

OBITUARIES

Roland Frambes, restaurant owner

Roland Frambes, 56, owner of Center City's Monster Inn, died Monday at Pennsylvania Hospital. He lived in the Old City district.

Mr. Frambes, a former editor and theatrical designer, opened the inn four years ago on South Quince Street. Located behind the Forrest Theatre, between 11th and 12th Streets and Locust and Walnut Streets, it quickly became an actors' hangout and spot for theatergoers.

The menu reflected his sense of humor and the restaurant theme, offering such touches as "Decapitated coffee." Entrees were always ir-

by "Victim of the Day."

Mr. Frambes, who had a reputation as something of a chef as well as a popular host, worked in both roles at the restaurant. He enjoyed both, he said. "It's like giving a dinner party and getting paid for it," he told a friend.

Born in Bridgeton, N.J., he worked for a time on the newspaper there. He became interested in the theater and found his way to New York. He worked in set and costume design and collaborated with Jose Limon and his dance company.

He was an editor for the J.B. Lip-

pincott Co. and for Chilton Publishers and became an account executive for Jean Brieg Associates, an agency specializing in book promotion and publicity.

Mr. Frambes was president of Advantages, an advertising agency in the field of publishing, before he joined Ron Lord in opening the Monster Inn.

He is survived by a brother, Mahlon.

At his requests, no services will be held. Contributions in his name may be sent to the John Locke Fund, 1216 Walnut St.