed the court action after the city agreed early last August to an expedited grievance hearing on the matter. The city, meanwhile, hired the private guards and transferred the city

security men to other jobs in the Public Works Department.

The security guard dispute is unresolved. City Solicitor Marifrances McGinn said an arbiter has been retained to hear the case, but it is unclear if hearings will begin before the end of the year.

Larry Ashe, an AFSME representative, said he hopes the dispute can be resolved before the end of next month through negotiations with the city in advance of formal arbitration.

The outcome of the guard dispute could influence the eventual decision on whether to hire a private trash contractor. Union officials say their fight over the guards is an attempt to stop a move toward replacing other city workers with private help.

Disagreement over minimum-manning levels in the Police and Fire Departments is at the heart of labor disputes there.

ARBITRATION over a new fire union contract covers more than 20 items, but is keyed to a minimum-manning provision in the old contract. The city wants eliminated a requirement that 31 firefighters be on duty for each shift. The union opposes a return to a policy which left manning levels to the discretion of department superiors.

The minimum-manning clause routinely results in firefighters' working overtime to fill in for men who are ill or on vacation.

Kinch, Calista deny track job rumors

By ED GAULIN
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Community Development Director John Q. Calista Jr. Friday "vehemently" denied persistent rumors he has been offered a job as a consultant to the city on the Narragansett Park complex after he retires from the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency (PRA).

Calista, 60, will have completed 20 years' service with the PRA next July 2 and has frequently and openly discussed his options then — including retirement.

Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch, who, according to the rumors, made the job offer to Calista even before the election, termed the rumor "foolish post-election talk."

The rumors also had Kinch offering Calista's job as PRA director to Dennis W. Moore, executive director of Downtown Pawtucket Revitalization Inc.

Kinch said Friday night that "there were all kinds of rumors circulating before the election, and since, they're all utter nonsense," he said.

Calista, for his part, said "I

vehemently deny having any conversation with any mayoral candidate prior to the election about either the role of the redevelopment agency after (next) June or any other role.

"I emphatically deny any conversation regarding that (rumored) role or any role at all" with any of the candidates, Calista said.

Kinch, who hammered away at alleged mismanagement at the track development in his recent successful election campaign against Mayor William F. Harty Jr., said he never spoke to Calista "about any-

thing" before the election.

Kinch dropped a political bomb in July, releasing to the Pawtucket City Council documents which he said proved that the development had been mismanaged under the administration of former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch.

Kinch said then that he received the documents anonymously in the mail.

Kinch later released other documents which indicated there were major problems at the track. Those documents were believed to have been leaked to Kinch by someone in

the city Planning Department. City Planning Director Edward M. Hennigan denied those allegations and said the documents could have been obtained by Kinch from virtually any number of people.

Calista said the rumor has been circulating for weeks along with scores of others that result from political campaigns.

"I have been evaluating my own role for the past two years," Calista said.

Harty said Friday that Calista

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had "buttonholed me" after a meeting of city officials "about two weeks before the election" asking if Harty had heard the rumor of the alleged job offer.

Harty said Calista assured him that the rumor was nothing more than that.

Calista remembered that encounter a bit differently.

Calista said he told Harty that he had not discussed any future role with anyone. "I frankly didn't care

Calista said he talked to Harty after the meeting and said: "I understand there's a rumor around and I don't care who's heard it," if (Harty) had heard it or not," Calista said.

Moore, asked if he had been offered the post of community development director upon Calista's retirement, answered with a flat "no."

Asked if he would be interested in the director's post should it be offered to him, Moore said that he would.

He emphasized that he was answering hypothetically and that no one had made any such offer to him. "Yes, certainly, I'd be interested," he said. "I've got 12 years in down there (at the agency)."

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1981

Harty not ruling out new run

Says he won't 'point fingers' at Kinch's administration of city

By ED GAULIN
Times staff reporter

The man who will be mayor of Pawtucket for the next six weeks is not discounting another race for the office in two years.

William F. Harty Jr., who lost this month's election by more than 2,000 votes to his longtime friend, City Council President Henry S. Kinch, said he doesn't rule out another try at the office he will hold until Kinch's January inauguration.

But Harty wasn't ready to start a campaign against Kinch even before his election opponent has taken office.

"I'm not going to root against him, just so I can run against him. The day after the election, I started

to root for him."

He said he will give Kinch the benefit of the doubt for a while as the new mayor learns his new job. "Will I start to be openly critical? I wouldn't expect to," he said.

Shaking his two hands in front of him and rolling his eyes upward to illustrate the attitude he will not take, Harty said he does not intend to be a finger-pointing critic of the new administration. "I'll do everything in my power to help it be an orderly transition," he said.

"I've said all along that I had the best interest of the city at heart and now is the time for me to prove it," Harty said.

He said one thing Kinch will learn fast is that the euphoria of the elec-

tion victory will quickly be dulled when he has to start making tough decisions.

"I made enemies here in four-and-a-half months; of course he was going to make enemies in eight-and-a-half years," he said of his predecessor, Dennis M. Lynch.

"Henry's going to find that out soon," he said. "The city is in excellent shape, but Henry will have to be very careful and efficient. The (Moody's) Double Aa bond rating will be very difficult to maintain."

He said Kinch will have to be firm with the municipal unions — which strongly supported the mayor-elect.

"I'm sure they worked very, very hard for Henry. If you're going to have any impact on an election, you've got to work hard," he said.

Among the things Kinch will have to control, he said, is the minimum manpower provision of the city firefighters' contract, an issue he raised late in the campaign. "It has the potential for abuse. That's not a

knock on the union — we have some great people working for the city," Harty said.

But he said Kinch talked of efficiency in government and "when you're talking efficiency, where is your biggest area?" Harty said 75 percent of the municipal budget is for personnel services.

Harty said he would like to correct one persistent impression of his candidacy. Observers have speculated all along that Harty was talked into making the mayoral run.

Not true, he says.

"Dennis' leaving was a surprise to me," he said. "Henry has been wanting to run for 10 years — I'd never given it much thought."

Harty said that when he was deciding whether to run he first carefully weighed the impact on his family and then the impact on his business.

"It wasn't a question of being lukewarm," he said. "Once I decided to go, I wasn't lukewarm."

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Harty looks back — with few regrets

"If the only way I could be elected mayor would be to abandon old friendships, then quite honestly, thanks but no thanks."

— Mayor William F. Harty Jr.

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PAWTUCKET — If Bill Harty bears any scars from the only election loss of his political career, they don't show.

He still displays that self-assured, easy-going manner that was his trademark before the bitter election

campaign against mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch.

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Harty didn't have to worry about the loss of the \$35,000 mayor's salary. He will go back to his lucrative real estate business.

In a recent interview, Harty gave the impression that he has suffered no serious emotional scars, either.

"Henry Kinch beat me fair and square. I have no bitterness; no anger or anything at all," he said.

He said he harbors "no ill feelings" toward Kinch despite the

heated campaign, which had many volatile moments in its last weeks, particularly in a debate at the Pawtucket Library. "I've talked to Henry three times" since the election," Harty said.

"That was political," he said the hostile things the candidates said about each other in the campaign. "Henry knows I was a good councilman."

Nor does Harty blame his old friend, former mayor Dennis M. Lynch, for his election defeat.

Harty was criticized during the

campaign and after the defeat for aligning himself too closely with Lynch. Many observers — even many in the Harty camp — said appointing Dennis M. Lynch Jr. as campaign manager was the death knell of the Harty election hopes.

But Harty has never wholly accepted that thesis. He has maintained that there were many factors that caused his defeat, including his being forced to defend the Lynch record as if it were his own. "In a sense, I was in a box," he said about his being in the position of having to

constantly defend charges made about the Lynch administration.

"Do I think I was caught in a box? Yes. Do I want to blame Dennis Lynch? No."

He said he does not think either the senior or junior Dennis Lynch cost him the election.

But he said he would not have shied away from either even if it were clear that they would cost him the election.

"Dennis Lynch has been a friend

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of mine for forty years — forty years," he said. "If the only way I could be elected mayor would be to abandon old friendships, then quite honestly, thanks but no thanks."

"I obviously was tied into the previous administration" by Kinch, he said. "I give credit to Henry's organization," he said of the victorious mayoral campaign. "Maybe they can criticize me for using the Lynch name, but not for the Lynch people. These are classy people," he said.

Harty said he may have been politically naive to stay in City Hall working while Kinch was stumping. "People didn't see me down here at 7:30 and 8 at night," he said.

"I wasn't all that surprised by the result of the primary, but I thought we were closing in by election day."

But on election night, "I knew fairly early that I wasn't going to make it," he said.

"I walked out there (to concede), truthfully, not knowing what I was going to say. It felt good that people in the crowd were saying things like, 'You're still the best' and 'You stood tall,'" he said.

"I thought it was very nice when I went over to Henry's. An awful lot of people came over to me to shake hands with me."

Harty said that his octogenarian father, William F. Harty Sr., took the election defeat with more finesse than anyone else.

"He said, 'Well, I got back my son and Billy (the mayor's son) got back his father.'"

"I don't think anyone could accuse me of doing it for personal gain," he said of his brief mayoral tenure. "I know I could be a good mayor."

"I hope I'm remembered as a guy who believes in his city and did something about it," he said.

Key appointees to be named soon

Kinch plans immediate cuts

By **BOB LITCHFIELD**
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — When Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch talks about his plans for his administration, words like efficiency, austerity and economic reality permeate the conversation.

He talks forcefully about streamlining city government — promising to name a "management task force" from the private sector and to take steps to reduce city spending immediately after he assumes office next month.

Kinch said he is inclined to take that direction anyway, because of his business-oriented background, but believes current economic conditions and federal budget policies make that course imperative.

"I think the economic reality really is coming to the forefront now," he said in a recent interview.

"I've talked to a lot of people since the election, and my message is that we've got to work together — political groups, business people, city government and the labor unions. There's a lot of talented people outside of government, and I hope to tap that resource for the benefit of the city."

Kinch said he will keep a tight rein on city spending after assuming office next month and already is planning to restrict spending authority as one way to cut out unnecessary purchases.

"I think there are too many people authorized to spend money now," he said. "Too many times the money is spent on what is supposed to be an emergency basis when it really isn't. That's going to be changed."

"There are austerity programs and then there are *austerity pro-*

grams," he said of current efforts to check city spending. "They (people in City Hall) haven't seen anything yet."

Kinch said he already has made several decisions pertaining to personnel in his administration and expects to announce some of them "in a couple of weeks or so." He would not specify which posts were involved, though it is reported he has decided whom he would appoint to the city clerk and administrative assistant slots.

"The whole point is to get the right people for the jobs," he said. "Some jobs require a person with certain personality traits and you can't just hand them out on political considerations."

Kinch said he has been meeting "daily" with city department heads

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to set direction, and that those meetings have taken up most of his time. He will stay on at his job as plant manager of Gorham's Standard Metals plant in Plainville, Mass., until the end of the year.

A transition team headed by Kinch's election campaign manager, State Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, has begun a fact-finding mission and will report to the mayor-elect by the end of the year.

Kinch said the report will contain background on day-to-day city operations and policy, and provide him with status reports on projects and programs.

The management task force he plans to name early in his administration will have "carte blanche" authorization to come up with reorganization plans and other efficiency measures and to zero in on duplication in city services.

"I have 12 years of experience in city government (on the city council) and a degree in public administration, and I have some idea of where inefficiency exists," Kinch said. As an example, he said, there are elements of administration of housing programs in three separate city departments, and various departments and agencies also duplicate accounting, planning and legal functions.

Kinch said the two city agencies which coordinated spending of the bulk of federal urban renewal and human service program dollars likely will be cut back because of the loss of much of that funding under federal cutbacks.

The Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency and the Office of Community Affairs, which grew out of the Model Cities programs of the 1960s, will have fewer federal dollars to disburse.

Kinch estimates the city next year will lose out on about one-fourth of the federal aid that had been coming in annually during the past decade. He called President Reagan's budget policies "a direct assault on the cities."

"His (Reagan's) program assumes that all the service systems — the sewers and water systems, highways, bridges, and dams — in the Northeast are in good shape and need little maintenance," Kinch said, "when in fact the opposite is true. Most are old and in various stages of deterioration. The federal cutback will only further erode those systems and make restoration more costly in the long run."

Of immediate concern, Kinch said he basically supports the position of Mayor William F. Harty Jr. in ap-

pealing court rulings barring the city from including a nativity scene in its Christmas display.

Another pressing issue he must address is the growing deficit in the water department. "We're going to meet that one head on, and it will be resolved," he promised, though he declined to give specifics or outline general policy prior to his inauguration.

"That'll be contained in my inaugural address," he replied to a question about goals of the Kinch administration.

The location of the Jan. 4 inaugural ball has yet to be determined, he said. The only facility capable of comfortably handling the 1,000 people he expects to attend is the Pawtucket Armory on Exchange Street, one of the sites under consideration.

These Times: Pawtucket

By **Bob Litchfield**

MAYOR-ELECT Henry S. Kinch recently joined the Pawtucket YMCA and has been seen working out during the infrequent breaks in his busy schedule.

Kinch notes he's an early riser — "Up at 5:30 every day" — and plans to be at either the Y or the Boys' Club, where he's also a member, every morning at 7 before trotting over to City Hall.

"I hope to get every department head interested, too," he said of his morning exercise routine. "Uh, voluntarily, of course."

Kinch, you might not know, is no stranger to athletic rigors. He was a standout athlete at Tolman High School and still holds a single-game scoring record of 44 points in a city church basketball league.

Harty sees effort to rebuild economy major contribution

By THOMAS S. BROWN
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — William F. Harty Jr. wants to be remembered as a mayor who worked long hours in his short term, trying to rebuild Pawtucket's economy.

But he admits that his quiet, behind-the-scenes efforts to woo investors could be overshadowed by his sudden national fame as a champion of municipal Nativity displays.

Harty, 50, has only six more weeks left in his six-month term as interim mayor. His bid to win a full two-year elected term was rejected when his chief challenger, Councilman Henry S. Kinch, captured 55 percent of the vote in the Nov. 3 election. As former City Council president, he automatically became mayor when Dennis M. Lynch resigned as mayor to become state purchasing agent.

Does that mean he will wind up in the city's history books as just an asterisk? Did he have enough time as chief executive to accomplish anything memorable?

"Well, I'd like people to recall that for the six months Bill Harty was mayor, he worked very hard on the Narragansett race track and other projects during some tough economic times," Harty replied.

"I think I worked really hard," he said. "I could have come in to City Hall and socialized for six months and done nothing. But I showed I cared about Pawtucket."



HARTY

gress in attracting business to the racetrack, which is being converted to an industrial park. He added that he still is trying.

"I'll probably be able to announce a couple more developments before I leave office," he said. He declined to elaborate because he said that negotiations are in a sensitive stage. But he said that one proposal which still is "very much alive" is for a \$100-million yard dyeing plant that would employ more than 400 persons.

"There was a meeting on that as recently as a couple days ago," Harty said. "I hope to have an announcement on that before I leave."

Officials of the U.S. Dye Works Corp., a new company, said last August that they are considering Pawtucket, as well as two other unnamed communities in New England, as sites for the proposed plant. But company officials in the last few weeks have declined to discuss the status of their project.

While such multi-million-dollar business deals simmer in the background, the controversy over a \$40-city expense has won Harty national attention.

At issue is whether it is constitutional for a city to own and display a Nativity scene, a tradition for four decades that has been challenged in a federal court suit initiated by the American Civil Liberties Union.

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CHIEF JUDGE Raymond J. Pettine of U.S. District Court in Providence ruled that the city's sponsoring the display violates a First Amendment constitutional ban on government promotion of religion. Harty disagrees and, by appealing the case, has become something of a hero to those who think that the federal courts are overreacting in cases involving separation of church and state.

"I have to say this Nativity thing is the biggest thing that's happened since I became mayor," Harty said. "My phone has been ringing off the hook, and the letters are pouring in."

He said that nearly all of the more than 100 letters he has received congratulate him for appealing Pettine's ruling. He said that at a recent ribbon-cutting for a doughnut shop, 10 people told him to "stick to your guns on this."

With such overwhelming support, Harty said, "We could, if we wanted, have the biggest Christmas display in New England right here in Pawtucket." But the mayor indicated that he probably will retain the city's original, somewhat timeworn creche, perhaps letting a private group take charge of it if the case remains unresolved after Thanksgiving.

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2 top Harty aides seeking new jobs as 'D-Day' nears

Catelli, McGinn to quit at year's end when mayor leaves

By THOMAS S. BROWN
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PAWTUCKET — As the Harty-to-Kinch mayoral transition gets into gear, two top aides of the defeated incumbent say they are looking for new jobs.

City Clerk William A. Catelli and City Solicitor Marifrances McGinn said yesterday they intend to step down at the end of the year when Mayor William F. Harty Jr. leaves office.

They said they have had no contacts with either Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch or his 23-member transition team, but have made up their minds to leave City Hall. Mrs. McGinn said she has already turned in her resignation, and Catelli said he would submit his to Harty before the end of the year.

"I don't plan to be a part of the Kinch administration," Catelli said. "I think it's been made clear he's going to insert his own people into these positions, particularly the city clerk's post."

Mrs. McGinn said she had received "lots of offers," but had not made a decision. MRS. MCGINN on a new job. Catelli said he could not discuss his prospects because he's "out there talking to people."



MRS. MCGINN

Both formerly worked for the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency and moved into their present jobs in the final months of the Dennis M. Lynch administration.

While Harty's people begin hunting for new jobs, Kinch's people are sending out questionnaires this week to learn what the old ones are all about.

State Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, Kinch's transition chief, said department heads would be mailed forms today that ask workers to describe their agencies and list key decisions that will have to be made

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in the first month or two of next year.

McConnell, a Democrat, and other transition aides will study the responses, then follow up with interviews of the department heads. They hope to assemble a comprehensive package of briefing papers for Kinch by Dec. 18.

Kinch, who is City Council president, has not announced which, if any, of the Lynch and Harty appointees will be kept on. McConnell said he is unaware of any department heads who have been advised to look for new work. However, he acknowledged, "We're looking at changes in the people immediately around the mayor," including the city solicitor, the city clerk and the mayor's administrative assistant.

Nicolas Retsinas, the mayor's administrative assistant, was reported unavailable for comment on his status.

The transition team has been divided into seven subcommittees, and each will review one or two agencies.

Two Textron executives named assistant leaders of the team are assigned to the panel studying the Law Department

and the city clerk's office. They are Joseph Kruse, Textron's senior vice president of administration, and Willard Gallagher, vice president of CATELLI its international division.

Other members of that group include Paul Bassett, former city finance director; Sandra Lubera, purchasing agent for Carol Cable Co.; Malcolm Goldenberg, credit manager for Carol Cable, and Robert Halkyard, president of Information Systems of Pawtucket.

Representative McConnell said he was pleased with the enthusiasm shown by the transition panel.

"We had a meeting last week and we had 100 percent attendance. That's pretty good for an all-volunteer group," he said.



CATELLI

ONCE THE Christmas season is over, Harty will return to private life and become more involved in his family's realty management firm. But Harty said that he plans to remain active in Pawtucket civic affairs, and might even consider another try for mayor.

"Obviously, I can't say what I'm going to do two years from now," he said. "I'm planning nothing and I'm ruling out nothing." He said it was "very unlikely" that he would run again for the City Council, in which he served for 12 years, and "doubtful" he would consider a state legislative race.

"The executive end is where the action is, and that's where I'd like to be," he said.

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Times staff reporter

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Campaign finance statements filed on behalf of Mayor William F. Harty Jr. and Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch show a combined total of more than \$125,000 was spent in their election campaigns this year.

The reports detailed about \$30,000 raised by Harty from contributors who donated \$200 or more, and about \$7,000 raised by individual or corporate contributors of \$200 or more to Kinch's campaign.

Listed as major contributors to Kinch's campaign were the 77th Representative Democratic District Committee, chaired by Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, Kinch's campaign manager, \$1,800; Third Ward Democrats, \$1,097.50; Philip J. Hill of Riverside, \$1,000; Alpha Electric Co., \$650; Fairlawn Construction, \$500; James Murray, \$500; Lee Pare & Associates, \$400; C. Pezza & Son, Johnston, \$300, and Sandra Taylor, \$300.

Kinch's campaign treasurer, Vincent R. Duffy, also reported that Kinch had \$4,210 on hand on July 1 when the reporting period began. Contributions prior to July 1 do not have to be itemized on the state Board of Elections' report forms.

Harty, whose campaign ended with a \$4,505 deficit, put up \$4,863 of his own money, plus \$2,900 donated by his father, William F. Harty Sr.

Other major contributions came from the

Pawtucket Board of Realtors, \$2,574.56 from a fundraising event late in the campaign; R.I. Hospital Trust Employees Government Affairs Fund, \$400, and Deblois Political Action Fund, \$600, and the following contributions, most from area contractors and other firms who do business with the city:

The Balton Company, \$600; Lee Pare & Associates, \$600; Bruce Envelope Co., \$700; D&B Auto Parts, \$500; Coutu Bros. Inc., \$500; James A. Murphy Jr., \$500; Charles Dudinski, Providence, \$500; Dennis M. Lynch, \$500; Ferland Corp., \$500; Forte Bros Inc., Cumberland, \$400; Mariano Construction, \$400; Dome Construction Co., Cumberland, \$400; Waterman Engineering, East Providence, \$400; J.H. Lynch & Sons Inc., Cumberland, \$400; Aiello Construction, Smithfield, \$400; Pawtucket Red Sox, \$400.

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Joseph and Virginia Keough, \$300; Castellucci, galli Joint Venture Corp., Providence, \$300, and Stanley and Elizabeth Moskwa, \$300.

In addition to the individual contributors, Kinch benefited from \$13,950 taken in by a \$100-per-person fundraiser July 20 at the Pawtucket Country Club; \$7,240 from a \$15-per-ticket event Sept. 20 at My Brothers Pub, a local tavern; \$5,800 raised Oct. 26 at a \$7.50-per-ticket affair at the East Providence Knights of Columbus hall, and \$2,610 contributed by J. Thomas Chellel, president of Council 94, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, the proceeds of a labor union fundraiser.

Fundraising events on Harty's behalf were not as extensive and no fund raising figures were provided on the reports. However, a contribution of \$2,574.56 from the Pawtucket Board of Realtors was the result of a fundraising event on Oct. 27.

Harty had raised about \$16,000 more than Kinch during the summer, but contributions to Kinch's campaign began to catch up in September.

After his solid win in the Oct. 6 primary election, Kinch actually raised and spent more money than Harty.

Between Oct. 13 and the close of the reporting period Harty raised \$14,977 and spent \$24,665, according to his final finance report.

During the closing weeks of the campaign Kinch took in \$20,522 and reported expenditures of \$27,071.

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Kinch's warchest was built up by the proceeds of four fundraisers, which netted his campaign \$28,600.

One of those was a \$100-per-person event at the Pawtucket Country Club in July. Later fundraisers include a union event and \$15 and \$7.50-per-ticket affairs at My Brothers Pub and the East Providence Knights of Columbus Hall.

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Henry S. Kinch

34 Potter Street
Pawtucket, R. I. 02860

December 4, 1981

Dear Friend:

No candidate for any public office can hope to be successful without the help and assistance of many special people who give unselfishly of their time. You are one of those very special people.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your many efforts on my behalf. Without your help, my candidacy would never have been as successful as it was. I sincerely appreciate all that you did.

Both Eleanor and I send our very best wishes to you and your family during this holiday season.

Sincerely,

Henry S. Kinch

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WEDNESDAY, December 9, 1981

None official yet Kinch lines up aides

By BOB LITCHFIELD

Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch apparently has decided on several key appointments — though he has steadfastly refused to verify reports that have been circulating throughout city government.

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The most recent rumors have Kinch appointing his campaign communications specialist, Paul Breault, to the city clerk's post and settling on attorney Spencer Viner for city solicitor.

Both current office-holders, City Clerk William A. Catelli and Solicitor Marifrances McGinn, have said they are leaving when the term of Mayor William F. Harty Jr. expires.

McGinn already has submitted a letter of resignation and Catelli said he, too, plans to do that.

Another City Hall official who no doubt will depart is Nicolas Retsinas, administrative assistant to Mayor Harty, and to former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch for several years.

Kinch reportedly is considering two key campaign aides, Timothy Magill and Joseph Fleming, for that slot. Fleming is a city school teacher while Magill, a brother-in-law of Councilwoman Kathleen A. Magill, is processing manager at Paramount Lines.

Kinch and Andrew E. McConnell, the state representative who managed his campaign and heads Kinch's transition team, have said changes would be most likely in posts closest to the mayor's office.

The three persons holding those jobs, Retsinas, Catelli and McGinn, were closely aligned with Lynch and Harty and were expected to be ousted.

Several other officials also are known to be on the way out, including David Perlini, director of the Office of Community Affairs, an agency outside the city's classified service set up by Lynch to coordinate federal funding for human service programs and later expanded to include planning and review functions for the mayor's office.

It also has been rumored that Finance Director Richard Mumford plans to leave. If he does, Kinch has made it known that his predecessor, Paul Bassett, now head of the municipal finance division at R.I. Hospital Trust National Bank, will probably come back to City Hall.

Kinch also will have a number of appointments to make to city boards and commissions when he is sworn in in January.

Members of four boards and the Pawtucket Housing Authority are paid. All except the board of canvassers receive \$25 a meeting to a maximum of \$1,500 annually. The three members of the board of canvassers receive \$4,622 a year.

Members of all other city boards serve without pay.

The other paid posts are on the city purchasing, personnel and appeals boards. Terms on all boards are staggered, with one slot on each board opening up each year.

Kinch said he has had no contact with board members whose terms are expiring next month, and "has given no thought, really" to possible appointments.

Expiring Jan. 4 are the terms of

Raymond P. Gravelin on the personnel board; Andrew P. Tormey on the purchasing board, and Morris Leonard on the board of appeals. Leonard was appointed as an alternate and is filling the term of Raymond Gannon, who resigned when he took a job as deputy director of the housing authority.

All were appointed by former Mayor Lynch and it is probable Kinch will want to place his own supporters on city boards and commissions.

Besides the paid positions, terms also will expire in January for Raymond Wynne on the Water Supply Board; A. Denis Markley on the Planning Commission; Claire Walker on the Sinking Fund Commission; Frederick Glassman on the Library Trustees, and Benjamin Chester, chairman of the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency.

A three-year term on the board of canvassers expires March 1 for John Coleman, a former council president who was acting mayor between Robert Burns and Lynch.

Also, Frank Galego's five-year term on the housing authority expires next July 14. Galego, who was first appointed by then Mayor Burns, has been chairman ever since his appointment.

Galego, who owns an oil dealership and more recently has entered the real estate business, said he remained neutral in the recent election.

He said it would be premature to speculate on his own re-appointment. He said he'd only met Henry Kinch once.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1981

Transition team gathers department data

The transition team named by Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch has sent out questionnaires to city department heads and several team subcommittees have begun meetings with key city officials to get Kinch an accurate picture of the city's fiscal situation.

A panel including two Textron officials who Kinch appointed as team leaders met late last week with Finance Director Richard Mumford.

The team assigned to study the finance department and water supply board is comprised of Joseph

Kruse, Textron's senior vice president of administration; Willard Gallagher, vice president of Textron's international division; Sandra Lubera, purchasing agent for Carol Cable Co.; Malcolm Goldenberg, credit manager for Carol Cable; Robert Hakyard, president of Information Systems Inc., and former city finance director Paul Bassett, now employed with R.I. Hospital Trust National Bank.

The questionnaires will be followed up with interviews with department heads and supervisors and the information will be included in a

series of briefing papers for Kinch by Dec. 18, according to transition team head Andrew E. McConnell.

The questionnaires seek a comprehensive picture of departmental responsibilities and expenditures; listings of employees and their job titles and job descriptions, current and anticipated spending levels for most budgetary items, details of each department's ongoing and special projects, and notice of any decisions that will have to be made by the mayor's office during the initial 30 days of Kinch's administration.

Lynch looks back; and ahead

"I can't think of anything I wouldn't do again...I'm very proud of what I did. The city is in good shape."

— former mayor Dennis M. Lynch

By ED GAULIN

Times staff reporter

Throughout the mayoral campaign, Dennis M. Lynch says, he was biting his tongue.

While Lynch was working in his office at the state purchasing department, his good friend William F. Harty Jr. was running for the mayorality. And while Harty's opponent, Henry S. Kinch, was firing volley after volley, Harty was only obliquely the target of the polemic artillery.



The real target was Lynch — whose state job, he points out, prevents him from involvement in partisan politics.

But Lynch has broken his silence long enough to get a few things off his chest. He agreed readily to an interview so long as it could be kept "as nonpolitical" as possible, he said. But Lynch waded heartily into all questions raised, political overtones or not.

Lynch was defiant in defending what became the number one issue in the campaign — his and Harty's handling of the \$5.9 million Narragansett Park development. "It has been well managed and remains well managed. It needs no defense," Lynch said.

He said the city was fortunate to get the federal funding in the first place, noting that few other Rhode Island municipalities fared as well.

The fact that the project has not matched original expectations, he said, should not be blown out of proportion. He said the track development is doing as well or better than similar industrial parks. He said the Howard industrial park in Cranston and the Lincoln industrial park were started much earlier than Narragansett, and both fared no better. "Yet, the city of Pawtucket is supposed to have it done in a four-year period."

Lynch defended the park against criticism that less than 10 percent

of the 3,600 jobs it was expected to generate have materialized. "The city will hit it (3,600 new jobs). I still firmly believe that...The land is there."

He said some changes — such as switching from multi-family to mostly single-family housing in the residential portion — were made "because we were listening to the people."

"Given the national economy it's (the development) ahead of schedule."

Lynch conceded that the track will not live up to the timetables spelled out in the application for the federal funding. "I dare say, the agreement with HUD will have to be amended. No one is going to finish (the track) in the coming year."

Lynch said that he is not sure if he will continue to keep silent if he is criticized in the future by Kinch. He said he thinks the track project and the city have been hurt by all the charges in the campaign and he does not want to see the controversy prolonged. "I think so much harm has (already) been done," he said.

Lynch also defended the downtown mall, probably the second favorite point of the Kinch attack on the Lynch record.

He said all four mayoral candidates were quick to point to the mall as a failure, but none offered any solutions to the downtown problem. "They said things like 'we need a women's clothing store,'" he said. "I don't remember any candidate saying anything other than what the aim of the city is. The only thing we need is a little fuck over a period of time."

Lynch was far from penitent about his relationship with the municipal unions when he left office. "I had a job to do. I did it. These are very trying times. The thing that always annoyed me was (the accusation) that there was a kind of personal vendetta."

He said he still believes a private rescue service should replace the fire department rescue squads, a move opposed by the city firefighter unions as well as Harty and Kinch. "It remains a good idea," Lynch said.

"I couldn't say yes to everything (the unions) wanted," he said. "That became arrogance to them. I made every attempt to get along

with the unions."

Lynch denies having any political plans, though he admits he gave long, hard looks at the State House when he was mayor.

"I don't want to be governor as long as Joe Garrahy is there. If I wanted to retain a political base, I would have run for mayor again. I could have won re-election. In fact, it was a foregone conclusion that re-election would occur and probably without opposition. Being in elective office was not my priority."

He said he's happy now and has no future political ambitions.

Lynch is state purchasing agent and special projects coordinator. The latter part of his job is virtually never mentioned in the press, he said, and it's the part of his job he finds most interesting.

Ironically, as special projects coordinator he is working on the Union Station restoration project in Providence with longtime political enemy Mayor Vincent A. Cianci. He said he and Cianci get along fine; "business is business."

Lynch said he thinks the hardest work in terms of developing

Pawtucket has been done and now Kinch faces a task of "maintaining rather than developing. I pray and I hope that any mayor coming into the city will do a good job."

Lynch said keeping the city's treasurered "Aa" bond rating will be difficult, and it could be lowered even if Kinch does a good job. The tough economic times and the fact Providence's rating is so low could cause New York investment analysts to penalize all other municipalities in the state, he said. In Rhode Island, only Pawtucket, Barrington and the state itself have the Aa rating.

But while he says Kinch will not necessarily be to blame if the bond rating is lowered, neither does Lynch want to hear Kinch blaming him for future city problems. "This city is in excellent fiscal condition and there is no excuse not to keep it that way. This city is prepared to handle its fiscal situation in a prudent manner. To blame 'Regaganomics' or past administrations would be a sham, a flimsy excuse. And the people of Pawtucket know better."



Mumford to keep finance post

By ED GAULIN
Times staff reporter

Finance Director Richard A. Mumford will remain as city finance director — scotching rumors that he has turned down offers to stay on at his post.

And Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch said today he intends to retain Mumford, who he called "one of the finest finance directors in the state, and a real asset to the city."

Mumford said he has talked to Kinch and told him he wants to stay on as finance director and has even turned down two



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recent job offers.

He said he has conferred with Kinch about the finance post and let the mayor-elect know he would like to remain on the job. Mumford said he does not know how the speculation built that he had refused to stay on in the Kinch administration.

He said he is not actively seeking a new job anywhere and would almost promise Kinch that he would not leave his post if asked to stay on. "Of course, if Reagan needs a replacement for (federal budget director) David Stockman, I'd be interested in that job," he quipped.

He said it would take a job offer of virtually equal magnitude for him to leave.

Mumford's fate with the new administration has been the cause of

much speculation because he is probably the key department head whose fate has been in question.

Kinch today named his new city solicitor and city clerk and is expected to shortly name an administrative assistant to replace Nicolas P. Retsinas, the top aide of former mayor Dennis M. Lynch and Mayor William F. Harty Jr.

Retsinas has agreed to stay on until the end of January, but has said he will leave when a successor is named. City Clerk William Catelli and City Solicitor Marifrances McGinn had previously announced that they did not expect to stay on with the new administration.

Mumford has generally been credited with keeping the city in sound financial shape. He is credited with guiding the Lynch administration to a Double Aa bond rating from

Moody's Investors' Service which rates the salability of most tax-free municipal and state government bonds.

With the city facing huge federal cutbacks from the Reagan administration and a citywide tax revaluation and coming off a year in which there was no tax rate hike, Kinch will face a herculean task as the city's new mayor.

People on both sides of the fence in the Kinch-Harty election campaign viewed Mumford as vital to the administration which assumes power next month.

Yet rumors had spread that when Kinch asked Mumford if he would like to stay on with the new administration, Mumford flatly turned that down. "That's simply not true," Mumford said.

Kinch names city clerk, solicitor

Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch today ended weeks of speculation by naming a top campaign aide to the city clerk's position and selecting a 34-year-old city attorney to head the law department.

Kinch announced this morning that he will appoint Spencer W. Viner, a decorated Vietnam War veteran, as city solicitor and Paul W. Breault as city clerk.

He also announced Nicolas Retsinas will stay on as administrative assistant to the mayor until the end of January when Kinch will name a successor.

Breault, 33, has been employed by the Rhode Island Legislative Press Bureau for the past three-and-a-half

years. He has been involved in Democratic Party politics for many years and was Kinch's communication specialist during his election campaign this fall.

Viner, who has practiced law in the city since 1975, also is a legal counsel to the Rhode Island General Assembly's Legislative Council.

"I am extremely pleased to announce both of these appointments because I know that both men will be a great asset not only to my administration but to the entire city," the mayor-elect said today. "Both men are well qualified for their respective positions and I am proud to have them as part of my administration."



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Kinch said he has spoken to Retsinas, who has been administrative assistant to Mayors Dennis M. Lynch and William F. Harty Jr., and Retsinas has agreed to remain in his post through January.

Kinch noted that Retsinas is the city's representative to the three-member arbitration panel involved in ongoing arbitration proceedings with the city firefighters' union.

"To have Mr. Retsinas leave now would mean the settlement of the case would be needlessly delayed," Kinch said. "I am glad that Mr. Retsinas has agreed to remain, not only to expedite that matter but also to lend a hand in the transition."

The mayor-elect said he has not reached a decision yet on a successor to Retsinas.

Breault will be replacing City Clerk William A. Catelli and Viner will be taking over for Marifrances McGinn. Both Catelli and McGinn were appointed late in the Lynch administration, and both had been strong supporters of Harty. Their

departure had been a certainty since election night.

Viner, of 192 Daggett Ave., has his law office at 100 Armistice Blvd. He graduated in 1974 from the Washburn University School of Law in Topeka, Kan. He received a bachelor's degree from Washburn University, majoring in history and political science. He is a member of the Rhode Island and Kansas Bar Associations.

A Pawtucket native who graduated from Tolman High School in 1965, he saw action in Vietnam where he received the Bronze Star.

He and his wife, the former Jacqueline M. Alaire, have one daughter, Tonja Alicia, age eight.

Breault, of 97 Marbury Ave., is married to the former Francine Foley, and has a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Rhode Island.

Both Breault and Viner are members of Kinch's transition team presently compiling factual information on city government operations.



Times digest

Kinch names Breault, Viner; Mumford stays

Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch has ended weeks of speculation by naming a top campaign aide to the city clerk's position and selecting a 34-year-old city attorney to head the law department. Paul W. Breault will be city clerk and Spencer W. Viner the new city solicitor.

Kinch also said he plans to keep Finance Director Richard A. Mumford, and Mumford said he wants to stay, scotching rumors Mumford had rejected an offer to remain in the post. Details on page 5.

Kinch names Viner as city solicitor and Breault as city clerk

Rhode Island graduate who has worked for the past three years in the Legislative Press Bureau, writing news releases and speeches for lawmakers. Previously, he was a staff assistant at the Democratic State Committee.

Breault said he would resign his State House job when he moves into the \$27,559 clerkship.

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PAWTUCKET — Spencer W. Viner will become the next city solicitor, and Paul W. Breault has been tapped for city clerk, Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch announced yesterday.

Both men are in their mid-30s, have known Kinch for several years and campaigned for him in his successful bid to oust Mayor William F. Harty Jr. They will draw salaries close to the mayor's, \$30,000 a year.



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Viner, 34, has had a general law practice in Pawtucket for six years.

In addition, he has been paid \$1,400 a month for part-time legal work for the General Assembly during legislative sessions.

Viner said yesterday he believes it is legal for him to continue working for the state while he holds the \$28,794 city post because he is a state "vendor," rather than a state employee. He said he intends to keep his State House assignment, but added that he would give it up if Kinch believes it would pose a conflict with his city duties.

A Vietnam veteran who received the Bronze Star, Viner has bachelor and law degrees from Washburn University in Kansas.

Breault, 33, is a University of

Viner will succeed Marifrances McGinn when Kinch takes office in January. Breault will take over from William A. Catelli Jr. Mrs. McGinn and Catelli had said earlier they planned to resign when Kinch, president of the City Council, moved up to the mayor's post.

No further announcements of appointments are expected from Kinch before he takes office. Kinch said yesterday he would retain Nicolas Retsinas, Harty's administrative assistant, until the end of January because Retsinas was handling a complex arbitration case involving the firefighters' union.

"To have Mr. Retsinas leave now would mean that the city's settlement of the case would be needlessly delayed," Kinch said.

FRIDAY, December 18, 1981

Kinch creating his mold

ANALYSIS
By BOB LITCHFIELD
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Henry Kinch's first two appointments to key city government posts appear to fit the mold and the image Kinch is trying to shape for his administration.

Both Paul W. Breault, 33, and Spencer W. Viner, 34, the designated city clerk and solicitor respectively, are young, bright and probably won't be bashful about pushing ideas of their own. Both also are loyal to Kinch and have his confidence.

Breault has been one of Kinch's closest political aides, with an association going back 12 years to when Kinch first ran for city council.

Breault and another major campaign staffer, Joseph Fleming, have strong ties with the state Democratic Party as a result of their involvement first in the Young Democrats organization and more recently as campaign workers for Senator Claiborne Pell and other party heavyweights.

Those two, and a handful of others close to the mayor-elect, are credited with putting together Kinch's highly-efficient campaign organization and plotting strategy along the way.

Kinch has said he wants to strengthen the city's ties at the State House, to work more closely with city representatives in the General Assembly for passage of measures that might bring additional funds or other benefits into the city.

With campaign manager Andrew E. McConnell, a House majority whip, Breault, who works in the Legislative Press Bureau at the State House, Viner, a legal counsel to the General Assembly's Legislative Council for five years, and Senator Lowell Kinch, the mayor-elect's brother, on his team, Kinch would appear to have sufficient "ins" in the General Assembly to win him a favorable hearing.

With the naming of an adminis-

trative assistant, which probably will not come until the Jan. 4 inauguration, Kinch's team may be virtually in place.

Nicolas Retsinas, the administrative assistant to former mayor Dennis M. Lynch and Mayor William F. Harty Jr., will remain on the job until the end of January. Tim Magill, a brother-in-law of Councilwoman Kathleen A. Magill and a Kinch campaign aide, and Fleming reportedly have the inside track for Retsinas' post.

There apparently will be few other top-level changes in city government, though Kinch will have to appoint a successor to Tax Assessor William Carden, who will be retiring early next year.

Finance Director Richard A. Mumford, who has perhaps the most sensitive and important job as budget pressures mount, has agreed to stay on.

Mumford has been coordinating the ongoing property tax revalua-

tion and his expertise and input will be important to the new administration.

Kinch has made spending reductions a priority and has said he wants department heads who can generate ideas, because they will have a stronger role in developing policy in his administration, he has said.

Since their appointments, both Breault and Viner said they expect to perform the traditional functions of both posts.

Breault noted he has been performing similar duties for 150 General Assembly members, and "working for nine councilmen should be a lot simpler."

Viner, who is associated with Keough, Parker, Garan and Viner in general law practice, said he expects to do much of the detailed legal work for the city himself, noting that administrative matters make up a large portion of the law department workload.



Wednesday, December 16, 1981

Fair-market assessment would quadruple values

Comparison shows houses assessed at 25% of real worth

By JOHN R. KHOREY
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — The tax assessment on the average house in the city would quadruple if brought up to market value, an official of the company doing the citywide property revaluation said yesterday.

William E. Coyle 3rd of Coyle Research Associates, Pawtucket, said a comparison of current assessed values to market values shows that the average house in the city is assessed at only 25 percent of current worth.

Assessments on many older commercial and industrial buildings are close to current market value because they have not appreciated as much as residential property, Coyle said.

The revaluation began in August, and property owners will receive notices of new values in late February. But it is unclear exactly what they will be told.

Coyle said that if the city raised next year no more in taxes than this year, the state-mandated revaluation would not necessarily mean across the board tax increases.

If assessments quadrupled, the tax rate of \$76.60 could be cut by 75 percent, yielding tax bills much the same as this year, he added.

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Coyle recommends that the notices give the market value of the property as well as an estimated 1982 tax rate so that residents will have some idea of next year's tax bills.

The notices are intended to give property owners time to question or appeal their new valuations before tax bills are sent in May.

It will be up to Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch to determine what is included in the notices. He has not announced his intentions.

Before actual property tax bills can be determined, Kinch will have to decide whether assessments should be at full market value, or a uniform percentage of that value. After that, the tax rate can be set when the city determines exactly how much must be raised in tax revenue next year.

FINANCE DIRECTOR Richard Mumford agreed that officials of many communities install a high assessment and a low tax rate after revaluation. He said that approach is popular with people who use only a community's tax rate as a way of measuring the severity of its local tax burden.

The practice of using high assessments with a low tax rate cuts the value of special tax exemptions for the elderly and veterans, Mumford pointed out. Typically, those exemptions involve a reduction in

assessed value of \$1,000 to \$3,000. With a low tax rate, the exemption has less impact on the recipient's tax bill. A high tax rate and low assessment, makes the exemption worth more.

Whichever approach Kinch uses, any tax bill increases for home owners should be uniform, meaning elderly home owners should not see assessment increases that are proportionately larger than those borne by other home owners, Coyle said.

That is because there is no great disparity now in the ratio of assessed value to market value of most houses, he said.

WHILE SOME houses are assessed at as little as 16 percent of market value and some are as high as 40 percent of market value, most assessments are about 25 percent of market value, Coyle said.

Lincoln, which also is being revalued, has wide variations in assessments on houses of similar size and other characteristics. That resulted from a town policy of reassessing on the basis of sale price when houses changed hands.

Pawtucket never did that, Tax Assessor William G. Carden said. Carden also kept the assessments on new houses close to those on older, but similar houses, so that the new home owners did not have a proportionately larger tax burden. "I didn't discriminate against the new buyer," he said.

23,000 parcels of vacant land and land with buildings in the city have been checked by revaluation field workers, who have gathered data to determine new market values.

The crew of field workers is down from a high of 36 to three people still checking residential property. Work on large commercial and industrial buildings will be completed by the end of next month, Coyle said.

He added that the market values of buildings in the central business district should be similar to their current tax assessments. Those are based on appraisals done 27 years ago in the last revaluation.

The buildings have not appreciated because owners allowed them to deteriorate. Coyle said many are in "tough shape" and probably have "book values" higher than current market value.

Owners of many of those buildings are given annual tax abatements because the return on their investments is down, Coyle said. That reduces the "book" value to a figure about equal to the market values of the buildings, he said.

Tuesday, December 22, 1981

Narragansett stands to get new roof; factory conversion put off indefinitely

By THOMAS S. BROWN
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — The grandstand at the former Narragansett Park racetrack, now the home of Rhode Island's largest indoor flea market, is getting a new, \$700,000 roof.

However, the grandstand owners have postponed indefinitely a multimillion-dollar project to convert the building to industrial use.

Felix Porcaro and Carmine Carcieri, partners in Narra Associates, say economic conditions have forced them to take a go-slow approach in redeveloping the racetrack property they purchased two years ago.

At one time, Narra talked of spending up to \$6 million to recycle the grandstand and other track properties. The project has been scaled down to \$2 million, and the owners admit they are uncertain when it will materialize.

The problem they face is twofold: obtaining financing and obtaining a tenant.

Conventional loans are out of the question, Porcaro said.

"The banks all want 18 percent plus 2 points. That was going to cost us \$30,000 a month just in interest, so we had to back down," the North Providence businessman said.

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Porcaro and Carcieri would like to get a low-interest loan from the Rhode Island Port Authority. But they said one of the obstacles is that they have to sign a long-term tenant to qualify for the money, and no one seems interested in moving in.

Porcaro said that, at one point, Narra appeared to have an encouraging prospect, a company in Providence's CIC complex, which wanted to expand and was even talking of moving out of state for more space. But when interest rates jumped, the company, which Porcaro did not identify, decided to stay put.

Porcaro said he is trying to interest the state in using the building as a vocational school and permanent showroom for the jewelry industry.

While the search for a tenant goes on, Porcaro said redevelopment work will have to be done piecemeal.

The roof project, which began earlier this month, involves building a new shingle roof underneath the present roof and removing the old top in the spring. The construction involves dropping the roof line to eliminate the large empty air

space that exists above the grandstand seats, thereby making it more efficient to heat.

Porcaro said the work is being financed with Narra's own funds.

Carcieri expressed frustration with the slow pace of the Narra venture, and complained that his money is being drained while the building sits underutilized.

"It's one of the worst investments I ever made," he said. "Maybe if it had happened six or seven years earlier, or three years from now, it would have turned out better," he said.

HOWEVER, Joseph Perry of Tiverton, operator of the weekend flea market, is happy the conversion is moving slowly. Once it's completed, he and his 500 dealers will have only 30 days to find a new home.

"If I can stay there another six months, a year or two years, I'll count myself very fortunate," Perry said. Narragansett is ideal for a flea market, he explained, because it has ample floor space and extensive parking space.

Carcieri said Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch is anxious for the flea market to be replaced. But he said he has told Kinch that the market is vital as a stopgap source of income, since its \$100,000 annual rent cov-

ers the mortgage and \$30,000-plus in yearly property taxes.

Perry defended the flea market, and said that it provides employment for hundreds of people and gives senior citizens a place to buy inexpensive merchandise. He said he screens his dealers and keeps out the unreliable.

PERRY SAID he would be willing to invest money in the grandstand himself, if he could obtain a long-term lease. He said he and his dealers worry about renting on a month-to-month basis.

The market operator said he has been looking around for other locations, but has found none with plentiful parking. He said he preferred staying in the Pawtucket area.

The market attracts about 1,500 customers on Saturday, when admission is free, and about 4,000-to-4,500 on Sundays, when admission is 50 cents, Perry said.

THIS IS HENRY KINCH

Kinch buries political hatchets

By **BOB LITCHFIELD**
Times staff reporter

The city's political atmosphere appears to have stabilized as Henry Kinch's inauguration approaches, and the apparent serenity is not coincidental.

Since his November election victory, Kinch has moved to close ranks with a number of Democratic Party leaders who backed Mayor William F. Harty Jr. in the election.

Kinch says he set out on the conciliatory path "to make sure that none of the bitterness of the political campaign carried over to interfere with day-to-day operations."

"The message I've been taking to people is that the election campaign is over and we all have to work



together," the mayor-elect said recently.

And with his inauguration less than two weeks away, Kinch says he believes he's been successful in dissipating the "us against them" atmosphere that prevailed during the campaign and the fears on the part of some of a purge after his election.

To date, Kinch has announced only two changes in city government posts. A third appointment, his administrative assistant, will be made in January. He said he expects to announce no further job changes before the Jan. 4 inauguration.

Besides looking for a smooth transition, Kinch's olive branch also was meant to dispel rumors that he was plotting against his political foes.

Conversely, Kinch's willingness to bury the hatchet could also put those eager to oppose him in two years on the defensive.

At one such meeting held in late November, Kinch met with council

and state legislative representatives from the Fifth and Sixth wards, where the official party organizations had backed Harty. "There were a lot of rumors circulating after the election about the Kinch people putting up candidates over there against Ray Houle and others," one Kinch intimate noted. "So Henry asked for a meeting and set all that straight."

Present at that meeting, held at a downtown restaurant following another event, were Kinch and his campaign manager, State Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, and Councilmen Houle, John Carney and Stephen Durand, State Representatives R. Kevin Horan and William Durand, State Senator Leo Gannon and former senator Michael F. Horan.

Kinch said that get-together was "very cordial." And while representatives from the west side of the city would report only that nothing substantive came of that session, the fact that it was held at all had meaning. "The gesture itself was

important," said one observer, "because it told people things were going to be different. Dennis Lynch never would have had a meeting like that."

One barometer of the success Kinch can expect in bringing the various party organizations together might be the vote for leadership posts on the city council.

James E. Doyle, the 2nd District councilman who lost a special mayoral election to Lynch in 1973 and backed Kinch this year, has Kinch's support and reportedly has lined up the votes needed to win the council presidency.

Three members have expressed interest in the pro tem spot, however, and the outcome in that race could depend on the vote of Kinch's successor in the 4th District, Thomas Hodge. Besides Houle, two council members who backed Kinch have been mentioned for the pro tem job — Philip J. Moran, District 1, and Kathleen A. Magill, at-large.

EDITORIAL:

Good decision about Mumford

Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch has decided to retain Pawtucket Finance Director Richard A. Mumford, calling him "one of the finest finance directors in the state, and a real asset to the city."

We agree with that assessment, and congratulate Kinch on his decision.

Mumford is doing what is undoubtedly the most difficult and probably the most important non-elective job in city government, and virtually everyone agrees he is doing it superbly.

The city is justifiably proud of its financial record and its heady double-A slot in the Dun & Bradstreet bond ratings. Mayor William F. Harty, former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch and their predecessors earned that rating, of course, with an unbroken string of nearly 30 years of responsible and competent city administration.

But we believe the years will show that one of Lynch's best appointments was that of Mumford, and that Kinch acted wisely in retaining Mumford in the finance director's post, rather than replacing him for political reasons.

Pawtucket, like all cities in the country, is coming upon financially hard times, and Lynch himself — no political ally of Kinch's, of course — has said the city might lose that "Aa" bond rating, even with continued good government.

We hope the city is fortunate enough to keep the rating. But in any case, we believe Mumford provides outstanding assurance that Pawtucket's finances will continue to be expertly handled.

Kinch will start off with financial issues

By **TOM BROWN**
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Henry S. Kinch will have plenty of financial decisions to make as soon as he steps into the mayor's job next month, Finance Director Richard A. Mumford said yesterday.

"He's going to be a little bit busy right up front," observed Mumford, as he listed several tasks that will be awaiting Kinch when he takes over from Mayor William F. Harty Jr.

As soon as his first week in office, Kinch will probably have to plunge into preparation of the next city budget. That will be especially difficult because he will have to decide how to cope with cutbacks in federal funds for various programs.

It also will be up to Kinch to start using new, sharply increased real estate valuations for tax purposes. When the ongoing citywide reappraisal is completed, many property owners will see their assessments doubled or even quadrupled, a phenomenon that is sure to produce shock even if it is accompanied by a big dip in the tax rate. That rate currently stands at \$76.60 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

KINCH WILL probably be having the city make two trips to the credit market fairly early in his term, Mumford said. One will involve selling tax anticipation notes to finance current operations. Pawtucket depends on such notes because it collects most of its taxes near the end of its fiscal year, rather than at the start.

The other borrowing will be an issue of bonds for long-term debt.

Then there's the "fiscal targeting" exercise, Mumford said. In January, just past the halfway point of the fiscal year, it's customary for the city to rev up its computers and check how fast it's been spending money, and how

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that compares with spending patterns in three previous years.

If Kinch decides money is going out too fast, or if he wants to set funds aside to lessen the need for a tax increase next year, he would have the unpleasant chore of imposing austerity measures.

THAT COULD complicate another of the items on his agenda — the beginning of contract negotiations with the firefighters' and other municipal employees' unions. Kinch emphasized during his fall campaign he intended to take a personal hand in the labor negotiations, rather than farm out the job to a private lawyer.

Mumford said the mayor-elect has visited the finance office several times already. Kinch's transition aides also have been in contact with him.

Paul Bassett, a Kinch advisor who formerly served in Mumford's post, is heading the segment of the transition team that is studying city finances. However, Bassett, now a vice president for municipal finance at Hospital Trust National Bank, declined comment on the subject, saying such inquiries should be handled by Mumford.

Bassett said the finance subcommittee of the transition panel has not yet completed a briefing paper for Kinch on the city's fiscal condition. He said that report may be ready by next week.

THURSDAY, December 24, 1981

Fire station developers drop out

Station joins Burns School puzzle

The fate of the Broadway Fire Station, once intended for conversion into an office building, is in doubt again.

The two men who won approval to buy the building from the city last September — including Pawtucket Police Sgt. Bruce Germani — have written the Pawtucket City Council saying they cannot go through with the project.

"At this time we are relinquishing our awardment of the Pawtucket Fire Station. When the bid was submitted, we felt that the monies to restore the building would hold

close to the figures we were quoted but, to date, the financial investment on our part has risen considerably and is out of our means," stated a letter signed by Germani's partner, Robert K. Brown.

The council voted to refer the letter to the city Planning Department and the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency (PRA) for recommendations. Community Development Director John Q. Calista Jr. said today that he sees three options for the use of the fire station.

He said the council could offer it to one of two other bidders, Doris

Construction of Cumberland, re-advertise for new bidders or reconsider the use of the building.

Doris Construction planned to use the first story of the fire station as a restaurant and the second floor for offices. A third bidder, a Woonsocket restaurateur, wanted to convert the entire building into a restaurant but dropped out when he found out a liquor license would not be possible because of the proximity of the building to a nearby school.

Calista said the fire station might be considered along with the Anna Burns School, which was closed by the city in June. "I'm planning to review the whole role of the build-

ing. Maybe the fate of the building should be tied into the fate of the Anna Burns School," Calista said.

Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch has said the Burns School might well serve as a place to relocate several city offices now in rented spaces.

With Kinch expected to take a long, hard look at the staff levels of three city agencies which currently rent office space, the Office of Community Affairs, the planning department and the PRA, it might be the city would not need a building as large as the Burns School for city offices.

The city's voters rejected a proposed bond issue to convert the Burns School into a new police station and courthouse. Former mayor Dennis M. Lynch had proposed the referendum issue but both Kinch and Mayor William F. Harty Jr. recommended against the measure during the election campaign.

With three of the city departments expected to undergo some contraction and the fire station now available because of the pullout of the proposed developers, the 90-year-old Broadway building might well be ideal to house those city agencies.

But William Nelson of Doris Construction said today he is still interested in purchasing the building and said he plans to contact city officials soon and ask for a meeting.

Nelson offered \$2,500 more for the building than did Germani and Brown but his offer was rejected. "I hope I can sit down with city officials now and be treated fairly and equitably," Nelson said today.

SATURDAY, December 26, 1981

These Times in Pawtucket

By ED GAULIN

With contributions by Mike D'Ambrada and Bob McNamee

AWARDS, AWARDS, AWARDS — The best of '81 awards are coming out now. Within a few weeks the National Academy of Arts and Sciences will announce the Oscar nominations, *Time Magazine* will pick its man of the year (7-5 says it's Lech Walesa), *Sports Illustrated's* Sportsman of the Year (Sugar Ray has already been named), etc., etc.

Well, we don't want to be left out. So — are you ready? — here are the First Annual These Times in Pawtucket Schlemiel and Schlemozzel Awards.

For those of you who don't speak Yiddish — even for those of you who DO speak Yiddish — a schlemiel is the bungler who goes around spilling things, like hot coffee, usually on other people. A schlemozzel is the unlucky chap who gets the schlemiel's hot coffee spilled on him.

We'll leave it to our readers to decide who are the schlemiels and who the schlemozzels.

The 1981 **I Coulda Been a Contenda Award** to School Committeeman Dan McKinnon, who called a press conference — right on our deadline — last summer to announce he was NOT running for mayor.

The 1981 **Sour Grapes Award** to Mayor-elect Henry Kinch, who had the audacity to complain that we ran his announcement of candidacy on page five, while we ran McKinnon's announcement of non-candidacy on page one.

The 1981 **Making A Federal Case Out Of It Award** to Steve Brown of the ACLU, who has brought suit to rid the city of some little figures that never had an unkind word to say about him.

The 1981 **Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen Award** to federal judge Raymond J. Pettine, whose ruling has caused him widespread abuse in this two-thirds Catholic state.

The 1981 **C.B. DeMille Big Production Award** to Dennis M. Lynch, the erstwhile mayor of the city who leads the masses against Brown, Pettine, et al.

The 1981 **When It Rains It Pours Award** to Robert P. Blauvelt, chief engineer of the Pawtucket Water Supply Board, whose department has been hit with the worst drought in the region in nearly two decades; while fiscal deficits which are piling up faster than the reservoirs are being replenished.

The 1981 **Where Have All The Customers Gone Award** to the downtown Pawtucket merchants who have toughed out another year at the Main Street mall.

The 1981 **Bunny Berrigan 'I Can't Get Started' Award** to Dennis Moore, head of Downtown Pawtucket Revitalization.

The 1981 **Who Needs Madison Avenue? Award** to Lee Eaton of the Pawtucket Library, who came up with more good promotional ideas than any New York advertising firm could have.

The 1981 **Wait 'Til Next Year Award** to anyone defamed, demeaned, defiled or denounced in this column. Because it will be at least then before you can get back at us.

MONDAY, December 28, 1981

Inauguration set at Tolman, ball at armory

Next Monday's inauguration of Henry S. Kinch as the city's 23rd mayor will take place in the Tolman High School auditorium with the Inaugural Ball following in the Exchange Street Armory.

Timothy C. Magill, spokesman for the inauguration committee, said the proceedings, which also will include the swearing-in of City Council and School Committee members, will begin at 7 p.m.

Both the inauguration and Ball are open to the public. Organizers are expecting about 1,000 people for the ceremonies and dance and seating for the Inaugural Ball is said to be tight.

Secretary of State and former city mayor Robert F. Burns will administer the oath of office to Kinch.

Governor J. Joseph Garrahy will deliver the greetings of the State.

State Representative Andrew

E. McConnell, Kinch's election campaign manager, will be master of ceremonies for the evening.

Music for the inauguration will be provided by the city's two high school bands. The introductory musical interlude will be performed by the Shea High School Dixieland Band directed by Thomas Breggia. The National Anthem will be played by the Tolman Senior High School Band under the direction of Ronald Cardillo.

The Inaugural Ball, which will immediately follow the inauguration ceremonies, will feature the music of The Fontaines.

Magill said that, following past practice for other Inaugural Balls at the Armory, ice and mixes will be available for those guests wishing to bring their own alcoholic beverages to the event.

Mayor's race, creche city's 2 show-stoppers

By THOMAS S. BROWN
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Choosing a new mayor and fighting for the right to display a Nativity scene at government expense were the dramas that dominated Pawtucket through 1981.

The mayoral struggle was resolved Election Day, when Acting City Council President Henry S. Kinch captured 58 percent of the vote and upset interim incumbent William F. Harty Jr.

However, the Nativity dispute, already a year old, may drag on for many more months as the city waits for the First Circuit Court of Appeals to review a ruling by Chief Judge Raymond J. Pettine of U.S. District Court in Providence.

Pettine produced an uproar in Pawtucket when he ruled in November that the city's municipal creche, a 40-year-old tradition, was illegal because it violated the Constitution's separation of church and state.

Other controversies that punctuated the year grew out of the School Department's efforts to establish pupil isolation rooms, a proposal for a new police headquarters and moves toward trimming city jobs.

Pawtucket's political power structure started undergoing its transformation in the spring, when Mayor Dennis M. Lynch signaled that he was getting tired of City Hall after eight years at the helm.

The Democratic mayor decided



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to bow out of elective politics, at least temporarily, by accepting a \$47,000-a-year appointment from Governor Garrahy in July as state purchasing agent.

Under the city charter, Lynch's departure threw the mayor's job on a temporary basis to folksy, low-key Harty, who was City Council president. He kept on all of Lynch's appointees, made Lynch's son his campaign manager and counted on the power of incumbency to carry him to a full term of his own.

However, Kinch decided quickly that he wanted the mayor's job and campaigned vigorously and cleverly, often putting Harty on the defensive.

Kinch demonstrated his clout by beating Harty in the primary by 800 votes, then trouncing him in the final ballot with a 2200-vote margin.

Kinch, a Gorham Co. plant manager, has promised to make Pawtucket's government more businesslike and efficient. Depending on how hard he tries to hold the lid on taxes, he may soon find himself at odds with the municipal unions, which he courted during his campaign.

The faces at City Hall will not change overnight when Kinch assumes office next Monday. He has

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named lawyer Spencer W. Viner city solicitor and public relations aide Paul Breault city clerk, but most other city department heads from the Lynch-Harty era will stay on — at least for a while.

Meanwhile, ex-Mayor Lynch popped back up on the Pawtucket scene by organizing a citizens' committee to help the city fight Pettine's Nativity ruling.

As a temporary measure, while the Nativity case works its way through the federal courts, the Lynch committee took custody of the manger figures from the city and erected them in downtown Hodgson Park with volunteer help. Pawtucket's Nativity dispute attracted national attention and prompted several other Rhode Island communities to modify their traditional holiday arrangements.

Since other federal judges have interpreted the constitution somewhat differently from the way Pettine has, the case may reach the U.S. Supreme Court.

Daniel Donnelly, a Pawtucket social worker who initiated the challenge of the creche with the help of the American Civil Liberties Union, was amazed by the public emotion his move unleashed. He said he would never do it again.

Pawtucket's clergy split on the issue, with many Catholic priests

building plans announced earlier.

The Narragansett project received a major setback when fire consumed the track's former clubhouse on Memorial Day weekend.

As the recession began settling in during the fall, many of the city's social agencies said they were bracing for major cutbacks when President Reagan's federal aid reductions take full effect.

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FOR THE first time ever, the Pawtucket school system was forced to lay off veteran teachers.

The school system found itself with a lot of explaining to do when word leaked out that the special education program was planning padded isolation rooms — officially dubbed "time-out rooms" — for unruly students.

Advocates claimed that such rooms had become an accepted part of behavior modification techniques in schools, and opponents warned that the rooms could frighten children.

The School Committee ordered a review but, by year's end, had come to no clear decision on whether to permit the isolation technique to be used.

Another school furor resulted when the parents of a boy, seven, charged that an elementary teacher had ordered him to lick up his own spit in a schoolyard. School admin-

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questioning Pettine's ruling, but some liberal Protestant churchmen supporting it.

Most other issues that confronted Pawtucket's officialdom involved dollars and cents, rather than basic legal principles.

The city held its tax rate to \$76.60 per \$1,000 but sought permission from the Public Utilities Commission to impose sharp hikes in water rates. As the water system's deficit approached the \$1-million mark, the city was still awaiting a reply from state regulators.

The 1982 fiscal picture remains murky, as the city puts the finishing touches on a complete reappraisal of all property — the first in nearly three decades. Assessments are expected to double at least in most cases, and owners will be nervous to learn whether the tax rate will take a corresponding drop.

The city tried to expand its tax base by pushing redevelopment efforts at the former Narragansett racetrack and downtown, but made slight progress.

Business leaders said high interest rates and sluggish sales made it difficult for them to proceed with

istrators closed the case with an oral reprimand of the teacher.

Pawtucket's changing composition was documented by the release of 1980 census figures, which showed that the city had lost more than 5,000 residents in a decade. It is now about 3.5 percent Hispanic and 1.3 percent black.

In 1970, both minorities together made up less than 1 percent of the population.

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THE CITY made cultural advances by expanding its library with a new wing, starting the rebuilding of its zoo and preparing to restore full-fledged water power at Slater Mill.

The Pawtucket Players were promised a home in the renovated auditorium of Jenks Junior High School, and theater buffs banded to search for a way to buy and restore the defunct Leroy Theater.

A proposal to move police headquarters from City Hall to the former Anna J. Burns School was killed by voters, when they were told it would cost more than \$5 million in bonds and interest for the project.

Attempts to trim the city workforce met strong union resistance, with the firefighters union going to arbitration to protect minimum staffing rules.

Harty, Lynch political football

This is just a letter to let the people of Pawtucket know how I feel about the Nativity scene. The Nativity scene is being used as a political football by the Harty and Lynch administration for political gain.

In my view, the Nativity scene is a good thing. It helps to put Christ into Christmas.

I believe the ACLU should spend more time helping people in other areas that are more important.

I believe the Nativity scene should have been sold to some other group instead of the Lynch organization.

I believe the people of Pawtucket will be very happy with the new direction the city will take with Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch.

The city has been run by the same old political machine since Tom McCoy, except for Lawrence McCarthy when he broke the machine.

It will be delightful to see fresh faces in City Hall when Henry S. Kinch takes office. Best of luck, Henry.

Ernest J. Gingras
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Pawtucket

Mayor-elect Kinch planning no-frills inauguration at armory

By THOMAS S. BROWN
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

Pawtucket

PAWTUCKET — Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch expects that 1,000 persons will attend the no-frills, bring-your-own-booze inauguration that will usher in his administration Monday night.

Kinch, with members of the City Council and School Committee, will be sworn in at the Tolman High School auditorium at 7 p.m.

Secretary of State Robert F. Burns, a former Pawtucket mayor, will administer the oath of office.

Afterward, festivities will move to the Exchange Street Armory, where an "Inaugural Ball" will be held. Admission to the ball is free, but guests will have to supply their own liquor and pay for any mixers and ice they care to use.

"There won't be anything ostentatious about it at all," said state Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, D-Pawtucket and Kinch's chief transi-

tion aide. "We're not going to have new china or anything like that."

McConnell acknowledged that the armory is "not the fanciest place in the world," but said it was the only hall in Pawtucket big enough to accommodate a large dance.

Timothy C. Magill, chairman of the inauguration committee, said his group had obtained special permission from the National Guard to use the armory, which has been off-limits lately for civilian public events.

Magill said the building does not have as many fire exits as the safety code requires, but inaugural planners will offset that defect by stationing extra firemen at the ball.

Neither Magill nor McConnell could estimate what the inaugura-

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tion will cost, but both emphasized that it will be "minimal." They said Kinch's leftover campaign funds would be used to pay a share of the tab, and that the rest would be a city expense.

Magill said some of Kinch's campaign helpers, working as volunteers, have repainted part of the armory's interior. Banners and balloons are being strung.

McConnell and 22 other transition advisers are putting final touches on a report that will brief Kinch, the City Council president, on how to step into the shoes of incumbent Mayor William F. Harty Jr.

McConnell said Kinch's inauguration speech probably will outline some of the new mayor's plans for reorganizing city government. Agencies that are financed largely

with federal dollars are the key target for streamlining, McConnell said.

Without mentioning any agency by name, McConnell said the general plan is to replace "two or more" of the federally financed agencies with one consolidated department.

Kinch declined comment, saying he would not make any reorganization decisions until he gets a full report from his transition team.

Newspaper advertisements inviting the public to the inauguration will start appearing Thursday, Magill said.

Among VIPs expected to attend is Governor Garrahy, who will make a brief welcoming speech.

The Shea High School Dixieland Band and the Tolman Senior High School Band will perform at the ceremony. Dance music will be provided by the Fontaines.

Kinch faces immediate financial moves

By BOB LITCHFIELD
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch will have little time to savor the ceremonial aspects of the mayor's office before he must begin dealing with hard financial decisions.

Kinch, who will be sworn in Monday, is inheriting a citywide property revaluation that is almost certain to rattle many homeowners. And he must begin preparation of the

next city budget almost immediately.

That job will be made more difficult by loss of a substantial amount of federal assistance money. As a result, Kinch has decided to tightly hold down city spending when he steps into office, at least until the city's fiscal picture is in focus.

Kinch said his inaugural address, while containing no bombshell announcements, will deal very specifically with what he hopes to ac-

complish and how he plans to do it.

"I'm not one for Camelot-type speeches," he said Wednesday. "I think that as far as first inaugurals go, it will be pretty detailed. I plan to streamline city government, and there are some economic development ideas I'll announce."

A transition team appointed by the mayor-elect has nearly completed its review of city departments, and its report will be in Kinch's hands at the end of the week.

Soon after he takes over from Mayor William F. Harty Jr., Kinch will find himself occupied with contract negotiations with police, firefighters and other municipal workers, items with a direct impact on the budget he'll be preparing.

It also will be up to Kinch to set the 1982 tax rate that will determine the tax bills sent to 23,000 property owners to cover city expenditures during the past year.

The property revaluation began in August and property owners will re-

ceive notices of new values in about two months, according to Finance Director Richard A. Mumford.

Both Mumford and William E. Coyle III of Coyle Research Associates, the Pawtucket firm doing the revaluation, recommend that the notices include an estimated tax rate so that taxpayers can have an idea of the size of their tax bill.

The notices are intended to give property owners time to question or appeal their new valuations before

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Around and about Blackstone Valley

Pawtucket Office — 723-1020

EVENTS

Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch of Pawtucket and other elected city officials will be sworn into office at 7 p.m. Monday in Tolman High School auditorium. An inaugural ball will be held afterward at the Exchange Street Armory. It is free and open to the public.

tax bills are mailed in May. Officials conducting the revaluation have said tax assessments will quadruple on the average house in the city — since current assessed values reflect about one-fourth the current market value of most properties.

Coyle said the revaluation project is on schedule and he and Mumford expressed confidence the total cost will be held within the \$500,000 budgeted. The final cost figure won't be known until after the appeal process runs its course.

Coyle said that based on past experience some 20 percent or 4,000 property owners are expected to seek hearings and the process will take at least three weeks to complete.

Property owners will be allotted 15 minutes to discuss their concerns on an individual basis with one of seven available representatives of the revaluation firm, Coyle said. Mumford and Tax Assessor William G. Carden also will be available for the meetings, which Mumford promised will go on "as long as there are questions."

Any assessments that warrant rechecking will be addressed after the hearings. "No changes will be made on the spot," Coyle said.

Before actual property tax bills can be determined, Kinch will have to decide whether assessments should be at full market value, or at a uniform percentage of that value. After that, the tax rate can be set when the city determines exactly how much must be raised in tax revenue next year.

A turbulent year in Pawtucket

By ED GAULIN
Times staff reporter

ROCKY YEAR — Though the Chinese lunar calendar listed it as the year of the rooster, there wasn't all that much for citizens of Pawtucket to crow about in 1981.

In fact, the city suffered through its worst drought since the mid-60s and had to impose mandatory water restrictions which, though probably all but forgotten, are still in effect.

The city went through a turbulent, almost traumatic, mayoral campaign involving old friends and City Council colleagues Henry S. Kinch and William F. Harty Jr.

The city was split, too, by a federal court ruling in February that the 40-year tradition of putting a Nativity scene up as part of the official Christmas display is unconstitutional. And that issue is still unresolved, resting now with the federal appeals court in Boston.

It was a year in which the slow growth at the Narragansett Park development was marred further by a fire in May which destroyed the clubhouse of the former racetrack.

Pawtucket even witnessed in 1981 the city's Republicans making page one headlines with intra-party feuding between J. Colin Dawson and Donald E. Henshaw over who was the rightful chairman of the city committee. That feud brought the GOP state committee into the fray, bringing the out-of-power party the kind of publicity it hardly needs.

THE GAME — But while those and other weighty items dominated 1981, it is likely to be an incident from the world of sports which will give us a tale to tell our grandchildren 10 or 20 or even 30 years from now.

It all started as a routine Saturday night International League game between the Rochester Red Wings and the Pawtucket Red Sox at McCoy Stadium: April 18, 1981.

But when Danny Parks of the Pawsox unleashed a sinkerball to start off the game, little did anyone know that baseball history was in the making.

The Sox and Wings went at it until after 4 in the morning and an astounding 32 innings. And the game wasn't over yet. It was simply suspended until the next time Rochester was in town. The two teams ended the game on June 23, when Dave Koza singled with the bases loaded to give Pawtucket the victory in the longest professional game of baseball ever played.

LYNCH DEPARTS — Ironically, it was about that time that Mayor Dennis M. Lynch was denying news reports that he had been seeking a job as state purchasing agent.

Before the month of June was over, however, Lynch called a press conference to confirm that he, in fact, was going to resign after eight-and-a-half years as mayor to take that very post.

The charter provided that City Council President Harty would be the acting mayor.

Before Harty had even gotten used to the leather swivel chair in the mayor's office, Kinch, who had become acting president of the council, announced that he was running for mayor.

Harty ultimately made his announcement and city attorney Lawrence Goldberg, a Republican, and former personnel director James Kenney, a Democrat as are Kinch and Harty, also were in the mayoral race.

Kinch charged through the race full-tilt from the steamy evening at the Portuguese Social Club on School Street when he made his announcement until the polls closed on election day. After a surprising 800-vote win in the October primary which ended the hopes of Kenney and Goldberg, Kinch kept Harty on the defensive throughout the campaign.

The two close friends cut open some wounds during the campaign but both were gracious when the votes were counted, Harty in defeat and Kinch in victory.

THE SCENE — Even before the election was over, federal judge Raymond J. Pettine ruled on the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) suit to have the Nativity scene removed from the city's Hodgson-Rotary Park Christmas display. The ACLU charged in its suit, filed a week before Christmas in 1980, that inclusion of the creche violated the constitutional guarantee of separation of church and state.

Lynch, who had been named as a defendant in the suit, ended a long official silence which he had kept since leaving City Hall for the state position. The former mayor seemed to relish both the limelight and the conflict of the battle to save the Nativity scene.

He and his wife, Irene, started the Citizens Committee to Continue Christmas which ultimately bought the creche from the city and erected it at the park. The park is not owned by the city so, presumably, the Pettine decision was legally skirted. An ACLU attempt to have city officials held in contempt because the Nativity scene was erected was dismissed by Pettine.

NOT A DROP TO DRINK? The story that may have the greatest and gravest — impact on both Pawtucket and the Blackstone Valley may well be the continuing drought.

Though a wetter than normal November has eased conditions somewhat, Pawtucket's two main reservoirs, the Diamond Hill and Arnold Mills reservoirs in Cumberland, are still well below normal capacity.

The extended drought that started early in 1980 and has only now — possibly — begun to ease, brought the first mandatory water restrictions to the valley since the 1960s.

And even as the water was dwindling in the two reservoirs which hold 5 billion gallons when full, the Pawtucket Water Supply Board was running into serious financial difficulties.

With a nearly one-million-dollar revenue hike currently pending before the state Public Utilities Commission, the supply board has already acknowledged that even that increase won't be enough.

So 90 days after the PUC rules on the current rate hike request, the supply board will be in asking for another increase.

As if having neither enough water nor enough money were not bad enough, 1981 slapped the city's water department in the face in another way. After the coldest December in history in 1980, the supply board started 1981 having to repair — in fiercely cold temperatures — burst pipe after burst pipe.

Only a herculean effort by the water department crews kept service at an almost normal level until temperatures turned more moderate.

The water department's problems weren't over then, either. On July 16, a water main very close to the main pumping station burst. For several hours on a steamy Thursday night in July, 100,000 customers in Pawtucket, Central Falls and Valley Falls had virtually no water pressure.

SCHOOL HEARINGS — The past year was a rough one for the School Committee, which tried to fire Ernest Forest as principal of Shea High School, only to find Forest unwilling to go down without a fight. After several bitter open hearings, Forest ultimately was dismissed as principal and given a teacher's position while he appealed the board's decision.

That decision, still pending, resulted in Thomas J. Duffy taking over as principal in the city's troubled west side high school.

The old year was also marred by the armed robbery of \$55,000 from a Brink's armored truck that had stopped to make a delivery to a Newport Avenue bank.

But remarkably, there was not a single murder in the city in 1981. It was the first time in several years that not a single human killed another in Pawtucket.

Maybe there was something to crow about in Pawtucket after all.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1981

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This clip-and-save summary of activities in downtown Pawtucket appears weekly in *The Evening Times*. Items for publication must be received in the *Times* newsroom by Tuesday noon.

A NEW CHAPTER IN CITY HISTORY — Pawtucket's newest mayor, Henry S. Kinch, will take the oath of office at ceremonies Monday night at 7 in Tolman High School. After the formalities, the party adjourns to the next-door Pawtucket Armory for the Inaugural Ball.

Regardless of political sympathies, the events will be part of Pawtucket history and as such, are an easy-to-take social studies lesson for the whole family. The school bands from Tolman and Shea high schools will play at the high school and there is no admission charge to either event.

FRIDAY, January 1, 1982

The tide shifted in 1981

By BOB LITCHFIELD
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — After eight years of domination by Dennis M. Lynch, 1981 will be remembered best in Pawtucket as the year in which the city's political power structure was reshuffled, thanks to Lynch's voluntary departure and the election of councilman Henry S. Kinch as mayor.

Lynch's announcement in July that he was leaving City Hall to accept a state position sparked the first real contest for control of city government in nearly a decade.

Kinch managed to grab the prize by revving up his campaign machinery early, lining up support from many of those who had found themselves outsiders in Lynch's circle, and by campaigning tirelessly for three months.

The strategy paid off in November with a 2,200-vote margin of victory over interim Mayor William F. Harty, Jr., the heir apparent when Lynch was appointed by Governor Garrahy to the \$47,000-a-year state purchasing agent post.

Harty, the city council president and Lynch ally, also was chairman of the city Democratic Party. He had counted on the party endorsement, the unofficial backing of Lynch and the power of the incumbency to give him a full term of his own.

But Kinch moved early and forcefully to minimize Harty's advantage. He had his campaign organization virtually set up and ready to go by the time Lynch made the formal announcement that he was leaving elective office.

When the starting gate opened, Kinch sprang out with a game plan



A FRIENDSHIP STRAINED, but not broken. Loser William Harty (left) and winner Henry Kinch commiserated at campaign headquarters after the votes were tallied. (Earl Dumin/The Times)

and a campaign organization willing and able to execute it.

His early maneuvering probably kept some other potential Democratic candidates out of the field. The other primary contenders turned out to be Democrat James Kenney, a former candidate who found out one can't turn the clock back, and Republican attorney Lawrence Goldberg, who proved again that the city GOP's fortunes have nothing to do with the mood of the country.

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Kinch and Harty had been friends during 12 years on the city council together. While the tumultuous and sometimes bitter election campaign strained that friendship, the two were able to share the platform at Kinch's election night headquarters.

Once Harty moved into the mayor's office, Kinch ascended from council pro tem to the council presidency, giving him a visible forum from which to campaign.

He wasted no time, using the first council meeting he presided over to present an audit report purporting to show that Lynch had "mismanaged" the Narragansett Park development.

Although he would mention the racetrack situation again, Kinch
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was careful to play down the anti-Lynch aspect of his campaign.

Kinch's advertisements stressed his record of performance as a councilman and his campaign relied heavily on personal contact with voters: Campaign workers estimated that Kinch or someone representing him knocked on doors at 80 percent of the residences in the city.

While Kinch's organization, headed by State Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, proved highly efficient and fiercely dedicated, Harty had difficulty bringing his own identity to his campaign.

As mayor, he inherited the organization that had served both himself and Lynch. With the naming of Lynch's son, Dennis Jr., as campaign manager, the distinction was even harder to make.

Kinch successfully courted labor organizations, winning endorsement from the Pawtucket-Central Falls Central Labor Council, where municipal employee unions that had

been feuding with Lynch were influential.

After Kinch outran Harty by 800 votes in the primary election, Harty, who had been conducting a rose garden campaign to that point, changed tactics.

He branded Kinch's claims of accomplishments as exaggerations and tried to paint Kinch as an advocate of additional taxes because of a comment Kinch made at a pre-primary candidate forum.

Kinch handled that pressure deftly, countering with charges that Harty was panicking and desperate.

The final week of the campaign featured a "debate" at the public library that deteriorated into a shouting match between partisans on both sides.

By Election Day, it had become obvious that voters had bought Kinch's message that it was "time for a change." The direction that change will take and the still-evolving political landscape will be leading stories in 1982.

EDITORIAL:

Wishes for a new year

We've given up on resolutions, at least for this year, but we'd like to express some wishes — most of which have some hope of coming true — for 1982.

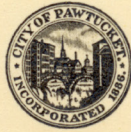
- For the citizens of Central Falls, we wish they be spared any more arrests of law-abiding elderly men; and any more bitter scenes at school committee meetings.
- For Cumberland, we wish a year spared of tragedies from fire or any other cause.
- For Pawtucket, we wish some positive steps forward for the Narragansett track development, the downtown shopping plaza and the battered but still glorious Leroy Theater.
- For Pawtucket, sincere best wishes to Henry Kinch as he takes over in four days as the city's mayor. The city now faces serious problems and they will only mount in the future as Reaganomics takes a firmer hand. Mr. Kinch will have to face these problems but the backing of a unified community won't hurt.
- For Attleboro, some progress on the city hall-police station complex at Union Park Plaza and best of luck to present and new city officials as they tangle with the second year of Proposition 2½.
- For the town of Seekonk, anemic water — so the high school pool water will stop staining its tiles and anyone who swims therein.
- For the city of Woonsocket, a highway that begins at Route 146 and ends at the Woonsocket Industrial Park without touching a bit of Lincoln soil.
- For the town of Lincoln, no such road — even if it doesn't touch Lincoln soil.
- For the state of Rhode Island, the good fortune to overcome the current economic bad times without a major tax increase.
- For Ben Mondor and the Pawtucket Red Sox, a richly-deserved championship season this year.
- For the New England Patriots and the Boston Red Sox, a winning season whether they really deserve it or not.
- For Northern Ireland — peace.
- For Afganistan — peace and freedom.
- For Poland — peace, freedom and a strong union.
- For all of you *Times* readers, a good year in 1982.
- Happy new year.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1981.

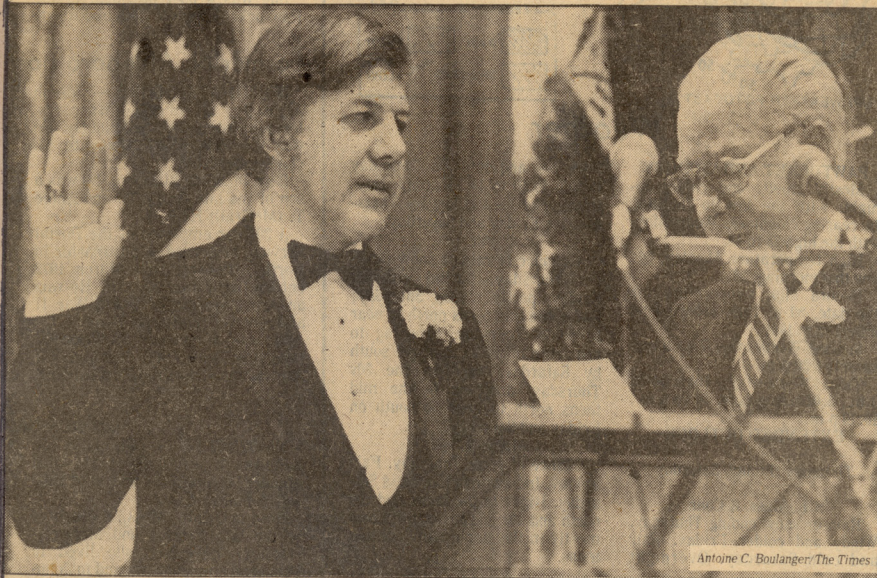
An Open Invitation To The People Of Pawtucket



*Mayor-Elect and Mrs. Henry S. Kinch,
the Members of the City Council,
the Chairman and Members of
the School Committee
request the honor of your presence
at the Inauguration
Monday, January 4, 1982 at 7:00 p.m.
to be held at
Tolman High School Auditorium
Exchange Street, Pawtucket, R. I.
Reception immediately following
and
The Inaugural Ball
to be held at the Armory, Exchange St.
Dancing 8:30 p.m. to Midnight*



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the Members of the City Council,
the Chairman and Members of
the School Committee
request the honor of your presence
at the Inauguration
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to be held at
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Exchange Street, Pawtucket, R. I.
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Mayor Henry S. Kinch takes the oath of office from former Pawtucket Mayor Robert F. Burns

More than 1,000 attend

Harmony keys inaugural

PAWTUCKET — Henry S. Kinch was sworn in as the city's 23rd mayor Monday night before 1,000 well-wishers, including many top-ranking state Democratic office-holders.

The inaugural ceremonies at the Tolman High School auditorium were followed by the traditional Inaugural Ball where nearly 1,500 people crowded into the Exchange Street Armory beneath green-and-white streamers.

Kinch was administered the oath of office by Secretary of State Robert F. Burns, a former Pawtucket mayor. Kinch then swore in the city council and school committee members elected with him in November.

Expressions of unity, harmony and optimism permeated the festivities Monday.

Governor J. Joseph Garrahy, bringing the greetings of the state, promised a continuing and strengthened state-city partnership.

"I'm glad you selected an outstanding, new and very popular young man to continue that partnership," Garrahy said.

Burns said Kinch's election campaign had proved his ability to lead the city.

"I've watched Henry Kinch grow in stature and seen his potential as a leader grow steadily," the former mayor said. "Henry Kinch has prepared long and well to be mayor of this city. You're going to like the way he approaches problems and solves them."

Burns said Kinch "is a man of these times." Council President James E. Doyle introduced him as

"Pawtucket's mayor for the 80s, and Pawtucket's man for the 90s."

Dignitaries attending the ceremony, besides the governor, included Senator Claiborne Pell, State Treasurer Anthony Solomon, Mayors Sal Mancini of North Providence, Joseph Walsh of Warwick and Frank Stetkiewicz of Cumberland, House Speaker Matthew Smith, Senate Majority Leader Rocco Quatrocchi, House Majority Leader Joseph DeAngelis and the State Adjutant General, Maj. Gen. Leonard Holland.

They were introduced by State Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, who was master of ceremonies.

Former Mayor William F. Hart Jr., who was defeated by Kinch in November and therefore returned to

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Inaugurations set for today in two cities

Mayors and other elected city officials in Pawtucket and Central Falls will be sworn in today during inauguration ceremonies.

Central Falls Mayor Richard B. Bessette and members of the City Council and School Committee will be sworn in during ceremonies in Central Falls High School at 10 a.m.

Following the swearing-in ceremonies, the mayor and other elected officials will celebrate at Conrad's Restaurant, Broad Street. The buffet will be free and all are invited.

Mayor-elect Henry S. Kinch of Pawtucket and members of the City Council and School Committee will be sworn into office at 7 p.m. in the Tolman High School auditorium.

An inaugural ball will follow in the Exchange Street Armory. The ball is free and the public is invited.

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private life Monday night, was warmly received when he was introduced by McConnell.

A Pawtucket police honor guard escorted the spouses of the elected officials to seats in front of the auditorium stage.

Sections of the interior walls of the Pawtucket Armory had been painted green and hundreds of green and white streamers were strung from the ceiling of the building by volunteers who readied the building ready for the Inaugural Ball.

Seating for 1,000 persons proved inadequate for the hundreds who arrived in a steady rainfall at 9 p.m. and danced until midnight.

City Engineer Eugene Jeffers estimated as many as 1,800 persons may have come to the Ball with people coming and going all night.

The Kinch campaign fund paid for catered sandwiches and potato chips, with the other expenses coming from city funds.

Ron Doire had headed the team of volunteer decorators; Timothy Magill put together the inaugural program, and Sandra Taylor was in charge of Ball arrangements.

Kinch gave as gifts to council and school committee members engraved silver bowls which were filled with green and white carnations and placed on their reserved tables at the Ball.

Kinch dispensed with the traditional reception line and mingled throughout the crowd during the evening, taking time out to swear in his first two appointees, City Clerk Paul Breault and City Solicitor Spencer Viner, in the Armory's VIP room.

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HENRY S. KINCH is sworn in as Pawtucket's 23rd mayor pledging a crackdown on crime

Kinch inaugural speech reviews good

The inaugural address of Pawtucket Mayor Henry S. Kinch was greeted Monday night with enthusiastic reviews from officials on all levels who said it indicates the mayor's desire to form the broadest base possible to attack the city's problems.

"Even more important than the speech is the atmosphere Mayor Kinch has developed and the attitude he's bringing to the job," said School Committee member Daniel V. McKinnon.

McKinnon said he believes Kinch is "a peacemaker" who is attempting to gain input and cooperation from everyone in the administration, "rather than trying to be an island unto himself."

Councilman Thomas Hodge, who succeeded Kinch as the council representative from the 4th District, said the speech and the inauguration proceedings in general had been impressive because "the support of the people is there."

"I hope we can move forward in a

unified manner, using the realistic approach the mayor outlined," Hodge said. "The city's government is unified...Now the people should get behind the government."

State Senator Leo Gannon of Pawtucket said Kinch had proposed a number of innovative steps to address the challenges that all cities are facing. "I'll certainly do anything I can to help the city administration at the State House," Gannon said.

Councilman Kevin Rabbitt, the

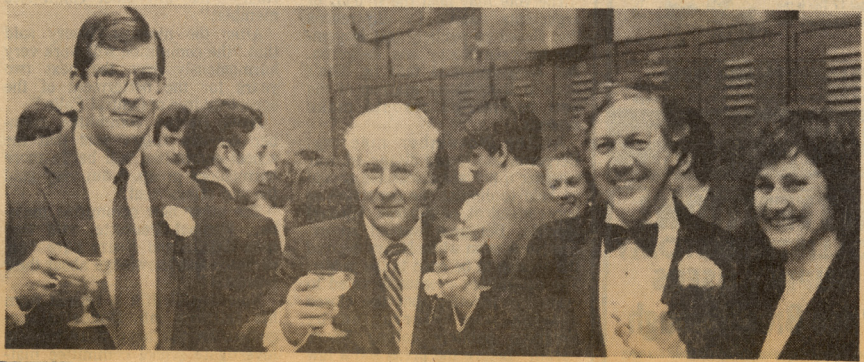
new representative from the 3rd District and a disabled former firefighter, said he believes Kinch's praise of the work of city policemen and firefighters has gotten him off on the right foot with those two unions.

"It's a good first step," Rabbitt said. "Of course he still has to negotiate contracts, but I think he's changed the perception of an adversary relationship that has existed."



GALA CELEBRATION — On inauguration day, Pawtucket Mayor Henry S. Kinch is the center of a crowd of well-wishers including outgoing mayor William F. Harty Jr., left, just before the formal procession. Below, Mrs. Kinch, at right, and the Kinch family enjoy

the day. At bottom, sharing champagne are new Council President Jim Doyle, Secretary of State Robert Burns, the mayor and Mrs. Doyle. (Antoine C. Boulanger/The Times)



Doyle, Houle council leaders

James E. Doyle and Raymond W. Houle Jr. were chosen by their colleagues Monday to lead the Pawtucket City Council in the first year of Henry Kinch's term as mayor.

As expected, Doyle was elected council president and Houle was chosen president pro tempore. Both votes were unanimous.

The council's organizing meeting was conducted following the swearing in of council members by Mayor Kinch Monday night. Kinch served as council president after William F. Harty left the council to succeed former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch when the latter accepted appointment as state purchasing agent last July.

Doyle, the 2nd District councilman for the past 10 years, was nominated by At-Large Councilwoman Kathleen A. Magill. His nomination was seconded by the 1st District representative, Philip J. Moran.

Houle's nomination was by At-Large Councilman Brian J. Sarault and seconded by At-Large Councilman Stephen J. Durand.

There were no counter-nominations for either post.

The School Committee's annual organizational meeting will be held tonight in the School Administration Building. John V. Brady appears likely to be elected the new chairman.



—Journal-Bulletin Photos by BOB THAYER (top), LAWRENCE S. MILLARD (right) and THOMAS D. STEVENS

POLITICS: Henry S. Kinch (above) waits with his daughter, Ann-Marie, for ceremonies inaugurating him as Pawtucket mayor. Former mayor William F. Harty Jr. (right) gets ready to leave his city hall office.

Kinch sworn in, vows get-tough administration

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By THOMAS S. BROWN
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TUESDAY, January 5, 1982

Kinch's plan: Cut spending, beef up service

By BOB LITCHFIELD
Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Expanding on themes from his election campaign, Mayor Henry S. Kinch Monday night outlined plans he hopes will reduce city spending while bringing to city government greater efficiency and improved vital services.

In his inaugural address, Kinch indicated he plans to involve private citizens in active roles in government. He said Citizen Task Forces will be asked to review in-depth the workings of various aspects of the local government.

Other highlights of the speech, delivered before 1,000 people in the Tolman High School auditorium, included the establishment of a citizen's hotline in city hall, implementation of a cost-reduction program in each city department and a reorganization of several city agencies.

Kinch said he soon will appoint a "Blue Ribbon Task Force" to review the documents and activities associated with the Narragansett Park industrial development. Kinch, who has criticized the "slow pace" of development efforts at the

former racetrack, said that group would prepare a detailed report on the development and point out what needs to be done in the future.

The mayor also announced he already is working on plans to reorganize the administration of the Narragansett Park project, with the emphasis on "rapid and rational development and clear lines of authority."

Taking a swipe at federal budget policy "which leave no resources to remedy the plight of local communities," the mayor said he believes the real challenge of his administration will be "to find ways to reduce the financial and social impact of federal cuts without impairing the fiscal strength of the city."

Pawtucket expects to lose about \$10 million a year in federal assistance money to various city and private nonprofit agencies.

Kinch said he will implement a "cost reduction program" in every city department to save money as well as to stimulate awareness of the need for frugality.

Among other tax-savings projects, he said he will place a \$2

million annual cap on long-term city borrowing.

The mayor said he already has taken steps to assure that the city receives repayment of a \$1.5 million "loan" to cover deficits incurred by the Water Supply Board.

He said the loaned funds will be transformed into a promissory note obliging to Water Supply Board, a semi-autonomous body, to reimburse the city over a five-year period under a binding repayment schedule.

At least three city agencies and departments will be reorganized in an effort to streamline city government operations. Kinch said the City Planning Department, the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency and the Office of Community Affairs can be reorganized on a functional basis since they often are engaged in similar or related activities and sometimes share the same dwindling federal funding sources.

The mayor said the reorganization will reduce the costs of administrative overhead without impairing the delivery of services.

He also pinpointed three other specific tax-saving projects, all of which had surfaced in campaign statements.

First, he will recommend to city council the elimination of the job of superintendent of cemeteries and its \$14,000 annual salary; he will deny city officials non-business personal

use of city vehicles and require all vehicles be kept at the city garage, and will not employ outside labor consultants in dealings with municipal unions.

In an era of tight money and with all city departments being directed to "return to the basics," Kinch made only one proposal for a new program, and it is one "virtually without cost."

The mayor said he intends to establish in city hall a telephone communications link similar to the Governor's Information Line to direct inquiries, requests or complaints to the proper city department.

The "At-Your-Service" program "will be able to cut through red tape and also provide the necessary follow-up to assure complaints have been resolved," Kinch said.

Other points in Kinch's inaugural address included:

- Providing greater police manpower to reduce crime during the high crime hours of 8 p.m. to 4 a.m., either by shifting resources or by adding manpower if needed.
- Instituting a program to improve the technical skills of rescue personnel with assistance of the state Health Department.
- Working with state legislators to lobby for increased state aid for education.
- Increasing security at city facilities to prevent vandalism and stern prosecution of vandals.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1982

Harty closes chapter in politics as six-month mayoral term ends

By THOMAS S. BROWN
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — Half the day was work and the other half a party as William F. Harty Jr. ambled through his last day as mayor of Pawtucket.

"It was not my most strenuous day, but I did put my time in," a relaxed, smiling Harty commented in the late afternoon at City Hall yesterday. It was the sunset of his brief, six-month term as mayor, and in a few hours, he would yield the job to Henry S. Kinch, the fellow City Councilman who beat him decisively in the November election.

The 50-year-old Harty spent the morning much the same way he did any other day as mayor — writing

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letters, making phone calls and seeing visitors on several routine matters. One task involved checking the details of a fire equipment order. Another was writing a letter to a developer about Pawtucket's downtown pedestrian mall.

But then there were the other chores that symbolized the finality of the day.

"I had to spend quite a bit of time packing up," Harty said, gesturing to cartons of papers stacked around his office.

He also had to take a number of phone calls from well-wishers. And he made a call himself, to find out

which pictures Kinch wanted left hanging on the office walls.

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HARTY SAID he had told his staff he wanted the day to be low-key. But when he came back from lunch, he walked straight into a surprise party.

"I came into my office the back way, the way I usually do, and as soon as I put my key in the door and started turning it, I heard 'For he's a jolly good fellow.' I never expected it," Harty related.

Most of the City Hall workforce assembled for the occasion and gave him a mantle clock and a proclamation. Also honored were Harty's two secretaries and mayor's aide Nicolas P. Retsinas, who is staying on briefly to help Kinch

with transition matters.

One issue that Kinch will have to deal with, Harty observed, is the escalating cost of salaries in the Fire Department. Last week, an arbitration board awarded Pawtucket firefighters retroactive pay hikes averaging 9 percent and refused to soften work rules that the city claims result in excessive overtime.

Harty said the minimum manning rule, which requires the assignment of 30 firefighters per shift, and the "equalized overtime" rule, which gives bonuses to those assigned relatively few extra hours, are costing Pawtucket more than \$1,000 a day.

"These clauses are becoming too expensive for the city to live with," Harty said. "It's something my successor is going to have to look into."

After a 12-year fling in politics, first as councilman and then as the temporary successor to former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch, Harty is returning to his family's real estate management company.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1982

LETTERS:

Shoes smell good, prepared for role in helping library

Mr. Lawrence A. Eaton
Director, Pawtucket Public Library
13 Summer St.,
Pawtucket

Dear Mr. Eaton:

I have read recently with consuming interest about your upcoming auction of the shoes of celebrities, such as Elizabeth Taylor, Burt Reynolds and other luminaries of equal stature to raise funds for the Pawtucket Public Library. I hope you will not consider it unduly presumptuous of me to offer a pair of my shoes with glorious historical connections for inclusion in your auction. Sure, I cannot pretend to rank with those cellulose deities. However, the renown these shoes have won is entirely unrelated to the humble, and sometimes sweaty, feet that encumbered them. And I hasten to add that prior to dispatching them to be ensconced with the stars, the shoes have been thoroughly deodorized, even though Jane Fonda's shoes (Jane being a working girl) would not take umbrage at honest perspiration.

These shoes take their unique social advantage and upward nobility not from their pedestrian, mundane use by a mere country lawyer of humble origins but from the nobility and grand bloodlines of that ever-generous idol of my misspent youth — I refer to Dennis M. Lynch, benefactor and visionary. You may remember that great man often has shown the heroic dimensions of his Herculean heart by bestowing his Christian largesse upon the poor and undeserving without thought of recompense, and sometimes, even without the gratitude of those surly recipients who would bite the hand that fed them. You may also recall how that magnanimous heart demonstrated the breadth and depth of

his love for this humble laborer of the quill by declaring to the adoring populace how he "had put bread on Jim Murray's table and shoes on his feet" in time of need.

Mr. Eaton, the enclosed package contains the shoes Mr. Lynch put on these unappreciative anterior appendages of mine. I am sure you will now agree with me that these shoes merit the wider exposure of your celebrity auction, so that they may serve as a glimmering memory of those halcyon days before our great leader graduated from shoe buyer to state purchaser, and to rekindle in our memory the bittersweet recollection of a noble Christian who gave freely to the poor while forcing the unshriven to put Christ back into Christmas; and of a wise manipulator of world events who recently once again demonstrated his political wizardry. I refer, of course, to Mr. Lynch's ultimate, triumphant act of self-abnegation when he skillfully assured the continuation of great leadership in our city in the personage of Mayor Henry Kinch by the devilishly clever tactic of supporting Kinch's opponent.

I have guarded these shoes as one of my most prized memories these many years. They have occupied an honored place among my dearest memorabilia on a shelf next to a case of Heineken beer, (my first legal fee), awaiting the time when I could afford to have them bronzed. I now donate them to the people of Pawtucket to support a cause for which my departed hero labored long and fruitfully, the divulgence of public knowledge and wisdom to the common people through the Pawtucket Public Library.

Farewell dear shoes!

James Murray
Pawtucket

THE EVENING TIMES (Pawtucket, R.I.) TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1982

EDITORIAL:

Welcome aboard, Mayor Kinch

Henry S. Kinch, who entered the race as a decided underdog and did not receive the endorsement of the city's Democratic committee, is now the mayor of Pawtucket. In his inaugural address Monday night, before an upbeat crowd of more than 1,000 at Tolman High School, he pointed out some of the critical problems facing the city and outlined what he intends to do about them. He also pointed out an even more critical aspect facing Pawtucket and virtually every other city in the United States today: City treasuries are rapidly running dry if they already haven't done so and the chances of getting outside help are almost nil.

Among the steps he proposes to take is a "cost reduction program" for every city department. He proposes to give each department specific goals to meet and plans to meet monthly with department heads to ensure these goals are being met. He also proposes to reorganize three city departments, now doing similar or related work, to provide more efficient operation at less cost to the taxpayers.

His call for elimination of the position of superintendent of cemeteries (at \$14,000 annually) is long overdue, a case of too many chiefs leading too few Indians. His call for keeping city-owned cars in city-owned garages during non-working hours, allowing their use for official business only, will upset the few people who had their use previously but will not upset the taxpayers when the monthly fuel and maintenance bills start dropping.

His phone link to the public concerning complaints, shifting police units to high crime hours and a proposed crackdown on vandals are all welcome measures.

It was an upbeat speech to an upbeat crowd but it pointed out some hard facts — Pawtucket is in for some hard times due to the money crunch, but not so hard if we all pull together.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 1982

Thanks to those who helped out on campaign

I want to express my appreciation to all the people who worked on Henry Kinch's mayoral campaign for their wonderful attitude at the inaugural ceremony.

Despite the long and arduous campaign they conducted on Henry's behalf, these people still revealed their tremendous admiration and respect for Bill Harty by offering him a standing ovation. It was a gesture that Mr. Harty well deserved, and I'm very glad that those who helped elect Mayor Henry Kinch would so willingly demonstrate their high esteem for Mayor Bill Harty.

It's people like this who make public service so worthwhile.

Rep. Mary F. McMahon
District 81
Pawtucket

Kinch abolishes city agency, cuts 10 jobs

Planning, redevelopment offices to absorb social programs

By JOHN R. KHOREY
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PAWTUCKET — The Office of Community Affairs (OCA) will be eliminated and the social programs it oversees will be taken up by the Redevelopment Agency and the Planning Department, Mayor Henry S. Kinch said yesterday.

Kinch, on his first day in office, said that none of the programs operated by the Office of Community Affairs will be eliminated. But the city will save money by abolishing 10 clerical and administrative jobs in OCA, which formerly was the Model Cities Agency.

The mayor said some of the OCA employees may fill job vacancies elsewhere in the city. The names of those who cannot immediately be placed will be put on a waiting list, Kinch said.

The OCA this year operates about 16 programs with an \$839,400 allocation of federal funds. Of that amount, \$149,400 was budgeted for administration.

The Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) jobs program, which was abolished by the federal government, had been operated by OCA.

THE FUNCTION of the Office of Community Affairs is to funnel federal money to various groups and agencies performing social services. Programs financed through OCA include the Senior Inn meals for the elderly, transportation services for the elderly, two neighborhood health centers and recreation for children, including summer camps.

OCA also operates an energy-conservation information service and a housing assistance program.

Kinch made it clear before taking office that he wanted to streamline city government. Yesterday, sitting in the mayor's office, its walls stripped of art work, Kinch said he believes that the programs operated by the Office of Community Affairs can be overseen just as efficiently by administrators in the two other city departments.

David Perlini, the community affairs office director, could not be reached yesterday for comment. Sources have said that Perlini, a confidant and research assistant for former Mayor Dennis M. Lynch, did not plan to stay on in the Kinch administration.

KINCH SAID he will meet tomorrow with all department heads to tell them what he expects. He'll pass out copies of his inaugural address in which he pointed out what he believes are key issues facing Pawtucket.

Then he'll tell them that they are to make no purchases — no matter how small — without approval of the mayor's office or Finance Director Richard Mumford.

Kinch said there have been large, unnecessary expenditures made during other administrations and he wants more control. "If they thought other administrations were tight on spending, they haven't seen anything yet," Kinch said.

He also will tell the department heads that he expects them to submit a list of annual objectives

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for their departments and how they intend to meet them.

Kinch said he plans to name a new administrative assistant by the end of the month to replace Nicolas P. Retsinas, who has been held over from the Harty and Lynch administrations. But the mayor said he doesn't plan to immediately replace any other key City Hall staff members.

Kinch said he will monitor the performance of City Hall supervisors and replace those with whom he is not satisfied.

AS ONE OF HIS first official acts yesterday, Kinch met with members of Downtown Pawtucket Revitalization to discuss the difficulty that the group has had persuading property owners in the central business district to improve the condition of their holdings to attract tenants to stores and offices.

The mayor would not detail what was discussed. But Dennis Moore, the group's executive director, said

last week that a low-interest loan or a grant program might be created through the Redevelopment Agency to pump money into property improvements.



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Kinch said he plans to meet with Rep. Fernand J. St Germain soon to discuss a federal housing-subsidy allocation for a 150-unit apartment house for the elderly proposed for a vacant lot at Main and Dexter Streets in the business district.

The project, which officials see as an important element in the downtown improvement plan, has been stalled for several years for lack of subsidy money.

St Germain and former mayor Lynch were not friendly, and a city official familiar with the proposed housing project said the discord may have cost the city the powerful congressman's help in getting money for the development.

ON OTHER fronts:

• Kinch said he has not decided whether to appeal last week's arbitration award, which gives firefighters an average 9 percent pay hike.

Mumford said Monday that the city has filed a dissent to the award, asserting that the package is "beyond the city's means." Mumford estimated the award would cost \$350,000 more than budgeted.

That could hike the tax rate by \$1, he said.

• Kinch said he doesn't believe that the city will meet the goal of \$40 million in factory, store and housing construction at Narragansett Park by September and will have to ask for an extension of the deadline.

The goal and deadline were part of an 1978 agreement between the federal government and the administration of former mayor Lynch in order to get federal money to buy the old race track.

About \$12.4 million worth of construction is either under way or completed and another \$3.2 million is expected this spring.

City officials have been talking

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PAWTUCKET Mayor Henry S. Kinch eliminates the Office of Community Affairs and transfers responsibility for its social programs, during his first day in office. Page C-1.

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for months with a business group considering the park as a site for a \$100-million yarn dying plant.

That project would quickly put the city way over its investment goal, but Kinch has said he doubts the huge plant will be built here.

• Kinch has made no decision yet on the rate of assessment which will be used in figuring tax bills this year, following the first complete property revaluation in 27 years.

Market values of some properties have quadrupled, according to an official of the revaluation company. New valuations may be mailed to property owners next month.

• Kinch said he won't play a role in selecting a replacement for School Supt. William J. Histen, who will retire in June.

Former mayor Lynch reportedly exerted considerable influence in the department. But Kinch said he will keep hands off. "I have enough to do right here," he said.

• Kinch said he expects no problems from the City Council, which seems evenly divided with four Kinch supporters, four who had been allied with the former administration, and Thomas E. Hodge of the Fourth District as the swing vote.

He expects to establish a cordial relationship with the Democratic City Committee, which denied him the endorsement last year.

Kinch said he wants to have a good relationship with the General Assembly.

"I want to go out of my way to establish a good rapport with them," he said.

That effort should be aided by Kinch's brother, Lowell, a state senator from the city's 40th District and Rep. Andrew E. McConnell, D-77, the mayor's former campaign manager.

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OPENING DAY — New Pawtucket Mayor Henry Kinch, 1982 General Assembly session. At left is Central Falls Mayor Richard Bessette. At right is North Providence Mayor Salvatore Mancini. (Earl Dumin/The Times)

Tax break changes?

By PATRICK F. QUINN
Times staff reporter

New Mayor Henry S. Kinch wants to revamp Pawtucket's long-standing practice of providing tax breaks to non-residential building owners and is examining the possibility of opening the pedestrian mall to limited vehicular traffic.

Kinch, in his first day on the job, met Tuesday with the executive board of Downtown Pawtucket Revitalization Inc. to discuss his views on the future of downtown.

He said later he discussed "getting rid" of the city's property tax abatement process as it stands, which includes tax breaks to some owners of deteriorating structures for various reasons, including low occupancy.

Instead, he wants to establish a mechanism whereby any savings from property tax abatements would be reinvested in the property in the form of improvements. The legalities of such a change in the abatement structure are now being studied, he said.

"The city is not going to give 'grants' — that's what they are, free money — and get nothing in return, even if it (the abatement) is legitimate," Kinch said.

"The abatement process provides incentives for building owners to not renovate their rundown buildings. We want to reverse that process," he said.

Tax abatements to non-residential property owners has been a controversial topic over the years, as it was at last month's city council meeting.

Councilman Philip J. Moran, for the third consecutive year, was the only councilman to vote against the granting of up to \$70,000 in property tax abatements, many of which are for businesses with large real estate holdings in the city and elsewhere.

In addition, Kinch said, the establishment of a "revolving loan fund," at low rates, is being examined. It would provide investment incentives to building owners or prospective tenants for large-scale

building renovations.

"This way we get something for our money," Kinch said. The program is being studied in conjunction with the Pawtucket Redevelopment Agency.

Meanwhile, Kinch said he also discussed opening the mall to one-way vehicular traffic, perhaps on a trial basis at first. He said that perhaps a study commission would be formed to study the traffic options.

He said it is important that drivers experience little difficulty getting around downtown and using the city's parking garage. He said that providing maps, as the city is doing, is not the answer.

"Downtown is not that large. I think we should provide access and not give them a map," Kinch said.

"I don't think there's any one major answer to what has to be done downtown," said Kinch. But he said he is willing to experiment. "I'm not afraid to try anything and I'm not afraid to fall on my face," he said.

City clerk will tackle 'hotline' job

Pawtucket

By THOMAS S. BROWN
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer



PAWTUCKET — Before the month is out, City Clerk Paul W. Breault hopes that Pawtucket residents will be able to cut through City Hall red tape with a single telephone call.

Breault, who stepped into the \$28,000-a-year job only two days ago, has as his first major assignment the creation of the "At Your Service" information hotline promised by new Mayor Henry S. Kinch.

When the line becomes operational, Breault said, the public will be able to funnel questions or complaints about any city agency to one central telephone number at City Hall.

In many cases, Breault said, a caller will be able to get all the information he needs from the central number. If the inquiry is detailed or technical, however, the caller may be referred to the appropriate city agency for answers.

"There definitely will be follow-through," he said. "We'll get back to the callers to make sure they've had their questions answered. . . . The worst thing would be to offer something and then not deliver."

The nuts and bolts of the program are still being worked out. Breault said he has discussed with Planning Director Edward Hennigan which agency should operate the service, but the matter has not been settled.

Kinch is adamant that no new employees be hired for the hotline.

While organizing the information service, Breault, 33, is also trying to learn the ropes of being city clerk.

"I've found that one of the big attributes of this job is being able to sign your name," he said.

One of his first chores was to sign about half a dozen documents presented to him by Deputy Clerk Janice M. LaPorte. Breault admitted he didn't fully understand or read the papers, but just put his John Hancock on the dotted line.

He also spent time getting briefed for his first City Council meeting, learning how Council President James E. Doyle intended to handle the agenda.

"After thumbing through 'Robert's Rules of Order,' I decided we better not get involved in any parliamentary disputes," he quipped.

Breault said he received some pointers from former City Clerk William Catelli Jr. before the Kinch administration took over City Hall.

One of things that Catelli told him needs to be done is the micro-filming of all property records prior to 1974.

"I've got to have a talk with the mayor about that," Breault said. However, he added that the project could cost about \$27,000 and he expressed doubt that Kinch will want to spend that much.

Kinch, in fact, already has issued orders to his department heads to come up with at least five ways to save money. Breault said he still has to figure out economizing proposals for his own office.

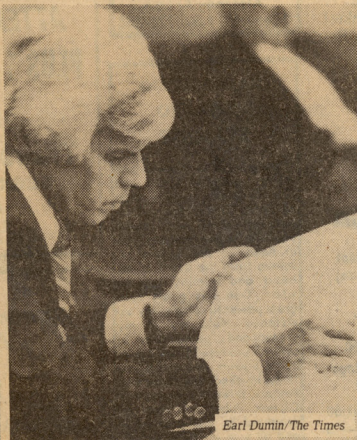
BREAULT, WHO worked formerly as a public relations aide for state legislators, said it probably will take him a little time to get used to being a person in a supervisory position.

"It'll be a lot more business-like environment. I hear the term 'department head,' and I say, son of a gun, that's me," he remarked.

Breault said he expects that he will function as Kinch's right-hand man, but the precise nature of his duties for the mayor won't become clear until next month. That's when Kinch intends to appoint his own administrative assistant to replace Nicolas P. Retsinas, a holdover from ex-Mayor William F. Hart Jr.

Breault helped Kinch write his inaugural speech and expects to continue performing many public-relations tasks for the mayor. On Tuesday, he escorted Kinch to the State House for the "State of the State" speech. Many return trips are likely, Breault said, because the mayor has said he would like to drop in on the General Assembly several times a week.

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Sen. John Sabatini studies Garrahy speech

By BOB McNAMEE
Times State House reporter

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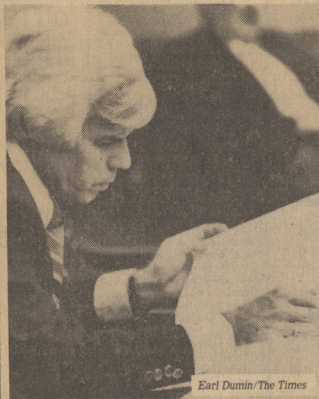
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Fernand J. St. Germain and then almost trip over John Holmes, chairman of the state Republican party.

And where else would a GOP chairman politely applaud a Democratic governor who has just lambasted the economic policies of a Republican president?

These annual gubernatorial resolutions, punningly called "state of the State" addresses, don't go over like their "state of the Nation" counterparts in Washington.

Doctor Garrahy sailed through a 34-minute "somber" but ultimately optimistic assessment of Rhode Island's health without once being stopped by applause. In Washington, they'd applaud a presidential hiccup.

In fact, the hundreds of legislators and guests folded into the House chamber for Professor Garrahy's lecture couldn't even muster enough enthusiasm to escort him with applause all the way to the podium.

"It's not the year for a lot of applause," one Providence senator of Garrahy's political persuasion whispered, aptly grasping the governor's "tough-times-ahead" theme.

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'Henry's the mayor' and Mrs. Kinch doesn't plan big changes in her life

By JEANNE R. MURPHY

Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — They married at 17, the summer after their graduation from Tolman High, and, eight years later, they were the parents of six — first three boys, then three girls.

They lived on the third-floor of the tenement house they bought on Prospect Street and, to keep ahead of the bills, he worked three jobs.

Thirteen years ago, she went to work at Pawtucket Memorial Hospital, first as an emergency room receptionist and then as a switchboard operator. When she went off to work at 4 p.m., he served supper, cleaned up afterwards and got all six children off to bed.

She is surprised at the number of people who have asked her recently if she plans to quit her part-time job.

"Henry's the mayor," says Eleanor (Cute) Kinch, Pawtucket's newest First Lady.

"I really don't anticipate making any big changes in my life. It's possible there will be some, but that's something I just don't know about as yet.

"It certainly never occurred to me that Henry's election would mean that I would stop working," she says. "I enjoy my job and my co-workers and I think I'd really miss all that.

"I never look too far into the future," says Mrs. Kinch, whose friends describe her as "low key" and "down to earth."

"I try to organize each day as it comes along and do the best I can, but I'm not one for extremely long-range planning.

"That's how I got through the

seven months of campaigning—and it was a long campaign — by just working on one day at a time. It worked for me then and it's probably what I'll continue to do."

With one of the liveliest mayoral campaigns in recent years now part of the city's political history, Mrs. Kinch is looking forward to a somewhat less hectic home life.

"Now that Henry has an office at City Hall, I'm sure things will be much quieter here. The problem has been since the election, this has been the office. Anyone who had business with him came here," she says, sitting in her living room.

Though some families have found politics and family life sometimes incompatible, Mrs. Kinch feels that her own children gained from their father's bid for office.

The young Kinches include Henry, Jr., 21, a URI student; Michael, 19, who attends Rhode Island Community College; Christopher "Dusty," 18, a student at RIC; Tolman students Ann Marie and Kathleen, 17 and 15, and Marilee, 13, who attends Lenks Junior High. Another important "family" member is Ralph, a lumbering, friendly part Irish Setter whose Christmas stocking is the largest of the nine hung along the Kinch's open staircase.

"We were all involved in Henry's

that one time."

There have been family discussions too, Mrs. Kinch says, about the fact that like it or not, the families of public officials are also never too far out of the limelight.

Among things which help the young Kinches get used to the goldfish bowl aspect, she notes, is that their father has been a most active member of the City Council for the last 12 years.

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the door ... they've lived with that all their lives. They're used to it. Henry's managed to be involved in an awful lot of things and still have time for them. He's a good father. He's very, very patient and he really listens."

Though admittedly not a natural at the art of vote-wooing, Mrs.



AT THE SWITCHBOARD — Pawtucket's new First Lady, Eleanor Kinch, leads a life with several dimensions. Her job at Pawtucket Memorial is one of them. (Earl Dumain/The Times)

Kinch says she's coming along.

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After some 15 years on Prospect

Street, the Kinches moved to their present home, a rambling 100-year-old modified Victorian house on Potter Street, an easy walk to downtown and City Hall. And in the little free time that they have, that is sometimes exactly what Henry and Eleanor Kinch do.

"We enjoy simple things," she says.

FRIDAY, January 22, 1982

McConnell is top Kinch aide

By ED GAULIN

Times staff reporter

PAWTUCKET — Andrew E. McConnell, 37, a Pawtucket lawyer who has represented the 77th House District in the General Assembly for the past eight years, today was named administrative assistant to Mayor Henry S. Kinch.

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McConnell was campaign manager of the successful Kinch campaign last fall, a campaign observers considered to have been virtually a textbook example of a how to run a mayoral race.

While Kinch said he talked to others about the post, he claimed rumors that others were in line for the job but declined to accept it were just press speculation. "I never offered the job to any other people," Kinch said.

McConnell will step down today as chairman of the General Assembly's reapportionment committee, and from his House seat on Feb. 2.

The administrative assistant post has been held by Nicolas P. Retsinas, administrative assistant to former mayors Dennis M. Lynch

and William F. Harty Jr. since Kinch's inauguration. Retsinas will remain on until Feb. 1, Kinch said. The position, by ordinance, pays \$28,900.

Kinch cited McConnell's legal and legislative backgrounds as particular assets for the post of administrative assistant.

"His broad legislative background will provide me with a keen insight into the legislative process as my administration seeks increased financial aid and services for our city from the legislature," Kinch said.

"I'm just very pleased to have

Andrew on board," Kinch said.

McConnell said that by waiting until after the first Monday in February to resign from the House, he eliminated the need for a special election to fill the vacancy. He said a special election would have cost about \$10,000.

"That's yet another cost-saving element of the Kinch Administration," McConnell quipped.

By departing the House Feb. 2, McConnell also leaves the 77th District unrepresented in the House for

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McConnell: No regrets about taking city job

By BOB McNAMEE

Times State House reporter

PROVIDENCE — Andrew McConnell's decision to take the top job in Pawtucket Mayor Henry Kinch's new administration ends for the young Pawtucket legislator a promising career at the State House.

If he had stayed on as a representative, McConnell, 37, might have wound up someday as the Democratic kingpin in the House.

"You can't go around life saying what could have been," McConnell said this morning after Kinch announced that McConnell, his campaign manager, would now be his administrative assistant.

The higher salary played a role in the decision. With the \$28,900 he is guaranteed by the city charter, McConnell will be able to offer his wife and four young children greater financial security, he said.

McConnell's law practice, while adequate, has never really taken off, a friend said; his legislative pay was a mere \$300 a year.

But there was that bright future.

First elected from his central Pawtucket district in 1973, McConnell was one of the House's "young Turks," a half-dozen first-term Democrats who wanted to see legislative proceedings opened to the public and modernized.

The Turks eventually took over and carried out their plans. They became House leaders; one is now a District Court judge.

While others got the big jobs, McConnell, a former Army lieutenant, was the loyal lieutenant, carrying out the smaller tasks.

But his day would come. A well-liked, easy-going person, he remarked once that he had a reputation "of being someone who could be trusted. They knew I wouldn't stab them in the back."

He became a deputy House leader, then in 1980 was selected as majority whip, a largely ceremonial position but the third-ranking House job. Only the majority leader and speaker have more power.

McConnell had taken on other jobs, too, including the vice chairmanship of the influential House Judiciary Committee. His most visible role emerged last year when he was selected to head the controversial reapportionment commission, its duty to redraw legislative districts to reflect population changes.

The Democrat-dominated commission — and McConnell since he is chairman — have been criticized for a lack of meetings. Republicans charge it has operated in secrecy. Ironically, the commission was to hold its first public hearing since November today. McConnell will tell them he is leaving.

He had also just begun hearings on the state of boxing in Rhode Island. A former salesman for Narragansett Brewery, he was one of the stronger advocates of the raise in the state's drinking age. He had worked unsuccessfully to bring the state's former death penalty law in line with U.S. Supreme Court guidelines.

"Matty (Speaker Matthew Smith) asked if I was sure and happy in my decision," McConnell said. Is he? "Yes," he said.

nearly a year. He defended this, however.

"I've thought about that as well. There are seven other representatives in the city. I doubt that it could be said that the district will be unrepresented," he said.

McConnell's legislative district includes the Fourth Council District east of the Blackstone-Pawtucket River, formerly represented on the City Council by Kinch, as well as two small chunks of the Third Council District.

The 77th District includes the neighborhoods around Memorial Hospital and McCoy Stadium as

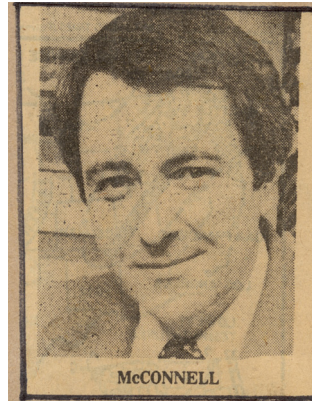
well as Prospect Heights, Novelty Park and Bishop's Bend.

McConnell said he will retain his law practice but expects the volume of it to decline.

A graduate of St. Raphael Academy (1962) and Providence College (1966), McConnell served two years in the Army after college.

He received his law degree from Suffolk University in 1973 and started his practice in Pawtucket in 1977.

He is married to the former Elizabeth E. Johnson and they have four children.



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