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### In town today

2 p.m. Open House, Columbian Missourian, Ninth and Elm streets.  
2 p.m. Sen. Tom Eagleton to open Carter-Mondale headquarters, 1003 E. Broadway.

**Exhibits**  
Continuing: Columbia Art League, Main Gallery, Gary Hennigh heraldic banners and William Sapp paintings and stretched-hide dimensional works, 3 to 5 p.m. Betty Robins Gallery, pastels and paintings by Suzanne Vanasse, 10:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Columbia College Art Center Gallery, oil paintings and water colors by Frank Stack, 2 to 10 p.m. Stephens College Student Art Gallery, multi-media show featuring painting, sculpture, photography, ceramics and glass works, 1 to 4 p.m. Davis Art Gallery, Navajo handiwork, 1:30 to 5 p.m. Brady Commons Art Gallery, Environment Art by Lee Snyder and drawings by Rich Guyette, 2 to 10 p.m. University Fine Arts Gallery, Gallery Art Faculty, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Kirtley Library, Columbia College, Drawings by Leonardo Da Vinci 2 to 10 p.m.

### Monday

Noon "What is a Feminist?" lecture by Mary Morrison, Gentry Hall, University.

**Exhibits**  
Continuing: Columbia College Art Center Gallery, oil paintings and water colors by Frank Stack, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Davis Art Gallery, Navajo handiwork, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Columbia Gallery of Photography, black and white photographs by Abigail Heyman, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. University Fine Arts Gallery, Gallery Art Faculty, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Kirtley Library, Columbia College, Drawings by Leonardo Da Vinci 8 to 10 p.m. Other exhibits same as Sunday.

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## Hua assumes Mao's post

TOKYO (AP) — Premier Hua Kuo-feng has been named chairman of the Chinese Communist party, taking over leadership of a nation that for 27 years knew only the strong hand of Mao Tse-tung.  
"Let us unite around the party led by Comrade Hua Kuo-feng," proclaimed one of many posters plastered on the walls of Peking, the Tokyo newspaper Asahi Shimbun said Saturday in a report from the Chinese capital.  
The posters made the first disclosure of Hua's elevation to the chairmanship, vacant since Mao's death Sept. 9. Chinese news media did not carry any official announcement.

Peking was relatively quiet Saturday, but much activity was seen around the central Tien An Men Square and official government quarters. The Japanese news service Kyodo, quoting reliable sources, said an official announcement was expected soon.  
The 57-year-old Hua, virtually unknown to the outside world until handpicked by Mao to be premier earlier this year, was appointed chairman by the party's 25-member Central Political Bureau, Japanese press reports said.  
He also was named chairman of the central military affairs commission, a post that had been held by Mao, the

reports said.  
Kyodo said Hua would resign from the premiership and name his own successor as head of government. Asahi said a likely new premier is Chang Chun Chiao, 57, now a vice premier and head of the general political department of the armed forces. Chang is ranked No. 4 in the Peking leadership.  
Hua is widely viewed by analysts as a stabilizing influence in the power struggle between moderates and radicals in the party. His appointment is also seen as a reaffirmation of Mao's policy of continuing enmity toward "revisionists" who follow the

"capitalist road" and toward the Soviet Union.  
A large, genial man, Hua is a native of Mao's home province of Hunan. He first caught Mao's eye as an agricultural specialist and local administrator there.  
After helping in the investigation of the late Defense Minister Lin Biao, accused in 1971 of plotting against Mao's life, Hua was given the post of public security minister.  
He was named acting premier and first vice chairman of the party when Mao personally sacked Teng Hsiao-ping, 72, who was close to Premier Chou En-lai and had been expected to take

over after Chou's death last Jan. 8.  
Although disgraced in the 1966-69 cultural revolution, Teng had repented his political sins and was restored to active political life in 1973 by Chou. But after Chou's death, Mao again branded Teng a "capitalist roader" and had the Politburo strip him of his posts of party vice chairman and chief of the army general staff.  
Hua achieved local prominence in Hunan in 1955 with successful water conservation and irrigation projects in Mao's native Hsiangtan County. His expertise in agriculture apparently appealed to Mao, who considered farming the nation's backbone.

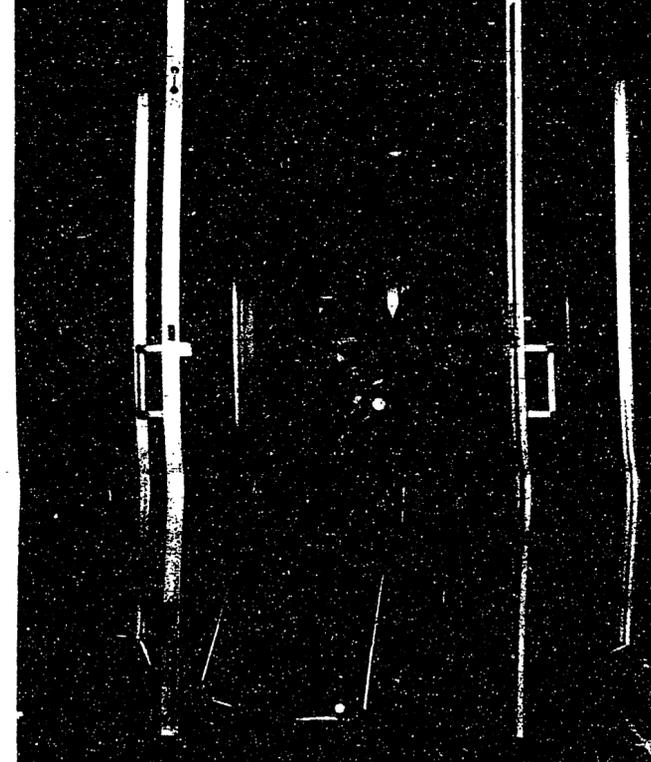
## Local officials partake in awareness program

By Jeffrey M. Christian  
Missourian staff writer

Mayor Bob Pugh had it all planned. To get a cup of coffee across the street, he would head out the rear door of the County-City Building, around the side of the building, down to Eighth Street, across Broadway and then back down the south side of Broadway to the Pizza Inn at Seventh and Broadway.  
He hadn't planned to take three minutes getting out the door, but he had to detour — his wheelchair would not permit him to take a shorter route.  
Pugh took part Saturday in Handicapped Awareness Day, designed to increase public and official awareness of the problems the handicapped face.  
Saturday morning a group of public officials, high school and college students and interested citizens met at the County-City Building. They were assigned to equipment intended to simulate various handicapped conditions and given tasks to perform.  
The event was co-sponsored by the Columbia chapter of the Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped and the Mid-Missouri region of the White House Conference on the Handicapped.  
State Rep. Harold Reisch, R-

Columbia, was blindfolded and sent out onto the downtown streets. "I think it was a good idea, well worth it," he said.  
"Little things" became critical to him. Door handles and elevators posed major obstacles. "There is a real panic in an elevator. I mean, how can you tell what floor you're at?" Reisch asked.  
Bill Oliver, 4318 Bethany Drive, was assigned a pair of crutches. He said, "I just went up the stairs and once around the block and I've had it. I don't want to do this anymore." He soon gave the crutches to a friend to try, adding the really sympathetic with what the handicapped go through.  
Pugh returned to the County-City Building visibly tired at the end of his task. He had been unable to reach the Boone County Courthouse because there are no ramps for wheelchairs on the courthouse block. He also had become stuck in a gravel pit.  
High school student Phyllis Montgomery, Route 10, was assigned crutches. "I've never noticed how high the curbs were. We went into Parks (Department Store) and they greeted us more cordially than usually," she said.  
Pugh said the need for public officials to empathize with handicapped people is "becoming increasingly apparent. When we built our building (the

Missouri Store Company's offices) it never occurred to us to take handicapped needs into consideration."  
Roger Wentworth, chairman of awareness day, said the objective was "to point out some of the problems and adverse conditions facing handicapped people."  
Wentworth, 1501 Vandiver Drive, said he hoped the event had made the participants more sensitive to the needs and problems of the handicapped. He said Columbia is meeting the needs of handicapped people in building regulations for new public housing and businesses, but said work still needs to be done on existing sidewalks and facilities.  
The city has been replacing curbs at the corners of streets with wheelchair ramps, but Pugh said it will be some time before the project is completed, especially in the downtown area.  
Betty Ann Dubansky, director of the White House Conference on Handicapped Individuals in Missouri, said less than one half of one per cent of the cost of construction would cover installing aids for the handicapped in most buildings.  
The White House Conference on the Handicapped will meet from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Nov. 13 at the Ramada Inn.



Mayor Bob Pugh negotiates doorway

## PSC cuts phone increase request

By Jim Keller  
Missourian staff writer

The Missouri Public Service Commission staff filed testimony Friday recommending approval of slightly more than one-half of the gross annual revenue increase requested by General Telephone Co.  
General Telephone, serving about 70,000 customers in Missouri, requested an increase of \$2.1 million. But the staff recommended between \$1.1 million and \$1.5 million.  
General Telephone last received a general rate increase of \$300,000 in August 1975.  
The staff's recommendation is considerably higher than one made last February on an earlier rate increase proposal that was withdrawn by General Telephone before the

commission could rule on it. In that earlier case the staff recommended no increase.  
The earlier request, filed in August 1975, was for a \$1.8 million increase in annual revenue. The company said it withdrew that request because the commission refused to consider new financial data supporting the company's position.  
That data concerned two time-rate studies by General Telephone in 1975 on customer usage of telephones. Those studies showed that the company's in-state service expenses had increased in proportion to its out-state service expenses.  
This increase of about \$300,000 to \$1 million in company expenses was submitted as evidence to the commission after the staff had studied the company's financial status and

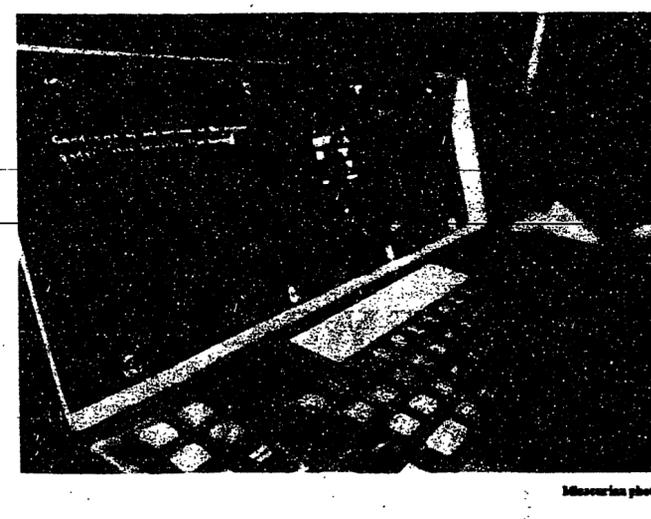
made its recommendation.  
After both the commission and the staff said it was too late to submit the evidence, General Telephone withdrew the request.  
In April the company filed its new \$2.1 million request, which included the cost of this in-state service expense.  
The staff's recommendation on the earlier request called for a rate decrease of \$6,000 with an 8.41 per cent rate of return, or a rate decrease of \$347,000 with an 8.04 per cent rate of return.  
The staff's new recommendation calls for a rate increase of \$1.1 million with an 8.8 per cent rate of return or \$1.5 million with a 9.2 per cent rate of return.  
The two rates of return in both the original and the new requests represent the low and high costs of equity

considered by the staff.  
George N. King, vice president and general manager of General Telephone in Missouri, said Saturday he is "somewhat disappointed. But I couldn't comment further until I have had some time to read the staff's recommendation." The staff mailed copies of its evidence Friday but King had not received one yet.  
King said that General Telephone requested about \$1 million in addition to the \$300,000 to \$1 million for in-state expenses to cover the increased costs of such items as borrowing money, taxes, labor, materials and postage.  
General Telephone also has requested that the charge on coin-operated telephones be increased from 10 cents to 20 cents. The commission

approved an identical increase for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. in St. Louis and Kansas City.  
In reference to another part of General Telephone's proposal — to charge 20 cents for each directory assistance call after the first three such calls each month — the staff testimony is inconclusive: "It is impossible to make any sort of judgment as to the merits of their particular plan" without additional information from General Telephone.  
A pre-hearing conference by the commission concerning the revenue increase request and the staff recommendations will be held Thursday in Jefferson City.  
A public hearing on the company's request will be held Oct. 27 in Columbia.

## Missourian open house

Video display screens, such as this one in the Columbia Missourian's composing room, are just a part of the equipment used in producing the modern newspaper. As part of National Newspaper Week, the public is invited to a Missourian open house from 2 to 5 p.m. today. Visitors will be able to view Missourian facilities, see how wire dispatches are received and watch the presses run. Visitors are invited to use the Missourian parking lot, immediately east of the access road to Francis Quadrangle on the University campus.



## Hospital saw baby twice

By Steve Snyder and Kinsey Lowe  
Missourian staff writers

Ira Rayshawn Hatton, a 15-month-old girl who died Monday, was admitted to the University Medical Center on at least two occasions before her death for conditions that indicated possible child neglect, reliable sources at the medical center said Saturday.  
Yinetta Hatton, the girl's mother, was charged Thursday with strangling the child. She was taken to Fulton State Mental Hospital Thursday after arraignment in Boone County Magistrate Court.  
Another child of Miss Hatton, Alicia, was two months old when she died June 13 of unknown causes.  
Medical sources said Ira Hatton was admitted to the medical center June 30 after swallowing bleach and was discharged July 14.

Ira was readmitted to the medical center on Sept. 13 for what is listed in the records as "seizures". She was discharged Sept. 19.  
After the bleach incident, medical sources said, personnel from the medical center consulted with the state Division of Family Services. The division responded that there was only circumstantial evidence pointing to child neglect, so no court action was undertaken, sources said.  
Jerry Brewer, director of the County Welfare Office, refused to comment when asked if the family services division was informed about the suspicions of medical personnel.  
Brewer also declined to comment about whether the office had taken any action in the matter.  
Yinetta Hatton was treated for at least three miscarriages at the medical center before a successful pregnancy led to the birth of Ira, June 16, 1975.