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Fish Accord

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Canada and the United States, concluding 18 months of hard bargaining, signed agreements Thursday to regulate fishing in disputed waters off the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

The two nations decided to leave one of the most bitterly contested fishing grounds — the Gulf of Maine — to international arbitration.

The agreements still leave unresolved three boundary issues — in the Pacific and Arctic Oceans — left over from the disputes that arose when each nation approved a 200-mile fishing zone in 1977.

The four accords provide for management of scallops, haddock, cod and herring stocks; send the Gulf of Maine maritime boundary dispute to binding arbitration; ensure continuation of habitat conservation in the North Pacific; and provide plans for a groundfish fishery off British Columbia.

Free Travel

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Wives of the top two officials at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration have regularly accompanied their husbands on foreign trips at government expense, Sen. William Proxmire disclosed today.

Trips last year by the wives of Dr. Robert Frosch, NASA administrator, and Dr. Alan M. Lovelace, deputy administrator, to such places as Portugal, Spain, France, Switzerland, Germany and Great Britain cost taxpayers \$8,581.67.

The eight-to-12-day trips were discovered by Proxmire's Senate Appropriations subcommittee, which is examining the space agency's \$4.7 billion budget request for fiscal 1980 — \$20 million of which will be spent on travel.

Fiery Crash

ST. FOY, Quebec (UPI) — Seventeen people died and seven were seriously injured Thursday night in the fiery crash of a QuebecAir turbo-prop that plunged into a field and shattered into three pieces minutes after taking off.

The dead included all three crew members and 14 passengers, a QuebecAir spokesman said today. The seven injured were reported out of danger but in serious condition with burns and fractures.

The Fairchild F-27 aircraft, bound for Montreal, requested an emergency landing soon after takeoff from St. Foy's L'Anicene Laurette airport in suburban Quebec City.

The plane circled the airport twice, then skinned over a local restaurant with flames bursting from one engine before crashing into a field less than a mile from a runway, breaking into three pieces.

London Bomb

LONDON (UPI) — An explosion erupted in the underground parking lot beneath the House of Commons today, Scotland Yard reported.

"There was an explosion in the underground car park beneath the Parliament building about five minutes ago, — just before 3 o'clock (8 a.m. EST)," a police spokesman said.

"We have no details at this stage of any injuries or damage, or what caused the explosion," the spokesman said.

One witness at the scene said the bomb went off in a car on the ramp leading down to the five-story car park in front of the House of Commons.

He said helpers who arrived at the scene said one person in the car was hurt.

The area was quickly sealed off by police and fire engines were dispatched to the scene.

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Radiation Freed Into Atmosphere



James Koppenhaver, a radiation health physicist with the State of Pennsylvania checks radiation levels at the State Capital Building in Harrisburg, Pa., 10 miles from the site of the lead at the Three Mile Island Nuclear Plant. (UPI photo)

HARRISBURG, Pa. (UPI) — A high, uncontrolled release of radiation into the atmosphere was reported today from the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant and civil defense teams were put on alert for possible evacuation of area residents.

Civil defense directors in at least two of the counties around the plant area asked radio stations to broadcast an alert warning people to stay indoors, keep their windows closed and shut off electric fans.

A spokesman for Gov. Dick Thornburgh, who was in contact with Joseph Hendrie, chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Washington, said an on-site emergency was called after an uncontrolled release of radiation which initial readings showed to be as high as 1,200 millirems per hour at the plant site.

Thornburgh's office said the governor was considering ordering the evacuation of the area. About 13,000 people live within a five-mile radius of the plant, site of a Wednesday nuclear accident described by federal officials as one of the worst in U.S. history.

Thornburgh went on civil defense radio and urged people to extend the danger area from a five-to-10-mile radius of the plant and warned people to stay indoors.

John Conney, spokesman for the state Emergency Management Agen-

cy, said. "At this time we do not know the extent of that release nor do we know if it was transient or continuing," he said. "We have notified the four affected counties (Dauphin, Cumberland, Lancaster and York) informing them they should advance their state of readiness for potential evacuation should the situation warrant."

Roland Page, deputy press secretary to Thornburgh, said the governor was attempting to resolve conflicting reports about what happened at the plant. He said the NRC told Thornburgh the 1,200 millirems per hour level had been detected above the plant.

But Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources officials told the governor the air of the plant site may be no more contaminated than it had been previously.

A civil defense spokesman said the latest radiation release apparently came from one of four 600-foot cooling towers at the facility.

Scientists say it could be 30 or 40 years — when an increase in cancer rates could show up — before the full effects of the accident are known.

Dr. George Wald, a biologist and 1967 Nobel Prize-winner, said Thursday the harmful health effects of the nuclear accident will be long-range and probably won't show up for 30 to 40 years in an increase in cancer rates.

Leaks from the three-month-old Three Mile Island nuclear station continue to seep into the Penn-

sylvania dairy farm countryside, and very low levels of radiation have been measured as far as 20 miles away.

The plant's reactor core had a malfunction Wednesday morning. The radiation inside the domed concrete building that houses the core has been measured as high as 20,000 roentgens — 40 times a lethal dose. All but a tiny fraction of that radiation has been retained inside, but some has leaked out through the 3-to-6-foot walls, at very low levels.

In addition, contaminated matter in the form of steam has escaped or been released from the building to prevent a buildup of pressure.

Met-Ed dumped 40,000 gallons of industrial waste water that contained small amounts of radioactive xenon into the Susquehanna River Thursday and state officials early today granted permission to discharge another 400,000 gallons.

State authorities said no harmful pollution would result, and the discharge was necessary to keep plant operations functioning.

Power plant officials say the possibility of a catastrophic meltdown is over.

In Parsippany, N.J., a spokesman for General Public Utilities Corp., the consortium that runs the facility owned by three separate utilities, said: "There is no possibility of a meltdown." But he added, "It is impossible at this time to estimate when (radiation) releases will return

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Directors Approve CD Fact Sheet

By GREG PEARSON

Herald Reporter

MANCHESTER — The Town Board of Directors Thursday night approved an informational sheet that estimates the cost of completing unfinished Community Development projects would be \$38,700.

The fact sheet about Community Development will be distributed to registered voters along with a water fact sheet (see story on page 3) before April 17.

On that day, town voters will decide on a \$20 million water bond issue and on a proposed ordinance that would ban town participation in Community Development for two years.

Along with the vote on the proposed ordinance, voters will be asked two advisory questions. One will ask if voters want to fund up to \$2 million in Community Development projects for which funding already has been received.

This cost of administration would be \$93,732 and would continue such projects as the rehabilitation loan program and the fair housing education program until present funds run out.

The second advisory question asks voters if they want town funds used to pay for completion of Community Development projects that have been started but would not be completed if the ban is approved.

The board has estimated the cost

for completing such projects would be \$380,700. If the ban is rejected, Community Development funds already allocated for the projects could be used. If the ban is approved, voters will be asked whether they would go into effect retroactively to Jan. 1, 1979.

The projects listed in the \$380,700 total include conversion of the Green School to a senior center, Charter Oak Park renovations, the Pitkin-Porter streets sewer project, and the

Cheney Historic District study.

Stephen Penny, chairman of the Town Board of Directors, also said Thursday that another legal question has surfaced about the proposed ban. The ban presently is written so it would go into effect retroactively to Jan. 1, 1979.

Such a step may not be legal, Penny said. If the ban is approved, it might have to become effective April 17, the date it is approved, he said. See Page Twelve

Youth Held in Arson Was Fired by Hotels

BOSTON (UPI) — Julio Valentin Rodriguez, 18, a former busboy at two of the city's poshest hotels, was ordered held on \$250,000 bail today during his arraignment on arson charges for fires at the hotels which drove hundreds of terrified guests into the streets.

Rodriguez, arrested late Thursday about 19 hours after fires at the Copley Plaza and Sheraton hotels, had a plea of "not guilty" to two counts of arson entered on his behalf in Boston Municipal Court.

"Throughout the proceedings Rodriguez listened to Judge Francis X. Morrissey through an interpreter who spoke Spanish.

"Assistant Suffolk County District Attorney John M. Moscardelli asked for the high bail. He said police have tape recorded conversations in which the suspect allegedly admitted to setting the fires.

Morrissey set April 17 for a probable cause hearing. Police said Rodriguez, fired from both hotels, had purchased a ticket for New York City and was about to board a bus when he was arrested at a downtown Greyhound bus terminal. The fires Thursday forced the evacuation of more than 1,800 guests from the Copley Plaza and Sheraton hotels in a frenzied early morning nightmare of confusion and smoke danger.

"He was about to board a bus for New York," said police Lt. John Hennessey.

Hennessey said Rodriguez, of Boston's South End, was alone when arrested by four officers and offered no resistance.

Hennessey said investigators feel Rodriguez was the only one involved in the bizarre fires.

Police said they hoped the arrest would reduce fears that there is an arsonist roaming the city whose target is city hotels. "We hope to allay the fear in the city," said Boston Police Capt. James McDonald.

"There is a lot of fear going around this city," the fires prompted fire officials to take tight security precautions at more than two dozen downtown hotels today.

The suspect's uncle, Roberto See Page Twelve

Visitor Didn't Believe Hotel Fire Was Real

MANCHESTER — It was hard to believe that the fire was real, and that there was all the activity going on with the police, ambulances and firemen.

That's George Roy's reaction to the fire which broke out early Thursday morning at the Sheraton Boston Hotel.

Roy, controller at the Manchester Memorial Hospital, was attending the New England Hospital Assembly at the twin-towered hotel.

Roy, however, was in the tower not affected by the fire. He said about 3 a.m. he was awakened by the sound of sirens.

"I got concerned when I looked out and saw a lot of ambulances and firemen," he said. He dressed

and went down to the lobby where he talked with other Connecticut representatives attending the convention, and watched the rescue efforts.

He said the lobby was filled with people from the burning tower, clothed in nightclothes and partial dress. Authorities were passing out blankets to keep the people warm.

The lobby was cold, Roy said, because the doors were open all the time for the convenience of firemen and police.

Roy said he saw no panic or hysteria. Everything seemed to be under control, he said.

"You see these things on television, but it was hard to believe this was really happening," Roy said.

Military Under Fire for Streamlining

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Outraged reaction from citizens and Congress over streamlining operations at 157 military facilities indicates the administration will be under heavy pressure to reverse some decisions during the 30-day comment period.

Typical was local response to the announcement Thursday the Army will reduce the Fort Dix, N.J., training command to virtual caretaker status. The Army will shift its basic training programs to Fort Jackson, S.C., at an estimated savings of \$27 military and 454 civilian jobs.

"I am outraged by the entire procedure and I have no intention of accepting this decision," said Rep. Bill Hughes, D-N.J.

The Pentagon said it will eliminate some 15,000 jobs and save \$264 million a year in the politically explosive economy drive.

Official lists showed the streamlining will affect every state except Iowa and Vermont and will end, reduce or phase out operations at such venerable bases as America's "boot camp" at Fort Dix, the Loring Air Force Base B-52 command at Limestone, Maine, and the Air Force

Aerospace Defense Command at Colorado Springs.

Florida seemed to be hardest hit by the reorganization. But fierce opposition from homestate congressmen spared some well-known bases on the original "hit list." These included the Marine recruit depot at Parris Island, S.C., and San Diego, Calif., the Dugway Proving Ground in Utah, and Fort Hamilton, N.Y.

In addition, some of the 157 facilities involved will benefit rather than suffer, because they will absorb some of the functions and personnel

through creation of an Economic Adjustment Committee.

The reorganization and cost-cutting drive will affect Army, Air Force and Navy installations in 48 states, the District of Columbia, Guam and Puerto Rico.

The moves are intended to eliminate 9,721 military and 5,521 civilian jobs and save \$263.7 million a year.

In Connecticut, there will be a study at the Navy Submarine Base in Groton about possible conversion to commercial contract for keelhaul operations, affecting six civilians.

"Every effort will be made to assist displaced employees to obtain other acceptable employment" and to "assist communities that may be seriously adversely affected"

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Ballet at Meadows

Rodell Solomon, back to camera, dance therapist at the Meadows Convalescent Home, leads her ballet class in a ballet number while performing for the elderly residents in the recreation hall Thursday. For the first time, the dancers were attired in colorful leotards which were donated by

dance supply companies in Glastonbury, Hartford and West Hartford. The supply houses had responded to a request in The Herald for costumes that would be used by the dance group in their semi-public appearances. (Herald photo by Pinto)

Bolton Vote Unanimous To Retain High School

By DONNA HOLLAND

Herald Correspondent
BOLTON — The Board of Education voted unanimously Thursday night, to "commit itself totally to the continuance of Bolton High School and a kindergarten through Grade 12 program within the current facilities."

The move was met with quiet acceptance from an audience of about 50 people who came to the meeting just to see what the board was going to do. Many of those people have been actively fighting to keep Bolton High School open.

The unanimous action by the board came about two years after it began an in-depth study of the future of Bolton schools.

The board also said it recognizes the need for curriculum changes and directed the administration to begin planning the changes, taking into consideration the decreasing number of courses being offered, the decreasing number of courses taught, and the number of teacher preparations required and the curriculum information presented by the University of Connecticut consultants.

The board action came shortly after it heard the results of a community-wide survey, prepared and tallied by the consultants.

Of the 1,400 surveys that were mailed to Bolton residents, 353 were returned.

Dr. Edward Iwanicki, UConn professor, said, "I think the results are valid. Probably the best way to look at them is that they were returned by people who really want to have a voice in the decision about the schools."

The majority of those responding felt that Bolton is providing a quality education for its students. Three out of every four of those responding felt that Bolton High School should be kept open. The respondents felt current structure of the school system is the most desirable and felt a kindergarten through Grade 6 and a Grade 7 through 12 structure would be the least desirable.

Police said the arrest was made in connection with the investigation of a disturbance in the office of a local doctor. Police said Selby also appeared in court on April 3.

Willington Investigates Use of Bolton School

BOLTON — The Willington Board of Education may send some or all of its students to Bolton in September 1980. Willington's contract with Windham High School expires in June 1980 and it is investigating high school options that are available for its students.

In a letter to Joseph Haloburdo, chairman of the Bolton school board, Willington asked if Bolton would be in a position to accept total enrollment of its students or if it would be interested in accepting partial enrollment.

Willington currently has 170 high school students. Elizabeth Hipky, secretary of the Willington board, said, "The board is considering the possibility of offering its students an

alternate choice of high schools and feels a phasing in is possible."

Ms. Hipky said, "We are not looking for a commitment at this time, only an interest on your part in pursuing the matter."

Haloburdo said he has sent a response to Willington saying Bolton is interested in accepting its students and is willing to start talking. He said, "Now we're just waiting for a response from Willington."

There would have to be some changes in the course offerings at Bolton High if all of the Willington students were accepted.

The utilization of the school with the current program is for 225 students. It currently houses about 230 students.



For period ending 7 a.m. EST 3-31-79. During Friday night, rain and showers will be found over the lower Mississippi Valley and parts of the Northeast. Fair to partly cloudy elsewhere except for some possible snow flurries in the lower Rockies.

Connecticut Weather

Cloudy with occasional light rain and fog today. High temperatures around 50, 10 C. Fog and drizzle tonight and Saturday morning. Becoming partly cloudy with a chance of showers in the afternoon. Overnight lows in the 40s. Highs Saturday in the 60s. Probability of precipitation 80 percent today and tonight 40 percent Saturday. Winds light easterly today. Easterly about 10 mph tonight becoming southerly 10 to 20 mph Saturday.

Long Island Sound

Winds becoming south to southwest 10 to 15 knots in the afternoon. Southwest winds about 10 knots tonight increasing to 10 to 20 knots Saturday. Some patchy morning fog otherwise considerable cloudiness today. Cloudy tonight with widespread fog. Mostly cloudy Saturday with scattered showers likely. Visibility 1 to 3 miles and locally near zero in fog and showers tonight and Saturday. Main and New Hampshire. Chance of showers Sunday and Monday. Partial clearing Tuesday. Overnight lows in the 30s. Daytime highs in the 50s Sunday and in the 40s Monday and Tuesday.

Tornado Damage Extensive

By United Press International
Tornadoes spun through southwestern Iowa, injuring eight persons and causing extensive property damage, and violent spring weather stretched south to Texas, where golfball-sized hail was reported.

The thunderstorms ranged into the upper Midwest today, threatening further flooding on rivers and streams swollen from the snow melt.

The most severe weather hit the tiny town of Bradleville, Iowa, on the Missouri border Thursday night. The twister cut through the central area of the town of 200 residents, heavily damaging homes and businesses and sending eight people to area hospitals for treatment of lacerations and head injuries. None were believed to be seriously injured.

"Approximately half the homes and businesses in the town have been heavily damaged, including the school house and post office," said Don Hinman, director of state disaster services.

Gov. Robert D. Ray ordered 30 National Guard troops into the town to help restore order.

Several tornadoes were sited in other areas of Iowa. More than a dozen rural homes were damaged near the towns of Peru, Gravity and Siam. Another twister was sighted near Goldfield, but caused no damage.

Other twisters were sighted in parts of Kansas, Oklahoma and North Texas, but none caused injuries or major damage.

Chairman Sees No Threat From HUD Programs

MANCHESTER — Is the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) a real threat to Manchester? Democratic Town Chairman Ted Cummings doesn't think so.

Cummings told faculty members of Manchester Community College Thursday that those favoring a moratorium on the town's use of Community Development funds were "campaigning on threats, and threats that are imaginary, not real."

The track record of the town's involvement with the Community Development Block Grant Program bears out that there is no threat and no basis for concern or anxiety, he said.

"What threat is there in hiring a black man and putting out a brochure, a Chamber of Commerce project where Mayor Smith is a nice community. Does it really only boil down to that? awilder Smith and a piece of paper?" Cummings said.

Manchester is different from Glastonbury, who withdrew from the CD program. Manchester utilized all the alternatives and would not change zoning or build public housing. Glastonbury did little but to spend money to develop its downtown area, Cummings said.

"I am sensitive about public hearing. I raised two kids, drove a Model T and commuted to acorn while I lived in a public housing project where Iling Junior went for the month of May before his resignation becomes effective."

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Area Police Report
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when there was a concern and controversy about Project Concern, the housing of disadvantaged children from Hartford to Manchester schools. "But the Project Concern referendum was advisory and this one is mandatory calling for an ordinance," Cummings said.

"The anti-HUD group are playing on morales' emotions, and the issue is tearing the town apart. If we lose the CD funds, the town has little money to do the things it wants to do," he said.

MCC President Ronald Denison, agreed with Cummings' remarks. He told of his efforts to help build a Methodist retirement center here, using HUD funds. The Planning and Zoning Commission stopped that

Weiss Lauds Mason, OKs Absence Leave

MANCHESTER Town Manager Robert Weiss has praised Alan Mason for his service to the town and has granted a one-month leave of absence for the director of human services.

Mason announced this week he would resign from the human services position as of June 1.

Weiss wrote to Mason Thursday to inform him that the leave has been granted for the month of April.

Mason then will return to work for the month of May before his resignation becomes effective.

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Directors OK Water Fact Sheet

By GREG PEARSON

Herald Reporter

MANCHESTER — The Town Board of Directors has approved a water fact sheet that will be distributed to town voters. The question now is how to distribute the brochure.

Jay Giles, director of public works, said a mailing of the fact sheet — which seems the likely choice — will cost \$1,200 and may require as many as 30 persons to fill envelopes and apply mailing labels.

The board wants to deliver the fact sheet to all persons who might vote April 17 on the water question. The town is asking for a \$30 million bond issue to pay for improvements to the water system.

The board met for three hours Thursday to decide how to inform the public best about the water and State Public Utilities Commission (see related story's questions).

It reviewed a water fact sheet prepared by Martin Master and Public Utilities Communication of Colchester. The board left it to the town administration to decide how to

distribute the information.

Jay Giles, director of public works, asked about distributing the fact sheet with weekly advertising handouts that are delivered to all town residents. This would be cheaper than a direct mailing.

The board, however, said it feared the fact sheet would not be read if it was distributed in such a manner.

Giles said a mailing to all registered voters would cost about \$1,200 for mailing costs.

"It's worth the investment," Stephen Penny, chairman of the Board of Directors, said. "We have an obligation to mail it to all voters. Whoever can vote should get it," he said.

Director John FitzPatrick suggested that someone check to see if the bulk mailing rate (2 1/2 cents per item) permitted for political parties might be used for this mailing.

Giles said a computer system could type address labels for all those addresses where a registered voter or voters live. These labels would have to be applied and other preparations would have to be done

for mailing, Giles said.

This would have to be done quickly, and as many as 30 workers might be needed to do the job that fast, he said.

Giles was told to take the steps necessary to make sure the fact sheet is mailed quickly. The mailing also will include a separate fact sheet being prepared about the Community Development issue.

"The obligation is on Jay Giles and the town manager to get it (the fact sheet) out as expeditiously as possible," Director Thomas Connor said.

The directors did make some changes in the proposed fact sheet.

For instance, they include a sentence to make it clear that sewer rates will not be affected by any change in the water rates. The sewer rate previously had been based on how much a customer paid for water, but that system was eliminated last year.

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Job Completion Date Crucial for Funding

MANCHESTER — The completion date of the conversion of Green School to a senior citizens center continues to be one of the ongoing discussions connected with the Community Development issue. The architect says work will be done June 1.

Town voters will decide April 17 about a proposed ordinance that would ban town participation in the Community Development program for two years. Such a ban would result in all unused Community Development funds being returned if not used by June 30. Democratic members of the Town Board of Directors have said.

Another question on the April 17 ballot will ask town voters if they want town funds to be used to complete two school renovations — Washington and Bentley Schools — were supposed to be finished last October. They are still being worked on, he said.

Sweeney is the only one of six Democratic directors who supports the proposed ban.

Other directors viewed the June 1 date with skepticism.

"Mr. Sweeney believes the architect I don't," Director John FitzPatrick said.

Director Stephen Cassano said that two school renovations — Washington and Bentley Schools — were supposed to be finished last October. They are still being worked on, he said.

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Pensions Approved For Five

MANCHESTER — The town's Pension Board approved five applications for retirement pensions.

The pensions were approved for the following town employees:

- George Miller, who is retiring early after 18 years with the Board of Education.
- Esther Mallon, who is retiring early after 10 years with the Board of Education.
- Julia Melesko, who is retiring as the town's duplicating operator. She worked for the town for 17 years and also is retiring early.
- Curtis Wilson, who is retiring from the Manchester Police Department. He has worked for the department for 25 years and his retirement is a normal one.
- Doris Remmey, a former employee who worked for the town for 14 years. She last worked for the Engineering Department before moving to Pennsylvania.

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RHS Job Class Offers Painting

VERNON - The Cooperative Work Experience Program at Rockville High School is planning a new dimension to offer services to the community. Presently there are several students interested in developing painting skills. There will be an opportunity made available to any non-profit organization in Vernon for free painting services. Paint must be supplied by the organization.

The Cooperative Work Experience Program offers high school students an opportunity to achieve job goals through a fusion of classroom study with planned and supervised experience in training environment. Ronald Kozuch, supervisor of adult education, said liaison work by the program coordinator provides a continuous monitoring between the student and the employer.

Initially, some students are employed in various schools throughout the school system, in a variety of jobs.

By the junior year, the students are phased out in a variety of experience and training settings such as agriculture, health, manufacturing and servicing sectors.

The final phase of the work experience program in the senior year zeroes in on specific occupational interest and career goals and attempts to place graduating seniors in jobs corresponding with these goals and interests.

Anyone wishing further information about the painting phase of the program should contact John C. Cagianello or Rose C. McGurkin at 875-8471.

Educators Given Training Money

VERNON - The Vernon school system has been awarded a federal grant to develop and implement a program of Effectiveness Training for Parents and Teachers.

The project has two major components, Ronald A. Kozuch, supervisor of adult education said. The first, Parent Effectiveness Training, will be offered to 40 parents of children in four elementary schools, Center Road, Maple Street, Northeast, and Skinner Road. The course will be offered at no cost to the parents.

Parents interested in participating in the eight-week program are asked to enroll at the office of the school they will represent. Registrations will be limited to the first 40 persons who respond.

The second component, Teacher Effectiveness Training will be offered to 10 teachers of each individual school involved. This will be a 12-week course.

A recent school systemwide survey of teachers and parents identified communications (teacher to teacher, teacher to parent and teacher-parent to child) as an important area of further growth. Kozuch said the specific objective of this program will address this area.

Parents who have questions pertaining to this program are asked to call the principal of the schools involved or the Continuing Education Office, 875-8471.

Vernon To Fund Street Sweeper

VERNON - With some council members in disagreement, a motion was passed by the Town Council to give the public works director an additional \$1,200 to rent a road sweeper for the "spring cleaning" process.

Ronald Hine, director of public works, asked the council for the additional money to rent the road sweeper for one week.

Hine said each spring he has to rent the sweeper to help augment the town's equipment in getting the center of Rockville done so the town crews can get out to the other areas of town.

Councilman Robert Wehrli, who voted against the additional appropriation, said, "He should just simply delay the work. We created a budget for him (Hine) and he should live within it."

Hine also asked for an additional \$2,000 to pay for the rental of uniforms for 27 employees working under the Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) Program.

Hine said that that portion of the budget was underfunded last year for the months of July through September plus the fact there were three CETA employees added.

The council, voted to approve both requests.

Coventry Nurses Schedule Clinics

COVENTRY - The Coventry Public Health Nursing Association Inc., under the direction of Dr. Robert Brown, town health director, will conduct immunization clinics Wednesday, April 4 and Wednesday, May 16 from 5 to 6 p.m.

The clinics will be open to all town residents of all ages and will be held in the board room at the Town Hall. A third clinic will be scheduled depending on the response to the first two.

All persons under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and a consent form must be signed by a parent or guardian.

Measles shots will be given to children age 15 months or older.

Rubella, or German measles vaccine will be given to children age 15 months to puberty and oral polio vaccine will be given to children age two months to 15 years.

Diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus vaccines are given in three shots at six- to eight-week intervals to children starting at age two months.

Diphtheria and tetanus shots will be available for children age seven, through adulthood.

Mumps vaccine will be available for children under age 5 who have had other immunizations without mumps vaccine.

The health officials remind parents that no child will be allowed to enter school in September, 1979 unless he or she has received complete immunizations against polio, measles, German measles, diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus unless exempt for medical or religious reasons.

Those attending the clinics are asked to bring their immunization records with them to help determine what injections are needed and to record those given.

Anyone wanting more information should call the nursing office, 742-7679.

Weather Is Talk Topic

VERNON - Hilton Kaderli, a weather reporter on WFSB television, will speak at the annual meeting of the Tolland County Extension Council, April 20 at 8 p.m. at the Tolland County Agriculture Center, Route 30.

His topic will cover how news and weather reports are prepared and how feature stories are chosen.

For reservations, contact the extension office, 875-3331.

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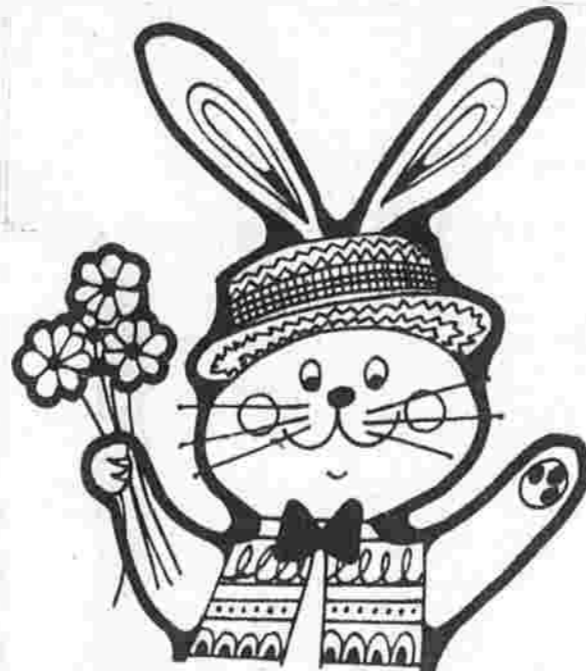
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Mrs. Stephen C. Fisher

Lauren Jan Allison and Stephen C. Fisher, both of Manchester, were married March 24 in The Helen Hills Chapel at Smith College in Northampton, Mass.

The bride is the daughter of retired U.S. Navy Cmdr. and Mrs. George E. Allison of 65 Muntclair Drive, Manchester. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Orin W. Fisher Sr. of Hallandale, Fla.

The Rev. Donald J. McLean of Trinity Lutheran Church in Vernon, officiated. Professor Vernon Galwals of Smith College was organist.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of ivory peau de soie appliqued with Alencon lace accented with seed pearls and designed in princess-style with long fitted sleeves of English net. Queen Anne neckline and A-line skirt edged in lace and terminating in a chapel train. Her chapel veil was edged in lace and pearls and was attached to a Juliet cap covered with reemboirdered lace. She carried a cascade bouquet of coral roses and white gardenias.

Miss Cynthia J. Allison of Manchester was her sister's maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Barbara Shimoda of Hartford; Mrs. Marie Stuart of Rockville; Mrs. Gail F. Lofly of Glastonbury, the bridegroom's sister; and Miss Allison F. McGill of Fresh Meadow, N.Y.

Steven C. Filkoff of East Hartford served as best man. Ushers were Thomas B. Fisher of Manchester and Orin W. Fisher Jr. of Manchester, brothers of the bridegroom; Samuel A. Stuart of Rockville; and William C. Hacker of Bloomfield.

A reception was held at The Opera House, Yankee Pedlar Inn in Holyoke, Mass., after which the couple left for Williamsburg, Va. They will reside in Manchester.

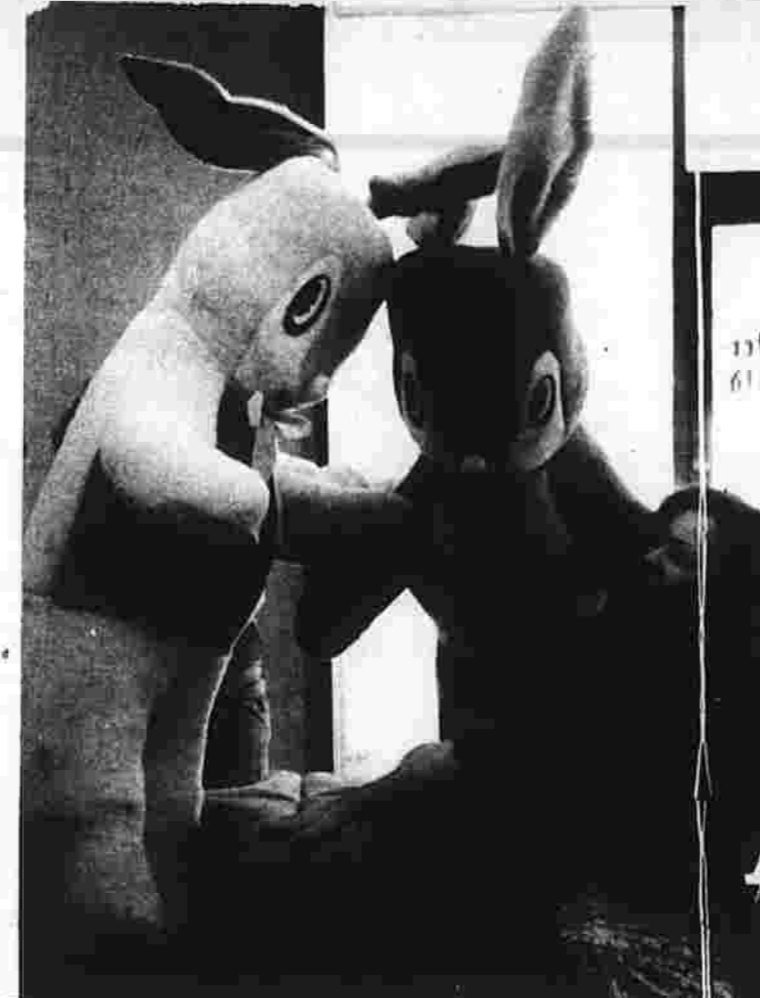
Mr. and Mrs. Fisher are employed at the Aetna Life & Casualty. Mr. Fisher is currently attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Graduate Center in Hartford. (Burton-Moss photo)

Births

Dudzik, Kelly Memorial Hospital, Her Kristine, a daughter of James and Kathleen Rocks Dudzik of 92 Russell St., Manchester. She was born Feb. 27 at Hartford Hospital. Her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rocks of 194 Karen Lee Road, Glastonbury. Her paternal grandfather is Francis J. Scalley Jr. of New Haven. Her paternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Rafael Casadei of Litchfield. She has a brother, Christopher J., 22 months.

Post, Stephen Michael, son of John C. and Judy Muschko Post of 41 Congress St., Manchester. He was born March 23 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. His maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Muschko of 277 Spring St., Manchester. His paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Post of Westfield, Mass. His maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Jacob Muschko of Manchester. His paternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William Cleveland of Watertown and Mrs. Dorothy Post of Norwich.

Morrison, Keith Thomas son of Tom and Cindi Lukas Morrison of 81 North St., Manchester. He was born March 25 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. His maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lukas of 81 North St., Manchester. His paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bonnie Morrison of Windsor and Thomas Morrison of Vernon. His maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Stephen Lukas of 88 North St., Manchester. His paternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Green of Bloomfield and Mrs. Gertrude Morrison of San Antonio, Texas.



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Kennedy Describes Use Of Educational Grants

MANCHESTER - In response to questions by town director, School Superintendent James P. Kennedy has submitted a list and description of the uses of educational grant money received by the town.

Republican Town Director Peter DiRosa last week asked if grant money is set aside for specific uses or if it becomes a part of the general education budget and can be used for other purposes.

Town Manager Robert Weiss had asked Kennedy for an explanation of the grants which has been sent to him.

Kennedy said that the federal and state grant monies are allocated, and have limited uses. The monies are funded as a supplement to local funds. Reports on the equal effort by the local board on the use of the money are required each year.

The total sum of federal and state grants received for educational purposes is \$646,000. Funds for the food service program and the tuition for Regional Occupational Training Center students is not included in that total.

The largest grant allotment is a combination of \$157,106 federal funds and \$68,687 state funds for the Disadvantaged Children Remedial Reading programs. Some of that money also goes for Head Start area nonpublic schools, Kennedy said.

Another large grant is the federal Special Education Act grant for handicapped children in the amount of \$126,198.

The Head Start grant is \$77,014. A federal Title IV grant which provides library books and equipment for both public and nonpublic schools is \$18,240.

A separate annual state grant for nonpublic school administration is \$74,358. Other annual state grants include one for vocational educational career and incentive programs, \$15,096; home economics, \$2,931; and vocational education for salaries and equipment for the Cooperative Occupational Education Program, \$29,317.

Two competitive grants which are not on an annual basis are for Youth Services, one for positive youth incentives, \$30,000 and one for personnel, primarily for attendance checks at the secondary schools, \$23,984.

Courses Planned At MCC

MANCHESTER - The Community Services Division of Manchester Community College will offer three non-credit personal interest courses in April.

Backyard Gardening, Mixology and Art History. In Backyard Gardening, students will learn the skills and knowledge they need to grow and harvest fresh vegetables. Topics will include soil preparation, cultivation, insect and disease control, and preservation of the harvest. Each student will have a garden plot on college land on Wetherell Street. College staff will prepare the ground.

Students will be expected to supply their own seeds, fertilizer, tools and sprays. The classroom part of the course will begin Monday and will continue on Mondays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. for five more weeks. Students may work on their gardens at their convenience.

Mixology is an introduction to the art, for personal pleasure or entertainment at home. Students will learn the correct ingredients for more than 50 alcoholic drinks. Each class will include a demonstration by the teacher and an opportunity for the students to practice. The class is open only to persons 18 years of age or older. Classes will begin Monday and will continue on Mondays from 7 to 9 p.m. for an additional six weeks.

An examination and appreciation of the works and lives of Impressionist artists will be illustrated. Classes will begin April 24 and will continue on Tuesdays from 7:30 to 9:45 p.m. for four additional weeks.

All costs incurred by the college as the result of teaching these courses will be paid with funds from instructional fees that are charged to the students who take the courses. For further information, call the Community Services Division at 646-2137.

Arts Festival Set June 2-10

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That's Entertainment Outdoor 'Show Biz' Not All Disneyland

By ALLEN M. WIDEM
America's so-called amusement "theme" parks - a la Disneyland in California, Disney World in Florida - may have justifiably assumed enormous impact and importance in the scheme of things in what is today's outdoor "show biz," but the Down Home country fair, a staple of the rural life-style for generations, continues as vital and vigorous to those volunteer folks concerned with tradition.

Some 550 fair people and associate members attended the 55th annual convention of the Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs the other weekend in Portland, representation was reported for 23 fair organizations. The Piscataquis Valley Fair Association was cited as "the most comfortable, homey and smallest fair" of 1978. A 58-year-old gentleman from the Cumberland Fair, Arthur Lawson, was singled out for doing more for his share - both Down Home and with the state group.

Just as the country's small towns are turning into bigger towns, in the process losing some of the very Down Home atmosphere that meant so much to predecessor generations, the small-town fair has had to undergo changes, too. Inflation, for one significant factor, has made inroads in planning, performance, promise.

A question that tugs at the thoughts of a news paragrapher as he treads through the northern New England countryside, is whether the on-coming adult generation, with obvious admiration and appreciation for, say, John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John, and the escalated music beat that has permeated America from Bangor to Puget Sound, can find the personal satisfaction and enjoyment earlier generations linked to the Down Home fair.

Photo Exhibit Slated At Stairwell Gallery
MANCHESTER - "Photography '79," a juried exhibition, and paintings and drawings by Sylvia Zeldis will open April 6 at the Stairwell Gallery, Manchester Community College, 146 Hartford Road. The opening reception will be 7-9 p.m. which will feature a film, "Spirit of the Beehive."



The Paul Gaultin Mime Company assumes an extraordinary pose during one of the group's acts. The mime group will play in the Roberts Theatre in West Hartford on April 5 and 6 at 8 p.m.

Mime Company Returns

WEST HARTFORD - The Paul Gaultin Mime Company returns to the Roberts Theatre in West Hartford on April 5 and 6 at 8 p.m. to present a program of humor, grace and magic.

Gaultin sets the pace with adventurous new choreography that explores the foibles of man, his drives and passions. Marcel Marceau, with whom Gaultin has worked, calls him "The Buster Keaton of Mime."

Pottery Exhibit To Open

GUILFORD - The work of 25 distinguished American potters may be seen at an invitational exhibition opening Sunday at the Guilford Handcraft Center's Mill Gallery, with a reception from 2 to 5 p.m., and continuing through May 20.

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Variety Show Has 17 Acts

MANCHESTER - Local area entertainers will be featured in the 17-act second annual Manchester Bicentennial Band Shell Variety Show Wednesday at 7:45 p.m. at the Manchester High School auditorium.

Proceeds from the show will be used to help defray expenses for next summer's performances at the Band Shell located on Manchester Community College's campus.

Last season, 28 events were scheduled at the Band Shell. All performers were free to the public. Some of the performing groups volunteered their services, but others required payment.

The program is as follows: Albattross (rock and roll band), Betty Jane Turner Dancers, vocal solo by Jennifer Joy, piano solo by Bob Burke, dance duo by Lori and Robin Genovese, Sunshine Choral Group, jazz routine by Diane Kennedy, FOX - a rock group, Manchester Youth Ballet, vocal solo by Don- na Mercier, drum solo by Fred Bocchino, jazz trio, trumpet solo by Peter Fantalich, guitar and vocal by Vicky Gobetz and Cathy Thomas, Burton Dancers, violin solo by Larry Keen, jazz number by Laurie Darling and Karen Trietschmann and accordion solo by Tom Catrlica.

Anyone unable to attend the variety show, but wishing to make a donation to the Band Shell Fund may do so at the State Bank of Manchester on Main Street.

Tickets will be sold at the door the night of the show. For further information, contact Ralph Maccrane at 32 Hawthorne St.

Arts Festival Set June 2-10

HARTFORD - The ninth Annual Greater Hartford Arts Festival will take place June 2 to 10 at Constitution Plaza in downtown Hartford.

One of this year's highlights will be the Artist's Derby, run June 3 at 11 a.m. from the Old State House on Main Street to Constitution Plaza. Over 25 artists are expected to design vehicles in accordance with the contest specifications. The Derby is modeled after a similar event held in San Francisco. The Hartford artists will be awarded trophies created as works of art by their colleagues.

The 1979 Festival will also feature two separate painting/graphic exhibitions. One will be juried by seven recognized professional artists who will be asked to display a piece of their own work to establish their credibility as judges. They will choose a work of high artistic quality.

The second show will be an "open show," not juried except by the public's vote for popular awards. The highly acclaimed juried exhibitions of photography, crafts and cinema will also be featured.

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'Mikado' Rehearsal Not Usual Standard

By JUNE TOMPKINS
Herald Reporter
MANCHESTER - If the old saying is true that a miserable dress rehearsal means a successful public performance...



Rehearsal scene from the musical 'Mikado' at the East Hartford High School.

Painter To Lecture At Benton Museum

STORRS - Robert Motherwell comes to Storrs on Thursday, April 5, to deliver a slide-illustrated public lecture in conjunction with the major exhibition of his paintings now on view at the William Benton Museum of Art at the University of Connecticut.

Antiques Show Opening

NEW HAVEN - More than \$6 million worth of rare antiques and collectibles, of interest to expert collectors and new enthusiasts alike, are featured at the spring edition of the 62nd annual New Haven Antiques Show, opening today at the New Haven Coliseum for a three-day exhibition and sale through Sunday.

Sweet Adelines To Sing

NEW BRITAIN - "Command Performance," an evening of ballads, show tunes, spirituals and contemporary numbers will be presented by The Mountain Laurel Chorus of Sweet Adelines Inc. Saturday at 8 p.m. at West Hall at Central Connecticut State College.

Choir Sings Cantata

MANCHESTER - The choir of the North Unit Methodist Church, 300 Parker St., will sing the cantata, 'Olivet to Calvary' Sunday, April 1, at 7:30 p.m.

The rejoicing of the multitude with hosannas and palms, the view of Jerusalem from the steep summit of Olivet, the lament over the beautiful city, the scene in the temple, and the lonely walk back over the mount at night form the main features of the first part of the cantata.

Part two opens with the supper of the Passover at which Jesus washes his disciples' feet, and gives to his friends the new commandment of love for one another as the sign of true discipleship.

From this, the scene passes to the pathos of the Garden of Gethsemane, the sudden appearance of the hostile crowd, Jesus forsaken by his disciples, his utter loneliness among ruthless foes, the tumult before Pilate in the judgment hall, the passage of the cross, the tragedy and triumph of Calvary.

Soloists will be Karen Erickson, Gerald Chappell and Quintin Mangun.

The public is invited to attend the concert and a coffee hour afterward.

Chamber Recital Set

NEW LONDON - Chamber works by six composers will be presented in a recital by members of the U.S. Coast Guard Band Sunday, April 8, at 4 p.m., in Leamy Auditorium at the academy in New London.

This recital, the final chamber music performance by the band members this season, will present works by Beethoven, Tchaikovsky, Dvorak, and others.

A special feature of the afternoon's offering will be "The Yellow Bird Suite" by Fred Tackett, a piece written for tuba solo and jazz quintet in 1972.

Denis Winter will conduct a performance of Kurt Weill's "Suite from The Threepenny Opera."

There is no admission charge and the event is open to the public.

Playhouse Auditions

STORRS - The University of Connecticut's Nutmeg Summer Playhouse will hold open auditions for cast members for its 1979 summer season.

The auditions will take place April 7 from 2 to 5 p.m. in Room 129 of the Fine Arts Center here.

The company is looking for experienced adult musical performers. Persons trying out should prepare a two-minute monologue and a three-minute song, and should bring a resume and photo, plus their own sheet music.

This summer's three musicals will be Sigmund Romberg's "The Student Prince" from June 13-30, "Happy End" by Bertolt Brecht and Kurt Weill from July 4-14, and "The Fantasticks" by Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt from July 18-Aug. 5.

For more information, call the Department of Dramatic Arts at 486-4026.

Comic Opera Staged

HARTFORD - Pietro Mascagni's comic idyll "L'Amico Fritz" will be given in New England premiere when the University of Hartford's Opera Theater stages the opera April 5 to 8, under the direction of John Z. Klipstetter who will be the musical director and conductor of the Hart Opera Orchestra.

The opera is also being produced in a long-standing tradition of presenting solo-performed works. The opera will be presented in its original language of Italian.

The American premiere of "Fritz" was given in Philadelphia in 1892. It was first performed in New York at Carnegie Music Hall in 1893. Although the opera is frequently performed in Italy it was not until 70 years later, in 1961, that it was again produced in America. The opera has been produced only nine times since then.

Cast alternately in the title role and as the soprano are tenors Stephen Wall and Thomas Silverberg. Sazeli will be sung by sopranos Stephanie Zavras and Monique Phinney and Karen Gans and Rabbi David will be portrayed by baritone Scott Neumann and Thom King.

Deborah Johnson and Diane Jones Nathanson will alternate in the mezzo soprano role of Beppe while tenors Viri Andrick and Charles Lindsay will play Federico Harizzo. Will be sung by Gregory Servant and Michael Galizia, bass-baritone.

Performances are Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at Millard Auditorium at the University of Hartford. For tickets call 243-4424.

Cast in UConn Play

STORRS - E. Laura Stewart of 134 Great Swamp Road, Glastonbury, is one of two women in David Mamet's Obie award-winning drama "Sexual Perversity in Chicago," on stage at Harriet S. Jorgensen Theater, University of Connecticut March 20 to April 6 at 8:15 p.m.

The play, written in 1973, deals with the lives of two young women and two young men and the emptiness of relationships on a purely physical level.

Because of the large number of dramatic arts students that persons who would be offended by such language not attend this production.

Jenkins Shows Art

HARTFORD - Whitney Jenkins of Manchester is exhibiting his art work at the Artworks Gallery, Asylum Hill Artists' Coop, 94 Albany St., Hartford.

Jenkins' unique squadron of 15 flying strawberries, the "Schlock Art Air Patrol," hovers over a photograph of Hartford's topography at the gallery now through April 15.

Each of the 15 flying strawberries are three piece "combine" ceramic molds. Datasat in form, is mounted in homage to Marcel Duchamp. The berries are mounted on painted plywood pedestals, airbrushed with photorealistic clouds.

The ceramic sculpture serves to satirize the aesthetic acceptance of Schlock, a term frequently used to describe "assembly line artworks." Jenkins teaches design and drawing at Central Connecticut State College.

He is currently a member of the Connecticut Academy of Fine Arts and the Connecticut Watercolor Society.

First 'Annie' Back

EAST HADDAM - Andrea McArdle, who rose to fame as the original "Annie," returns to where it all began to play Baby Rose in "Babes in Arms." The Rodgers and Hart musical which opens the season at the Goodspeed Opera House in East Haddam April 10-12.

The young performer, now 15, played the lead in "Annie" in its pre-Broadway tryout at Goodspeed in 1976, went on to do the part on Broadway for more than a year and then played 40 performances in the London production, the maximum permitted by London theaters for a child star.

She has since been starred as Judy Garland in the NBC-TV film, "Rainbow," and has appeared in numerous other television productions, including the "Annie" Christmas special and the Walt Disney Christmas special.

Fire Museum Opens

WAREHOUSE POINT - The Connecticut Fire Museum's 1979 season begins Sunday and the museum will be open every Sunday and Saturday until November from noon to 5 p.m.

Twenty-two pieces of antique fire fighting equipment, dating from 1850 to 1954, are on display along with other antique vehicles.

The museum is on Route 140 in Warehouse Point, is a half a mile from the Bridge Street Exit on Interstate 91. Also on the same grounds is the Trolley Museum which offers rides to the public on historical streetcars.

A nominal admission fee helps defray restoration and maintenance costs. The Fire Museum is a non-profit corporation operated by volunteers.

The museum is open Monday through Friday during July and August.

'King Lear' Is Free

STORRS - A free presentation of Shakespeare's "King Lear" will be given Saturday at 8 p.m. on the stage of the Vernon Mehden Recital Hall at University of Connecticut, Storrs.

The play will be presented by the MIT Shakespeare Ensemble of Cambridge, Mass., under the auspices of the university's departments of English and dramatic arts.

Director of the production is the author of the play, C. Vann Woodward.

Performances are Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at Millard Auditorium at the University of Hartford. For tickets call 243-4424.



The Breakers and Cliff Walk in Newport, R.I.

Newport Mansions To Open

NEWPORT, R.I. - The Breakers, Marble House and Rosecliff will open daily from May 1 to Sept. 30, and weekends and holidays in October.

From July to mid-September, the mansions will be open one night a week until 8 p.m. Rosecliff on Mondays, Marble House on Tuesdays, The Breakers on Wednesdays and Saturdays, Kingscote on Thursdays, Chateau-sur-Mer on Fridays, and The Elms on Saturdays.

All these mansions will be open daily from 10 to 5 p.m. from May 1 to Oct. 31 and Nov. 3, 4, 10 and 12. Garden in Portsmouth, will be open daily from May 1 to Sept. 30, and weekends and holidays in October.

Chateau-sur-Mer are now open weekdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Hunter House, a National Historic Landmark built in 1748, by appointment by calling 401-847-5543.

A color folder, describing a new cover of the lower leggia of The Breakers and featuring the Preservation Society's eight attractions, is available free from the society's office, 118 Mill St., Newport, R.I. 02840.

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Lee Roderick Hotline Open For Pricing Complaints

WASHINGTON - As gasoline prices climb steadily toward the \$1-per-gallon level predicted by energy officials, one of the busiest telephone numbers in town is 800-624-6246. That's the toll-free hotline established by the Department of Energy to receive complaints from the citizens who think they're being cheated at the gas pump. Citizens can reach a listening ear at DOE by calling that number weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. eastern time.



A spokeswoman in charge of the four-line hotline said some 200 calls a day are coming in from across the country. Leading sources of the complaints are consumers in Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania and Florida.

"Most of the calls we're getting are about the rising costs of gasoline," the hotline coordinator told The Herald's Washington bureau. "We're also starting to get complaints that the octane content isn't as high as posted on the pumps, and that car engines are knocking because of it."

The most common complaint regards a 1973 federal ceiling law requiring a service station to clearly post the highest price charged for gas on the pump dispensing it. The law reads as follows:

"Each retail seller should post and maintain in legible form, and in number not less than one-half inch in height, in a prominent place on the face of each pump, the maximum permissible price."

"Many gas stations are flagrantly violating this law by not posting the price," said the hotline coordinator. "And many others are displaying the sticker with the price, but then illegally charging more at the pump than they list on it."

"We urge people to check the price they're being charged for gas to make sure it's no more than the price posted on the side of the pump. If it is, they should call us with the name and address of the service station."

Gas prices vary widely across the country. The highest prices reported to the hotline are in New York City and Miami, where unleaded premium is selling at 90 cents a gallon. Sacramento, Calif. reports gas at 89 cents a gallon. In Hillsdale,

Letter to the Editor

Budget Control A Necessity

The kind of leading us into financial slaughter that is happening today reminds me of the "holocaust" in that we are just being led to financial destruction and we are apparently not looking in any direction to do anything about our dilemma. We're just taking increased inflation and watching our fearless leaders abroad bargain with our money and commitments for that which they say we want. For what? We pay for wars, we pay for rehabilitation of countries

who wanted our destruction, we pay for peace. Yet other countries apparently hate our guts. Is it because they feel that we are corrupt? That underlying our system is the Mafia or whatever one chooses to call corruption. Is it that they feel that with a financial and united commitment we could wipe out cancer or any other blight for the world and don't do it? Is it that they know that in the final analysis, "payola" is our motive?

Since it is closest to home, I am particularly concerned about the budget in this Town which is presented to us as increased for various reasons. I have written to the Board of directors and the Town Manager, as well as the Manchester Herald about the fact that every one of us, except for those who have enough money not to care, wants to hold the line on the budget (other towns around us seem to be able to) because every one of us has to hold

the line on our own living expenses. The town has to do the same. I am willing to cut out services; I'll take the garbage to the dump and do what I have to do in order to keep the Town budget down. But neither will I pay for salary increases or new employees. The buck stops here.

The Town meeting on the budget is April 2. Let's be there and avoid being led to slaughter!

Lee Ann gundersen
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 Manchester, Conn.

Jack Anderson

Brazil's U.S.-Owned Firms Sell Gasohol

WASHINGTON - In faraway Brazil, American-owned oil companies are marketing gasohol, a blend of gasoline and alcohol, which they have refused to develop and sell in the United States. Yet oil-hungry Americans, who consume about one-third of the world's oil supplies, are also in desperate need of a gasoline supplement.

For nearly two years, we have called for a crash program to produce gasohol. This is the most readily available fuel that could be rushed into production, thus reducing our dangerous dependence upon Arab oil. But the Carter administration has largely ignored our appeals, and the oil industry has opposed them.

Instead, President Carter has sought to solve our energy problems by placating the Arabs, jowoning the consumers and kowtowing to the oil companies. Brazil, meanwhile, has been moving boldly to liberate itself from the oil potentes by developing gasohol.

The program of research - and now production - intensified after the 1973 oil crisis, which tripled the country's petroleum bill and crippled its economic boom. Brazil must still import 80 percent of its oil. But by next year, the government hopes to have all of the nation's automobiles running on a blend of 20 percent alcohol and 80 percent gasoline.

Already, most of the cars in Sao Paulo, Brazil's largest city, run on the gasohol blend. And later this year, specially designed Brazilian-made Volkswagens and Fiats that run on pure alcohol will start rolling off the assembly line.

Our associate Hal Bernton recently flew to Brazil, where he toured gasohol plants and talked with key energy officials.

One advantage Brazil has over the United States for decisive action is that the state-owned oil company, Petrobras, produces all the gasoline sold in the country. Thus it was able to force U.S. oil companies in Brazil to cooperate with the gasohol program.

Texaco and Esso (as Exxon is still known in Brazil) service stations in

Sao Paulo offer 80-20 gasohol blends to Brazilian motorists. A large Esso blending center outside Rio de Janeiro mixes sugar-cane alcohol with gasoline and trucks it to its dealers. With slight carburetor adjustment, Brazilian officials claim the blend gives as good mileage as regular gasoline.

The next step is the more costly process of converting to pure alcohol fuels. Urbano Stumpf, a top Brazilian research scientist, organized a "rally" of alcohol-fueled cars that traveled 5,000 miles through the Brazilian interior to demonstrate the reliability of the fuel.

Some 770 test cars powered by pure alcohol now operate in Brazil under varying climatic conditions. To date, they have run a total of some eight million kilometers.

Stumpf speaks confidentially of creating islands of industry in Brazil's vast interior, which will become completely energy self-sufficient on locally produced alcohol. He is even conducting experiments to see if motor oil can be extracted from castor beans.

The biggest obstacle to develop so far in the Brazilian alcohol energy program is the immense amount of waste produced in sugar cane distillation. For every liter of alcohol distilled, as much as 13 liters of so-called "slops" are produced.

Many of the sugar cane distillers simply dump the slops into the rivers, where they rob the water of oxygen and kill the fish. Though the government has outlawed such dumping, enforcement is proving difficult.

But researchers are looking for useful, nonpolluting ways to get rid of the sugar cane wastes. The distillery Bernton visited recycles much of its slop into fertilizer, pumping it out into the cane fields. The only trouble with this method is that the slops are highly acidic, and must be used with caution.

Other possibilities are using slops as cattle feed or extracting methane gas from the stuff. But these approaches need more research.

The search for new sources of alcohol fuel continues. Brazilian scientists are looking hopefully at the lowly cassava plant, grown by many of the country's impoverished small farmers. Its starchy root is ground into flour that is a mainstay of their diet.

Cassava grows well in marginal soils and is harvestable on a year-round basis. An extensive cassava distillation program could bring a new measure of prosperity to Brazil's depressed rural areas. A distillation plant in the state of Minas Gerais is already producing 60,000 liters of alcohol a day.

Angle & Walters

Unseemly Trade-off

WASHINGTON (NEA) - Throughout the recently renewed national debate over limitations on the outside income earned by members of Congress, one crucial aspect of the complex issue has received scant attention.

Senators and representatives have good reason to avoid discussion of that element - abuse of their official positions for personal financial gain - because it exposes to public scrutiny the dark side of congressional behavior.

But the voters ought to be aware that both houses of Congress agreed in recent years to accept ceilings on outside income not merely as "good government" trade-off for their higher salaries but also because some lawmakers had engaged in conduct that was unseemly if not unethical.

Were it not for that behavior on the part of a relatively few legislators, the Senate might have a convincing case to support its recent decision to postpone for an additional four years a resolution adopted in early 1977 that would limit outside income to \$8,625 a year, 15 percent of their annual salary.

Interested, the senators now will be governed by the \$25,000 yearly ceiling contained in the Federal Election Campaign Act. In addition, the maximum fee for any single speech will be \$2,000 instead of \$1,000.

Those inflated speaking fees are, by far, the largest single source of outside income for the lawmakers. But many senators are rightfully cautious about accepting such personal compensation from special interest groups.

Some decline honoraria, others limit their fees to a relatively modest \$500 or \$750 per speech and a few even donate those proceeds to charitable organizations. A few, however, abuse the privilege.

Sen. Edwin J. (Jake) Garn, R-Utah, is the senior Republican on the Senate Banking Committee. In 1977, the most recent year for which full records are available, he collected the maximum \$25,000, including speaking fees from these groups:

- Colorado Bankers Association, \$2,000
- Arkansas Bankers Association, \$2,000
- Kansas Bankers Association, \$2,000
- Washington Bankers Association, \$2,000
- Texas Savings and Loan League, \$1,000
- Independent Community Banks, \$1,000
- Illinois Bankers Association, \$1,000
- Associated Credit Bureaus, \$1,000

Sen. Howard W. Cannon, D-Nev., chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee, accepted speaking fees of \$1,000 and \$2,000 apiece from numerous special interest groups directly affected by his committee's work. Also in that category are Sens. Daniel K. Inouye, D-Hawaii, and Jennings Randolph, D-W. Va.

Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, the sponsor of the amendment to raise the ceiling on outside income, emphasized in his Senate floor speech that he was not motivated by "greed or a desire to trade on my position to become wealthy."

If all of his colleagues could honestly make the same statement, the increase might well have been justified. But that's not the case - and that's why the stringent income limits are needed.

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Quote/Unquote

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 -Philip Heymann, assistant

The Almanac

Today is Friday, March 30, the 89th day of 1979 with 276 to follow.

The moon is moving toward its first quarter.

The morning stars are Mercury, Venus and Mars.

The evening stars are Jupiter and Saturn.

Those born on this date are under the sign of Aries.

Dutch painter Vincent Van Gogh was born March 30, 1853.

On this day in history:

- In 1854, Hyman Lipman of Philadelphia received a patent for a pencil equipped with an eraser.
- In 1867, U.S. Secretary of State

Thoughts

Certain Words of the Spirit call for special attention during this season. One such word is "Jesus," which means "Jahweh the Savior."

In Hebrew the names Joshua and Jehoshaphat, which become Jesus in Greek, mean "Jahweh is my help" or "Jahweh is rescue," or "The help of Jahweh."

To rescue from estrangement and alienation, which is the consequence of past sins. For the future to liberate from bondage to sin, from the moral frustration and the continuous and in-

evitable defeat which are the result of sin. Bringing friendship for fear, and victory for defeat.

Amazing Grace
 And when this flesh and hear shall fall,
 And mortal life shall cease,
 I shall possess, within the veil,
 A life of joy and peace.

The Rev. Philip A. Sheridan, Pastor, St. Bridget Church, Manchester.

8000PS

LET ME ASSURE ALL RESPONSIBLE THAT THERE WILL BE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT ON VOTING DAY!

OUR SECURITY FORCES ARE IN COMPLETE CONTROL OF THE SITUATION...

...AND PEOPLE THE VOTING BOOTHS ARE PULLEDFLOOR!

By Doug Broyd

Cummings Blasts Sweeney on CD Housing Issue

MANCHESTER - Democratic Town Chairman Ted Cummings Thursday had further criticism about a recent statement by Joseph Sweeney about the Community Development issue.

Sweeney, the only one of six Democratic members of the Town Board of Directors who supports a

ban on town participation in Community Development, has mailed out copies of a court decision involving property in Vernon.

The apartment units in the case, the Ledgerest Apartments, were built through the Section 236 Program administered by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development. The court case

awarded a reduction in tax assessment to the property because of limitations on increasing the rents charged tenants.

Sweeney used the case as an example of how such housing could hinder a town. He feels Manchester might have to build such housing if it continues in Community Development.

Cummings blasted Sweeney, however, because he said the Section 236 program is no longer in existence.

"He either doesn't know what he's talking about, or he's deliberately misleading the public," Cummings, who supports the Community Development program, said. "That's what appalls me."

Sweeney has said a Section 236 program now administered by HUD takes the place of the 236 program, which provided mortgage incentives for developers of low and moderate-income housing.

The program now in place is primarily for single family homes.

Cummings said. Thus, there is a major difference between it and the Section 236 Program referred to in the court case, he said.

Cummings said any such material distributed about housing programs should be for programs now in existence and not for those that have been discontinued.

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State, federal and power company officials say the danger posed to the health of thousands of neighboring residents is minimal.

But Wald and another scientist Thursday accused Metropolitan Edison Co., part-owner of the plant, of lying to the public about the seriousness of the accident and contending it would affect people living in the area.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission said it would cite Met-Ed for exposing one of its employees, who was not identified, to excessive levels of radiation.

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The question is being investigated by the town attorney's office.

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He also survived by two sons, Raymond Hutchinson of Andover and Wendell M. Hutchinson of Broad Brook; a daughter, Mrs. Shirley Scavitto of Glastonbury; four brothers, Charles Hutchinson, George Hutchinson, John Hutchinson and Merle Hutchinson, all of Monticello, Maine; three sisters, Mrs. Alta Lowery of Monticello, Mrs. Vera Nichols of Dexter, Maine, and Mrs. Velma Wotton of Littleton, Maine; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The funeral is Saturday at 11 a.m. at Rose Hill Memorial Park, 580 Elm St., Rocky Hill. Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery, Rocky Hill.

Friends may call at the funeral home tonight from 7 to 9.

Mrs. Ralph Leander
MANCHESTER — Mrs. Helen K. Leander, 74, of 7 Lewis St. died Wednesday at a local convalescent home. She was the wife of Ralph Leander.

Mrs. Leander was born Aug. 2, 1904 in Manchester, daughter of the late George and Blanche Taylor Keith. She was a member of the American Red Cross and was a graduate of Manchester High School and Simmons College. She formerly taught in the Hartford school system. She was a member of South United Methodist Church and a former volunteer for the Manchester Red Cross.

She is also survived by a son, John T. Leander of West Hartford; a daughter, Mrs. Martha Rosenberg of Hingham, Mass.; a brother, G. Stelman Keith of Manchester; a sister, Mrs. Marjorie J. Horton of Manchester; and four grandchildren.

Memorial services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at South United Methodist Church. Burial will be at the convenience of the family.

Watkins Funeral Home, 142 E. Center St., is in charge of arrangements.

There are no calling hours.

The family suggests that any memorial gifts may be made to the American Heart Association of Greater Hartford, 310 Collins St., Hartford.

MHS Pupil's Bill Passes Assembly
MANCHESTER — A bill proposed by a Manchester High School student has been passed overwhelmingly by the state House and now will go to the governor for her signature.

Michael Pohl, an MHS student, proposed the idea of the bill, which was submitted by State Sen. David Barry of Manchester.

The House voted 120-22 to approve a bill that would require three persons between the ages of 15 and 22 be appointed to the state Advisory Council on Children and Youth Services. Presently, the 15-member council includes three members between the ages of 15 and 25.

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Top-Seed Solomon Ousted by Gorman

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"I was serving as well as I have in a long time," Gorman said. "That's really what it comes down to, my serve was working more than his. Service was the key."

Solomon, of Pompano Beach, Fla., simply said, "He just played better."

Don Marcotte scored twice and Stan Jonathan and Dwight Foster had a goal and two assists each to power Boston. The Bruins took an early 1-0 lead in the first period on Jean Ratelle's 26th goal of the year and less than two minutes later, Wayne Cashman netted his 25th to give Boston a 2-0 lead. Marcotte scored in each of the first two periods and Brad Park added Boston's final goal.

Ron Zanussi connected twice for the North Stars and Mike Pelich and Mike Fidler also scored Minnesota goals.

"I'm concerned with our consistency," said Wayne Cashman, who is enjoying one of the finest seasons of his career. "Maybe we think we've been skating all right, but we haven't been. We're going to have to work to come back."

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Edmonton	40	27	2	82
Quebec	38	28	5	81
New England	33	28	9	75
Winnipeg	34	31	6	74
Cincinnati	29	37	6	64
Birmingham	28	37	6	62

Action on Boston Ice

Boston's Terry O'Reilly (24) passes off when confronted by Minnesota's Greg Smith last night in Boston. Bruins won, 7-4. (UPI Photo)

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PGA Tour Like Soap Opera

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. (UPI) — The PGA tour is beginning to sound like a soap opera.

When we left the tour in Jacksonville, Fla., last Sunday, Larry Watson and Tom Watson had just finished one-two in the Tournament Players Championship. When we picked it up again Thursday, only the order had changed. Watson and Watson were running one-two in the Heritage Golf Classic.

Watson, who wound up five strokes behind Watson in the TPC despite shooting the only sub-par score in the final round, turned in what he considered his "finest 18 holes this year" Thursday, a 6-under-par 65, but led Watson by only one going into today's second round.

Although Watson was the only golfer in three years to break par for 72 holes in the TPC, there were actually less than half as many sub-par shooters Thursday as there were in the first round at Jacksonville — 29 compared to 53.

For although 45-mph winds destroyed the TPC field the final two days, the weather Thursday at Hilton Head was no better than the Thursday weather at Jacksonville.

.500 Goal Finish With Cardinals

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (UPI) — For a team from the "Show Me" state, the St. Louis Cardinals showed very little in 1978.

Their 69 victories were the fewest for the club in 23 years and the Cardinals fell behind early and stayed there — finishing just three games ahead of the New York Yankees, the National League's worst record.

New General Manager John Claiborne, however, is unabashedly optimistic about this season's squad, saying he'd be "the most surprised man in the world if the team doesn't finish .500 or better."

John Claiborne may be in for a shock. The Cardinals return, almost intact, the same weak-hitting squad that scored the second-worst runs in the league last year, and they'll have to tighten up the defense and improve the pitching considerably to be a factor in the pennant race.

"I'd hate to say pitching and defense are our strengths," says Manager Ken Boyer, who again must look to scrape enough runs out of a team that batted only .249 last season with 74 home runs. Claiborne says he has the speed, pitching and defense to make the Cardinals an "interesting" team, and terms the club's attitude "excellent."

Attitude cannot overcome a lack of talent, however, and Claiborne admits his team cannot realistically hope to finish with more than 85 victories. The Cardinals have sought to tailor their team to their home park — Busch Memorial Stadium — substituting speed and defense for hitting, but they are riddled by question marks and figure to suffer from a power shortage again.

"I think we came along tremendously," said Olander. "We especially had great improvement on our hitting. Except for three games, we were in over seven and a half runs in the last inning. Those teams are much more ahead of us in terms of practice time, but I consider this one of the most successful Southern trips we've ever had. I believe the kids are ready for relief assignments."

"We still have to work over our team play," said Olander. "The hitting and pitching will take care of itself. But we've got to develop a better understanding of such things as bunting, the hit-and-run, base stealing, and other team-concept fundamentals."

NEW FACES — Catcher Terry Kennedy is a good rookie hitting prospect, left-hander Darold Knowles gives Mark Littell bullpen support. Tom Grieve added outfield depth.

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other two-time Heritage winners, had a 74 but the other, Johnny Miller, is not playing this week.

Arnold Palmer, a winner here in 1969 and now approaching his 50th birthday, started with a 73 and Gary Player, who has been back in the U.S. just a little more than a week after a six-month absence, had a 76.

Jack Nicklaus was forced to skip the Heritage when he missed the date for signing up for the tournament.

Youthful WSox Hard to Predict

TAMPA, Fla. (UPI) — The free agent market proved very costly to the Chicago White Sox last year.

In 1977, the White Sox simply outmailed their opponents, betting a team-record 192 homers en route to 64 victories — many of them by the 2-6 variety. But Richie Zisk and Oscar Gamble played out their options that year and took their 61 home runs and 184 RBI elsewhere. The scoring machine quickly went haywire.

"In 1977 they just averaged eight runs a game and outsourced people," says rookie Manager Don Kessinger, who may also be the starting young shortstop. The power production dropped 86 home runs to 106 and the hitting remained among the league's worst last season when the White Sox finished 71-90 and fell 10 1/2 games behind by May 6.

"We're so young that it's hard to predict what's going to happen," says the nucleus is there, says outfielder Chet Lemon, who batted .300 last year despite a pulled groin muscle that limited him to 105 games.

Kessinger, a two-time Gold Glove winner, is emphasizing pitching and defense, and says Chicago's biggest problem last season was giving up runs "four or five outs an inning. The White Sox made the fewest double plays in the league last year and he's determined to improve that.

OUTLOOK — Cardinals will be hard-pressed to register considerable improvement from their fifth-place finish. Despite Claiborne's claims to the contrary, St. Louis lacks overpowering pitching and consistent defense needed to overcome one of the league's weakest attacks.

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Musical Talent Shines on Stage

One of the surest signs of spring in Manchester is the MHS Musical Department's musical. Each year the town is treated to an extensive production of a former Broadway hit, performed by MHS students and directed by Miss Martha White. This year's offering was "Oklahoma!"

A truly good presentation, "Oklahoma!" was definitely worthy of some strong praise, and all who were able to see it, left feeling that they had been well entertained.

The leading roles were performed by seniors Ingrid Jacobson, as Laurey, and Carey Flanagan, as Curly. Overall, both gave convincing performances.

Jacobson in particular played well the sweet, coy, indifferently Laurey, toying almost cruelly with poor Curly's heart. Her fine, clear soprano voice added much to the beautiful character of Laurey.

Flanagan carried his part well, helped by his good looks and voice. He did a good job in creating the brash, egotistical, and love-struck Curly. His concentration, like Jacobson's, was not consistent throughout the entire show. In general, however, his performance was a very believable one.

Aunt Eller, the kindly, maternal character of the show, was played by sophomore Sue Beargard. Sue's portrayal of a matriarch was weak for she seemed to be uncomfortable on stage. This manifested itself in stiff movements and at times a look of confusion on her face.

Along with the actors and chorus, special recognition is certainly deserved by the orchestra. It was composed of MHS students and adults and supplemented the vocal leads and chorus quite well. They are to be commended.

All in all, it is evident that a lot of love and hard work went into this production. The "musical tradition" at MHS is a good one, one that gives many people a chance to experience live shows, and is one that I will always remember. Bravo, Miss White and the Music Department! — Laurie Patari

Career Day Planned

Out of the already dense fog of the average high school senior's mind looms, not unlike an iceberg, the dominating thought of what to do after graduation. Some will choose to attend college, others have already had their fathers guarantee them a job at the Eagle and still others intend to invent some ridiculously simple item and then live off the patent.

Most of us are not so fortunate. Many is the senior who doesn't know if graduation will occur, incites may now take heart — for Sock 'n Buskin is revving up its motors again in preparation for its upcoming production of "George Washington Slept Here."

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Medical club advisor, Dr. Pomper had the biggest turnout the club has had in its three years of existence. Dr. Pomper talked in detail about his profession. He told us of his experiences ranging from wrestling with a horse, giving it an injection, giving a dog a physical exam. He gave us some humorous anecdotes while at the same time talking of decisions such as whether or not to put an animal to sleep. As Dr. Pomper said, it takes more than caring for animals to enter this profession. The veterinary profession has become increasingly popular in the last ten years. For those interested in a career, this lecture was a good opportunity to discover the different situations involved in being a vet. The Medical Club meets twice a month at the Manchester Memorial Hospital. The speakers are from all the diverse fields of medicine. If you have even the slightest interest in science, come and see what this club can do for you. — Nalni Dhar

High School World

Juniors Enter Contest

This year marks the twenty-second consecutive year that the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) will conduct its Achievement Awards in Writing Contest. Specially selected juniors in high schools across the nation. The purpose of this contest is to encourage high school students in their writing and to then give recognition to some of the best student writers in the nation.

Each school chooses its own nominees. The number of nominees varies, depending on the size of the school's student body. A school can enter one student for every five hundred pupils attending for the contest. The five contestants chosen by the English department have to be juniors, and must be able to express their thoughts clearly in writing. They must also be able to demonstrate their ability in a wide range of writing skills. This year's five nominees from MHS are Patricia Shriver, Gary Selinger, Joanne Weiss, Carol Donovan, and Cindy Kuroski.

The contest consists of the submission of two written compositions from each student, one being what the student considers his or her best piece of writing up to date. The other composition is written on a specially chosen topic by the NCTE under the supervision of a teacher and during a one hour time limit. Both of these writings are equally important in the final judging of the contest.

NCTE is a national educational association and therefore cannot award scholarships or cash prizes to its winners. Instead, the names and addresses of the winners are printed in a booklet that is mailed to directors of college admission and to English department heads in 3000 colleges and universities in the United States. With each booklet is a letter in which NCTE recommends the winners for college admission assistance, if needed. You see, summer begins on opening day — Mike Wilson

Spring Begins For Fans

Spring is the most beautiful time of year. It is the time of millions of perfect little occurrences — men and women meeting (or noticing each other for the first time), birds heading north, leaves reappearing, and days lengthening.

But all these things are mere pita-pitas compared to the real glory of spring. No spring is not flowers, nor birds nor even lovers. Spring is something infinitely more illustrious. Spring is baseball.

Each March, as the sun rises more majestic with each passing day, an incredible throng of overnight men jets south like a flock of confused robins. They carry with them long wooden sticks, clumsy leathery gloves, large contracts, and cases of beer. They joke amongst each other, get reacquainted, reintroduce their wives, and joke some more. And, after a few interviews and a contract squabble or two, they begin to play baseball. Ah, spring. Spring begins in places like Florida and Arizona even if the snow is still lying around here. Thanks to the genius of an unnamed should-be Saint, baseball players do have the opportunity to get into shape and loosen up their mitts before opening day. The springtime festivities are brought north via radio, television, newspaper — almost every medium. And for those of us who do not have the great good fortune (in other words, cash) to travel to the training sites, these media are life-sustaining.

Of course, for some emotionally impoverished people, life goes on with or without baseball. For fanatics of my lunacy and prowess, this is not to be understood. In fact, it is not even to be recognized. Spring is baseball, and baseball is spring. They are one.

The days of spring, welcome as they are, often draw ceaselessly on. Mouth watering stories of exhibition game grand slams and locker room tussles are much too enticing to bear. At this time each year, baseball fans

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The MHS boys' track team poses briefly for a picture before practice. The tribesmen will begin their season on April 12 at Simsbury. (Photo by Horwitz)

Businessmen American Champs

Bogner's Meat Packers capped the Manchester Recreation Department's American Division Businessmen's Basketball League Team members, top row (l. to r.) Jim Mistretta, Dave White, Steve McAdam, Frank, mascot Mike Reardon, Mike Reardon, Randy Smith, mascot Dave White. Missing were Ron Riordan, Jim Grimes, Chip Conran, Mark Monette. (Herald photo by Stremper)

MCC Opens Defense Of Title on Sunday

The Manchester Community College basketball team will begin defense of its 1978 title with a doubleheader in Middletown Sunday afternoon against Middlesex Community College.

The Cougars struggled through the regular 78 campaign with a forgettable 12-15 record, but swung its act 180 degrees with a gargantuan effort in the state community college playoffs.

Manchester eliminated Norwich, Housatonic and Tunxis for the championship, then clinched its season with a fourth-place finish in the New England Regional playoffs to finish at 16.

The Cougars recently completed an exhibition tour in North Carolina, Virginia, and Maryland. Coach Skip Olander, entering his fifth season at the helm, was favorably impressed with the results of the Southern sojourn despite the team's 1-9 record.

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Dodgers Reaching Their Prime Years

VERO BEACH, Fla. (UPI) — Tom Lasorda, noted raconteur and baseball manager, has a homily which he feels best describes his Los Angeles Dodgers and their chances of winning their third straight National League pennant.

"There are three types of baseball players — those who make it happen, those who watch it happen and those who wonder what happened," said Lasorda. "Our players are the ones who make it happen and they're the ones who will make it happen again in 1979."

It's hard to argue with Lasorda. The Dodgers return practically the entire squad from their last two championship seasons and the club is reaching its prime years.

"We have a very nice blend of ability and experience," says first baseman Steve Garvey. "When you put all our ingredients together you have to say you have a team that's a threat to win your world championship."

Many felt the Dodgers would be weaker this year because of the loss of pitcher Tommy John and reserves Lee Lav and Billy North to free agency. But, typical of the organization, the club went out and got pitchers Andy Messersmith and Pete Broberg, outfielders Jon Joshua and Gary Thomasson and infielder-outfielder Bret Thomas. Now it appears to be stronger than a year ago, especially if Messersmith can bounce back to his past form.

STRENGTHS — As good a starting eight players as there is in baseball, excellent blend of speed and power, deep pitching staff, solid bench.

WEAKNESSES — Like Rod Stewart's singing, the inner defense leaves something to be desired, no real "stopper" on pitching staff.

Bowling

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Kolt — Bruce Hence 255-589, Jim Cantin 201-550, John Kozicki 206-558, Bob Oliver 206, Bill Avery 227, Max Smole 203-558.

Bullet Kills Luke Easter
CLEVELAND (UPI) — Former Cleveland Indians first baseman Luke Easter was robbed, shot and killed outside a suburban Euclid bank Thursday where he had just cashed a number of payroll checks, police said.

Two men accused of killing Easter later were shot and wounded by police following a high-speed chase. Neither was injured seriously.

Easter, 63, a union steward at TRW, Inc., where he worked for about 15 years, was accused by two men and filled with bullets from a shotgun and a .38-caliber revolver. He was dead on arrival at Euclid General Hospital.

The prodigious home run hitter, who played for the Indians from 1949 to 1954, was killed outside the Cleveland Trust Co.

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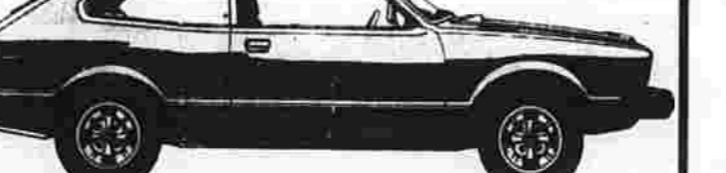
Boys may still register, for a \$5 fee. Birth certificates are required. Next week's practice schedule will be: Monday — 10-year-olds; Wednesday — 9-year-olds; Friday — 11-12-year-olds. These sessions will start at 5 o'clock each night.

All tryouts will be at Waddell Field for the American League.

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GOP Unit Seeks Some New Blood

MANCHESTER — The Republican Town Committee has started a recruitment effort to attract people who may be interested in running for public office.

"Initiating a campaign theme of 'The GOP wants you to run for office,' town committee members say they will be encouraging a number of local residents to run as Republican candidates.

A special subcommittee, headed by Robert Sklenar, will be conducting a series of recruitment sessions. Richard Weinstein, Republican town chairman, said individuals who show interest will be provided guidance and support in their election bids, Weinstein said.

"There are a lot of people in Manchester who want to run for public office but don't know who to contact, and that's why we have begun this program," he said.

"We want to go beyond the town committee ranks to get credible, hard-working candidates," he said.

Anyone interested in seeking election on the Republican ticket should contact Sklenar at 646-1701.

Two Women To Head Retarded Hike-Bike

MANCHESTER — Donna Miodzinski and Jeanne Cronin of the Manchester Junior Women's Club have been named co-chairmen of the "Hike-Bike for the Retarded," which will be held Sunday, May 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The rain date for the event is May 13.

Volunteers either will hike or bike a 15-mile course to raise money for the Manchester Association for Retarded Citizens and the Connecticut Association for Retarded Citizens.

Each participant in the Hike-Bike for the Retarded will have sponsors who pledge money for each mile walked or ridden. Check points will be set up along the route to verify mileage.

School students will be contacted at all elementary, junior high, senior high and parochial schools concerning this event. Pledge forms and instruction sheets will be available at Farr's, 2 Main St., around April 15.

Farr's also will be donating a Puch 10-speed bicycle as one of the prizes that will be awarded.

Last year, this event raised more than \$7,000, much of which went to the Manchester Sheltered Workshop, a place where over 60 mentally retarded citizens perform work for many businesses in the state.

Tax Relief Available

VERNON — Elderly persons, 65 or older, who applied for tax relief under the Circuit Breaker program, in 1973, are reminded they have to reapply after their five-year period is up in order to receive their benefits for the next five-year period. The deadline is the same as for those applying for the first time.

Under the program, the deadline for filing with the assessors, for homeowners, is May 15. The income for the eligible applicants has to be less than \$6,000 for 1978. Either spouse has to have reached age 65 or older during 1978.

Proof of income, birthdates, and Social Security numbers have to be brought into the assessor's office in the Memorial Building, 14 Park Place.

For renters applications will be accepted after April 15. The qualifications for renters are the same as for homeowners. But in addition, renters have to show proof of rent receipts, electric bills and heating bills paid during 1978.

KofC Plans French Night

MANCHESTER — The Campbell Council of the Knights of Columbus will present its annual French Night Saturday, April 21, at the KofC home.

Dinner will begin at 8 p.m. Guests may BYOB. Setups will be provided.

Music for dancing to 1 a.m. will be provided by The Midnighters.

For tickets and reservations, call 649-1742, or the Knights of Columbus at 646-9844.

Manchester Public Records

Warrants deved.

Peter A. Schunder and Beverly H. Schunder to John K. Semino and Barbara A. Semino, property at 99 Columbus St., \$2,200.

Lawrence F. Mallon, Manchester, Marjorie M. Inzanga, Columbia, and George E. Mallon, Willimantic, to Frechette, Martin and Rothman Inc., Realtors, property at 38 Pearl St., \$51.15 conveyance tax.

James E. Quinn and Debra E. Quinn to John A. Marin, property at 23-25 Seaman Circle, \$49,500.

Quitclaim deed

Frechette, Martin and Rothman Inc., Realtors, to Herman M. Frechette, Albert R. Martin and Gerald P. Rothman, property at 38 Pearl St., no conveyance tax.

Executor's deed

Estate of Marie R. English to Verna M. Findlay, property at 53 Thomas Drive, \$46,900.

Certificate of attachment

Manchester Wallpaper and Paint Co. Inc. against Jack Guay, also known as Jacques Guay, Ellington, \$7,500, property at 785-799 Main St.

Horace A. Tetrault & Sons for Anthony Tarascio, canopy at 27-29 Horace St., \$150 Robert Kostek, fence at 30 Horace St., \$825.

Merehouse Construction Co. for Community Baptist Church, roof repair at 585 E. Center St., \$1,900.

David S. Eddy for Delavel Turbine Inc., Red Lee Metal Finishing Division, addition at 80 Sheldon Road, \$330,000, grill at 305 S. Main St., \$2,000.

Lee M. Ramsey for Jerry and Donna Hollis, vinyl siding at 82 Seaman Circle, \$3,700.

Bari Construction Co. for Frechette, Martin and Rothman, vinyl siding at 199-201 Adams St., \$29,000.

E. T. Machuga, alterations at 55 Hamilton Drive, \$500.

Harold Parent for Joseph Lawler, 20 Autumn St., roof repair at 31-33 Galloway St., \$1,200.

Atlantic Fence Co. Inc. for Carl Uccello, fence at 324 Woodland St., \$2,000.

Clifford St. Onge for Mrs. John Farr, vinyl siding at 42 Westwood St., \$3,200.

Frank and Mary Pinto, fence at 75 Seaman Circle, \$153.

Bari Construction Co. for George Lewis, aluminum siding at 39 Westminster Road, \$4,000.

F. J. Dahill for Town of Manchester, roof repair at Whiten Memorial Library, \$10,745.

Donald J. Maloney, fence at 112 W. Center St., \$218.

Marriage licenses

Bradley A. Thrall and Tammy J. DeVine, both of Broad Brook, April 7.

George J. Poland Jr. and Gay Dudzic, both of Vernon, April 7.

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Travelers Faced More than Fire

MANCHESTER — There was more than arson going on behind the scenes this week at the New England Hospital Assembly in Boston.

Ladies' pocketbooks were being ingeniously robbed and replaced without their owners being aware of it.

Vivian Ferguson, an officer of the Manchester Memorial Hospital Auxiliary attended a hospital auxiliary luncheon Wednesday with other auxiliary officers in the HYNES Veterans Auditorium during which the pocketbook hooking took place.

She said that on the second floor of the auditorium where the luncheon was held, there was a long table set on a dais with a step and a closed curtain behind the table. There seemed to be a lot of confusion during lunch, she said, with a lot of people running back and forth in and out of the curtain.

Mrs. Ferguson said that one of the women at the table happened to see a long book shoved under the curtain and pushing back a pocketbook. Upon examination, the owner of the pocketbook discovered her billfold had been emptied.

Mrs. Ferguson said that two more pocketbooks were discovered which had been subjected to the same hooking treatment — wallets emptied and returned.

Security men at the event said there had been considerable reports of theft, Mrs. Ferguson said.

Mrs. Ferguson said that most of the week's assembly meetings have been held at the Hynes Auditorium. That auditorium was the scene early Thursday morning of one of two rescue centers set up for the hundreds of victims of the fires that broke out in the Boston Sheraton Hotel and the Copley Plaza.

Blue Cross Members Used Less Services

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Connecticut members used less hospital and medical surgical services in 1978, John M.C. Davis, chairman of the board of directors, said.

The plan ended the year with an operating gain of \$17.9 million. More than \$52 million was paid out in benefits, including \$196 million disbursed as Medicare intermediary for the federal government.

Claims recovery programs, including the coordinated home care program, saved \$20.2 million in 1978.

Betts, speaking recently at the annual meeting of the corporation in North Haven, said, "There remains ahead the primary objective of completing the consolidation of Connecticut Blue Cross and Connecticut Medical Service (CMS). The formidable task of merging the data bases of the two former corporations is targeted for completion in 1979."

Bolton Science Fair Winners Announced

BOLTON — Winners in the Bolton Elementary Center School science fair were announced recently.

Kindergarten winners were Craig Kilpatrick, Kevin O'Connor and Scott Macomber. Grade 1 winners were Scott Scorsio, Kathleen Lessard and David Bergeron.

Grade 2 winners were Darcy Hinds, Wendy Neil and Kristine Klekota. Grade 2 winners were Michael Lorenzini, Margaret Shorey and David Hoffman.

Grade 3 winners were Brett Marshall, Lani Clark and Stephen Adams. Grade 3 winners are Amy Silverstein, Jill Putman and Jerry Murphy.

Grade 4 winners were Heidi Clark and Patty Sobol, Danae Marshall and Ann Wiede. Grade 4 winners were Danny Geromin, MaryAnn Dufrain and Tim Putman. Grade 4 winners were David Murdock, John Murphy and Gregory Fenton.

Students who received a conservation-ecology award from the Bolton Woman's Club were Craig Kilpatrick, kindergarten; Jeffrey Sigmund, Grade 1; Darcy Hinds, Grade 2; Jennifer Polidoro, Grade 3; Kevin Cassidy, Grade 4; Aaron Geromin, Grade 5; Patty Sobol and Heidi Clark, Grade 6; Timothy Putman, Grade 7 and John Murphy, Grade 8.

Kindergarten Registration

Forty-two students have registered for kindergarten for the 1979-1980 school year at Bolton Elementary School. The current kindergarten class has 42 students.

Final Baseball Signups

The final registration for all boys' and girls' baseball programs will be Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Herrick Memorial Park.

YMCA Group Sets Meeting

MANCHESTER — The Koffee Kratters of the Nutmeg Branch of the YMCA, will meet Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. Elsie Swanson will instruct the group in making woven placemats. Three colors of rug yarn and a weaving needle will be needed for this project.

Membership in the YMCA and the Koffee Kratters is required for those attending. Hostesses will be Katherine Call and Marion Call. Baby-sitting will be available by calling the "Y" office in advance.

Test-Takers Reminded

MANCHESTER — Students who have registered to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test on Saturday, at Manchester High School are reminded that the doors will open at 7:50 a.m.

Students will be assigned to testing rooms on a first come, first served basis. The latest possible arrival time is 8:30 a.m. Students should bring their ticket of admission, some form of identification, and two No. 2 pencils. Parking will be in the student parking lot off Brookfield Street.

Students are reminded to enter the building through the entrance to the cafeteria lobby adjacent to the student parking lot.

Choir To Present Mass

VERNON — The choir of St. John's Episcopal Church, Route 30, will present the Messe Solennelle (St. Cecilia Mass) by Charles Francois Gounod, Sunday at 10 a.m.

The service will be in memory of Walter E. Murphy who was organist and choirmaster at St. John's for many years.

The present organist and choirmaster is Dr. Donald Sikosky. Soloists will be Mrs. Carl Salina and Mrs. Donald Wooding, sopranos; Bruce Rogers, tenor and Herbert Kingsbury, bass.

Fellowcraft Club To Meet

MANCHESTER — The Fellowcraft Club of Manchester 73, Lodge of Masons will meet Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple.

Following the business meeting at 8 p.m. Douglas H. Smith, chairman of the Hockanum River Linear Park Committee, will give an illustrated talk of the work of this committee.

Rainbow Girls, members of DeMolay, all Masons and wives are invited.

Refreshments will be served.

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New Concept

William Hale, right, president of Heritage Savings and Loan, recently demonstrated one of the newest concepts in home financing, the "Flip Mortgage," using their computer terminal.

Square Dance Set Saturday

MANCHESTER—The Manchester Square Dance Club will have Arnie Kanash as its guest caller Saturday night from 8 to 11 p.m. at Verplanck Colpitts, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cogrove and Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Covey will serve refreshments. Spectators are welcome.

Board Denies Grievance On Teaching Assignments

HEBRON—Members of the Regional District 8 Board of Education have denied a grievance submitted by the Rham Education Association because it does not feel the association is aggrieved and as such had no standing under the terms of the contract.

The HEA claimed that the administration had violated Article II of the existing teachers' contract which concerns a change in teaching assignments.

At issue was the fact that four teachers received a change of teaching assignment under the emergency provisions of the contract because the administration was unable to secure a teacher of equal experience for the position vacated when another teacher was given maternity leave in November.

David Cattanchi, superintendent of schools, said that he denied the grievance because none of the teachers involved in the assignment change filed a grievance and said "I strongly oppose, however, anonymous grievance or the abuse of the grievance process by association leadership which says it knows better than individual teachers when grievance should be brought."



Blarney Boulder

The Blarney Boulder, used as a promotion for Moriarty Brothers Lincoln-Mercury last year, has been presented to another person of Irish descent by display. The huge rock was presented by John Vichi, left, of Moriarty Brothers' to Ed Barrett, of the Pumpnickel Pub, Oakland Street. The boulder is on permanent display at the Pumpnickel Pub. (Herald photo by Peck)

COC Sets \$128,861 Budget

HEBRON—The Central Office Committee, has voted to approve a total budget of \$128,861 for the coming school year. This is a reduction of \$2,000.

The reduction was made in the salary item for a special education coordinator. The original salary proposed was \$22,000. However, after learning that the Rham Board of Education members had been directed to accept the budget with the \$2,000 reduction and that the Hebron Board of Education had been directed not to accept the budget, the committee members agreed to make the reduction and pass the budget.

After discussing two tentative calendars for the 1979-80 school year the members decided to bring back both proposals for their respective boards for input and direction.

Three teachers at the meeting said they favored including the February vacation which they felt was more educationally sound than having only the one vacation as they do this year.

The teachers also said that a number of students would be taken out of school for teaching purposes anyway and this made it necessary to prepare homework for the children to take with them and also requiring the students to make up the time lost.

The proposal will be presented to all member boards for consideration and will be returned to the Central Office Committee for final action.

Mr. and Mrs. Lu Choiniere will have door duty. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cichowski, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Colpitts, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cogrove and Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Covey will serve refreshments. Spectators are welcome.

Russ and Anita White will cue the rounds.

Board Meeting

VERNON—The Board of Directors of the Hockanum Valley Community Council Inc. will meet April 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Services Center, One Court Street.

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master bedroom enjoys similar outdoor living and viewing benefits. This room has the additional attraction of a huge dressing

Official Probing Hazards Of Carbon Water Filters

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Consumer Product Safety Commission is investigating carbon filters for water faucets to determine if they are hazardous. A California man says they are, but manufacturers strongly dispute his allegations.

The filters are used to remove objectionable tastes from home drinking water. Tastes usually caused by chlorine added to remove substances that are harmful to health.

The issue before the CPSC is whether filters containing only carbon provide a breeding ground for possibly harmful bacteria when water sets in them for a period of time, particularly overnight.

Dr. Robert Austin of Pasadena, Calif., petitioned the CPSC earlier this year to ban all carbon water filters that do not include an anti-bacterial agent. Austin's petition contends research has shown a "high microorganism content is likely when using an unprotected carbon filter. The unprotected carbon filter is particularly dangerous after an overnight period. The stagnant water, when first drawn, can have dangerous concentrations of bacteria."

He also quotes a 1975 Environmental Protection Agency paper that says carbon filters marketed as "purifiers" for what is already essentially pure water is "grossly misleading to the consumer. Such devices actually trap the few bacteria that may be present in treated tap water, causing them to accumulate, grow and concentrate."

From a microbiological standpoint, these are actually potentially more detrimental than beneficial to human health, and present a potential health hazard which would not exist if they were not used," the EPA report says.

Austin's allegations prompted a response from the Water Quality Association, a Lombard, Ill.-based group of 1,200 manufacturers and distributors of water improvement equipment.

In a lengthy paper filed with the commission, the association says the dangers of bacteria have been exaggerated. The paper says:

"While bacteria can multiply in a water filter, if the filter cannot be considered as the cause of bacteria contamination in water. Neither the filter material nor its components will contribute nutrients that support bacterial growth. Thus, in almost 60 years of use, filters have never been shown to constitute a health problem."

The association says all water contains bacteria; microorganisms are present in and on the human body, including the mouth. In abundance, bacteria can multiply even in highly purified water and most bacteria are harmless.

"There is no valid evidence that any health problem is caused or aggravated by the presence of saprophytic bacteria in drinking water," the group concluded.

The association says bacterial growth can occur in filters, just as it can anywhere water comes into contact with a surface — in pipes, faucets, valves and radiators.

"If a water supply has been properly disinfected to render it microbiologically safe, that water, flowing through the pipes or through a filter cannot become microbiologically unsafe even though the number of indigenous, innocuous organisms may become higher," the association response said.

The CPSC is reviewing the arguments before making a recommendation to the agency's five commissioners.

Count Motors, Save Money

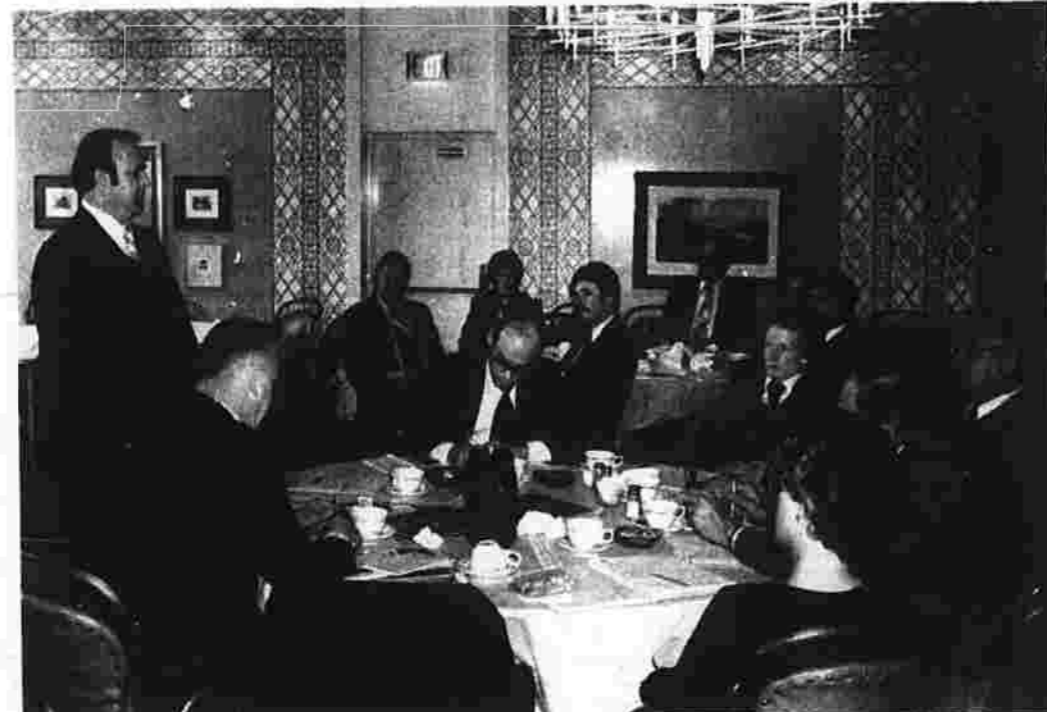
If you sometimes wonder why you are consuming so many kilowatt hours which are running up your electric bill, try this test: count the number of electric motors in your house and garage and compare the total with your neighbor's inventory.

A three-bedroom house in suburbia is like to have at least 16; a four-bedroom house is likely to have as many as 20 and frequently more.

Count them: there are motors in your freezer, refrigerator (sometimes three or four), heating and air conditioning units, exhaust fans, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, radio clocks, washers and dryers, electric clocks, disposals, hair dryers, power tools, record players, and the list goes on.

The efficiency of these appliances and the frequency of their use influence in large measure the affect each consumer has on compounding the crucial energy problem or contributing to its solution.

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Mortgage Information

Neil R. Belisle, left, account executive for the Lomas and Nettleton Co., spoke to about 40 members of Group One Realtors at a seminar Monday morning at Willie's Restaurant. Belisle spoke on the financing of homes in the current tight mortgage market and explained the new FHA 245 graduated payment mortgage which allows an applicant to be qualified mortgage-wise at a 6.5 percent rate. The rate gradually rises until the sixth year when it levels off. (Herald photo by Pinto)

Banking Regulatory Change May Reduce Interest Rates

WASHINGTON — Donald S. Gravelle, president of the National Association of Home Builders, said that the government move to reduce the interest rate on the popular six-month money market certificates eventually could lead to lower home mortgage interest rates.

But he questioned whether the action might not lead later on to the

elimination of the one-fourth of 1 percent interest rate differential that institutions are now allowed to pay on all of their savings accounts and certificates.

The maintenance of this differential is essential, Gravelle said, "if thrift institutions, which are the principal suppliers of mortgage credit for housing, are able to compete successfully for funds with commercial banks."

The government announced that thrift institutions would no longer be allowed to pay the interest rate differential on the six-month money market certificate when the rate on Treasury bills rises above 8.75 percent. It also said that interest on those certificates could not be compounded.

When the six-month money market certificates were introduced last June, they were intended to prevent the flow of funds from

S&Ls to higher paying securities. But as the rates of Treasury bills and other securities continue to rise, so did the rates on the money market certificates. The effect was to push mortgage rates even higher.

In recent months, S&Ls found it more attractive to invest much of the proceeds from the money market certificates in higher paying securities issued by commercial banks than in home mortgage loans.

"The money market certificates had served their intended purpose of helping to keep mortgage money flowing to housing, but at prices that proved unprofitable to lenders."

In acting to slow the rise in rates on the certificates, NABH hopes that thrift institutions will again find it profitable to invest proceeds from the certificates in mortgages," Gravelle said.

Completes Course

Lorraine B. Boutin, associated with Daniel F. Heale, Inc., 175 Main Street, Manchester, has completed a week-long course of intensive real estate studies in the Graduate Realtors' Institute sponsored by the Connecticut Association of Realtors at Windsor Locks.

Mrs. Boutin participated in the first course of the three-course 90-hour program which leads to the nationally recognized "Graduate Realtors' Institute" (GRI) designation. The courses are designed to help Realtors and Realtor-Associates who have already mastered the fundamentals of the real estate business by providing comprehensive professional training in a broad range of subjects.

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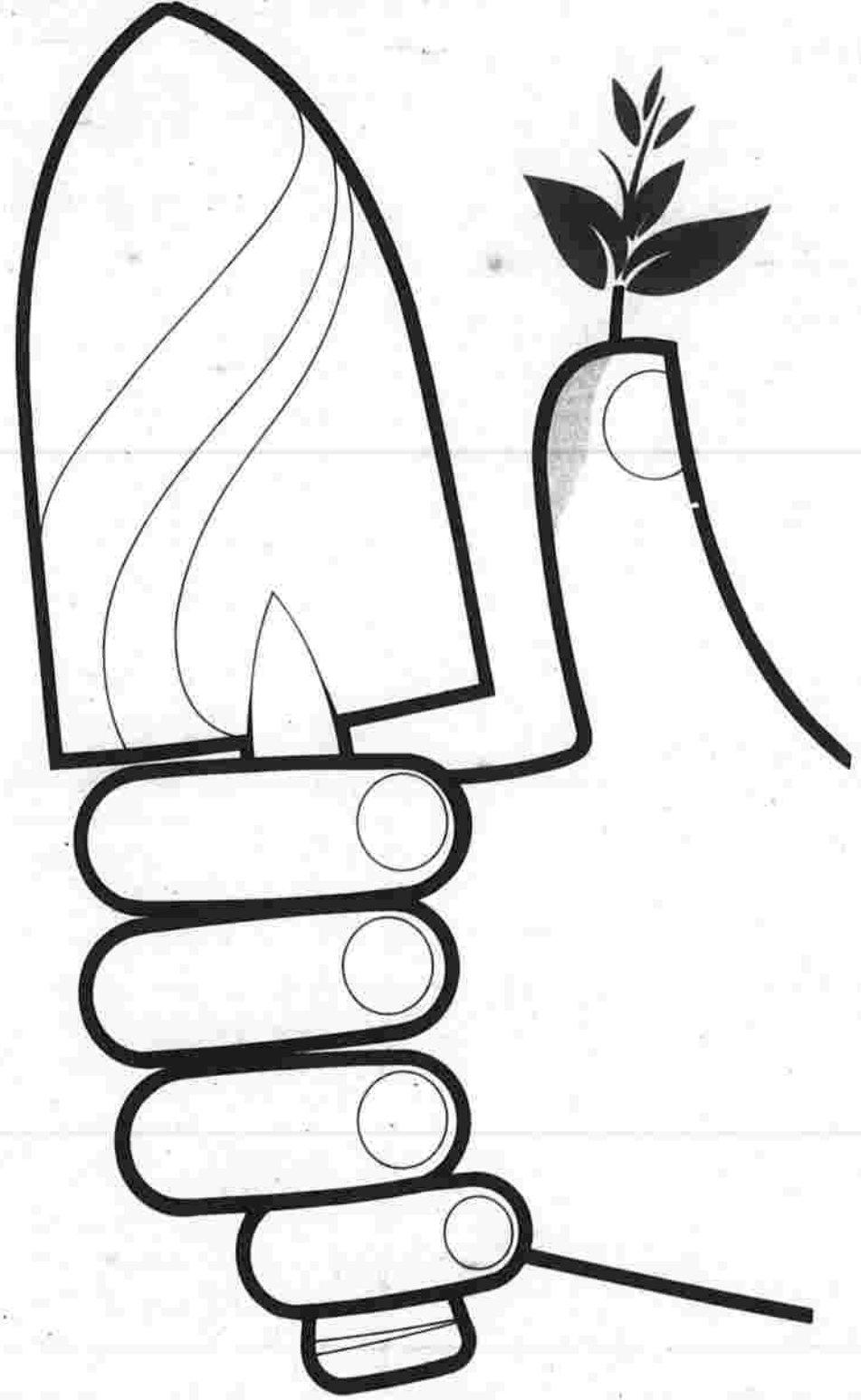


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Build all-weather private home for your plants

If you want to grow beautiful flowers or luscious fruits and vegetables all year round, don't let snow, sleet, and freezing temperatures stop you.

It's possible to beat the worst weather by growing your plants in a greenhouse. You can hire a professional firm to construct any one of various models—from inexpensive modular houses to prefabricated aluminum and redwood units.

Or, you can save the money and have the fun of controlling your planting

environment by building the greenhouse yourself.

It's easy to construct your own greenhouse, says the new Ortho book "How to Build and Use Greenhouses." Depending on how adept you are with tools, there are several different types you can build.

Other considerations are how permanent you want your greenhouse to be, whether it's free-standing or attached to your house, and the type of snow conditions in your part of the country. In regions with heavy

snow loads, the A-Frame greenhouse is recommended because it can be built in sections on the ground, then raised into place and covered. While the A-Frame is quick to construct, the shape provides limited head room and ventilation.

For additional head room you can build the Gothic Arch model, using laminated wood strips and corrugated fiberglass. This style will be more challenging to construct, however, since the layout and lamination of the arches takes time.



Add a new dimension of enjoyment to your gardening by experimenting with color. For example, you can plant red poppies, golden daffodils and bright yellow and crimson tulips in containers and group them all together. Ortho's book "Gardening With Color" suggests borrowing color schemes from traditional gardens around the world or inventing your own combinations.

Color it yellow, or pink, red and green

Much of the fun of gardening with color comes from exploring, according to the Ortho book "Gardening With Color"—and this includes borrowing color schemes from traditional gardens around the world, or inventing your own bold combinations.

It is easier to experiment with plants in containers that can be conveniently hidden out by the garage if your flowers clash instead of blending.

Pots, tubs, hanging baskets, wooden barrels—all offer an opportunity to experiment without making costly mistakes. If your favorite color combination happens to be purple and hot pink, plant cascading petunias in a pot.

You may fancy pale blues and whites but are afraid that these colors might get lost in your garden—so why not plant blue and white violas together in a mobile container and find out?

If you'd like to test your tolerance for strong primary colors, you can plant red poppies, golden daffodils, bright yellow and crimson tulips in containers and group them all together.

And, if you can't decide on which color blends are your favorites, plant a mixed bouquet of flowers in a white wicker basket.

Color combinations are endless. The important thing to remember is: have fun with colors and trust your own instincts. If a riot of color says more to you than a monochromatic border, plant it.

The Ortho "Gardening With Color" book suggests that you can borrow color schemes from the Japanese, Spanish, Italians, French and Dutch.

For example, gravel paths, geometric beds edged with brick, and stone garden benches set the scene for the formal Italian garden. Rosemary, lavender, sweet marjoram, and santolina scent the air.

The strong image Americans bring home from Spanish-speaking countries is the red, green and white color schemes of crayon-red geraniums and bright green leaves against whitewashed buildings. Also the earth tones of terra cotta, clay, adobe and pebble mosaics.

Tranquility and restraint are the keynotes of the Japanese garden. The gardens seem monochromatic, but there is no better schoolroom for learning to see and appreciate the rich variations of subtle color.

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Beautiful abundance
Spring tulips are abundantly available at florists now as potted plants and cut flowers ready to open in radiant crimsons, yellows, mauves, oranges and assorted bicolors.

Their early arrival—in time for Valentine's Day—is actually very fitting, because tulips are traditional symbols of love.

Legends of love

Valentine's Day has been traced to the ancient Roman feast of Lupercal, a winter holiday celebrated by young sweethearts with gift-giving and merriment.

Another story attributes the creation of the lovers' holiday to St. Valentine.

But recognition of the tulip as a symbol of love is older than either of these legends.

In ancient Persia, the love-sick young man, Ferhad, was getting nowhere with the woman of his dreams. Dejected beyond consolation,



RECOGNITION OF THE TULIP as a symbol of love is older than any Valentine's Day legend. Pots or bouquets of crimson, yellow, mauve, orange and assorted bicolor tulips will radiate, "I love you" for days after the holiday has passed.

he wandered into the desert and wept.

Curiously enough, each tear that dropped onto the scorching sand gave rise to a fiery red tulip.

Lavish display

With all its implications of love and sensuality, the tulip made its way into ancient Turkish harem festivals where the women danced among thousands of these magnificent spring flowers. The women who showed the most love for the tulips gained the favors of the Sultan.

Whether your passion is for cut tulip flowers or potted tulip plants, you should select them when their buds are just beginning to open.

That way, their lucky recipient can watch daily for more and more color to unfurl, and revel in their Valentine's sentiment for days and weeks after the holiday has passed.

Proud tulips in pots are the easiest house plants to keep. Leave them in a cool, lighted area away from radiator heat and direct sunlight.

Watering them moderately, every day or two, will maintain their springtime luxuriance while winter winds howl outdoors.

Kept out of warm or cold drafts and away from direct

sunlight, a tulip bouquet needs only to have its water replenished daily.

To prolong their life, cut a quarter of an inch from the tulip stems. Make the cuts on a slant with a sharp knife.

Don't use scissors because they will pinch stems and possibly block water intake.

Then, wrap the tulips—buds and stems—in wax paper and soak them in a bucket of tepid water for three to six hours.

Tulips are so versatile that they can be arranged in clusters alone or mixed with baby's breath, greens and other flowers in a springtime bouquet that declares unabashedly, "I am hopelessly head over heels in love."

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Create lush jungle with ferns, ivies

If you would like a dramatic "Game Room" but can't afford an African Safari, why not improvise by covering an entire wall with staghorn ferns?

This fern resembles antlers and is best displayed in a container hung on a wood or brick wall. Your staghorn ferns will flourish with very little care.

Ferns and ivies make great indoor plants. They require little or no direct sunlight, so they will flourish anywhere in your home. Just make sure you provide a warm, slightly moist atmosphere and a good growing medium.

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Would you believe that herbs and spices can be the most beautiful plants in your garden? If they are placed with a good sense of design and kept well groomed, herbs and spices can provide a garden with interesting forms, textures, flowers and colors. They can be an asset to your garden for other good reasons. Many herbs resist drought, repel insects and require little care, according to Ortho's new book "The World of Herbs & Spices." For these reasons, today's gardeners are breaking with the tradition that dictated herbs be relegated to a separate area of the garden. Gardeners are using their imagination to make herbs a part of the total landscape. You will often see them alongside flowering bulbs, annuals, perennials and shrubs. Here are some suggestions as to how you can make these plants an interesting part of your garden. Low-growing herbs such as parsley, chives, dwarf sages and thymes are often used as borders around flowering beds. They make a pretty and practical edging for tall perennial flowers and are perfect for filling corners and empty spaces between other plantings. Combine herbs with the alpine, bulbs and succulents usually grown in rock gardens. This is particularly good for hillside and slopes. And try plantings of rosemary or woolly thyme to cascade gracefully over stone terraces. Want to add a spot of brilliant color to a part of your garden? Plant purple leaf basil or tricolor sage. Want to subdue an area? Use one of the grey foliage such as dittany of Crete or grey santolina. For a shaded woody area, plant fernlike chervil or sweet cicely. Sweet woodruff, mints and violets are good company for these shade-tolerant plants. No matter which method you use to integrate herbs and spices into your garden you will benefit from their beauty and practicality.



Parsley, chives and tarragon are growing with annuals and perennials in this garden to create an interesting border alongside a stone walk. According to Ortho, herbs and spices can provide any garden with interesting forms, textures, flowers and colors.

Build a solar greenhouse: capture sunlight and heat

If you've discovered the advantages of greenhouse gardening, take the next step and construct a solar greenhouse which not only traps sunlight but retains heat to keep your plants warm and cozy. The principle is simple. According to the new Ortho book, "How To Build and Use Greenhouses," the solar greenhouse contains a mass, like a barrel of water, a rock pile or a pumice block wall, which soaks up heat during the day. Heat enters the greenhouse in the form of short waves, which strike and heat the mass; warmth is then radiated back into the greenhouse in the form of long waves, which don't escape through the greenhouse covering. These waves are stored, thereby cutting heating costs. The solar heat storage principle can be used in a variety of greenhouses, like the Attached Solar Greenhouse or Angled-wall Greenhouse, which can be built according to directions in the Ortho book. Or you can design a more basic structure that also retains heat—the Sun Pit. The Sun Pit is somewhat like the cold frame, but it is situated beneath the ground with a clear overhead roof. This subterranean garden requires little or no additional heating because the Sun Pit uses the natural insulation of the ground. Little heat will be lost through the walls to the soil. Build the Sun Pit close to your house and you can use extra heat from the pit to warm your home. You can build your own Sun Pit by following directions in Ortho's new book, "How To Build and Use Greenhouses." Money saved on heating bills can be invested in flowers and plants to keep your underground garden beautiful all year round.

Never too late to begin... Now is time to grow your home garden



If you want to make a really fresh, crisp salad, then try growing your salad vegetables. Vegetables need a moist but well-drained medium for good growth, according to Ortho's book, "All About Vegetables." Also be sure to protect your vegetables with an effective pesticide, like Ortho's Tomato Vegetable Dust. It not only rids your plants of insects and disease as listed on the label, but also can be safely used within one day of harvest.

Next time you're complimented on that crisp, fresh salad you made, why not take credit for the "mixings." It's not every great chef who can toss a savory salad with ingredients he grew himself! And you don't have to be an old hand at gardening either; just stick to the basics of outdoor gardening—plenty of sun, proper soil, enough water and nutrients, and an effective pest control program.

First, choose a plot that receives sunlight all day. While leafy and root vegetables (beets, cabbage, carrots, chives, kale, leeks, lettuce, mustard, green onions, parsley, radishes, Swiss chard and turnips) can flourish in partial shade, vegetables grown for their fruits or seeds (corn, squash, pumpkin, tomatoes, cucumbers, eggplant and peppers) should have full sun. Once you've chosen a spot to grow your vegetable garden, you must prepare the soil. Vegetables need a moist but well-drained medium, one in which water circulates rapidly without shutting off the movement of air, according to Ortho's "All About Vegetables."

But don't worry if you

have a heavy clay soil or a light sandy one. You can create good planting dirt by adding organic matter—compost, manure, sawdust,

or ground bark, which opens up the soil to improve drainage and air circulation. Then keep it moist, but not drenched.

Plump, juicy vegetables demand food along with water. You can provide a balanced diet of required nutrients—nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium—with a good commercial fertilizer available at your local garden center. You'll find products in liquid form or timed-release granules, like Ortho's Tomato and Vegetable Food 10-20-5 (10% nitrogen, 20% phosphorus, 5% potassium), which will last for up to four months after application directly to the soil.

With a good growing medium, you're ready to plant. The old rule of thumb is planting at a depth equal to four times the diameter of the seed. However, in wet weather or in heavy soils, plant shallow, and in light, sandy soil, plant deeper.

Once they spring up, you'll want to make sure your vegetables reach the tasty stage. Protect them with an effective pesticide, like Ortho's Tomato Vegetable Dust, which not only rids your plants of insects and disease as listed on the label, but can also be safely used within one day of harvest.

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How to select the right tree: consider environment, effect

Trees physically affect your environment by offering protection from intense heat and cold, and they add a new artistic dimension to your landscape.

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Do not buy a tree with a rootball that's crumbled or cracked, says Ortho's "The World of Trees," or with roots that are twined near the trunk at the surface of the rootball.

Most field-grown, deciduous trees fall into the bare-root category, and these should be bought and planted as soon as possible after the danger of the soil freezing has passed. Choose the bare-root variety with at least a few healthy-sized roots growing

in different directions, down and out, at different levels from the main root.

The majority of field-grown evergreens are "balled and burlapped," and since their roots are protected, they can usually be bought and planted at any time of the year, though spring is preferable.

Like the "balled and burlapped" variety, container-grown trees can be planted in any season as long as the ground is not frozen.

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A tree planted in the yard can add a new artistic dimension to your landscape. Some important things to remember when buying a tree, according to Ortho's "World of Trees," are size and root quality. Select a medium-sized tree rather than a large one because the top and roots will more likely be in better balance—and balance is more important than size. The tree also should have a well-formed root system—that is one which is symmetrically branched with the main roots growing down and out to provide trunk support.

Find your thrill with blueberry hill

Supermarket prices for a small box of blueberries are sky-high. So beat the cash register by planting your own. Surprisingly, if you provide blueberries the conditions they like, they are hardy and take very little care.

"All About Growing Fruits & Berries," one of Ortho's best sellers, points out that "blueberries are about as hardy as a peach, need a fair amount of winter chill and will not grow well in mild winter climates."

So if you have chilly winters, find a spot with soil rich in organic material such as peat, very acid and extremely well-drained. Soils such as these are perfect for blueberries and are usually in areas which get high rainfall—lucky, since the berries need constant moisture.

Blueberries belong to the heath family and are a cousin to azaleas, rhododendrons, mountain-laurel and huckleberries. If any of these grow well on your land, then blueberries will do well, too.

Your nurseryman can give you advice on varieties available and will probably suggest you plant two varieties for better crops. For details on planting, pruning and protection, check the Ortho book or talk to people at your local garden center.

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Ground covers are versatile landscape elements. Depending on where you plant them, they can change the shape of your garden to make it appear large or small, deep or wide. For example, a massive cover planted at the edge of your lawn will serve as a visual bridge between the lawn and the surrounding trees. Variety in growth pattern, foliage texture and shape is what enables ground covers to fit into any part of the landscape, according to the Ortho book, "All About Ground Covers." When selecting ground covers, remember to think in terms of scale. The planting suitable for your children's playhouse may look lost if used around your home.

Unify landscape elements with lush ground covers

Just as attractive carpeting enhances interior design by pulling together drapery, furniture and accessories, there's a very adaptable plant group which unifies all the elements in your landscape.

These plants are called ground covers, and they do exactly that—cover the ground by creeping, vining, draping, trailing or producing graceful runners which provide a lush, natural carpeting for your garden "floor."

As varied in appearance as they are in function, ground covers can range in height from just inches to more than three feet. They can be deciduous plants, losing their leaves in autumn, or evergreen, and they come in a wide range of foliage colors and shapes.

Ground cover variety Variety in growth pattern and in foliage texture and shape is what enables ground covers to fit into any part of your landscape. Since they do combine so naturally with other foliage species—flowers, shrubs and trees—ground covers are often taken for granted, according to the Ortho book, "All About Ground Covers."

Yet, they are just as essential to the overall structure of a landscape design as the more flamboyant plantings that

first catch your eye. Depending where you site them, ground covers can change the shape of your garden to make it appear large or small, deep or wide.

For example, a planting of a massive ground cover at the edge of your lawn will serve as a visual bridge between the lawn and the surrounding trees.

Ivy softens Ground covers will also integrate the architectural and botanical features in your landscape. Ivy, for example, will immediately soften the transition between a paved terrace and your lawn, or camouflage the harsh line of a brick path or stone wall surrounding your property.

Remember to think in terms of scale when making your selection. The three-foot high ground cover you plant around your house may overpower a smaller tool shed. The planting which is suitable for your children's playhouse may look lost if used around your home.

Once you've chosen your ground covers, you'll want to give them a good start in life to make sure they remain healthy and radiant season after season. Wherever you choose to plant, you should prepare the soil just as you would for planting a regular

lawn—make sure the ground cover roots can easily penetrate soil to get adequate supplies of air, moisture and nutrients.

Control weeds Until your ground covers have completely filled in the planting site, keep an eye out for those unwanted competitors—weeds. One way to prevent weeds is by applying a mulch of gravel or stone chips, rotted manure, straw and sawdust.

Mulches control weeds, conserve moisture and help maintain even soil temperatures. According to "All About Ground Covers," mulches should be applied only after the soil has warmed in the spring.

While mulching is fairly reliable, an even more effective way to control weeds is by applying a good, all-around, pre-emergence herbicide, like Ortho's Garden Weed Preventer, to the soil within two to three days after planting so that weeds never have a chance.

Armed with the basics of ground cover protection, you're ready to make your planting selection. So let your imagination go and vary the look of your landscape design with an assortment of plants of many different heights.

Energy bills reduced with tree planting

Want a beautiful way to reduce your gas and electric bills? Plant some trees.

Research shows that planting deciduous trees at the west and south sides of the house can reduce summer cooling bills and winter heating bills by 10 to 20 percent.

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Gardening: America's favorite hobby

Interest in outdoor gardening and raising plants indoors is becoming widespread among American homeowners and apartment dwellers. The latest Gallup Study of gardening—done in 1977—showed that more than half the nation's

households—41 million—participated in some form of lawn and yard care. It also indicated that most people planned to increase the size of their gardens.

At the same time, the study revealed that interest in houseplants has boomed in recent years. Some 33 million households sported indoor plants in 1977. This compares to 19 million in 1973.

Although twice as many women as men grow indoor plants, interest in indoor gardening among men is actually growing at a faster rate than among women.

Regionally, the Midwest is the garden center of the country. Approximately 53 percent of the households there have gardens. The South is second with 44 percent. In the East, 41 percent of the households have gardens, and in the Far West the figure is 34 percent.

Far-reaching appeal

There are a number of reasons for the far-reaching appeal of growing things. For one, people need living things around them, according to the people at Ortho, a company which publishes a wide range of books on gardening and related subjects as well as manufacturing plant protection products. Plants help to purify the atmosphere and give us oxygen. They also absorb noise pollution.

In addition, people want to feel closer to nature. And whether a person has a large outdoor garden or one seed and a pot of moist soil, he will have the opportunity to experience all the good things of plant life—nature's perfect cycle and the heady aroma of healthy soil.

Americans regard gardening as a pleasurable recreation as well as a serious pursuit. It's interesting, for example, to look at gardening in the context of recreational activities. We find that 6 million people in this country play golf once a week; more than 6.5 million play tennis; close to 9 million go to the movies every week and more than 21.5 million play cards.

But more than 48 million Americans work in their gardens every week during growing season.

While gardening can simply be a pleasurable pastime, it also can provide very practical benefits. The Gallup Study revealed that almost a quarter of the households surveyed in 1977 looked to their gardens to help with the

family budget. Figures over the years indicate there may be a historical relationship between vegetable gardening and inflation.

Inflation triggers vegetables

In the high inflation years of 1974 and 1975, 47 percent and 49 percent of households, respectively, had vegetable gardens. After that, there was a small drop off. In 1977, 43 percent of households had vegetable gardens. And with inflation on the rise, chances are that percentage figures will increase during the current year.

High real estate prices also have an effect. Rather than move, people are becoming more involved in home and garden improvements. And in the long run, a well designed and well cared for landscape can add to the value of the property.

But the sheer fun of growing things is still one of the main reasons people garden. Contributing to this, say the people at Ortho, is the revolution in plant distribution, which makes it possible to enjoy growing plants native to other habitats in almost any climate.

Gardeners grow exotic bulbs in and out of season. They plant herbs and vegetables, not only to enjoy the harvest, but for the beauty of their foliage and flowers, as well as their fragrance.

Citrus and other fruiting trees can provide people everywhere with year-round oranges. Desert species can be transported from their arid habitat and grown on window sills in homes and offices. Many plants unheard of by our grandparents are available from specialty growers and importers.

Gardening continues to grow

Gardening has been going on since the earliest beginnings of civilization. And being one of the most pleasurable of pastimes and rewarding of endeavors, it will continue to grow in popularity and find new adherents.

As Charles Dudley Warner wrote in his book "My Summer in a Garden": "To own a bit of ground, to scratch it with a hoe, to plant seeds and watch the renewal of life—this is the commonest delight of the race, the most satisfactory thing a man can do."

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Go where nothing grows and create fantasy lawn

Don't despair if your outdoor area is a soiless, sunless spot, because modern materials, a variety of plants and flowers and a little imagination can transform your concrete patio or terrace into a green oasis!

Begin by establishing the mood—contemporary, country or ethnic. Ideally the interior style of the home should be carried out of doors to continue the flow of decoration and expand the total living space.

The next step is to cover the entire surface—which is probably an unsightly concrete slab—with "Polyloom" II grasslike surfacing. Available in "real" grass colorations, bright "lawn" green or olive "verde" green, the artificial turf provides a lawn-like atmosphere and is easy to maintain.

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"Polyloom," which is widely available at carpet, department or hardware stores, can be installed professionally or on a do-it-yourself basis. Standard 6- or 12-foot widths can be cut easily with heavy duty shears or a utility knife; it can be laid with or without an adhesive.

Once the lawn is "planted," the local nursery will provide an abundance of ideas for greenery, colors and containers. Large redwood, concrete or terra cotta tubs are perfect for trees, evergreens and shrubs and create a year-round, green background for seasonal plants and flowers which introduce color and variety to your man-made setting.

Pots of red geraniums will enhance the colors of a climbing rose garden for spring and summer; gold, brown and white chrysanthemums mutate the scene for fall.

Outdoor furniture also should be selected with easy maintenance in mind. Wrought iron, redwood or plastic can remain out of doors in all weather, and a simple storage box can be built to house chair pads, cushions and tools.

Your easy-care, fantasy garden can be maintained with little effort. The "Polyloom" grass carpet can be raked, vacuumed or hosed down and carries a five-year warranty not to fail or fade due to exposure to sunlight.

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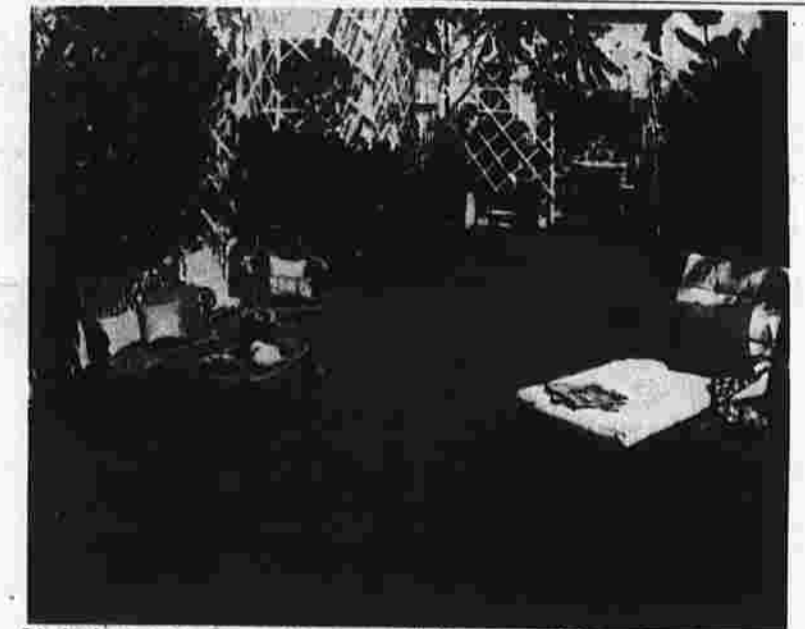
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How to design an indoor herb garden

Many people like to grow herbs indoors as well as outdoors. In designing an indoor herb garden there are several things to be considered.

First, keep in mind that herb plants require light. Therefore, available sunlight in the room will determine where in your house your plants will go.

However, you can grow them in other indoor areas if you add sufficient artificial lighting to meet the high foot-candle requirements of most herbs.

One ingredient of successful indoor landscaping is

a good choice of containers. While classic clay goes with everything, other container colors and materials should be carefully selected to fit the interior design of the room they will go in.

Group indoor plants just as you would arrange an outdoor flower bed, advises Ortho's new book "The World of Herbs & Spices." This means placing the tall plants as background for the low-growing species, or as accents among a grouping of lower plants.

Blend herbs with more traditional tropical house plants and flowering species. Utilize trailing herbs to soften the hard-edged look of shelves, tabletops or windowsills.

Also, group hanging herbs in the sun on different levels to create a visually pleasing design of suspended forms. Choose hanging hardware with attention to the design and what looks best in the room.

The key to making the most of herbs indoors—or outdoors—is to appreciate the plant itself. Look at it for its visual contribution as well as for its harvest.

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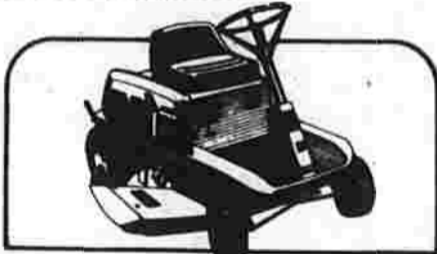
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About The Cover

Penney's From (the) Heavens?

No, that huge mass of steel and concrete located in the new Buckland Industrial Park is not a refugee spaceship from "Close Encounters." It is the beginning of the soon-to-be-completed J.C. Penney Distribution Center.

Within the park, the J.C. Penney Center experienced marked expansion this year, sprouting a massive steel support structure covering approximately 45.5 of the park's 393 available acres. When operation, expected in 1980, Penney's will be the largest employer in town, and structurally will probably be the largest predominantly one-story building of its kind in New England.

The rest of the park, in addition to yielding new tax revenues to the town, is also expected to supply nearly 1,000 additional jobs to the region.

No, the Martians aren't coming, but Penney's is. This year Manchester continues its own close encounter with growth, and now awaits the opportunities this growth will yield to the town, its citizens and, indeed, the entire region.



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About the Report

Reports are used to judge, but as Arthur Sulzberger said, "A man's judgment cannot be better than the information on which he has based it. Give him the truth and he may still go wrong when he has the chance to be right, but give him no news or present him only with distorted and incomplete data, with ignorant, sloppy or biased reporting, with propaganda and deliberate falsehoods and you destroy his whole reasoning processes."

We hope this year's Town Report will further improve, not hinder, the ability of Manchester residents to evaluate their own town government's operation. Consequently, this year's report will highlight town department accomplishments, provide "handles" for the better understanding of town government and finally, gives the "how to" and "where to" of channeling residents' questions and input.

This report was compiled by Steven R. Werbner, Personnel Supervisor for the town, and Daniel J. Buckson, Intern to the Manger's Office.

The material for the report was provided by town departments. Special thanks to Alex Girelli, City Editor for the Manchester Evening Herald, who helped organize the report, and to the staff photographers of the paper.

Summary of the Board of Directors' Actions

July 1, 1977 to July 1, 1978

- The Board approved third-year Community Development Block Grant Program — \$301,000.00
- The Board adopted an ordinance concerning the regulation of massage establishments.
- The Board approved three projects to be financed by the United States Department of Commerce:
 1. Police building renovations — \$750,000.00
 2. Reconstruction of sidewalks and curbs — \$779,000.00
 3. Phase II Lower Thompson Road Drainage System construction — \$245,000.00
- The Board approved the purchase of property from the State of Connecticut for the sum of \$2,141,714.63 for the proposed industrial park.
- The Board approved an ordinance concerning the sale of property to J.C. Penney Properties Inc. for the sum of \$3,248,500.00



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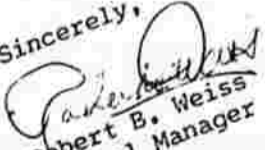
The challenges which face the Town administration year in and year out continue to mount. In the next few years, this will perhaps best be personified by the Proposition 13 phenomenon. The desire of the public to grasp the reins of rising inflation understandably is translated into a demand to keep local taxes from rising. In Manchester, we have been adhering to a tight monetary philosophy for several years with no appreciable loss in services. With the continuing inflation it will be even more of a challenge to the administration's ingenuity to continue to provide the high level of services to which Manchester citizens have become accustomed while attempting to stabilize, if not reduce, the tax bite.

One avenue which the Town is pursuing to lessen the tax burden on homeowners is to increase our industrial tax base. The major influencing activity in this regard over the last year has been the development of the Buckland Industrial Park. A tremendous commitment of time and effort by Town staff resulted in the final decision of J.C. Penney to proceed to market additional sites in the park as well as working with other local land owners who are interested in developing their own sites.

A second avenue which the Town will continue to pursue aggressively is the availability of state and federal funds in order to relieve the property taxpayer of some of his burden. In the past year, we received \$962,300 in general revenue funds; \$1,774,000 in economic development grants, which were used for the police building addition and renovations, reconstruction of sidewalks and curbs and the lower Thompson Road drainage system construction; and \$235,713 in community development block grant funds, which have been used for such projects as legal services to low income residents, East Cemetery storm sewers, which have significantly relieved the flooding in the downtown area, Pitkin Street construction for elderly housing, and housing code enforcement. The Town has also continued its involvement in the CETA program which provides public service employment to unemployed Manchester residents. In the past year alone, we received a total of over \$500,000 of CETA funds under which over 100 local people were employed. It should be noted also that we expect to receive approximately \$5,000,000 from the state representing one half of the net cost for the development of the Buckland Industrial Park.

In the financial area, a possible serious budget deficit was turned around by strong action of the Board of Directors and the Town administration with the happy result of ending the year with a surplus exceeding \$400,000.

As we look to the future, we continually speculate as to which course of action will lead us to the most desired results for Manchester. Our Town employees perform their work in a conscientious manner with sincere devotion to keeping this the City of Village Charm. With all of us working together with elected and appointed officials, we should be able to successfully meet the new challenges which surely will confront us in the next few years.

Sincerely,

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Board of Education

The 1977-78 school year was a busy one for the over 500 teachers, supportive staffs and almost 10,000 pupils who work and learn in the 15 schools that make up the Manchester public school system. School highlights include:

- During the 1977-78 school year, the Head Start Program began to mainstream handicapped children in the preschool classroom. The program was very successful and will continue as an integral part of the Head Start Program.
- The Highland Park School's interior

Libraries

A total of 25,118 residents of the community are registered borrowers with the three local library units. Of this number 17,766 are adults and 7,352 are children. National standards consider 35% of a community as registered borrowers as average. We have a 50% listing.

There are 188,182 volumes available for use by the local residents. A breakdown of selected items that are included in the above count is as follows:

Adult fiction	32,874 volumes
Adult non-fiction	98,349 volumes
Juvenile fiction	19,908 volumes
Juvenile non-fiction	19,976 volumes
Bound and unbound periodicals	6,663 volumes
Microfilm	3,726 volumes
Paperbacks	5,607 volumes
Telephone directories	778 volumes

Additional materials for use by our borrowers include:

Pamphlets	17,228 items
Framed art prints	163 items
Phono Records	4,026 items
Picture file materials	21,283 items

Special services offered are:
Connecticut — Manchester patrons may borrow books and selected materials from other Connecticut libraries.

Connecticut — Materials borrowed from other Connecticut libraries will be returned by us to them via a special Connecticut State Library mobile service.

Bookmobile Service — Books, Etc — mobile library unit that makes 110 stops a month at various locations in the community: 52 residential, 30 to shut-ins, six convalescent homes, 12 special stops, i.e., nursery schools, Lincoln Center, Early Learning Centers, Head Start, Camp Kennedy, etc., and 10 combination residential and shut-ins.

Manchester Greenwich Fiction List — A catalog listing the combined fiction holdings of these two libraries makes

Youth Services Center

The Manchester Youth Services Center, a part of the Manchester Board of Education, operates programs designed to help local children in need. Some 1,400 local youth received some form of service during the calendar year 1978.

The department, this year, worked on Project Open Door, a program aimed at the non-criminal institutionalized child.

The department also worked on a second project to explore and develop methods of helping local children be more successful scholastically, personally, and

some 24,000 titles available.

Interlibrary Loan — Borrowing materials not owned by us from other Connecticut Libraries for use by our patrons.

Nelnet — A computerized cataloging system that speeds up the processing of newly acquired book titles.

Reference Services — Finding answers to a variety of questions received by phone, in person, and sometimes by mail. Reference collection is heavily used by local government agencies, students, business and professional people.

Children's Service — Film programs, regular story hours, pre-school story hours, general and special reading programs, reference materials for research projects, extensive book collection for educational, informational and leisure time needs geared to the children of the community.

Adult Services — Extensive collection of fiction and non-fiction titles, magazines for borrowing, framed art prints, reserve system for popular titles, reader's assistance to the circulating collection of the library.

Hours of Service — 16½ hours open to the public 3 units to use:
Mary Cheney Library 69 hours per week
Whiton Memorial Library 60½ hours per week
Bookmobile 35 hours per week

Book Drop Service available at Mary Cheney Library and Whiton Memorial Library during hours the libraries are closed.

Circulation of materials — 388,947 items were circulated to patrons last year. 263,361 items were borrowed by adults and 125,586 items were borrowed by young people.

Be Wise — Use and Know Your Local Public Libraries

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Examination Board, and also through the presentation of papers in the Science and Humanities Symposium at Yale University. The work study program was also continued, in addition to active extra-curricular programs.

Social Studies teachers at Iling Junior High became involved in a series of workshops dealing with multi-cultural education.

As a result of the pilot program from February to June of 1977, the pre-school speech and language program was incor-

porated into the ECEP program at the Martin School.

The physical education program was expanded to include the first and second grades three times every four weeks.

A special education curriculum is also being developed for elementary school students.

Through the combined funds of the Board of Education and the PTA Fine Arts Council, four live performances were offered to the elementary students.



Bill Brindamour teaches Bridger Donovan to swim at Salter's Pool.

Recreation Department

The recreation department serves Manchester residents the year round. In the winter months, there were 77 days of skating at three outdoor rinks, a record number of skiing days at North View (39), and 40 days of coasting at Center Springs.

The department also offered organized adult volleyball and basketball leagues for males and females at Iling Junior High School throughout the winter months.

From May to August, the adult slow pitch softball program (1,200 participants) continued to be the largest organized adult program offered by the department.

In June and July, the youth baseball alumni and alumni junior programs offered organized baseball leagues for youths 13-17 years old. The summer basketball leagues, at Charter Oak, offered exciting basketball for par-

ticipants during July and August. The summer playground program also provided youths with activities from soccer to a bike rodeo. Swimming pools provided a place to beat the summer heat as well as swimming instructions for many.

The youth soccer program has continued to grow, making it the largest youth program offered, with a record 1,300 boys and girls from ages 6-18 registering.

With this year's closing of the West Side Recreation Center for rebuilding, the adult cultural programs were moved to the Arts Building at the Recreation Center.

Questions and complaints will be answered by calling the recreation office at 647-3084.

Public Safety

Manchester Fire Department

The Town of Manchester Fire Department responded to 1,121 alarms during the fiscal year July 1, 1977 to June 30, 1978. This represents an increase of 47 alarms over the previous year.

	1976-77	1977-78
Building	136	137
Brush, grass, etc.	135	105
Vehicular or other outdoor equipment	74	78
Other types of fires	75	93
Calls other than fires	508	580
Rescue and emergency	74	64
False	72	64
	1,074	1,121

The total value of all property, both real and personal, at risk to fire damage was estimated at \$35,707,430; fire damage to all property was estimated at \$573,948.

The Department experienced a

decrease in the number of false alarms. This can largely be attributed to stricter enforcement on the part of law and fire officials in investigating as to who initiated the false alarm and a continuation of public education.

Fire prevention is an important factor in minimizing the loss of life and property and injuries in the fire service. During the past year the Department has increased its activity in the field of fire prevention through public education and public awareness programs.

Members of the Department visit the schools for a minimum of twice a year (in the spring and in the fall). The practice of teaching children at an early age has its greatest benefit in that young children are willing to accept material presented to them. Also, at this early age the children are given literature to bring home, and

together with their parents can correct the hazards in their households. The children are taught how to act in case of a fire and the causes of fire and the methods and means of correction.

In case of a fire the children are taught how to act, such as how to escape from the home, and what to do if their clothes catch on fire — to drop and roll slowly on the floor and, if possible, use a blanket or a rug to smother the flames. By teaching the children in their early stages, the children are more willing to learn and remember the techniques and information taught to them.

Smoke detectors are probably the greatest device for life protection since the innovation of the sprinkler system.

The Fire Department currently is involved in demonstrating and explaining the use of smoke detectors. This consists of a slide program where placement and operating features of both types of smoke detectors are shown. This program has been shown to civic groups, church groups and demonstrations have been given at the fire stations.

The Department has increased its activity in the home inspection program. This has been accomplished by the cooperation of the public by having them call for appointments to have their homes inspected. Currently we are contemplating a systematic door to door

program where the firefighters ask the home owner or occupant if they would like to have a home inspection. This program will be conducted while the company and men are in service. The public is made aware of our home inspections through the news media.

The Town of Manchester Fire Department has been coordinating Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation courses in the Town of Manchester in cooperation with American Heart Association of Greater Hartford for the past four years.

Members of our Department trained and certified a total of 1,083 persons in CPR within the last two years. Currently we are planning to expand our emergency medical services to the community.

The fire hydrant inspection program has been finalized and currently the Department is using the new system for such information as to type, past condition, location of hydrants in relation to structures and size of the mains in the area. These cards provide invaluable information as to the amount of water and pressure available at the location. The importance of knowing the exact locations of the hydrants was found to be of the greatest assistance to us during the past winter due to the large amount of snow where some of the hydrants were completely buried.

Routine Calls — 649-2808
Emergency Calls — 643-1151

Police Department

The Manchester Police Department's primary objective is service to the community. The types of services provided by the department reflect the needs of our society, requiring the department to remain a flexible and progressive organization. Departmental highlights for this fiscal year are as follows:

The patrol division is the largest and most viable division, providing 24-hour-a-day service. The primary function of this division is to protect lives, property, and prevent criminal and anti-social behavior. A newly initiated Criminal Activity Squad augments the regular patrol force during high crime periods.

The detective division is responsible for investigation of complex criminal incidents. During the past year, a number of detectives have been trained in fingerprint classification. The youth services bureau of the detective division investigates and refers juvenile offenders to the social agency best suited to provide assistance. This approach attempts to divert youth away from the criminal

justice system towards more applicable social agencies.

The traffic services unit attempts to reduce the number of accidents within town. Techniques employed by this unit include: targeting of high incident areas, radar and high visibility. A 110 percent increase in drunk driving arrests testifies to the performance of this unit.

The communications division duties include the expeditious and orderly handling of telephonic requests made to the department and maintains control of patrol division personnel in the field.

The community relations unit, through such activities as "Operation Identification," drug information programs, home security, bicycle and personal safety programs, disseminates the latest safety and crime prevention program to the people of Manchester. This unit contacted over 9,000 citizens this year, helping it earn awards from the AAA and the Connecticut Safety Commission.

Disaster Control

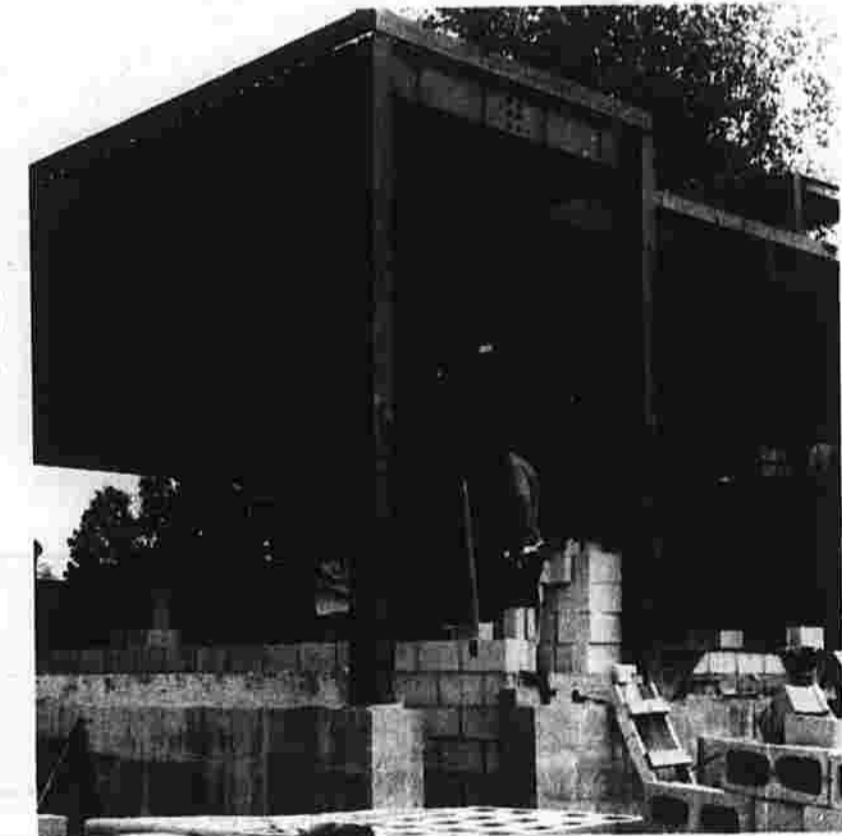
The disaster control office works hard year in and year out to be prepared for the unexpected. With this in mind, it is a continuing effort to update and add to our list of volunteers.

A sudden crippling snowstorm, as seen this year, can cause many problems. We found at that time we were able to implement the assistance of four-wheel drive volunteers. We have added public health nurses to our list, which included the Red Cross, Boy Scouts, Civil Air Patrol and radio clubs. Local drug stores, grocers and fuel suppliers provided us with emergency numbers to meet any unexpected shortages.

We secured quarters for the radio club at the Nike Site. We financed the training of an emergency medical technician in an effort to enlarge our volunteer medical program.

Our ambulance unit, manned by volunteers, all townspeople, covered well over 60 functions this year. All functions were related to town health, recreation and educational functions. This program continues to encompass more activities.

Due to potential nuclear accidents, classes are being planned in radiological monitoring. Emergency telephone 649-9068.



The addition to the Manchester's police station takes form.

Public Works

Administration

Under the management of the public works administration department, the operational divisions, which include, engineering, building inspection, park, water, sewer, cemetery, maintenance, highway and sanitation, have provided the expertise, skills and services necessary to maintain and improve the social, economic and physical aspects of our "City of Village Charm."

The administration division has continued the program of actively pursuing available grant funds as well as administering grants previously received. The division currently is administering grant programs for trunk sewers, highway reconstruction and storm sewer improvements which have resulted in urgently needed projects being completed or undertaken at a savings of millions of local tax dollars. The Thompson Road and White Brook storm drainage projects were substantially completed during the past year. Engineering, planning and specification preparation were undertaken for the Adams Street-New State Road and Upper Hockanum trunk sewers. Funds have been approved and preliminary work has begun on im-

provements to the Main and Center streets intersection, Main Street reconstruction, the reconstruction of Adams Street and the replacement of the Adams Street bridge.

Cooperating with the Economic Development Commission and other governmental agencies, the staff of the administration division is proud to have played a large part in making the Buckland Industrial Park a reality.

To improve the quality of road repair and lengthen the life of roads, the administration division has revised the inspection program and has developed new regulations to regulate and control work within town right-of-ways.

A townwide street lighting program is also managed by staff of the administration division. Modern high pressure sodium lights have been installed in the Broad Street, Middle Turnpike West and Adams Street area. These lights consume approximately one-half of the energy of the fixtures they replaced.

Requests for information and assistance may be directed through the administration division by calling 647-3142.

Maintenance

The maintenance division of the public works department is responsible for upkeep of the town's physical plant. This includes five major buildings and the complex of buildings known as the Manchester Recreation Center. In this regard, the division responded to over 1,200 requests for service during the year. From replacing light fixtures, to changing locks, stuck windows to balky furnaces, the maintenance division supplied prompt and effective action.

If you walk into Town Hall you will notice it's brighter, cleaner and more cheerful. The maintenance division, working days, evenings and weekends,

repaired walls and painted the interior. Without the men from maintenance, substantial expenditures would have been necessary for outside contractors. Maintenance division personnel constructed a refreshment stand at Mount Nebo Field and completely remodeled a large game room at the YWCA on North Main Street. During the past year they have built office partitions, revamped office lighting, poured concrete utility pads, installed steps and walkways.

Crews from the maintenance division repaired or replaced approximately 15,000 square feet of badly deteriorated sidewalks during the fiscal year.

Engineering Division

The engineering department designs, draws plans, inspects and administers the contract work for many road, storm drainage, sanitary sewer, park, recreation and playground facility projects. The department reviews, inspects and makes recommendations relating to sidewalks, storm drainage, roads and other public works improvements brought to the department's attention by the public or observed by personnel within the division. The division makes recommendations, reviews drawings and inspects subdivision developments and parking lots by working with other departments such as building and planning and zoning. A few of the projects completed this year were:

- The improvements of the playground, construction of a basketball court, baseball field and sprinkler system at Nathan Hale School.

- Creation of additional cemetery burial plots at East Cemetery as well as the construction of a storm drainage pipe

and a detention dam.

- Completion of the Thompson Road storm drainage system to McKee Street.
- The installation of Love Lane sewer pump station gravity sewer and water main.

- Designed and completed North Street.
- The engineering division prepared plans for the reconstruction of Chapel Street including the installation of storm drainage and the reconstruction of American Legion Drive, which were in turn performed by the Highway Division.

The engineering division has daily contact with the people of Manchester by either calling or visiting the department on the second floor at Lincoln Center. Advice, consultation and service to correct a problem are provided whether it be obtaining a copy of a map, how to have service performed such as fixing a sidewalk or the correction of storm drainage problems. The phone number for the department is 647-3152.

Cemetery Division

The Cemetery Division finished the final grading and seeding along Harrison Street early this Spring. The result is obvious and pleasing to the majority of those who have stopped and expressed their opinion. The final grading of the retention basin along dry brook was also completed which finishes that phase of the project.

Statistically there has been an increase in services billed, this year over last. Questions may be answered by dialing 647-3081.

Interments	235
Cremations	43
Disinterments	1
Grave Spaces Sold	290
Beth Shalom Grave	
Spaces Sold	23
Use of vault	6
Total fees	\$74,435.00
Overtime charges	\$2,363.41
Back-annual care	\$696.15
Total	\$77,494.56

Building Department

The objectives of this division is to administer the building inspection service, as outlined in the State of Connecticut Basic Building Code, zoning enforcement, and the continuing education of our inspectors through the programs of the State Building Official, Connecticut Building Officials Association, New England Building Officials Association, and the University of Connecticut's Institute of Public Service.

As shown by our records, fiscal year

1977/78 will stand as an all time record for construction value (\$41,393,942) and of fees collected (\$201,552). This total was fostered by the one single permit for construction of the J.C. Penney Northeast Catalog Warehouse and office of (\$20,000,000) in estimated cost and (\$120,002) in building fees.

This office processed 2,688 applications for permits and inspectors made over 8,000 field visits. Any questions may be answered by dialing 647-3052.

Highway Department

After last winter's 80 inches of snow, combined with drifts of 5 to 10 feet, the highway department was, to say the least, kept very busy. Last winter the department removed a record 34,000 cubic yards of snow from town streets.

Spring rainstorms prompted the clearing of hundreds of storm catch basins and the street sweeping program removed 6,600 cubic yards of sand off town roads.

The department reconstructed three

town roads, laid 3,173 linear feet of storm water sewer pipe and 61 catch basins.

During the fall leaf removal program, 26,431 cubic yards of leaves were picked up by the department.

With all this service, the department's operating budget for the past few years has steadily decreased.

For information, procedures and complaints call 647-3233.



Town workers teach auto mechanics to Manchester women.

Public Works

Water and Sewer Department

Water Division

The water division has instituted a land management program in its watershed lands. This was accomplished through the use of CETA funded personnel and equipment. We have organized a program for harvesting timber, in accordance with sanitary requirements, for sale.

The watersheds have been surveyed for sanitary control of our water sources which is a new state requirement. The watershed sanitary survey was also accomplished with CETA funded staff. The department has developed watershed protection ordinance for insuring proper control of the watershed sanitation and protection of legal liability.

The water division laboratory had been performing its monitoring functions well during the reporting period. The most dramatic example of the value of our laboratory was the detection of the water problems in the southwestern position of the Town which led to the "boiling order" during August 1977. The use of our own laboratory has realized a cost savings of approximately \$50,000 compared with contractual laboratory work for our federally required testing program.

The water treatment section has instituted a preventive maintenance program which has substantially reduced the number of emergency pump and equipment failures. The water section has also made plans for improvement in the area of corrosion control and work has been undertaken to institute the addition of zinc phosphate to the water in accordance with state and federal regulations. The water section treated 2,008 million gallons of water this year.

The water distribution system is under study by our consulting engineers, Weston & Sampson. Fire flow tests were taken during the winter in conjunction with the insurance service office throughout the town. The final report is expected in the near future.

The department continues its water meter replacement program. We have replaced 478 pre-World War I vintage meters this year. This will hopefully

reduce our 28 percent unaccounted for water for which we receive no revenue.

Sewer Division

The sewer division has undertaken a review of its rate structure. The new rate structure conforms to the requirement of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and became effective July 1, 1978. The major change in the rate structure is increased charges for high volume users, particularly industry and the Eighth Utilities District. New sewers have been designed for the Bryan Farms area of town, and trunk sewers have been designed for the Upper Hockanum River area and the New State Road/Adams Street section.

The sewer maintenance section responded to 273 stoppage complaints this year, of which 155 were building connections and 118 were sewer main blockages. The section cleaned 71 miles of sewer lines, repaired 131 manholes, and cleaned 662 manholes. The major effort in this section has been work on manholes. The manhole work is being done in preparation for the Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Survey which is federally funded. This survey should take place in the coming year. The purpose of the study is to determine the sources and magnitude of infiltration and inflow of groundwater and surface water into the sewer system.

The department has been working with the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection and local industry in an effort to control industrial waste discharges. With the cooperation of the industries, we believe a more consistent compliance with our National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Permit will be possible.

Our consulting engineers, Metcalf & Eddy Inc., have completed the Facilities Plan for the town sewer system and treatment works. The plan recommends expansion of the existing sewage treatment plant to allow us to treat the town waste water to the new state required higher degree of treatment and to provide sufficient capacity for growth through the year 2000. Telephone 647-3115.

Park

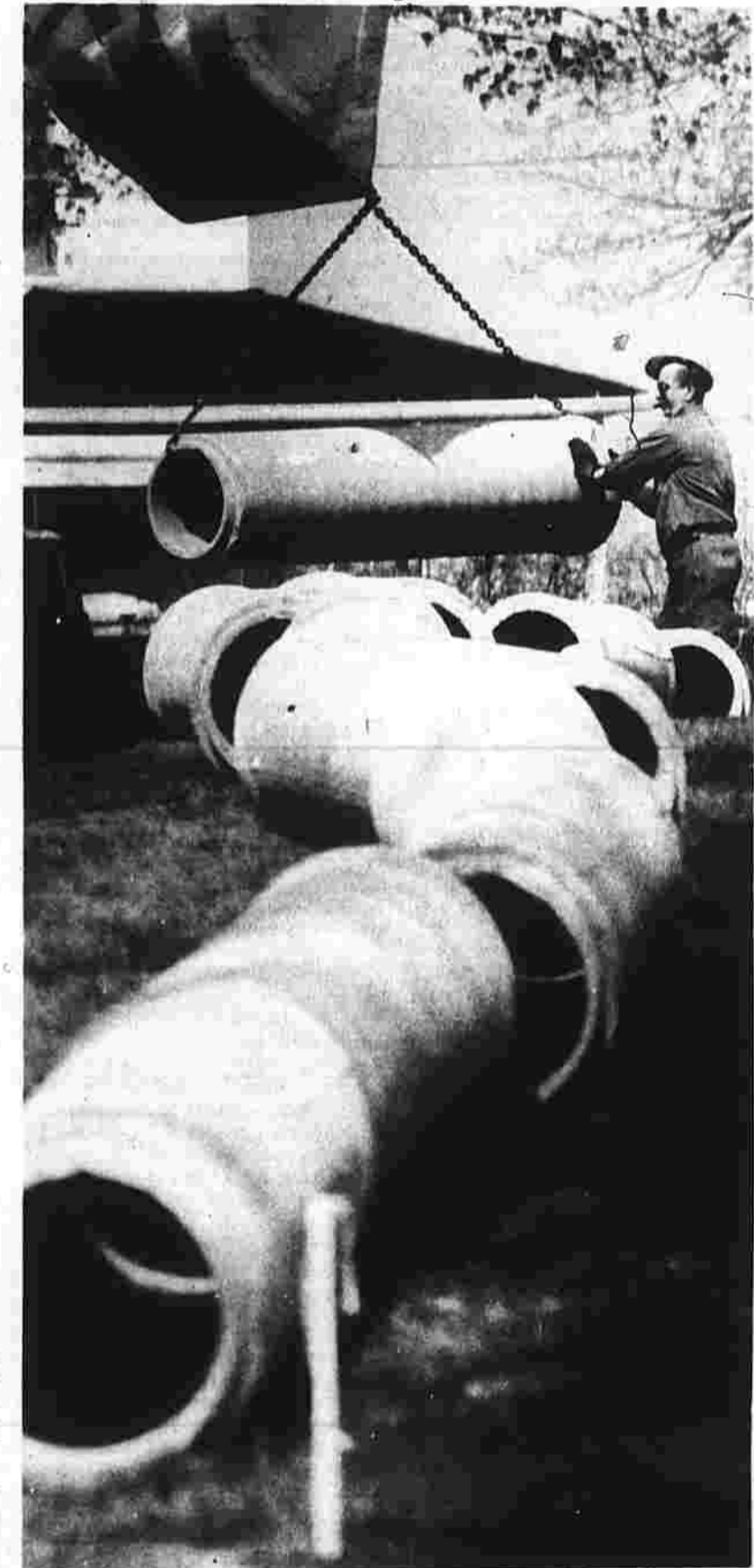
The park department has five functions, namely: administration, tree care, maintenance of parks and facilities, maintenance of vehicles and equipment, and maintenance of recreation buildings and grounds. We maintain all parks and parklets, all trees on public grounds and all recreation facilities, including swimming pools. We also prepare and maintain the ski slope, skating rinks and coasting areas.

No new programs were initiated during this fiscal year. This year we assisted various civic groups in their programs, especially the grading, planting and seeding of the Town Line parklet at South Main and Line Streets and the flower gardens. A CETA forestry crew was authorized for Lookout Mountain. This crew removed

dead wood, pruned and removed brush along the trails and service road. This cleanup, which was long overdue, proved to be very advantageous to the Park Division and was accomplished without disrupting our mandated workload.

Vandalism continues to be a serious problem. It is estimated the vandalism cost to our department including labor and materials was approximately \$33,000. Most of the vandalism is malicious and we have very little success in restitution.

Our goal this year is to repair Salters swimming pool, and if possible, Globe Hollow pool. We are also looking at park areas where we can make improvements and create low maintenance areas to expedite our workload. Telephone 647-3222.



Pipe sections being unloaded for a storm drain in Center Park.

Social Concerns

Health Department

The Manchester health department is divided into two sections to serve town residents each with a specific area of responsibility.

The environmental health services section is responsible for housing and restaurant inspection, protection of drinking water and air quality, school sanitation, town safety programs, and other environmental nuisances that involve public health. This year, a restaurant ordinance that would license food service establishments and certify food handlers was drafted and reviewed by the health department and presented to the board of directors.

Three public health aides, hired under the CETA program, also assisted the environmental section with inspections and with a special sanitary survey looking at well water quality, overflowing septic systems and pollution of streams. Approximately 100 locations were checked in the proposed industrial park vicinity to determine if water and septic systems were functioning properly before the industrial park is built.

The second section of the health department, the community health services section, deals with communicable and

chronic disease control, family health, and community health education programs.

This year, the health services section worked on planning a dental clinic for low-income families and also participated in the North Central Connecticut Health Systems Agency task force on dental health services. A new town ordinance now requires the health and police departments to inspect massage parlors.

Through the CETA program, staff was provided to run clinics providing physical examinations for new town employees, counseling programs for retirees with problems, a free vaccine system, health education seminars and clinics, more accurate health statistics, a health information system to help predict illness trends in town and finally, to improve recording systems to aid the department in program evaluation, planning and budgeting.

Also, the school physician worked with school nurses to meet the January 1, 1979 deadline for required immunization of school-age children against diphtheria, tetanus and polio.

Any inquiries may be made to the health department by calling 647-3173.

Human Services

The department of human services continues to oversee the Community Development Block Grant. Under this past year's grant, which totaled \$301,000, Nathan Hale playground rehabilitation was finished and a housing study was completed. In addition, a legal aid program was established in Manchester with Community Development funds. The legal service, called Legal Services of Manchester, Inc., provides free legal services to low income residents who are unable to afford private lawyers. Under the program, sponsored by the Manchester Bar Association, 40 local lawyers volunteer to handle legal problems involving consumer protection, bankruptcy, domestic problems, landlord/tenant matters and administrative (social security/welfare) concerns. Legal Services of Manchester, Inc., is located at St. Mary's Rectory, 41 Park St.

Also during this past year, the Housing Rehabilitation Program, which is run by this office and funded through Community Development monies, has provided no-interest and low interest loans for the rehabing of 45 Manchester homes. The total cost of houses rehabed during the year was \$150,603.

This past year the department of human services has established a new program of transportation, called Phone-A-Ride, for the elderly and the handicapped. Two leased buses, one equipped with a wheelchair lift for the handicapped, provide transportation within the Town of Manchester to medical appointments,

shopping centers, nutrition sites, etc. Ridership is continually increasing, with an average at present of 350 passenger trips per week.

Manchester's elderly population is a continuing concern of the department. Approximately 1,000 elderly persons have been aided through the Elderly Outreach Program this year. Two staff persons, two summer aides, and up to 21 volunteers provide friendly visiting, door-to-door outreach, Town survey followup, information and referral, and assistance in filling out forms. Telephone 647-3092.

Probate Court

Empowered with administration and disposition of estates of deceased residents, the primary objective of the probate system is to insure that all assets are preserved and distributed to those entitled to receive them by bequest or operation of law.

The probate court also supervises trust accounts, conservatorships and guardian accounts. In addition, the court processes adoptions and makes commitments to mental institutions.

Approximately 500 deceased estates were processed by the court during 1977-78 with aggregate value in excess of 20 million. These figures show some growth from the previous year. Telephone 647-3227.

Social Services

A multi-level role in the community describes the activities of the social services department which serves a variety of financial and social needs of local residents.

Ours is the department that people in Manchester turn to first in a crisis, as we are the only department which is in a position to offer immediate financial help.

We are also called upon to provide a wide variety of counseling services and referrals to other social service agencies that deal with specific types of problems.

Our caseloads comprise all types, from the young school drop-outs to retirees. Families, married couples and single adults from all classes of society make up

our caseloads.

We often contact prospective employers for work and have been successful in placing several of our clients who could not find work on their own.

Hospital care assistance, holiday activities and sponsorship for youths at summer camp are a few other services offered through our department. The Title 20 program, designed to help states develop social service programs with the assistance of federal monies, is also administered entirely through this office.

Any question pertaining to social services offered in Manchester may be answered by calling 647-3061.



A rented bus arrived in town for use by the elderly and handicapped. Later in the year, the town received the first of two buses it owns for that purpose.

Senior Citizens Center

The senior center continues to grow not only in membership, but in its programming as well. The attendance for the first six months in June was 18,187. Last year a total of 27,806 seniors walked through our doors. Besides being a referral agency, we offer

- Help with income taxes
- A weekly health clinic which provides an exercise class once a week
- A walk-in blood pressure check
- Instructions in arts and crafts, oil painting, crewel embroidery, ceramics, bridge, pinochle and set-back
- One day and weekly trips. Last year 988 seniors took advantage of these trips
- Outdoor picnics, weather permitting
- Friendship Circle where seniors come to chat, fraternize and just get acquainted and do their own thing.
- Meals four days a week at a very reasonable cost
- An annual variety show and holiday

fair. These two events are unique in themselves as we have very active volunteer participation.

Our bus and mini-bus are in action five days a week, bringing seniors to and from the center for meals and programs. On Tuesday, the big bus takes them shopping.

A golf league, a bowling league and a square dance club. We offer instructions in social dancing, square dancing and round dancing

We deliver hot meals on Thursdays to our shut-ins

To become a member, one must be sixty years or older, working no more than 20 hours per week and live in Manchester or pay taxes to the Town of Manchester. Each member receives a Gold Card which is free and enables them to have a nominal discount in many of our local stores. Thus far, the center has issued 8,479 Gold Cards.

To learn more about the senior center, one may call 647-3211.

Finances

Controller

The Controller is charged by the town charter with keeping necessary accounts to maintain a constant record of the condition of each budget appropriation. Separate budget appropriation accounts are maintained for each fund with a complete breakdown by department, division, function and object of expenditure.

Such appropriations require a great deal of background work, beginning with annual budget preparation. This department works closely with the general manager and the budget analyst in preparing the annual budget for the operating funds. These operating funds include general, water, sewer, fire, special taxing district and data processing funds.

This department also maintains records for special purpose funds, including five capital improvement reserve funds and bond account funds for specific construction projects. Among active bond accounts this year were those for the Buckland Industrial Park and additions/improvements to Bentley and Washington Schools, and the West Side Recreation Building.

In addition, records are maintained for a large number of accounts related to governmental funded grant programs. These include revenue sharing, anti-recession, community development block grant, economic development administration, comprehensive employment training act (CETA) and others.

The department processes and keeps records of payments made by the town for all purposes, including payments to vendors for materials and services required

for day-to-day operations and less frequent payments for debt service, capital improvement projects, etc. Again, this year, more than 16,000 checks were issued to vendors.

Payrolls are processed for all town operating departments and complete earnings and attendance records kept. A total of 15,128 payroll checks were issued this year. This represents a sizable increase over last year, due primarily to the increased number of CETA employees. Varied payroll-personnel activities are carried on including administration of the employees' insurance program, the maintenance of personnel files, the preparation of salary schedules, etc.

We are striving to increase our use of the town's computer capabilities. In addition to its use in our payroll and vendor payment operations, it was used extensively for the first time to prepare the 1977/78 tentative budget.

This department also administers the town's insurance program for fire, worker's compensation, general liability and related coverages. This activity continues to require an increasing amount of time and effort. New activities and enlarged programs continue to increase the town's exposure to risk and create more insurance activity.

The department goal is to improve the quality of the records we keep of the town's financial activities, using our computer capability where possible, and to furnish the board of directors and the general manager with timely reports. Telephone 647-3102.

Treasurer

As stated in the town charter, "the town treasurer shall have all powers and perform all the duties which are vested by statute in town treasurers. He shall have custody of and disburse all funds belonging to the town and shall deposit the same in such banks and trust companies as may be designated by the Board of Directors on the recommendation of the General Manager. He shall be the treasurer of the town deposit fund and shall have authority to invest and reinvest the same in securities legal for investment of trust funds under the general statutes."

In the 1977/78 fiscal year, the treasurer's office yielded \$308,731.80 in interest on investment of general fund monies and a grand total of \$1,025,423.96 on all funds.

Thirty-one different cash accounts were

maintained by this office, out of which a total of 15,040 payroll checks and 12,942 vendor checks were processed. There were, in addition, 44 savings accounts being administered.

The Town of Manchester presently has ratings by Moody's Rating Service of A1 Strong and by Standard and Pears of AA High Grade. Plans are currently being worked on for a tour of Manchester by Moody's in the spring of 1979 in anticipation of going out to market for bonding.

Since fiscal year 1977/78 total interest earned on idle funds is \$218,755.00. The treasurer's office will continue to look for innovations which will allow the Town to realize greater yield in its investments, as well as to continue to cooperate in developing new methods of financial management and control.

Data Processing

The data processing center has continued to expand its role in providing the information required for the efficient and effective functioning of the town government and the board of education.

The center provides normal services to departmental users such as tax bills, payroll and report cards. Beyond this routine processing, it has become quite effective in handling extraordinary situations, for example, property revaluation phase-in, student classroom skipping reports and the new water and sewer rate structure.

Departmental highlights for fiscal year 1977-78:

- Completed property revaluation
- Implemented revaluation phase-in system
- Improvements to tax collection systems

improved efficiency of on-line system. Developed lien reporting, suspense accounting and delinquent motor vehicle reporting systems.

- Developed automated employee attendance systems (town government)
- Expanded billing inquiry system into the water and sewer department
- Implemented new sewer rate structure

Improvements to high school student classroom attendance system. Daily reports to teachers and administrators.

Display of both classroom as well as daily attendance on report cards. Analytical reports for administration. Expanded high school instruction use. The number of students selecting data processing programming courses for 1978-79 is triple that of 1977-78. Telephone 647-3072.

Assessor

The assessor's office is no longer known just for assessing property for tax purposes. It has become the main terminal of information for lawyers, real estate brokers and everyone with any questions. The veterans, blind, elderly renters and homeowners, disabled persons, bankers, credit associations, finance officers, students, educational institutions, etc. are all directed to the assessor's office for assistance.

The 1977 session of the state legislature passed a new motor vehicle law which was designed to close the loopholes in the existing motor vehicle tax laws which brought additional revenue to the municipality. A total of 7,159 vehicles were added to the tax list.

With the anticipated growth of the town, the assessor's office will be preparing to use an "on-line" system with the data processing office. The first step was to put the majority of the records on the computer system and a great deal of time was spent during the year refining the new assessment program.

The assessor's office was also heavily involved in carrying out the intent of the phase-in of the increase of assessment due to the revaluation program. Telephone 647-3013.

General Services

The general services department performs a service function for all other town departments. The principal area of activity is central purchasing. Through centralized purchasing, substantial savings are realized which are not available when departments purchase individually. When all purchases are channeled through this office, the town is able to combine common needs under one purchase, enter into annual contracts, prepare and advertise sealed bids, obtain competitive quotes on all items requested and participate in state and capitol region bids in order to serve the town's best interests. During the past year a purchasing manual was developed to provide guidance and implement the purchasing function more effectively.

This department is also responsible for central duplicating, central mailing and switchboard services. One highlight during the past year was the bidding for the installation of a new phone system. The new Centrex III system combines the town administration with the Board of Education. Each department can now be reached by direct dialing, resulting in improved communications throughout the town. Telephone 647-3031.

Collector of Revenue

The revenue office is charged with the collection of all property taxes, cemetery fees, water and sewer billings and sewer assessments. Responsibility extends to safeguarding taxpayer funds by insuring their proper application and timely disposition to the treasurer to maximize investment earnings for the town.

Taxes on the list of 1976 due and payable during fiscal 1977/78 and prior year taxes were 98.4 percent collected for a total of \$16,948,624 for the town's general fund. An additional \$1,702,225 collected was allocated for the support of the fire department.

The attainment of 98.4 percent of revenue estimates was the result of a vigorous collection program initiated in the latter part of 1977 with foreclosure notifications being sent to approximately 40 seriously delinquent individual taxpayers and corporations. Early place-

ment of 145 property tax liens led to the successful culmination of this activity and the achievement of revenue objectives.

During the course of the year the revenue office continued to make refinements in the newly implemented teleprocessing system introduced in July of 1977. Response time in accessing and processing tax and water and sewer information has been improved significantly resulting in fewer delays in work in process and in providing timely and accurate information to the public.

Ongoing efforts are directed toward maintaining a balance between work volume and the technology to deal effectively with this continually increasing workload. Expansion of our reliance on data processing as a solution meets the requirements of both efficiency and economy. Telephone 647-3018.

Finances

TOWN OF MANCHESTER GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1978

ASSETS	
Cash On Deposit - B-2	\$ 46,812
Petty Cash	2,280
Investments	100,000
DUE FROM OTHER FUNDS:	
Fire District - B-1, D	\$ 19,067
Special Taxing District - B-1, F	1,262
Water Department Operating Fund - B-1, H	1,408
Revenue Sharing Fund - B-3, U	382,500
Dog Fund - B-3, P	6,857
Town Clerk - B-3	16,225
Capital Improvement Projects	203,018
Trust Funds - R	32,329
TOTAL DUE FROM OTHER FUNDS	662,666
Items In Transit	116,379
Accounts Receivable	214,409
OTHER ASSETS:	
Loan To Manchester Housing Authority	51,050
Bond, Manchester Community Development Foundation - B-2	1,000
Property Taxes Receivable - Schedule I	524,436
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	576,486
Less: Amounts Uncollected	(576,486)
NET OTHER ASSETS	0
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,142,546

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TOWN OF MANCHESTER GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 1978

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE	
DUE TO OTHER FUNDS:	
Special Taxing District - F	\$ 550
Trust Funds - R	4,055
Water Department Operating Fund - J	1,310
Fire District - D	20,073
TOTAL DUE TO OTHER FUNDS	\$ 25,988
Advance Tax Collections	52,039
Tax Over-Collections	22,997
Advance Receipt Of Other Revenue	6,520
Payroll Withholdings	93,327
Items In Transit	6,240
State Sales Tax	147
TOTAL LIABILITIES	207,258
RESERVES:	
Reserve For Encumbrances	196,214
Reserve For Petty Cash Funds	2,280
Reserve For Industrial Guidelines	69,827
TOTAL RESERVES	268,321
Fund Balance	666,967
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE	\$1,142,546

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A copy of the audit report can be seen in the office of the Town Clerk.

Planning Department

The planning department provides a service function both indirectly and directly to the public. The department provides staff services to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals and Inland Wetlands Agency. As such, it augments the service of these agencies in controlling and directing physical growth and development of the town.

The staff of the department also stands ready to provide information to the public regarding the regulations, authority of the various agencies, and applications under consideration by those agencies.

Throughout the year, the planning department has continued to provide technical staff function for the Economic Development Commission in developing the Buckland Industrial Park — a major commitment of staff effort and time. The department also has begun to provide staff support to the newly formed Downtown Coordinating Committee.

During this past year, the Planning and Zoning Commission took action on 11 zone changes, 12 regulation amendments, 13 subdivisions, 9 special exceptions and 3 other applications. The Inland Wetlands Agency considered 8 applications to conduct regulated activities in wetland areas. The Zoning Board of Appeals considered 44 applications for variances and 16 other applications. These 116 applications continued a recent trend of increased activity by these bodies, which is an indication that development activity is increasing in Manchester. During the last two years, application activity with the Planning and Zoning Commission has doubled.

The planning department, through an assigned CETA position, has also begun preparation of mapping of physical features of the town, which will have an impact on development in the future. Mapping should be substantially complete during fiscal year 1978-79. Telephone 647-3044.

Registrars of Voters

The office of the registrars of voters is responsible for the conduct of all primaries and regular elections, the registration of voters and the maintenance and revision of a complete voter list to the town.

The registrars office considers itself as the facilitator of every individual's right to vote. It also keeps on top of all regulations and changes in the voting laws in order to be a ready source of voter information. It also visits convalescent homes, Manchester Community College, East Catholic High School and other community centers and supermarkets in order to make new voters. It makes use of all media sources in the town so that people

may be kept up to the minute on registration and voting procedures.

Total registered voters as of July 31, 1978 amounted to 28,359. The breakdown is as follows:

Democratic	11,603
Republican	8,215
Unaffiliated	8,541

Questions about registering to vote, what district you live in, where to vote, etc., may be answered by calling the Registrars Office at 647-3025.

Town Clerk

Records, records and records, that is the Town Clerk's Office. The office is the official depository of the records of the town and its residents. The daily activity includes the recording and filing of land records: birth, death and marriage certificates; hunting, fishing and trapping licenses; dog licenses, liquor identification cards and various permits and applications. Also, service discharges of members of the armed forces, publication of various legal notices and the filing of certain boards and commission notices and minutes, are the responsibility of this office.

The statutory duties of preparing and supervising elections are imposed on the office of the Town Clerk. This year a town election included a vote on two local questions: \$1,286,000 for construction of sanitary sewers and \$1,560,000 for highway improvements. Both were approved by the voters.

Vital statistics for the year were as follows:

Births	1,413
Marriages	689
Deaths	602

Telephone 647-3037.

Town Attorney

The Office of Town Attorney is staffed by four part-time attorneys. The doubling of the number of attorneys since last year was necessitated by an ever-increasing volume of legal work and was accomplished without increasing the annual budget of the department.

During the past year, the office has received and processed 55 new negligence claims against the town. Following reevaluation, a total of 62 new tax appeals have been filed in court. In addition, the office has handled appeals from the Planning & Zoning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The office is legal advisor to all town departments and agencies and, in this capacity, renders formal and informal legal opinions on a continuing basis. One of the attorneys attends the regular meetings of the Board of Directors.

In addition to the above activities, the Town Attorney's Office has done considerable legal work regarding the J.C. Penney complex and the Buckland jurisdiction dispute. Telephone 647-3132.

Town Officials

General Manager - Robert B. Weiss	647-3123
Assistant General Manager - Charles F. McCarthy	647-3121
Assessor - Edgar E. Belleville	647-3013
Building Inspector - Francis J. Conti	647-3052
Cemetery Superintendent - Robert D. Harrison	647-3081
Collector of Revenue - James A. Turek	647-3018
Controller (Director of Finance) - Thomas S. Moore	647-3102
Data Processing Director - Paul Juttner	647-3072
Director of General Services - Maurice A. Pass	647-3031
Director of Health - Alice J. Turek, M.D.	647-3173
Director of Human Services - Alan N. Mason	647-3092
Director of Planning - Alan F. Lamson	647-3044
Director of Public Works - Jay J. Giles	647-3142
Director of Recreation - Melvin R. Siebold	647-3084
Director of Senior Citizens - Walter J. Fortin	647-3211
Director of Social Services - Miss Mary DellaFera	647-3061
Disaster Control Director - James F. Fogarty	647-3031
Dog Warden - John McClelland	646-4555
(pound)	643-6642
Fire Chief - John C. Rivoso	649-2808
Highway Superintendent - Frederick Wajcs	647-3233
Park Superintendent - Ernest J. Turek	647-3222
Police Chief - Robert D. Lannan	646-4555
Sealer of Weights and Measures - James F. Fogarty	647-3031
Superintendent of Schools - Dr. James P. Kennedy	647-3442
Town Engineer - Walter J. Senkow	647-3152
Water and Sewer Administrator - Frank T. Jodaitis	647-3115
Youth Services Director - Robert Digan	647-3494

Board of Directors	647-3130
Probate Judge - William FitzGerald	647-3227
Registrars - D - Herbert Stevenson	647-3025
R - Frederick Peck	
Town Clerk - Edward Tomkiel	647-3037
Town Attorney - David Barry	647-3132
Town Treasurer - Roger Negro	647-3023
Mary Cheney Library	643-2471
Whitton Memorial Library	643-6892

EMERGENCY CALLS AFTER HOURS AND ON WEEKENDS

Cemetery	649-5070
Disaster Control	649-9068
Highway and Sanitation	649-5070
Park Department - Tree Removal	649-6029
Refuse	649-1886
Fire - Routine South End	649-2808
Emergency South End	643-1151
Routine North End	643-7373
Emergency North End	643-5432
Police	646-4555
Emergency Medical Services	643-1212
All offices not listed	647-3000
Eighth Utilities District North End	643-6192
Sewer Emergencies all hours	647-3111
Water Emergencies all hours	647-3111

Employment

The Town of Manchester is an equal opportunity employer and it is dedicated to employment through the merit system. "Discrimination against any person in recruitment, examination, appointment, training, promotion, retention or any other personnel action because of political or religious opinions or affiliation, or because of race, natural origin or non-merit factors will be prohibited." Sec. F. Personnel Rules Administrative Section



The Economic Development Commission met frequently during the year in planning for the town's new industrial park and for the general economic welfare of Manchester.



Outreach workers handle forms at the Human Services Office.

Town will devise way to test water in homes

By GREG PEARSON
Herald Reporter

in an attempt to eliminate the contamination will then select

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Non-partisan approach urged
Support grows for meeting to discuss water problem
B GREG PEARSON
The committee was established to request payment of damages make a recommendation about the caused by the 12-day contamination period.

A plan to testing wate was formul meeting ab Manchester The meet 12-day peric in the south contaminat had to boil days, and about the Speaking Frank Jodi ministrat night that contribut tion was fe While an Viles Dr. e said. Th e collapse One caus r the pro r, that wa en open. Town offi it the Nil e distribut shing of u

Water boiling order continues in effect
Despite some good news

The boiling advisory for water users in the southwest section of town, which has been in effect for Department today on further testing

The Water Question

Manchester residents still vividly remember the "water crisis" of August 1977.

But we did not need a "water crisis" to remind us of our problems and the quality of our water.

The National Safe Drinking Water Act was passed by Congress in 1974 to assure that water supply systems throughout the United States meet minimum national standards for the protection of public health. The act became effective on June 24, 1977 and the State of Connecticut adopted its own "Standards For Quality of Drinking Water," which also became effective in June 1977.

To address the problem of providing safe drinking water for Manchester, the Mayor's Committee on Water Supply was formed and the engineering consulting firm of Weston and Sampson of Boston, Mass., was hired to conduct a study of the town's water supply and distribution system and to make specific recommendations.

To insure public health and to provide safe consistent production of drinking water a new filtration plant has been recommended along with improvement to the distribution system.

The plan advanced by Weston and Sampson and adopted by the Water Study Committee calls for a centralized water treatment plant for the entire system. This is designed to eliminate turbidity or cloudiness in the water and also to eradicate the

bacteriological problem due to the turbidity. The bacteriological problem is now met by the addition of more chlorine to the water. This produces odors and results in brown or discolored water. The new treatment plant will chemically treat the water, settle out impurities through a filter bed, and make the water bacteriologically safe and aesthetically acceptable.

The distribution system at the present time is not adequate to meet current or future needs. Improvement of the distribution system will not only provide water of the finest quality but will provide improved fire protection in many parts of town, including two sections that contain public schools.

If completed this year the water improvement plan would cost \$17 million, based on 1978 costs. However, it will take several years to complete the construction program and spread out from 1979 to 1983 the program will have cost some \$20 million because of rising costs due to inflation.

The cost of the improvement program will be financed by a bond issue, which will be proposed in a referendum here on April 17.

Cost of the water program will not be reflected in the town's mill rate. Taxes and sewer assessments will not be affected but the cost will be met by the consumer through increased water rates.

Town continues water tests

Testing of water in the southwest section of Manchester on Tuesday showed good results, but residents of the area still must boil water until this water and sewer testing is completed, Frank Jodi, said today. "is being done tests were

when The Herald went to Jodi, Denis Water Boy

Town officials develop plan for emergency notification

A committee of Town of Manchester department heads has devised a plan for notifying citizens when future emergency problems

stations will also receive immediate notification. For localized problems, the town will use 40 town em various departments to residents

For major or townwide problems, Boy Scout Troop 27, 25 and 47 will be asked to assist in the notification of

that has been sent to members of the Board of Directors. The town will also establish an

Water-boiling edict lifted

... served as an impetus for ... with

Residents advised to boil water

In certain areas

Residents in certain areas of St. Primer Dr., Prospect St. to Hart Manchester are advised to boil all food Rd. Server's & W... No. 110 to No. 111 Strawber