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*In the summer around the turn of the century, Commercial Street, as it is today, was the bustling heart of Provincetown. The traffic was heavy, with the tour barges making the rounds and the pedestrians forsaking the narrow wooden boardwalk that was Provincetown's version of a sidewalk. But at the West End, still a good hike from the center of town, it was quieter, quiet enough for a chat in the shade of towering elms.*

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Taylor's Christopher Wren & Pilgrim Churches - Patrick's - News Dealer

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### Patricks add a fourth gift shop to enterprises.

Cyril T. and Philomena Patrick, owners of three gift shops in Provincetown, have acquired another one in Falmouth, it was announced recently. The Quaker Bonnet, a shop established in 1950 by Cedric K. and Mrs. Hadley of Falmouth, changed hands Friday, Dec. 30.

New manager of the Falmouth store is son Joseph T. Patrick, a sixth grade teacher at Falmouth Intermediate School. He will continue teaching.

His brother, Cyril J. Patrick, manages one of the family businesses, the Patrician, which has a lunch counter, gifts, and a book and newspaper department in the east end of Provincetown.

Other Patrick family businesses include the Noel Shop in the Patrick home at 240 Commercial, and the Gryphon at 210 Commercial, recently remodelled and enlarged for the sale of pewter, silver and fine glass. They also own several cottages.

From their winter home at Riviera Beach, Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick said they plan to expand again soon, going into the mail order business.

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### Newspapers Gone From Old Store In Center Of Town

Patrick's, the news store at 306 Commercial Street in the center of town, that for 60 years has functioned as vendor of newspapers, ceased that service this week and local residents and vacationists were left without a centrally located source of local and off-Cape newspapers.

The store, formerly owned by Mrs. Arthur C. Patrick, was sold a year ago to Roy F. Chase, Mrs. Patrick's son-in-law. On July 10 Mr. Chase sent out notice to distributors that "no later than August 1, 1968" the store would cease to sell newspapers. The service was ended this week.

Readers of the New York and Boston papers and of other newspapers, including The Advocate, found the counter bare of their former stacks of papers. The patrons went in search of stores selling newspapers. Yesterday the store sign still read "Newspapers."