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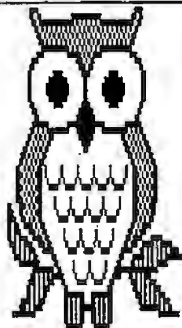
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Tuesday, Aug. 1, 1995

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New month brings new owners for local can company

American National Can closed the doors on the Hoopeston plant at midnight.

As of 12:01 a.m. Tuesday, it will be called Silgan Containers Corp.

New owners have offered positions to the plant's 237 employees, said Jerry Northam, human resources director. Most workers have opted to continue. "I've gotten more than 90 percent make and the ones I've gotten back are staying," he said. "The only stragglers we have are people who are on vacation."

While it will be "business as usual," employees will notice some changes, according to Northam.

Employees not of retirement age - 60 - or with less than 30 years' service, will have a deferred vested pension with American National Can through July 31, Northam said.

That means when those workers retire at age 62, they will receive pension checks from both American National Can and Silgan.

Under the vested deferred pension, Northam
See CAN on other side

Hoopeston Area schools set days, times for registration

Registration dates and times have been announced by Hoopeston Area schools. They are as follows:

Honeywell Grade School: Third and fourth graders will register from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2-4 p.m. Aug. 17.

Maple Grade School: Early Childhood, kindergarten, first and second grades will register from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2-4 p.m. Aug. 18.

John Greer Grade School: C.A.R.E. students and fifth and sixth graders will register from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2-4 p.m. Aug. 18.

Hoopeston Area Middle School: Seventh graders will register Aug. 17. Students whose last names begin with A-L will register between 8:30-11 a.m. Students whose last names begin with M-Z will register between 12:30 and 3 p.m.

Eighth graders will register Aug. 18. Again, students with last names beginning with A-L will register between 8:30-11 and students whose last names begin with M-Z will register between

12:30-3 p.m.

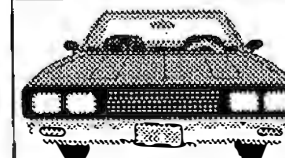
Hoopeston Area High School: Ninth graders will register Aug. 17; 10th graders, Aug. 18; 11th graders, Aug. 21 and 12th graders, Aug. 22.

Students whose last names begin with A-L will register between 8:30-11 a.m. on their appointed day. Students whose last names begin with M-Z should register between 12:30-3 p.m.

Students unable to register during their scheduled time may do so between 2-6 p.m. Aug. 22.

Seventh grade orientation will be Monday, Aug. 21, in the high school auditorium. Ninth grade orientation will be at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16, also in the high school auditorium

Fees this year are: Early Childhood, \$15 book rental; kindergarten-sixth grade, \$19 book rental; Middle School (grades 7-8) \$23 book rental, \$1 locker fee; High School, \$27 book fee, \$1 locker fee. Lunch prices will be \$1.30 for elementary school; \$1.40 for middle school and high school and \$1.80, adult.



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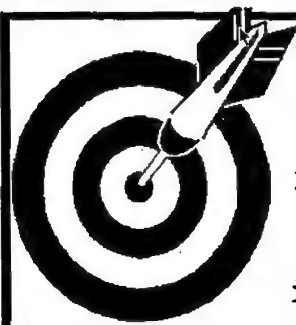
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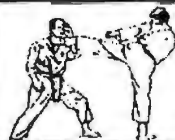
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Athletic physicals

All students planning to participate in a sport this year must have a physical. Physicals will be given at 6 p.m. Aug. 1 in the middle school gym.

Cost is \$5.

Freshmen need not take a sports physical, but must have their ninth grade school physical before competing.

Rules of the Road

A Rules of the Road review course will be given from 1-3 p.m. Aug. 9 at the Hoopeston city hall conference room. The free course is open to anyone who wishes to attend.

Can continued from other side

said, workers will lose their retirement medical and life insurance benefits unless Silgan offers a similar package. "That's a concern of a lot of people," he said. "We don't know at this point what Silgan's plan will offer."

The pension change is affecting employees' moods toward the buy-out. "The people who are old enough to retire are extremely excited because they can collect a pension and continue to work," Northam said. "The people who fell a little short are concerned."

Wages will remain the same under new ownership, and Silgan will retain years of service to American National Can in determining benefits such as vacation time, Northam said.

Whether other benefits will remain the same is

unknown. In a letter to employees, Silgan said benefits "may not be identical but are comparable," Northam said.

The local plant may see some modernization under Silgan, according to Northam. The company does not have the "large overhead and huge retiree liability" American National Can had, he said. "Not having those heavy stones around their neck, they can be more profitable."

"I feel positive about (the change)," he added. "I feel good about it. Certainly it's a whole lot better when you compare it to other situations where you don't know if you'll have a job or whether they'll cut benefits or if they'll hire everybody."

The transition is expected to be complete by the end of the year, Northam said.



In the Hospital



Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital
July 27, 1995

Admitted: Jeff Wisdom and Betty Walters,
Hoopeston.

Discharged: Don Seaman, Alvin.
July 28, 1995

Admitted: none.
Discharged: none.

July 29, 1995
Admitted: Joey Gagnon, Hoopeston.
Discharged: Jeff Wisdom and Betty Walters,

Hoopeston.

July 30, 1995

Admitted: none.
Discharged: Joey Gagnon, Hoopeston.

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