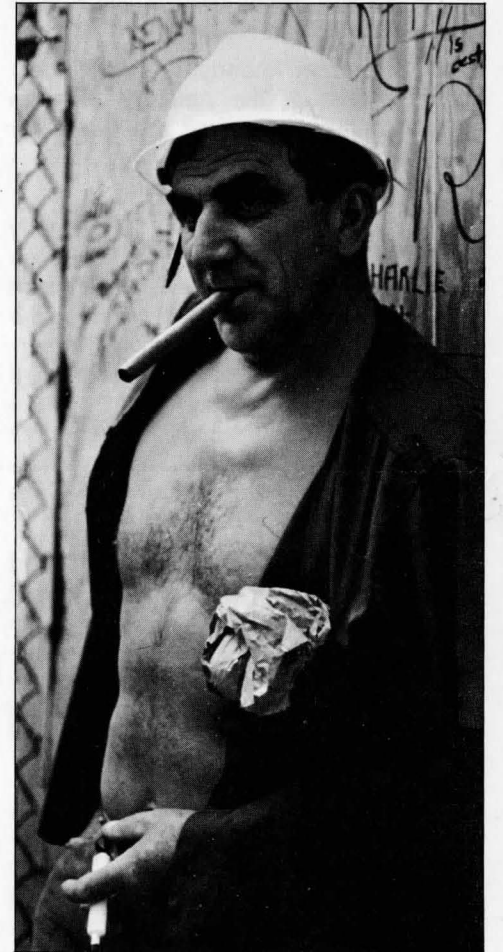
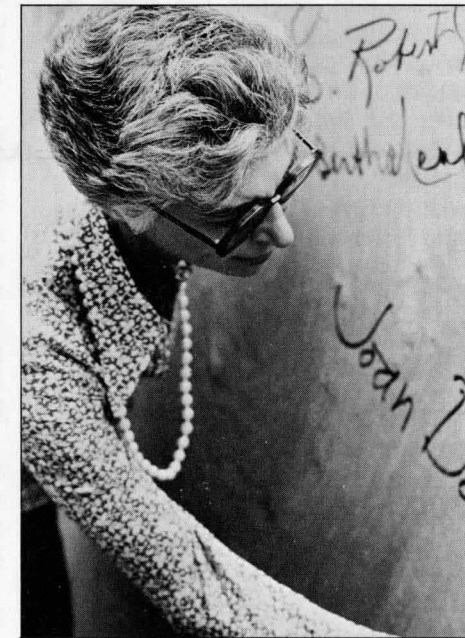
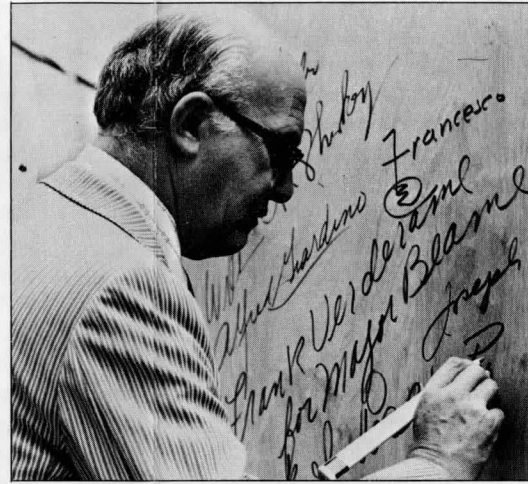
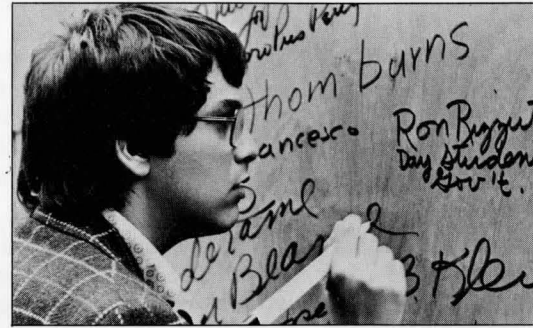
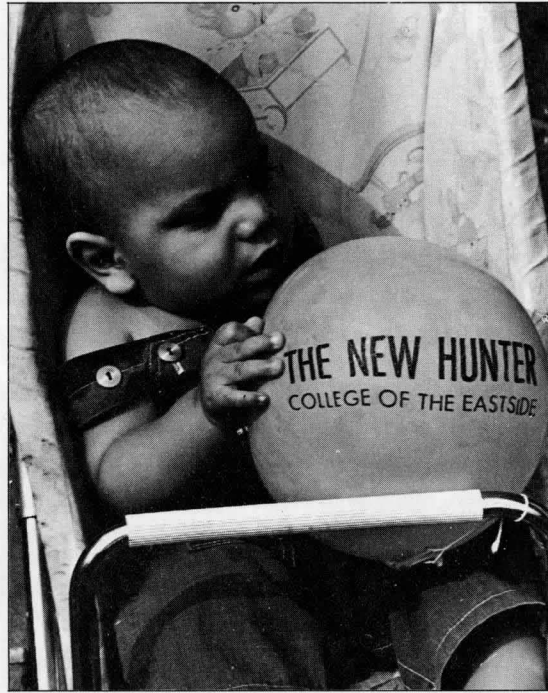


# Hunter...Up...Up...Up!



It was a scene of "joyous celebration" with balloons and streamers, gaily decorated booths, live music and couples dancing in the street.

It was the long-awaited groundbreaking day for "The New Hunter," a \$68-million building complex that will double the size of the present Hunter College facility.

Between 1 and 3 p.m. on September 11, the entire block of E. 68th St. between Park and Lexington was roped

off for a gala street fair to celebrate the groundbreaking. Among the hundreds attending were Hunter students and faculty, neighborhood residents and a number of distinguished guests.

During a pause in the bulldozing, dynamite blasting and drilling on the southwest corner of 68th and Lexington, President Jacqueline Wexler donned a construction worker's hard hat and mounted the podium to welcome the guests and set the theme

for the day: "Halleluja and Mazel Tov!" she exclaimed.

Further greetings and good wishes were extended by Robert J. Kibbee, Chancellor of the City University of New York; Alfred Giardino, Chairman of the Board of Higher Education; William Sharkey, Chairman of the New York State Dormitory Authority, which is funding the project; and Ulrich Franzen, architect of the new complex.

President Wexler then invited the visitors to "autograph" the wooden barrier around the construction site. This unusual display of graffiti will be laminated and placed in the lobby of one of the new 18-story Hunter buildings.

That will be in 1977—approximately a decade after plans were begun to create "The New Hunter, College of the East Side."