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Emergency plan uses jail boat

NEW YORK (AP) — Faced with an overflowing jail population, Mayor Edward I. Koch announced an emergency plan to add 2,300 prison beds over the next year, including 150 on an old Staten Island ferry boat.

If the prisoners on the boat complain about seasickness, Koch said Wednesday, "we'll give them Dramamine."

Richard J. Koehler, the new commissioner of correction, said two prisons housing 700 inmates each would be built upstate in Ogdensburg and in Cape Vincent, near Watertown.

Koehler said 11 buildings called modular units, housing a total of 750 prisoners would be built at the Rikers Island prison across from LaGuardia Airport.

The jail boat would be permanently docked at Rikers Island.

Koehler said the deadline for the new beds is November 1987.

He said the city also was seeking permission from U.S. District Court Judge Morris E. Lasker to reduce the floor space required for suspects awaiting trial from 60 square feet per person to 40 square feet, which would free space for 1,300 inmates on a short-term basis.

The city already has another 1,000 prison beds in the works in addition to the emergency plan.

Koch pointed out that the city's prison capacity has doubled since 1979, but said that the projections for more space did not take into account the huge increase in arrests because of the crack drug crisis and the city's recent "Operation Pressure Point" in which 56,000 drug dealers were arrested last year.

The current capacity is for 12,878 prisoners, but the average daily population recently has been 13,571, Koehler said. As of 5 a.m. Wednesday, there were 13,966 inmates.

Should the current building, the emergency plan and the 1,300 bed request go through, it would add 4,600 spaces to the city's jail system.

Koehler said the city was able to

accommodate the current excess number of inmates by getting permission from the state Board of Correction to house sentenced inmates in 40-square feet of space rather than the 60.

City Corporation Counsel Frederick A.O. Schwarz, Jr., said this was possible because sentenced prisoners, although they should not be subjected to "cruel and unusual punishment," are not entitled to the "more generous treatment" given to detainees.

Koehler indicated that razor ribbon security fences and additional guards would be placed around the jail boat. He said that although the boats could accommodate 3,500 passengers when in service, current plans were for only 150 prisoners because other space would be needed for TV room, showers and bathrooms.

Schwarz said he thought it would be a better place to stay than any other facility on Rikers Island.

Koch chimed in, "I wouldn't say that, but it will be one of our better accommodations."

Theodore Katz, director of the Legal Aid Society's Prisoners' Rights Project, has raised questions about food service on a jail boat, recreational facilities, sanitation requirements and accommodations for visitors.

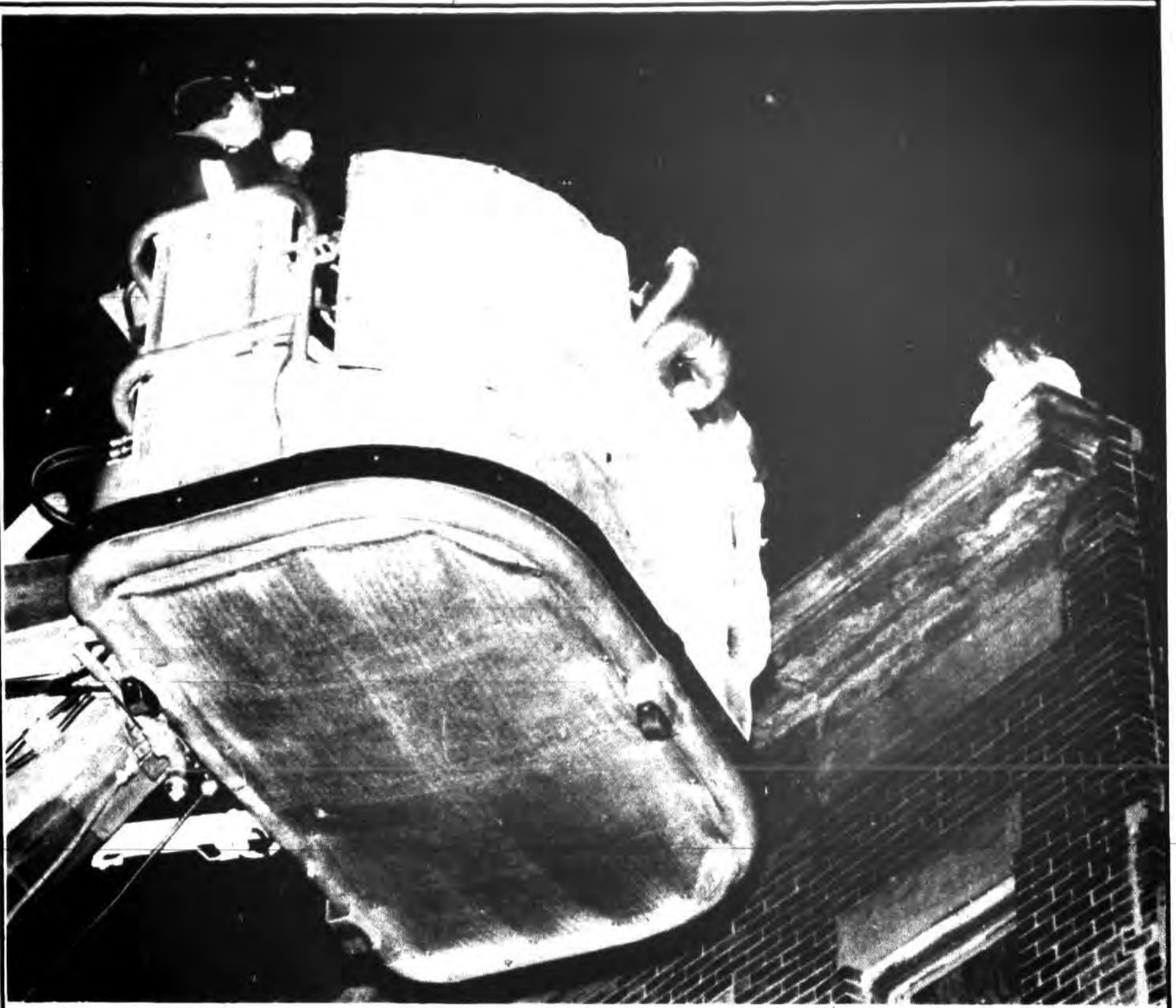
Koehler said outdoor and indoor recreation would be provided on Rikers Island itself.

Koch also said he was concerned about a situation such as that which developed in 1983 when Lasker ordered the city to release 610 detainees awaiting trial because the jails were similarly overcrowded.

He maintained, "we are not going to release anybody unless a judge imposes that we have to release" someone.

"On balance," he said, "one should protect society first and foremost, even if there is a reduction in comforts you would otherwise provide a prisoner."

Deputy Mayor Robert Esnard was placed in charge of a task force to implement the emergency prison space plan.



Mock rescue

Portraying a damsel in distress, Geneva fireman Don McGlooin waits to be rescued from the roof of a downtown building, as the bucket from the Geneva Fire Department's aerial truck is worked into position by firedriver Robert Castor. Assisting Castor in the rescue demonstration on Exchange Street last night were firefighters Mike

McCormack and Ralph DeBoit. Rescuers strapped McGlooin into the stokes basket and lowered the basket to the ground, while other firefighters conducted search and rescue and fire extinguishing operations, as part of the department's annual demonstration during Fire Prevention Week. (Times photo by Dale Duchesne)

Orchestra, musicians agree to 3-year pact

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Management and musicians of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra have agreed to a new three-year contract, ending a 39-day impasse, and the group will perform in concerts this weekend.

Union leaders said the pact was approved overwhelmingly Wednesday and said the musicians were prepared to start rehearsals today for a pops concert Friday with jazz band leader Cab Calloway.

The previous contract expired Sept. 1.

"We're just delighted," said Philharmonic Executive Director Gary L. Good. "We welcome everyone back with open arms."

The key provision in the new contract, union leaders said, was

management's agreement to expand the season by two weeks to 46 weeks in the pact's third year.

Salary provisions call for annual increases of 8 percent, or \$2,431, the first year and 6 percent, \$3,256 and \$5,014, the two succeeding years, according to Alan Ross, chairman of the musicians' negotiating committee.

The average base pay for 1985-86 was \$22,400, so by 1989 the average base pay will be \$33,101.

Seneca Deed Transfers

WATERLOO — Seneca County deed transfers recorded to Sept. 16:

Myron F. and Marilyn Williams to Charles W. II and Mitzi Heath, Covert.

George G. Souhan, Patrick Souhan and Mary McMurray to West Reg. Off-Track Bet. Corp., Seneca Falls.

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Donald D. Skinner to Martin D. and Chris R. Furano, Tyre.

Edward M. and Janet Switzer to Dare and Sally Jo Daniels, Covert.

Lavern L. Borning to Dora S. Hymes, Interlaken.

Robert F. Jr. and Dawn Remus to Daniel E. and Lisa A. Messett, Seneca Falls.

Robert G. and Elise Grunder to John L. and Judy A. Bell, Romulus.

Dorothy M. Waugh to Wilfred J. and Sandra K. Pelland, Romulus.

Florence E. Janke to William A. and Kim S. Garrett, Tyre.

Paul A. and Pat Christensen to Leonard R. and Monica I. Morton, Romulus.

Stanley J. and Thelma Parks to Robert Pool and Jennifer Morris, Ovid.

Alburtus A. and Catherine VanRiper to Robert H. and Brian M. Dox, Ovid.

Marilyn A. DiCicco to Joseph S. and Patricia A. Beniamino, Waterloo.

Dale R. Zettlemoyer to Dale R. and Rhonda Zettlemoyer, Fayette.

Edward R. and Rose M. Dargento to Lloyd A. and Mary Ellen Johnson, Varick.

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Charles A. and Marg. C. Belles to Alfred H. and Timothy N. Collins, Waterloo.

D.J.'s Farms Inc. to Jeffrey J. and Anne A. Cassim, Fayette.

Alice M. DePasquale to Frank L.

DePasquale, Waterloo.

Joseph and Josephine Pace to David A. and Antoinette J. Flezar, Seneca Falls.

Dominic J. Santilli to Dominic J. Santilli and Anthony A. and Helen Santilli, Junius.

William J. and Dorothy A. Turner to Vincent and Maria D'Angio, Seneca Falls.

Morton A. and Barb J. Mott to William K. and Carol J. Mott, Waterloo.

Estate of William K. Major to John R. and Anita K. Babiarz, Waterloo.

Estate of Gordon H. Marble to Osvaldo V. and Shelley K. Zavarella, Seneca Falls.

David W. and Diane L. Sorole to Bruce A. and Linda M. Molino, Junius.

Flay L. and George N. Wiggins to Carmen W. Tomberelli, Lodi.

Flay L.W. Park and George N. Wiggins to George N. Wiggins, Lodi.

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Mona M. Greco to Elfrida B. Fuller, Ovid.

Linda M. Hardy to Keith L. Hardy, Junius.

Ken-Mor Associates to John D. and Helen Kotyk, Seneca Falls.

Support group

CLYDE — The Galen Make Today Count Support Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Galen Free Library for a Halloween program.

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