

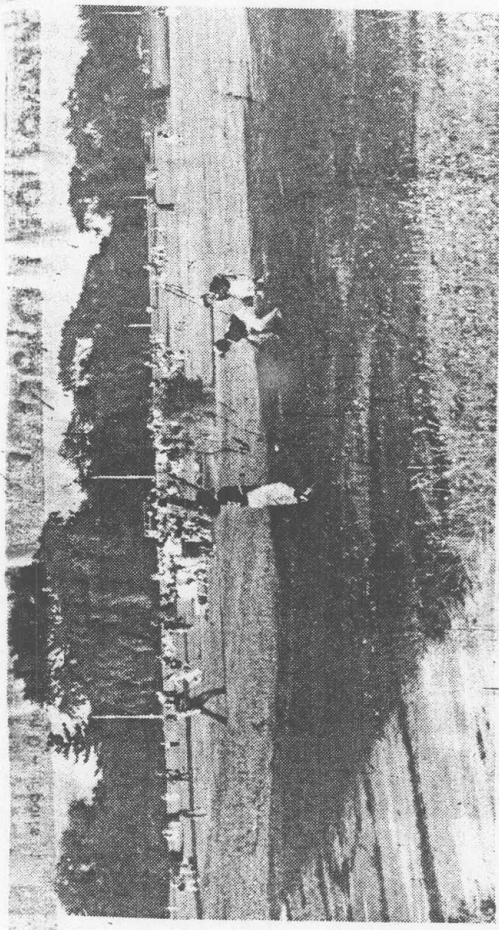
the highest energy consumption facility in the state, Kindtworth said. Demolition and gutting of buildings should begin next fall. The majority of the remaining buildings are two-story red-brick buildings with dark, shingled roofs. They will be renovated; new structures will connect some of the buildings to form large U-shaped buildings. A new gym and theater/performing arts center will be constructed and parking lots and a road encircling the campus will be built.

"We are keeping a lot of the buildings because we think they're good buildings," Kindtworth said. They can be easily adapted to CSI's needs, which will be cheaper than building everything from scratch.

The environmental impact of the move, these officials say, should be minimal. The land's use is not changing that much — it is an institution and will still be an institution.

Actually, Kindtworth said, the move will improve the grounds at Willowbrook because CSI will keep large areas of woods, tear up many of the roads and make a meadow where the enormous existing plant now stands. This meadow, in the future, could be used by the community as athletic fields, he said.

The development of this meadow brings up one of the problems raised by CSI's relocation. Several thousand children, who now use the SIDC's athletic fields through various Island sports leagues, will be displaced while construction is underway, Kindtworth said.



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Bullfields on the Staten Island Developmental Center grounds, now used by the community, will have to be closed off when construction begins for the new College of Staten Island campus.

Another question is whether sharing the new campus will work. If the primary use for the community and CSI is on weekends, will there be enough playing fields to go around?

Both questions will have to be addressed, said Robert Huber, a spokesman for Borough President Ralph J. Lambert. "This move has not been done precipitously. People have shown, to date anyway, respect for the complexity of the problem," he said.

During this past summer CSI and CUNY officials decided the new campus master plan from June 1985 needed revising because the size of the campus had been decreased.

CSI and CUNY originally had asked the state Board of Regents to approve the construction of 720,000 square feet but the board approved only 626,000 square feet. The purpose of the master plan-

plan "into line" with that smaller space allotment. This revision should be ready by the third week in October.

Edward Durell Stone Associates, the master plan designer, will also prepare a plan for the division of the design work; a few architects will be hired to design parts of the campus, Volpe said, in addition to a master architect who will oversee the overall design of the school.

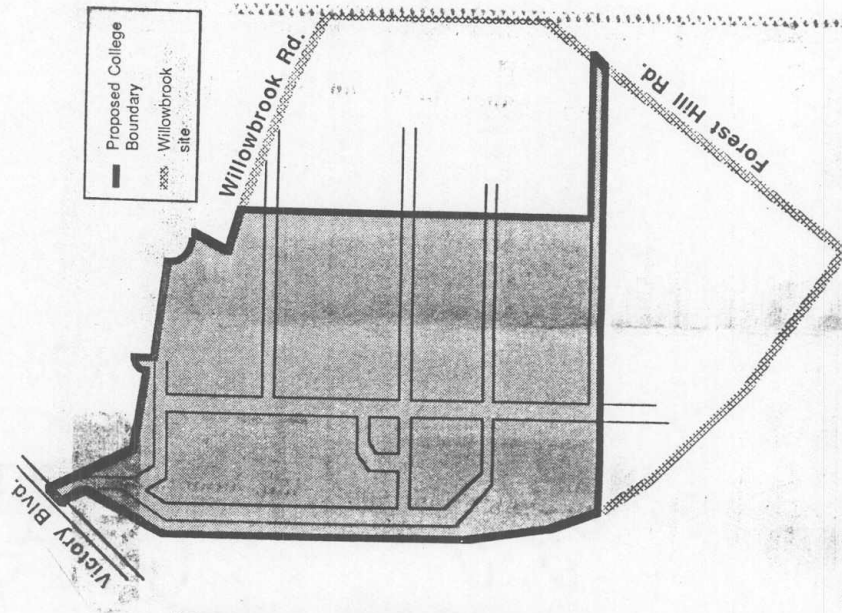
Volpe said he should have this plan in a few weeks and will begin interviewing architects soon after. In addition to the architecture firms, an engineering company will design the substructure including streets and a heating plant.

CSI plans to leave St. George in

1991 and Sunnyside in 1992. That schedule reflects a delay of a year; in 1985 the state discovered it could not sell bonds to finance the construction and the Assembly and Senate could not agree on legislation to create a new bonding mechanism.

More than a year later, that problem was resolved when a bill was passed this summer, allowing the Dormitory Authority to sell \$1.3 billion in bonds.

The state Dormitory Authority and CUNY are anxious to get this project underway, said Volpe. "There is a good deal of interest in pushing the work as quickly as possible," he said. "Once they start these projects, they really want them to move."



The shaded area shows where the College of Staten Island campus would be located in relation to the Staten Island Developmental Center grounds.