Mother protests Head Start cutbacks

by Mrs. Phyllis Ceder

Back in May, 1970, we heard rumors of the proposed cut in Head Start funds for 1971. I received a letter at that time from John Schaut, Boston Head Start director, saying this was true, as a Head Start parent, this disturbed me.

Speaking for myself and the other Head Start parents, if the monies allotted to Head Start are cut back, this would harm many East Boston families. The Head Start program is the only good program for preschool children in East Boston.

For instance, before my daughter Sandra started going to Head Start, sometimes she couldn't get outside for days when my other children were sick. Now she has people in Head Start who care for her and I have someone who cared for me and my problems. Without Head Start, there isn't anything as good for these children and families.

"I don't know what I would do without Head Start"

There are teachers there who understand the child's problems and a psychologist for special needs. All that the child needs, he gets in Head Start. They have friends there, meals, activities, field trips, and they learn to get along with each other—all things that make a whole, well-rounded person.

You can give a child food and clothing and roof over his head, but a child needs more—understanding and love. This is what he gets in Head Start.

Many East Boston children are from homes that are broken, where there is illness and despair. Many have nothing to live for. What Head Start gives the families is a ray of hope where there is little or none. There are people there who help and know of agencies who can help. That's why I say we need the Head Start program to continue and enlarge; we don't need cutbacks. I don't know what I would do without Head Start.

Favors Longer Hours

At the talks at Head Start in Boston, I heard that the federal government favors day care but not Head Start, because the hours in Head Start are not long enough to allow parents to take on full time jobs, leaving the children in day care hands, I myself am in favor of extending the hours of Head Start so that the federal government would give more money to the program.

Some of us don't realize what happens to the children in Head Start or don't care, and just sit there and let these things happen to the program. I can't understand why there is not a stronger fight to stop these cut-backs. Someone wasn't listening.

(Nov. Ceder is the mother of a child attending Head Start at the Health Unit on Paris Street.)

Nelson Gym fire delays program

A fire last Sunday destroyed six months of work preparing a recreation program at the Nelson Gym in Jeffries Point. They were to meet Thursday with the superintendent of schools to request use of the Donald McKay school gym and some room in the Samuel Adams school for an elderly center. The group was to meet Thursday with the superintendent of schools to request use of the Donald McKay school gym and some room in the Samuel Adams school for an elderly center.

About 150 kids had signed up for basketball and cheerleading. A special meeting was held Monday night by the recreation committee of the First Section Civic Association in Jeffries Point. The group started planning how to get another neighborhood center.

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Youths charged with $5 marijuana sales, case continued

A courtroom full of parents and friends was the scene of a hearing on marijuana selling charges against 10 East Boston youths in the East Boston Courthouse, Tuesday.

Judge Rizzotto concluded the hearing by declaring that "probable cause" had been shown by the prosecution evidence, and that the case should be bound over to Superior Court in Boston. The trial will be held sometime after January.

The prosecution case was conducted by the defense attorneys were Jim Donnelly and John Flym from Cambidge and Rich Rubin and Joe Roman of Boston Legal Assistance, 264 Meridian Street, East Boston.

Judge Given Petition

The hearing was conducted in two sessions, the first taking up the adult cases and the second the juveniles. All observers, except for parents

Newsletter commentary

$12.5 million apartment construction to begin

A Boston real estate firm has announced plans for a 460 unit apartment building along the waterfront at the foot of Border Street.

First Realty has gotten approval from the Massachusetts Finance Agency for a $12.5 million mortgage to build "moderate-income" apartments here. The project will be heavily subsidized by the federal government.

The First Realty's plans call for an X-shaped structure ten stories high. The three plers of the 10-acre site would be demolished. Parking would be provided underneath the building with a bulkhead on the waterfront, according to the developer's plans.

The Newsletter has learned that some local groups and individuals are considering legal action to delay the project. No public statements to this effect have been made as yet.

Presumably, any local opposition to the project will center around the question of how much local control there will be over the developer.

Federal guidelines for so-called moderate-income subsidized projects such as this one leave no room for tenant participation in management. In spite of the building being financed heavily with public funds, there is no public participation in the day-to-day operation.

For instance, First Realty recently raised rents in the "moderate-income" Brandywine apartments here. There was no public hearing.

This raises the question of maximum rent the Brandywine tenants could afford was decided in Washington, not in East Boston.

First Realty plans to begin construction on the project next week. The Taylor-Woodrow-Bltman Construction Corp. of New York has been selected to be the project's builder.

Legality Questioned

The legal status of the building permit is questionable. In October, 1967, First Realty got a variance from the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals to build apartments in an area zoned for commerce. The variance was for two years, and the firm got an extension in October, 1969. The extension ran out in May.

In spite of a lapsed variance, a building permit was issued by the city on Aug. 27.

Proposed rents for the apartment are approximately $129 for one-bedroom apartments, $150 for two-bedroom apartments, and $171 for three-bedroom units. In addition, one-fourth of the units must be made to low income persons, who will pay even lower rents.

The project will be subsidized under "section 236" of the federal housing program. The government, in effect, pays most of the interest on the developer's mortgage. This amounts to about $1,000 per tenant a year for the "moderate-income" tenants, and more for the "low-income" tenants.

Income Levels

Section 236 projects generally attract families with incomes in the $8500 to $12000 a year class. This is above the median family income for East Boston, which is around $6500 a year.

Two persons earning less than $8500 a year would qualify to live in the new apartments. A family with two children must earn less than $9500, a family with four children must earn less than $11,350. Single persons must earn less than $6900.

A total of 468 parking spaces will be provided.

Land committee meets

The Land Use Committee met Nov. 5 to discuss its priorities for the year.

Chairman Daniel Bonito expressed a common view that the first project to be studied should be private and public development on the waterfront. However, the committee will also deal with traffic and parking problems, tree plantings, zoning variances and other land use matters.

The committee decided to hold a walk along the waterfront next Sunday, Nov. 15. They will meet in front of the Impact Office, located at 144 Meridian St. a 9 a.m.

The purpose of the walk is to view the site upon which new buildings have been proposed.

LAND USE COMMITTEE - Shawn left to right are Fred Steffano (back), John Scarpnla, Fred Alfano, Bob Duca (secretary of the group,
Recreation group undaunted by fire in gym

by George Gambale

I feel that it is my duty as coordinator of the recreation program that has been set up for the youth of the Jeffries Point neighborhood to say something at this time. As you know we have been trying (through the joint efforts of the First Section Civic Association and the Central Square Center) to get some sort of working program started in the area for the youth and adults. I have been especially pleased these last several months for we have been most successful in watching the progress of a program flourish.

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Work was Nearly Done

We have had the pleasure of watching the enthusiastic zeal and spirit of these two wonderful people grow to the point of fruition. Our program was to have gotten under way on Monday, Nov. 9, 1970. Saturday afternoon Jerry and his volunteer members of the youth group had finally gotten the gym ready for the program. The lights had been restored (bless you, Little City Hall), the heat was on again thanks to the City and the cooperation of the Central Square Center. The youngsters worked all day Saturday with Jerry to get their place in order for the coming program of gym activities. For the better part of the day these dedicated people worked hard because they had something to look forward to, and also because someone showed that they cared about them. Many people cared and did something about it. At about 4:30 in the afternoon they left the gym, tired but happy and content for they had done a wonderful job, and anticipating the coming week to begin the program.

Saturday has come and gone and Sunday morning rolled in. At 4:30 Sunday morning all the hope and dreams of the youngsters, their wonderful workers and dedicated volunteers from the neighborhood went up in smoke. I repeat, went up in smoke. I peered from my window at four-thirty in the morning to the sounds of engines and sirens. I looked across the street and the gym was ablaze.

"Get Involved"

I still regard the situation with mixed emotion and will for a while yet, I guess. To the person or persons responsible for this cowardly act of vandalism, I can only offer my heartfelt sympathy. If nothing else you have convinced us that we will try even harder to work with our youngsters.

To those of you who have not really been involved, I can only say get involved. To those of you who do care, and there are a few, I can only say don't give up, we need you. The kids need you. The neighborhood needs you and is proud of you.

(Mr. Gambale is chairman of the recreation committee of the First Section Civic Association. He addressed this article to the residents of Jeffries Point.)

Recreation Committee

The First Section recreation committee met Monday night to discuss the fire at Nelson Gym on Summer Street. Shown from left to right, are Mary Ellen Welch, Joanne Welch, George Gambale, Jerry Iovanni, Joseph Dioguardi, Carmella Rauseo, Theressa Oliveira, Betty Mazzarini, and George Tranfaglia.

FIRE-BAZED NELSON GYM

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FIRE continued

It was decided that the First Section Civic Association would hold a large meeting for Jeffries Point residents on Wednesday, Nov. 18 at the Assumption Church. The time will be announced.

The neighborhood recreation committee includes Chickie Cipriano, Anna DeFranco, Joseph Dioguardi, Sue Dioguardi, Vincent Dioguardi, Betty Mazzarini, Carmella Rauseo, George F. Tranfaglia, Charles S. Welch, Eleanor K. Welch, Joanne Welch, and Mary Ellen Welch. George J. Gambale is chairman.
650 households selected for health program

The preventive approach to health care has been recognized as an innovative way of handling community medicine. A detection and treatment program has been planned for East Boston. In a randomly selected sample of residents, 650 households will be chosen as the first group to be examined and treated for chronic diseases.

Mr. Salvucci,
East Boston Little League

This letter states that an official letter stating attorney.

A week after that letter the Real Properties Division is composed of the APAC, the federally-funded seniors center in Boston, is looking for funds to operate it.

About five weeks ago a petition to turn the firehouse into a neighborhood center was circulated. Over one hundred adults signed the immediate area signed it.

At the same time that the petition was circulated, a letter from the recreation committee of the Local Advisory Council was sent to the Mayor's office and to all the city councilmen. The letter requested use of the building.

A week after that letter was received by the Mayor's office, verbal consent was given through Fred Salvucci of the East Boston Savings Bank; At the time Mr. Salvucci said that an official letter stating the city's approval was forthcoming.

Mr. Salvucci commented that he was aware of the petition. He said that a verbal consent had been given by the city with the understanding that the city is not able to provide funds for the renovation of the firehouse.

The East Boston Savings Bank, an active force in the efforts to turn the firehouse into a youth center, would have to take responsibility for raising funds for it.

Consent Delayed

Mr. Salvucci went on to say that the letter from the city had been delayed because the Real Properties Division was taking its time in responding to the request.

After the formal consent letter is received from the city, a meeting will be held with residents in the area to plan the remaining steps before opening of the youth center.

Commissioner John Mulhern of the Real Properties Division stated in a telephone conversation that the department does have title to the building but that as of now he was not ready to discuss the process for turning the firehouse into a youth center. Comm. Mulhern said he would pursue it further and inform the Newsletter of his findings.

Upon receipt of such a request, the standard procedures are for the department to ask the proponents of the request to present their case at a meeting of the department's board, which will make a ruling on the request. The board in most cases will be visited by an assistant commissioner Anthony DiFlumeri at 567-8893.

Write congressmen on Head Start cuts

As many as 164 children may be dropped from the Head Start program in Boston. In 1967, $339 million was allocated to Head Start nationwide. In spite of rising costs, this allocation has remained the same through 1970. For 1971 the Office of Economic Opportunity plans to draw off $18 million to finance other programs.

Head Start in Boston is serving almost 1400 pre-school children and their families. An $18 million cut out of $136 million means a $268,957 cut in Boston, or 164 Head Start children and a poem from Panto

By Andrew Panto

Twilight and a dolphin breaks the still waters of Willow Bay, swimming, spiraling with currents to and fro. Looking, while others laugh and talk aloud. Wondering why the lonely dolphin swims the waters of oceans, still longing for the still oceanside which Father Time so often mentions.

We're taking ads

With its next issue (Nov. 27, 1970) the East Boston Newsletter will accept ads. The basic rate is $3.00 per column inch, $30 per half page, $50 per page. Any illustrations, and a variety of type faces, may be used. For further information or to place an ad, please call Karie DiPlumeri at 567-8893.

Bucyk visits here

By Sharon Penta

On Monday, Nov. 2, the steps and street in front of the Noddle Island Credit Union were crowded with younger children and adults. All were seeking the autograph of Bruin's Captain John "Chief" Bucyk. Bucyk appeared from 4 to 5 p.m. signing postcards, and giving out handfuls of bubble gum balls.

Bucyk is 35 and in his fourteenth season with the Bruins, and is still coming on strong. In one of his finest seasons last year he scored 31 goals and 38 assists, for a total of 69 points.

In the playoffs he had 11 goals and 8 assists. The biggest tally came in the third period of the final game with St. Louis, when Bucyk tied the game at 4-4 to help the Bruins win their first Stanley Cup in 39 years. So let's hope Bucyk and the Stanley Cup stay around for a few more years.
MPA postpones Logan hearing

A hearing scheduled for Nov. 18 on new projects at Logan Airport has been postponed.

The hearing was planned by the Port Authority's Port Authority director Edward J. King said this week there will be no hearing on Nov. 18, but one will be held "pretty soon." He said the Port Authority wants to work out the financing of the new projects before the hearing takes place.

The Port Authority has plans to build a new long runway and several short ones.

BRIEFS

Scout sign-up Nov. 19

by Paul Clcoola

On November 19, 1970, several schools in East Boston will be open from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. for parents and boys to join the scouting movement.

Scout leaders will be available at every school to welcome interested persons. A similar event will be held with new members and donations have been coming in since early October.

To these people the Newsletter staff offers its thanks. We hope others will join them.

The schools to be opened are: Bradley, McKay, St. Mary's, Barnes, and St. John's Catholic Church.

Angelo Potenza is this year's school chair man for East Boston.

Harvest hop Nov. 21

The Parents and Teachers Guild of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Elementary School will hold their 'Harvest Hop' in the school hall, Frankfurth and Cove Streets.

The "Hop" will be held Nov. 21 from 8 p.m. to 12. Donation is $1.50, and everyone is invited.

The proceeds will go toward the renovation of the school cafeteria.

Club selling candy

by E.B.H.S. French Club

The "French Club" of East Boston High School once again is trying to finance a trip to Quebec City, Canada. This trip will be very educational for the students taking French.

A letter to the editor has been made possible if you buy our chocolate bars, which will be sold in front of the Liberty Market, Stop & Shop, and First National Stores on Nov. 13, 14, 20, and 2.

Don't you please help by buying a bar or two?

Commentary

BRA could provide recreation places

By Darlyn Scott

What East Boston needs is more recreational places for young children. We think that it should be called to the attention of parents that their children have no safe place in their local area to play. Many children have been injured severely, or killed because of a lack of safe play areas.

There should be more playgrounds within walking distance of their homes. These playgrounds could be supervised by young teenagers who are interested. The playgrounds should be kept clean of glass, nails and other harmful objects.

Many people will ask where we can build these playgrounds. To begin with there are many empty lots and houses owned by the Boston Redevelopment Authority that could be used for playground purposes. We know that the B.R.A. will complain about the cost, but when you think of it, all that the children need are swings and slides. It is too much to ask for the safety of your children.

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LETTER

MPA board member says he made permits public

To the staff:

The Oct. 22, 1970 edition of the East Boston Times carried the following remarks:

"The Mass. Port Authority is certainly bold...it appears that they can do anything they want... Fr. Sallese says he has already given this newspaper a story on the BRA... He is a board member and certainly must know what is going on... The Times will certainly publish the BRA stories to keep our public well informed..."

I called the editor of the Times and objected to this remark. He told me to write a letter to the editor and he would publish my letter. For your information, I am attaching a copy of my letter.

(Editor's note: Fr. Sallese states in his letter to the East Boston Times that he gave the editor of that paper information about the Port Authority's plans to fill in Boston Harbor for a new parallel runway. Fr. Sallese said he gave the editor copies of the fill-in permits and the editor refused to print them.)

May I take this opportunity to congratulate you on your excellent "Newsletter". What a thrill it is to read such open journalism. What a thrill to see articles that are not subjected to the surgical knife of controlled news. Keep up the good work. You certainly prove that East Boston can be first with a paper where one can truly speak out and be heard. Your selection of photographs is fabulous. This adds so much to the local color and places East Boston where it rightfully belongs -- in the forefront of the news.

You are really providing a community service. Please keep it up - East Boston needs the "Newsletter."

(Rev.) Albert J. Sallese
Most Holy Redeemer Rectory
65 London Street
East Boston
By Dom Amara

A state program to provide housing for "all families, at a price within their means," and financed with capital from the state pension fund.......

This is one of the objectives of Representative-elect Emmanuel Serra.

At 26, Serra will be one of the youngest representatives in the legislature. He is a teacher in the Boston public schools. A native of East Boston, Mr. Serra attended Boston University and Harvard in a recent interview, Serra touched on taxes, transportation, housing, education and penal reform.......

All of which will likely be vital issues in the coming session of the legislature.

Housing

"The basic objective of a housing program, of course, should be to make it available for all families, regardless of income, in locations of their choice, in a style reflecting their manner of living at a price within their means," Serra said.

He commented that rather than have the state government determine location and character, choices should be left to the consumer. In essence his proposal means that a housing subsidy would be provided to enable the family to buy or rent a standard house or apartment.

"Our state dept. of Community Affairs should be charged with administering the program," he said.

The young representative-elect also unveiled a perhaps rather unique plan that would allow for more State funds to be channeled into the mortgage market. He would support a legislative study to investigate the use of state pension funds and additional mortgage capital.

Taxes

"Massachusetts has the highest property taxes in the nation. The burden has not been placed on those who can most afford to pay."

In a recent statement, Serra focused in on what he considers an inequitable arrangement in the state's tax structure.

"I will support any measure that would make it more able to coordinate all forms of transportation...mass transit, highways, etc."

He also saw a need for devising some mechanism that allows for community input in school-related matters.

"What I am suggesting is that we create on a statewide basis, at least within the largest cities, local educational advisory councils which will have genuine recommendatory powers within the local school system for all major administrative positions."

Transportation

Serra said he believes the state needs new legislation that would make it more able to coordinate all forms of transportation...mass transit, highways, etc."

He also commented on the issue of penal reform, saying, "I will support my legislation to get around the question of constitutionality of state aid. Unfortunately their legislation never got out of committee. I hope my colleagues will give proposals such as these the serious consideration it deserves."

Penal Reform

Serra commented on the issue of penal reform, saying, "It's no secret that jails often become schools for crime. An individual that is sent to jail often learns more about how to commit criminal acts than he might have learned on the outside. This is hardly in the interest of society."

"I know the problem," Serra said, "the hardened criminal should never be placed with the novice." He explained that in theuyền of society, "We can't hide our hands in the sand, but we must be realistic enough to set priorities.

"Can anything be done? Yes. We can begin to dent the problem by demanding that prison guards be certified by the state after an intensive education and screening program similar to that used by local police departments. Under the present situation little or no training is given most prison personnel."

He emphasized that this doesn't solve the problem, but it was in the realm of reality and immediately possible.

"The key is money," he said, "and that's not easy to come by these days. The answer reverts back to the first question we spoke about. We have to find ways to raise it, and in the fairest way possible."

Mr. Serra resides at 230 Orient Ave. with his wife, Doreen. He can be phoned at 569-3957.

Interview with Sen. Mario Umana will appear in our next issue
Monsignor Pitaro gives views on state issues

By Lon Amara

"we are all tax conscious, the question is what to do about it." With this, Monsignor Pitaro, Representative-elect from East Boston, underscored one of the major themes of his campaign and apparently to be a major effort in the next session of the legislature.

"In a recent interview with the Newsletter, Monsignor Pitaro emphasized the issue of taxes, but also explained his position on welfare, the housing shortage, and the priest as legislator." Speaking of the state's present muddle, Monsignor Pitaro referred immediately to the probability of the Commonwealth needing $200 million to continue state services. His solution rested primarily with expanding the tax base. He suggested that the State should explore to the fullest federal and congresional funding. In his view, this source of revenue has not been tapped at its capacity. In addition, he said, "tax exempt properties should be studied by the state." Included in the study would be universities and religious property not expressly used for worship. He saw little conflict in this idea with the financial problems that now burden parochial schools. In his view, any study would take this into account.

"Privileged Property"

Pitaro explained that state authorities are prime examples of interests whose property is tax exempt, pointing to the privileged status of the MTA, MPA, and MTA. For example, "Logan International Motel (now Scenesta), a lessee of the Mass. Port Authority was assessed in 1969 for $1,000. It paid $144.40 in taxes." He suggested that such inequity "cries for investigation." Monsignor Pitaro said that legalization of "beano" should be seriously considered although perhaps activity should be restricted to non-profit organizations.

"A hard look should be given to the duplication of services by County government." He suggested that tax cuts be achieved by removing the unnecessary duplication that can only add to the tax burden.

As an additional resource he suggested a "head tax" on the use of the airport. The monies should revert back to the state. He added that perhaps areas adversely affected by the airport should receive a proportionately larger share. "The idea is not a new one," he said. "There is already a boarding fee which reverts back to the federal coffers."

Human Resource Fund

Monsignor Pitaro said he will ask that a study be made concerning the creation of a statewide charitable fund.... "a Human Resource Fund." He explained that the fund as he envisioned it would allow for tax deductible contributions and would be administered by the state.

In his opinion, the fund would not duplicate services already offered by existing charitable institutions but rather supplement them. "It might be used for welfare or to relieve the tax burden of funding schools."

However, he confessed that it would be impossible at this time to estimate the amount of money that such a fund would gather.

"Some Aid to Parochial Schools"

"During the present crisis facing parochial schools," Pi­taro declares, "With this he went on to explain that he spoke from experience, since he was desperately trying to keep the doors of his school open. He pointed out that to close the doors of East Boston parochial schools alone would release almost 1800 children to the public schools.

"This," he said, "would be disastrous." To underline his point he estimated that if he released the approximately 300 students in his school into the public schools with a per pupil cost of about $700 it would cost about $210,000 to the taxpayer.

Concerning Welfare

Pitaro suggested that a "flat grant" be given to students similar to the so-called voucher system. Under this plan a set amount be allotted each student. The choice of schools, public, or private, would be left to the discretion of the parents.

Monsignor Pitaro's position on housing and welfare is supportive of financial aid to homeowners for housing improvements, rehabilitation programs, and encouragement of infill housing. In addition, he considers assistance from the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development essential in order to solve housing problems in the Commonwealth. However, he believes the community must be directly involved in the process. "...it must have the final say."

Priest as Legislator

Throughout the campaign one constant question has arisen, if not on the lips, then on the minds of many... are the roles of priest and legislator compatible? Monsignor Pitaro does not view his new his new position as being in conflict with any other role he assumes. In fact, he explains that he sees the situation as "...an extension of the priesthood and a continuation of the work for community needs" he has been involved with during his 28 years as a priest.

Asked if he felt that Beacon Hill would avoid him and relegate him to relative­ly obscure committees, he said that he believed that "...they will respect me as a legis­lator as I will respect them as co-legislators."

In any event, he said, the people would not be likely to allow him to be placed in a position where he would be able to do little.

Pitaro promised to "make himself available to the people," and to this end he will operate at his own expense a local office at 163 Meridian Street. He plans to open it in December. In the meantime, he can be reached at 867-3227.
Giardini di infanzia - la moneta è stata ridotta

Per Mrs. Phyllis Ceder

Nel maggio del 1969 sono circolate delle voci secondo le quali il governo avrebbe intenzione di ridurre i fondi all'Head Start (asilo infantile). Nello stesso tempo ho ricevuto una lettera del direttore di Boston Head Start, confermando che tali voci risponde vano al vero e poiché sono una madrile che frequentano Head Start, ci sono rimasta male e delusa. Parlando per me ed per gli altri genitori i cui figli attendono Head Start, so che la somma di denaro assegnata ad Head Start viene ridotta, tutto ciò sarà a scapito di tante famiglie in East Boston.

Questa è un programma unico ed importante perché ha tanti benefici sia per i bambini sia per le loro famiglie. Inoltre asilo di Head Start 1 bambini hanno tutto ciò che può contribuire positivamente al loro sviluppo fisico e mentale, poiché sotto la guida esperta di maestri possono trascorrere delle ore in un'atmosfera lieta e gaia, giocando con altri bambini, per di più viene offerto loro un pasto completo e di tanto in tanto istruttive.

Tanti bambini provengono da famiglie separate, ove regna dissenso e malattie, un'atmosfera poco adatta alla formazione del bambino carattere. Head Start non solo porta aiuto ma porta anche un raggio di sole in queste famiglie sfortunate e provocate dal dolore in diversi modi. Ecco perché abbiamo bosogno che questo programma continui e si espanda.

Durante una riunione di Head Start in Boston, ho sentito che il governo favorisce Day Care (asilo infantile giornaliero) perch'è le ore in Head Start non sono sufficienti per permettere ai genitori di lavorare tutto il giorno. Io stessa sono in favore di estendere le ore di Head Start tutto il giorno, affinché il governo possa assegnare maggiori fondi al programma.

Alcuni genitori non realizzano o non ne importano cosa possa succedere ai bambini lì. Head Start e di mostrano poco interesse. Tutti dovrebbero invece interesse, poiché è un programma inteso a migliorare la comunità di East Boston.

Una nuova clinica si è aperta in East Boston

Un nuovo programma si è inaugurato a East Boston recentemente per diagnosticare e curare malattie. Lo scopo principale di questo programma è di cercare di scoprire e curare malattie prima che ragguinino uno stato grave.

La clinica si trova nell'edificio della Health Unit, 79 Park St. E. Boston, ed è aperta anche di sera.

Inoltre questo è un programma che si effettua di casa in casa, ciò che il personale addestrato si metterà in contatto con la gente visitando le famiglie.

Negli ultimi 25 anni il numero dei dottori che esercitano la loro professione in East Boston da 44 è sceso a 13 perciò con questo nuovo programma i cittadini potranno ricevere maggiori benefici.

Questo è il primo ed unico programma negli Stati Uniti ed è finanziato da un fondo della Medical Foundation.

Il dott. James Taylor, un istruttore presso Harvard Medical Unit, sarà il coordinatore ed il dott. Edward M. Moss, direttore del Channing Laboratory e Boston City Hospital, sarà il direttore.

Questo progetto sara attuato in 4 fasi: riempire moduli e selezione di malati; fare appuntamenti; visitare casa da parte di due infermiere; provvedere alla cura quando e richiesta.

Il Dipartimento della Salute di Boston ed ospedali prenderono parte a questo programma.

La discussione riguardo a "Logan Airport" è stata rimandata

La discussione riguardo al mancato riaprire di Logan Airport stabilita per il 18 Novembre, e stata rimandata. Nessuna data nuova e stata stabilita.

Questo riunione era stata indetta dal Mass. Port Authority per dirigere le operazioni di Logan.

Il governo federale richiede che udienze pubbliche debbono tenersi su ogni nuovo progetto di costruzione in quei aeroporti che usufruiscano di fondi federali.


Per l'anno 1971, il "Office Economy Opportunity" contempla di assegnare 18 milioni di dollari per finanziare altri programmi - Head Start di Boston serve quasi 1400 bambini e le loro rispettive famiglie. Una riduzione di 18 milioni in tutta la nazione significa un taglio di $268,917 per Boston Head Start, ovvero 164 bambini non potranno usufruire dei servizi di Head Start. I bambini provenienti da famiglie con entrate basse iscritti alla "economic opportunity" e non solo porta ai bambini, ma anche porta anche un raggio di sole in queste famiglie fortunate.

Se tenete e cuore questo programma Head Start, fate la cortesia di scrivere immediatamente qualche cosa al vostro congressman.


Nuovi rappresentativi alla Camera

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I due candidati invece del Partito Repubblicano, Anthony Apino e Joseph Saponaro hanno perso. Saponaro ha ricevuto 4475 voti e Saponaro 1270 voti.

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R. Pitaro rifiutò la proposta di Head Start e inizierà ad investire in asilo infantile giornaliero, affinché il governo possa assicurare che i bambini non provino dolore

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