

Outside today

Motly cloudy tonight. Lows in the teens. Partly sunny Wednesday. Highs in the 20s. Probability of precipitation 20 percent tonight and 10 percent Wednesday. National weather map on page 9.

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It starts with the right knot

Boys watch intently while Robert Blanchard, a member of the Manchester Bassmasters, demonstrates how to tie knots in a monofilament line that won't snag or cut through the fishing line. This is part of a

series of free classes in basic fishing for pan fish, pickerel and bass offered by the Manchester Bassmasters. (Herald photo by Pinto)

Town will acquire rest of park land

By GREG PEARSON
Herald Reporter

Despite some concern about easements from the state that have not been approved yet, the Manchester Economic Development Commission this morning unanimously agreed that the town can proceed to acquire the remaining property in the proposed 393-acre industrial park.

The town received a letter Friday from the J.C. Penney Co. that the requirements of a purchase agreement between the firm, which would be the park's major tenant, and the town have been met. One item mentioned that has not been finalized is the transfer of the easements from the state to J.C. Penney.

The easements are needed for entrance to the 162-acre J.C. Penney site and for drainage work, attorney Thomas DeMille, who represents the firm, said.

Some of the EDC members wondered about proceeding with the purchase of the rest of the property until the easements are obtained.

"I have some real questions about moving forward at this time," William Sleith, an EDC member, said. He said that the advantages gained in saving time might not outweigh the potential dangers.

DeMille said that J.C. Penney already has reached an oral agreement with the state about the easements. It is now a matter of getting the formal approval in writing, a process that might not occur until shortly before the closing, expected to take place in the third week in March, he said.

Attorney Jules Karp, who represents the EDC, David Barry, town counsel, and other EDC members mentioned that the state is involved in the industrial park project and would not be apt to act as a hindrance.

"The state is 50-50 on this land. They're not going to back out. The risks are very minimal," William Anderson, a commission member, said.

The commission then unanimously approved the acquisition of the remaining park property, a purchase

that is expected to cost about \$1.2 million. The property will be needed for items such as drainage work and the construction of the permanent road through the park.

The EDC also approved granting authorization to Town Manager Robert Weiss to sign a contract with the Savin Brothers firm for drainage work in the park.

The firm was the low bidder for the contract when it submitted a price of \$425,000. The commission's approval means that Weiss can authorize the firm to start as soon as the town and J.C. Penney complete their property transfer.

A contract including the park road and a temporary road in the eastern portion from the east side of Burnham Street to Windsor Street will be put out to bid this week and opened March 20.

The temporary road will cost \$15,000 to \$20,000 and will be a "minimal type roadway," Walter Fuss, an engineer on the project, said.

The commission also agreed to authorize a contest to name the industrial park.

Signatures, withdrawals filed over consolidation

By GREG PEARSON
Herald Reporter

More signatures and more withdrawals were filed this morning with Manchester Town Clerk Edward Tomkiel as the petitioning effort for consolidation continued.

Tomkiel said today that he expects to have the petition signatures supporting a referendum on consolidation certified within a week.

The Committee for One Manchester, which is supporting the consolidation of the Eighth Utilities District and the Town of Manchester, organized the petitioning effort. Last week, the committee filed the petitions and said that it had obtained the needed number of signatures—10 percent of the voters in both the district and non-district areas—for a referendum on consolidation to take

place. Consolidation would combine the Eighth Utilities District and the Town of Manchester.

This morning, the group filed 10 more pages of signatures from district residents and 21 more pages of signatures from non-district residents, Durward Miller, co-chairman of the committee, said.

Robert Bletchman, chairman of Stop Tampering With the Eighth's American Liberties, filed 64 more withdrawals from the petitions. A total of 175 persons now have asked to withdraw their names after signing the petitions.

Tomkiel also said that the town counsel's office has been asked to issue a ruling about the withdrawals and whether such a step is valid.

The state laws governing con-

solidation include no provisions for withdrawals from petitions. There are such provisions under the state laws for primaries, however.

District officials have been working to obtain withdrawals from the petitions. These have been submitted during the past two weeks to the town clerk's office.

Tomkiel, who was working on certifying the petition signatures today, said that the process should be completed within a week.

The Committee for One Manchester Friday submitted 116 pages of signers from the district and 216 pages of signers from non-district areas. The names have to be checked to insure that the signers are registered voters, that there are no duplications and that the district signers actually live in the district.

No vote taken on Denison

The Board of Trustees of Regional Community Colleges Monday night took no action on any of the reappointments of 12 community college presidents, including Dr. Ronald Denison, president of Manchester Community College.

Dr. Searle Charles, executive director of the community college system, said today he reported to the board on his discussions with several faculty and staff members at MCC regarding the reappointment of Denison and the status of the college in general.

Charles said it would "not be fair to anyone involved" to reveal the details of his report.

Denison has been under close scrutiny by both the college faculty and the board of trustees as a result of a controversy involving a reassignment for Assistant Professor Robert Vater last fall. The Trustees had asked Charles to conduct an investigation as an extension of the annual evaluation of the president.

About 25 staff members had been called into Charles' offices and Charles also visited the campus a

few times to interview students.

The next meeting of the board of trustees is March 20, Charles said.

Manchester Community College staff had expected a decision on Denison's reappointment before March 1, but Charles said there is no policy or requirement that states a decision on reappointments and college re-evaluations has to be made by March 1. The general schedule has been March to March, he said, but the final decision does not have to be made until June 1, according to state policy.

Top court allows offshore drilling

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Supreme Court today cleared the way for the first major exploratory oil and gas drilling to begin in the Atlantic Ocean off New York, New Jersey and Delaware.

The justices turned down appeals by Suffolk County, N.Y., and a Montauk, N.Y., citizens group and let stand a lower court's validation of \$1.1 billion in offshore leases sold by the government Aug. 16, 1976.

The action, taken routinely in a brief order, was a blow to environmentalists and area residents fighting the advent of offshore drilling in the Baltimore Canyon. But it was a victory for big oil companies and for the government, which sees this as a way to reduce U.S. dependence on foreign oil.

Several oil companies already have permits to begin exploratory drilling, but they voluntarily waited for the court to act before starting.

The court battle began after Interior Secretary Thomas Kleppe, following preparation of an environmental impact statement

required by federal law, announced his decision to conduct a sale of leases on the outer continental shelf off the New Jersey coast Aug. 17.

Kleppe and the Ford administration wanted to accelerate offshore oil and gas leasing as planned by President Richard Nixon in order to increase the domestic fuel supply.

In the skirmish to stop the mid-Atlantic sale, environmentalists, joined by the state of New York and others, obtained a preliminary injunction against the sale from U.S. District Judge Jack Weinstein on Aug. 13.

But the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals allowed the sale to go ahead and Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall also declined to stop it when a last-minute application was made to him.

After a trial, Weinstein on Feb. 17, 1977, ruled the leases null and void. He said the environmental impact statement was inadequate, partly because it failed to project what would happen if oil was piped ashore

rather than shipped by tanker. A three-judge panel of the 2nd Circuit reversed Weinstein's ruling, saying the environmental statement adequately discussed ways of transporting oil ashore. It rejected the judge's finding that the interior secretary acted in "bad faith."

The administration has favored getting exploration under way. Interior Secretary Cecil Andrus said he would require preparation of another environmental impact statement before granting approval of any actual oil or gas production plans in the 867,750-acre sale area.

The government also told the Supreme Court that Congress is expected to approve amendments providing better safety procedures before any decisions on oil development are made.

A similar legal fight has been holding up a scheduled sale of oil and natural gas leases off the coast of Massachusetts, where state officials want new federal safety procedures implemented before drilling begins.

Separate coal pact may serve as model

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The just-negotiated contract, which coal miners working for Pittsburg and Midway Coal Co. in Kentucky, Kansas and Missouri will soon be reviewing, may be a model for an overall accord that might end the record-long coal strike.

By swinging a deal Monday with the United Mine Workers, P and M, an independent company not affiliated with the Bituminous Coal Operators Association, may also have damaged industry solidarity.

One union source predicted that solidarity has already been shattered, and likened the split to the celebrated UMW infighting.

There are about 130 member companies within the BCOA, and varying interests were expected. One source close to the negotiations suggested the industry bargainers had made too many promises to each other on specific points within the contract, thus binding them at times to sections they didn't really care about.

As for the P and M contract, there are several major differences with the latest, rejected BCOA offer. One source said a number of companies "could live quite well with the P and M contract." The UMW bargaining council passed it, 26-13, Monday night.

About 700 miners are involved in Monday's tentative settlement, but P and M is considered a large independent because of mine holdings in the West — not involved in the contract dispute — as well as the states covered by the latest agreement.

As outlined by the union source, here are the major points the new contract contains that are not to be found in the BCOA stand:

- Substantially modified stability language. The source called it "radically different. P and M agreed that only instigators of wildcat strikes need be disciplined instead of all those who observe the picket line."
- No work incentives. The union thought these might be counter-

productive and force miners to work too hard, while spreading disharmony.

• Reinstated cost-of-living allowance geared to government figures. The BCOA suggested a lid on such raises, regardless of the rate of inflation.

• Health and safety guarantees reverted to the favored language of the 1974 contract.

• No Sunday work. There was none under the old contract, but the BCOA had sought a change in this rule.

• No probationary periods for new employees.

• No fine for wildcat strikers. The BCOA had yielded on this point, as well, after asking that strikers be fined \$20 a day.

• Coal operators must pay the union for using union-run equipment to process non-union mined coal. Several BCOA members were opposed to this concession.

• The union pension was retained as is.

Egyptian commandos welcomed as heroes

CAIRO, Egypt (UPI) — The survivors of an Egyptian commando force attacked by Cypriot troops returned home to a heroes' welcome today and Egypt effectively cut diplomatic ties with Cyprus in retaliation for the bloody fiasco.

The Egyptian commando force arrived in Cairo carrying its 15 dead and 11 wounded amid shouts of "Allah Akbar" (God is Great). Prime Minister Mamdouh Salem and his cabinet welcomed them, but President Anwar Sadat did not attend.

The commando unit flew to Cyprus in an attempt to stage an Entebbe-like operation and free 15 hostages

held by two Palestinian terrorists, who Saturday killed prominent Egyptian journalist Yusef Sebail.

But the commandos were attacked by the Cyprus National Guard in a 50-minute airport shootout and Cyprus expelled the Egyptian military attaché to protest what it called Egypt's violation of its sovereignty.

Egypt summoned its diplomatic mission from Nicosia, expelled Cypriot diplomats from Cairo and pointed accusing fingers at Moscow and Damascus for masterminding the affair. The steps in effect broke diplomatic relations with Cyprus.

The cabinet, after a four-hour emergency meeting, said Egyptian-

Cypriot relations could be restored only if the two Palestinians were handed over for trial in Cairo.

The cabinet said it believed Sebail's assassination, and its sequel, were aimed at undermining Sadat's peace initiative and intimidating Egyptian officials who planned to travel abroad.

The government awarded military decorations to the Egyptian commandos and praised their "great heroism" and their performance "under unusual and unexpected circumstances."

The 15 dead commandos will be given a state funeral Wednesday and buried with full military honors.

Today's news summary

WASHINGTON (UPI) — As of today, all food products containing saccharin must carry a label warning people the artificial sweetener may cause cancer.

Among other places, the notice will appear on the little sacks of sugar substitute in restaurants and coffee shops, and on the side or top of cans containing diet soda pop — which accounts for 74 percent of all saccharin in food.

WETHERSFIELD (UPI) — The Connecticut Traffic Commission voted 2-1 today to extend a traffic permit for another month for the state's first proposed horse race track.

Developer Ronald Mooney asked for a 60-day extension of the permit and told the commission

that revoking his permit would eliminate any possibility of his successfully assembling financing for the \$55 million facility in Middletown.

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Supreme Court, stepping into a case with far-reaching world trade implications, agreed today to rule whether the Treasury must impose special duties on imported Japanese television sets and other electronic products.

The justices will hear arguments this spring on Zenith Radio Corp.'s appeal claiming countervailing duties are needed to offset certain domestic commodity taxes which Japan rebates to exporters of Japanese electronic products.

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Commerce Department today revised down to 4 percent its estimate of national economic growth in the final three months of 1977 because of a worsening balance of trade.

In a preliminary report last month, the department said the gross national product increased 4.2 percent between Oct. 1 and Dec. 31. GNP is a dollar evaluation of all the goods and services produced by American businesses and individuals.

Although the downward revision was small, it established firmly that the economy is slowing down after almost three years of improvement from the worst recession of the post-World War II era.

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His handwriting analyzed

Brian Eaton, a student at Howell Cheney Regional Vocational Technical School, learns what it means the way he crosses his "Ts" from Mrs. Patricia Senich, a graphoanalyst. Mrs. Senich was guest at an assembly program recently at Cheney Tech. She later

visited the English classes and gave individual analyses of students' handwriting. Mrs. Senich's appearance was one of several special assembly programs planned for Cheney Tech this year. (Herald photo by Pinfino)

Appeal headed by Hirth About town

Emanuel Hirth of 125 Highwood Drive is the new chairman of the Federated Jewish Appeal of Manchester.

Hirth, who succeeds Dr. Leo Charendoff in the post, is general manager of the Farmer's Cooperative Association on Apple Place. He was honored last year for his work in the Israel Bond Drive.



Emanuel Hirth

Mrs. Lillian Bayer, who has been secretary-treasurer of the Manchester Federation for many years, continues in office. Hirth conducted a kick-off meeting of his committee this week and outlined plans for Manchester's 1978 United Jewish Appeal (UJA) campaign.

A workshop session for all volunteer workers will be held March 14 at 8 p.m. at Temple Beth Shalom with Herbert Sedlis of the national UJA office conducting the workshop.

A UJA Sabbath Service April 14 at Temple Beth Shalom and a UJA breakfast in April at the Colony Restaurant will be highlights of the campaign.

The Women's Society of Community Baptist Church will meet tonight at 7:30 at the church. The program for the evening is "Those Wedding Women."

Two study groups of South United Methodist Church have scheduled meetings for tonight at 7:30. The Women's Prayer and Study Group will meet at 1208 Main St., and the Lenten Study and Discussion Group at 80 Carriage Drive.

A service of Holy Communion is scheduled for Wednesday at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

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Parents to hear details of pre-school screening

Parents meetings to explain preschool screening of children entering kindergarten in the public schools next fall will be held this weekend next week in three different locations. Kindergarten registration will be next week.

All parents who have children entering kindergarten in the fall are invited to attend one of the screening meetings in their school district.

Jean Campbell, coordinator of school social workers, and Anne-Louise Fournier, special education supervisor, will discuss the same material at each meeting and will open the meetings to questions from parents.

The times and places of the meetings will be as follows: Friday, 10 a.m. at Mott's Community Room, 587 E. Middle Turnpike; Feb. 22, 7:30 p.m., Robertson School Cafeteria, 65 N. School St., and March 2, 7:30 p.m. at Keeney School Cafeteria, 179 Keeney St.

Kindergarten registration will be next Wednesday and Thursday, March 1 and 2, from 3 to 4 p.m. at the school which the children attend. Screening appointments will be made at the registration.

Only children who will be 5 years old on or before Dec. 31 will be eligible for the screening and registration. There are no exceptions to the "no early admissions" policy, said Mrs. Fournier. However, children are not required to be registered for kindergarten at age 5 if parents have questions concerning their child's readiness for school.

Parents must bring with them the following items at the registration: birth certificate; certificates showing proof of immunization against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and polio, and proof of a tuberculin test between ages 3 and 5, proof of a measles vaccine or the disease and of German Measle vaccine or the disease. The requirements must be met before a child enters school in September.

The screening procedure is set up to determine a child's developmental age to help choose the kind of kindergarten program he or she may need, Mrs. Fournier said.

The screening will involve interviews of both the parent and child by the school social worker, school nurse and a kindergarten teacher from the school. A speech, hearing and language clinician will also give the child a test to assess ability in speech and language.

The screening team will review the results immediately with the parent. If there is a problem, a re-evaluation will be done in a second series of tests, Mrs. Fournier said. However, she stressed that the screening is not a pass or fail situation and no child will be kept out of kindergarten.

There are three additional options to the regular kindergarten program, including a language kindergarten, an Early Childhood Education program at Martin School and Early Learning Resource Centers in all the schools, Mrs. Fournier noted.

Another area which provides evaluations for children ages 3 to 5 years is the Child Development Clinic which meets periodically.

A new service to be provided for all prekindergarten children this year, Mrs. Fournier said, will be a booklet of activities which parents can do with their children over the summer as a preparation for kindergarten.

The screening sessions will be held in the individual schools in March and April.

Head Start children will also be screened in the home school and will be called by the school secretary and language clinician will also give the child a test to assess ability in speech and language.

School board to consider morals education, gifted

The Manchester Board of Education curriculum committee will hear reports tonight on the program for gifted students and on a proposed morals education curriculum.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the board meeting room at 45 N. School St.

The gifted program will be first on the agenda and will include an evaluation of the program by teachers and the assistant school superintendent for curriculum, Alfred B. Tychsen. The program has been in operation at Bowers School since the beginning of the current school year for fourth through sixth grade students. The board has included a recommendation for expanding the program to all elementary schools next year in its proposed budget.

The morals education proposal will be presented by Michael Marquis, English teacher, and Cathy Sampson, social studies teacher, both at Illing Junior High School, and Tychsen.

Tychsen said they will present the question of whether schools should take more of the responsibility in the area of morals education. The presentation will include information Tychsen and the teachers have gathered on the topic from other school systems.

They will also make suggestions and recommendations for the kind of program they would like to implement in the two Manchester junior high schools next fall.

Tychsen said the program will not be an attempt to tell the students what is right and wrong, but will attempt to implement a process that helps the students sort out for themselves what is in the best interests of everyone involved in various situations involving moral dilemmas.

If the suggestions are approved by the board, curriculum for the special program will have to be carefully worked out by teachers and others involved, Tychsen said.

Betty's notebook

By Betty Ryder

Received a nice letter this week from Hirota Shimizu of Japan. Perhaps you remember he is a professor at Nara Women's University in Nara, Japan, and was in Manchester on sabbatical for several months last year.

He and his two lovely daughters were our neighbors during that time. He is very pleased that the Rev. and Mrs. Norman E. Swensen of Trinity Covenant Church are going to Japan in the spring.

"According to our newspaper, Manchester seems to be deep under the snow. The last telephone call we received in Manchester was from you on the morning of our departure a year ago. I cannot believe one whole year has already passed."

"The Lord has been kind to me this one year and now we are thrilled at the news of the Swensens' coming to Japan. I hope they will bring lots of homeickness."

His daughter, Mariko, wrote, "100 Porter St., Manchester, is second home for me. I really miss deep snow. Trinity Covenant Church ... and your smile (that's for my son, David). Always you are in my heart. I do want to see you all again."

"We'll have to get a roundrobin letter going and all send a few lines to the Shimizu family to let them know we miss them, too."

Alpha & Omega
Speaking of letters, I received another one from Carl J. Rossow, who together with his wife, Rachael, head the Alpha & Omega Family in Ellington.

The Rossows are the couple who care for 10 multi-handicapped children.

Carl thanked me for the article on the Alpha & Omega Family which appeared in The Herald in December and wrote, "The article touched many people and has brought the youngsters many friends. Most importantly it has helped to sensitize the entire community to the needs of the handicapped child and also to the fact that he or she can share in and contribute to the community."

"And please extend our thanks to Steve Dunn for the remarkable pictures which were included in the article."

When you write stories each week, it really makes you feel great to do a meaningful one that reaches out to your readers.

Friendship Force
The Friendship Force is following up on Connecticut residents who participated in the recent trip to Israel with a questionnaire.

It asks such questions as do you think you were well matched with your host family and their occupation, do you think the whole program was handled well, would you participate again, and so forth.

It's very good and I am sure when all the participants return them, it will indicate that everyone was satisfied with the arrangements. It was a massive undertaking from beginning to end and I'm sure that one trip from Connecticut has been completed, the next one will probably go even smoother.

Also, a few days after arriving home, there was an envelope from the Israel Office of Tourism.

Inside was a letter welcoming us home and also a white T-shirt imprinted with this message: "Israel - If you liked the book, you'll love the country."

Jazz men
For those jazz fans in the area who enjoyed hearing Gage Ambers and his jazz men at the Free Spirit in Vernon Sunday afternoons, you'll be happy to hear he is currently playing at the Horseshoe Cafe on Maple Avenue in Hartford.

I heard them on their opening night Sunday and, as usual, they were terrific. The cafe is very attractive with a large horseshoe bar. Good food, too.

Fashion news
The Men's Fashion Association Spring-Summer Preview is currently being conducted in Las Vegas.

Remember all those skinny ties you finally tossed out? Well, if you can still retrieve them from the trash barrel — hurry.

The fashion world is buzzing, but reports are that Chip Tolbert, the MFA's fashion director, is taking it all in his stride.

One fashion editor quoted him as being getting wider for 12 years now, and there was only one way for them to go — thinner.

So, gentlemen, check your closets. Those skinny ties are definitely IN, at least for this year.

Births
Griffin, Cathleen Ann, daughter of David M. and Deborah Griffin of 130 Vernon Ave., Vernon. She was born Feb. 9 at Rockville General Hospital.

Shramak, Steven Joseph, son of David and Helen Robert, David, 4. Dudek Shramak of 12 Heather Road, Ellington. He was

born Feb. 12 at Rockville General Hospital. His maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Steven Dudek of Stamford. His paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shramak of Windsor. He has a sister, Debra, 7, and a

brother, Steven Joseph, 4.

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In the service

Spec. 4 John J. Wilkinson serving with the U.S. Army in Mainz, West Germany, scored a technical knockout in Round 3 over German welterweight Andreas Nader in a welterweight competition in Troisdorf, West Germany.

Wilkinson, formerly of Manchester, attended Washington Street School and Illing Junior High School. He enlisted in the Army on May 12, 1975 and has been serving in Mainz since September of that year.

He received basic training at Fort Polk, La., and is assigned to B Co., 2nd Battalion, 87th Infantry in Mainz.

Alexander R. Elliott of Manchester, a member of the Army Reserve's 1st Battalion, 2nd Brigade (BCT), 385th Regiment, 78th Division (TNG) was recently promoted to sergeant first class.

He graduated from the Drill Sergeant Academy in August of 1977. He has been with the 78th Division for 1 1/2 years and still has 1 1/2 years remaining on his current enlistment. He also has served three years with the Regular Army and five years with the National Guard.

He resides at 98 Norman St. with his wife and three children.

Jeffrey Lee Gass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gass of 153 Hilliard St., recently entered the Air Force Delayed Enlistment Program.

A 1978 graduate of Manchester High School, he is scheduled to leave for basic training at Lackland Air Force Base near San Antonio, Texas, on July 17.

He will receive technical training in the aircraft life support specialist career field.

Roger P. Plante, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lionel J. Plante Jr. of 92 Grissom Road, has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force.

A 1977 graduate of Manchester High School, he selected a position in the electronics career field and departed for basic training Feb. 15, at Lackland Air Force Base near San Antonio, Texas.

Airman James T. Philopona, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Philopona of 15 Virginia Road, has graduated at Sheppard AFB, Texas, from the U.S. Air Force technical training course for computer operators.

Airman Philopona, now trained to operate and maintain electronic data processing machines, is being assigned to Pease AFB, N.H., for duty with a unit of the Strategic Air Command.

He graduated from East Catholic High School in 1977.

Airman Robert P. Croteau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Croteau of 50 Lockwood St., has graduated at Sheppard AFB, Texas, from the U.S. Air Force technical training course for aircraft maintenance specialists.

He is being assigned to Pease AFB, N.H., for duty with a unit of the Strategic Air Command.

He graduated from Manchester High School in 1977.

Navy Mess Management Specialist Seaman Appren. William P. Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Mar-

tin of 165 Henry St., has completed the Basic Enlisted Course at the Naval Submarine School, Groton.

A 1977 graduate of Howell Cheney Vocational Technical High School, he joined the Navy in June 1977.

Peter H. Ryba, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Ryba of 73 Notch Road, Bolton, was selected for the Commandant of Cadets' List at the United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn.

The Commandant of Cadets' List honors cadets who have displayed exemplary military leadership and have achieved grades of "A" in both conduct and aptitude.

He is a 1976 graduate of Bolton High School.

Navy Airman Ret. Joy M. Graczyk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Graczyk of 185 Old Stafford Road, Tolland, completed the Basic Aviation Machinist Mate Jet Engine Course with honors.

A 1977 graduate of Tolland High School, she joined the Navy in September 1977.

Coast Guard Seaman Appren. Dean M. Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Martin of 89 Central Ave., East Hartford, recently departed for a law enforcement patrol in the Caribbean Sea.

He is serving as a crewmember aboard the Coast Guard cutter Sherman, homeported in Boston.

During the four and one-half week patrol, his cutter will conduct surveillance operations of the southeastern coast of Florida to enforce international treaties and U.S. laws, including the 200-mile fisheries conservation zone.

He is a 1976 graduate of East Hartford High School, he joined the Coast Guard in May 1977.

Frank Gerald Seiza, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Seiza of 71 Rowland Drive, East Hartford, has enlisted in the Air Force.

Seiza, a 1977 graduate of East Catholic High School, selected a position in the nondestructive equipment inspection specialist career field and departed for basic training Feb. 9.

After completing six weeks of basic training at Lackland Air Force Base near San Antonio, Texas, he is scheduled to receive technical training for which transferrable college credits will be granted.

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Opinion

Lift Sunday sale ban

We favor lifting the ban on the sale of liquor on Sundays in Manchester.

This has not always been the opinion of this newspaper: it was a strong opponent of Sunday sales for a great part of the issue's history. We changed our minds about ten years ago, a change that even then was not met with universal favor. But times have changed.

Here is a review of the Sunday sales issue:

On Oct. 1, 1917, the town voted to go "dry" seven days a week; 53 weeks later Oct. 7, 1918 — it voted to reverse itself and permit the sale of liquor six days a week — but never on Sunday.

Then came Prohibition in 1920, and everyone went "dry" for 13 years — except the bootleggers.

In 1933, the 18th Amendment was repealed. The town voted to go back to sale of liquor six days a week again.

The Sunday sale of liquor became a town issue in 1939, and in a townwide vote in October it was defeated; The Herald argued for defeat.

A petition containing 1,075 names was presented to the Town Board of Directors in 1951; names were certified and the Board of Directors refused to endorse a resolution adopting Sunday sale of liquor; in effect, the board told proponents that if they wanted Sunday sales, they were going to get it by a vote of the people. The issue lay dormant until 1955.

Petitions circulated again in 1955, meetings were held, and the board voted to put the issue to referendum on Sept. 20, 1955. Sunday sales was

defeated 4,119 to 1,966; again The Herald recommended defeat.

Nine years later — in 1964 — the issue came up again, and The Herald led a fight to defeat it. The referendum was held Nov. 3, 1964, during the national election, and the vote to defeat was much closer 9,034 to 6,803.

Manchester, in 1964, was one of a few towns in the state which did not allow Sunday sales of liquor; today it is among seven towns that do not allow Sunday sales.

When we changed our minds some ten years ago, it was not a popular decision, even among some restaurateurs.

The issue was not then being raised, but The Herald, in an editorial, announced its change and the reasons for it.

We believe that the Prohibition Era proved to be a failure in legislating public morals. We believe in the right of people to have freedom of choice. We believe in the free enterprise system.

Restaurants have sprung up in surrounding towns with liquor licenses, and Manchester restaurants are placed at a disadvantage on Sunday dining out because of the Sunday sales ban.

So let's repeal the law, let the people decide; let the restaurateurs make up their own minds whether or not they want to remain closed Sundays.

Today's management of The Herald agrees with lifting the ban on the sale of liquor on Sundays in Manchester. It voices approval of The Herald change in opinion.

Thoughts

"Love and anger"
The stories of Cain and Abel, Jacob and Esau, Joseph and his brother, Mary and Martha, the elder brother and the prodigal son, tell of one of the common sources of our anger. Everyone with a brother or sister knows what this is like.

Very rarely we may believe that there is only so much love, and when it is given there won't be anymore. We have the idea that sharing love means dividing up what there is. Therefore, the more people involved, the less there will be for each. So we compete for that attention, fearing we may be left out. Jealousy is one of the many faces of anger.

What we may not understand is that loving involves quality more than quantity. And people important to us can and do love us as fully and as deeply as they may love our brother or sister or friend. We may be valued in different ways for each of us is unique and special. While one person needs a hug, another may need a push. Sometimes we need encouragement and other times we need confrontation.

Rev. Ernest S. Harris Jr., chaplain
Manchester Memorial Hospital

Of governors and good news

By ARNOLD SAWISLAK
WASHINGTON (UPI) — Gov. Ray Blanton of Tennessee has been in the news lately with his complaints about the "negativism" of the press. The governor says if the news media fail to present the positive side of a story, he will refuse to answer questions about "the negative aspects of state news."

That's his privilege. If the governor doesn't want to answer questions, the reporters have no way to force him. Apart from any provisions of law that require the disclosure of government information, the governor has as much right to keep his mouth shut as any other citizen.

But from a distance, it looks as if the governor is making the same kind of mistake that the media as many other politicians have in recent years. He seems to think if the press doesn't criticize the government, the public will be happy with the services they are getting for their taxes.

That is nonsense and Blanton has been in public life long enough to know it.

First, there is a lot more public unhappiness with the quality of government at every level than the press reflects.

Proof? The national public opinion polls show that there is a high level of distrust of government.

The politicians may reply that this is a result of press criticism of government, but that isn't what the people tell the pollsters. They say the reason for their dissatisfaction is corruption, which admittedly has received a lot of media attention recently, and the failure of government officials to deliver on their promises.

Second, even if the media refrains from criticizing the government, it doesn't mean citizens will.

Proof? The Vietnam peace movement, the civil rights revolution, Women's liberation, Consumerism. The mainstream press began reporting these and other social, political and economic changes long after they were well under way.

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Open forum
Shoveling sidewalks

To the editor:
I would like to express my concern about the shoveling of the town's sidewalks.

I go to Illing Junior High School of Manchester. Everyday on East Middle Turnpike there is a section where a brook passes through, with woods around it. It hasn't been shoveled since storm Larry.

Now why can't the town workers do this? This is what they get paid for.

When I walk on the street because of the unshoveled path, I'm walking on the wrong side of the street. I can't see the cars, and trucks go by

me. What else I have noticed for the past couple of months is the stoplight between East Middle Turnpike and Parker Street. Lets about five automobiles turn onto East Middle Turnpike. Why isn't the light green longer? Parker Street has way traffic on it all through the day.

The town's quality is starting to go downhill. If this keeps happening Manchester just might as well be taken off the map of Connecticut.

Sincerely yours,
Robert Moquin
9th Grade
193 Lydall St.

An answer for Mr. Stino

As I sat and listened to the 8th District Wednesday night, Feb. 15, condemn the Town of Manchester firefighters and other citizens and without limitations on how long they could talk and then heard Mr. Lassow limit to two minutes for any person from "The Committee For One Manchester" to give their views.

The way they ran the meeting that night is the way they run their 8th District. I have never seen a more Kangaroo Meeting in my life and if I weren't present I would not have believed it, but I saw it with my own eyes.

I saw Mr. Harold Stino speak when he told the people that the paid firemen are not dedicated any more than he is to his job at the Southern New England Telephone Co. He stated he only worked for the money and fringe benefits. I would like to say to Mr. Stino that where I work I happen to be the personnel manager, and with that kind of attitude toward your employer, stay away from my company because you would never work for us.

I will grant you I have to work and I appreciate the company I work for; had it not been for them I would not own my home, my children would not be clothed and would not have received the education they got. Every fringe benefit I got, I also appreciate, especially, when I see a hospital bill completely paid for and costing me nothing. My company pays my complete hospitalization and Blue Cross.

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Who helped the Boy Scouts earn their Firemanship merit badges in Manchester? The paid firemen again donated their time — volunteer work. I might add that the 6 a.m. Sunday morning hockey team ambulance manned by the paid fireman was for the Manchester Midget Hockey League — all volunteered their time.

Who gave C.P.R. courses in the town to over 700 people who have taken the course? These facts are all registered with the American Heart Association in Hartford; please check with them. The paid firemen again on their own time, volunteered time and work. I am a C.P.R. instructor who helps them out on their courses, and by the way, my time is, also, voluntary, just in case my boss reads this article.

Also, there are many firemen who answer fire calls while off duty and do not get paid for their efforts, once again an act of volunteering themselves to the people of Manchester.

Who spent Saturdays, Sundays and evenings to help rebuild the Keeney Street School house by the old Cheney Homestead on Hartford Road? Just so the people in Manchester could maintain a little history for the town. Paid firemen donated all their time voluntarily.

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Piatok wins script contest

Edward Piatok of 29 Flag Drive, a senior at Manchester High School, was named winner of the 31st annual Voice of Democracy Script Writing Contest sponsored by the Anderson-Shea Post and its Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The theme was "My Responsibility to America." Piatok also won second place in the third district which comprises more than 30 posts and auxiliaries in Hartford and Tolland County.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Piatok, he celebrated his 18th birthday last week. He is a member of Sock 'n Buskin Drama Club at the high school, and is active in affairs at Temple Beth Shalom. His hobbies are writing, golf and fishing. He plans to study veterinary medicine after high school graduation.

James Kennedy, 273 Ludlow Road, son of Dr. and Mrs. James P. Kennedy, won second place. Third place winner was Jeffrey V. Phelan of 40 Hillcrest Road, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Phelan.

The winners were honored Saturday night at a dinner at the post home. Gilbert Hunt, English department head at the high school, was presented with a plaque honoring him as coordinator at the school for the special VFW program.

Music Guild marks anniversary

Special guests at the luncheon will include Ann Kosciely, the concert pianist who appeared with the orchestra at its December concert, and an instrumental trio from the orchestra who will perform for the luncheon guests.

Those who wish to become members of the Manchester Music Guild may do so by contacting Mrs. Alfred Sundquist, Box 374, RD 3, Manchester, or call 643-4783.

During its first year, the guild has sponsored receptions for patrons of the orchestra and chorale, provided ushering service at concerts, and organized the orchestra's first Pops Concert last June.

The guild is planning the second annual Pops Concert at the school for all members Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. at her home at 60 Butternut Road.

Broken pipe at K-Mart caused water problems

Broken valves in a set of pipes of the sprinkler system at the vacant K-Mart store on Spencer Street caused lowered water pressure and forced the town to shut off water in the other stores at the shopping plaza Sunday morning.

The leak in the set of standing pipes outside the building was discovered about 8:40 a.m. Sunday. Water Department officials were called and found that there was no water to the stores at the shopping plaza.

The leak had continued, a large section of town, including all the area south of Middle Turnpike and west of Ferguson Road, would have been affected as far as water pressure for fire protection, Jodanis said.

AFS selling fruit

The summer exchange program. This year Yuki Fujita from Japan Manchester High School's student, and last summer AFS sent Donna McCarthy, a MHS senior, to Spain.

The Valencia oranges and pink Indian River grapefruit from Florida may be ordered before March 1 by calling 649-0506. Delivery will be made by your home March 15 or 19.

Coca-Cola workers go out on strike

Some 175 to 200 union workers at the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of New York's Connecticut division at 451 Main St., East Hartford, went on strike today.

The East Hartford Police said about 60 of the union workers were picketing in front of the plant this morning. The union vote to reject company contract offers was Sunday but Monday was a legal holiday so the strike didn't officially start until today.

Judge permits suit in ambulance dispute

Superior Court Judge Simon Cohen has ruled that Professional Ambulance Service Inc. of East Hartford may proceed with its \$500,000 lawsuit against the Town of East Hartford, Manchester Ambulance Service and Dr. Leslie Fodeman, director of the state Office of Emergency Medical Services.

The suit was filed last October after Mayor Richard Blackstone took action making Manchester Ambulance Services the town's primary ambulance service.

At that time, Blackstone said he took the action reluctantly, following a state directive. Under the new state laws on ambulances, a town has to choose one ambulance service as its primary service and Blackstone chose the Manchester firm among three available. The others were Professional and Trinity Ambulance Service of Hartford.

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A blow for equality

By ANDREW TULLY
WASHINGTON — Speaking of tax breaks, to which President Carter has addressed himself in his tax reform proposals, one is reminded of the corporation that bought a \$250,000 yacht.

The corporation, to the surprise of nobody cognizant of the expense account racket, listed operation of the yacht and its depreciation as its deduction on its income tax form.

The yacht, it was explained, was used to entertain customers and would-be customers.

Under the tax code, the deduction was allowed by the Internal Revenue Service. But some nosy investigator decided to check up on the matter. He discovered that the corporation indeed entertained business connections on the yacht, but learned to his surprise, and probably horror — that the president listed the yacht on his personal income tax return on the ground his doctor had ordered him to sail it hither and yon as a kind of tranquilizer for his damaged nervous system.

Such an abuse of the tax system is one of the things Carter wants to end by his reforms. He would do away with shooting lodges and other resorts maintained by corporations and wealthy businessmen for the entertainment of both customers and themselves, and listed as income tax deductions. And, of course, he has come out against those so-called "three-Martini" business lunches.

Carter's logic is unassailable. Certain business deductions are available only to a wealthy minority. The average shoe salesman hasn't the means to take customers sailing on his or his company's yacht. Neither does the butcher, the baker or the candlestick maker.

Thus, the pleasures of expense-account high jinks are subsidized by the Treasury, meaning the taxpayers. What the IRS can't get from, say, U.S. Steel, it must collect from the plumber and the carpenter. There is something wrong with a system that permits lawyers and doctors to buy holidays at their various vacation homes for other lawyers and doctors who might be persuaded to refer clients and patients to them.

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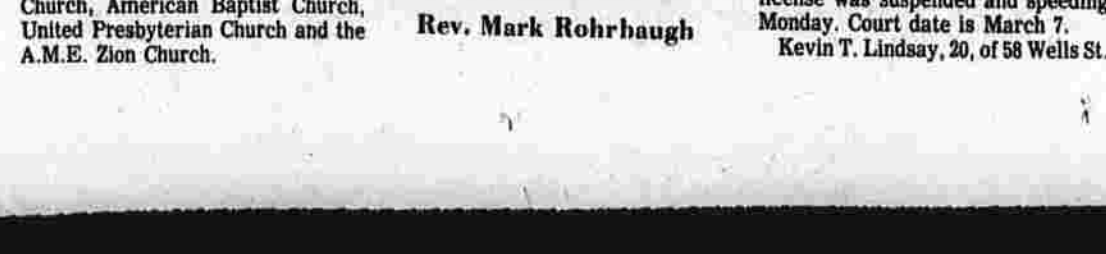
By United Press International
Today is Tuesday, Feb. 21, the 52nd day of 1978 with 313 to follow.
The moon is approaching its full phase.
The morning star is Mercury.

Rohrbaugh to speak

The Rev. Mark Rohrbaugh, general secretary of the Christian Conference of Connecticut, will be guest speaker Wednesday at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church Church. The public is invited.

The Rev. Mr. Rohrbaugh, who in 1972 assisted in the planning and organization of the Manchester Area Conference of Churches, will discuss the movement of churches toward a deeper sense of their common heritage.

An ordained minister of the United Church of Christ, the guest speaker has served congregations in Massachusetts and Connecticut. He was executive director of the New Britain Conference of Churches, United Church of Christ, Lutheran Church in America, Roman Catholic Church, Salvation Army, Episcopal Church, American Baptist Church, United Presbyterian Church and the A.M.E. Zion Church.



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You have to know which way it points

Having your vision tested is very serious business. The way four-year-old Sophia Hamid sees it, first the letter is upside down and then it's sideways. Her mother, Mrs. Louise Hamid,

who helped at a vision testing clinic at the nursery school at St. George's Episcopal Church in Bolton, is pleased with her daughter's response. (Herald photos by Pinto)

South Windsor asks aid to ease Penney's impact

South Windsor Mayor Nancy Calfyn has asked State Rep. Abraham Glassman to introduce special legislation for an application to assist the town in dealing with the traffic impact of the proposed J.C. Penney complex in Manchester.

In her letter to Glassman, Mrs. Calfyn said, "The impact of the J.C. Penney-Manchester Industrial Park on our town is of great concern to the South Windsor Town Council. We

would like to request special legislation...in dealing with this impact. It is particularly important that this be done expeditiously since any road reconstruction should be accomplished prior to completion of the complex and the influx of vehicular traffic, which is projected to increase 400 percent on some of our roads," the mayor said.

The town is particularly concerned with traffic on Pleasant Valley and Chapel roads. Traffic on Pleasant Valley Road is projected to increase up to 85 percent during the rush hours. Officials say road reconstruction is necessary. They have indicated the two roads of concern will crumble under the burden of additional traffic if reconstruction is not accomplished.

Houley speaker

The Vernon Democratic Town Committee will meet today at 7:30 p.m. at the First Federal Savings and Loan, Park Place. On the agenda will be the election of officers and discussions of the state political situation and the delegates to conventions coming up in the spring and summer. State Senator Robert Houley will be the guest speaker. Refreshments will be served.

LaPointe workers to review offer

Vernon
Striking union workers at LaPointe Industries in Rockville will meet tonight to discuss the latest company offer, made during a negotiating session in Hartford Monday afternoon.

Company officials are reportedly optimistic about the latest offer but neither side would say what it is. The session Monday was called by federal mediators. Union workers have been on strike since two days before Christmas. They have been asking for wage increases of 15 percent and 12 percent in a two-year contract. Up to yesterday, the company's latest offer was 8 percent and 6 percent increases over the next two years. This was rejected by the strikers.

Nurse honored at retirement

Vernon
Miss Isabella Abbott, who is retiring as a staff nurse of the Rockville Public Health Nursing Association, was honored at a reception at the recent meeting of the association's board of directors. Miss Abbott has been in public health nursing for almost 30 years. She served in Washington, D.C., and East Lyme before coming to the Rockville agency more than 16 years ago.

Craft exhibit planned

Bolton
The Bolton Woman's Club will have an arts and crafts exhibit Thursday at 8 p.m. at Herrick Memorial Park. The winning entries will go on to state competition. The St. Maurice Church Knights of Columbus will meet tonight at 8 at the Parish Center. The St. Maurice Church parish council will conduct a parish pledge campaign by mail beginning March 12. The parish picnic will be held June 4 at Herrick Memorial Park.

Thoughts ApLEnty

By Len Auster

Who's going to win?

Mind you, all of this is great for the fans. Without that one dominant club, followers of collegiate teams in all parts of the country can claim they're supporting No. 1. And who is to prove them wrong? For they can't be, until the tournament is completed.

Bits and pieces
Manchester resident Guy Gundersen helped lead Loomis-Chaffee to the Connecticut Independent Schools Swimming Association Championships team title last Saturday at Suffield Academy. Gundersen, a co-captain, won the 200-yard individual medley in the record time of 2:10.54 and also captured the 100-yard butterfly. Gundersen was also on the 400-yard freestyle relay team that won a record.

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Fans have traveling to do as local quintets on road

By LEN AUSTER

Basketball fans wanting to see local entries in action will have to do a little driving as two quintets have road games on tap.

East Catholic, 11-4, will wind up a regular season play in the Bay State against Springfield Commerce. Cheney Tech will try to solidify its status with a road date at Rocky Hill High.

Manchester High is idle, having completed its season last Friday. The Indians now must wait to see if they've gained post-season berth. Area games on tap include 11-4, 11-8 East Hartford High at 11-4, 12-6 Simsbury High in a battle for second place in the Central Connecticut Interscholastic League (CCLL). Also, 12-2 South Windsor High completes its 26-game slate at Hartford Public.

Coach Jim Pender's contingent was winning one, losing one, but has won six of its last eight. One added ingredient has been sophomore Pete Kiro, who has bolstered the Eagles' offensive. The 6-foot-3 forward has averaged 17.3 points per game in the last six outings to pull his season average to 8.9.

Marquette on top

NEW YORK (UPI)—The Marquette Warriors kept their hold on the No. 1 position in the UPI basketball poll and UCLA continued its rise by moving into the third spot in the latest compilation of votes cast by the Board of Coaches.

The Warriors collected 19 first-place votes after raising their record to 20-2 with a 75-45 victory over Wisconsin and a 57-45 triumph over Cincinnati.

Kentucky, 20-2, defeated Mississippi 64-52, Tennessee, 90-77, and Mississippi State, 58-56, to grab eight first-place nominations and maintain a solid second ranking. Arkansas failed to garner a first-place nod and fell to fourth after defeating Baylor and SMU but losing to Houston, 84-75.

UCLA, with the help of some last-minute heroes, again won Washington that resulted in a 60-59 victory, earned a No. 3 ranking.

The most significant leap of the week went to DePaul, moving from 10th to seventh on the basis of victories over Wisconsin-Green Bay and Loyola of Illinois.

Rounding out the top 10 were: New Mexico holding on to fifth place; Kansas maintaining a hold on sixth; North Carolina holding firm in eighth; Michigan State slipping from



On the menu

Unidentified East Catholic cager gets himself sandwiched between pair of leaping St. Paul defenders, Dave Pevecich (14) and Bob Tanguay (11). Eagles will try to not get themselves boxed in tonight in Massachusetts against Springfield Commerce High. (Herald photo by Dunn)

Washington to sit out

BOSTON (UPI)—Today's geographic riddle: If Boston is the first to go to England to 20-9, while the Bonnies were handed their 7th loss against 16 wins.

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Change refs, too says Cavs' Fitch

CHICAGO (UPI)—If Cleveland Cavaliers' Coach Bill Fitch had his way, there would be a dramatic change in National Basketball Association officiating.

"I would like to see three officials for each game, with only two of them working at one time. The third would sit on the sidelines. Each coach would be allowed to make five substitutions of the refs during the game. Fitch had just witnessed his club's four-game winning streak snapped by the Chicago Bulls, 106-95, Monday night, in the only NBA game, and while he didn't blame the refs directly, his point was clear.

Cleveland's starting center Elmore Smith had his third foul 3:15 into the first period, and guard Fools Walker had three fouls before the period ended.

Cougar women cagers improve mark with win

Manchester Community College women's basketball team improved its record to 10-5 last night with a 62-50 win over Middlesex Community College at Middletown High.

The Cougars return to action tonight against Mattatuck Community College at 6:30 at East Catholic with first place in the CCAA at stake.

MCC (62) Pietro 0-0, Bendell 1-0-2, Johnson 0-0, Kilgore 4-3-5, Vedrola 1-0-4, Christiana 1-0-2, Hall 1-0-2, Pajor 5-0-10, Walton 14-1-20. Totals 29-4-0-2. Middlesex (30) Mach 0-0-0, Oliver 0-0-0, Files 5-0-10, Armack 3-0-4, Rau 3-2-6, Forline 1-0-2, Erazmus 3-0-6, Missetti 0-0-0. Totals 14-3-0.

Cost is the hangup in buying lake land

Coventry
The Coventry Parks and Recreation Commission exhibited mixed reactions to a presentation by the Salvation Army Land Purchase Study Committee advocating that the town buy about 76 acres of land on the southern end of Coventry Lake.

"The big thing we are attacked on is cost," said Larry Navaux, a member of both the study group and the recreation commission. The army is asking \$375,000 for the land, but up to 75 percent of this could be financed with state and federal funds.

The commission asked what it would cost to develop and maintain a 16-acre lakefront section for recreational use. But study committee representative Richard Breen replied, "We are not prepared to give cost information before the public hearings," which are slated for next month.

"We have to know how various town groups want the property developed," Breen added. He noted the single biggest reason for the acquisition would be to protect the lake from pollution. "What good is any land around the lake if the water becomes polluted?" he asked.

Study committee chairman Daniel Manley asked the commission to assign cost estimates for the recreational area. He urged the commission to give its approval to the acquisition in application to the federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation for 50 percent funding.

But recreation commission member Frances Goodale was concerned that the government funds would mean that the facilities would have to be open to non-residents. Bud Gilbert concurred: "I'm against this if outsiders are coming in."

Joberta Wilmut said the lake is already open to outsiders because of the state boat launching area.

Manley said that even if the town paid the entire price itself, Coventry might want to apply for government funds later in order to develop the area.

Rockville hospital notes
Admitted Sunday: Christine Beane, Somers; Sila Colton, Springfield; Barbara Colton, Somers; Daniel Hodgkins, Hany Lane, Vernon; Lynn Paris, Hammond Street; Rockville, Charles Perinotti, Stafford Springs; John Reese, Tolland; Alice Robertson, Tolland; David Theriaque, Vise Drive, Vernon.
Discharged Sunday: Harry Bragdon, Stafford Springs; Joanna Chmielecki, West Street, Rockville; Len Dagnie, Cottage Street, Rockville; Priscilla Denon, Olsen Drive, Rockville; Dominic DiMarco, Prospect Street, Rockville; Jean Kappers, West Willington; Rita LeBlanc, Tolland; Sandra McGraw, Scantic Meadow Road, South Windsor; Gaylon O'Bryan, Brook Street, South Windsor; Barbara Pease-nell, Stamford; Pierre Roy, Broad Brook.

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Potent Housatonic rolls past Cougars

New England's No. 1 ranked junior college Housatonic Community College proved its ranking last night overpowering Manchester Community College, 95-72, at the winner's gym.

Housatonic now stands 12-0 in CCAA play and 19-2 overall. The Cougars show 7-6, 9-14 marks.

Rockville five ties Manchester

Rockville High moved into a tie for eighth place in the Class LL Region 1 basketball standings last night by taking its season finale, 62-58, over Plainville High at Plainville.

The Rams wind up 8-12, the same mark posted by Manchester High. If at the conclusion of the week's action the lives are deadlocked, there will be a playoff for the final post-season berth.

Rockville converted 18 of 23 free throws to take the decision. Darren Walton paved the way with 15 points.

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Herald Sportswriter
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Stags notch 20th victory

FAIRFIELD (UPI)—Mark Young turned in a 24-point second half performance and Joe DeSantis added 23 points to lead Fairfield to a 92-81 victory over St. Bonaventure Monday night.

The win pushed the second-ranked team in New England to 20-9, while the Bonnies were handed their 7th loss against 16 wins.

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Obituaries

Mrs. Agnes K. Dubiel
EAST HARTFORD — Mrs. Agnes K. Dubiel, 91, of 26 Colt St., died Sunday at Hartford Hospital. She was the widow of Michael J. Dubiel.

Mrs. Dubiel was born in Poland and had lived in the Hartford area most of her life. She is survived by five sons, Stanley Dubiel and John Dubiel, both of East Hartford; Donald Dubiel of South Windsor; Carl Dubiel of Collinsville and Albert Dubiel of Anchorage, Alaska; four daughters, Mary Bury of East Hartford; Mrs. Sophia Thompson of Hartford; Mrs. Elizabeth Levey of Simsbury and Mrs. Josephine Huter of Fresno, Calif.; 25 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

The funeral is Wednesday at 9:45 a.m. from Talaraki Funeral Home, 380 Maple Ave., Hartford, with a mass at St. Cyril and St. Methodius Church, Hartford, at 10:30. Burial will be in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. Friends may call at the funeral home today from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. The family suggests that any memorial gifts may be made to the Newington Children's Hospital.

Chester Ewaniski
EAST HARTFORD — Chester Ewaniski, 56, of 52 Sandra Drive died Sunday at Hartford Hospital. He was the husband of Mrs. Joan Schiedge Ewaniski.

Mr. Ewaniski was born in Rockville and had lived in East Hartford for 24 years. He had been employed by the

E. Louise Thomas and Mrs. Charlotte Maynard, both of East Hartford; a sister, Mrs. Florence Wetherbee of Pompano Beach, Fla.; and five grandchildren.

The funeral is Wednesday at St. John's Episcopal Church, Hartford. Burial will be at the convenience of the family. Friends may call at Newark and Whitney Funeral Home, 318 Burraside Ave., today from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. The family suggests that any memorial gifts may be made to the Memorial Fund of St. John's Episcopal Church.

Michael Nestuk
EAST HARTFORD — Michael Nestuk, 86, of Clinton, N.J., formerly of East Hartford, died Sunday in Miami, Fla.

Mr. Nestuk was born in Russia and had lived in East Hartford for many years before moving to New Jersey two years ago. During World War I, he served with the Army in France. Before his retirement, he had been employed as a die setter at Arrow Hart & Hegeman Co., Hartford, for more than 35 years.

The funeral is Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., Manchester. Burial will be in St. James Cemetery, Manchester. There are no calling hours.

Mrs. Elsie S. Thomas
EAST HARTFORD — Mrs. Elsie Seiring Thomas, 83, of 12 Myrtle St. died Sunday at Manchester Memorial Hospital. She was the widow of Max Thomas.

Mrs. Thomas was born in Meriden and had lived in East Hartford for 53 years. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and Bigelow Chapter, OES. She is survived by two daughters.

Mrs. Harriet G. Langdon
Mrs. Harriet Gates Langdon, 88, formerly of Carver Lane, died Monday night at a Manchester convalescent home. She was the widow of Walter Langdon.

Mrs. Langdon was born March 4, 1890, in East Haddam and had lived in East Hampton before coming to Manchester in 1961 when she retired. She had been employed at the Bevin Bros. Bell Mig. Co., East Hampton, for 58 years before retiring. She was a member of the Manchester Senior Citizens.

She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Edith G. Bolin of Manchester and Mrs. William Daniels of Bristol; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral is Thursday at 11 a.m. at Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St. The Rev. Newell Curtis Jr., pastor of Center Congregational Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, East Hampton, at the convenience of the family. There are no calling hours.

Girl runs into commuter bus

An 8-year-old girl sustained only a bruised knee when she ran into the side of a commuter bus Monday afternoon on McKee Street.

Police said the girl, Tammy Miner of 14 Short St., was crossing McKee Street when she ran into the bus. She apparently emerged from between two snowbanks, according to a witness, and the bus driver swerved to try to miss her. The driver of the Department of Transportation bus was Mark S. Palmer, 22, of Marlborough.

The girl was taken to Manchester Memorial Hospital where she was examined and released.

Lottery

HARTFORD (UPI) — The number drawn Monday in the Connecticut daily lottery was 851.

About town

There will be a business meeting and refreshments will be served. The council on ministries of North United Methodist Church will meet tonight at 7:15 at the church. The building committee will meet at 7:30 at the church.

Emma Nettleton Group of Center Congregational Church will meet tonight at 7:30 in the Federation Room of the church.

The Intern Support Group of Emanuel Lutheran Church will meet tonight at 6:30 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stawski, Eastbury Hill, East Glastonbury.

The Connecticut Opera Guild invites its members and their guests to an "After the Opera" reception following the performance of "La Boheme" in the Colony Room of the Bushnell Memorial in Hartford Thursday. For reservations, call Mrs. George E. Rhine at 233-3569.

For Home Delivery Phone 647-9946

Fire damages duplex house

A fire at 77 Smith Drive at about 10 a.m. today sent four members of a family to Hartford Hospital to be checked, and caused extensive damage to an upstairs bedroom.

Fire Marshal John Armstrong said the cause of the fire is still under investigation. He said the house is a duplex and the fire was in the side rented by Philip and Katie Cushon.

The couple and their two children, Theodore, 4, and Philip, four months, were all home at the time. The children were brought downstairs by the parents.

Hospital officials said all appeared to be all right but the children would be taken to the office of their pediatrician for further check.

Armstrong said the house is uninhabitable at this time. It is owned by Oak Management, he said.

Fire calls

Today, 2:28 a.m.—Medical call to 65 Heron Road.

Today, 4:19 a.m.—Medical call to 19 Bradley St.

Today, 5:29 a.m.—Medical call to 55 Westery Terrace.

Today, 9:48 a.m.—Medical call to 24 Toland St. Today, 10:05 a.m.—House fire, 77 Smith Drive.

Police report

East Hartford

Robert Mataya, 34, of 28 Elm St., Rockville, was charged Monday with fourth-degree larceny (shoplifting) on complaint of Zay's of East Hartford. He was released on his promise to appear in Common Pleas Court 12, East Hartford, March 6.

East Hartford Police are investigating a break reported into a Glenn Road home. Police said entry was gained through a window of a basement door. Jewelry, money, and a \$50 radio were taken.

Band lands in Florida

East Hartford High School's marching band set foot on Florida soil Monday afternoon after a safe flight from Bradley International Airport.

The band members, accompanied by EHS Principal John Callahan, band director Richard Prior and several teachers and parents, were given a lively sendoff by a large group Monday morning.

A large sign welcoming the group to Bradley was displayed at the airline center in the airport lobby.

After a day of relaxation today, the band will don new uniforms and parade down Main Street USA at Disney World Wednesday afternoon. The band is expected to return to Bradley Thursday at 11:30 p.m.

Grade 11

Judith Britton, Janine Charette, Colleen Dooley, Russell Gilmartin, Paul Gustafson, Susan Jensen, Eliza Kayser, Linda LaChance, Timothy Reid, Maria Sipala.

Grade 10

Cynthia Clark, Joanna deBear, John Egger, Diane Frankiewicz, Janet Kearney, Kenneth LaForge, Donna Lee, Michelle Parsons, Margaret Prior, Donna Rivard, Paul Sautier, Michelle Smyk, Philip Wing, Larry Zerta.

Grade 9

Annette Brodeur, Robert Dynak Jr., Elizabeth Owens, Anne Marie Parsons, Joanne Rossell, Mary Ellen Stephanie, Doreen Tracy, Yen Tran, John Vignati.

General

Grade 12

Christine Agnew, Elizabeth Anderson, Judith Arabek, Steven Arnold, Carol Bamber, Michael Bidwell, Lucien Bolde, Mary Brown, Brenda DeJager, Mark Dickson, John A. Driscoll Jr., Kathleen Fellows, Teri Gale, Doreen Gard, Mary Glazman, Deborah Hall, Susan Heintz, Albert Jordan, Carl Johnson, Francis LeBlanc, Teresa LeBlanc, Anne Marie Lisee, Alexandra Manolitis, Julie McCarthy, James Ogle, Sam Papageorge, Jennifer Pepin, John Plabel, Ronald Ravalese, Denise Rivard,

Penney High's Bob Bates, in black, has East Hartford's Bill Cushman in a tight hold as he wrestles his way to a 9-1 decision in Saturday afternoon's match. Penney won 38-20. (Photo by Paradis)

Penney wrestlers winners

Five members of the Penney High wrestling team recorded pins Saturday to lead the team to a 38-20 win over East Hartford.

Danny Polo, Frank Corrado, Mike Thibodeau, Bill Proux and R. Bolles all pinned their East Hartford opponents for the Black Knights.

The win gives Penney a 10-6 record for the season. East Hartford now stands at 7-7.

Results of the meet are as follows:

100 pound class — Polo, Penney, pinned Bill LeBlanc; 107 — Donato Luppachino, EH, decisioned Dan Veltri, 7-0; 115 — Dave LeBlanc, EH, decisioned Dave Askwith, 16-0; 122 — Mike Kishimoto, EH, decisioned Bob Russell, 3-0; 129 — Bob Bates, Penney, decisioned Bill Cushman, 9-1; 135 — Corrado, Penney, pinned Dave Malcolm.

Also: 141 — Thibodeau, Penney, pinned Jay McNulty; 148 — Proux, Penney, pinned Ron Durler; 158 — Jim Ogle, EH, decisioned W. Bolles, 8-5; 170 — R. Bolles, Penney, pinned Ralph Piacente; 188 — Peter Coburn, EH, pinned Dave Clymer; Unlimited — Larry Puchalsky, Penney, decisioned Joe Nowak, 9-1.

Both teams have matches Wednesday. Penney is at Manchester and East Hartford is at Bloomfield. East Hartford also has a makeup match Thursday against Concord.

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Ice sculpture contest entry

This large "Bleeding Heart" made by Julie Kennedy, left, of Christopher Court and Cynthia Anderson, of 52 Bliss St., both students at East Hartford High School, was among the entries in the ice sculpture contest Saturday at Top Notch on Silver Lane in East Hartford. (Photo by Paradis)

Martin Park target of most vandalism

Martin Park was a prime target of vandalism during December, according to Police Chief Clarence Drumm's report on damage to town property.

The monthly report submitted to Mayor Richard Blackstone in January was included in the Town Council's agenda this week.

Besides breaking bleachers, railings, fence posts, and traffic signs at Martin Park, a 6'10" tree was lifted and other trees were chopped. Three axes valued at \$24 were also stolen from Martin.

The Hale Munie Shell at Gorman Park was vandalized and shell locks and signs were stolen.

The chief's report also says the roadway gate to the shell was damaged and trees along the roadway were cut.

The costs including labor to make repairs at the shell totaled \$91. Bleachers and benches were also reported damaged at McAliff Park. The Little League Field gate was damaged and a baseball foul pole was broken. Damage at McAliff and the replacement cost of a stolen lock and chain amounted to \$100.

Vandalism reported at Firan Park was limited to a broken door. Repair costs were \$13.

Grade 11

Judith Britton, Janine Charette, Colleen Dooley, Russell Gilmartin, Paul Gustafson, Susan Jensen, Eliza Kayser, Linda LaChance, Timothy Reid, Maria Sipala.

Grade 10

Cynthia Clark, Joanna deBear, John Egger, Diane Frankiewicz, Janet Kearney, Kenneth LaForge, Donna Lee, Michelle Parsons, Margaret Prior, Donna Rivard, Paul Sautier, Michelle Smyk, Philip Wing, Larry Zerta.

Grade 9

Annette Brodeur, Robert Dynak Jr., Elizabeth Owens, Anne Marie Parsons, Joanne Rossell, Mary Ellen Stephanie, Doreen Tracy, Yen Tran, John Vignati.

General

Grade 12

Christine Agnew, Elizabeth Anderson, Judith Arabek, Steven Arnold, Carol Bamber, Michael Bidwell, Lucien Bolde, Mary Brown, Brenda DeJager, Mark Dickson, John A. Driscoll Jr., Kathleen Fellows, Teri Gale, Doreen Gard, Mary Glazman, Deborah Hall, Susan Heintz, Albert Jordan, Carl Johnson, Francis LeBlanc, Teresa LeBlanc, Anne Marie Lisee, Alexandra Manolitis, Julie McCarthy, James Ogle, Sam Papageorge, Jennifer Pepin, John Plabel, Ronald Ravalese, Denise Rivard,

Coca-Cola workers go out on strike

Some 175 to 200 union workers at the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of New York's Connecticut division at 451 Main St., East Hartford, went on strike today.

East Hartford Police said about 60 of the union workers were picketing in front of the plant this morning. The union vote to reject company contract offers was Sunday but Monday was a legal holiday so the strike didn't officially start until today.

Stanley Israel of New York, attorney for the bottling company, said this morning that the company made what it considered a final proposal but he said he couldn't reveal the figures. He added that the company hasn't had what it would consider an absolute rock bottom figure from the union.

"The key thing is the offer has been rejected," Israel said. "I'm sure that the union workers went on strike a few years ago and said he

Outside today
Molly cloudy tonight. Low in the teens. Partly sunny Wednesday. Highs in the 20s. Probability of precipitation 20 percent tonight and 10 percent Wednesday. National weather map on page 9.

Judge permits suit in ambulance dispute

Superior Court Judge Simon Cohen has ruled that Professional Ambulance Service Inc. of East Hartford may proceed with its \$500,000 lawsuit against the Town of East Hartford, Manchester Ambulance Service and Dr. Leslie Podeman, director of the state office of Emergency Medical Services.

The suit was filed last October after Mayor Richard Blackstone took action to shut down Manchester Ambulance Services the town's primary ambulance service.

At that time, Blackstone said he took the action reluctantly, following a state directive. Under the new state laws on ambulances, a town has to choose one ambulance service as its primary service and Blackstone chose the Manchester firm among three available. The others were Professional and Trinity Ambulance Service of Hartford.

Dr. Podeman filed an abatement plea on the grounds that Professional Ambulance Service "failed to exhaust its administrative remedies."

The judge's memorandum notes that Professional Ambulance Service, in its complaint, alleges facts from which it may be inferred either a monopolization or an attempted monopolization by the defendants.

Judge Cohen said that Professional possesses the standing to bring an action to remedy such a violation.

Harvey Kagan, president of Professional, said Monday that he has been in business in East Hartford for 13 years and then the town chose an out-of-town ambulance service.

He said his service is the largest in the state. Before Manchester Ambulance was named the prime service for the town, Professional and the two others worked on a rotating basis.

Kagan terms the action "restraint of trade." He said he wants it made known that anyone in East Hartford can continue to call the Professional Ambulance Service for assistance. He also said a person needing an am-

bulance can also ask the police to call Professional. "We are proud of our record," he said.

After being named the prime service, Roger Talbot, president of Manchester Ambulance, named Trinity as his backup service. At that time Talbot said he didn't think anything was out of line with the law.

He said if Kagan wins his lawsuit it would "blow the whole emergency medical service program out the window."

Bemer high scorer in EHHS comeback

After a stinging defeat at the hands of a cross-town rival Penney High, the East Hartford High School girls' basketball team bounced back to end its regular season with a 68-49 win over Manchester High School.

"Their final game of the season, Hornet Joann Bemer scored a record 23 points for the team. According to coach Peter Buttafucchio, Joann made 15 of 17 shots from the floor.

Buttafucchio cited the junior forward as his most consistent player all through the season. She averaged nine points a game before bombing Manchester and was also a top rebounder during the season.

Buttafucchio had nothing but praise for Bemer: "Joann's good, offensively and defensively...she's the most consistent player on the team."

Buttafucchio also cited juniors Sylvia Pennock, Sharon Rivard and Amy Ranney, and senior Roxanne Heinemann.

"Their balanced attack brought them success. I am very pleased with the overall performance of this team. We lost a few we should have won but with an 11-7 record we're OK."

With their first winning record since girls' basketball started at EHHS, the Hornets will play in the state tournament.

The local team will play Bristol Central at Farmington High School Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Grade 11

Kilroy, Dawn Marie Landolina, John Laura III, Lynn LeMay, Jonathan Magruder, Kimberly E. Maynard, Kimberly J. Maynard, Thomas McNamara, Thomas Merer, Michael Messeri, Christopher Monaco, Cynthia Nerine.

Grade 10

Patricia Adams, Lisa Archie, Christine Barnard, David Bero, Raymond Boucher, Ginger Burke, Raymond Burnham, Kimberly Camilleri, Linda Castagnay, Edward Chagnot, Marc Christensen, Gary Cyr, Nancy Daigle, Dianne Davis, Sandra Day, Domenico DiCiccio, Bonnie Drumm, Mary Flynn, Barbara Gargano, Margaret Goggin.

Grade 9

Robert Goldberg, Alexandra Grabowski, Lisa Grafiam, Michael Guerrini, Joseph Haley, Teresa Henriques, Ernest Hubert, Frank Jones, Mary Judson, Karolyn Karlson, Patricia Keefe, Margaret Lane, Richard Lavoie, James Leach, Judith Lecco, Linda Lemieux, Tammie Lincoln, Rebecca Magruder, John Malicky, Debra Martin, James McGuire, Jeannette Micculla, Stephen Moutaun, Kim O'Brien, Patrick O'Connor.

Grade 8

Denise Ouellette, Tina Pagano, James Palanza, Daniel Pelletier, Lynn Peterson, Steven Plumley, Nanette Pooloff, Robert Prudon, Tina Richard, Jay Robidoux, Lori Sauerbeck, Annette Siddell, Lynn Szydlowski, Richard Tarascio, Pierre Thieringer, Fred Tillson, Susan Tindale, Joanne Valentino, Sandra Wheel, Garth Wlochowski, Christine Wood.

PZC meets tonight, four hearings set

The Manchester Planning and Zoning Commission will hold four public hearings when it meets tonight at 7:30 in the Lincoln Center Conference Room.

Two of the hearings will be for subdivision requests from Hayden Graveland Jr.

One subdivision application is for nine lots on a seven-acre parcel at the southwest corner of Hillstown Road and Hills Street. The area is in a Rural Residence Zone.

The other subdivision application is for four lots on a four-acre parcel at 599 Spring St. The area is in a Residence AA Zone.

Multi-Circuits Inc. is seeking a zone change from Residence AA and Industrial zones to Office Street Parking Zone for a parcel of less than an acre on the south side of Hartford Road, 600 feet east of Elm Street.

Walter Senkow, Manchester's town engineer, has proposed that town subdivision regulations be amended to reduce the minimum road width of a local highway from 22 to 30 feet.

District board to meet tonight

The Eighth Utilities District Board of Directors will hold its regular monthly meeting tonight at the district firehouse, Main and Hilliard streets, at 7 p.m.

Gordon Lassow, district president, said the board may discuss last Wednesday's meeting on consolidation at the Whiton Memorial Library. The meeting was sponsored by an ad hoc committee formed by the district board on the issue of consolidation of the district and town utilities and fire departments.

The PZC also has eight "old business" items that have not been acted on by the board. These include a proposed church for the Unitarian Universalist Society, East on West Vernon Street and a proposed subdivision on Keeney Street. The commission is not required to act on any of the proposals tonight.

Gov. Grasso asks flatware quotas

HARTFORD (UPI) — Gov. Ella T. Grasso today asked the International Trade Commission to set quotas for the import of stainless steel flatware by the United States.

"It appears that the only hope for revitalization of this industry is the proposal of the National Association of Stainless Steel Flatware Manufacturers," Mrs. Grasso told the commission in a meeting in Washington today.

"I support its request for an absolute quota of 29 million dozen pieces of imported stainless steel flatware per year for a period of five years," she said.

Mrs. Grasso read several statistics showing Connecticut's once flourishing stainless steel industry is in trouble. She said 10 years ago there were 1,200 Connecticut workers making stainless steel flatware, but only 316 today.

"And this is what we are talking about today — skilled and proud craftsmen and women who want to work in dignity to support themselves and their families," she said.

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