Weather

Snow flurries, cold, windy today; partly cloudy and cold tomorrow.

High Tides—The Battery 4:00 a.m.; 4:18 p.m.
Sun Rises—7:15 a.m. Sun Sets—4:31 p.m.

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HIPPIE OR ARTIST?—Alan Boucher of 71 South Magnolia av., Pearl River, N. Y. (in car) one of group of self-styled "artists" living on rented barges at Lord's Drydock, North Bergen, is questioned by North Bergen Patrolman Ralph Simone, and Department of Public Works Inspector Carl Roscitt regarding the living accommodations on the barges, that the "artists" refuse to let the township officials inspect. The barges are across River rd. from Mayor Angelo J. Sarubbi's plush construction company's offices.

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Colony of Artists or Hippies?

View From Sarubbi's Window

by CARL VENO

Hippie or Artist — you've got to go. That's the message from the North Bergen township "establishment."

In fact, the township officials are considering taking legal action to remove the "hippies" who are living in rented barges at the Lord Drydock, which is opposite Bulls Ferry rd. on River rd.

The area faces Mayor Angelo Sarubbi's ultramodern construction company offices. Sarubbi is not exactly overpoyed with his new neighbors.

Officials said the influx of hippies in the area resulted when the "Village Voice" a hippie-type weekly newspaper carried an ad which offered dock site space for rent to "artists."

Townships officials have their own definition of "artists."

Some are living in rooms with a chair and a bed. Others have installed wooden stoves which officials explain may be a "fire hazard to the area."

The land and water site is leased by the state to a Mrs. Boyer of New York City.

"I have a lease from the state that expires in October, 1970," said Mrs. Audry Boyer from her New York City real estate rental offices. "I would like to make one thing clear and that is these people we are renting dock space to are not hippies. They are artist and very famous artists."

Mrs. Boyer said she rented six sites to the swinging artist for $50 a month.

However, the "square" officials may have the last laugh on the bearded ones.

Officials claim the lease is subject to a 30-day revocation.

"The lease states that Mrs. Boyer must rent to boats," said one officials," not broken down barges."

Sarubbi looking out his office at the hippie colony said," It an eyesore to the entire area. I hope we can do something about it."

Looking from Sarubbi's gigantic plush full-size windows, standing knee deep into a fur

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rug, surrounded by a palace-like atmosphere the road straight ahead across you can see a yellow bus with curtains on the windows. Along side the bus is debris, cases of empty beer cans, more barges and more beer cans.

"What an ugly site," said one official.

Another replied "Depends how you look at it. Dig Man?"