



City of Cambridge

43.

IN CITY COUNCIL

June 24, 1996

COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
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Thomas S. Kuhn on June 17, 1996 at the age of seventy-three years; and

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WHEREAS: Professor Kuhn earned his undergraduate degree in physic in 1943 from Harvard University, his master's degree in 1946 and his doctorate degree in 1949; and

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WHEREAS: Professor Kuhn received honors such as Laurance S. Rockefeller Professorship in Philosophy, the Howard T. Behrman Award, The History of Science Society's George Sarton Medal, the Society for Social Studies of Science's John Desmond Bernal award; and

WHEREAS: Professor Kuhn's passing will leave a void in the lives of all of his surviving friends and family, his wife Jeharee, his daughters Sarah Kuhn-LaChance and Elizabeth, and his son Nathaniel; and

WHEREAS: Professor Kuhn will be sorely missed by all he touched and loved; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family of **Professor Thomas S. Kuhn** at this time of such personal loss; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Kuhn family on behalf of the entire City Council.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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OBITUARIES

Barbara Gryska of Boston, 68, a homemaker

Barbara (Carney) Gryska of Boston, a homemaker, died of cancer Sunday at Avery Manor in Needham. She was 68.

Born in Boston, Mrs. Gryska was raised in Wellesley. She had also lived in Weston and Hingham.

Mrs. Gryska attended the Rimmer and May School, Boston. She received her bachelor's degree from Simmons College in 1949 and her master's degree in 51.

She was an active member of the Junior League of Boston, West Garden Club, Wellesley Country Club, Eastward Ho Country Club in Chatham, Stage Harbor Club in Chatham and the Chatham Beach and Tennis Club. Mrs. Gryska is survived by her husband, Paul F.; four sons, Paul Ryll of Medfield, Peter H. of Kory, N.C., Alexander of Medford and John S. of Boston; a daughter, Gale G. Willauer ofbury; a brother, John H. Carof West Harwich; and eight grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. at First Parish Church, Weston.

Burial will be private.

Arrangements by J.S. Water & Sons, Wellesley.

Raymond Spear Westwood, 96, rating engineer

Raymond L. Spear of Westwood, a retired heavy equipment operator, died June 27 at Victoria Haven Nursing Home in Norwood. He was 96.

Born in Norwood, Mr. Spear worked for the former O'Toole and Gravel Co. in Norwood many years. A member of the International Union of Operating Engineers, he died in 1965.

Spear was a member of First Parish United Church in Westwood.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. at the church.

Thomas S. Kuhn, 73, MIT professor emeritus

Thomas S. Kuhn of Cambridge, a professor emeritus of philosophy at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, died of throat cancer Monday at home. He was 73.

Mr. Kuhn was considered by his peers to be a central figure in contemporary thought about how the scientific process evolves.

More than 1 million copies have been printed of his book, "The Structure of Scientific Revolutions," published in 1962. It has also been translated into more than a dozen languages and remains a basic text in the study of the history of science and technology.

Vice President Al Gore praised Mr. Kuhn's work on June 7 during his commencement address at MIT.

In his remarks, Gore said Mr. Kuhn "described the way in which our understanding of the world properly evolves when faced with a sudden increase in the amount of information."

Mr. Kuhn was born in Cincinnati and studied physics at Harvard, earning his undergraduate degree in 1943, his master's degree in 1946 and his doctorate in 1949.

He taught at Harvard, the University of California at Berkeley and Princeton and joined MIT's faculty in 1979. From 1982 to 1991, Mr. Kuhn was the first holder of the Laurance S. Rockefeller Professorship in Philosophy.



THOMAS S. KUHN

His honors included the Howard T. Behrman Award for distinguished achievements in the humanities in 1977; the History of Science Society's George Sarton Medal in 1982; and the Society for Social Studies of Science's John Desmond Bernal Award in 1983.

Mr. Kuhn was a member of the National Academy of Sciences and served as president of the Philosophy of Science Association and the History of Science Society.

He is survived by his wife, Jehare (Burton); two daughters, Sarah Kuhn-LaChance of Framingham and Elizabeth of Los Angeles; and a son, Nathaniel of Arlington.

A memorial service will be held at MIT in the fall.

Edward Teague, former employee of B & M Railroad

Edward B. Teague Jr. of Westford, a retired railroad employee, died Tuesday at his home. He was 74.

Born in Lowell, he lived there until he moved to Westford in 1988. He graduated from Keith Academy High School in 1938 and from Lowell Commercial College in 1940. He earned a bachelor's degree in sociology from Boston College in 1951.

Mr. Teague was employed with the B & M Railroad from 1946 until his retirement in 1981. He was a chairman of the revenue committee of the Association of American Railroads.

He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

Mr. Teague was a member of St. Catherine's Church in Westford. He was also a member of the Immaculate Conception Church in Lowell, where he was choir director for seven years. He was a member of the Holy Name Society.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret M. (McCartin); five daughters, Mary M. (Gresco) Giniere of Hampton, N.H., Kathleen Hartling of Portsmouth, R.I., Anne Traverso and Monica Nagle of Dracut, and Rosemary Townsend of Lowell; seven sons, state Rep. Edward B. III of Yarmouth, Francis P. of Tewksbury, James A. of Lowell, Joseph L. of Woburn, Paul M. of Lowell, Denis T. of N. Providence, R.I., and Lawrence A. of Lowell; and 34 grandchildren.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated tomorrow at 9 a.m. at St. Catherine's Church, Westford.

Burial will be in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Lowell.

Arrangements by Dolan Funeral Home, Chelmsford.

Karl L. Fickes, blimp specialist

AKRON, Ohio — Karl L. Fickes, a Goodyear blimp specialist who flew on the trial flights of the Hindenberg, died Saturday at 94.

Mr. Fickes, who began his 44-year career with the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. in 1922, helped build early Army and Navy blimps. He was one of the

famous and up-and-coming musicians of the Big Band era, as well as actors of stage and screen.

He was nicknamed "Ross the Musical Boss" by a loyal listener.

Mr. Miller became assistant program manager in 1962 and program manager in 1963. He retired in 1993 as vice president of WTIC-AM 1080.

Mr. Miller was involved in charity work for several causes in the Hartford area, including leadership roles for the March of Dimes Foundation, the Sierra Club, the Salvation Army, the Kiwanis Club and the B'nai B'rith.

Radio personality Ross Miller

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. — Ross Miller, a former WTIC radio personality and station executive known as "Ross the Musical Boss," died Sunday at John Dempsey Hospital in Farmington. His age and cause of death were unavailable.

Born in Boston, Mr. Miller began his career at WTIC in 1945 and spent nearly 50 years on the air and managing the Hartford station.

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Deaths of

Thomas Kuhn - Herald Today

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Councillor Duehay and entire membership
re: Resolution on the death of
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Order Adopted