

## Search for mysterious World War II pilot continues

By WARREN TALBOT  
**PROVIDENCE, R.I.** (UPI) — For more than 30 years Curtis Norris has been attempting to learn the identity of a courageous and mysterious World War II pilot whose body supposedly is buried beside the wreckage of his "home-made" plane in Communist China.

The search for anybody who may have known the pilot's name and the actual story behind his incredible feat of bravery has resulted in bits and pieces of information but nothing substantial enough to lead to an identity.

"Every war has its stories of bravery. But I think this pilot's story is one of super patriotism, something you wouldn't find today," Norris said.

"All that I know about the man is that he may have been from Massachusetts. He was probably in his early 20's when he made his flight and that he probably had dark hair," Norris said.

The mysterious pilot's story takes place on Dec. 8, 1942, exactly one year after the Japanese attack on the Philippines and months after all American and allied resistance in the islands had ceased.

Reports were picked up by the Chinese Warning Net that an unidentified P-40 was flying off the China coast from the direction of Japanese territory in Formosa. It would have been highly unusual for an American P-40 to be flying out of enemy territory and a Japanese ruse was suspected.

Americans at an airfield in Kienow China were alerted and two pursuit planes went up to investigate. The intercepting pilot was a man known as Costello and Col. Robert E. Scott Jr., now a retired Air Force general.

According to a later account by Scott, the plane was bullet riddled, had no landing gear, had outdated United States insignia and the pilot's face was bloodied.

He did not answer radio calls and appeared to be dead. But the plane kept flying in a straight path towards allied territory. The intercepting pilots had no choice but to shoot it down.

In a letter to Norris from Scott the following account was given:

"I kept going right straight on the course we had originally seen it in our approach. We first fired tracers. It kept right on and so we then fired into it from my shots aimed at where the wing on the right joined the fuselage. I think I knew even then the pilot was dead. I kept thinking about it for all the rest of the year."

The plane crashed in a rice paddy high in the eastern China hills. Chinese guerrillas later found the wreckage, buried the body and took a partially destroyed diary and several letters from the pilot.

wreckage and sent them to Kienow airbase.

"The letter were mailed. We believe they were bound for Massachusetts. And it is from the diary that we can reconstruct what went on before the flight," Norris said.

From the diary it was learned that the plane was loaded with one 500-pound bomb which the mysterious pilot dropped on a Japanese base near Formosa on his way out.

"The fact that he dropped the bomb has been substantiated by Japanese records. There are Japanese accounts of a single plane coming out of nowhere and divebombing the base," Norris said.

The 48-year-old former newspaperman now with the Brown University news bureau, says the men were unable to find any useable parts for landing gear. "So they came up with the idea of bamboo skids. And he took off that way."

While serving with the old Army-Air Force in 1945 in Bataan, Norris — then 18 years old — talked to men who heard about the incident but no one who knew the pilot or his other buddies stranded on Mindanao.

To this day the fate of those men and their names remain unknown.



## The weather

Partly sunny, windy, high in low to mid 20s. Partly cloudy tonight, low in teens. Sunny Wednesday, high in mid to upper 20s. National weather forecast map on p. 17.

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## News summary

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### State

**HARTFORD** — A state fact-finder has recommended Hartford policemen get two pay raises of three per cent in a two-year contract. The city was offering 2 per cent and the police union was asking for 8 per cent. The recommendation is not binding on either party.

**HARTFORD** — Rudolph Supina, maintenance chief of the state Transportation Department, said the state had to dig deep into its \$10 million annual snow removal fund this week. Clearing the highways cost \$29,872, he said. The state plans for about 30 storms of varying strength each winter.

### Regional

**BOSTON** — The Boston City Council has extended rent control for four years in the city with the exception that units vacated after the beginning of January will be exempt from control. A state rent control bill is pending before the legislature.

**BOSTON** — In a divided, precedent-setting decision, the Massachusetts Supreme Court has held imposing the death sentence on persons convicted of murder during rape violates the state constitution.

### National

**WASHINGTON** — The Internal Revenue Service will send out \$4-million income tax forms the day after Christmas, possibly the largest single mailing in history. The forms are due back by April 15.

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** — Steven Soliah, Patricia Hearsy's boyfriend at the time of her capture, has asked that bank robbery charges against him be dismissed on grounds he cannot get a fair trial.

**PHILADELPHIA** — A federal grand jury indicts five men on charges of buying arms and smuggling them to Northern Ireland for the outlawed Irish Republican Army.

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** — The arrest of Lynette Fromme's roommate, Sandra Good, on a charge of plotting to send death threats through the mails puts all known hard-core followers of Charles Manson behind bars.

**WASHINGTON** — The Federal Election Commission, with the threat of a Supreme Court injunction removed, is prepared to approve the first \$2 million in federal campaign funds.

**MIAMI** — Cuban Premier Fidel Castro, answering President Ford's statement that chances for resumption of U.S.-Cuban relations are nil, says "We don't need anything from the United States."

### International

**VATICAN CITY** — On Christmas Eve, Pope Paul VI will end the 1975 Holy Year by sealing the bronze gates of the Holy Door in St. Peter's Basilica. They will remain closed until the year 2,000. It will end the year-long jubilee that one official said was "a bigger success than anyone, including the Holy Father, hoped or expected."

**BEIRUT, Lebanon** — Syria has agreed to crack down on illicit arms shipments into Lebanon in an attempt to halt a rapidly expanding war east of Beirut that has killed more than 70 civilians, according to government sources.

**BUENOS AIRES, Argentina** — President Isabel Peron, unshaken by an attempted coup and widespread calls for her resignation, says she is determined to remain in office until her term ends in 1977.

## Kidnapers of oil ministers surrender

**ALGIERS, Algeria** (UPI) — Pro-Palestinian terrorists who kidnaped the world's top oil ministers in a bloody shootout in Vienna surrendered quietly today, freeing their hostages unharmed at the end of a 25-hour hopscotch flight around North Africa.

The guerrillas — four men and a woman calling themselves the "Arm of the Arab Revolution" — stepped slowly from the Austrian Airlines DC3 and handed over their machine guns to Algerian police.

The terrorists decided to end the siege after airline crew members, exhausted from criss-crossing the Arab world, said they were too tired to fly any further.

Algerian and Austrian officials at Algiers Airport then negotiated the surrender.

After the gang gave up, Algerian officials whisked the commandos to police headquarters in an official Algerian government car.

Some Algerian officials said the commandos might be put on trial. Others said they might be handed over to the Palestine Liberation Organization, which has condemned their action.

Other officials recalled that in the past, other terrorist gangs simply have "disappeared" — apparently allowed to return to their guerrilla bases.

Among those released today were two prize prisoners: Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the oil minister of Saudi Arabia, and Jamshi Amouzegar, the oil minister and interior minister of Iran. Both are powerful figures with international clout.

The guerrillas originally seized 11 oil chiefs and a number of their aides in a daring raid Sunday on the Vienna headquarters of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Three persons were killed in the takeover.

The terrorists demanded an end to Arab cooperation with Israel and called on oil-rich Arab lands to contribute money to the Palestinian cause.

The Austrian government met their demands for a plane to fly the guerrillas and almost three dozen hostages out of the country.

The band unloaded seven oil ministers and a number of their aides Monday during stops in Algiers and Tripoli, Libya. At Tripoli, the terrorists tried to get a long distance jet to take them across the Mediterranean and much of the Mid-

die east to the Iraqi capital of Baghdad, where they had hoped to find a welcome.

But Libyan authorities refused to provide the new plane and the weary crew refused to continue the flight after it returned to Algiers in the early hours. Facing a stalemate, the gunman freed their remaining 15 hostages and surrendered.

The identities of the gunmen were not known, but a hostage told Algerian reporter they were four Palestinians and one German. A sixth gunman was seriously wounded in the Vienna shootout and was hospitalized in Algiers when the plane first landed Monday.

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## First family leaves for skiing vacation

**WASHINGTON** (UPI) — President Ford left today for a week-long skiing vacation with his family at Vail, Colo., where he will also sign a tax cut extension bill and work on his State of the Union address to Congress.

At Force One, the President's jetliner, took off from Andrews AFB, Md. at 8:20 a.m. for the four-hour flight to Vail.

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He said it would be followed by "more than a dozen" messages on specific proposals. "The State of the Union will be a broad, more philosophical setting of national goals and pointing of the national direction," Nessen said, "not a shopping list of legislative proposals as some have been in the past."

## Worst Christmas gifts recalled by celebrities

**PATRICK J. KILLEN**  
**United Press International**

To superstar operator Stanley Marcus, his worst Christmas present was a donkey. To Bob Hope, the worst was a tie from Bing Crosby. To baseball's Bill Veck, it was a K-ration dinner during World War II. But in any sampling of worst Christmas presents, Kent King's story is a standout.

King, of Mankato, Minn., spent one December during World War II in ankle deep mud in the western Pacific.

"Others had received home-baked bread, bottles of wine, cookies, candy, etc. Finally my present came... a shoe shine kit," King said. "We had brown shoes under all that mold, mud and water."

"The kit had black polish."

King's anguish prompted a survey by UPI of others who had suffered from St. Nick (as well as a nod to some of their best Yule gifts).

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right present," Butz said, "but it really wasn't very exciting that Christmas."

Actor-author David Niven said, "When I was a tot I sat waiting for Santa to come in the front door. When he arrived he reeked of alcohol and fell flat on his face. His beard came off and it was my father."

Niven said his best present was "my demobilization papers on Christmas, 1945, after 6½ years in the British Army."

Bill Veck said his best present was "right now, to have all my kids home and to be employed again (as owner-operator of the Chicago White Sox)." His worst was in the Pacific during the war when "I had a K-ration for Christmas dinner."

Phyllis Diller said her worst was "a snake sent to me by a smart-alec friend with a note that read, 'Do yourself a belt kit.' It included a buckle."

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## The spirit still lives

**HAROLD E. TURKINGTON**  
**Herald Managing Editor**

It was over Monday night almost as quickly as it began.

"There's a group of kids on the front porch," my wife said. "Turn on the lights."

I did.

Then as I turned the latch on the storm door, I heard this in song: "We wish you a Merry Christmas, We wish you a Merry Christmas, We wish you a Merry Christmas And a Happy New Year."

In unison, the eight youngsters through teen-agers shouted: "Have a happy holiday!"

And off they went, to the next houses along Hollister St. and side streets like Berkeley and Clifton, ringing a door bell and singing something appropriate for the season.

The little guy — about seven years old — reminded the rest: "Next house we sing 'Rudolph!'"

The snow? The snow? "The warmth of young voices? Truly, the spirit of Christmas."

## Thrills...

Monday was a beautiful day for the young — and the young at heart. The snow storm closed the schools so there was an extra holiday for enjoying the snow as only youngsters can.

Patrick Cooney, age 9, of 10 Cottage St., reflexes the joy and enthusiasm of a good run down a slope and graphically demonstrates the hazards of sliding whether it be on a toboggan, Flexible Flyer or the marvel of modern

science, that heavy piece of plastic that replaces an older generation's improvised slider made from the side of a large pastebord box. Today it was back to school for a day before the official beginning of Christmas vacation and more opportunities to enjoy now which the weather forecasters say will be around for some time to come. (Herald photos by Dunn)

## ...and spills



## President signs energy bill

**WASHINGTON** (UPI) — President Ford and Congress battled nearly a year on a comprehensive energy bill, so when the President signed the legislation he emphasized the positive.

In a statement after he signed it Monday, Ford called the bill "only a beginning" and asked Congress to work on other energy provisions "essential to achieve energy independence," including deregulating natural gas prices.

"We cannot afford continued delay. We cannot afford prolonged vulnerability to foreign producers. We must act," he said. "It is in that spirit that I have decided to sign the energy bill."

The bill would force oil prices down at the start of a 40-month period. But to the average consumer — the motorist wanting gasoline, the home owner buying heating oil, the businessman putting up new lights — product prices may not go down at all.

Ford, who wanted to encourage conservation through higher prices, settled for a compromise pricing policy and several of Congress' ideas on how to save fuel.

He emphasized four parts of the bill he liked: It opens the way to eventual freedom from price controls, establishes a domestic strategic storage for oil, allows federal officials to force industries to switch fuels and boosts production and conservation with federal-state initiatives.

"While this bill is only a beginning, it does achieve several major objectives," Ford said.

"I now ask the Congress to work with me to put into place additional programs essential to achieve energy independence, including immediate congressional action to deregulate natural gas, to stimulate far greater production."

Democrats who drew up the bill

contended its price controls would mean gasoline would be 1.5 to 3.5 cents cheaper by the gallon at the start of the program and by late 1977 would reach the current level again.

Federal Energy Administration officials said the real effect may be nothing because retailers have some backed-up costs they can pass on to customers and thus cancel the initial rollback of prices.

## Ford vetoes picketing bill

**WASHINGTON** (UPI) — President Ford has vetoed a bill that would have expanded construction workers' picketing power — and it could cost him his secretary of labor.

Labor Secretary John Dunlop helped steer the bill through Congress after negotiations between construction unions and the building

industry, then strongly urged Ford to sign it.

When Ford's veto came, Dunlop did nothing Monday to dispel reports he would consider resigning in protest.

The veto meant Ford reneged on his promise earlier this year to Dunlop and the AFL-CIO to sign the bill under certain conditions. It also meant the politically potent AFL-CIO would, as promised, "actively work against" Ford in the next election.

A spokesman said Dunlop would take a couple of weeks to consider his next move. Dunlop issued a statement saying the veto "comes as no great surprise, for the pressures on him to do so were substantial."

"I am naturally disappointed, for I maintain my conviction that on its merits, the enactment of this legislation would have done much to stabilize

this nation's construction industry."

The construction industry hailed the veto, but the Associated Builders and Contractors urged Dunlop to stay in his job because "the industry sorely needs his pragmatic approach to its problems."

The veto came after pressure from Republican politicians who warned the President his signature on the bill would cause many conservatives to turn to GOP challenger Ronald Reagan in the 1976 election. Reagan opposed the bill.

The bill would have given labor something it had sought for the past quarter-century, the right to shut down an entire construction site in a dispute with only one subcontractor.

It also would have streamlined the chaotic system of local contract bargaining in the construction industry.

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### Old Town Hall to get prize money

**Hebron**  
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Hebron's Historical Society Restoration Committee agreed Monday the \$200 prize money it won this month in a national Bicentennial contest will go toward restoration of the Old Town Hall.

The contest was to select contemporary versions of Great Hostess Tables as they might have been created by great hostesses of the past. Hebron shared the \$1,000 first prize with four other Hartford area towns.  
Henrietta Green and Ann Ives, chairwomen of the Restoration Committee, said 40 cities in the United States took part in the contest preparing a table setting using pewter ware.  
The national judging was made on the five table settings as a whole and included groups from Glastonbury, Wethersfield, West Hartford and Hartford.  
Mrs. Ives and Wendy Yaps prepared the winning table setting from Hebron. It had a children's colonial tea party theme.  
Hebron's entry will be reproduced at the National China and Glass Show in Atlantic City in March.  
Mrs. Green said the prize money will go a long way to ensure the Old Town Hall will be ready for its planned opening in June. Restoration to date, she said, includes plastering the ceiling, and work has begun on the woodwork.

### THEATRE SCHEDULE

U.A. East 1 — "Lenny," 7:15-9:15  
U.A. East 2 — "Smile," 7:00-9:00  
U.A. East 3 — "Papillon," 8:00  
Showcase Cinemas 1234 — Call Theatre for show time  
Vernon Cine 1 — "Royal Flash," 7:25; "Concert for Bangladesh," 9:15  
Vernon Cine 2 — "Groove Tube," 7:10-9:45; "Flesh Gordon," 8:30

### Bolton Briefs

**Christmas trees recycled**  
The conservation committee will recycle Christmas trees again this year.

They may be dropped at Herrick Memorial Park after Jan. 1. The chips will be used at the park and Bentley Memorial Library.

**Yule projects**  
The Bolton High School chapter of Future Business Leaders of America has joined with area projects in the collection of toys that will be distributed to children in Hartford and Tolland Counties.

Project Noel is sponsored by the Community Renewal Team serving Greater Hartford. Project Focus is a Mansfield Training School program. The local club has placed decorative containers in all three Bolton schools.

Beverly Plumb, club advisor, said the faculty, staff and students in the three schools have been cooperative in bringing in toys and gifts that will bring cheer to area children.

### Bennet student visits Herald

Spending a day at The Manchester Evening Herald was more than just a day away from school, so Charles Kloter of 81 Cambridge St. discovered last Friday.

Two of his classmates had visited The Herald two other days during the week observing the routines of a reporter and a photographer.

The visits were part of project assignments in the seventh grade social studies class at Bennet Junior High School dealing with communication and the news media.

Charles also discovered that a reporter has to make certain daily rounds to get news items from the Town Hall such as the public records, and to Manchester Memorial Hospital to pick up the daily patient discharge list. Probably the most exciting thing Charles saw was the magic that occurs in the press room when a button is pressed and the big wheels of the press begin to roll turning out hundreds of folded and neatly bundled newspapers for delivery.  
In the report he wrote for his teacher, Charles detailed all his observations from the precise the reporter writes the first thing in the morning, detailing his day's work, to his concluding observation, which was "that for 15

cents a paper, the people at The Herald put a heck of a lot of work into the paper."  
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### Big and little sisters enjoy holiday party

Robin Austin of Manchester, at left, and Jane Donovan, her Big Sister, play the piano during a Christmas party Saturday at South United Methodist Church. The Big-Little Sister Program is conducted by Jennie Talbot of Youth Services of Manchester. Refreshments were served and Santa Claus distributed gifts. The big sisters are Manchester High School and Manchester Community College students who volunteer to befriend elementary-age students for the school year. The program now has 41 matches. (Herald photo by Danna)

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### The lighter side: The last minute shopper saver

By DICK WEST  
WASHINGTON (UPI) — Still stumped over a gift for your gourmet uncle? Relief may be more than a dollar away, but for \$14.95 your problem is solved.  
For that is the sum it will take to buy him a cordless electric peppermill.  
I have just seen an advertisement for this eminently desirable item and I couldn't help wondering why someone didn't think of it sooner.  
As all good hosts and hostesses know, there is no greater impediment to the enjoyment of a sumptuous repast than a peppermill cord.  
For one thing, the nearest wall plug may be

across the room, forcing you to run an extension wire across the floor in order to have juice to grind pepper at the table.  
Some guest lurching toward his chair is certain to stumble over the makeshift wiring, yanking the peppermill off the table and overturning a pitcher of buttermilk in the process.  
Or, if that doesn't happen, the cord becomes entangled with the pickle jar as you are passing the pepper and someone winds up with a lap full of Gerkins.  
Either way, a bad scene that plays hob with your reputation for gracious living.

A cordless peppermill powered by its own battery obviously is a must for anyone who values his image as a giver of flawless dinner parties.  
In that regard, I should like to suggest that the electric seasoning industry go a step further next Christmas and bring us a cordless saltshaker.  
While it's a distinct plus to have a peppermill that requires no external wiring, the ultimate in elegant dining cannot be achieved if one is forever fumbling with a saltshaker cord.  
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On another occasion, the salshaker got crossed and blew all the fuses on the electric toothpicks.  
This is not to say cordless seasoning will eliminate all the threats to your status as a perfect host.  
As we all know from countless times of being caught in the dark with dead flashlights, batteries tend to run down at inauspicious moments.  
I've heard the peppermill industry is working on a backup system for use in such emergencies. It involves a hand-cranked grinder. But thus far it's still in the experimental stage.

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### Citizen given award for aiding police

"Seldom does the public respond the way you did," Manchester Police Chief Robert Laman told Ross Sherman today, "and when they do, it makes my job a little bit easier."

Laman was presenting Sherman a certificate of appreciation for his efforts Dec. 5 to apprehend a burglary suspect at the Coronado Apartments on Prospect St.

"It's refreshing to see someone get involved," Laman told Sherman in brief ceremonies at the police station. "Thanks for a job well done."

Sherman, 26, a resident of the Coronado Apartments, was honored for extraordinary action in observing, confronting, chasing and holding an intruder near his home.

Sherman said he was returning to his apartment late that Friday night when he heard sounds of glass breaking. He left his apartment to see what was happening, and he noticed a window broken in an apartment in a nearby building.

He investigated further, and saw a man inside the darkened apartment. After getting the manager to help, Sherman returned to the scene and called in to the intruder, asking him what he was doing.

The intruder replied that he lived there. Sherman said he was still suspicious of the man's actions, so he continued to watch the front of the apartment while the manager "covered" the rear.

The man then picked up a pile of goods, including a stereo and clothing, and headed out the front



Manchester Police Chief Robert Laman congratulates Ross Sherman, 26, a Prospect St. resident who helped nab a burglary suspect near his home Dec. 5. Sherman was given a certificate of appreciation this morning. (Herald photo by Pinto)

### AREA POLICE

#### SOUTH WINDSOR

Carroll J. Gardner, 32, of 23 Brooklyn St., Rockville was arrested Monday by South Windsor Police on a warrant issued by Common Pleas Court 12 charging him with one count of first-degree larceny and two counts of second-degree larceny by receipt of stolen goods.

Police Chief John Kerrigan said the charges were made in connection with breaks at the Selden Service Store on Sullivan Ave. in February this year and December last year and a break at Cher's Mobile, Oakland Ave., last May.

Gardner is out on bond for other alleged offenses and was released on his promise to appear in Common Pleas Court 12, East Hartford, Jan. 12.

liquor or drugs and two counts of evading responsibility.

Police said Carragher was observed driving erratically on Rt. 83. It was found he had struck two cars, one driven by John Darico and the other by Frank Whitehead, both of Vernon. No injuries were reported.

Carragher is to appear in court in Rockville, Jan. 14.

**ANDOVER**

Kevin C. Sorrentino, 20, of Montville, and Aracelio Gonzalez, 31, of Willimantic, were charged early this morning with third-degree burglary and third-degree larceny.

The arrests were made in connection with a break into the Andover Texaco Station on Rt. 8. Police said the door to the office was broken and articles were removed. The pair was picked up by Willimantic Police and police said they had the stolen goods in their possession. They were turned over to State Police, Colchester.

Sorrentino was released on a \$500 non-surety bond for appearance in Common Pleas Court 19, Rockville, Jan. 20. In lieu of posting bond, Gonzalez was to be presented in court in Rockville, today.

### Oil firm suspending operations in Angola

**PITTSBURGH (UPI)** — Gulf Oil Corp. Monday announced it is suspending operations temporarily in Angola, withdrawing its personnel from the former Portuguese colony and putting into escrow royalties due the pro-Soviet Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola.

The actions had been recommended strongly by the State Department, which supports two other Angola factions.

Since 1968, Gulf has produced up to 150,000 barrels of oil a day from 120 offshore oil wells in the Angola enclave of Cabinda. In return, Gulf has paid the Angolan government about \$500 million a year in royalties and taxes—the country's single largest source of revenue.

When Angola gained its independence Nov. 11, the Soviet-backed Popular Movement seized the capital of Luanda and the Cabinda enclave, putting Gulf in the position of paying royalties to a faction opposed by the U.S. government.

short sprint, Sherman tackled the intruder, and with the help of other Coronado residents held him until police arrived.

Police then arrested David P. Jean, 22, of Hartford on charges of second-degree burglary, second-degree larceny, and third-degree larceny. When brought to headquarters, Jean was also served with an arrest warrant charging him with first-degree robbery and third-degree larceny, in connection with the October 1971 armed holdup of a local dairy store, police said.

Jean was originally held on \$35,000 bond, but the bond was later reduced to \$2,000. He still couldn't post the bond and is being held at the state jail in Hartford, awaiting court appearance next Monday.

Sherman says he's not sure why he got involved in the case; it was probably a natural action without much thought given to it. He said another factor might have been that his home in Bolton, where he lived before coming to Manchester, had been burglarized twice.

### Shoplifting juveniles arrested by police

Five girls aged 12 to 15 were taken into custody by Manchester Police Monday on charges of shoplifting goods worth about \$30 from Sears Roebuck & Co., Manchester Shopping Park.

Police said the girls, unidentified because of their ages, were charged with fourth-degree larceny, referred to juvenile authorities, and released to their parents.

The cases involved two unrelated incidents, one at about 2 p.m. involving two Vernon girls and one at about 5:30 p.m. involving three Manchester girls, police said.

Patrol Capt. Richard Sartor said it's not unusual to see an increase in shoplifting and other theft cases during the Christmas holiday season.

### Blue Cross small group rate increase approved

**HARTFORD (UPI)** — The state has approved a 15.7 per cent increase in Blue Cross medical insurance premiums for small group customers but turned down a request for a 25 per cent hike for direct payment customers.

State Insurance Commissioner Jay W. Jackson Monday criticized Blue Cross for rising administrative costs and stock market losses, listed as factors in the company's request for higher revenues.

The insurance department said 82,000 families and individuals make direct payments, while another 142,000 customers are covered under small group plans.

Blue Cross pays for hospital expenses and part of the daily room charges, depending on the amount of coverage.

Jackson said he approved the increase for the small group contracts, effective Feb. 1, because the rates were justified and were calculated under accepted methods. But he said he could not agree with the changes in rate calculation the company proposed for the direct payment customers.

He also criticized Blue Cross for buying growth stocks such as IBM, Coca Cola and Eastman Kodak and stock market losses, listed as factors in the company's request for higher revenues.

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Other arrests made by Manchester Police included:

• Roger N. Stevenson, 20, of 18 McCann Dr., charged Monday with

### Washington window: Hacking it in politics

**By ARNOLD SAWISLAK WASHINGTON (UPI)** — American political humor is replete with stories like "The trouble with most leaders is they treat the public as though it has a 12-year-old mentality, instead of as grown up human beings who can take the hard truth on most issues."

An even higher percentage of Harris' sample, 85 per cent, agreed with the statement that "most government leaders are afraid to tell it like it is — that is tell the public the hard truth about inflation, energy and other subjects."

Furthermore, Harris said, recent surveys show that the public simply does not believe candidates on certain specific positions which politicians frequently see as surefire winners.

Harris: "If a candidate for President brands his opponent as a hypocrite, because if elected one of his first acts will be to go to Peking or Moscow to work out agreements with communist leaders."

"Or take the tempting issue of busing to achieve racial balance. By an even larger three to one margin, a majority suspect that the candidate who tries to get the votes of white people by opposing forced busing will end up endorsing busing and other orders for integration because that is the law of the land."

Perhaps the most devastating Harris finding concerns the law and order issue: "Take the candidate who campaigns on a promise to make the streets safe from crime and claims to be a tough law and order man. A majority now believe that such a candidate will not make the streets safe from crime and the chances are he will end up being proved a crook himself."

Harris' surveys also showed similar reactions to what he calls "the politics of the easy promise," with 77 per cent of the samples agreeing that "the trouble with your getting special benefits and handouts from the government these days is that you'll have to pay for it four or five times over in higher taxes."

Most reasonably intelligent politicians already know Americans are "turned off" on politics. Harris' findings only give them some stark details of the situation.

The job for those politicians now is to change that situation, or with the system that has nourished them for two centuries, suffer the consequences.

### Science today: To see without seeing

**MARTIN P. HOUSEMAN SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (UPI)** — Pedro Colon Rodriguez, 16, who was born blind, stood poised at the podium, a drawing pencil in his hand over a sheet of paper projected to a giant screen.

His instructor, George Wally, told him to sketch a highway disappearing into the horizon from the perspective of a person standing on the road shoulder. Young Colon made a very acceptable sketch very quickly while his audience of medical students gaped.

He repeated with sketches from the perspective of a person in the center of the highway, and from a hilltop overlooking it from the left side. The medical students, in the auditorium of the School of Natural Sciences of the University of Puerto Rico, made their own sketches, but few of them could match the blind boy for speed and perception.

Colon finished his performance with a freehand sketch of a normalistic view of the human visual system the students termed an acceptable medical illustration.

It may be argued that Colon was sketching by rote, but it cannot be denied that he "saw" in his mind what he was drawing. Wally, an artist who has worked with the blind most of his life, thinks he has made a breakthrough allowing the congenitally blind to acquire visual knowledge.

Wally claims he accidentally discovered a "vanishing point for the blind" which he calls a micropoint because the blind can't see it. This is the focal point in the perspective line drawings — where the sides of the highway meet on the horizon in the first of the demonstration sketches.

Wally says this vanishing point concept opens up the visual world of the congenitally blind.

The medical profession has not pronounced itself yet, but Colon's demonstration was sponsored by Dr. Rosa E. Fiol, a former president of the Puerto Rican Medical Association, and a professor in neuropathology at the university.

And a paper by Wally, "Pedagogical Aspects of Visual Knowledge For The Blind," has been approved by the medical editorial board of the University of Puerto Rico for publication in the Medical Journal Bahili.

Back in 1929, Wally was a sketch artist for the Paramount and RKO movie theaters in New York. In four years he sketched an estimated 12,000 people standing in movie lines. He gave them

free sketches with next week's movie schedule on the back.

Wally was fascinated with faces and learned to sketch subway travelers with his hand inside his overcoat pocket. "Why can't the blind draw?" he wondered, and he set out to teach them.

He has been at it 44 years, 33 in Puerto Rico where he has a modest retreat near Capuas named "World Research Center For The Blind Inc." He said he discovered the "vanishing point" by accident 20 years ago while working with a Chinese girl in substance, all lines converge by projection on his vanishing point, which is established on the drawing paper and registers in the mind until, to him, also drawn, complete the image.

Medical science may be chary about endorsing Wally's method, but Pedro Colon Rodriguez, blind of congenital glaucoma, who studied with Wally only three months before the demonstration, has no such reservations. "Without having sight, I have been able to comprehend clearly the way things are seen and why they are seen that way... For me all this is working with a Chinese girl in substance, all lines

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### Piskorski convicted of murders

HARTFORD (UPI) — Ronald Piskorski, 26, a 300-pound ex-bouncer and furniture mover, has been convicted of murdering six persons in the bungled robbery of New Britain's Donna Lee Bakery.

Superior Court Judge Edward C. Hamill set Jan. 30 for sentencing. Piskorski could face 25 years to life on each of six counts of murder.

A jury of six men and six women returned the guilty verdict Monday at 8:45 p.m. after nearly eight weeks of testimony and deliberations lasting five hours and one minute.

The murders were committed the night of Oct. 19, 1974, in a robbery at the bakery, named for the owner's daughter, Donna Lee. The victims were shot in the head or neck. Police said \$300 was taken from the

cash register and the victims' wallets, but the murderers missed \$1,200 in the bakery owner's side-pants pocket.

One policeman at the scene described it as "a slaughterhouse." Another went outside and vomited after seeing the carnage.

When Donald Hjerpe of Bristol, the jury foreman, read the guilty verdict, Piskorski stood motionless in the same brown plaid sports jacket, white shirt and gold tie he has worn since testimony began Oct. 31.

Defense lawyer Maxwell Heitman, who said he will appeal the decision, asked Judge Hamill to poll the jurors individually. Each juror said Piskorski was guilty on all six counts.

George D. Stoughton, the prosecutor who was trying his first

### Cheshire council reverses stand, accepts contract

CHESHIRE (UPI) — The Town Council reversed itself Monday night and accepted an agreement to give teachers a new contract.

The pact calls for a 5 per cent pay increase in the first year and almost 8 per cent in the second year. The council rejected the agreement between teachers and the Board of Education once on a previous vote. Teachers said they would strike if the pact was rejected twice.

NEW HAVEN (UPI) — The Board of Aldermen rejected the contract agreement between the New Haven Federation of Teachers and the Board of Education by a 17-4 margin Monday night.

After the vote, Frank Carrano, the president of the New Haven Federation of Teachers, said another teachers' strike is a possibility.

However, there was no talk of a strike by Carrano at a meeting of teachers early today. Carrano told the teachers a meeting possibly might be held next week with school board President Stephen Pappa to discuss a new contract. Only about 100 teachers showed up for the meeting at the Forrest Theater in

West Haven and no definitive action was taken.

The agreement was reached nearly a month ago after a two-week strike during which 90 teachers were jailed and about 20,000 children in the city's 45 schools were affected.

The aldermen had 30 days in which to vote for or against the contract. If they had not voted on it, the contract agreement would have taken effect Wednesday.

Mayor-elect Frank Logue was among those opposed to acceptance of the contract in a vote that crossed party lines.

### Church report challenges government poverty figures

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Roman Catholic Church's anti-poverty agency says there are 4 million poor persons in the United States — 65 per cent higher than federal figures — and that the government "has done much to hide the facts."

According to federal figures, there were 24.3 million poor persons in the United States in 1974. The government figures are based on a sliding scale of income needed to provide food, clothing, shelter and medical care.

The Catholic study said that in 1959 the poverty index represented 34 per cent of the average median family income, but in 1974 it represented only 40 per cent.

"The relative capability of a poor person to participate in society, if the government's poverty standard is used, is far lower now than in 1959," it said.

The study suggested "a more equitable" poverty index could be figured at half the median income for families — \$6,420.

"This standard would result in a conservative estimate of poor people at about 40 million — or about one in every five Americans."

The Campaign for Human Development is the anti-poverty education program of the U.S. Catholic Conference. In the past five years, the campaign has funded 800 self-help anti-poverty programs with grants totaling \$25 million.

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Also, Lorraine Goehbe, East Hartford; Dennis Tetreault, Catalina Dr.; Coventry; Diana Martel, 179 Farmstead Dr., South Windsor.

Discharged Saturday: James Stafford, Enfield; Arthur Duprey, Rt. 6, Andover; Laura Jayvitt, East Hartford; Melissa Bronson, 22F Spencer St.; Mitchell Daigle, 750 Center St.

Also, Nancy Zurmuhlen, Lakeview Ter., Coventry; Rosette Quatrano, Stafford Springs; Donna Boland, 82 Weaverville Dr.; Elaine Bronson, 22F Spencer St.; Margaret Dion, East Hartford.

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By PHIL PASTORET

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**Opinion**

**More on marijuana**

If marijuana were legalized, the surgeon general might have another problem on his desk. He might have to require that it carry an even stronger health warning than is presently printed on each package of tobacco cigarettes.

According to a report made at the First Chemical Congress of the North American Continent held in Mexico City recently, smoke from marijuana cigarettes has been found to contain higher concentrations of several known cancer-causing agents (carcinogens) than tobacco smoke.

Not only that, but the more potent the pot, the larger the amounts of potential carcinogens, said Indian University chemistry professor Miles Novotny.

In other words, the higher you fly, psychedelically, the harder you may fall medically.

The marijuana-tobacco comparison was made using smoking machines and then weighing the trapped smoke condensates.

The fact that the "recommended" method of smoking marijuana (so we are told) is to take a deep drag and hold it as long as possible in the lungs would seem to suggest that, for humans, marijuana may be even more hazardous to the health than the Indiana University study indicates.

**Tokyo's terms**

New York isn't alone. Tokyo, the world's largest city, is also in financial trouble which, if it worsens, will push it to the brink of default, says Japan Economic Journal.

Only they don't call it default over there. Tokyo would be designated as "a municipality which needs financial reconstruction."

This may sound like a more face-saving term than default or bankruptcy, but any Japanese city so designated has to come under strict supervision of the national government as to every aspect of its finances — a fate New York seems to have escaped by the skin of a \$2.3-billion loan guarantee reluctantly voted by Congress.

**ALMANAC**

By United Press International  
 Today is Tuesday, Dec. 23, the 357th day of 1975 with eight to follow.  
 The moon is approaching its last quarter.  
 The morning stars are Venus and Saturn.  
 The evening stars are Mercury, Mars and Jupiter.  
 Those born on this date are under the sign of Capricorn.  
 Mormon religious founder Joseph Smith was born Dec. 23, 1805.  
 On this day in history:  
 In 1783, Gen. George Washington resigned his commission with the army.

U.S. Army and retired to Mount Vernon, Va.  
 In 1929, the National Broadcasting Company established a permanent coast-to-coast network.  
 In 1944, ex-Premier Tojo of Japan and six other Japanese war leaders were hanged in Tokyo by the Allied War Crimes Commission.  
 In 1972, former President Harry Truman was placed on the critical list in a Kansas City, Mo., hospital, where he died three days later.  
 A thought for the day: American novelist Thomas Wolfe said, "Most of the time we think we're sick, it's all in the mind."

**YESTERDAYS**

**25 Years Ago**  
 Manchester home builders and developers are rushing to start construction on the small type of home with four finished rooms down and two unfinished rooms upstairs before the ban on this type of building goes into effect Jan. 1.

**10 Years Ago**  
 Several Manchester area doctors, in an operation at Manchester Memorial Hospital, assist in restoring the right forearm of Stanley Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Michael of South St., Coventry, which was almost severed in an accident with a cordwood saw.

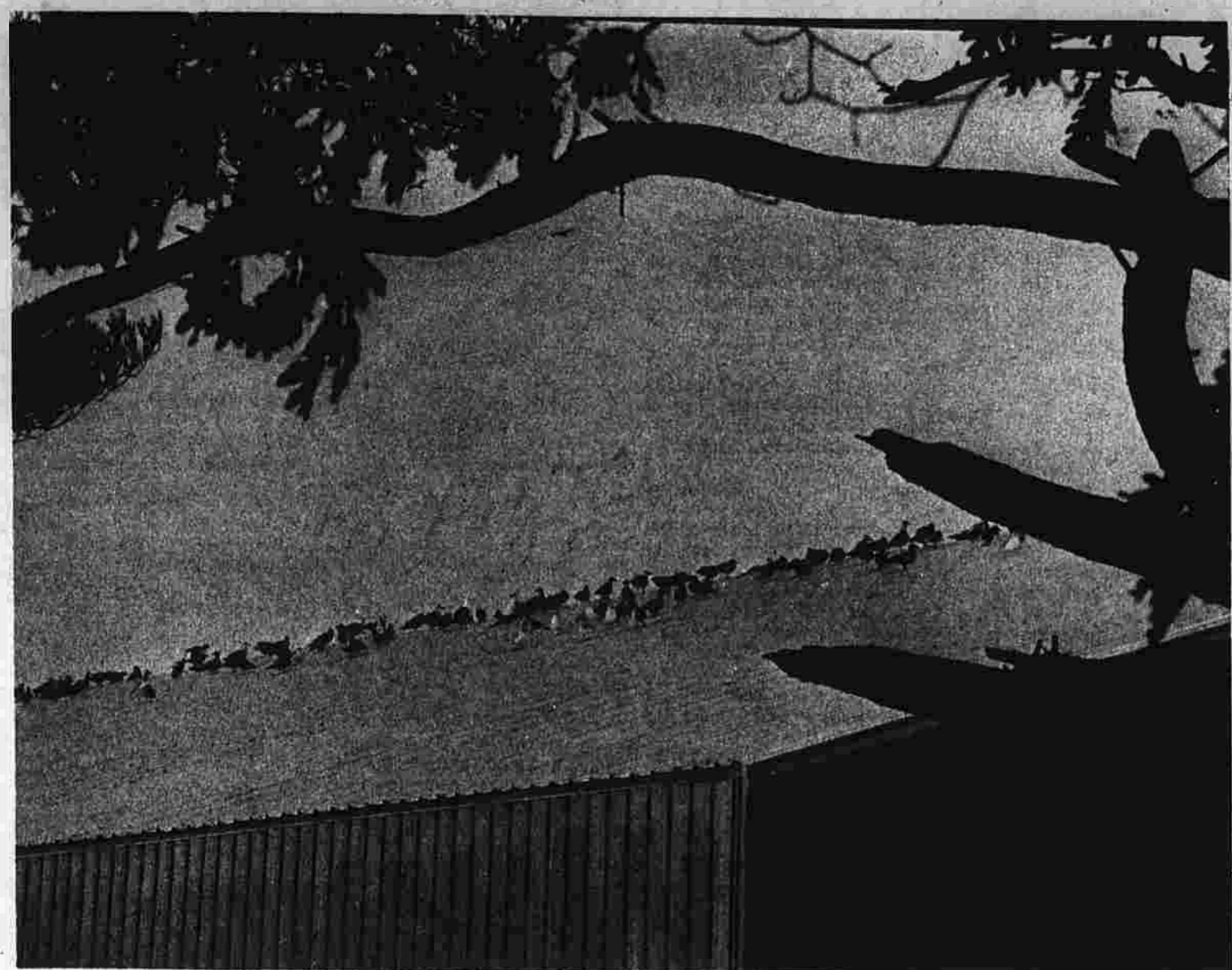
Way is cleared for construction of new firehouse at Lawton and Weaver Rds.

**THOUGHT**

Bicentennial note: Some years ago, an American importer approached Twining's, the famous London tea merchants, to negotiate for the American distribution rights for their brand. The elderly Twining was not too friendly about it. He harrumphed and said, "You know we had quite a lot of trouble over there at one time." "Trouble?" said the importer. "Yes," Mr. Twining said, "they dumped a shipment of our tea into Boston Harbor."

We lose when we have a long memory for injuries received. Our Lord said, "If you forgive others their failings, your heavenly Father will forgive you yours; but if you do not forgive your failings either." (Matthew 6:15) As Christians we are called not only to forgive but to forget, to put the injury out of our minds as best we can, to refuse to dwell upon it. That takes some doing.

Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, was reminded once of a cruelty done her but replied serenely, "I distinctly remember forgetting that." The person who



Just roosting on a roof (Photo by Reginald Pinto)

**Let's not pull any punches**

**ANDREW TULLY**

WASHINGTON — Admittedly, Bo Callaway is a man who has shown amazing agility at getting one foot or the other in his mouth, but what do conservative Republicans want, anyway, an egg in their beer?

Last time I looked, all manner of GOP right-wingers were giving President Ford's campaign chairman their best black looks and tut-tuts because Callaway dared to suggest that their boy Ronald Reagan is not exactly equipped to walk on water.

Specifically, Callaway told a press conference at a Southern Republican Assembly in Houston that Reagan's "rhetoric is great but his record is poor. During his administration... personal income taxes went up 500 per cent. Callaway also said Reagan had shown "no responsibility at all about the impact on state taxes" of his proposal to turn back to states and localities responsibility for federal programs costing \$99-billion a year.

He shouldn't be attacking, it's counterproductive," said William Taylor, the Florida GOP chairman. "When he talks like that, (Callaway) doesn't help his candidate and he hurts the Republican party," said Paula Hawkins, Florida public service commissioner. Even Rogers C. B. Morton, Ford's departing Commerce Secretary, got into the act, calling Callaway's remarks "unfair and an oversimplification."

For crying out loud, I have said and will continue to say good words about conservatives generally, mostly

because they can count the billions of dollars Big Government spends. But ladies and gentlemen, you sure overreacted to Callaway's remarks. My dear friends, you seem to have forgotten that a presidential campaign is not to be confused with a game of tiddlywinks. Blood necessarily has to be drawn if Ford—and Reagan, too—is to succeed in emphasizing the differences between them and thus offer Republican delegates a clear choice at Kansas City next summer.

A certain amount of nonsense has been uttered about Reagan's famous 11th commandment, which declares: "Thou shall not speak ill of any Republican." The commandment is supposed to promote party unity and maybe it would if all politicians were 100 per cent pure of heart and mind. But Ford is confronted with a challenge to his nomination by Reagan and you can't expect him to go around telling everybody that his opponent is, as Callaway put, "Sir Galahad on a white charger."

No sirree Bob, Ford has got to stand up there and warn GOP delegates of the danger inherent in nominating the former governor of California. Reagan, meanwhile, has to get around to proclaiming that nominating Ford would be a national disaster.

The suggestion is being made in some GOP quarters that it's too early in the battle to unseath the switchblade knives. Baloney. When you're running for President, baby, even yesterday may be too late to point out that your opponent is not the stuff of which a winning candidate is made. In a couple of months, give or take a few days, Ford and Reagan will be squaring off in primaries in New Hampshire and Florida. That's like a few hours as political campaigns are measured.

I say go to it, Ford and Reagan, sirs, and don't pull any punches. The party is to get that ruddy nomination. Party unity comes later.

**Only presidents can run for president**

WASHINGTON — As Stanley Arnold tells it there is going to be some big surprises in New Hampshire's Democratic presidential primary. Unknown and unheralded, he will emerge to "talk sense" to the people. His advertising campaign will blitz the state's eight radio stations and 40 newspapers. Though at first suspicious, voters will increasingly begin to listen. And when it's all over the headlines will announce to the nation: "Stanley Arnold Wins Unprecedented Upset; Man From Nowhere Shows America It Can Be Done."

Well it can't be done, of course. Election footnotes are cluttered with the names of obscure citizens who have dreamed the impossible, only to waken with half of a per cent of votes. Some have been opportunists. Others simply nuts. A man who claims to be an Indian chief has been entering New Hampshire primaries since, it seems, the Ice Age. Lars Larsen of Chicago campaigns regularly in an Uncle Sam suit. In 1970, a Jewish woman ran for president on a chicken soup platform. And of course there is Linda Lovelace.

Yet odds are damned, genuinely serious citizens also routinely insist on taking the bath. New York business consultant Stanley Arnold is this season's first. Actually, he is not altogether out of the political park. He was an Adlai Stevenson campaigner during that era, and has more recently raised money-votes for Hubert Humphrey. He also ran for vice president in 1974, eventually putting into nomination at the Miami convention. Still, it's fair to characterize him as a private citizen, a dark horse candidate if there ever was one.

It is also fair to say his candidacy is quixotic and doomed. Few will pay him attention, and those who do will be mischievous. Funny this, when you dwell on it, particularly in a nation that tells its children anyone can grow up to be president. The fact is, more and more, only professional politicians grow up to be president, some perhaps being presidents without growing up.

Americans bark endlessly about

the poisonous influence of politics on public office, yet by rote turn to the politicians to fill them. Routinely, 90 per cent of federal office holders are, come election, returned to their posts.

Outsiders do break through — Eisenhower remembered — but rarely. Wendell Willkie was the last totally apolitical man to run a major race for the presidency, a Wall Street lawyer who until the 1940 Republican convention was about as well known as Stanley Arnold. And besides him? Herbert Hoover, technically, though he served in government in many capacities before his presidency. Other names do not easily come to mind.

And as a matter of fact, names, other than the established politicians, who should run do not come easily to mind. Surely there are private men as qualified for the presidency as, say, Fred Harris, or Gene McCarthy, or, gad, George Wallace. But who? The dreadful fact is that only politicians have the visibility, the machinery and the opportunity to match the profile. This virtually excludes everyone else but war heroes, and how many any more really want a general in charge of things?

So it is that Stanley Arnold should be welcomed to the arena, even if he is only food for the lions. Perhaps he couldn't personally lead us to water on a raft, but his name on the ballot at least suggests we are not yet totally given over to the manipulators, to the intellectual makeup artists, to

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**Going to see Santa Claus**  
 Dear Santa,  
 My name is Shannon McHale and I'm 3 yrs. old. Mommy and Daddy are taking to see you on Monday in G. Foxes. (Big Bird will be there too!). For Xmas I'd like a soft baby doll &

**Coventry lad wants a lot**  
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**Dateline 1775**  
 By United Press International  
 LONDON, Dec. 23—Lord Germain, new secretary of state for the colonies, sent word to the governors of Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina that a force under Lord Cornwallis was ready to embark for a campaign in the South.

**Betty's Notebook**  
By Betty Ryder

Well, vacation is over for another year, and it sure was fun being home — most of the time.

Of course, the first morning, the dishwasher leaked all over the kitchen floor. Then later on in the week "Nellie" (my car) died. Well, maybe she isn't exactly dead (we tried a little jumper cable resuscitation) but it isn't movable at the moment.

Other than that, it was a great week with wonderful weather and a few Christmas parties.

**Words for all seasons**

It was Gilbert K. Chesterton, that gentle intellectual who said of his mother-in-law-to-be: "God comfort her, I dare not." And it was that lady's daughter who wrote in her diary: "Gilbert and I meet all sorts of people. The party last night was rather jolly but too many clever people there to be really nice."

And who but Chesterton, with his impeccable manners, could reply to a friend who accused himself of being stupid (when he was) "as an old friend I can assure you that you are by no means stupid; some other explanation of this unnatural darkness must be found."

**Gummy not yummy**

Can you guess what category of glamorous celebrities is most likely to have false teeth prematurely? Clue: It has nothing to do with heredity, flourides or diet. The answer? Hockey players! If you ever see a locker full of hockey players when they are relaxing (sans choppers) you'll think you are in an old man's home. They are some of the gummiest groups in sports. It's a rough and tumble world out there. (And don't ask me how I know — I'll never tell.)

**Message from Santa**

Had a pleasant Christmas greeting called "The Legend of the Yule Buck" by John Repass.

The Christmas reading is as follows:

"The former friend of all children — especially those who lived in Sweden and the Scandinavian countries — the Yule-Buck walked no more. Times change in many lands, but the joys of Christmas remain. Everyone knows Santa Claus — but how many have heard of Yule-Buck? The Yule-Buck has given way to Santa Claus — who has the distinction of walking on two feet. Yule-Buck, who at one time in history quietly visited all of Sweden's children on Christmas eve, walked about the room on all fours, wrapped in warm furs, supplied with a long white beard, wooden horns protruding from his head, and carrying a basket — filled



Joli photo

The engagement of Miss Darlene Anita Stearns to Mark Joseph Anderson, both of Manchester, has been announced by her parents, Mrs. Madeline Stearns of Brookfield St. and Darrell Stearns of Newbury.

Mr. Anderson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Anderson of 104 Columbus St.

The bride-elect was graduated from Brookfield High School and is presently employed by Pitney Bowes in Danbury. Her fiancé was graduated from Manchester High School and is a student at the University of Connecticut in Storrs where he is majoring in engineering. He is employed by Manchester Memorial Hospital.

returned. "My poor, unhappy goat, what have you done? Do you not know this is Holy Night, and that there is peace over all the earth? You — alone — have broken that peace! Now you are doomed to roam over the earth and throughout the universe to make amends to all children for your guilt — until their prayers shall set you free," the shepherd said. The goat ran into the mountains — fell into a trance — and so remained until the next Christmas eve when he awoke and began his long journey. Every Christmas eve he wandered over the earth while hearing nature in a thousand voices saying:

"This is the Holy Night — Tonight no one must do harm to anyone." This the poor goat can not help hearing, for the voices are heard everywhere — on hill, in dale, in forest and plain, on land and sea, everywhere. And the goat, the Yule-Buck, who alone broke the universal peace, roamed hungry and forsaken o'er the earth. But he knew when he sought. He sought the children — to make amends to them for the wrong he did the little children in the cave. He asked for their prayers and brought them the rarest Christmas gifts.

Now you know the legend of the Yule-Buck — a Swedish-Scandinavian tradition that has given way to Santa Claus.

**A Christmas wish**

"I do not ask for any crown, but that which all may win; Nor try to conquer any world except the one within." Louisia May Alcott (1832-1888) P.S. Merry Christmas.

**Holidays Greetings**

Santa zooms in his pack filled with joy, peace, and contentment for all. Happy holidays and thanks.

Somehow, not only for Christmas But all the long year through. The joy that you give to others. Is the joy that comes back to you. John Greenleaf Whittier

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**Miss Connecticut Teen-ager Pageant is slated for February in Meriden**

Applications are being accepted until Jan. 15, 1976 for the upcoming Miss Connecticut Teen-Ager Pageant to be held at the Holiday Inn of Meriden. Date for the pageant is Feb. 20-21. This is the 5th year for the pageant, and judging is based on scholastic achievements, civic contributions, poise, personality and appearance. No bathing suit or talent competition is involved. Girls 13-17 are eligible to enter and must still be 17 as of Sept. 1, 1976.

Over \$100,000 in scholarships are available to state and national winners in this pageant. There is also separate judging and awards at the state finals pageants for contestants in the home on the subject, "Why I am Proud to be an American" — an excellent theme for this Bicentennial year.

Currently, Miss Melody Cyr of East Granby, reigns as Miss Connecticut Teen-Ager. The Miss Teen Queen USA national finals were held for 1975 in Kansas City, Mo., and Miss Dee Wheelock of San Antonio, Tex., is the national winner.

In conjunction with the Teen-Ager Pageant, the Little Miss Connecticut Talent Contest will be held on Friday evening, Feb. 20, same location. This contest is for girls 5-12 years of age, and judging is 75 per cent on talent, in 5 categories — baton, dance, vocal, instrumental, and variety. Applications for either this contest or the

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**MMA reorganizes**

The Manchester Monitrice Associates (MMA) has reorganized due to increased demands for its services.

The group which was organized in 1969 is devoted to education of expectant parents and the support of laboring couples. The MMA is comprised of the childbirth education division and the monitrice division.

The childbirth education division consists of American Society for Psychophysics in Obstetrics certified instructors who teach the Lamaze method of prepared childbirth in their homes. The course includes weekly two-hour sessions for six weeks during the last two months of pregnancy.

For further information, contact Mrs. Susan Moore, Strong St., phone 649-2915, or MMA, 31 Bette Dr.

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Obituaries

Mrs. Elizabeth Barstis ROCKVILLE Mrs. Elizabeth Barstis, 81, of 425 East Rd., Broad Brook, died early this morning at Rockville General Hospital. She was the widow of Anthony Barstis.

She was born in Lithuania and lived in the Broad Brook area for 35 years. Survivors are 5 sons, Anthony Barstis of Thompsonville, William Barstis of Weymouth, Mass., Joseph Barstis of Broad Brook, James Barstis of Rockville, and Edward Barstis of Windsor Locks; 3 daughters, Mrs. Julia Mangano of New York, N.Y., Mrs. Josephine Ring of Ware, Mass., and Mrs. Ruth Eastillo of Broad Brook; 36 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

The funeral is Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. from the Burke-Fortin Funeral Home, 78 Prospect St., with a Mass at 9:30 at St. Catherine's Church in Broad Brook. Burial will be in St. Catherine's Cemetery, Broad Brook.

John Gottschalk, 76, of 105D Bluefield Dr. died Monday at Manchester Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Germany and lived in Manchester 25 years. Before that he lived in Hartford for many years. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Gitta Antonini of East Hartford, and a grandchild.

The funeral is Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St. Burial will be at the convenience of the family.

There are no calling hours. Clifford B. Norton Clifford B. Norton, 75, formerly of 305 W. Center St., died Sunday in a local convalescent home.

He lived in Manchester all his life. He is survived by several cousins. The funeral will be Wednesday at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., at the convenience of the family. Burial will be in East Cemetery.

There are no calling hours. Michael Iwosa Michael Iwosa, 80, of 69 Fairfield St. died Monday at an area convalescent home after a long illness. He was the husband of Mary Hajduk Iwosa.

Mr. Iwosa was born in Poland Aug. 25, 1895, and lived in Manchester more than 40 years. Until his retirement 15 years ago, he was employed at Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Division of United Technologies Corporation in East Hartford.

He was a member of St. John's Polish National Catholic Church and the Polish Men's Alliance No. 1983 of Manchester.

Other survivors are a brother, Anthony Iwosa in Poland and several nieces and nephews. The funeral is Saturday at 9 a.m. from the Holmes Funeral Home with a Mass at 9:30 at St. John's Polish National Church. Burial will be in St. John's Polish National Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. There will be a prayer service at the funeral home Friday at 8 p.m.

Card of Thanks The family of Peter... extends their heartfelt thanks to their dear friends, neighbors, all the Town of Manchester... for their sympathy and many kindnesses during the recent bereavement...

All of us here at Pinehurst Grocery. 302 Main Street. Wish you a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a Happy, Healthy NEW YEAR. Colleen Johanson, Jean Halloran, Olive Beaulieu, Bernie Brodin, Ed Fontana, Frank Toros, Henry Bently, Dan Johnson, Mat. Cooke, Walter Gorman.

Snowstorm cleanup continues

By DOUG BEVINS Herald Reporter Road crews were out in full force again today, in the aftermath of twin storms that dumped over a foot of snow on Manchester in less than 60 hours.

Cleanup and sanding operations were under way in all parts of town, with today's brilliant sun and predictions of fair weather helping to restore normal and near normal road conditions and soothe frazzled nerves.

Schools were back in session and it was business as usual for stores and shoppers involved in the last-minute Christmas rush.

The first storm began about 10 a.m. Saturday and lasted intermittently until about 4 a.m. Sunday, with an accumulation of 5 to 7 inches of snow, depending on what area of town was measured.

The snow began again about 9 p.m. Sunday. It was light at times, was swept by heavy winds at others and was mixed with freezing rain at still others, ending about 7:30 p.m. Monday and leaving 8 to 9 additional inches behind, again depending on where it was measured.

Utilized during the storm were 13 town trucks and crews and 17 contracted vehicles and men.

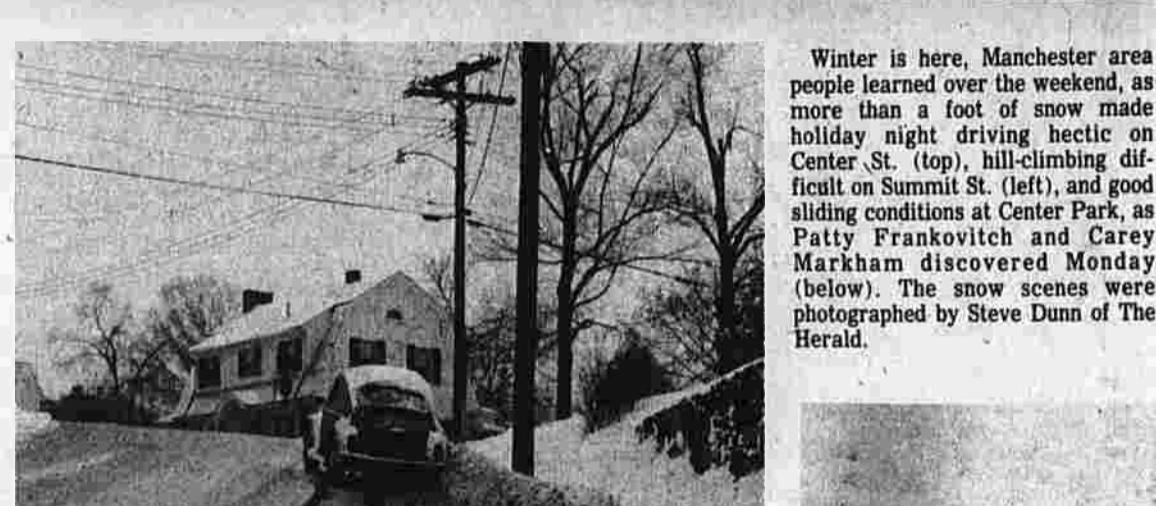
The Southern New England Telephone Co. reported service was normal during the storms, without interruptions and without incidents.

However, 58 customers of the Hartford Electric Light Co. were without service for an hour and 20 minutes Monday afternoon, beginning at 1:43 p.m. The outage was caused by a one-car accident on Adams St. near Hilliard St., when a car went out of control and struck a utility pole. The impact caused wires to "slap" together, resulting in a short circuit.

The driver and a passenger were treated for minor injuries at Manchester Memorial Hospital and discharged.

Manchester police reported several minor accidents, with most of them of the "fender-bender" variety. Most accidents, they said, were at intersections where street lights and stop signs held up traffic.

Most complaints by motorists was of traffic tie-ups at slippery intersections and hills leading to them.



Winter is here, Manchester area people learned over the weekend, as more than a foot of snow made holiday night driving hectic on Center St. (top), hill-climbing difficult on Summit St. (left), and good sliding conditions at Center Park, as Patty Frankovich and Carey Markham discovered Monday (below). The snow scenes were photographed by Steve Dunn of The Herald.

Fire calls

Manchester Monday, 12:01 p.m. —TV smoking at 213 Hilliard St. (Eighth District) Monday, 11:36 p.m. —delayed ignition in furnace at 90 Helaine Rd. (Eighth District)

Today, 4:48 a.m. —truck wheel bearing overheated on Progress Dr. (Town)

Bolton Today, 7:14 a.m. —overheated wood stove started a fire between the inside and outside wall at 29 French Rd., said a Bolton Fire Department member. The fire was caught before spreading to the attic and little serious damage was done.

Mutual Aid was given by the Hebron and Andover Fire Departments. Vernon's department was on standby in the Bolton fire station. No one was injured.

Three seek permission to 'buy into' pension

PLAINFIELD (UPI) — A chapter of the Connecticut Civil Liberties Union says it thinks a self-professed Communist teacher was denied rights when the school board fired him last week.

In a statement Monday, the executive committee of the Northeast Chapter of the CCLU said Philip Burns, a fifth grade teacher, was denied due process of law because he was not allowed enough time to present witnesses and the board didn't take enough time to consider the evidence.

The three employees began work in 1970 but didn't become members of the fund until 1972 and 1973. To "buy into" the fund for the time back to 1970 will cost them about \$3,000, \$4,000 combined, depending on their salaries. The cost to the town for its contribution is estimated at \$8,000, \$10,000 combined. Unless the Board of Directors approves an additional sum, the cost will be absorbed into the Pension Fund's current appropriation.

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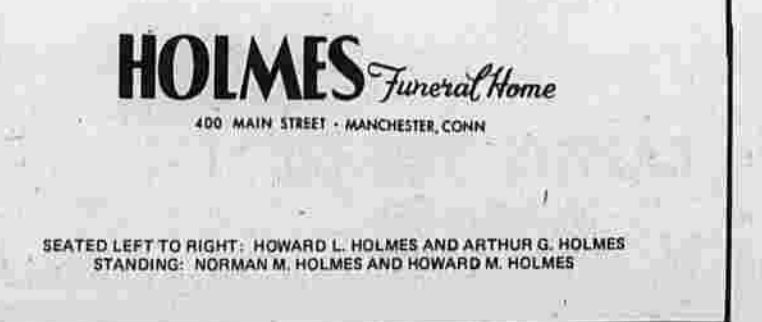


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Crucial games tonight for Indians, East, Tech



JIM McNICKLE

The Herald Angle

By Earl Yost Sports Editor

Afternoon basketball not popular

Afternoon schoolboy varsity basketball games would never rate near the top in popularity polls among school officials, coaches, players and supporters.

East Catholic High had a rare afternoon starting game last week against Bulekeley High of Hartford at the local gym.

Originally scheduled at night, the game was moved up a few hours due to a school function in the evening in the school auditorium. With both attractions at the same hour, parking would have been a problem.

East won the game easily but there was little life and enthusiasm showed by either the players or the small crowd.

It was definitely a loser at the important box office. Had it been scheduled at night, the usual capacity crowd would have been on hand. Less than half that number showed for the 5 o'clock start.

Coach Stan Orogodnik of the winners was far from pleased with the performance of his squad. Visiting Bulekeley provided only a mild workout in the first 12 minutes before falling behind and eventually losing, 64-51.

Actually, an afternoon practice scrimmage would have been more exciting. "We won't play another afternoon game, I'll guarantee you that," Orogodnik said despite seeing his team come out on top.

End of the line

Yale's football lettermen last fall numbered 45, the smallest total since 1972. Twenty-eight of the letter winners are slated to return next season.

Fitchers Andy Messersmith of the Dodgers and Dave McNally, the property of Montreal, hope to become free agents today on the baseball beat. The former turned down a \$150,000 offer from Los Angeles while McNally was making \$100,000 annually when he decided to retire last June.

Eagle matmen open slate against Rockville

By LEN AUSTER Herald Sports-writer

"Every match will be a struggle," stated the Catholic wrestling coach Cliff Demers as he gets his team ready for the 1975-76 campaign. The Eagle matmen start their 16 dual meet season Saturday at Rockville High.

"We're a very young team — we don't have any seniors — and I hope we mature very fast. I was disappointed in our performance last Saturday in the Penney Invitational. It looked like we weren't ready to wrestle."

"Some youngsters will have to come through for us if we're going to be successful in dual meet competition," Demers stated. "We might be a year away but I hope we do well this year. We will have to extend ourselves in every match to be successful."

The schedule: Dec. 27 Rockville A, 6 Waterford H, 9 Glastonbury H, 14 Avon A, 16 East Hartford H, 19 Granby H, 23 St. Paul A, 27 Weaver A, 30 Rham H, 31 Feb. 3 Bulekeley A, 11 St. Bernard A, 12 Rham H, 19 Palaski H, 24 Manchester H, 27 Bacon Academy A.

Crucial league tests challenge Manchester High and East Catholic as all three local cage fives have dates tonight on friendly grounds. Cheney Tech, 1-2 in the Charter Oak Conference and 2-2 over-all, entertains unbeaten 4-0 Cromwell High at 7:45. The Panthers are 3-0 in conference play.

Manchester, a full game in front in the CCLL with a 4-0 mark, meets 3-1 league foe Hall High at Clarke Arena at 7:45. The Warriors are 4-1 in all games. East, 3-0 in non-conference games, entertains Hartford County Conference co-leader St. Thomas Aquinas at the Eagles' Nest also at 7:45. The Saints are 2-0 in the HCC and 4-0 over-all.

In area contests, 2-0, 3-2 South Windsor High visits 1-2, 1-4 Rockville High in a CVC match-up, Coventry, 2-1 in the COC and 3-1 in all games, journeys to 0-3 Rocky Hill, 2-1, 3-1 Bacon Academy is at 1-2 Bolton High, Rham High, 1-2, hosts 2-3 Vinal Tech in Hebron and Ellington High, 2-0 in the NCCC and 3-1 overall, travels to Suffield for a conference engagement with the 1-1, 1-3 Wildcats.

Cheney's Beavers played poorly against Vinal Tech and Coach Gerry Blanchard will be looking for a rebound performance against always tough Cromwell. The one lone bright spot in the loss to Vinal was the play of sophomore backcourt performer Tim Martin who netted 12 points.

Manchester can retain its league leadership with a win over Hall. "It's an important game for us but I think it's a bigger game for Hall," voiced Indian Coach Doug Pearson. "It won't hurt us (a loss) as much because we're out in front and somebody has to knock us back to the pack."

The key thus far for the Silk Towners has been their defense and

knack for not committing fouls. "We don't commit fouls," Pearson emphasized. "We don't use our hands — we just play good defense. It's not aggressive defense — we don't go for steals — but it's team defense without fouling. We don't want to put our opponents on the (tough) line."

Hall's attack is led by 6-4 senior center John Rubino, averaging over 20 points per game, and guard John Lenihan. The task of stopping Rubino goes to 6-4 senior Bruce Ballard who has played excellent defense thus far. Definite Indian starters are Ballard, Mike Quenel and Mark Demko while Pearson is deciding between Jim McNickle, John Pisch, Jeff Kiernan, Scott Hyde, Steve McKenzie and Mike Sherman for the other two slots.

Hexed East Catholic most likely will not have the services of 6-4 junior forward Jon Lindberg tonight against the superior Saints. Already on Sunday evening — the 22-year-old ace was largely responsible for the government's condemnation of that

nation's apartheid policy. A press spokesman for the Mexican Foreign Ministry said Monday night there was so far "no information" as to whether the government would permit the Mexican Cup team to play South Africa.

Boris Becker, the most important tennis star said his defeat of Connors: "This is definitely the most important victory of my life, particularly since it was over a player of the stature of Connors."

Connors had no comment, but seemed greatly upset by his defeat. Trabert said he had "no excuses" for the American defeat, adding: "I take full responsibility."

Ramirez led Connors, two sets to one, but trailed three games to two in the fourth set when play resumed Monday in their fifth and deciding match.

Ramirez won the sixth game to even the score. Connors took the seventh game, and Ramirez tied it again by winning the eighth.

Connors double-faulted in the ninth game, giving it to Ramirez. In the 10th game, Connors took the lead but missed a corner shot and then wasaced by Ramirez. The Mexican's triumph came when Connors netted the ball on the next volley.



Jubilant Raul Ramirez leaps over net Mexican had just beat Jimmy Connors in upset

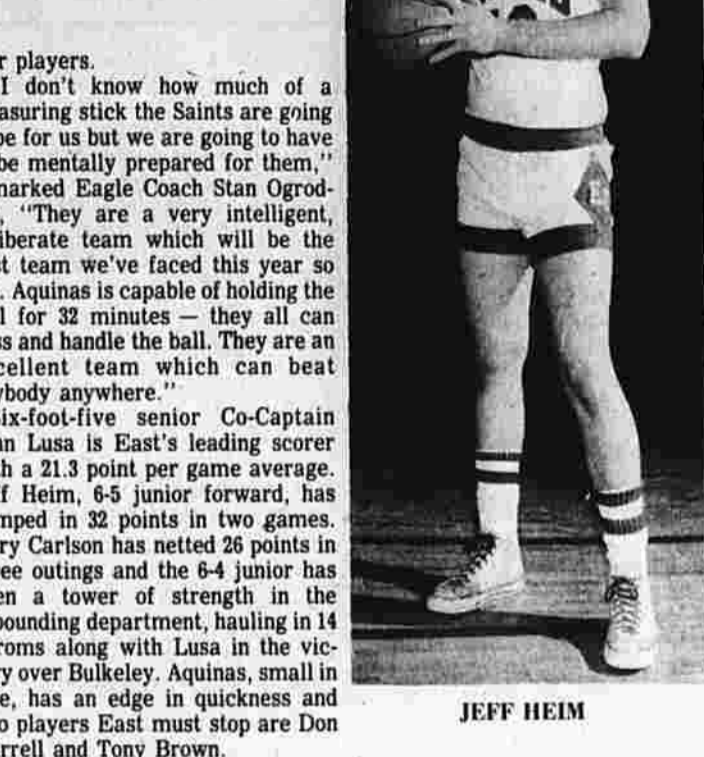
USA out of Davis Cup

MEXICO CITY (UPI) — Mexico has put the United States out of the Davis Cup North American Zone, but international politics may keep the Mexicans from playing their next rival — South Africa.

Mexicans ace Raul Ramirez wrapped up the North American elimination series for the home team Monday, whipping a lathering Jimmy Connors, 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.

Mexico is scheduled to play South Africa next, but could be barred from doing so because of the Mexican government's condemnation of that nation's apartheid policy.

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JEFF HEIM

Unranked USC stuns Aggies

MEMPHIS (UPI) — Southern California Coach John McKay didn't send his team into the Liberty Bowl against Texas A&M with a plea to win his last collegiate game for him. That's never been his style.

"I just told them to go out there and play hard," said the 52-year-old, white-haired veteran after the unranked Trojans stunned the six-ranked Aggies 20-7.

"Yes, I have some of those feelings," McKay said, expressing some emotion about his last college game before taking charge of the National Football League's new Tampa Bay Buccaneers. "But I don't want to talk about it. I am just glad my boys saw fit to send me out on a winning note. I'm going to miss these boys."

Instead, the man who compiled a 127-40-8 record in 16 years at Southern Cal wanted to savor an upset in which his offense pierced the vaunted Aggie defense for 315 yards and his defense tackled the Aggies tackle for tackle.

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Others have said we're the best balanced team in the nation. The Trojans showed their intent to go over instead of through the Aggie defense on their first drive, Evans passing on four of the first eight plays in moving from the Trojan 43 to the Aggie 28 for a Skip Walker field goal.

The 205-pound junior quarterback then found receiver Randy Simmin for a 65-yard strike that carried to the Aggie one. Fullback Most Tatupu jolted over from there to make it 10-0 early in the second quarter.

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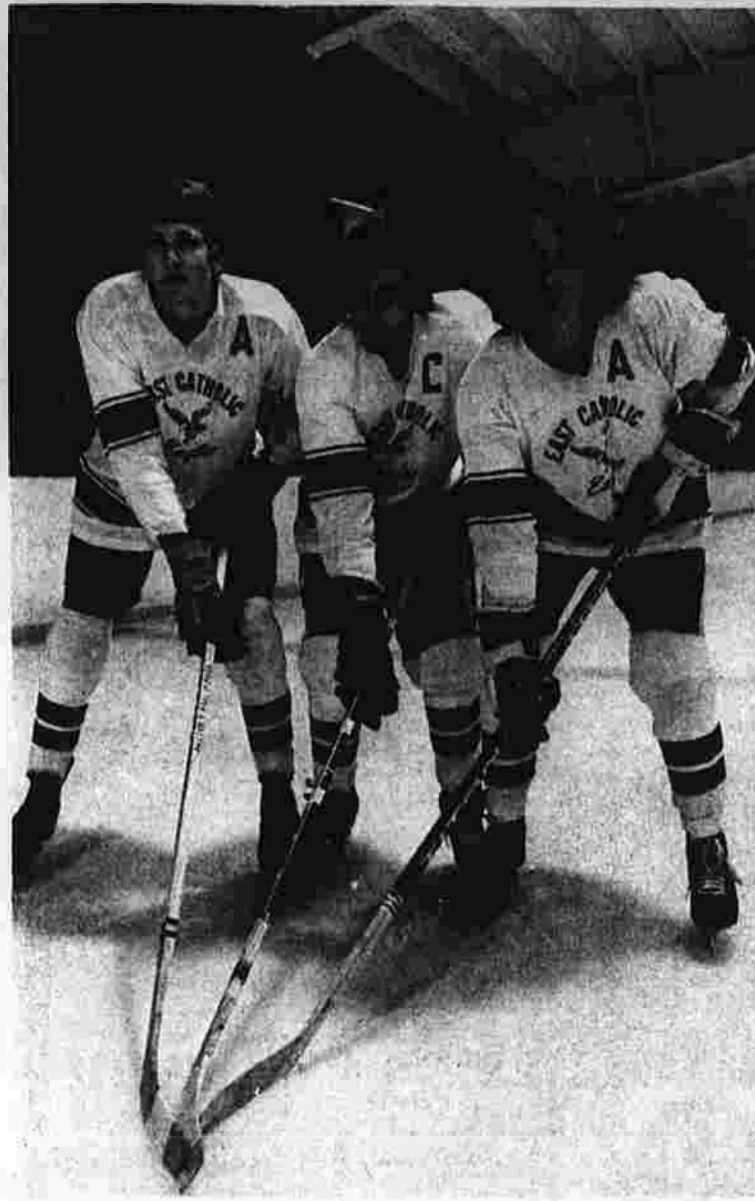
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SPORTS SLATE

- Tuesday BASKETBALL Hall at Manchester, 7:45 St. Thomas Aquinas at East Catholic, 7:45 South Windsor at Rockville Hartford Public at South Windsor Canton at Rham Manchester at East Catholic (girls), 2:00 HOCKEY Manchester at Enfield Fernald JV at East Catholic, 7:30 WRESTLING Manchester at Rockville

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# McCormack fired as Eagles' coach



(Herald photo by Dunn)

PHILADELPHIA (UPI) — With a 10-line statement, Mike McCormack suffered another bitter defeat Monday.

One day after the Eagles finished their season with a disappointing 4-10 record, owner Leonard Tose fired McCormack as head coach.

"It is with personal regret that I announce that Mike McCormack's contract will not be renewed," Tose said in the statement.

"This is an independent judgment made by me based on the facts as I know them, and of course in no small way measured on our won-lost record," he said.

"I will make no further comments except to say without fear of contradiction from any source, that in the entire history of the NFL no coach or general manager or combination of both has had the total willing and unstinting cooperation and autonomy granted by me in all the past three years."

Tose read the statement at a noon news conference and then left.

Tose said he had not interviewed anyone to replace McCormack, who was in the last year of a three-year contract. Tose said he and Jim Murray, the Eagles' general manager, "will go to work" on finding a successor.

McCormack, cleaning out his desk as Tose was speaking at the news conference down the hall, said quietly, "They're burying me."

"It's disappointing. It's just like the season, frustrating," said McCormack, who saw a squad he felt would be a winner wind up in last place in the NFL's Eastern Division. The record included three tough losses in the last minutes of play against the Chicago Bears, the St. Louis Cardinals and the Dallas Cowboys, and embarrassing defeats by the Los Angeles Rams and Cincinnati Bengals.

## Basketball

### Peewee

With Roger Greenwood tossing in 19 points, Top Notch slipped past Burger King 23-20, last night at the East Side Rec. Matt Farrell had six points, Daria Luppachino five and Paul Tucker four for Burger King.

Action at the Community Y saw Willis' Garage stop Manchester Travel, 11-3. Brian Fulton had six points for the winners and Richard Burns had the three tallies for Travel.

### Midget

Paced by Terry McConville's 18-point effort, Boland Oil II nipped the Elks, 28-26, last night at the Community Y. Jim Tierney added five markers to the winning total while Glen Dubois and Larry Duffy paced the Elks with eight and six points respectively.

### Bennet jayvees

Winning its season opener was the Bennet Junior High jayvee team, 43-30, over Kosciusko. Eric Gauruder, Pat Silver and Jeff Lombardo led the way with 15, 12 and eight points respectively. Bob Walsh garnered 13 rebounds for Bennet.

## Hockey

### Peewee

Getting goals from Greg Aitkens and Curt Wagner, First Hartford Really nipped Wethersfield United Point, 2-1, last Sunday. Don Weinbaum and Mike Calabro had assists for the winners while Dave Raymet scored for Wethersfield.

### Bantam

Coming from behind with goals by Bob Carnelli and Mike Breen, Trudon's got past Nassiff Arms, 2-1, at Bolton. Lionel Lessard scored for Arms assisted by Mark Bucek. Bruce Holleran and Breen assisted on Carnelli's goal. Goalies Rich Bidwell for Nassiff's and Rick Spiller for Trudon's played well. Each side had 16 shots on net.

### Squirt

Five goals off the stick of center Eric Trudon and four by left winger Paul Hohenhalt powered Rotary to a 10-3 win over Wethersfield Rangers at Gastonbury. Mark Keith also scored for Rotary while Allen Bayne scored the three-goal hat trick for the Rangers. Vin White played well in goal for Rotary.

Two games were played at Bolton with Regal's blanking Wethersfield Lums, 4-0, and Economy Electric whitewashing Wethersfield, 17-0.

Sean Hagerty scored two goals and Brian Gallahue and Randy Nightingale one apiece for Regal's, which allowed the visitors just one shot on net. Mark Stepper had six goals and two assists, Don Maxim six goals, David Stepper two goals and four assists, Bob Tirone two goals and Doug Mathew one for Economy.

## Struggling Colonels still team to beat

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (UPI) — Even though the Kentucky Colonels are struggling to stay in fifth place in the American Basketball Association, St. Louis Coach Rod Thorn still regards them as the team to beat.

The Colonels gave Thorn and his Spirits a pretty convincing demonstration of their potential when they hit 57.6 per cent of their 92 shots and mauled St. Louis, 126-101, in the only pro basketball game Monday night.

The defending champions also must have made a strong impression on the second-place New York Nets, who arrived a day early for their game with the Colonels tonight and watched the action from the stands.

"I look for the Colonels to really come on as the season goes along," Thorn said. "They showed tonight that they have enough overall strength so they can get by with just a mediocre game from Artis Gilmore."

The 7-2 Kentucky center, surrounded by St. Louis players most of the game, finished with only 12 points, 13 under his season average.

## College basketball roundup

### Maryland cops seventh in row

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (UPI) — The second-ranked Maryland Terps won their seventh straight game Monday night and, for once, it wasn't over a team universally considered a pushover.

The Terps, led by All-American swingman John Lucas, used a sticky man-to-man defense to stop previously unbeaten North Carolina-Charlotte, 70-60. The 49ers had won six straight, including big decisions over two Southeastern Conference teams — Florida and Vanderbilt.

Maryland took a 40-34 halftime lead and used UNC-Charlotte turnovers early in the first eight minutes of the second half to extend that margin to 52-38. The 49ers closed the margin to seven points with 4:10 remaining, but Lucas and his backcourt partner, Brad Davis, scored key baskets to help the Terps pull away.

"I think we tried to break it open too soon in the first half, forced some shots, and let them get back into the ballgame," said Terp coach Lefty Driesell. "We made a lot of mistakes, particularly our young people (sophomore Lawrence Best and freshman Larry Gibson)."

Lucas led Maryland with 22 points, while guard Maurice Howard added 13 and forward Steve Sheppard had 12.

Center Cedric Maxwell, who kept the 49ers in the game late with his shooting, had 19 points and 13 rebounds. Forward Lew Massey added 18 points.

Elsewhere in college basketball, South Carolina routed Yale 100-66 and Oklahoma State dumped Virginia 72-69 in the opening games of the Carolina Basketball Classic. Detroit edged Michigan State 85-82, Illinois edged California 97-79.

Detroit's Dennis Boyd sank two free throws with 30 seconds left and Laval Perry hit a clinching free throw with eight seconds to go to help the Titan's offset a 41-point performance by the Spartans' Terry Furlow.

### Celt win streak on line tonight

BOSTON (UPI) — Tom Heinsohn knows his Boston Celtics' winning streak will snap sooner or later, but he doesn't want it to end tonight.

The Celtics, winners of nine straight games, face the Braves in an Atlantic Division game at Buffalo before heading for a West Coast swing.

"I'm more concerned with the conference games than the upcoming Coast games. But we're in good shape going into the trip," said Heinsohn.

The Braves trail Boston by 4 1/2 games going into tonight's contest but the Braves have given the Celtics problems over the past year. Boston beat the Braves five times in nine games last season and are 2-0 this year. But the Braves won two of three in Buffalo last season and lost by two points, 112-110, in the only other Memorial Auditorium game this season.

Yet Boston has reached an early season peak as 10 players have been contributing consistently to the patented running offense and tight defense.



(UPI Photo)

Joe Namath picks up holiday mail Jet back displayed new silver fox jacket

## Webster stars

RICHFIELD, Ohio (UPI) — Three goals by Tommy Webster helped the New England Whalers defeat the Cleveland Crusaders 4-1 Monday night to move into a tie with Cincinnati for first place in the World Hockey Association Eastern Division.

Webster scored in each period and now has 19 goals for the season.

Don Blackburn scored the other New England goal while Ron Ward accounted for the only Cleveland score.

## New England tracks closed

BOSTON (UPI) — Three New England race tracks were closed by snow Monday, but several others hoped to open today for pre-holiday wagering.

Both Suffolk Downs in Boston and Narragansett Park in Pawtucket, R.I., canceled Sunday and early week harness racing and planned to reopen Friday.

Harness racing at Foxboro, Mass., Raceway also was snowed out Sunday but was to resume tonight following a scheduled "dark" day Monday.

Seabrook, N.H., Park also scratched a scheduled 12-race greyhound card scheduled for Monday night. The track had planned to hold separate afternoon and evening cards today, weather permitting.

The track will be closed Wednesday and Thursday and will reopen Friday night.

Green Mountain Park in Pownal, Vt., which ran its harness racing card Sunday despite the weather, was to be closed as scheduled until Friday.

## BOWLING

EASTERN BUSINESS — Ray Dawson 168-403, Larry Aceto 163-375, Mickey Holmes 162-431, Hank Michaud 161-404, Hank Gryzb 159-390, Tom Turner 149-145-119, Pete Scott 146-366, Dave Gray 143-401, Mike Zwick 140-382, Ron Joiner 398, Rick DeDonicinis 377, Joe Torneo 376, Sandy Hanna 367.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS — Kathy Hayden 131, Chickie Balesano 143-372, Flo Musolino 140, Irene Sirosi 129.

## Business and the consumer

### Jobless claims up 5%

Claims for unemployment compensation filed in Manchester increased five per cent to a weekly total of 4,169 for the two-week period ending Dec. 13, the state Labor Department reported.

The new local total consisted of 197 initial claims and 3,992 continued claims. The total included 775 extended benefits claims and 814 emergency compensation claims. The percentage of women filing claims in Manchester was 38.4.

One year ago, total weekly claims filed in Manchester were 2,085, which consisted of 257 initial claims and 1,828 continued claims. At that time, the percentage of women filing claims was 33.7.

Statewide, jobless claims increased 5.3 per cent to a weekly total of 134,634 for the latest reporting period, the Labor Department said. Initial filings totaled 9,874 and continued claims were 124,760.

Included in the statewide total were 24,241 extended benefits claims, 31,133 emergency compensation claims, and 1,881 claims attributed to seasonal closings.

At the same time last year, statewide claims totaled 127,539.

With the exception of Watbury, which reported fewer filings, each Labor Department office registered increases in the latest reporting period.

The Labor Department's most recent estimate of statewide unemployment was 10.3 per cent in mid-November.

### Awarded CLU

Herbert A. Tyler of 51 Goodwin St. has been awarded the Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) designation after five years of study.

Tyler, sales manager at the Prudential Insurance Co.'s Manchester office, has been in the life insurance business since 1963. He has received several company awards, including "Sales Manager of the Year" for 1975. He has held that position since 1967.

Tyler and his wife, Dorothy, have two children. Tyler is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Tyler Sr. of 85 Tanager St.

### Elected

Mrs. Susan B. Koffman of Tolland has been elected a mortgage lending officer at Society for Savings, Hartford.

Mrs. Koffman has been an administrative assistant in the bank's real estate investment department. She joined Society in 1967 and has served in various capacities in mortgage lending since 1968.

She is chairman of the Tolland Board of Education and a member of the Tolland Republican Town Committee, the Young Republicans of Tolland, and St. Matthew's Church in Tolland. She was a founder of the Tolland Bus Club Inc., a non-profit commuter bus organization.

She is married to Robert J. Koffman.

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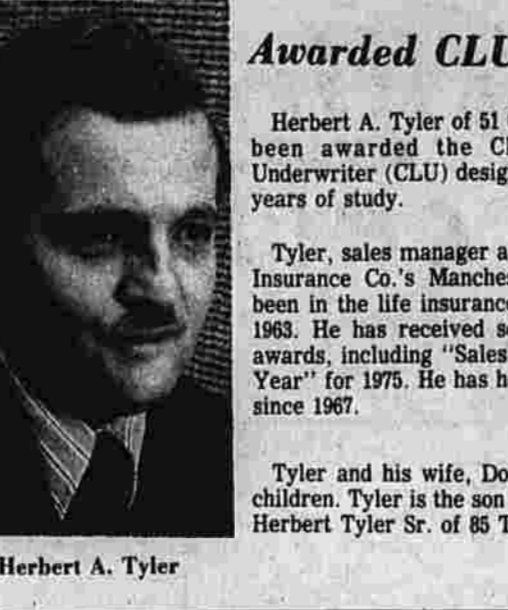
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After you have notified the credit card company in writing of your complaint within 60 days of getting the bill, the company must acknowledge within 30 days that it

has received the complaint. It must either correct the mistake or send a written explanation as to why the original bill was correct within 90 days.

During the 90-day period, you don't have to pay any amount that is in dispute or any finance charge on that amount, although you still, of course, have to make payments on other charge purchases you make.

The company can't close your account or give a bad report on you to a credit bureau during this period. If a company doesn't follow these regulations it may forfeit the amount disputed up to \$50, whether a billing error has been made or not.

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The Consumer Protection Department does not have jurisdiction over consumer credit problems. Problems of this type should be addressed to the Consumer Credit Division of the State Banking Department, State Office Building, Hartford, Conn., 06115, 646-1951.

### Manchester public records

**Warranty deed**  
Lois Radding, formerly Lois Rappaport, to Raymond E. and Beatrice L. Clay, property at 187 Bryan Dr., #37, 000.

**Executor's deed**  
John D. LaBelle and Alice C. Jarvis, co-executors under the will of Alexander Jarvis, to Joseph L.A. Robert and Homer G. Scoville, property off Center St. known as the Presidential Apartments, \$1,000,000. Attachment  
Hartford National Bank and Trust

**Co. against Irvin Hansey Jr.**, property at 191 School St., \$3,300.  
**Judgment lien**  
Hartford Hospital Inc. against William and June Loftstrom, property at 57 Wedgewood Dr., \$1,130.55.  
**Trade names**  
Rudolph E. Capello, doing business as Rudy's Food Market & Grocery, 230 Oak St.  
Raymond Levesque, doing business as 1776 Candy Shoppe, 419 Main St.  
Donald Romano, doing business as Glidden Decorating Center, S.C.M. Corp., 291 E. Center St.

**Elected officer**  
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Smith in court today on signs

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644-1364
Former Mayor Robert J. Smith was scheduled to appear in Court of Common Pleas 12 in East Hartford today on charges alleging he took political campaign signs...



A Christmas stocking treat!

Rockville Hospital notes

Admitted Monday: Angela Coville, Franklin Park, Rockville; Lea Daigle, Cottage St., Rockville; Pamela Horton, Village St., Manchester; Anna Jeski, East Hartford; Sumner Justice, Vernon Ave., Rockville; Louis Lavioie, High Manor Park, Vernon; Cheryl Mantlik, Cassidy Hill Rd., Tolland; Mercella Royal, Brooklin St., Rockville. Discharged Monday: Lisa Alderuccio, Garnet Ridge Dr., Tolland; Edna Cook, Wales Rd., Andover; Russell Gail, Stafford Springs; William Gayton, Franklin Park, Rockville; Anne Roberts, Stafford Springs; Ernest Squarito, Glastonbury; John White, Glastonbury Dr., Rockville. Birth Monday: A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haughn, Somers.

Matthew James Tolisano is leaving Rockville General Hospital not only in a bright red Christmas stocking but also in good hands. Matthew's mother, Joanne Tolisano, is on the nursing staff at the hospital. His father is James Tolisano and they live on Tolland St., East Hartford. The baby was born Dec. 18 and weighed in at 8 lbs. 11 oz. and was 22 inches long. The Christmas stockings are made by the Hospital Auxiliary members. The baby's maternal grandmother is Mrs. Phyllis MacVarish of Ellington and his paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Tolisano of East Hartford. (Herald photo by Richmond)

Project Explore: program for gifted

Bolton
DONNA HOLLAND
646-0375
Project Explore is a program for academically accelerated students in kindergarten through Grade 12 in the Bolton schools. Right now 39 students are in the program. Broken down, there are three students from Grades 1 and 2, six from Grades 3 and 4, 11 from Grades 5 through 8 and 19 from Grades 9 through 12. The number of students allowed in the program is set by the state because the costs of the program are two-thirds reimbursable by the state. Bolton's program is based on individual intelligence quotient and the state identifies that as the top three to five per cent of students in each class. The Board of Education hired Mrs. Barbara Doherty for the position of teacher of the gifted in August. She works half time. Mrs. Doherty said the program caters to students who cannot get all they need in a regular classroom. She said, "Bolton will go slow and do it right. The initial phase will get off to a good start before any other areas are explored." At the present time students in the program are taken from their regular classroom instruction for about two hours per week. They go to a research area and work on independent projects.

Mrs. Doherty said she is working on getting time allotted to the students in the classroom based on their individual interests. She plans to meet regularly with parents and talk frequently with teachers, both individually and in groups. Mrs. Doherty described the purpose of the program. "Differential education for academically gifted students is designed to develop the intellectual potential that exists in these youngsters at a greater breadth, depth and complexity than is done in the regular classroom. "Without guidance the probability is that this potential will not develop or will not develop to its fullest. The result for the individual will be restlessness, dissatisfaction, frustration and waste. The result for society is the wasting of a most valuable resource. "Our program aims at developing the more complex, cognitive skills such as analysis, synthesis and evaluation together with creative or productive thinking." Mrs. Doherty said three organizational procedures commonly used in providing for the needs of the gifted youngsters are acceleration, special classes and enrichment within the regular classroom. She said Bolton is using elements from each procedure and will do so increasingly as Project Explore develops. The teacher of the gifted said acceleration is being used in its usual sense of skipping grades. She said high school students are enrolled in college level courses and able students may cover regular high school course material on an individual basis with periodic tutorials and credit by examination. She said special classes are being formed to meet the needs of students at the high school level. At the lower level they are held for small groups once a week for about two hours each session, she said. She said the classes are designed to foster growth. The classes, in-house or out-of-house, are designed to meet the needs of the students themselves and regular classroom activities lead to individual projects of infinite variety that students explore in their own time either at home or in school, she said. She said classroom enrichment is also important. She said materials are gradually arriving that will be used for additional enrichment throughout the schools. These include workshops, speakers, literature and other information concerning the characteristics of the gifted and how to provide for their needs most effectively. Mrs. Doherty said, "With all this activity, interest and excitement, it is inconceivable that other students in the schools won't benefit, too." She concluded, "The young people in Project Explore are impressive but they do need special attention. I am glad to be part of the team that is helping them."

Andover notifying Bolton about disposal pact

DONNA HOLLAND
646-0375
A letter to the Bolton Board of Selectmen reminding them of the Andover Disposal Area contract term expires June 30 is being sent by the Andover Board of Selectmen. The decision to do so was made at the last Andover Board of Selectmen meeting. The letter will ask if Bolton plans to request an extension of the contract. At its meeting Andover selectmen said Bolton has given no indication of what it has accomplished in obtaining a disposal area (and they feel it is time for a review). J. Russell Thompson, selectman, said he feels the request for rescinding previous Town Meeting action should come from Bolton. At a Town Meeting in the spring Andover residents voted to cease sharing the disposal area with Bolton as of June 30, 1976. Percy Cook, selectman, said it should be brought to Andover residents' attention that if and when Bolton no longer shares the area, Andover will see a two mill tax rate increase. When contacted by the Herald (by phone) David Yeomans, first selectman, admitted when he attended a Bolton Board of

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Morra, Ahearn discuss Concerned Republicans

Bolton
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646-0375
Responding to a group which calls itself "Concerned Republicans," Aloysius Ahearn said, "They are people who lack guts and are ignorant." The group sent notices to most Bolton residents last week attacking Ahearn for his "action or lack of action concerning layoffs of state employees." Ahearn was in the 7-5 majority of the General Assembly's joint public personnel committee which defeated Gov. Ella Grasso's plan to extend the state work week from 35 to 40 hours with no additional pay. Ahearn said he voted against the plan because it lacked merit. Ahearn is the Democratic state representative of the 5th District, which includes his home town of Bolton. Ahearn said the reason the notices were signed by "Concerned Republicans" and not the RTC was because the RTC did not have a meeting. Therefore the notice could not be approved by the committee. He said the major concern of the group was not expressed clearly. Income tax Morra said, "We sincerely believe there is a move in there (Hartford) to keep things on a crisis level until the public will accept a state income tax." That's our biggest fear and it's a very real fear. "One group being used as a pawn in this game is the state employees."

Bolton rescue truck ordered

DONNA HOLLAND
646-0375
The BVFD and the Women's Auxiliary of the BVFD has been sponsoring many fund raisers over the past six years, saving for the rescue service vehicle. The fund raisers include the annual sale of Christmas trees, annual bazaar, annual firemen's ball and filling swimming pools. Mrs. Doherty said, "With all this activity, interest and excitement, it is inconceivable that other students in the schools won't benefit, too." The vehicle was purchased from Vernon Dodge in Vernon. It will carry first aid and rescue equipment. The vehicle and extras were completely paid for by the BVFD.

Vacation begins in Hebron

EVELYN CROSTON
228-9561
With the close of school today, students in Hebron Elementary and Gilead Hill Schools started the Christmas vacation. Schools are scheduled to reopen on Jan. 5. Parents are reminded that in the event school is cancelled because of inclement weather, "no school" announcements will be made over radio stations, WVIC, WDRC, WPOP and WCNC. Another reminder to parents is that the child factor due to the winds at Gilead Hill School can reduce the temperature considerably and this in mind. If snow is on the ground adequate outer coats and boots are a necessity. Children who wear snow boots to school should also bring regular shoes to change into. It would be appreciated if coats and boots are labeled with the youngsters names particularly of those children in the primary grades. Registration is being accepted for an intermediate "See Easy With Knits" course beginning Jan. 6 and running to Feb. 10, according to Lorraine Kreger, president of the Happy Homemakers. The class is limited to 25 persons and there will be a fee of \$18.50 for the course. Persons may register and obtain further information by calling Mrs. John Kreger of Jan Drive, 643-0002 or Mrs. Albert Billard of Burrinos Hill Rd., 228-9562. Candidates set for Dec. 21 to select members for their respective town committees. The Democrats will caucus Jan. 20, their regular meeting night at the Town Office Building. Persons interested in serving on the 35-member Democratic Town Committee should call Richard A. Keefer, town chairman; Cynthia Wilson, vice chairman or other town committee members. The Republicans will caucus Jan. 21 to select members for their 35-member town committee. The meeting place has not been set. The annual Lincoln Day Dinner-Dance sponsored by the Republican Town Committee is scheduled for Jan. 31 at the Hemlocks. Serving on the committee are Marvin Robinson, chairman; Patricia Mulligan and Jeffrey Odell. The menu is prime ribs of beef. The ticket price is being set and tickets will be available after Jan. 1, from members of the town committee. History available "Our Town's Heritage" a history of Hebron from 1706 to 1950, written by John Sibum is now available at the Douglas Library, Town Office Building, banks and other business establishments. The writing of the book was sponsored by the Douglas Library. 50 free copies and they may also be obtained by contacting Emery Taylor, chairman of the book committee. Coventry juniors above average in PSAT tests MONICA SHEA 742-9495 The Guidance Department of Coventry High School has announced the results of the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) given in October. The scores of this test range from 20 to 80 and are intended to measure reasoning ability in both verbal and mathematical areas. The average scores of the 57 juniors who took the test were 40.3 in the verbal and 45.4 in the math. These averages are considerably above the national average for juniors which is 34.9 in verbal and 38.0 in math. Coventry's average verbal score was in the 71 percentile and the average math score was in the 73 percentile. If parents have any questions about their child's score they may contact the guidance department for more information. can then take the voucher to the neighborhood school or to any school within the town that has available space. The federal government would pay additional transportation costs over this grant for five years. The federal government has also pledged to pay costs of any legal cases that are expected if and when parochial schools are included in the voucher program. The superintendent explained that the \$6.5 million would come to East Hartford at the rate of about \$1.3 million a year. Most of the money would be used to provide vouchers to parents of children in nonpublic schools and to cover anticipated transportation costs.

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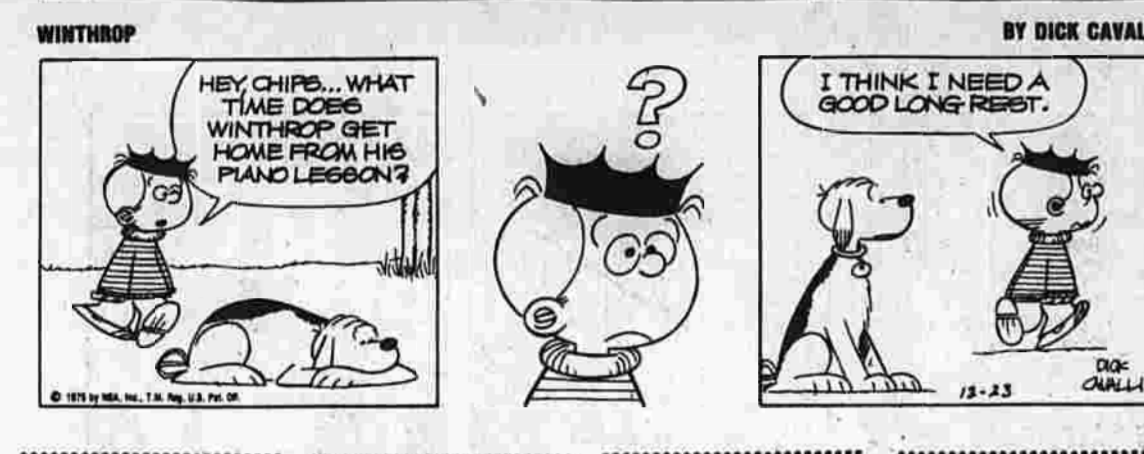
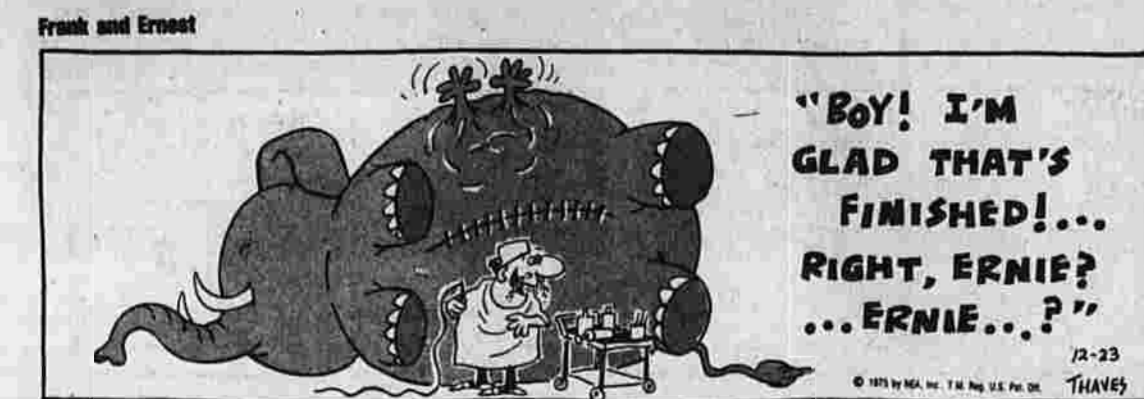
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Dear Abby By Abigail Van Buren DEAR ABBY: My husband works in the coal mines, and they just found out that they recently hired some women to work right alongside the men!

DEAR ABBY: I am a 33-year-old male who has been seeing a psychologist about a stuttering and stammering problem. I've had since puberty.

DEAR ABBY: I urge you (and any other patient whose therapist suggests that sex between them should be part of the "treatment") to refuse firmly, report the incident to the ethics board of the therapist's professional association and look for a new therapist.

DEAR WIDOW: Although death is one of the few certainties in life, too few people are sufficiently realistic to prepare for it. Perhaps your letter will be a few cents into action.

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Ask the Goochies A Milwaukee reader asks what it means when a partnership announces that they lead third best or fifth best instead of the standard fourth best.

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Bugs Bunny - Heimdahl and Stoffel JUST FILL OUT THE FORM, SWIFTEST, AN' WE'LL SEE ABOUT A LOAN!

Our Boarding House - Carroll & McCormick AREN'T YOU A LITTLE PROMOTION! IF EARLY, YOU EVER GOT A GOLDFISH YOU'D DELIVERED TO YOU'RE JONAH!

Short Ribs - Frank Hill NOTICE THE SPRIGS OF HOLLY ON MY RACK! AND THE PINE BOWS ON THE HANGING PARTS!

