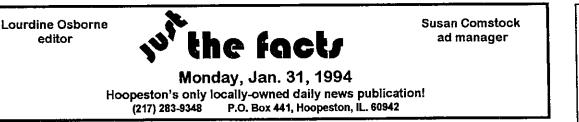


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Downtown draws U of I architecture students

Hoopeston's downtown drew the interest of 70 University of Illinois students - who in turn drew the downtown.

The students are part of an effort to revitalize the downtown area through their studies in the college's department of architecture.

Students, accompanied by four professors, measured bricks, surveyed the community, delved into historical materials and took many pictures of Hoopeston sites.

The information will be compiled into a suggested model of what the city can do with in the downtown area to make it more attractive.

Making a successful plan will take more than

MILFORD-Approximately 20 percent of the

work force at Howard Industries won't report for

Forty nine people, about 20 percent of the total

Employees hired since mid-1988 were included

The action was taken to improve the company's

cash flow, Koperski said. "The product lines

growing most are the ones that are less labor-

Whether employees will be recalled is not

known. "There's no guarantee it will be next

week, next month or ever," he said, adding there

was no adverse reaction from those who were laid

employees, have been put on indefinite lay-off,

said Cliff Koperski, plant manager.

The announcement was made Friday.

work this morning.

in the lay-off.

intensive," he said.

looking at existing buildings, said Professor Jeffrey Poss, who helped coordinate the project. "Revitalization is not just the physical development," he said, adding that students would interview shop owners and customers because architecture is "the physical interpretation of the client's needs and desires. You're not just designing for your own idea of beauty or usefulness."

Buildings were not the only things scrutinized by students. Poss said the future architects also consider traffic patterns, parking areas and even alleys. "You can do a lot with alleys," he said. Poss said the project will be good for students,

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Forty nine laid off indefinitely at Howard Industries

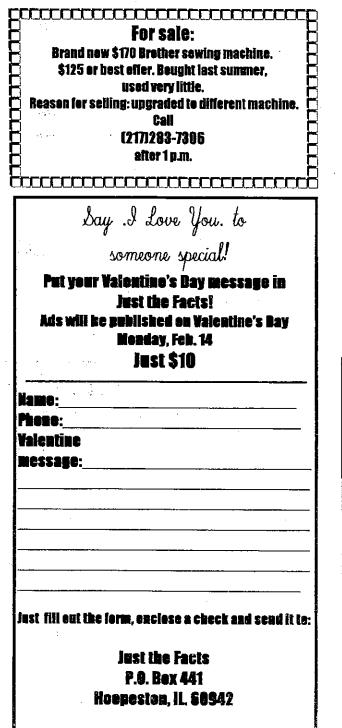
Friday's announcement follows smaller lay-offs last September and October. Some of those employees had been recalled.

Another lay-off is not planned at this time but "that's always a possibility," Koperski said.

Because the plant is a union shop, lay-offs were based on seniority and were plant-wide rather than department-specific, Koperski said.

The company makes fans and blowers for appliances and other products. They are the largest employer in Milford. The pre-lay-off total of about 240 workers includes employees not only from Milford, but also Hoopeston, Wellington, Watseka and other area communities.

More Just the Facts on the other side



Briefly...

C&S liquidation halted

A temporary restraining order has been issued, preventing the Department of Agriculture from liquidating the assets of C&S grain.

The order came after 10 area farmers filed a motion requesting they be allowed to remove their grain from C&S facilities.

The motion, filed Thursday by a Springfield attorney, alleges that in earlier grain elevator failures, the ag department allowed some farmers in some instances to remove grain from the elevators, which did not happen in the C&S case.

A hearing on the motion is scheduled for 1 p.m. Wednesday.

School, business honored Hoopeston Area High School and FMC were honored last week as one of the top 15 businesseducation partnerships in the state.

The school and company received an Exem-

Students continued from other side

providing hands-on training in their chosen field. Although many of the professors involved do such projects, often it is with graduate-level students, he said.

The project will also be good for the city. "We

Pelice News

Ramon Martinez, 36, of East Lynn, was ar-

(bituaries

CROPPER, Addison D. "Add", 69, of Hoopeston, died at 6 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, 1994, at his home. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery with military graveside rites.. Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the First Christian Church of Hoopeston or United Samaritans Medical Center Hospice in Danville. plary Partnership award during the Illinois State Board of Education conference last week in Chicago.

Bob Doty, diversified occupation coordinator at the school, accepted the award for the program, which has been in operation about 12 years.

R-A superintendent to retire Supt. Jim O'Donley, in his second year at Rossville-Alvin, submitted his resignation letter to the board of education last week. O'Donley will take advantage of the 5+5 retirement program offered by the state.

Jackson promoted at bank Aly Jackson has been proted to installment loan officer at Community Bank,

The announcement was made by bank president and CEO Don Sherrill.

Jackson started at the bank in 1988 as a teller. She was promoted to loan secretary in 1990. Jackson is a life-long Hoopeston resident.

need that little push that will help our community, our area," said Mayor Bob Ault.

The project is sponsored by the Hoopeston Chamber of Commerce economic development committee.

rested by Hoopeston police Friday, charged with operating an uninsured veicle, illegal transportation of alcohol and no valid driver's license. Martinez was released on \$200 cash bond.

Wanda K. Shore reported to police Thursday that someone took a spoiler from her vehicle. Police are investigating.

Weather

Partly sunny and cold today. High in the lower 20s. Tonight, continued cold. Low in the single digits. Tuesday, partly cloudy, cold. High 18, low, 3.

