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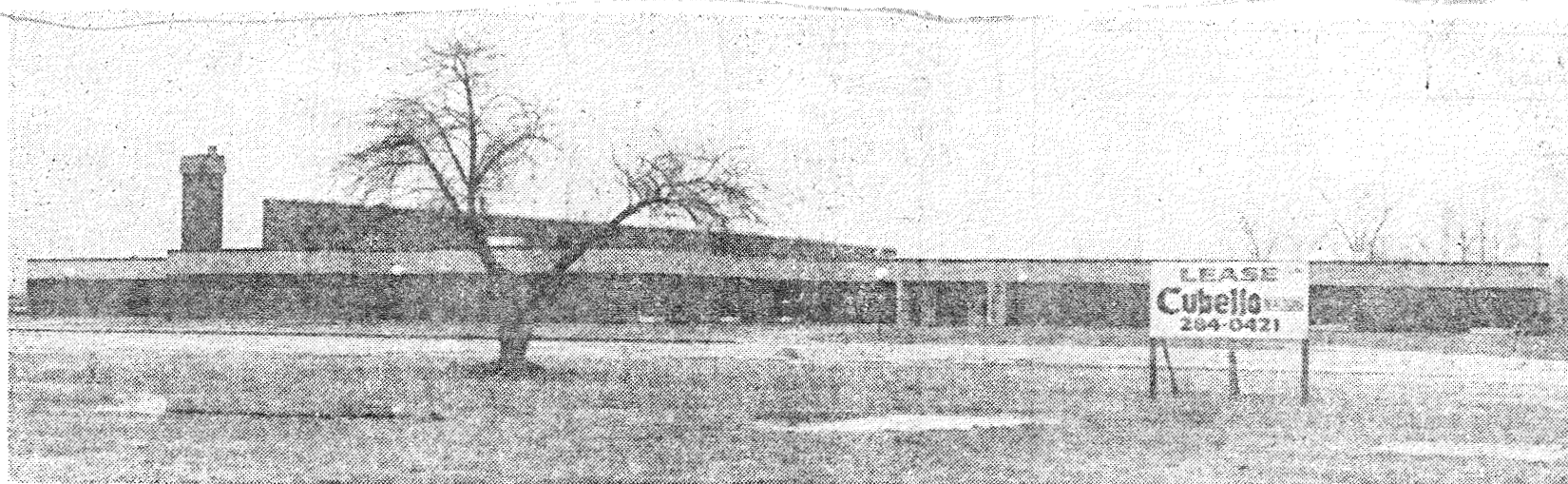
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FOR RENT — The Lewiston-Porter School District is seeking to lease the closed primary school on Creek Road at the Lewiston-Porter town line to an engineering firm that is sched-

uled to work on the proposed expansion of the Niagara Power Project. The building was closed last June due to declining enrollment.

Lew-Port Woos Potential Tenant for School

By JOANN SCELSA

LEWISTON — Lewiston-Porter School District officials are requesting help from state and federal officials to get Bechtel Civil & Minerals to lease the vacant Primary School building.

Bechtel, a San Francisco engineering firm, has opened an office in Amherst and announced it will hire as many as 100 persons over the next five years in connection with its work on the state's proposed expansion of the Niagara Power Project.

In addition to contacting Bechtel, school district officials have

written to state Sen. John Daly, R-Lewiston, and Rep. John J. LaFalce, D-Town of Tonawanda, regarding the firm's use of the Primary building for their Western New York offices.

In a letter to Mr. LaFalce, Superintendent Daniel J. Healy said it would be "most logical" for Bechtel to lease the available space, which is close by both the Power Authority site and the Lake Ontario Ordnance Works, which Bechtel maintains under contract to the federal government.

The LOOW is tax exempt and

the acquisition of 21 acres of property owned by Stauffer Chemical Co. by the state for its expanded generating facilities would take that land off the tax rolls. Dr. Healy said. Both sites are in the Lewiston-Porter School District and rental of the school building by Bechtel would "help the taxpayers in the area in which they are doing business," Dr. Healy said.

The district is asking a monthly rental of \$3,000 for the building.

The building, closed in June due to declining enrollment, has been listed for rental with Cubello Realtors, a Niagara Falls real estate

firm, since October.

In a letter to Bechtel, the building was described as 12 years old, with 39,473 square feet of space, air conditioning, ample parking and an available cafeteria. The facility is only 5.9 miles from the Stauffer site.

Dr. Healy said he did not believe moving the offices from Amherst would represent a large expense in the \$200 million expansion project. He said Sen. Daly supports the district's request and has recommended to State Power Authority Commissioner John Dyson that Bechtel locate its offices at the school.

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By FRED CA

NIAGARA FALLS — Residents are back to normal. Goodyear Tire and Company plant at 5408 Bawling Tuesday's accident of a hazardous chemical subsequent evacuation of 100 residents. No injuries reported.

Plant Manager James said a ruptured four-inch pipe released an amount of vinyl chloride that was repaired.

"We were filling a tank with vinyl chloride," said. He said an accident occurred at 10 a.m. Tuesday and a breathing apparatus was shut off the line.

"Vinyl chloride is a flammable chemical and a way," Mr. Pearson said the chemical is stored in tanks but changes into a gas when mixed with air.

Mr. Pearson said workers were suspended when they poured onto the area. Control the chemical water then made its way into the city sewer system.

Deputy Fire Chief Mermale said that