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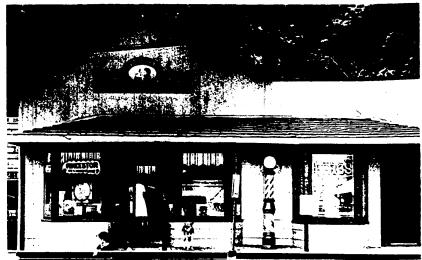
Storekeepers try living with history

The older suburban business districts are struggling—against the stropping centers, and against forces (roding their particular identity. Frankin VIII lage, with its tight historic preservation ordinanees, its afflicent sityound inpa and its quiet charm, has epilored to cone way to cope with the suburbanization of one-time small towns.

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business district has to offer is born out by an observation by Margaret Dickey, a long-time resident of Franklin who works in the vitalige office.

She takes care of building department matters and attempts to keep track of the comings and goings of the local shops and services.

"If someone new occupies a building, he's supposed to let us know so a build-pickey said." But they don't all call us, so some of them come in and out and you don't even know when they came and went."

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cause of the time." he added
We work mostly by recommendation on we get a majority of our customers from outside of Pranklin."
Gorback said "But we're convinced
this community can use someone like
us We're fitting ourselves in selling
film and taking in photo finishing because there's no drugstore in the
area."

If years. It's the oldest retail store in the village since the demse last winter of the 30-year-old Franklin Hardware.

She describes her business now as excellent "although last winter we experienced our first real drop since the store and before that a linguing opening." She attributed that to eco-

New association grows in power

"Being negative only turns people off." said the attractive blond busi-nesswoman who holds three jobs, one of them being a travel-consultant with Package Travel Service in Franklin.

The whole idea of our organization is to be positive, to cooperate with village officials, to contribute to local endeavors and to be informed on local issues that may affect the business district." Mrs. Cobb added.

The association is already involved with the celebration of the biceraen rial and Franklin's sequicemental

"We even considered calling our-selves the Franklin Village Coopera-tive Business Association," shi added.



lerick Sherline of Package Travel



Susan Cobb heads new business

Other officers elected were Jack Gorback of Gorback Studio of Photog-raphy, vice president; Sandy Barr of the Village Barn, secretary; and Dave Rybacki of the Franklin Country

The association's first project was



Inside the Buggy Works.



Larry Duncan at work.



At the Rolling Stone-in business