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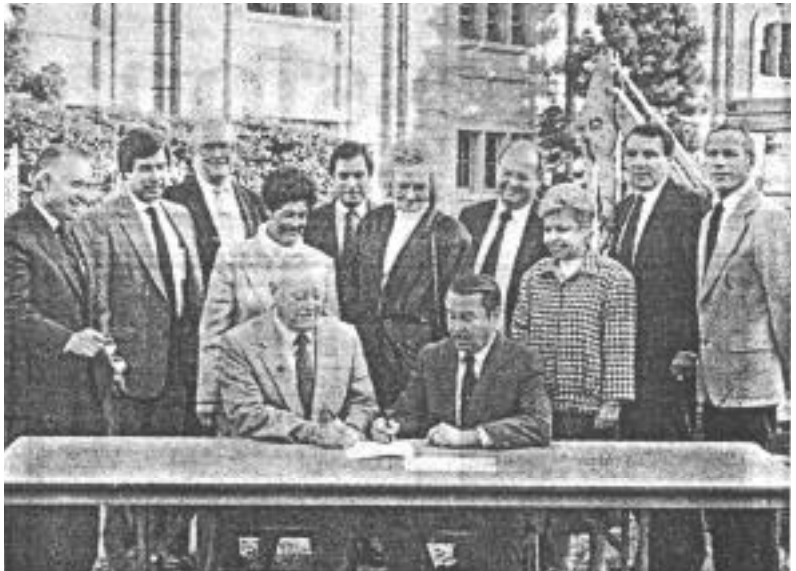
First new parking lot in years gets underway at PSE&G

CRANFORD— Local officials joined Public Service executives to break ground for the first new municipal parking lot in a number of years. The setting was the front yard of the PSE&G substation on South Ave. which the utility has made available for 38 slots.

This is the first of three parking expansion projects scheduled this fall. The others are reconfigurations of the southside train station lot just east of PSE&G and the municipal lot at Chestnut and High streets.

Public Service's general manager for electric operations, Richard Rosenmeier, and the firm's general manager for real estate, Roger Nelson, flanked Mayor Vince Brinkerhoff in the ceremony. Sandra Check, community representative for NJ Transit, also participated, along with members of the Township Committee including Carolyn Vollero, Ed Force and Doug Nordstrom. So did Dick Salway, Downtown Management Corp. chairman, and members of that body.

Dan Hadrava of New Jersey Bell, who initiated the idea and helped steer it to fruition, was among those handling a symbolic shovel at the Friday ceremony. The township is leasing the site for ten years in lieu of taxes for the portion used for parking.



SIGNING AGREEMENT for new parking lot on South Avenue are Mayor Vince Brinkerhoff and PSE&G real estate general manager Roger Nelson. Observers in front of sub-station include members of Chamber of Commerce, Township Committee and Downtown Management Corp. from left: Ed Murphy, Dan Hadrava, PSE&G's Richard Rosenmeier, Carolyn Vollero, Brian Leddy, Connie Haynes, Dick Salway, Meryl Laton, Doug Nordstrom and Ed Force.

