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Stanley Black & Decker is closing its Greenwich nail and staples factory off 128 workers. The company said the factory will close by December 20/2. A spokesman said 75 workers will be

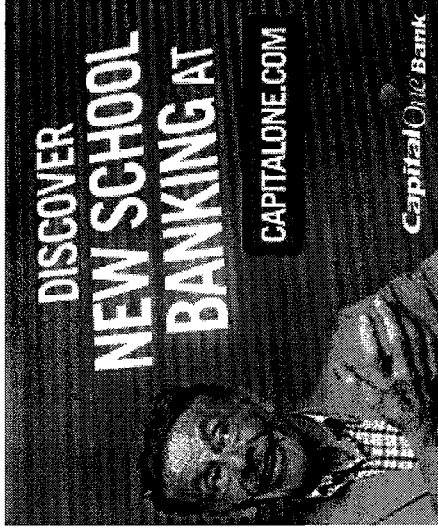
and work at a smaller facility at an undetermined Rhode Island location. East Greenwich factory makes nails and staples branded with the Black & Decker name. The work done there will be moved to a new factory in Greenwich, Conn., the company said. The move to keep the Bostitch business globally competitive. At its peak in the 1980s, the factory had about 1,400 workers. Its shutdown continues a trend that's seen the number of state manufacturing jobs decline from 97,400 in January 1990 to 39,500 as of August. (AP) ■

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