

# BUSINESS

## Reducing salary can be beneficial

How would you like an employee "benefit" under which your salary would be reduced? Or, how would you like a plan under which you, an employee, voluntarily reduced your paycheck and asked your employer to invest the total in a tax-sheltered retirement account? Then when you retired or left the company, you would receive the deferred compensation along with the interest it has earned?



**Your Money's Worth**  
Sylvia Porter

Unlike an IRA, though, CODAs allow you to contribute more than \$2,000 a year. The maximum is 20 percent of your pay, up to \$30,000, although most companies set lower contribution limits, and the plan must meet federal qualifications. You also can maintain an IRA and thus create two nest eggs for your retirement.

Withdrawals represent a second key difference. Withdrawals from an IRA are added in and taxed with your other income. Unless you income average, you can't do more than the resulting tax. Withdrawals from CODAs, however, might qualify for a special tax treatment called 10-year averaging. The money from your salary reduction plan is considered separately from your other income — as if you had received 10 equal installments over 10 years. For instance, if you withdraw \$50,000, you'll make a separate calculation on your taxes — say, as a single taxpayer receiving \$5,000 10 times. In sum, you will pay the tax on \$5,000 multiplied by 10, rather than pay one tax on the lump sum of \$50,000, explains Lloyd S. Kaye, principal at William M. Mercer Inc., a consulting firm.

To qualify for this treatment, you must receive the money in a lump sum distribution and have either reached the age of 59½ or left the company. The lump sum must represent your entire interest in the plan and you will have to be at least five years from "at least five years."

Tapping into your own money can become complicated. Under the proposed IRS regulations, you can withdraw the money while you are still employed and under age 59½ only if you can demonstrate hardship and immediate need for money not reasonably available elsewhere. The IRS has said informally that its final regulation will allow withdrawals for such events as unusual medical bills and college tuition. To make it easier for employees, many firms permit borrowing against the account (with limits).

A minor drawback is that beginning in 1984, your contribution will be subject to Social Security. Suppose your salary is \$25,000 and you deposit \$1,250 in the CODA. You'll pay Social Security tax on the full \$25,000.

Also, some states (New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Alabama) have decided to tax your contribution to a 401 (K) plan and some cities levy their income tax on your gross pay as well.

Still, if you're offered this "less is more" deal, don't be contentious. You really could turn out with more; weigh it carefully.

### New officers elected

The Manchester Board of Realtors and the Manchester Multiple Listing Service elected new officers last month. Daniel F. Reale, outgoing president, passes the gavel to the newly elected 1984 President Edmund J. Gorman (far right). Other new officers, from left: Robert D. Murdock, secretary-treasurer, Frank J. T. Strano, second vice president and G. Jeffrey Keith, first vice president.

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### Mineral firm acquired for \$33.8 million

HARRISBURG, Pa. (UPI) — Harco Corp. said Tuesday it has acquired Reed Minerals Inc., Highland, Ind., and two of its subsidiaries, H.B. Reed & Co. Inc. and Mineral Aggregates Co. Inc., in a transaction valued at \$33.8 million.

Jeffrey Burdge, chairman and chief executive of Harrisburg-based Harco, said Harco will pay cash and notes to Lone Star Industries Inc., of Greenwich, Conn., for Lone Star's 30 percent stake in Reed Minerals. Payment will be made in three equal, annual installments beginning this year.

Harco, which has interests in metals, construction and defense, also will issue 42.64 shares of its common stock for each share of the remaining Reed common, which are privately held.

Reed Minerals, which produces granules used in making asphalt roofing shingles, has annual revenues of \$28 million.

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### Dodd fails in attempt to settle dispute at EB

GROTON (UPI) — Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., failed in his attempt to bring together the general manager for Electric Boat shipyard and the head of the striking Marine Draftsmen's Association.

Dodd said he was disappointed General Manager Fritz Tovar refused to meet with union representatives Tuesday and would call on Connecticut and Rhode Island's congressional delegation to apply pressure on General Dynamics.

Coville said he and seven other union representatives. "We'll ask the corporate community to take steps. Apparently this does not make a difference at the local level."

### Fuel for educational reform?

By Thomas Ferraro  
United Press International

WASHINGTON — Achievement test scores for college-bound high school seniors dropped in every state from 1972 to 1982, but did rise slightly in the District of Columbia, a federal study found today.

The wide-ranging report also showed New Hampshire and Wisconsin students scored the best in these exams in 1982 while teachers in Alaska were the highest paid that year with an average salary of \$23,000 — \$12,000 above the national figure.

### U.S. high school scores drop from '72 to '82

In addition, the study said Minnesota and North Dakota had the top graduation rates in 1982, 89.2 and 87.3 percent, respectively, while the District of Columbia and Mississippi had the lowest, 55.8 and 65 percent, respectively.

The study is titled, "State Education Statistics: State Performance Outcomes, Resources, Inputs, and Population Characteristics, 1972 and 1982."

The study, however, offered no overall conclusions and warned that a maze of factors must be considered in trying to determine why one state has better student achievement scores than another.

### Closed eyes and nodding heads help MHS students quit smoking

By Sarah E. Hill  
Herald Reporter

Someone peering in on the afternoon class at Manchester High School might have blamed the closed eyes and nodding heads on a boring lecture.

But no dry discourse was at fault in room 225 Wednesday. Instead, a professional hypnotist was leading two dozen cigarette smokers in a kick-the-habit exercise.

"How to become a non-smoker comfortably" was the name of the free clinic, and comfortable it was — to the point that one participant dozed peacefully throughout much of the "deep relaxation" segment.

### Bridgeport helps firm

BRIDGEPORT (UPI) — Bridgeport officials have sought federal grant funds to help a moving company finance a \$1-million expansion project.

The city has applied for a \$275,000 Urban Development Action Grant that would finance a large addition planned by the West End Moving and Storage Co.

### Landsberg is promoted

Karen J. Landsberg has been promoted to division controller of the Lydall & Foulds Division of Lydall Inc., Manchester.

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## 9th grade tests better than ever for Manchester

By Sarah E. Hill  
Herald Reporter

Manchester school officials, disappointed by a sharp dip in recent Scholastic Aptitude Test scores, were heartened Wednesday to find that students who took the 1983 Ninth Grade Proficiency Test performed better than ever before.

The results are most satisfying on the mathematics section, officials said. This year, more than 65 percent of those taking the test exceeded the state standard on the math section.

### Cloudy tonight; snow Friday.

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MATHEMATICS	526	490
WRITING SAMPLE	520	508

This chart shows 1982 and 1983 Manchester results for the Ninth Grade Proficiency Test, administered statewide in October. Math results increased 11.5 percent this school year over last.

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Milford grandmother to lead scout troop

Court rules Boy Scouts can't prohibit female leaders

By Bruno V. Roniello  
United Press International

HARTFORD — A state agency has declared the Boy Scouts of America's male-only rule for scoutmasters illegal and ordered the national organization to offer the post to a 65-year-old grandmother. The agency said Wednesday the Scout's 75-year ban against women scoutmasters was discriminatory and rejected claims the non-profit organization, in its status as a private club, could impose membership qualification by sex. The finding by the State Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities was a partial victory in a seven-year battle by Catherine Pollard of Milford to become America's first officially recognized female scoutmaster.

"We all felt we would win the first step but they have made it plain they won't let it rest here. I'm just sorry they don't recognize a woman should have the right to be a scoutmaster as long as she can do what a man can do." — Catherine Pollard

But Boy Scout officials at national headquarters in Irving, Texas, called the ruling "clearly erroneous" and said the organization will appeal the order to the Connecticut Superior Court. The ruling creates "a clearly abused situation whereby Mrs. Pollard may also be a Cub Scout or a Boy Scout and a man may become a Girl Scout," said chief counsel David Park. "It clearly infringes on the fundamental American constitutional freedom of association whereby our government does not have the right to dictate how private membership organizations should carry out the purposes for which they were organized," Park said. "I'm certainly going to take the job if they offer it," said the elated, feisty grandmother Wednesday from her part-time job as a music teacher at the Parks and Recreation Department in Orange.

The Scouts have spent more than \$100,000 already in the case being handled by the New York law firm of Hughes, Hubbard and Reed. "We all felt we would win the first step but they have made it plain they won't let it rest here," said Mrs. Pollard. "I'm just sorry they don't recognize a woman should have the right to be a scoutmaster as long as she can do what a man can do." The order was contained in a 34-page memorandum of decision by the commission based on findings by hearing examiner Helen Z. Pearl. It can be appealed to the Superior Court by both sides. Mrs. Pollard claimed she led the Milford scout pack for four years until 1974 because no scoutmaster could be found but when she formally applied for the title to the Quinipiac Council, she was rejected, twice, in 1974 and 1976.



CATHARINE POLLARD Scoutmaster

EDC approves plan for Union Pond Industrial Park

By Kathy Gormus  
Herald Reporter

The Economic Development Commission this morning unanimously approved final plans for a 40-acre industrial park on town-owned land near Union Pond. The plan for the Union Pond Industrial Park differs little from one presented two years ago, except for the addition of two acres of open space. Under the plan, about 12 acres will remain open space, said Alan F. Lamson, director of planning. About 25 acres would be dedicated to industrial use, while the remaining three would be used for roads, he said. The plan must now be presented to the Board of Directors for a public hearing on how to use funds received from the sale of the first lot. The hearing will probably be in February or March, officials said.

The project will support itself on development costs," she said. Ms. Zebb said that while the price of other lots in the park "remains uncommitted," lots in other industrial parks in Manchester cost about \$25,000 per acre. Although Economy Electric is currently the only committed tenant, Lamson said between four and six requests for lots have been on file for the past two years. "So it's conceivable that the first one could move quite rapidly," he said. In approving the plan, the commission was careful to heed the concerns of the Conservation Commission and the Hockanum River Linear Park Committee, which had originally opposed the plan for an industrial park on environmental grounds. The two groups in May submit

ted a list of 16 requests for development of the park, including the preservation of open space that includes a hiking trail along Union Pond. Under the final plan, the hiking trail would be preserved and a 10-foot earthen bank maintained along the trail to help hide the industrial sites, Lamson said. Evergreen trees would be planted along the bank, he said.

Changes suggested in deferral proposal

By Alex Girelli  
Herald Reporter

Developers of rehabilitation projects in historic districts should have to be considered separately for tax assessment deferrals if the Board of Directors approves a deferral plan, in the opinion of Mayor Barbara B. Weinberg. Mrs. Weinberg expressed that opinion Wednesday in a memorandum to town General Manager Robert B. Weiss in which she asked him to study modifications of the proposal for deferrals, particularly in the cases of the Manchester Modes and Clock Mill buildings, Weiss has said. The board is considering lifting a ceiling in an ordinance under which property taxes on certain projects can be phased in over a period of years. Phasing taxes in reduces the amount of property taxes developers of certain projects have to pay as an incentive for development. One possibility Mrs. Weinberg suggested would be to make the deferral for a shorter period than the nine years allowed under the current resolution permitting the deferrals. Another would be for the town to hold a kind of mortgage on the rehabilitated properties so that if they were sold within a certain time the town would recoup the lost taxes. A third would be to require the developers to pay back the abated tax dollars during a period after the deferral. And Mrs. Weinberg has asked Weiss whether his plans call for having each developer apply separately and be considered separately for tax deferral if the directors act favorably on the proposal. The provision for deferrals is in place, but it now has a ceiling of \$150,000. Weiss has asked the directors to eliminate that ceiling. The provision allows the town to phase in, over a period of as long as nine years, any increase in the assessed value of property as a result of its rehabilitation. In effect, the measure

D&L January Sales advertisement featuring illustrations of men in winter coats and a large '5 JAN 5' graphic.

Owner, officials to meet on sale of Minnechaug

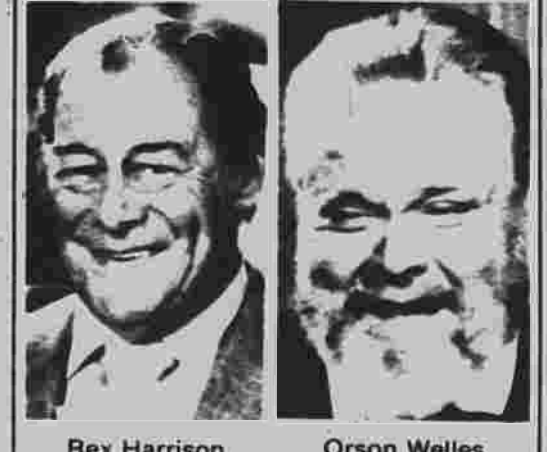
By Kathy Gormus  
Herald Reporter

GLASTONBURY — Despite the passing of a Jan. 1 deadline imposed by the owner of the Minnechaug Golf Course, Glastonbury still hopes to purchase the course, Town Manager Richard S. Borden Jr. said Wednesday. "I know that was Mr. Clark's preferred timetable, but I didn't know it was an absolute," Borden said. However, he conceded that the town "may be out of the ball game." Graham L. Clark, owner of the 137-acre golf course on the Manchester, Glastonbury town line, is asking \$3.6 million for the course and clubhouse. He has said that if the town does not purchase Minnechaug, he would sell it to a developer of single-family houses. Clark is scheduled to meet with Borden and other Glastonbury officials today to discuss the fate of the 18-hole golf course. He said this morning he was not free to comment on the sale pending a discussion with his lawyer. Borden said he had not recently talked to Clark and was unaware of his current position. He added that the town is still exploring financing alternatives, though sale of Minnechaug to the town could be a dead issue. Borden said there has been "a lot of public support" for the town's purchasing Minnechaug, but added that a referendum on the sale would probably be close. "There's been a lot of opposition," he said, noting that some people think the price tag is too high. The town's Board of Finance last month voted against appropriating the \$3.6 million, cancelling a proposed Feb. 7 bond-issue referendum. Borden said the town also has looked into buying development rights to the course, which would allow Clark to retain ownership but would prohibit the development of housing on the property. However, Clark has not been receptive to such a proposal, Borden said. Town officials have said Minnechaug could become a valuable recreational asset to the town, offering—in addition to golf—a cross-country skiing, fitness trails and other recreational facilities. If the land is sold to a developer, single-family houses would be built on the property, Clark and a developer have said. Clark had previously issued a Nov. 1 deadline for the town to buy the course.

Church concert tonight

Sonrise, a musical group from Northeastern Christian Junior College, will perform tonight at 7:30 at the Manchester Church of Christ, 394 Lydall St. Sonrise has performed in 25 states to promote Christian education and the program of Northeastern college, which is in Villanova, Pa. The public is invited to tonight's free concert. The longest vehicular tunnel in the United States is the Eisenhower Memorial Tunnel, 8.94 feet, on Route 70 in Colorado.

Peopletalk



Rex Harrison Orson Welles

Stars to honor Claudette

Claudette Colbert, 78, who has starred in more than 60 films, will be honored at the annual Spring Gala of New York's Film Society of Lincoln Center on April 23. The tribute, to be followed by a black tie reception, will include reminiscences by colleagues. Among those already invited are Jennifer Jones, Orson Welles, Fred MacMurray, Paulette Goddard, Joel McCrea, James Stewart, Rex Harrison and Jean Peters. Actress Miss Colbert, who specialized in romantic comedy, won an Academy Award for "It Happened One Night."

Greenwood: Double duty

Lee Greenwood, country music's top male vocalist of 1983, found himself doing double music duty during his first co-headline engagement in Las Vegas, teamed with the Oak Ridge Boys. The Oaks' sax man took ill one evening and couldn't play. The sax figures in most of the Oaks' songs and is essential in their closing number, "Bobbie Sue." So, unannounced, Greenwood walked on stage during "Bobbie Sue" with his sax and brought down the house. To show their appreciation, the Oaks invited Greenwood to their dressing room two nights later where they presented him with a \$2,000 Selmer saxophone engraved: "To Lee Greenwood, thank you, the Oak Ridge Boys."

Sheehy then and now

Gail Sheehy, author of the bestseller "Passages," circulated a questionnaire among fellow University of Vermont classes of '58 alumni at their 25th reunion last year. She says it shows a nearly universal disharmony between the sexes in midlife. Ms. Sheehy, writing in the January "Family Circle," said the women who responded tended to be restless and anxious to try new things, while the men were ready to turn back to their families after years of focusing on their careers. Three-quarters of the 150 people who responded were still married to their original spouse. The majority said their most important goal was a comfortable life. But women said they yearned for mature love and inner harmony, while men said they wanted more freedom.

Every reunion to be aired

Phil (left) and Don Every of the music group The Every Brothers' Wednesday announced the airing of their reunion concert this month on Home Box Office. "The Every Brothers Reunion Concert" taped last September at the Royal Albert Hall in London, will air Jan. 14, the brothers said at a news conference.

Hope on the line

Bob Hope will get slacks and a short jacket when he left the helicopter carrier Guam on Christmas morning to ride by combat copter into Beirut to entertain U.S. Marines at the airport. The four Navy "seals" guarding him wore rubber suits and carried machine guns. Security was tight all the way — Hope's chopper flew parallel to the shore as it visited another ship, then darted toward land. When Hope and friend Harry Flynn, a retired Naval Reserve officer, landed, they donned flak jackets and helmets. Hope visited Marines in several bunkers, and his greetings and wisecracks were telecast to the rest of the Marine contingent. Hope, 80, arrived home Dec. 27, after a 20 1/2 hour flight. When an associate called that night, Hope had not yet gone to bed — he was too busy calling the families of the sailors and Marines he had met.

Now you know

John Tyler was the first president to marry while in office. After the death of his first wife, he remained a widower for a little over 21 months, and then married Julia Gardiner on June 26, 1844, at the Church of the Ascension, New York, N.Y.

Weather

Today's forecasts

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: A little light rain or snow likely extreme east and a chance of light snow elsewhere today. Highs 35 to 40. Mostly cloudy tonight. Lows 20 to 25 well inland, 25 to 30 elsewhere. Cloudy Friday with light snow likely spreading across the region by afternoon. Highs 25 to 30. Main: Flurries likely north and a chance of flurries south today. Highs 30 to 40. Scattered flurries tonight and Friday. Lows in the teens and 20s and highs upper 20s to upper 30s. New Hampshire: Cloudy with a chance of flurries today through Friday. Highs today 30 to 40. Lows tonight 20 to 30. Highs Friday near 30 and mid to upper 30s south. Vermont: Cloudy today and tonight with a chance of light snow or flurries. Highs today near 25. Lows tonight 20 to 25. Cloudy Friday with light snow likely. Highs in the low 30s.

Extended outlook

Extended outlook for New England Saturday through Monday: Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Gradual clearing Saturday. Chance of showers or flurries Sunday. Highs Monday and colder. Daytime highs mid 30s to low 40s Saturday and Sunday, the 20s Monday. Overnight lows: mid 20s to mid 30s Saturday and Sunday, the mid teens to mid 20s Monday. Vermont: Occasional snow and moderate temperatures over the weekend. Lows 15 to 20. Highs 25 to 30. Scattered flurries and colder Monday. Low 5 to 15. High 15 to 20. Maine, New Hampshire: Chance of flurries Saturday and Sunday. Clearing and colder Monday. Lows in the teens and 20s Saturday morning dropping to between 5 below and 10 above by Monday morning. Highs from the mid 20s north to the low 40s south Saturday rising to the teens north and 20s south by Monday.

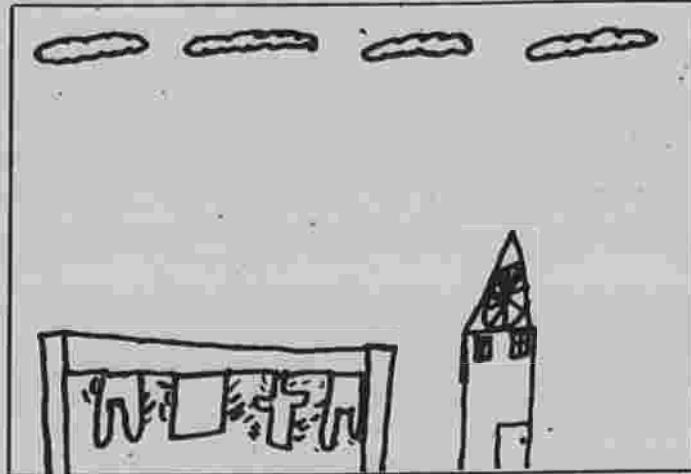
Air quality

The state Department of Environmental Protection forecast moderate air quality levels statewide for Thursday. The DEP reported good air quality levels over the North, Britain, Danbury, Waterbury and Greenwich and moderate levels over the rest of Connecticut Wednesday.

Lottery

Connecticut daily Wednesday: 214 Play Four: 4451

Other numbers drawn Wednesday in New England: Maine daily: 284 New Hampshire daily: 5549 Rhode Island daily: 7018. Weekly numbers: 447, 447, 0867 and 706273 Vermont daily: 340 Massachusetts daily: 0286. Weekly numbers: Yellow 556, Blue 48, White 7.

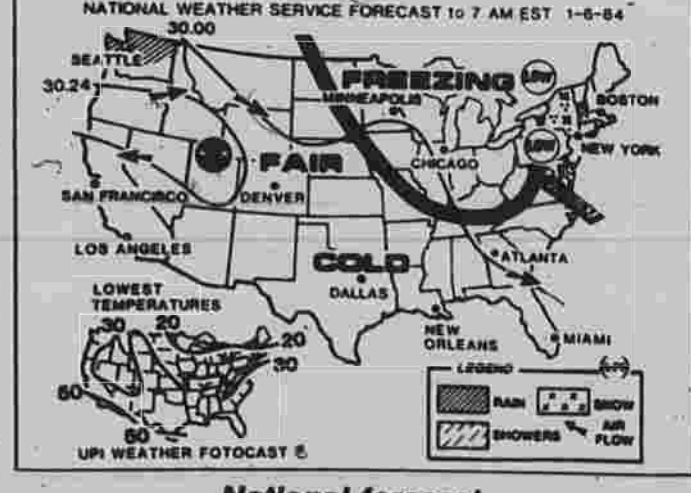


Cloudy today in Connecticut

Skies in Connecticut will be cloudy today and tonight with a chance of snow or rain. Lows will be 20 to 25. Friday light snow is likely during the afternoon. Today's weather picture was drawn by Jody Estes, 10, of 83C Rachel Road, a fourth-grade student at Robertson School.

Satellite view

Commerce Department satellite photo taken at 4 a.m. EST shows layered frontal shower clouds over portions of the Northwest, with fast moving high clouds extending eastward across the northern Rockies, central Plains and upper Mid-West. Clouds, with embedded showers, extend from Georgia and northern Florida to New England. Middle and high clouds, associated with a storm over Baja California, are seen over southwestern Texas, southern Arizona and extreme southern California.



National forecast

For period ending 7 a.m. EST Friday. During tonight, rain will be expected in the Pacific Northwest. There will also be snow over the North Atlantic Coast States. Elsewhere weather will remain fair in general. Minimum temperatures include: (maximum readings in parentheses) Atlanta 31 (54), Boston 27 (39), Chicago 32 (45), Cleveland 28 (42), Dallas 40 (71), Denver 32 (61), Duluth 16 (25), Houston 44 (70), Jacksonville 34 (64), Kansas City 30 (55), Little Rock 37 (64), Los Angeles 53 (70), Miami 49 (73), Minneapolis 28 (36), New Orleans 38 (69), New York 32 (48), Phoenix 50 (70), San Francisco 43 (59), Seattle 45 (52), St. Louis 35 (55), and Washington 35 (46).

Manchester Herald advertisement featuring Richard M. Diamond, Publisher, and subscription information.



Today in history

On Jan. 5, 1964, Pope Paul VI (right), met with Greek Orthodox Patriarch Athenagoras, in Jerusalem. The meeting was the first of its kind in more than five centuries. In 1919, the National Socialist (Nazi) Party was formed in Germany. In 1925, Mrs. Nellie Taylor Ross of Wyoming was sworn in as the first woman governor in U.S. history. In 1964, Pope Paul VI and Greek

Almanac

Today is Thursday, Jan. 5, the fifth day of 1984 with 361 to follow. The moon is moving toward its first quarter. The morning stars are Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn. There is no evening star. Those born on this date are under the sign of Capricorn. They include Zebulon Pike, discoverer of Pike's Peak in Colorado, born in 1779, King Camp Gillette, inventor of the safety razor, in 1855, West German statesman Konrad Adenauer in 1876, and actress Diane Keaton in 1946. On this date in history: In 1919, the National Socialist (Nazi) Party was formed in Germany. In 1925, Mrs. Nellie Taylor Ross of Wyoming was sworn in as the first woman governor in U.S. history. In 1964, Pope Paul VI and Greek

Fire Calls

Manchester Wednesday, 10:35 a.m. — medical call, 122 Deepwood Drive (Town, Paramedics) Wednesday, 7:10 p.m. — car fire, 456 Main St. (Town, Paramedics) Wednesday, 7:44 p.m. — service call, 94 Delmont St. (Eighth District) Wednesday, 8:49 p.m. — smoke investigation, 600 Main St. (Town, Paramedics) Wednesday, 1:44 a.m. — standby at Vernon station (Eighth District) Thursday, 2:03 a.m. — back-up called for Vernon fire (Eighth District)

Table of clothing items and prices: ENTIRE STOCK MEN'S VESTED SUITS, ENTIRE STOCK MEN'S SPORT COATS, ENTIRE STOCK MEN'S FLANNEL PANTS, ENTIRE STOCK MEN'S PURITAN SWEATERS, ENTIRE STOCK MEN'S MANHATTAN DRESS SHIRTS, ENTIRE STOCK MEN'S WOOL PLAID SHIRTS, OPEN MON. THRU SAT. TIL 9 P.M., OPEN MON. THRU SAT. TIL 9:30 P.M., OPEN MON. THRU FRI. TIL 9 P.M.; SAT. TIL 6 P.M.

### U.S./World In Brief

#### Opposition on death squads

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador — A ranking officer in El Salvador's Defense Ministry said it would be "inconceivable" for the army to meet all U.S. demands to purge itself of links to death squads.

The United States stepped up its pressure on El Salvador's army to remove officers linked to the death squad activity last month and five officers in the army are being sent into diplomatic exile in apparent response. But a U.S. Embassy official said Wednesday a number of Washington's demands have yet to be met.

"What is being asked is without precedent and is something that should have never been done. It's inconceivable," the ranking Defense Ministry officer said.

Salvadoran military sources confirmed two former directors of police intelligence operations — organizations the United States has linked to human rights abuses — are among five officers being sent into diplomatic exile.

#### Thayer to leave Pentagon

WASHINGTON — W. Paul Thayer, who joined the Reagan administration with fanfare a year ago as deputy secretary of defense, will make a reluctant exit from government one week from today under a cloud of suspicion.

Thayer notified President Reagan Wednesday that he will resign effective Jan. 12 — one year to the day after taking office — so he can defend himself against charges of passing privileged corporate information to investors.

Facing a fight to prove his innocence, Thayer, a former chairman of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, told Reagan in a letter he has been advised the Securities and Exchange Commission intends to file civil charges against him.

"This allegation against me is entirely without merit," he said.

Thayer rejected a last-minute appeal by Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger to stay on.

#### Wrong nuke warning issued

HARRISBURG, Pa. — A computer glitch sent the warning that would be used for a nuclear attack to several emergency coordinators across Pennsylvania, but Civil Defense officials complained no one paid attention to the wall of the doomsday sirens.

Officials of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency said the faulty message went to 44 of the state's 67 counties at 11:14 a.m. Wednesday as technicians tried to duplicate a stored computer message into the agency's new system.

The warning rattled the nerves of local civil defense officials, and by the time FEMA officials canceled the erroneous warning four minutes later, some 40 warning sirens were sounding in the Allentown area north of Philadelphia.

#### White plans kept secret

SAN FRANCISCO — Prison officials won't reveal their plans for Friday's release of Dan White because of fears for the safety of the former San Francisco city official who assassinated the mayor and another leader in 1978.

White, 37, a continuing target of public anger intensified by his brief sentence, has been serving his term at Soledad, a high security prison 100 miles south of San Francisco.

But officials Wednesday refused to disclose the time and place where the onetime policeman, fireman and city supervisor, will be released on parole Friday.

White will have served five years and one month of his eight-year sentence and will spend one year on parole.

### Political hay from diplomatic triumph

## Goodman can relax but Jackson can't

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Navy Lt. Robert Goodman Jr. can relax now that he is back on American soil, but there will be no such luxury for Jesse Jackson, who is trying to make political hay out of his diplomatic triumph in winning the fier's freedom.

Goodman came home from a month of imprisonment in Syria to a hero's welcome Wednesday and summed up his feelings simply: "God bless America."

Jackson was buoyant over his unexpected success and the positive impact the mission to Syria is likely to have on his long-shot campaign for the Democratic nomination for president.

"In this respect," Jackson said, "we made a believer of many cynics and people who underestimated our ability to do good."

At a White House ceremony Wednesday, President Reagan spoke barely more than a minute, and Goodman only 29 seconds. Jackson, a Baptist preacher never at a loss for words, spoke three times as long as Reagan, commending Goodman's fall from a plane to St. Paul's fall from a horse on the road to Damascus.

Jackson will jump right back on the campaign trail with Little West from his grueling trip to Damascus.

He plans to fly to New Hampshire Friday for a forum on acid rain pollution, has a tentatively scheduled meeting with black labor leaders in Washington today and is to travel to Detroit and Chicago next week.

"It's a bit too early to evaluate just the impact on my campaign," Jackson said of his extraordinary diplomatic and political achievement — single-handedly getting the Syrian government to release Goodman.

"To have a successful mission ... certainly does have some positive effect," the charismatic civil rights leader said.

Just before dawn Wednesday, Goodman stepped off a government jet at Andrews Air Force Base in suburban Maryland to the sounds of a marching band and a joyous reunion with family members.

With hours, the entourage stood in the Rose Garden of the White House as Reagan lauded the 27-year-old airman, shot down Dec. 4 during a bombing raid against Syrian positions in Lebanon, as



Lt. Robert Goodman and his wife Terry (left) applaud as President Reagan congratulates Jesse Jackson Wednesday on the success of his mission to Syria to help free Goodman.

Behind them (left to right) are Goodman's brother, Secretary of State George Shultz, Goodman's mother, Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger and Goodman's father.

Today is a homecoming celebration," Reagan declared, "and all of us are delighted to see Lieutenant Robert Goodman free, safe and reunited with his family."

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### Retaliation in southern Lebanon

## Israel closes bridge after rebel attacks

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — Israeli forces halted traffic at the vital Awali River bridge in southern Lebanon today, hours after two guerrilla attacks in apparent retaliation for Israeli air strikes that inflicted heavy casualties east of Beirut.

State-run Beirut radio said 100 people were killed and 300 wounded and wounded in the Israeli bombing, runs Wednesday in and around the Shiite Moslem town of Baalbek in eastern Lebanon.

The International Red Cross said the total stood at 40 dead and 360 wounded, but added their list was of casualties in the ancient Roman city 52 miles east of Beirut was incomplete.

Beirut radio said guerrillas, in apparent retaliation for the Baalbek strikes, launched two attacks today against the Israeli forces in occupied southern Lebanon within three hours of each other.

In the first attack, a roadside bomb knocked out an Israeli troop carrier at about 7 a.m. (midnight-EST), wounding its occupants, Beirut radio said. Israel's Armed Forces Radio, how-

ever, denied any Israeli casualties but said a Lebanese civilian was wounded. No details were immediately available on the second attack about three hours later.

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### Schools burn education dollars for heat

By Patricia McCormack United Press International

Dollars schools need to improve teaching and curriculum are burning up — used to pay for rising costs of natural gas, relied on for cooling and heating by 80 percent of urban school districts.

A report from the American Association of School Administrators, making that claim and based on a survey, suggests Congress take a look at the betting school budgets are taking as a result of ballooning natural gas bills.

The report, "Fiscal Impact of Natural Gas Deregulation on Urban School Systems," said during the past two years urban schools in the United

States have paid an additional \$191 million for natural gas and that more fiscal hammering is ahead.

"Natural gas utilities have told urban schools to expect a 69 percent increase in cost over the next two school years," the report said.

"AASA strongly urges Congress to consider the plight of school systems nationwide as they face the natural gas price policy seriously injure state and local efforts to improve the quality of education."

The deregulation of natural gas presents a dilemma between competing policy goals — to improve education and to insure a stable supply of natural gas.

"Congress must seek policy alternatives that do not harm the public schools' ability to provide quality education."

The pain in the cash drawer for an approach it very carefully.

At an average of 25 percent of residents participate each month, it is estimated the city would save \$50,000 in landfill costs at present prices, Trdan said.

Another goal is to reduce residential garbage sent to landfills 7 to 10 percent in the first year, he said. In part of Minneapolis, the waste stream declined 3 percent initially to an estimated 7 percent by the end of a 16-month test, he said.

The amount of recyclable material picked up so far has varied among the city's neighborhoods and the first collection figures are just now becoming available.

A recycling program now covers about half of neighboring St. Paul, and will spread throughout the entire city by the first of the year.

Dr. Charles Johnson, technical director of the National Solid Wastes Management Association, thinks recycling is a money loser, and I don't think anybody has ever shown otherwise," he said.

Recycling programs are entrenched in such ecology-minded communities

as Palo Alto and Santa Monica, Calif. But the traditional belief that resource-rich areas are limitless explains why more cities have not introduced recycling, said Beth Brown, recycling manager for Austin, Texas.

"The traditional status quo is it's cheap to dump it," she said. And resulting largely from Texas, "the mentality is frontier. Let's just throw it away."

The wisest approach to recycling is to move gradually, Brown said. Austin started two years ago with 3,000 homes, and now offers recycling collection to 12,000 homes with 35 percent participation.

Plans are to go city-wide to about 100,000 homes by 1987.

An improved economy has raised the prices of various recyclables and put the Boulder, Colo., program into the black for the first time in seven years, said Pete Grogan, executive director of Eco-Cycle, a non-profit corporation.

The Minneapolis program is voluntary at first, but ultimately the city could require residents to keep recyclable materials out of "regular" trash.

Tyson said the city also might start an incentive or rebate program to reward recycling participants.

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## Vietnam veterans arraigned in fire at Buddhist temple

NORTHAMPTON, Mass. (UPI) — Three Vietnam veterans, charged with burning down an American Buddhist shrine — apparently to protest lack of treatment for long-standing, war-related emotional problems — each face up to 10 years in prison if convicted.

The three were arraigned on arson charges Wednesday in the New Year's Eve fire which destroyed the Mahasiddhi Nyungma Center in the tiny western Massachusetts town of Hawley.

An anonymous caller, saying he represented "Tet 1984," a secret, heavily armed group of veterans, told a newspaper the blaze was part of a series of attacks planned on Vietnamese refugees. The caller also complained that Vietnam veterans are "treated like a piece of garbage."

But there are no Vietnamese members — only Americans — of the ornate, 25-by-30-foot temple. "We are all Americans. I think it may have been a case of mistaken identity," said Linda Albright, caretaker of the pagoda which was built in 1976 by American students of a Tibetan priest.

No one was hurt in the fire and District Attorney W. Michael Ryan said the area's small Vietnamese refugee community was not in danger. "There are not any armed veterans roaming the hills of western Massachusetts," he added.

Ryan said the three each face a maximum 10 year prison sentence, if convicted.

Ex-Marine Richard A. Pagnieu, 35, of Hartford, Conn., and Army veterans Roland F. Voudren, 37, of Turners Falls, and Donald E. Taylor, 37, of Charlestown, pleaded innocent to the count each in arson in Greenfield District Court. They were ordered held at the Leeds Veterans Administration Hospital in Northampton on \$10,000 surety pending a court hearing.

The men were arrested early Wednesday at the hospital. Police said the three were voluntary patients but would not discuss how long they had been hospitalized or for what reasons.

Police declined to reveal who actually set the fire. "We've got nothing to lose. We died 15 years ago," the anonymous caller, describing himself a former Special Forces lieutenant suffering post-traumatic stress syndrome, told the Springfield Morning Union on Sunday.

"Our enemies, the ones that killed our friends, they are brought back here and given businesses and a new start," the caller said. "But they treat us like a piece of garbage."

### New England In Brief

#### Maine made-about rules

AUGUSTA, Maine — New rules from the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration for workers handling toxic chemicals could subvert tougher Maine laws, and that has state officials fighting mad.

"I'm urging OSHA to leave Maine alone and let us establish our own public policy in the area," Attorney General James Tierney said Wednesday.

Tierney is trying to get the feds to either raise their standards, or allow the tougher state laws to stand.

#### Father asks forgiveness

HUDSON, N.H. — A woman who was stabbed to death in a killing rampage in a Nashua shopping center was to be buried in Baltimore, Md. today following an emotional funeral in which her father prayed to God to forgive her attacker.

Janet Rowlett, 34, of Nashua, the mother six children, including four stepchildren, was killed Friday when a man with a knife stabbed her as she and her 3-year-old son looked on. Five others were slashed in the unprovoked attack.

A prison escapee from Portland, Maine, was arrested and charged with the slabbings.

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The leader of a local veterans group said one of the suspects told him he was bitter over lack of treatment for war-related emotional problems. "He was frustrated and hasn't received treatment for 14 years," said William Martin, president of the Massachusetts Council of Vietnam War Veterans of America. "He indicated he's been in and out of hospitals and in a very confused state and that he knows he needs treatment," he said.

Martin said the veteran had offered to pay restitution.

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# OPINION

## Will it really be Reagan vs. Mondale?

WASHINGTON — As the new year begins and the 1984 presidential election campaign intrudes itself upon the country, the conventional wisdom in this know-it-all town is that President Reagan will run again, the Democrats will nominate Walter Mondale against him, and the voters will give The Great Communicator another four-year lease on the White House.

But before you start calling your bookie in Las Vegas, a brief review of presidential political history may be in order. There has hardly been a presidential election year in recent times when what appeared to be the likelihood in January turned out to be the fact in November.

This is not to say that the low inflation rate, the apparent upturn in the economy and Ronald Reagan's uncanny ability to stay on the sunny side of Main Street America won't see him through this year. Or that Fritz Mondale's combination of through organizing, effective fund-raising and masterful front-running won't make him the Democratic nominee in a breeze.

But presidential election years have had a penchant over



**Jack Germond and Jules Witcover**  
Syndicated columnists

the last 20 years for upsetting early preconceptions. The smart money in Washington in 1964 said the Republican Party would not be fancy enough to nominate Barry Goldwater, but it did. Going into that year, Gov. Nelson Rockefeller of New York supposedly was the candidate of the power-wielders, but he got bloodied from the very start, when a totally unforeseen write-in campaign for Henry Cabot Lodge upset both Rockefeller and Goldwater in the New Hampshire primary.

FOUR YEARS LATER, who would have figured that upstart Sen. Eugene McCarthy would have given President Lyndon B. Johnson such a scare in the New Hampshire primary, and that Sen. Robert F. Kennedy would have suddenly plunged into the

Democratic nomination fight, and that Johnson would decide not to seek re-election? — On the Republican side that same year, you could have gotten juicy odds on the proposition that Gov. George Romney of Michigan, after a year of beating the political bushes, would quit the race a week before the New Hampshire primary, leaving the GOP "liberals" — they were called that then — without a challenger to Richard Nixon.

Romney's precipitous withdrawal, you may remember, inspired Rockefeller to reconsider a previously declared determination not to run again. An obscure Maryland governor named Spiro T. Agnew set himself up as a one-man draft-Rockefeller drive and was sure

he had succeeded when Rockefeller marched up to the microphones at a festive, televised announcement event and promptly announced he wouldn't challenge Nixon. A shocked and bitter Agnew quickly detected to Nixon and by November was vice president-elect.

In 1972, the year opened with Sen. Edmund Muskie, armed with a husband of high-powered endorsements, considered by the political wise men to be a shoo-in for the Democratic nomination. But another upstart, Sen. George McGovern of South Dakota, came too close for comfort in New Hampshire and then beat him and the field in Wisconsin. McGovern was at a mere 6 percent in the Gallup Poll at the end of 1971.

Four years after that, Hubert Humphrey led the Gallup Poll going into 1978, with Gov. George Wallace of Alabama a close second and Sen. Henry Jackson third. One Jimmy Carter wasn't even in the small print then, but before the year was out he was president-elect. And in 1979, Carter looked like a dead duck for his own party's nomination in the face of the challenge of Sen. Ted Kennedy

— until the Iranians seized the American embassy in Tehran and Kennedy the real candidate as opposed to Kennedy the heir to Camelot took the stump.

THE POLLSTERS who bear the brunt of public derision when presidential elections don't always turn out in November like they look in January, are constantly reminding us that they work with what voters tell them in the here and now, not with a crystal ball that gives them the powers of clairvoyance. The standard pollster's description of their product is that it is a snapshot in time — a look at attitudes that exist today, but may, and often do, change tomorrow.

So if you're a political junkie and you're looking toward a cut-and-dried 1984 presidential election between Reagan and Mondale with all the excitement of a bear facing a winter's hibernation, don't surrender entirely to despair. Something unpredictable may happen to live things up. At least it has almost always happened in the past. Where, you have to ask yourself, would Harold Stassen be today if he didn't look at politics that way?

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**Jack Anderson**  
Washington Merry-Go-Round

## Pentagon's facts are one-sided

WASHINGTON — In their insatiable hunger for fancy hardware and ever bigger budgets, the Pentagon's people are not above juggling the facts and figures when they testify behind closed doors on Capitol Hill.

A favorite tactic is to give key members of Congress secret, selective intelligence on new Soviet weapons, intended to scare the lawmakers into signing a blank check for matching U.S. weapons. The weapons' gaps thus revealed can only be bridged by the expenditure of billions of dollars.

It's an axiom of this technique that Congress should rarely be anything that makes the Soviets seem less than 10 feet tall. Reversing the words of an old song, the Pentagon would seek to accentuate the negative and eliminate the positive.

My associates Dale Van Atta and Donald Giddings have uncovered a classic example of this misleading Pentagon practice, involving the Russians' new Alfa class attack submarine. From secret documents and intelligence sources, it appears that the Alfa is a most formidable sub. But without actually lying — simply by not telling the whole truth — the admirals have greatly inflated the Alfa's actual danger.

### FOR EXAMPLE:

• The Alfa is the fastest submarine ever made, with a maximum speed of 42 knots on the surface and 45 knots underwater. It can outrun not only the fastest U.S. subs, but the Navy's surface ships as well. The Pentagon does not mention its ultra-quiet intelligence report that tells how an Alfa sub showed off once doing figure-eight maneuvers behind a Navy battle group.

But what the Pentagon experts conveniently play down is the fact that the Alfa's fastest subs are as quiet as sharks, the Soviet Alfa is one of the noisiest vessels ever to churn through the ocean. It's the underwater equivalent of a hot rod without a muffler. In fact, the Alfa can be detected acoustically more than 1,000 miles away, which means it could hardly sneak up on an enemy target.

Furthermore, at anything over 20 knots, the Alfa's own engine noise would drown out the target's noise. Submerged subs are blind; a submerged Alfa is also deaf at high speed. And though it could outrun U.S. attack vessels, it couldn't escape the Navy's anti-submarine passive and active sonars.

• The Alfa can dive down to 3,200 feet, compared to the U.S. Los Angeles-class subs' maximum depth of 3,000 feet. But the reason for running deep is to avoid detection, and here again the Alfa's hot-rod noise betrays it. In addition, the Alfa can't go as far or stay out of port as long as U.S. subs can.

• The Alfa's lighter, stronger titanium-alloy hull is what enables it to go faster and dive deeper. The Soviets were first to develop the technology of welding titanium hulls — reportedly at the cost of several workers' lives. Besides being lighter and stronger than steel, titanium is also non-magnetic, which means the Alfa is virtually invisible to magnetic detection devices. But it can be easily picked up by acoustic detectors.

• Though select congressmen are told in ominous, whispered detail of the Alfa's success, they are not told that the sub was a colossal flop when the first one was launched in 1969. After sea trials in 1971, the first Alfa was scrapped.

### Letters policy

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What to do? Obviously, there are only two choices: Raise more taxes, or cut expenditures. Note, however, that raising taxes won't do a bit of good unless the revenues realized thereby are actually applied to reduction of the debt.



### Viewpoint

## Remember the recovery

By William A. Rusher  
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NEW YORK — So here we are in 1984, and Ronald Reagan has walked off with the Democrats' clothes on the subject of the economy so completely that now they're trying to tell everyone the well-foreign policy is indeed a big issue, and if the Democrats think the American people would prefer a military superior Soviet Union and a communist Central America to Mr. Reagan's ongoing efforts to prevent these things, they are at liberty to run on that platform. But thoughtful Americans will not forget the economy altogether — either the spectacular achievements of the Reagan administration to date, or the very serious problems that remain to be solved.

Mr. Reagan can, and undoubtedly will point with justifiable pride to what has been accomplished already: inflation down from the double digits to the neighborhood of 3 percent; interest rates cut in half; the economy on the rebound by almost every index. Ever civilian unemployment (which was 7.4 percent and rising in Jimmy Carter's last month as president) is 8.4 percent today and falling rapidly. But the federal budget deficits are huge, and Mr. Reagan is too honest a man and too sound a conservative to dismiss them as unimportant. They represent the great unfinished domestic business of his first administration, and taming them will be the principal domestic challenge of his second.

There is no mystery about what causes these deficits: The government simply spends a lot more than it takes in, that's all. Mr. Reagan was well aware of this of course, before he was elected, and vowed to put a stop to it by cutting domestic spending and stimulat-

ing the economy so that tax revenues would rise. He knew that an increase in defense spending was essential, however, and that this would make a balanced budget impossible for a time. What he didn't anticipate was the worldwide recession (which reduced tax revenues sharply), or how hard it would be to persuade Congress to make meaningful cuts in domestic programs. Hence the huge deficits. Why are deficits bad? Because in fact they don't simply go unpaid: They are covered at once, either by borrowing from the public (which leaves less money available for private investment, and has already made interest charges on the national debt one of the biggest items in the budget) or by printing more money and paying with that (which, of course, inflates the currency, cheapening its value).

At the moment, we are not feeling either one of these pains because of the happy fact that foreign investors, attracted by our strong dollar, are bringing their money over here. Congress will shortly raise the legal debt ceiling to reflect this new source of loans, however — and service charges on the debt will go up again.

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## Connecticut In Brief

### Meadows buyer loses funds

PORTLAND, Ore. — A Connecticut company has withdrawn its financial backing for a man who wants to purchase the Portland Meadows horse racing track.

Servomotion Corp., a Stamford concessions company, agreed last year to loan \$1.2 million to Gifford W. "Sonny" Meling, a Brush Prairie, Wash., horse trainer. The money was Meling's sole source of financing for his plan to buy the track.

Under the agreement, Meling would sever Portland Meadows' existing contract with Oregon Concessions and give Servomotion the potentially lucrative contract.

Servomotion put \$1 million into escrow in November to satisfy creditors that Meling had financial backing. However, Tuesday the company demanded that the money be returned.

### EB official: I'll meet Dodd

GROTON — Electric Boat General Manager Fritz G. Tovar has advised Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., he is willing to meet with Dodd any time to discuss the Marine Draftmen's Association strike.

Tovar said Dodd was correct when he said Tovar declined to attend a meeting he held Tuesday with members of the striking union. However, Tovar said Wednesday he is willing to meet with Dodd "or any other senator, congressman or staff member on the MDA-EB situation at any convenient place and time."

"The issues involved in this strike are very fundamental," said Tovar. "We have already gone the route of having the senator intercede and unfortunately it didn't bear fruit. We still believe government involvement is more appropriately carried out by the federal agency charged with that function."

### Fitzpatrick to leave DPUC

HARTFORD — Thomas F. Fitzpatrick has resigned as chairman of the Department of Public Utility Control to take a position in the private sector.

Fitzpatrick, whose term runs to mid-1985, submitted a letter of resignation to Gov. William O'Neill late Wednesday. O'Neill said Fitzpatrick will be leaving the post near the end of this month. "I am accepting his resignation with regret, understanding that once again the private sector has lured one of our fine state employees, and I certainly wish him every success," O'Neill said. O'Neill said he does not know who he will nominate to replace Fitzpatrick.

DPUC spokesman King Quillen said he does not know what position Fitzpatrick would be taking.

Fitzpatrick was not available for comment but a published report said he is expected to take over as executive director of the Connecticut Petroleum Council.

### Kennelly plans 10-day tour

HARTFORD — Rep. Barbara Kennelly, D-Conn., Wednesday announced plans for a 10-day, four-state tour of Central America.

Mrs. Kennelly plans to depart Friday with Reps. Geraldine Ferraro, D-N.Y., and Ted Weiss, D-N.Y., for a tour of El Salvador, Nicaragua, Honduras and Costa Rica.

"The United States has a big stake in Central America," said Kennelly. "It is a region vital to our national security. By visiting (the area), I hope to improve my own understanding of this important region, and by doing so I hope to better prepare myself for the Congressional debate on Central America later this year."

Kennelly will meet with a variety of political, military, business, religious and political opposition leaders in all four countries. She will tour American military sites in Honduras and El Salvador and meet informally with American journalists.

### Lottery helps general fund

NEWINGTON — The Connecticut State Lottery announced it has contributed \$505,188,920 to the state's general fund since the first game began in February 1972.

"This is a milestone in the history of the Lottery," said Lottery Unit Chief J. Blaine Lewis Jr. Wednesday. "I'd like to thank all those who've helped make this achievement possible, especially our customers. We're happy to be able to finance the state government."

### Widows sue cousin broker

NEW HAVEN — Two elderly widows and a Branford woman have filed a lawsuit charging they lost their savings because of their cousin, a New Haven stockbroker.

June Greist, 70, of Branford; her sister, Elizabeth DeFelice, 68, formerly of New Haven and now of Florida; and Mrs. DeFelice's daughter, Elizabeth, 35, of Branford, seek \$10 million in damages in the suit, which was filed in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

George C. Bryant and of Greenwich, who works for Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Inc., is charged with ignoring the women's instructions and mishandling their money in 1981 and 1982. The women claim they lost more than \$600,000 among them because of Bryant's actions, which included making investments only to generate commissions, according to the suit.

## No snarls in traffic on Mianus

GREENWICH (UPI) — Traffic flowed with no serious problems as workers continued to remove a temporary span across the Mianus River and restore a permanent bridge on the Connecticut Turnpike.

The Connecticut Department of Transportation said the Wednesday morning rush hour went smoothly at the bridge and officials across the border in New York also had no reports of serious backups.

State police in Westport said only minor delays were reported in the evening rush hour as traffic slowed for reduced speed limits at approaches to the bridge.

Three people died and the major link between New York and New England was cut when a 100-foot section of the bridge collapsed June 23, 1983. The temporary span was rushed into place to handle the thousands of heavy trucks and passenger vehicles that use the bridge each day.

The five-year, \$8 million project was expected to be completed by Monday when the full three lanes of traffic in both directions on Interstate 95 were scheduled to open on the widened bridge.

Steel sections of the 190-foot temporary span, built at a cost of \$600,000 to \$700,000, were to be stored for possible future use.

The permanent replacement bridge was built directly beneath the temporary span and work was scheduled to begin soon to complete a \$20 million two-year reconstruction project.

Traffic was expected to move at regular highway speeds during the project, which calls for additional support piers and "continuous" construction with eight steel girder beams that will stretch the length of the bridge.

Connecticut officials have urged motorists to take alternate routes until Monday: The Merritt Parkway for passenger vehicles and Interstate 94 for trucks and other commercial vehicles.

Toll collections were suspended on the Merritt Parkway during the project, but collections will continue at the Greenwich Toll on Interstate 95.

New York officials braced for potential traffic problems, like the long lines of detoured heavy trucks that clog local streets directly after the collapse, but said Wednesday no major problems had cropped up.

Passenger cars have just stayed on I-95. Evening commuters to be going fast on I-95 says Peter Lassillo of Fort Chester, N.Y.

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Kenneth O. Decko (left), president of the Connecticut Business and Industry Association, discusses a voluntary plant closing and layoff code proposal with attorney John R. Rathgeber in Hartford Wednesday.

## CBIA suggests code for closings, layoffs

HARTFORD (UPI) — The state's largest business group has proposed a six-point "code of conduct" urging businesses to give workers notice before closing down plants or laying off large numbers of workers.

The Connecticut Business and Industry Association, proposed Wednesday, is strictly voluntary and while stressing a responsibility by business to notify workers of closings or layoffs includes no provision for penalizing companies that did not.

CBIA President Kenneth O. Decko said "peer pressure" would prompt companies to comply with the code and reiterated the CBIA's staunch opposition to writing notification requirements into law.

A leader of the state AFL-CIO labeled the voluntary code a "smokescreen" and vowed to revive efforts in this year's Legislature to push through a law mandating advance notice of closings, relocations and major layoffs.

Betsy Tianli, secretary-treasurer of the Connecticut State Labor Council, AFL-CIO, said she was pleased the CBIA saw the need for advance notice, but said it came up far short of what was needed.

"I think this is an attempt to sidetrack the concerns of the workers, the public officials," said Mrs. Tianli. "It's a smokescreen. If you will, we'll certainly continue to press for mandatory notification."

Mrs. Tianli said the state AFL-CIO council, which represents 225,000 AFL-CIO members in the state, would make a plant closing law one of its top priorities in the legislative session that convenes Feb. 8.

The plant closing issue has been a topic of battle between business and labor in the past few legislative sessions with labor calling for a "runaway shops" bill and business opposing what it called "industrial hostage" legislation.

Last year, Gov. William O'Neill struck a compromise to a mandatory notice law with a nine-point program that included the request to the CBIA to develop the code of conduct.

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## Court airs cable TV's ownership

HARTFORD (UPI) — State lawyers have urged Connecticut's highest court to help preserve a diversity of opinions by barring one company from owning two cable television systems and the state's largest newspaper.

Deputy Attorney General Elliot F. Gerson Wednesday told the state Supreme Court the cross ownership of the two cable systems and The Courant or the two cable systems.

"We believe that monopolization of the media... is antithetical to a free marketplace of ideas," Gerson said after the hearing. He said the state sought to protect the public's right to a diversity of editorial viewpoints.

The Superior Court ruling voided a Department of Public Utility Control finding that the cross ownership of the cable systems and state's largest newspaper by Los Angeles-based Times Mirror was not in the public interest.

The cable television companies in question, subject to DPUC regulation, are Telesystems of Connecticut, which serves the Meriden area, and Hartford CATV, which serves the Hartford area. Times Mirror also owns The Advocate of Stamford and Greenwich Times newspapers in Connecticut.

The lower court ruled that the DPUC, the state's utility regulatory agency, lacked the jurisdiction to decide cross-ownership issues, which it said were the province of the Federal Communications Commission.

George H. Shapiro, a Washington lawyer representing Times Mirror, supported the Superior Court ruling and told the Supreme Court there was "no substantial basis" for challenging the conclusion the FCC had the only say in the matter.

He also said the DPUC should have addressed the jurisdictional question earlier and could have obtained a definitive ruling on whether it had the right to rule on the cross-ownership.

"We continue to feel this is a bit late in the game to be raising this issue," Shapiro told the five justices of the high court. A decision on the appeal is expected in a couple of months.

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### An editorial

## Syrian intent: doubt remains

"You can't quarrel with success," commented President Reagan after hearing that Navy flier Robert Goodman Jr. had been freed from captivity after the Rev. Jesse Jackson's intervention with the Syrian leader.

All Assad gave up by releasing Goodman was the liability of being viewed as a hostage-taker, which he would have risked had he used the flier as a "bargaining chip" in future negotiations. Thus the Syrian leadership's release of Goodman should not be perceived as a turning point in the country's foreign policy.

There has been no Syrian response to the latest U.S. request for withdrawal of Syrian troops — including Syria's — from Lebanon. Nor is the response likely to be meaningful if it appears.

For in spite of its decision to release Goodman, Syria appears likely to continue pushing its own colonial ambitions in Lebanon and those of its arms supplier, the Soviet Union.

While the U.S. should be seeking negotiations, it would be unwise to treat Syria with anything but the utmost caution.

For the administration to take another course would be to mistake a politically profitable decision on Assad's part, made after an admirable effort by Jackson, for a real gesture of peace.



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## U.S. has head in the sand, says man who made h-bomb

STANFORD, Calif. — "Nuclear war is not unthinkable, but it is most disagreeable to think about," acknowledges Dr. Edward Teller, the scientist who developed the hydrogen bomb.

Teller believes that if people think enough about nuclear civil defense they just might try harder to prevent a nuclear war. It's an idea the 75-year-old scientist has been pushing since 1945—and not, he said, because nuclear war is inevitable.

Civil defense is an inexpensive and humane way to create uncertainty about the outcome of aggression," Teller said in an interview.

He said the United States has a head-in-the-sand approach to developing a civil defense system comparable to the Soviet Union's. "Our politicians are strongly influenced by the short-term wishes of the people. Therefore, nothing has been done about civil defense," he said.

Teller, a Hungarian immigrant who came to the United States in 1938, has been at work in U.S. defense laboratories since World War II.

He currently is working at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory on the "protective nuclear weapons" President Reagan described in his defense speech March 23, a speech Teller said has been erroneously referred to by the media as the "star wars" speech.

"Protective deterrent nuclear weapons are ingenious, new, and real. They are not 'star wars,'" Teller said. "Star wars is another one of those simplistic statements by which something new can be dismissed."

The new defensive weapons will not be deployed in space, said President Reagan did not use the word "space" a single time in his speech.

"The president spoke very cautiously of the work taking two decades. I am more optimistic and believe that in five years we will have a very credible accomplishment, not a complete system, but enough to help limit the expansion of retaliatory deterrence."

"SINCE PROTECTIVE weapons can probably never be so complete that you can be sure that nothing will get through, some retaliatory deterrence may always be necessary. But by the year 2000, I hope that 5 percent of our spending will be on retaliation and 95 percent on defense."

"Defensive nuclear weapons in the rocket age have to work with great speed, with computerization, will be much more easy to accomplish."

The scientist spoke of the need for "an urgent effort" to catch up

with the Soviets in nuclear technology. The U.S.S.R. deploys weapons to shield Moscow from nuclear attack "more than a decade ago" and have recently upgraded this protective system, Teller complained of the constraints of government secrecy.

"Classification rules are so complex that if I really knew them, I wouldn't know anything else," he said.

The American public's lack of information leads them astray, he said. "The nuclear freeze advocates, for example, want to severely restrict work on protective nuclear weapons, an attitude Teller called 'simplistic and crazy.'"

FREEZE ADVOCATES imagine that "nuclear weapons are getting bigger and more indiscriminate. They are not. They are being made smaller and more accurate. The nuclear freeze advocates, for example, want to severely restrict work on protective nuclear weapons, an attitude Teller called 'simplistic and crazy.'"

Discussing his wartime Los Alamos colleagues, a few of whom advocated bombing Hiroshima during World War II and have since taken positions against further development of nuclear weapons, Teller said they seem to have "transferred the absolute judgment of right and wrong—sometimes appropriate in science—to the judgment of human affairs."

ONE SCIENTIST, who advocated waiting to bomb any Japanese city until it could be bombed simultaneously, is now very active in the nuclear freeze movement, Teller said.

"I suspect that such extreme changes arise from wanting clear and unambiguous answers when the answers are far more intricate," he said.

"We would be better off today if the atom bomb had been exploded over Tokyo at so high an altitude that it would have done no damage except to tear the windows."

Teller, a Jew, earned his Ph.D. at the University of Leipzig in 1939 and fled to Denmark, London, and finally to the United States after Hitler came to power.

A participant in the wartime Manhattan project, he developed the hydrogen bomb in 1952.

He was awarded the Enrico Fermi Award by the Atomic Energy Commission in 1962.

TELLER OPPOSED the 1963 Nuclear Test Ban Treaty but has advocated such controversial projects as nuclear blasting to mine minerals, dig canals and construct man-made rivers.

## Quaker works within system

By Ruth Youngblood  
United Press International

CONCORD, N.H. — "One Nuclear Bomb Can Ruin Your Day" warns the sign plastered on the wall as Arnold Alpert, New Hampshire's premier protest organizer, delivers through fact sheets condemning U.S. intervention in Grenada and Lebanon.

Alpert, the one-man staff of the American Friends (Quakers) Service Committee office for the state, sorts out pamphlets and petitions on the floor, frequently interrupted by the ringing of a "hot line."

There are large doses of frustration in this job," notes Alpert, "but at least I know I'm doing as much as I can."

Alpert — the activist of the 80s — never tires of speaking out against U.S. interventionism, the necessity for a nuclear freeze, nonviolent action for social change, budget priorities, the rights of the poor, the dangers of nuclear power plants and just about every other issue he regards as obstructing social justice.

Unlike his counterparts more organized and works within the establishment, polishing off news releases, participating in talk shows and lecturing on subjects ranging from grassroots organizing to stopping the arms race at schools, churches and even a Rotary club.

Working alone, the 28-year-old believes he's had an impact. Alpert, a liberal in a conservative state, is delighted with the response.

"People here have a lot of common sense. In Republican rural Ronald Reagan country," he said, "70 New Hampshire towns voted to support a nuclear weapons freeze in the past two years."

Then on Nov. 8, Concord residents overwhelmed an apparently approved referendum backing a mutual, verifiable agreement be-

between the United States and the Soviet Union to halt the production, testing and deployment of nuclear weapons.

Alpert has found the key to rallying support lies in effective grassroots organizing, "encouraging people to become involved and to take action with others in their community."

Although only 100 people showed up in Concord for a vigil Nov. 12 opposing U.S. military intervention in Grenada, Alpert says he was "very encouraged" and describes the turnout as "greatly good."

"I try to get information out to as many people as possible," Alpert says, "encouraging them to take action, write to their congressmen, attend demonstrations and organize educational seminars."

Sitting at his desk in the "clutter corner" of the office, Alpert acknowledges there "will have to be much more creative and concerted action if we're going to turn around all the things that need turning."

Alpert says the New Hampshire primary Feb. 28 will provide another opportunity to renew the issues.

"Paid \$14,000 annually, the Springfield, Mass., native says the high salaries offered by large firms never enticed him, even when he was in college at Wesleyan University.

"I grew up with the Vietnam War going on. The killings of four students at Kent State took place while I was in high school, and all this had an influence on me," Alpert recalled.

Majoring in environmental science, Alpert got his first job doing research for the U.S. Forest Service and then joined a citizen's action group in Connecticut.

"I realized by canvassing it is possible to talk about controversial issues. In college, Alpert was more concerned about urging shoppers to refrain from purchasing grapes and lettuce during the United Farm Workers Union boycott than in planning his career."

## What happened to sandlot?

By James Schumacher  
United Press International

THE SANDLOT, a group of young men who have been playing sandlot baseball in the streets of Manchester since the late 1960s, has been disbanded.

The group, which was founded by James Schumacher, a former baseball player, has been active in the community since its inception. It has been a source of pride for many of its members, who have played in the streets of Manchester for over a decade.

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## BRIDGE

**A fool and his contract**

to four hearts.

Three no-trump was a typical hand. He wanted to play the dummy irrespective of whether or not he could play it correctly.

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♥ 8 5 4  
♦ 10 7 4  
♣ Q J 10

EAST ♠ A J 7  
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♦ A 3  
♣ 9 7 6 3

SOUTH ♠ 10 5  
♥ A K 10 9  
♦ A 2  
♣ A 2

Vulnerable: Both  
Deal: North  
West North East South  
Pass Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead: ♣Q

By Oswald Jacoby and James Jacoby

South looked at his 100 honors, 11 high-card points and five-card major suit. He didn't play transfer and saw no reason not to go right

## ASTRO GRAPH

**Your Birthday**

Jan. 6, 1984

New gains are likely this coming year for those signs that have already yielded you results. The short-term coming months will be even larger.

What North wants has been done is unimportant. South had 100 honors and was going to play the hand. He played it rapidly and with conspicuous lack of success. He won the club in dummy, drew trumps with three leads and led a diamond toward dummy. The queen fell to East's ace. The jack came back, and since the defense played well from that point on, South wound up with just nine tricks.

Careful play would have brought home the contract. South should lead a diamond strictly alone and lead a diamond at trick two. This way he would be able to ruff his fourth diamond and score game and rubber plus his 100th honors.

(NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.)

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Answers to Previous Puzzle

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## CHEER UP, ERNIE— YOU WANT TO GET US TRANSFERRED TO THE EDITORIAL PAGES?



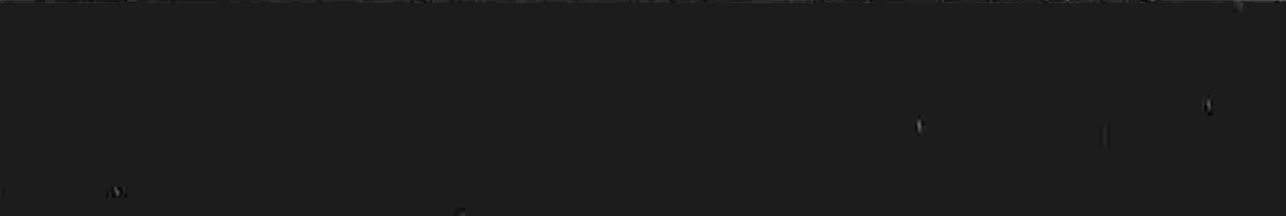
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## MY LITTLE PHIL'S GOT A NEW JOB, SELLING STUFF DOOR-TO-DOOR.



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## WHAT IS IT... A HOME HAIRCUTTING KIT?



## PLANE NO. N710D



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## I CHECKED THE LIMBO AND FOUND HER PURSE—AND THE LOCKER KEY!



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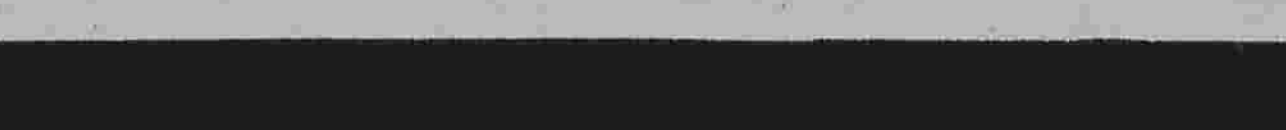
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Workers at Lorraine Manor Nursing Home in Hartford walk the picket line this morning before union and management representatives reached agreement on new contracts.

## Nursing home strike short

Union workers at two Connecticut nursing homes struck the facilities for two hours today before union and management representatives reached agreement on new contracts that were unanimously approved by the rank and file.

About 250 members of the New England Health Care Employees Union at Lorraine Manor Nursing Home in Hartford and the Pond Point Convalescent Home in Milford went on strike at 6 a.m., said union spokesman Bill Meyerson.

Meyerson said a tentative agreement was reached between the union and the owners of the homes at 8 a.m.

He said the settlement, similar to wage settlements approved earlier by 18 other homes, was presented to union members who unanimously approved the new contracts.

The two facilities and the Winthrop Continuing Care Center in New Haven, where a strike was averted Wednesday night, were

ment representatives reached agreement on new contracts.

## State board puts off plan on teacher license renewal

**By Mark A. Dupuis**  
**United Press International**

HARTFORD — The State Board of Education endorsed the idea of requiring continuing education for teachers, but voted to hold off on a plan to require periodic renewal of teacher's licenses.

The board, inebing its way through a five-year, \$150 million package designed to improve the state's schools Wednesday, also voted to support all-day classes for kindergarten beginning with the 1986-87 school year.

After spending most of the day working on the package, the board decided to break until Thursday when it was expected to vote on other components including a call to extend the school year by 10 days.

Several of the proposals require legislative approval and could face an uphill battle with lawmakers who would have to find ways to finance the changes and will be especially wary of boosting taxes in this election year.

One of the controversial components was a proposal to expand the five-year plan proposed by Education Commissioner Gerald N. Tirozzi to a wide-ranging package of educational reforms ranging from the call for a longer school year to ways to bring better people into the schools as teachers.

One of the controversial components was the proposal to replace the current system of lifetime teaching certificates with a system where teachers would have to take continuing education and renew their certificates periodically.

The board voted to endorse the concept of requiring continuing education but voted to ship the entire package on teacher certification back to a study committee for more work and a report by September.

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## Manchester's Kennedy opposes all-day class

**By Sarah E. Hall**  
**Herold Reporter**

School Superintendent James P. Kennedy said this morning that he opposes Education Commissioner Gerald N. Tirozzi's proposal, supported by the state Board of Education in a meeting Wednesday, to make all-day kindergartens mandatory — and doubts that the proposal will become law.

"I have serious doubts that that will be approved by the legislature, because of the costs," Kennedy said. "It simply does not seem worth the expense."

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# FOCUS / Family

'Could you imagine Grace Kelly as a brunette?'

## Clairol's colorist says blond is still in

**By Guy Pouley**  
**United Press International**

NEW YORK — Vern Silberman first sought a career as a coloratura. But circumstances changed and she became a colorist with a major hair products company.

Today, at 65 and approaching retirement, she probably ranks as the nation's No. 1 authority on hair coloring techniques and trends.

"I don't see any revolution coming in new methods of coloring," she said. "I do see new focus on conditioning and maintenance. And blondes are having a resurgence. Well, they never went away, but tastes in color as in fashion change."

"Blond is beautiful, if it is the right shade for a woman."

"Could you imagine Grace Kelly as a brunette?"

"Notice the appeal of a flaxen-haired child," she said. "You simply want to reach out and touch."

MRS. SILBERMAN said that right now is a quiet period in style leadership.

"Someday a star will come along who again will set the climate. Maybe our last was Marilyn Monroe, and a lot of young people don't even remember her."

Miss Monroe died in 1962.

"Jacqueline Kennedy



Vern Silberman will soon retire as Clairol's top colorist. Today's hottest trend: men's hair coloring.

(brunette) had the leadership. Do you remember how she had us all wearing bouffant hairdos and pill-box hats?"

"I thought when Ted (Sen. Edward M.) Kennedy seemed a likely candidate

for the presidency. 'Oh, good. We'll have that lovely Joan, the all-famous blonde, to establish an image.'"

"Mrs. Ronald Reagan has set a pace to a degree. But not as much as we all

expected.

"And Lady Di (Princess of Wales) has her following."

"One area in which I do see tremendous growth is in men's coloring," she said.

The next question naturally was, "Does he or doesn't he?" paraphrasing a famous advertising slogan of her company, Clairol, Inc., in reference to President Reagan's head of lush brown hair

without a streak of gray showing.

"I've never seen him except on television," she said, "but I'd be very suspicious if there isn't some gray there. If I met him, I could tell in a minute."

"Yet I've known 80-year-olds without a single strand of gray."

"Men are going in for coloring for a variety of reasons. A job situation, being passed up for a promotion, and then there are those dating much younger women and considering gray hair as aging."

"I remember when a man would go to almost any length to keep secret his hair coloring. Now the men are just as candid as the women. They cross all employment areas — the theater, the modeling world, lawyers, teachers, salesmen."

Mrs. Silberman, a slim, handsome and energetic woman with silvery gray hair (touched with a rinse), was born in Wyoming, Pa. In planning a musical career, she needed part-time work so she taught at a chain of beauty salons in Wilkes-Barre and Scranton.

MOVING TO New York for further study of voice and languages, she joined Clairol, again teaching.

"The company was just getting into coloring," she

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## Obituaries

**Sigrid A. S. Moean**  
**Sigrid A. (Swanson) Moean, 86,** formerly of Cambridge Street, died Wednesday at an area convalescent home. She was the wife of the late Robert Moean.

She was born March 21, 1897, in Sweden and had been a resident of Manchester for more than 50 years. Before retiring in the late 1950s she had worked for many years at the former Gustafson Shoe Store on Main Street.

She was a member of Emanuel Lutheran Church and the Martha Circle of the church. She was a 40-year member of Scandia Lodge #3, Vasa Order of America.

She leaves a son, the Rev. Dr. Earl R. Moean of Saddle River, N.J., a daughter, Mrs. Irene (Mona) Foster of Tolland, a brother, Gustaf A. Swanson of Bloomfield, N.J., a sister, Mrs. Hildur Laking of Clearwater, Fla., six grandchildren, and five nieces and one nephew.

The funeral will be Saturday at

11 a.m. at Emanuel Lutheran Church. Burial will be in East Cemetery. Friends may call at the Watkins Funeral Home, 142 E. Center St., Friday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial donations may be made to the Emanuel Lutheran Church Memorial Fund.

**Robert P. Yungk**  
**Robert P. Yungk, 59,** of 32 Victoria Road, formerly of Hartford Road, died Wednesday night at an area convalescent home.

He was born in Hartford on Aug. 18, 1924, and had been a resident of Manchester since 1951. He had also lived in East Hartford. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II. Before retiring he had been employed by Scovill Prosthetics Co. of Hartford.

He leaves a daughter, Mrs. Raymond (Barbara) Bernsten of Manchester; three sons, Rory A. Yungk, Robert W. Yungk and David F. Yungk, all of Manchester.

## Area Towns In Brief

**Jaycee week proclaimed**  
COVENTRY — Robert E. Olmstead, chairman of the town council, has proclaimed the week of Jan. 15-21 Jaycee Week in Coventry.

The Coventry Jaycees are being recognized for their contributions to the town, including: CPR training, the annual easter egg hunt, paper recycling and the Juvenile Diabetes Walkathon.

In his proclamation Olmstead also thanked the Jaycees for their promise to paint the exterior woodwork on the Town office building this Spring.

## Bristol Brass must liquidate

HARTFORD (UPI) — A federal bankruptcy judge has put the former Bristol Brass Corp. into liquidation.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Robert L. Kreebveky Wednesday ordered Bristol Industries, the parent company of the former Bristol Brass operation, into liquidation.

The order means the company must convert its assets into cash and settle debts. The order comes two years after the company filed for protection from its creditors under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code.

The business closed in August 1982 and reopened after it was sold to Eastern Rolling Mills of the Bronx, N.Y., last March. The liquidation decision will have little effect on the current Bristol Brass, which has more than 150 employees.

Meanwhile, owners of the reopened Bristol Brass Co. are continuing to meet with federal officials to work out an agreement that would allow the mill to improve its finances.

Three creditors of the new company want to purchase about \$1.5 million in notes, debentures and preferred stock from the former owners for \$100,000.

The securities are part of the approximately \$4 million that Eastern Rolling Mills paid for the Broad Street plant, machinery and equipment.

Warren Novic, one of three new Bristol Brass creditors who want to buy the securities, said some federal officials are objecting to the purchase so talks are being held with the U.S. Justice Department in an effort to settle these problems.

When the bankruptcy court recently considered Novic's offer of \$100,000 to buy the debt, the Internal Revenue Service was the only objector to the plan.

An IRS spokesman said the former Bristol Brass owes almost \$700,000, mostly in employment taxes, including some income and Social Security taxes. The agency would not comment on its objection to the purchase.

Novick, however, said purchase of the debt would allow investors to put more capital into the mill, ensuring its survival.

## Lions looking for work

BOLTON — The Bolton Lions Club has asked the Board of Selectmen to suggest a long-term project for the club which could be for the town.

The Lions recently contributed an autometer to test the hearing of students at the Bolton public schools.

Selectman Carl Preuss suggested the Lions finance the construction of a pond at Herrick Park. The pond, said Preuss, is a long-standing dream of Park Director Stanley J. Bates.

"It's not a priority for town funds," Preuss pointed out. But it's still a nice idea, he and fellow selectmen agreed.

According to the collective memories of the selectmen, Bates has envisioned creating a duck pond and picnic area towards the back, or Clark Road side, of Herrick Park.

The Lions asked that all suggestions be submitted by Feb. 1 to member James R. Bousfield, of 22 Fernwood Drive.

## Softball director needed

BOLTON — Recreation Director Gary Mortenson is looking for volunteers to direct the men's softball program in Bolton.

The softball director will work with Mortenson and the Recreation Commission on the 1984-85 budget, and take charge of all management duties for the 12-team program. Mortenson said Wednesday he would like to appoint a director immediately, so he for the. Mortenson said that anyone interested in joining should also call Mrs. Levine at Community Hall.

Anyone interested should call town administrator Karen Levine at Community Hall, 649-8745.

Mortenson said he would also like to know how many residents are interested in forming a 13th softball team. Anyone interested in joining should also call Mrs. Levine at Community Hall.

## Sex, race affect earnings

HARTFORD (UPI) — New Census data show sex and race appear to affect the earning power of Connecticut residents regardless of how good their education has been.

Figures from the 1980 census of Connecticut residents shows women with four years of college had an average income of \$12,438 in 1979, while men with the same level of education earned an average of \$29,186. Men who never entered high school had an average income of \$14,478.

The figures also showed a disparity of income among men

## Thrice-divorced lawyer says court battles are brutal

Men seeking custody must be set for war

improved somewhat over the past decade, he said men still are on the minus-side of the ledger when they make a courtroom appearance.

"A poor man has little chance of being able to mount the fight needed to win. A poor woman doesn't need to mount a fight. All they have to do is show up in court and predictably do a little crying to get custody."

The veteran divorce lawyer said too many judges view themselves as "knights in shining armor" of a white horse who plan to rescue a lady in distress from a villain.

"Only the villain may be no villain at all, and the lady — for that matter — may be no lady either," Franks said.

He advocates wirtapping where allowable "because it's one thing to tell a judge a lady uses foul language; it's another to let him hear it in her own four-letter words."

The cost of a custody battle isn't cheap. Franks said the expense in a contested custody fight can start at \$5,000 or \$6,000 — by the time custody studies and psychological studies are finished — and go upward. But he said the expenses down the line can be far

greater. All any father needs to do is multiply the \$200 or so per month he pays for each child over the years the mother retains custody.

"The husband also should remember what he doesn't spend on the lawyers, she's going to get half of anyway," Franks said.

## Connections

Susan Plese  
Herald Reporter

It was a time to hide in my room reading a book as winter rain slapped against the windows outside. Time to stand with face pressed against the living room picture window, watching snow fall from the light of the street lamp at the corner.

THOSE MEMORIES ARE reinforced each time I walk through the back door of the house. I see my

## Every so often, it's good to sit in mom's kitchen

There's the old refrigerator, too. An Admiral, with the rounded top. My mother bought it when the house was new. My father doesn't believe in replacing things that still work though, and the refrigerator continues to hum, much to my mother's chagrin.

Of course, some things have changed over the years. I think my parents always believed I would return home after college to live and work in their small town. So my room — complete with stuffed animals and my bookcases and a 1956s Holly wood bed — remained untouched for some time.

MY ROOM WAS always there the way I left it when I came home to visit, but I never returned home to live. So my parents — somewhat reluctantly I think — repainted, redecorated, and turned the room into an office.

The wall where my bed was is taken up now with my father's drafting board. The place where my stuffed animals slept, in front of the two sunny windows, is taken up now by a large desk and bookshelf.

Yet I almost imagined, sleeping there in that room last week on a fold-up bed, that I was a child again. I imagined the rain on the roof and the early morning

## FORMAL NOTICE Democratic Caucus

The Democrats will conduct their Caucus for election of members to the Democratic Town Committee on Tuesday, January 17, 1984. All filings to enter the Caucus must be made with the Democratic Registrar of Voters' office located at 41 Center Street, as provided by local Democratic Party rules. The first filing cannot be made until 8:30 a.m. January 5, 1984 and will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. January 11, 1984. Any registered Democrats may file for election in his respective voting district. The Caucus will be held in each voting district on January 17, 1984 at 7:30 p.m. at the following locations:

Catereria of District 1, Robertson School; District 2, Bowers School; District 3, Buckley School; District 4, Hart School; District 5, Senior Citizens Center; District 6, District 7, District 8, District 9, District 10, District 11, District 12, Howell Cheney Technical School; District 13, West Side School.

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# Interferon found effective against rare type of cancer

By Gino Del Guercio  
United Press International

BOSTON — Doctors have discovered that interferon, a drug many companies have been racing to produce using the new genetic technology, is "extremely effective" against a rare type of cancer called hairy-cell leukemia.

The discovery is believed to be the first real success for the so-called wonder drug, that has so far failed to live up to expectations.

When discovered 20 years ago, many people predicted interferon would cure anything from the common cold to cancer. But because it was extremely rare and expensive, interferon took a long time to be tested. When tested, it was successful in some situations but not as much as predicted.

Reporting in the New England Journal of Medicine, doctors from the University of Texas at Houston said they found interferon "highly effective" against hairy-cell leukemia, which had been almost uncurable.

The response we've been seeing in hairy leukemia is by far the

most impressive," said Dr. Jorge R. Quesada, who headed the research team.

Quesada listed seven patients in his report, but said in a telephone interview he has since tested a total of 15 with similar results.

Remissions have been maintained for over six to over 10 months," he said. The results have yet to stand the test of time, which for cancer is usually about five to 10 years without a remission.

Quesada cautioned that because the interferon he used was only partially pure — containing other substances — something other than the interferon itself may be fighting the cancer.

Hairy-cell leukemia is a type of cancer that almost exclusively strikes men in their 50s. Statistics are hard to find, but Quesada estimates hairy-cell leukemia represents only a few percent of all leukemias cases.

The disease usually reduces a patient's ability to fight infections, which are fatal. Treatment — usually chemotherapy or removal of a patient's spleen — has been considered only a temporary stopgap.

It is called "hairy-cell" because of the hair-like projections, visible under a microscope, on cancer cell walls.

Quesada used partially pure alpha interferon, which is obtained from human blood and costs between \$100 and \$150 per daily treatment which continues for a year or more. He said he hopes to begin new tests within a few months using new genetically engineered interferon.

He said the discovery of a disease that interferon appears to be very effective against offers new hope the drug will live up to its expectations. Most drugs took a long time to develop proper treatments and in comparison to drug groups like antibiotics, "interferon is still in its infancy," he said.

"Once we learn to use it and understand the basic mechanism, we're able to employ it in a more meaningful way," he said.

"Originally, some things were said about this drug when there wasn't any solid evidence to prove it. Now we're gathering evidence," he said.

# The Garritys mark 50th year of togetherness



Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Garrity

Attorney and Mrs. Harold W. Garrity of Tolland celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Jan. 1. They are former residents of Manchester and Garrity is the senior partner in the Manchester law firm of Garrity, Walsh, Diana and Wichman.

Mrs. Garrity is the former Arlyne M. Moriarty. The couple was married in St. James Church in Manchester on Jan. 1, 1934, by the Rev. William Reilly.

They have a son, H. David Garrity, on the staff of the Tri-Town reporter, and a daughter, Arlyne M. Garrity, a professor at Mansfield University in Mansfield, Pa.

Mrs. Garrity is the organist for St. Matthew Church in Tolland. Garrity is also town counsel for the Town of Tolland.

# Widow getting run-around from people at Blue Shield

QUESTION: I wonder if you could help me with a long overdue Blue Cross/Blue Shield claim. I like to pay my bills as possible, as I am not accustomed to receiving checks from Blue Cross/Blue Shield, and sending forms and bills. I received a statement from Medicare stating the amount they paid. They said they would forward the remaining amount to Blue Cross/Blue Shield. I don't hear from them, so called. They said they had not received anything pertaining to this claim from Medicare. The person I talked with suggested I should send the information directly to Blue Cross/Blue Shield at an address in New Haven. I waited to hear from them, but nothing. I called again. Another person I talked with suggested I send the information again to another. New Haven address. So far, I haven't heard from them either. This has been going on since March 7, 1983 and I am very impatient. I have Blue Shield 65 Plan 81. In the past, my husband and I have been in the hospital several times and have not had to contend with anything like this. Everything was paid. I object because the bill is quite a bit, especially since my husband passed away and my income isn't as good now. I would appreciate your help in this matter.

ANSWER: I am a Retiree from the State of Connecticut. I do not have Medicare Part B. When I retired, I went to work for another company and found that their insurance was better and less expensive. However, I was wondering, from what I have read in your column, if I would be entitled to the 30 percent of my Medicare Part B premium because I did retire from State service?

ANSWER: Now that you have left State service and are on the Retiree insurance, you will have Blue Cross 65 and Major Medical taken out of your check. If you want to continue your Blue Shield of Connecticut, 221 Whitney Ave., P.O. Box 1415, New Haven, 06506, put "Blue Shield 65 Claims" on the envelope. You will then get your 20 percent which you should get. Sending in a bill will not do it. They need the Explanation of Medicare Part B care before they will pay the 20 percent.

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Rare-bird season

Bird enthusiasts (above) are flocking to St. Louis, Mo., for what is being called a "once in a century" sighting. What is thought to be a slaty-backed gull (right), as pictured in the Audubon Society Master Guide to Birding, has taken up residence on the Mississippi River just north of St. Louis. The bird is native to the northern Pacific coast of the Soviet Union. This year marks the first time a slaty-backed gull has been seen in the lower 48 states.

For calcium, enzymes

# Yogurt a milk substitute

BOSTON (UPI) — For many people unable to digest milk, doctors said today, yogurt may be just as good a source of calcium and protein — offering hope for the malnourished of the world, and people who like dairy products but can't get them.

The bacteria in yogurt produce lactase, which then helps the body digest the lactose in the yogurt. "Milk is a good and relatively inexpensive source of protein and other nutrients. Unfortunately, many undernourished population groups are deficient in lactase and, hence, cannot tolerate appreciable quantities of milk or milk solids," a team of doctors at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Minneapolis, Minn., wrote in the New England Journal of Medicine.

# Drug reduces heart-attack damage

BOSTON (UPI) — Damage to heart muscle due to heart attacks can be reduced by a drug given immediately after the attack occurs, doctors said today.

The drug, timolol, reduces the heart's oxygen requirements, which allows much of the heart muscle deprived of blood due to a clot, to survive while the heart reestablishes blood flow to the damaged area.

# Town decides to accept federal funds

GORHAM, N.H. (UPI) — The school board in Gorham has reversed a policy it has held since 1978 and has decided to accept federal funds for education. Superintendent Robert Bellavance said Wednesday.

The school unit, which comprises six towns including Gorham, was the only school district in New Hampshire that routinely refused federal funds, he said. Gorham has lost about \$20,000 in federal education money over the

# Medicare Mailbox

Edith Prague

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# East hockey puts end to Enfield streak

By Len Auster Sports Editor

BOLTON — There's a time and a place for every streak to end. Enfield High's time was Wednesday night and the place was the Bolton Ice Palace.

A jubilant Mannaix, who bounced around East's players' box all evening.

East received two goals by Rob Tedoli and Brian Gallahue in its third line. That unit also assisted on East's third goal, a 45-foot slapshot from the blue line by Don Maxim.

East Catholic coach Bill Mannaix had a good feeling about the game and he proved prophetic as his Eagles, backed up by the stellar goaltending of sophomore Steve Cavallo, skated to a 4-2 win over the Raiders, ending their 43-game winning streak.

Enfield's last loss occurred on Jan. 14 of last year, a 6-2 defeat to South Windsor. Since that time, the Raiders have posted back-to-back Division II and Division I state championships. They were 6-0 this year going into Wednesday's game.

Fermi and though he saw a goal in the East goal there. But following the first Janney goal, Cavallo nearly was flawless.

Each side saw good scoring opportunities stopped by the respective goalies, before East moved in front at 10:15. Luster skated around two Enfield defenders at the blue line and fed Gallahue near the right faceoff circle. His 25-foot floater hand-cuffed Burmah, and broke off his glove into the net.

Enfield jumped to a 1-0 lead with its first shot on goal as Janney skated down the right wing, broke around an East defenseman and flicked a shot over Cavallo's glove hand into the net.

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Manchester guard Greg Turner (24) faces the ball upcourt with teammate John Janenda in the background. Turner faced a diamond-and-one defense from Penney and was limited to seven points.

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By Rich Cahill Herald Sports Writer

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### Johnny's trouble started in Air Force

#### Mother says court-martial, 'breakdown' led to tragedy

By Sarah Passell Herald Reporter

When John M. Anderson Jr. died of gunshot wounds inflicted by police a few days before Thanksgiving, his mother's first words were, "Thank God, he's at peace."

She learned of his death in the hospital, as she was about to undergo four hours of micro-surgery on her hand. It had been cut badly when she tried to help her husband take a butcher knife away from their son. He had burst into his parents' bedroom with the knife shortly after 3 a.m. on Nov. 22.

Her husband, John M. Anderson, was also in the hospital, barely alive. In the struggle to disarm his son, he had caught the knife point in the left side of his throat. Carol Anderson said last week in an interview with the Manchester Herald that she thinks the attack was the final stage of a mental breakdown her son suffered in the Air Force at the end of 1979, when he was two years into a four-year term of enlistment. While in the service, he was tried by a military court and convicted of violating Air Force standards on appearance and conduct.

Mrs. Anderson thinks her 23-year-old son, who was once a military aircraft technician of considerable skill and ambition, meant to kill all three of them that night, including himself. She thinks he was convinced at that moment that the world was on the verge of nuclear destruction. He came to his parents, knife in hand, hoping to spare them the pain of the imminent holocaust by killing them there and then, she thinks.

But her son, whom she calls Johnny, actually came no closer to them than the doorway of the bedroom, she said. The instant her husband woke and saw Johnny silhouetted against the hall light with the knife in his hand, he jumped out of bed and grabbed him, she said.

**'This is the end'**  
She did not hear Johnny speak, but her husband later told her Johnny uttered a sentence.

"This is the end," Anderson heard Johnny say.

"Johnny, you're talking crazy," Anderson told his wife he replied, as he grabbed



Herald photo by Tarquinio

Carol Anderson reads papers from her son's 1980 Air Force court-martial while sitting on her living room couch at the Andersons' 31 Dougherty St. house. Seated next to her is the family's dog, Puffy. Her son, John M. Anderson Jr., was shot to death by Manchester police after

Johnny by the wrists and forced him into a corner of the bedroom.

"You know what I mean," Johnny continued. "You know what I mean. This is the end."

Mrs. Anderson tried to help her husband disarm Johnny, she said. But when her hand was slashed in the struggle she fled from the room and started downstairs.

"Then I saw my husband next to me in the hall," she said. "When I asked him

how he got away, he went like this," she said, punching the air with her hands.

As soon as he had answered, Anderson fell past her down the stairs, where he lay unconscious while his wife summoned help.

Johnny cut his own throat sometime between the moment his parents escaped from their bedroom and the moment two police officers confronted him on the

stairway to the second floor of the Andersons' house.

**She doesn't blame police**  
Mrs. Anderson said she does not blame police for shooting her son.

"They did what they had to do," she has said several times in recent weeks. "He

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### Father, home from hospital, recuperating

John M. Anderson Sr. came home from the hospital Thursday. He faces at least two more months recuperating at home before he can return to work for the Manchester Parks and Cemetery Department, he told the Manchester Herald.

Anderson's recovery from the knife wound he received just before Thanksgiving at the hands of his oldest son was slowed when Anderson suffered a bleeding ulcer a few days after entering the hospital.

His wife, Carol, spent more than a week in the hospital with an injured right hand. In the struggle with her son she received deep gashes on her wrist and fingers.

Mrs. Anderson goes daily for physical therapy. She said her doctor has predicted she will regain 95 percent of the use of her right hand.

She said she thinks her husband's stomach problems stem from the moment their son, Johnny, was discharged from

the Air Force in 1981 and returned to the Andersons' home to live. Trying to cope with Johnny's mental illness, Mrs. Anderson developed high blood pressure and her husband's stomach began to give him pain, Mrs. Anderson has said.

The ulcer Anderson developed in the hospital forced surgeons to remove over half his stomach, she said.

While both of them were in the hospital, their neighbors collected money to pay the deductible on the Andersons' home

insurance, so the family could replace bloodstained wallpaper and carpeting.

Johnny's best friends from his school days helped neighbors repaper the walls and recarpeted the stairway before Mrs. Anderson returned from the hospital. They also presented the Andersons with \$500 to pay for the family's Christmas.

"I've got wonderful neighbors and wonderful friends," Mrs. Anderson said last week.

### Zone change asked for 18 condos

By Kathy Gormus Herald Reporter

Developers Wesley C. Gryk and Michael B. Lynch Thursday resubmitted a proposal to build condominiums on a portion of the Great Lawn in the hopes of reversing the Planning and Zoning Commission's refusal last month to consider the plans.

Their latest plans call for three buildings, each containing six units, to be built on 4.4 acres of the lawn. They say the plans differ substantially from those the PZC rejected in July.

"It is felt that the project as proposed is a substantial change from the 28 units previously proposed and therefore should not require the one-year waiting period called for by the regulation," said Walter S. Fuss, of the Manchester engineering firm of Fuss & O'Neill, which designed the development, in a letter to Director of Planning Alan F. Lamson.

While the new plans show 18 units, the proposal rejected in July called for 28. When

an application for a zone change is refused, there is a standard one-year waiting period before new plans can be submitted unless they are changed significantly.

If the lawn is to be the site of condominiums, its zoning still must be changed by the PZC from Residence AA to Planned Residence Development. Only single-family houses can be constructed in an AA zone.

At a Dec. 12 meeting, the PZC failed to achieve the minimum 3-2 vote required to waive the one-year waiting period. Two members of the commission voted in favor of re-hearing the plans, two voted against and one abstained.

In addition to reducing the number of units, the new plans differ from those rejected in July in the size and location of the units. The location of the driveway into the development also would be different.

The PZC will act on the application at its meeting on Monday, Lamson said. If the commission agrees to consider the plans, it will have 65 days within which to schedule a

public hearing on them.

In his letter, Fuss requested that a public hearing be set at the earliest possible date if the commission agrees to hear the plans.

Accompanying the letter was an engineering study which concluded the development would have no detrimental impact on traffic. It would be served by utilities in "an environmentally sensitive manner," the study said. It also said the large trees in the area, "which are synonymous with the Great Lawn," would be preserved.

Under the plans, about 3.6 acres of the eight-acre parcel owned by Gryk and Lynch would be preserved as open space.

The developers' previous plans for 28 units were rejected by the PZC because it did not feel the proposed development would fit the character of the neighborhood.

The commission at that time suggested a smaller number of units closer to Hartford Road.

After rejection of their original application, Gryk and Lynch said they would probably build single-family homes on their

### Jobless decline dramatic

By Drew Von Bergen United Press International

WASHINGTON — Civilian unemployment fell to 8.2 percent in December, a dramatic improvement from the 10.7 percent level at the depth of the recession a year ago, the Labor Department said today.

Reflecting the steady, 13-month economic recovery, the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said its monthly check of households showed an unemployment drop of 0.2 percentage points in December from the 8.4 percent of November from the lowest figure posted since October 1981.

The figures are welcome news for President Reagan, going into an election year with unemployment easing down toward to the 7.4 percent level that existed when he took office after soaring in the first two years of his administration.

In its latest budget projection, the administration forecasts a 7.8 percent average rate for this year, falling to 5.7 percent in 1989.

The department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said the monthly survey of households reflected a drop of two-tenths of a percentage point during December from November's 8.4 percent rate, making it the lowest level since October 1981.

The bureau incorporated annual revisions in its seasonal adjustment in the new figures, changing the recession high in December 1982, from 10.8 percent to 10.7 percent.

With that change the latest data is two and one-half percentage points below the recession high.

The number of unemployed fell by 230,000 in December to 22 million, down 2.6 million from the recession high.

All major categories, except black workers, saw improvement during December. The rate for blacks increased from 17.7 percent to 17.8 percent.

For adult men, the rate dropped from 7.8 percent to 7.4 percent; for adult women, from 7.2 percent to 7.1 percent; teenagers, 20.2 percent to 20.1 percent, and Hispanics, 12.3 percent to 11.6 percent.

An alternative overall unemployment rate, including the military as part of the labor force, declined from 8.3 percent in November to 8.1 percent in December.

The civilian workforce increased by 101,000 in December, and the number of Americans with a job increased by 335,000 to 102.9 million in seasonally adjusted data, bringing the gain over the past two months to almost 1 million.

The department said the unemployment decline occurred primarily among persons who had been permanently separated from their last job with those unemployed for other reasons essentially unchanged in December.

**Quadruplets first from a test tube**

MELBOURNE, Australia (UPI) — A 31-year-old Australian gave birth today to the world's first test-tube quadruplets — all boys — and doctors at the Royal Women's Hospital pronounced the mother and children in good health.

The babies, delivered by Caesarian section, were born six weeks premature in one-minute intervals beginning at 10:47 a.m.

Dr. Andrew Spiers, head of the hospital's in-vitro fertilization program, led a team of 18 medical personnel, including a pediatrician and nurse for each child, in the deliveries.

A hospital staff member said the babies and mother were "all fine." The woman has had no other children and had tried unsuccessfully for a natural pregnancy for six years.

The operation was performed today after doctors decided late Thursday complications could develop if they waited for the mother to go into labor.

The infants weighed 4.56 pounds, 3.9 pounds, 4 pounds and 4.65 pounds respectively, the hospital spokesman said. Doctors determined the four were healthy and would not require intensive care.

"It's fantastic," said Dr. Alex Lopata, head of the hospital's research team. "I had hoped it would be two girls and two boys, but it's fantastic anyway."

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