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1980s will see growth in demographic suppliers

What do Los Alamos, N.M., Falls Church, Va., and Montgomery, Md., have in common? Each is within the top five regions of this country with residents who have the greatest number of years of education.

What sets Williamsburg and Lexington, Va., and West Feliciana, La., apart? Each has the highest percentage of single males and females in the country.

What does this mean to you? (One meaning to me is that if I were single, I'd choose to live in Virginia in the area where I could reach Falls Church, Williamsburg and Lexington — and meet educated persons of the opposite sex. But that's just a "Sylvia" reaction.)

What it means to you, as a consumer, is that from data such as these now being collected on you, a bank may decide to build a new branch or developers may decide to build a new 100-store shopping mall.

The 1980s will be a decade of great growth for the nation's demographic suppliers. It's becoming increasingly obvious that the country's retailers, restaurateurs, health-care industry officials and other corporate leaders are relying on this sort of information to make vital decisions. The data "provide marketers with a competitive tool in an ever more competitive market," explains Bryant Robey, editor of American Demographics, which specializes



Your Money's Worth
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In interpreting current demographic trends.

With cable TV companies scrambling for franchises, chain stores in a fierce battle to corner markets, a key to success is to identify potential markets quickly and efficiently.

As an illustration, the staff at Donnelly Marketing Information Services of Stamford, Conn., can plot in a matter of hours which areas of the country are most likely to have homeowners seeking high priced luxury cars. They can even predict brand-name buying patterns. (In your neighborhood would you be more likely to eat Cheesecake or sip Scotch?)

As another illustration, a man-made lake (Candlewood Lake) was created in Connecticut in the late

1920s, and soon became a favorite resort spot. Developers then built 40 summer colonies at Candlewood during the 1930s. Despite the depression of that decade, families rushed to buy the small cabins on 50-foot-by-125-foot plots, which in those days cost less than \$3,000. Today, only an estimated 6.2 percent of the homes that border the lake are seasonal.

The average age for the adult population of that area is 40 and the average level of education is 12.7 years. The average household income in 1983 is projected at \$28,562 as against \$23,996 reported in the 1980 Census. In brief, a community of young adults with high school educations. This is no longer a summer resort (as I've seen on a personal visit). It's a full-time neighborhood — and more than half the families have moved into their homes within the past five years.

How could information such as this be used? By a community hospital, for instance, weighing whether to expand a pediatrics department or to step up services for cancer patients. Analysts have used this sort of information to predict a region's health outlook for the '80s.

There is, of course, no such place as "Middletown, U.S.A.," but Donnelly's experts can draw up a comprehensive demographic printout on the folks in Muncie, Ind., whose grandmothers and grandfathers

were the subject of the landmark sociology studies of the 1920s and 1930s.

In "Middletown," in the past 10 years, there has been a dramatic shift in population. The under-18 population has dropped by 28.3 percent, way above the national average of 4.4 percent. Meanwhile, the number of non-family households (singles living together) has risen rapidly.

This may sound like a form of "1984" to you — and it could indeed be an invasion of your privacy. But it's a marketing approach, a sales pitch baited for its efficiency. OK — but stay within limits!

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Economist predicts rosy things for America in 1984

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Economist Henry Kaufman is predicting rosy things for the American economy in 1984, seeing economic growth of 3.5 percent this year and a drop in unemployment to 7 percent.

But Kaufman, appearing Sunday on ABC's "This Week with David Brinkley," warned federal deficits threaten to undermine continued recovery.

Appearing on the same program were Sens. Robert Dole, R-Kan., and Daniel Moynihan, D-N.Y., who agreed something needs to be done this year about deficits. They also agreed it is unlikely anything will be done.

Dole, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, said Reagan and House Speaker Thomas O'Neill had agreed on solutions before any meaningful action could be taken. He said Reagan wants budget cuts and O'Neill wants to raise taxes — but probably both are

needed to bring deficits under control.

"We can do something, but everyone has to put something into the pot," Moynihan said.

Kaufman said: "I believe the American economy this year will do quite well."

"In terms of gross national product, I suspect the economy, year-over-year, will increase close to 5.5 percent, that consumption will be strong, that we will have continued expansion in business investment," he said.

Kaufman, partner in the Salomon Brothers Wall

Street investment company, said the economy is about to move into a new phase of recovery, characterized by unemployment as low as 7 percent and higher spending for plant modernization.

But he also said there would be renewed "friction in the wage and price structure" that could push prices and wages higher.

And, Kaufman warned, budget deficits approaching \$200 billion a year could become a "retarding force" in the economy by the end of the year. President Reagan and Congress should immediately

move to curb spending and increase taxes, he advised.

"During this year corporate profits are going to rise very significantly," he said. "This will be most evidenced in the first half of the year, while in the second half profits will slow."

To maintain the recovery, he said, "We have to do some painful things."

"We have to reduce outlays and increase revenues... I would urge the president to move ahead and accept some revenue raising measures and at the same time prune the budget more in outlays."

Hispanic market called lucrative, very important

NEW YORK — The U.S. Hispanic community is a \$70 billion market and it's wide open to corporations that take the time and effort to tap it.

"It's a virgin market and a very important one," said Marie Hernandez, president of Cultural Communications Group, an Ogilvy and Mather company which recently conducted a study of the Hispanic community for Coca-Cola USA.

"Coca-Cola is the first major corporation to systematically target Hispanics," she said and this type of targeting is essential.

"The Anglo method of segmenting promotion, marketing, advertising and governmental relations doesn't work," Ms. Hernandez said. "To successfully reach Hispanic consumers all of these areas must be coordinated."

An overwhelming majority of Hispanics view job training and education as their major concerns and corporations are not viewed as responsive to these concerns.

Partly for this reason, "the president or chairman of the board has to get directly involved," she said. "Marketing or corporate affairs people tend to have too narrow a view."

Ms. Hernandez said when her company recommends an advertising campaign, "we try to have it pitched not only to the consumer but to have it mean something in terms of community, which in turn is important to legislative leaders. It's like a 'three-for-two' there's more bang for the buck."

She is talking big bucks. The Coca-Cola study was conducted in five cities where 50-70 percent of the Hispanic population lives — New York, Miami, San Antonio, Los Angeles and Chicago.

"In these cities alone the Hispanic soft-drink market amounts to \$1.3 billion," she said.

Richard Amundsen de Bueno, director of Hispanic operations for Coca-Cola USA, said Hispanics register 40 percent more than the average population in their brand loyalty.

They also want to see their lifestyle depicted in television commercials. "Companies that have done so have profited (far) in excess of their investment," Amundsen said.

"They are active consumers," he said. "They spend about \$700 more in real dollars on food than the non-Hispanic community despite their average lower income."

Another factor that makes the Hispanic community worth going after, because of rising immigration and a higher birth rate this segment is growing at a rate 6½ times that of the rest of the population.

Ms. Hernandez had an advantage in the study for Coke. She conducted a similar one in the same cities in 1976 when she was working on President Carter's campaign committee.

"In 1976 I would have said the Hispanic community was well on its way to assimilation, that it was losing its language," she said. "But 1983 showed a totally new pattern and what has changed is the arrival of educated middle-class people from Central and South America."

Amundsen noted that 200,000 Salvadorans now live in Los Angeles. "The poor still are coming but increasingly South Americans are here because of our economic and political stability."

Unlike many earlier immigrants, the newcomers are literate in their own language. "They learn English quickly but they have no intention of forsaking their Hispanic heritage," Ms. Hernandez said.

The Coca-Cola study found Hispanics expect their leaders to be bilingual, but that corporations can best appeal to them in their own language.

There were regional differences. San Antonio community leaders are much oriented to English, which they believe to be "the language of power. Miami preferred Spanish. Miami had the highest proportion of Hispanics who spoke little or no English. It isn't enough just to advertise and do in-store promotion, it has to be part of a complete marketing package," Ms. Hernandez said. "But the money spent will be returned 30-fold. Vamot!"

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Whatever questions you may have about IRAs, we'll help you find your answers. Here are just a sample of the questions and topics that your Individual Retirement Answers handbook covers.

Charlie Abbott has income this year from a number of sources:
Wages as a bookkeeper for a local restaurant — \$15,000
Interest income from an inheritance — \$3,000
He has never had an IRA, but has heard that he is eligible for one. What are his options?

Since Charlie's earned income for this year is \$17,000 (the \$3,000 interest income is not earned income, and therefore is ineligible for IRA consideration), he may open an IRA and contribute the maximum \$2,000 for this year. Assuming he earns at least \$2,000 in subsequent years, he may continue to contribute the maximum each year (provided the regulations are not changed).

In addition to his IRA, Charlie could set up a Keogh plan with his self-employed earnings as a carpenter. Under the new regulations, he can contribute 25% of his

\$2,000 self-employed earnings to the Keogh plan this year. The maximum annual contribution allowed in a Keogh is \$30,000 or 25% of self-employed earnings, whichever is less.

Louis Harding is 40 years old and has had an IRA for four years. It now contains \$6,500, all of which the currently has in a 20-year Certificate of Deposit at the Savings Bank of Manchester. Her CD matures in one year. She was in an automobile accident recently which left her completely disabled. As a result, she needs the IRA money and would like to withdraw the entire amount. May she do so? Are there any penalties?

Because she is totally disabled, there are no penalties whatsoever for withdrawing the funds. When she withdraws any of the funds, however, she will be required to pay income taxes on that amount in the year in which she withdraws it.

Stacey Devito is an 18-year-old girl who has been earning money for the past two years working part-time in a local department store. So far this year she has earned \$1,000 and she now has \$1,000 in her savings account. Her father has been talking to her about setting up an IRA with at least half the money, but she thinks it's too early for her to think about a retirement fund. That's for old people, not for kids! Is Stacey right? Is it possible for her to set up an IRA?

It is not only possible for Stacey to set up an IRA for herself but it's also a good idea. If one of her

goals is to be financially independent, this is the best time for her to get started. Retirement may be for older people, but preparation is for young people. Stacey could put \$500 into an IRA and be able to watch it grow rapidly into her own personal nest egg for the future. If she gets into the habit of making yearly contributions as early as this, she will achieve her aim painlessly.

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Region braces for big storm

The first swing of a one-two winter storm punch hit New England today, dumping 2 to 4 inches of snow in some sections and making roadways icy and treacherous.

Two Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority light rail vehicles collided on ice-slicked tracks in Brookline, Mass. An MBTA spokesman said at least nine persons, including two trolley operators, were injured.

Winter storm watches were posted for all of New England and a winter storm warning was up in Vermont tonight as the second, potentially more severe storm, worked its way to the region.

National Weather Service forecaster Tom Emerson said the trajectory of the storm rushing up the coast will determine how deep the cover of white will become. But, he said, snowfall is expected to become heavy tonight and 6 to 12 inches were possible.

About 20 persons were on the two MBTA trolleys, which were on outbound tracks of the Riverside Green Line. Both vehicles were knocked off the tracks by the force of the collision and the second trolley was sitting at a 45-degree angle.

Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks, Conn., reported snow, sleet and freezing rain falling in the Windsor Locks area.

Capt. William Fiford of the Windsor Police Department said there have been a lot of fender benders. "We have been very busy," he said.

Interstate 91 and Route 20 to Bradley International Airport are very slippery, officials said and a state Department of Transportation spokesman said Route 20 is like a "sheet of ice."

A DOT spokesman said road crews have been out sanding in many areas.

In Vermont, up to 10 inches of new snow fell overnight in the central part of the state, and more than 6 inches was reported in southern mountain areas.

Highway dispatcher Raymond Burke, who directs Vermont's road crews from a command post in Montpelier, said there were a number of "fender benders" around Vermont — but no reports of serious injuries.

"It's kind of fine," he said of the snow, which continued to fall throughout the state. "We wouldn't think it would build up that much, but it's hanging right in there."

In New Hampshire, 2 to 4 inches of snow blanketed the state early today, just in time to snarl rush hour traffic in southern locations. Sections of Vermont reported at least 3 inches of new snow today.

State police reported a number of fender benders on major highways. The worst spot was Interstate 93, near Londonderry. A tractor trailer truck jackknifed on the roadway, slowing traffic along the interstate.

"It's a good place to stay away from," a police dispatcher said.

Police reported no serious accidents.

A steady snowfall greeted rush hour motorists in western Massachusetts today as the first half of the double-barreled punch arrived. State police reported slower-than-normal traffic, but no accidents.

"If the snow gets worse, hopefully people will realize it and drive more safely," said state police Capt. Thomas Burnicks of the Northampton, Mass., barracks.



Manchester escaped the first half of a double snow storm, but it may not escape the second, which could put as much as six or 12 inches of snow on the area. John Iagrossi of Manchester Herald photo by Tarquino

Spend plan for schools rises 8.13%

School Superintendent James P. Kennedy, emphasizing the need to maintain "excellence" in Manchester schools, Monday presented his \$22,838,381 recommended budget for 1984-85 to the Board of Education.

The proposed budget represents an increase of \$1,725,100, or 8.13 percent, over the budget for the current year. It is based partly on the assumption that Highland Park School will be closed in June at a savings of \$235,805.

The 6.5 percent increase which has been the average for the past five years will not allow Manchester to keep pace in this time of national and state educational reform," Kennedy said in a memo distributed to board members. "More must be done."

Administration blasted for assuming school closing — See page 10

U.S., Vatican start diplomatic relations

VATICAN CITY (UPI) — The Vatican and the United States established full diplomatic relations today for the first time in 116 years, clearing the way for the naming of a U.S. ambassador to the Holy See.

The Rev. Romeo Panciroli, the chief Vatican spokesman, issued the 55-word statement at noon Vatican City time.

In Washington, D.C., an administration official confirmed the move. But the White House had no immediate comment and a spokesman said the formal announcement would be made by the State Department at its noon EST briefing.

"The Holy See and the United States of America, desiring to develop the mutual friendly relations already existing, have decided by common accord to establish diplomatic relations at the level of apostolic nunciature on the side of the Holy See and of embassy on the side of the United States beginning today, Jan. 10, 1984," the brief Vatican announcement said.

The White House was expected to follow with an announcement that President Reagan will nominate William Wilson, now his personal envoy to the Vatican, as the new U.S. ambassador to the Holy See.

The nomination would be the first since President Harry Truman nominated Gen. Mark Clark to be the U.S. ambassador to the Vatican in 1952, setting off a congressional storm. Opposition was so strong in Congress Truman was forced to withdraw the nomination.

Wilson, a California businessman and longtime acquaintance of the president, had been among those urging Reagan to strengthen relations with the Vatican, in part to deal more closely with Pope John Paul II.

The pope, now represented in Washington by an Apostolic Delegate who serves as his emissary to the U.S. Catholic Church, will name a papal diplomatic representative as a counterpart to Wilson with the title of Pro-Nuncio.

The Official Catholic Directory reported there were 31,267,579 Catholics in the United States in 1982, 22.1 percent of the total U.S. population.

If Congress approves Reagan's nominee, the United States will become the 107th nation to have full diplomatic relations with the Vatican. The only other major powers that do not are the Soviet Union and China.

Britain established relations at the ambassadorial level in 1982 for the first time since King Henry VIII broke with the Roman Catholic Church in 1529 in order to marry Anne Boleyn. The step was taken just before the pope's visit to Britain in late May 1982.

So far, there're two contests in Democratic caucuses

By Alex Girrell
Herald Reporter

Candidate filings for positions on the Manchester Democratic Town Committee so far guarantee contests in only two of the 12 districts.

The deadline for filing Wednesday. Caucuses, where they are necessary, will be held Jan. 17.

There will definitely be a caucus in District 4, where Ben Z. Rubin of 124H Highland St. has filed his candidacy and eight others have filed in a single list.

Rubin is a member of the town committee on affordable housing. The eight others who have filed are Democratic State Central Committee man John J. Sullivan, who is now on the town committee as a representative of district three, and seven incumbents. The district has eight positions to fill on the town committee.

There will also be a caucus in District 1, where Philip E. Parenteau of 28J Rachel Road has filed. Parenteau is a shop steward for the United Auto Workers union, which opposed former Mayor Stephen T. Penny in the town election last November. Parenteau was active in the campaign against Penny.

Penny, himself, is a candidate for election to the committee in District 6. So far in that district there are only nine candidates for the nine positions to be filled.

There was a dispute within the district over Penny's candidacy, according to town committee sources. Town committee members said privately that Pas-

cal Mastrangelo, district chairman, opposed Penny and Roger Negro, town treasurer, supported his candidacy. Mastrangelo has resigned from the Democratic Town Committee, citing his age, 81, and his 41 years on the committee.

There will be a caucus contest in District 10 if Michael E. Pohl files as he has said he would. He had not done so as of midday Monday.

Nine candidates have already filed in District 10. There are nine positions to be filled, so if Pohl filed a caucus would be necessary.

Pohl ran unsuccessfully in a primary for a Democratic candidacy for the Board of Education last year.

No candidates had filed as of Monday in District 11.

Under the redistricting from 10 districts to 12 that is being implemented with this committee election, districts each have between seven and nine positions to fill on the committee, depending on Democratic voter registration. The committee will have 101 members.

The following is a list of newcomers who have filed candidates so far:

District 1: Parenteau, Gerald H. Thompson, 117 Buckland St.; Francis A. Maffe Jr., 116 Croft Drive.

District 2: Dennis S. Schain, 78 N. Elm St.; Maurice F. Gallo, 785 Tolland Turnpike; Kathleen F. Maloney, 139 Avery St.; Linda J. Alubicki, 350 Burnham St.; Lynne M. Duda, 657 Tolland Turnpike; Jay Giles, 65 Duane St.; John W. Cooney, 73 Oakwood Road.

District 3: Malcolm F. Barlow of 28 Harvard Road, and Steven C. Rowley of 66 Turner Street.

District 4: Paul E. Phillips, of 23 Wildwood Drive, formerly of the District 10 committee; and Joseph T. Sweeney, of 83 Kennedy Road.

District 5: Rubin and Sullivan.

District 6: Gall S. Libbey of 64 Millard Road.

District 7: Robert A. Faucher of 125 Spruce St. Penny, and Thomas N. Reiley of 17 Philip Road.

District 8: Peter Diminico, 3 Irving St.; Joseph J. Diminico, 33 Windemere St.; Carol J. Distefano, 25 Hollister St.; and Gayle Bannan of 367 Hilliard St.

District 9: Vincent J. Kelly, 34 S. Adam St.

District 10: Josh Howroyd of 382A Main St.; Theodore T. Cummings of 392A Main St.; William A. Hickey of 297 Parker St. and Mary Wellemeyer of 145 Chestnut St.

District 12: While the district is a numerically new one, it is almost identical with the former District 10. All its candidates are incumbents in District one except Theodore Brindamore of 34 Carroll Drive. His mother, Dorothy Brindamore, has resigned from the committee after 15 years as a member.

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'Smokestack' industries sight gradual turnaround in 1984

By Cynthia Piechowicz
United Press International

PITTSBURGH — America's 'smokestack' industries struggled through another tough year in 1983 but saw the beginning of the end of their long ordeal. The so-called smokestack sector — steel, autos, industrial machinery, farm equipment and other heavy manufacturing — still closed plants, laid off workers and lost money this year. But the harsh recession began to loosen its grasp and business improved from depressed 1982 levels.

"We've had three years of either declining or stagnant industrial activity," said Norman Robertson, vice president and chief economist of Pittsburgh-based Mellon Bank. "There was a major slump in most major manufacturing and the recovery so far has been very partial."

At least most smokestack industries...

tries, which seemed to be in a free fall in 1982, began to head upward and looked ahead to more improvement in 1984. "The trends are all in the right direction," said Charles Bradford, vice president and steel analyst for Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith. "Very few industries are not doing better."

THE IMPROVEMENT, however modest, was a welcomed by the nation's tool makers. "We've been digging out of a deep hole," said Frank T. McGinnis, executive vice president of the National Screw Machine Products Association, a Cleveland-area trade group representing nearly 300 manufacturers of precision machinery parts. "Last year — especially November and December — was about as bad as it comes."

The unusual length of the recession, as well as its depth, battered the industry, McGinnis said.

"What caused so much trouble was that it was so long," McGinnis said. "Since March of 1980 we've been on a downturn. We had a little bit of an upturn — about five months — in 1981, but it took a dive again."

Many small, family-owned concerns grew weary of the long struggle and closed their doors, McGinnis said. "A lot of the fellas, when they had two or three bad years, said, 'Why put up with this anymore?'"

SMALL MACHINE SHOPS and corporate giants alike came crashing down, unable to hang on until the promised recovery arrived. Metal Machine Co., founded in the steel industry's golden age by a man whose wife, Pearl, later became known as Washington's "First Lady," was one of the companies that sought the protection of federal bankruptcy law last February. Hard hit by the steel industry's worst slump since the Depression,

the floundering Pittsburgh-area company sold its two major plants and aimed for a high-tech future as a holding company for computer and engineering firms.

Other companies, expecting continued hard times, decided to pull out of traditional lines of business. AT&T Corp. of Chicago said it will withdraw from rail car manufacturing and close its Mansury, Ohio, plant near Youngstown, idling 1,700 employees. The business world's woes meant tough times for millions of industrial workers. Layoffs have hit nearly 20 percent of all workers in durable goods manufacturing, the U.S. Commerce Department estimated.

The nation's steel industry employed only 245,545 workers in October 1983, down from 433,181 in 1979. Only half of those laid off are expected over to regain their jobs. Employment in the valve manufacturing industry has dropped to 37,500 from 50,000 before the

slump, said Bill Sandler, director of information services for the Valve Manufacturers Association. Companies and workers must endure still more hardship before business stages a strong comeback, experts said.

They said the economic recovery, which by government reckoning is taking longer than usual to work its way from the consumer sector to basic industry.

"It's probably taking a little longer this time because the business stages a stronger comeback," said Merrill Lynch. "It's in sequence. It's just that you have a lot of territory to regain."

STUNG BY THE LONG recession, businessmen hesitated to launch capital spending projects that would produce the orderly smokestack industries so desperately need.

An appeal of the recent state decision that the Manchester Board of Education pay all room, board and educational costs for a multiply-handicapped boy at Benhaven School in New Haven would probably fail, Attorney Lawrence Campione said in a letter presented to the school board Monday. The costs could total \$1 million over the next decade.

Campione — who had been asked by school officials for an opinion on the matter — said the court could reverse the state hearing officer's decision only if it contained constitutional or statutory violations, involved unlawful procedure, exceeded the officer's authority, or was clearly erroneous or arbitrary. None of those conditions held true in this particular case, he said, and the courts have consistently upheld similar administrative decisions.

The appeals process itself would provide no cost relief for the school system. Campione said the school board would be required to pay for the boy's around-the-clock care while the appeal was going on, he said.

Messy form irks Cobb
School board member and former kindergarten teacher Bernice E. "Bunny" Cobb complained about the messiness of the paper before her — but this was no five-year-old's scribble. It was, instead, a field trip request form made out by a teacher and presented to the Board of Education Monday.

"I would like to ask that anything submitted to the board conform to the standards we expect of our students," Mrs. Cobb said. The form, which sought approval for 38 French Club members and French students at Manchester High School and Benet Junior High School to visit Quebec City in Canada, had several cross-outs and at least one grammatical error.

Gloria Della Fera, another board member, said better proficiency than that should be expected of teachers.

Money for teens, refugees
Manchester will receive a \$2,522 state grant to help 27 refugee children, most of them Laotian, cross the language barrier they now face. School Superintendent James P. Kennedy told the Board of Education Monday that the grant will pay for supplementary assistance — for these children so that they may learn to read, write, speak and understand English.

The Youth Services Bureau will receive another sort of grant, the school board learned Monday. Through a fund drive, the Manchester Police Department plans to raise \$3,000 to employ Manchester High School students part-time at the station.

School board member Richard W. Dyer commended police on their efforts.

Tumbler sale provokes jolt
"I know you've all been anxiously awaiting this announcement," Manchester High School student representative John Janenda told school board members Monday. "Your tumblers are in."

Janenda said the tumbler sale, sponsored by the Student Assembly, was successful. He told the board of plans to cooperate with Manchester merchants in the future. "Any questions?" he asked.

"What's my bill?" one board member joked. Joseph Camposco, who ran the meeting in the absence of board Chairman Leonard E. Seader, said he ordered some glasses with the New York Giants on them, and some with clowns — and that a jokester had asked him if they could be crossed.

Electrical complaint issued
The state's Electrical Examining Board has issued an administrative complaint against Robert V. DuBaldo of 44 Purnell Place, charging that he permitted electrical apprentices to do work without direct supervision of the required number of licensed contractors or journeymen.

A hearing on the complaint will be held at 10 a.m. Friday in Room 105 of the State Office Building, 185 Capitol Ave., Hartford. At that hearing DuBaldo will have a chance to show cause why action should not be taken against him. The board could revoke or suspend his electrical contractor's license, issue a letter of reprimand, or place him on probationary status.

Minority teachers may visit
Minority students from five Virginia colleges have been invited to complete teaching internships in 12 Connecticut school systems, including Manchester's, school board member David Damper announced Monday.

The project, called the Student Teaching Education Program, is aimed at encouraging qualified minority students to teach in the greater Hartford area. Each student will be supervised by one teacher from the host school and an instructor from Central Connecticut State University.

Manchester In Brief

Marine Club is for sale

The Marine Corps Club building on Parker Street is for sale. The clubhouse, headquarters for a club that once numbered 117 members, is no longer needed by the dwindling membership, now down to about 30.

Most of the members of the club are now in their 60s, according to Stanley Ostinsky, who at 36 is the youngest member.

He said it does not pay to maintain the clubhouse any longer. The club was built by the members themselves about 20 years ago. It stands just south of Ostinsky's junkyard in the midst of an industrial area.

Little chance for appeal

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"I would like to ask that anything submitted to the board conform to the standards we expect of our students," Mrs. Cobb said. The form, which sought approval for 38 French Club members and French students at Manchester High School and Benet Junior High School to visit Quebec City in Canada, had several cross-outs and at least one grammatical error.

Gloria Della Fera, another board member, said better proficiency than that should be expected of teachers.

Money for teens, refugees

Manchester will receive a \$2,522 state grant to help 27 refugee children, most of them Laotian, cross the language barrier they now face. School Superintendent James P. Kennedy told the Board of Education Monday that the grant will pay for supplementary assistance — for these children so that they may learn to read, write, speak and understand English.

The Youth Services Bureau will receive another sort of grant, the school board learned Monday. Through a fund drive, the Manchester Police Department plans to raise \$3,000 to employ Manchester High School students part-time at the station.

School board member Richard W. Dyer commended police on their efforts.

Tumbler sale provokes jolt

"I know you've all been anxiously awaiting this announcement," Manchester High School student representative John Janenda told school board members Monday. "Your tumblers are in."

Janenda said the tumbler sale, sponsored by the Student Assembly, was successful. He told the board of plans to cooperate with Manchester merchants in the future. "Any questions?" he asked.

"What's my bill?" one board member joked. Joseph Camposco, who ran the meeting in the absence of board Chairman Leonard E. Seader, said he ordered some glasses with the New York Giants on them, and some with clowns — and that a jokester had asked him if they could be crossed.

At meeting Monday

Residents fight extra parking for store

By Kathy Gormus
Herald Reporter

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land would be too small to build on, he said, and would be retained as open space.

Opponents of the plan, however, countered that the proposed expansion of the parking lot would decrease property values in the area and would lead to further expansion of the market.

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JOEL E. JANENDA ... residents testify against client's proposal

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Peopletalk

Glimpses

Paul Simon and his bride, Carrie Fisher, and John Candy will guest star on the second telecast of NBC's "The New Show" on Friday... Eli Wallach has joined the cast of the CBS miniseries, "Christopher Columbus," which also includes Gabriel Byrne, Faye Dunaway, Rosalind Wiseman, and others.

Quote of the day

Cinematographer Gordon Willis, who worked on NBC's "The Godfather," "Annie Hall" and "The Untouchables," said that he is proud to be a part of the film industry.

Hard to kill

It took a lot to "kill" Lily Knight the other evening. She plays Katrin in the Boston Shakespeare Company's production of Bertolt Brecht's "Mother Courage," starring Linda Han. In Timothy Mayer's translation of the script, she is supposed to be blasted away by a 16th century soldier's blunderbuss.

Leg winners steamed

The women with beautiful legs nearly used them to kick a contest promoter out of Chadds Ford, Pa. James Merston, 32, of Los Alamitos, Calif., allegedly defrauded 28 Miss Legs contest winners by promising them all-expenses-paid Caribbean cruises for winning local contests and competing in a national pageant, police said Monday.

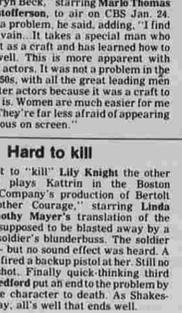
Work as a cure

Peter Lawford has joined Elizabeth Taylor and Johnny Cash in taking out the garbage and other chores at the Betty Ford Center for alcohol and drug addicts. Lawford moved in a week later. "Who would have thought it 40 years ago," Lawford said, admitting to a daily variety of problems. He was remembering the 1948 when he and Miss Taylor worked for MGM in such films as "Julia Misbehaves" and "I'll Get Women."

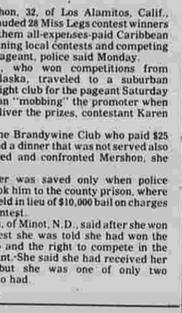
Now you know

The oldest living trees in the world are reputed to be the bristlecone pines; the majority of which are found growing in California. Some of them are estimated to be more than 4,800 years old.

Edward Kennedy



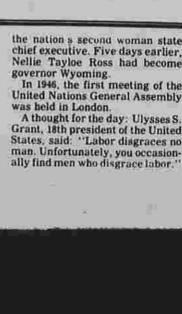
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Weather

Today's forecasts

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Winter storm watch in effect tonight for all zones. Occasional light snow today. Snow may be mixed with or change to rain along the immediate coast. Highs in the low 20s inland to upper 30s over Cape Cod. Snow, possibly heavy at times tonight. Highs in the low 20s inland to upper 30s over Cape Cod. Snow ending Wednesday. Continued windy and cloudy in the 20s.

Maine: Winter storm watch tonight over the south including the western mountains and central highlands. Snow ending Wednesday. Highs in the 20s. Snow ending Wednesday. Highs in the 20s.

New Hampshire: Winter storm watch tonight. Snow ending Wednesday. Highs in the 20s. Snow ending Wednesday. Highs in the 20s.

Long Island Sound: A gale warning may be required tonight. Winds tonight from 30 knots and gusty by evening. Wind northwesterly 20 to 30 knots Wednesday morning. Visibility 1/2 mile or less today dropping to 1/4 mile or less in precipitation and fog tonight. Average wave heights building to 1 to 3 feet today and 3 to 6 feet later tonight with rough seas extending.

National forecast: For period ending 7 a.m. EST Wednesday tonight, snow will be expected in the North Atlantic Coast states and the Northern Plains region. There will be rain over the Middle and South Atlantic Coast states. Elsewhere weather will remain fair in general.

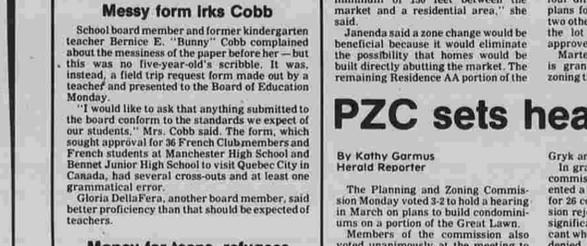
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Snow today in Connecticut

Winter storm watch in effect for tonight. Today occasional snow, 1 to 3 inches accumulation possible and may result in slippery driving conditions. Winds southeasterly 10 to 15 mph. Tonight snow possibly heavy late at night. Becoming windy and colder. Lows 10 to 15. Winds shifting to northerly 20 to 30 mph. Wednesday snow ending by windy, mild and cold. Highs 15 to 20. Today's weather picture was drawn by Daniel Warren, a fourth-grade student at Verplanck School.



Commerce department satellite photo taken at 4 a.m. Eastern Standard Time shows snow in central New England and thunderstorms over the Gulf region. Frontal clouds lie across the Pacific Northwest while high clouds streak across Montana.

U.S./World In Brief

Reagan won't reveal budget

WASHINGTON — President Reagan is not ready to reveal whether he will propose any new taxes in the election year budget to be submitted to Congress next month.

Reagan met for nearly two hours Monday with his top economic advisers, who are split on the question of tax increases. But aides reported Reagan failed to signal whether he had made any decision after what was termed the "hot session."

During the president's meeting on taxes, an aide said "people had a chance to express their views," adding "I think the president will go back now," and make up his mind.

The meeting had been heralded as one in which Reagan would indicate the direction in which he is leaning. But a source close to the scene said, "There is no news, and that's news in itself. There was no narrowing of options. No discussion of deadlines. Nothing happened."

Reagan has consistently rejected tax increases and pledged to veto any that might cross his desk.

Captives may meet leader

KAMPALA, Uganda — A French doctor and a Ugandan Red Cross worker faced their fourth day under rebel escort today, heading for what Western diplomats said was a meeting with an elusive guerrilla leader.

The two men were taken captive with nine other Red Cross workers by armed anti-government rebels Saturday, but in a surprise move, the guerrillas released the nine unharmed Monday after setting no conditions for their freedom.

"I believe the rebels held us to two because they thought they could survive the rigors of several day's march and could move faster than I'll fill in," a Western diplomat said.

Diplomats said they believed Dr. Pierre Perrin of the Geneva-based International Committee for the Red Cross and an unidentified Ugandan Red Cross worker would be released around Thursday once the rebels thought they were sure of winning publicly.

Fatal 'Zone' scene aired

LOS ANGELES — Director John Landis covered his face and cringed in horror at the sight of the "Twilight Zone" movie death scene showing the blade of a helicopter striking actor Vic Morrow and two children.

The fatal sequence was shown in court Monday, the first day of what is expected to be a six-week preliminary hearing to determine whether Landis and four assistants should face criminal trial.

Attorney Harold Braun, the director's lawyer, said Landis had no reason to expect the fatal crash and that he should not have to stand trial for involuntary manslaughter for the deaths of Morrow and the two children.

Braun said the prosecution is wrong in its theory that the helicopter crashed because the copier's tail rotor had been struck by debris from a special effects explosion.

Alfonso ends first month

BIENOS AIRES, Argentina — Civilian President Raul Alfonsin celebrating one month in office today, has moved swiftly to improve human rights, put former military junta members on trial and end economic woes.

Alfonso appears to be keeping up the momentum that propelled him to a stunning landslide electoral victory Oct. 30, ending 7½ years of military rule and becoming the first candidate ever to beat the powerful Peronist party.

In a month, Alfonsin has ousted half the senior officers of the military high command and ordered courts-martial for nine former military junta members accused of mass murder in the repression of leftist guerrillas in the 1970s.

He overturned an amnesty law that outgoing President Leopoldo Galtieri decreed in the final weeks of military rule in an ill-fated effort to protect members of the security forces found guilty of abusing prisoners.

He is also attempting to ease a 434 percent inflation rate and a gargantuan \$42 billion foreign debt.

Applicants fail drug test

VANCOUVER, Wash. — Officials at Aluminum Company of America said they were "amazed" that half of 750 job applicants in the last three months failed initial drug tests to detect drug use.

ALCOA personnel director Carl Sedler said most of the 375 people who flunked the tests had used marijuana in the preceding two or three days. About one percent had results showing use of hard drugs, such as heroin.

"We were amazed," Sedler said. "We had no idea it would be that high."

He said the company was satisfied with the 150 people who got the jobs. "We have found the people we hired are the best in our history," Sedler said in an interview published Monday by the Vancouver Columbian.

"Whether it is because of the drug screening, I don't know. This is the first time it has been added to our hiring process," Sedler said.

Record numbers play lottery

TORONTO — With dreams of a pampered future in lavish luxury, record numbers of would-be millionaires gambled against staggering odds Monday for a Loto 649 chance to win the largest tax-free prize ever.

The jackpot for this Saturday's draw should reach \$10 million, which Ontario Lottery Corp. President D. Norman Morris said may be one of the largest tax-free prizes ever offered anywhere in the world.

The odds against winning are a staggering 14 million to 1, but that didn't stop Canadians from purchasing 23 million chances for last week's \$7.1 million prize. No one had the winning combination 17-14-31-41-43.

Williams wins 10-day delay

UNIONDALE, LI. — Sen. Harrison Williams Jr., whose 28-year political career ended with the FBI Abscam investigation, has secured a 10-day delay in the start of a three-year prison term for his bribery conviction.

The New Jersey Democrat, at the time of his resignation the 12th most senior Senator, won the delay Monday when a judge granted his request for time to settle "property and family matters" before reporting to federal prison.

Williams was to have begun serving the sentence Monday at the Federal Correction Institute in Danbury, Conn.

"But I've never gone through an entire trial, with the jury out, and have a man disappear," he said. Dauri then issued a bench warrant for Goins' arrest.

Reagan may ignore Kissinger panel

By Norman D. Sandler
United Press International

WASHINGTON — It is likely President Reagan would ignore any recommendation by the Kissinger Commission on Central America to make aid to El Salvador dependent on the U.S.-backed government's efforts to improve human rights, his chief spokesman said.

The commission was expected to propose over the objections of former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, the panel chairman — that assistance to the government of El Salvador, locked in a struggle against leftist guerrillas, depend on certified progress toward ending right-wing "death squads," instituting economic, social and political reforms.

The commission report is due Wednesday.

"Asked whether Reagan would ignore such a recommendation, White House spokesman Larry Speakes replied, "He would be so inclined, yes."

Speakes said later Wednesday he "would" make it clear that the president has not received the report and will consider it with "an open mind" once he does.

Speakes said his statement on any link between human rights progress and aid to El Salvador "reflect the president's viewpoint prior to receiving the report."

Administration officials said the commission will recommend a massive increase in U.S. aid into Central America for the remainder of the decade, directed at twin goals: repelling the leftist security threat to the region while laying the groundwork for longer-range economic development.

The commission estimates the total cost at about \$8 billion over five years.

Speakes said Reagan's initial response to the aid proposals will be evident in the budget he sends Congress in another three weeks. But he declined to say how far toward the full \$8 billion the administration will "be willing to go" in its financial commitment.

The administration is reported to be ready to seek an additional \$100 million in military aid for El Salvador for the current fiscal year as a result of stepped-up pressure from the guerrillas. The Kissinger Commission is said to have a similar view of the urgent need for more U.S. assistance.

The president set up the commission to establish a bipartisan consensus on Central American policy but the concluding sessions of the group were marked by sharp disagreement.

One commission member, Mayor Henry Cisneros of San Antonio, said Kissinger himself is expected to file a dissent to part of the final report.

Cisneros, who was close to issuing his own minority report, said Sunday he instead would include a three-page minority addendum to the final report.

Reagan-Zhao meeting could ease the strain

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Reagan's meeting with Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang today and in the days ahead could help ease the strain on U.S.-Sino ties.

The business-oriented agenda for the scheduled two-hour meeting sets the tone for the visit, which is not expected to produce any major new agreements, but is expected to foreshadow better relations between Washington and Peking.

Strains in those ties — created several times by offhand remarks by President Reagan referring to Taiwan as the "Republic of China" — have created an atmosphere where gesture and nuance will be examined by both sides as an indicator of policy.

The two leaders are expected to avoid the topic of Taiwan, long the major obstacle to improved relations, and focus instead on expanding trade and sharing American technology.

Zhao is the highest level Chinese official to come to the United States since Vice Premier Deng Xiaoping made a 1979 visit to mark full restoration of diplomatic relations.

A senior administration official said there is a "momentum and more positive tone in relations" between China and the United States.

"In terms of atmospherics we have increased mutual trust," the official said.



Secretary of State George Shultz accepts roses from a family member of the Chinese Embassy staff at Andrews Air Force Base Monday during the arrival of Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang (left).

Lavelle's sentence includes severe scolding

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Fired EPA official Rita Lavelle moved nervously in front of a federal judge and got a severe scolding to go with a six-month prison term and \$10,000 fine.

But despite her nervousness, Lavelle testified to Congress violated "the very core" of public trust in government. Miss Lavelle emerged defiant from the courtroom Monday — calling her prosecution "an unbelievable nightmare" and vowing to appeal her conviction on four counts of perjury and obstructing a congressional investigation.

Under the sentence imposed by U.S. District Judge Norma Johnson, Miss Lavelle, 36, must serve at least five months. Following the jail term she will be on probation for five years, during which time she must perform charitable community service for little or no pay.

Appealing the conviction will delay imposition of the sentence for at least several months, and she will be free without bail.

Eleven months after President Reagan fired her from the Environmental Protection Agency, she is the first high-level official of his administration sentenced to prison for committing a felony while in office.

"You indeed violated the public trust," said Judge Johnson. "The perjury offense strikes at the very core of the trust that had been conferred to you."

The judge also was scolding Lavelle for still insisting that her lies under oath to two congressional panels was merely a mistake, saying, "You can't admit to yourself the injury you caused the federal government... the injury to all of us as citizens."

Miss Lavelle, wearing a brown paisley dress and a brown suede jacket, stood quietly as the sentence was announced, hands clasped in front of her.

"This ordeal has been an unbelievable nightmare," she said after the hearing. "I have been very, very disappointed and I intend to appeal."

Judge Johnson, with a reputation as one of the toughest federal jurists in Washington, could have given the former EPA Superfund chief a term of up to 20 years and \$19,000 in fines.

Your motives (for lying) are still unknown to me, but I have been able to draw reasonable inferences," Mrs. Johnson said in an indirect reference to the prosecution's charge that Miss Lavelle lied to protect

her relationship with "big money" corporate interests in her native California.

A federal jury convicted her Dec. 1 on four of five counts she faced, stemming from answers she gave under oath to two congressional panels Feb. 22 and 24, and a sworn written statement made to a third panel on Dec. 13, 1982. She was acquitted on one count of lying to Congress about using the \$1.6 billion Superfund to help Republican politicians.



Reasonable step forward

New 'Baby Doe' rules set

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Health and Human Services Secretary Margaret Heckler says the administration's new "Baby Doe" regulations mark a "reasonable step forward" in ensuring proper medical care for severely handicapped infants.

But a "right-to-life" group is challenging the rules as a "cave-in to the medical-hospital industry."

The regulations, announced Monday by Mrs. Heckler and Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, include use of a special telephone hot line for reporting suspected cases in which handicapped newborns are being denied medical care.

But the rules recommend that the hot line be used only after voluntary hospital review committees and state child protection agencies are contacted.

The regulations, which take effect in 30 days, are "a new and reasonable step forward on one of the most complex but important issues of our time: protecting the rights of newborn, handicapped Americans," Mrs. Heckler told a news conference.

The new rules specify that care for handicapped newborns must be based on reasonable medical judgments and that treatment not be denied "solely on the basis of an infant's present or anticipated mental or physical impairment."

The regulations state "futile treatment... (or) measures that merely prolong the act of dying" are not required, but care for handicapped babies, sometimes a fatal one, "said Gary Curran, the group's director of government relations.

Under the new regulations, hospitals are asked to establish infant care review committees of medical experts and community residents to recommend general policies for the treatment of

Even small businessmen have cash flow problems

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severely handicapped infants and to offer advice in specific cases of which a baby's parents and doctors are considering withholding treatment.

The American Life Lobby Inc., which has criticized HHS for its handling of past cases involving handicapped infants, denounced the new rules, calling the role of the review committees "totally unacceptable."

"The Reagan administration's cave-in to the medical-hospital industry in partially accepting institutional review boards for making life and death decisions is a venal decision — and for handicapped babies, sometimes a fatal one," said Gary Curran, the group's director of government relations.

Where has Goins gone?

PITTSBURGH (UPI) — An Allegheny County judge, an assistant district attorney, a defense attorney and the county sheriff all would like to know where Fred Goins has gone.

Goins, 36, of Pittsburgh, was convicted in a jury trial Friday of using a stolen credit card and receiving stolen property.

But he didn't hang around to hear the verdict. When the jury returned after 30 minutes of deliberations and the defendant was instructed to rise, nobody was in the courtroom.

Goins had left the courthouse while the jury was out and never came back.

"This has never happened to me before," said Common Pleas Administrative Judge Robert Dauer, who presided over the two-day trial. "I've had defendants disappear during trials and I've declared a mistrial."

"But I've never gone through an entire trial, with the jury out, and have a man disappear," he said. Dauer then issued a bench warrant for Goins' arrest.

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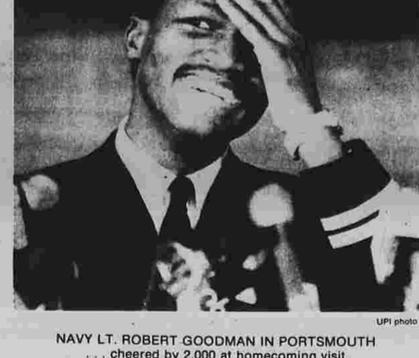
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Bitterness and fear are gone

Goodman comes home as a hero



NAVY LT. ROBERT GOODMAN IN PORTSMOUTH cheered by 2,000 at homecoming visit

Flier's return joyous event for students in Portsmouth

PORTSMOUTH, N.H. (UPI) — The return of Navy Lt. Robert O. Goodman Jr. was a joyous event for the students of Portsmouth High School. For a former prisoner of war, however, the homecoming reread old memories.

John Foley, 70, was among 2,300 students, teachers, townspeople and dignitaries at Goodman's former high school in a salute to the 1974 graduate. Goodman was held by the Syrians for a month after his plane was shot down near Beirut last year.

"It brought back a few memories," Foley, of Portsmouth, said Monday.

Foley spent 19 months during World War II locked up in a German POW camp.

"I know the feelings, and the things you go through," Foley said. The mood, however, was mostly upbeat for the Navy flier's return to his alma mater. Goodman's speech was interrupted several times by cheers from the crowd.

Students made large banners that read "PWS Loves Goody."

"It's nice to have a historic event in Portsmouth," said George Maness, 16, a junior at the school.

"We just wanted to see what kind of a guy he was," said Jason Goodrich, 14, a freshman. Goodman and his friends agreed that Goodman seemed "like a really nice guy."

The fact that Goodman was from Portsmouth made the conflict in Lebanon "seem more real," Goodrich said.

"He communicated with them (the students) as being really down to earth," said Walter Novak, assistant high school principal. "I think the whole student body was in awe of the whole assembly."

Goodman, a member of the class of 1974 who now lives in Virginia Beach, Va., was praised by Principal David Mathew as having been an excellent student.

Goodman said he was occasionally interrogated by the Syrians and gave "very vague" answers to their questions about U.S. military installations.

He said he spent most of the 30 days alone in his cell.

"I thought about how long I might be there," Goodman said. "I was preparing myself for about six months. Some of the guys in Vietnam spent seven years (as POWs). You can't think about spending seven years."

The sun is 400,000 times as bright as the full moon and gives the earth 60 million times as much light as do all the other visible stars put together.

New England In Brief

Children may testify

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Supreme Court, in effect, has ruled the children of former Tufts University professor William Douglas can be called to testify before a grand jury that indicted their father in the disappearance and possible murder of his alleged prostitute-lover. The high court, without comment, upheld a Massachusetts Supreme Court ruling compelling the three children to appear.

Mother held in death

PROVIDENCE — The mother of a young Pawtucket boy police believe died from child abuse has been ordered held in state prison in lieu of \$100,000 bail with surety in that death. Joann Rossi pleaded innocent in Providence County Court. The death of Stephen Rossi, 4, prompted an extensive investigation into the state Department for Children and Their Families last year.

Three of 'Lenox 7' freed

PITTSFIELD, Mass. — Three young Lenox men have been freed after serving half their jail terms for the 1981 graduation party drownings of two Lee youths that polarized residents of the neighboring Berkshire towns. "I would like to see the whole thing put to bed," said Lenox Selectman Richard Piretti after the last of the so-called "Lenox 7" were released. "Enough is enough."

Campaign seen as boring

DUBLIN, N.H. — The New Hampshire primary is the beginning of a campaign that is outdated, boring and long-winded, says veteran political observer and author Theodore White. White told the New Hampshire-based Yankee Magazine that a number of changes are needed to curb "the out of date" presidential campaign system.

Vermont sunset law works

MONTPELIER, Vt. — A law enacted more than five years ago to force periodic reviews of the effectiveness of professional and occupational licensing boards has worked, according to a lobbying group. Common Cause-Vermont, a chief proponent of the Sunset Law when it was implemented in 1978, said it based its conclusion on interviews with lawmakers, licensing board members and the general public.

Sparrows will be spared

AUGUSTA, Maine — The nesting place of seven pairs of rare grasshopper sparrows will be spared from spraying with herbicides on Kennebank blueberry land this year. State officials have signed an agreement with the land owners, to discontinue spraying blueberry bushes with Velpar, a chemical that destroys most plants and bugs.

Power must be paid off

MONTPELIER, Vt. — The Public Service Board says replacement power used during last year's unscheduled shutdown at the Vermont Yankee nuclear power plant must be paid off by the end of the year. In a ruling that could mean higher utility rates for Vermonters, the PSB said the Washington Electric Cooperative must increase its rates to recover \$45,322, rather than set up a long-term payment system.

Suspect in mental hospital

AUGUSTA, Maine — David Willoughby, 27, of Randolph, was taken to a state mental hospital following his arraignment on charges of kidnapping and murder of a 21-year-old college coed. Willoughby was originally transferred to the hospital when he tried to kill himself in his county jail cell.

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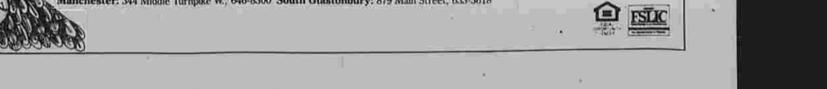
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OPINION

School reformers need to be careful

Make schools tougher. Require more tests. Lengthen the school day for kindergartners, and set in place a "core curriculum" for high school students.

These were some of the proposals the state Board of Education approved last week, all in the name of "academic excellence."

Who can argue with a noble-sounding goal like that? But sometimes I wonder what "academic excellence" really means.

There's always a danger of going overboard," said Manchester School Superintendent James P. Kennedy in a recent interview.

This particular bandwagon, Kennedy conceded, isn't a bad one.

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Manchester Spotlight

By Sarah E. Hall — Herald Reporter

RHETORIC is replete with tough talk, and with a conquering spirit ("we'll win out over this one!").

But in all the zeal to change things for the better, some have forgotten what's already good about American schools.

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WHILE IT'S DOUBTFUL that the pursuit of "academic excellence" would lead to excluding any particular group of underachievers from the classroom, the kid who's more interested in rebuilding engines, or unmotivated, or "just a little slow" could end up bitter, discouraged, and a high school dropout, some educators warn.

Highly motivated students also might be hurt by stricter

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standards. In other ways, the new "core curriculum" proposed by the state school board could prevent the budding Beethovens and Picassos from taking many of the courses they thrive on.

OF course, any significant social change brings with it its casualties, and in this case, the change may be worth the sacrifice.

OTHER PROBLEMS with the sudden impetus to improve the schools deserve a closer look as well.

For instance, reforms cost money — lots of money.

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and year are highly touted reforms, but many remain unconvicted that existing school time is well spent.

SCHOOL SYSTEMS FACE similar difficulties when it comes to retraining violent or disruptive students — who, Ludes said, have "layer upon layer" of quasi-judicial agencies to protect them.

They need to take the time to notice any possible roadblocks before tripping over them.

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Russian defenses are 'weak'

WASHINGTON — The Soviets' air defense forces in the Far East are surprisingly incompetent. This is the conclusion of intelligence analysts who have studied the circumstances surrounding the destruction of a Korean airliner last September after it violated Soviet air space.

THE incident has convinced some former advocates of the B-1 bomber that this \$20 billion program may no longer be needed.

THE tragic odyssey of Flight 007 showed that an unarmed civilian airliner — its lights on and its radio sending out a frequent signal, flying at a sitting-duck 35,000 feet — was able to penetrate Soviet air space for more than two hours before it was finally tracked down and destroyed.

According to top-secret intelligence analyses, the Russians never even succeeded in identifying what kind of plane they were chasing over some of their most vital military areas.

THE BEST of the Soviet interceptor forces never got within 20 miles of the Korean airliner as it flew over the Kamchatka Peninsula, which is home base for the Soviet Pacific Fleet's ballistic missile submarines.

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Instead of wasting time and money on the B-1, some defense analysts recommend concentrating on the Stealth bomber. One secret Pentagon report says the Stealth could be ready by 1991.

DRUG UPDATE: Both Johnson & Johnson and the Food and Drug Administration have mishandled the controversy over the painkiller Zanax. I've already reported misleading statements the drug firm made in a "briefing paper" circulated in Capitol Hill and inside the FDA.

Prefers union activism

UAW leader stays out of town politics in Bolton

By Sarah Posselt Herald Reporter



Robert Madore union leader lives in Bolton

BOLTON — Bolton resident Robert Madore says he earned his three-degree black belt in martial arts purely for sport, but the union leader says other forms of self-defense are required in his professional life.

Madore said he went to Local 376 officials and asked for a job. He was appointed one of two business agents for the local, a position paid by the UAW International.

Occasionally, when the management of a company "cries poor," management allows union officials to look at company books.

HE THINKS there is a cure for the inflationary effect of workers bargaining for higher wages and benefits while companies raise prices to offset concessions to unions.

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He wanted to get out even though he had been doing union business full-time as shop chairman — a full-time position paid for by Emhart as part of the union's contract.

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latter found they were, Madore said.

Local 376 now bargains for retirement plans rather than profit-sharing, he said. Such plans provide little benefit to short-term employees, Madore conceded, but are the only sure way of laying claim to at least some of a company's assets.

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Connecticut In Brief

Branch closing backed

HARTFORD — A recommendation from a subcommittee of the state Board of Governors for Higher Education for the board to close the University of Connecticut campus in Torrington is to be taken up by the full board Jan. 17.

The recommendation is expected to prompt renewed legislative debate over the fate of the campus, which has five undergraduate branches and is the only sure way of laying claim to at least some of a company's assets.

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ACLU disputes lethal injection as more humane

By Mark A. Dupuis United Press International

HARTFORD — The American Civil Liberties Union has disputed claims execution by injection was more humane than electrocution and urged lawmakers not to adopt use of drugs to carry out death sentences in Connecticut.

"The notion that lethal injection is an antiseptic, hospital-like, clean, gentlemanly method of execution is a figment of the imagination," Henry Schwarzchild, director of the ACLU capital punishment project, said.

Schwarzchild said as an opponent of capital punishment he wasn't urging the state to retain the electric chair as the means of execution, but also wasn't endorsing a change to lethal injections.

"Lethal injection is an attempt to do something well named to kill a human being — that shouldn't be done at all," Schwarzchild told committee members.

The last execution in Connecticut, in which Joseph "Mad Dog" Taborczyk was electrocuted in 1960, was carried out at the former state prison in Wethersfield.

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An editorial

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When faced Monday with the difficult question of whether or not to send former Environmental Protection Administration official Rita Lavelle to jail, U.S. District Judge Norma Johnson stood upon her convictions and took the right course.

Judge Johnson's decision to sentence Miss Lavelle to federal prison for six months, rather than merely impose a fine and probation, should send a strong message to anyone who would violate the public trust while serving in government.

Particulars of the case, as well as the general principle, called for a prison term for Miss Lavelle.

But Miss Lavelle should not have been excused from paying for her offenses simply because of the government's failure to prosecute others.

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Viewpoint

No easy answer on Jackson

Jesse Jackson's Syrian caper was a subject I had decided not to address.

That changed when I was accosted on the street by my local newspaper's inquiring photographer who wanted to know: (1) if I thought Jackson should have undertaken the mission to spring captured Navy aviator Lt. Robert O. Goodman Jr.; and (2) whether Jackson's candidacy for Democratic presidential nomination had benefited as a result.

It was immediately apparent why I had preferred not to address the subject. I have no easy answer.

I don't think there is one, there being so many interrelated pros and cons to be weighed involving the potential for disaster in the current Middle East crisis, the mixing of foreign policy and domestic politics, the rules — or lack of same — of presidential campaigns and the nature of the Jackson candidacy.

Taking that last first, from where I sit it is the most encouraging development in the 1984 presidential contest to date.

I would qualify my agreement with that assessment in only one respect: not merely the Democratic race, the selection of a president period.

The Jackson campaign is skillful and professional. It has not been the exercise in "attribution and radicalism" predicted by colum-



Don Graff Syndicated columnist

not, if they give him an issue? As they do.

That's politics. Just conceivably winning politics, whoever the Democratic nominee turns out to be.

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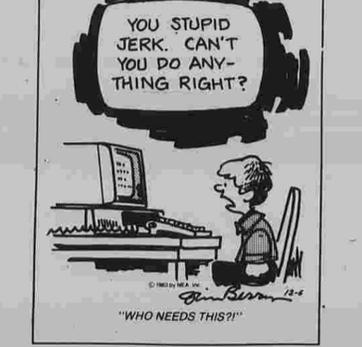
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Water protection asked

HARTFORD — State health officials today asked a legislative committee to give the state increased powers to protect public drinking water supplies in Connecticut.

Disappearance a mystery

NEW HAVEN — The disappearance of Samuel Todd, a Yale Divinity student who was last seen early New Year's Day in New York City, remains a mystery to his family, friends and police.

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Ex-Penney worker says he was fired for union activity

By Kathy Gormus Herald Reporter

HARTFORD — A Manchester man who claims he was fired from the J. C. Penney Catalog Distribution Center because of union activities testified Monday that his supervisors condoned the practice for which the company says it fired him.

Thomas M. Topping, of 20 Steep Hollow Lane, testified at a National Labor Relations Board hearing in the NLRB's Main Street headquarters that his supervisors often told him to sign his employee number to identification documents which had become detached from their cartons.

He said it was common to find about 10 such loose documents every week and that on several occasions, his supervisor even signed Topping's number on a document and turned it in.

"Two other former employees of the warehouse also testified that

the signing of identification documents for which work had not been performed was a common practice, sometimes carried out with the knowledge of supervisors.

Topping, a former bin replenishment clerk, was fired April 13 for "falsification of company documents" after an unidentified carton of women's boots was found on a conveyor belt. A check with the computer showed that the merchandise was supposed to have been unloaded by Topping, the company says.

Bin replenishment clerks are paid according to production based on the number of such documents they turn in.

AFTER THE CARTON was discovered, Leonard G. Leninger, personnel manager, and three of Topping's immediate supervisors met and decided to fire him, according to testimony.

"In our judgement, we feel Tom knew exactly what he was doing,"

Leninger said. "The only way for the computer to show that material was processed was to remove the CID (carton identification document)."

However, Patricia L. Timmins, an NLRB attorney who is representing Topping, tried to establish that there was little proof Topping willfully falsified the document as J. C. Penney claims.

She also said an employee could have framed Topping by turning in a document with his number and leaving the carton to be found.

Topping said that it was "pure chance" that the one carton was found and that attempts to frame an employee that way would be "far too difficult."

However, Topping testified that his termination was the culmination of a series of events which led him to believe he would be fired.

TOPPING SAID THAT when he first made a visit last January to a Teamsters Union

frailer parked near the Penney lot in Manchester, a company security vehicle followed him and parked near the trailer for the duration of his visit. He said he regularly passed out union literature, sometimes anonymously, arranged meetings and kept fellow employees informed of union activities.

"At this time there was tension in the warehouse," he testified. "There was a union trying to organize and the company didn't want it."

Topping said he began questioning his supervisors as to why the company opposed the union and one of them arranged a meeting between Topping and Leninger.

At a 90-minute meeting with Leninger the following day, Leninger produced newspaper and magazine articles about union violence and corruption, Topping said, and told Topping that J. C. Penney "was a leader in the field of employee benefits."

"At some point in our conversation, the subject of termination of employees came up," Topping said. Leninger then gave Topping his assurances that no employee would be fired for union activities, though he promised to "fight fire with fire" if the union tried to organize, Topping said.

HE ALSO SAID Leninger told him that any decision he made to terminate an employee "would stand up in a court of law."

"I felt like I had just left a very powerful man," Topping said when asked by Penney attorney Joe P. Martin if Leninger had intimidated him.

Martin repeatedly asked Topping why he never told anyone he thought he was fired for union activities until he filed a complaint with the NLRB two months later. "I was in a state of shock," Topping said.

"When did that state of shock end?" Martin asked.

"It hasn't," Topping replied. Topping also said that on the advice of his attorney, he did not mention his suspicions at a June unemployment hearing.

"I felt the reason I was terminated was fair enough," he said.

TOPPING IS SEEKING to force the company to reinstate him — though he says he does not wish to return to work there — and to pay for medical expenses incurred from an accident in which he lost his right eye two days after his job-related health insurance expired.

Testimony was expected to be concluded today. Attorneys for J. C. Penney were expected to call four or five witnesses, including Topping's former supervisors.

At the conclusion of the testimony, both parties will have within 30 days to submit written briefs. A decision probably will not be issued for several months, Ms. Timmins said.

similar clashes in the area last week in which six motorists were wounded.

State-run Beirut radio said the fighting started shortly after dawn and began subsiding one hour later.

"The region is quiet but dangerous now," the broadcast reported at noon (5 a.m. EST).

In the occupied southern coastal town of Sidon, Israeli forces tore up fishing nets and searched buildings along Riad Solh Street, the city's main shopping district, the radio said.

"The Israeli occupation forces closed Riad Solh Street and launched a major search of buildings. The Israelis also tore up the nets of local fishermen and told them they will be fired if they go out to sea for fishing," the radio said.

In the Beirut area, French and U.S. forces braced against new violence after two days of attacks in which two more members of the peace-keeping force, a U.S. Marine and a French soldier, were killed.

Some American officials hope the proposed security plan, calling for separation of warring Lebanese factions and declaring Beirut a neutral zone, will allow for the withdrawal of U.S. forces.

Assaults firing automatic weapons and hurling grenades killed one French paratrooper and wounded two others Monday at their observation post in West Beirut.

The three French paratroopers were hit in a blast of grenade and gunfire from assailants who attacked the soldiers' observation post on the north wall of the defenses surrounding their headquarters in West Beirut.

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serious offender program, formerly funded by an outside grant.

• Additional staff at the Early Childhood Center at Marlin School could continue services formerly paid for by federal funds.

• A reading teacher for Keene and Verplank schools so they could continue services formerly paid for by federal funds.

• A vocational rehabilitation counselor for the Regional Occupational Training Center.

• A partial subsidy for band uniforms at Iling Junior High School.

• And limited funds to send gifted youth to the Talcott Mountain Science Center.

Kennedy encouraged board members to schedule a vote on the Highland Park closure, and review the controversial issue in light of available funds. A vote has been tentatively scheduled for Jan. 30.

Results of tests are high

By Sarah E. Hall Herald Reporter

For the second time in less than a week, Manchester school officials have been buoyed by reports of higher-than-average student test scores.

Iowa Tests of Basic Skills results, released to the school board Monday, showed that students in grades 2, 4, and 8 scored well above the national average in both reading and math. Late last week, local scores on the state Ninth Grade Proficiency Test came in at an all-time high.

The students in Manchester consistently score at or above the national standards. Allan B. Chesterton, director of pupil personnel services, told board members, intelligence tests, given along with the Iowa tests in October, show a slight rise in Manchester IQ scores, he added.

On the Iowa Tests, Manchester students exceeded the national means by nearly a full point in every area except second grade math, where the 2-point average local score just edged out the 2.1-point national one. Local fourth graders topped the 4.1-point national math mean for their grade level by .8 points, sixth graders their 6.1-point national mean by 0.3 points, and eighth graders their 8.1-point national mean by 0.7 points.

On the ninth-grade proficiency tests, 11.5 percent of the students met the State Level of Expected Proficiency this school year than last.

The new elementary math program marks a "big turnaround" in math performance in local schools, board member Bernice E. "Bunny" Cobb said. The Iowa Test math scores for Manchester are slightly up in grades four and six over last school year, though they remained the same in grades two and eight.

Eighth grade reading scores dipped by one point this school year, though reading scores in all grades exceeded the national norms by at least 0.7 points.

Chesterton said the high scores, especially the proficiency test ones, put school officials in a tough position. "There is really no other place to go but down," he pointed out, echoing a concern voiced earlier by school superintendent James P. Kennedy.

SUMMARY OF BUDGET BY MAJOR PROGRAMS					
	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE 1982-83	CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS 1983-84	REGULAR BUDGET 1984-85	BUDGET INCREASE 1984-85	TOTAL REQUEST 1984-85
Regular Instructional Programs	\$9,791,061	\$10,476,705	\$11,073,303	\$596,598	569
General Support Programs	\$836,837	\$884,330	\$970,072	\$85,742	970
Pupil Personnel/Special Education Programs	\$2,809,016	\$3,143,475	\$3,683,748	\$540,273	17,19
Support and Administrative Programs*	\$6,408,364	\$6,708,781	\$7,211,268	\$502,487	7,49
TOTAL	\$19,845,278	\$21,213,291	\$22,938,391	\$1,725,100	8,13

*These programs include Transportation, Building Maintenance and Plant Operation

Major expenditures in school superintendent James P. Kennedy's recommended 1984-85 budget are outlined in the chart above, which includes comparative figures from previous years.

Administration is blasted for assuming school closing

Board of Education members Monday blasted the school administration for assuming in the superintendent's recommended budget that Highland Park School would close in June and could be used for an adolescent day treatment center thereafter.

"I think rather than have a school budgeted out of existence, it should be voted on by elected members of the board," said Democratic board member Richard W. Dyer. He complained that, as superintendent James P. Kennedy's budget is now proposed, the closure of Highland Park is a "fait accompli."

"I'm not going to sit back and let a budget determine what should be determined by the Board of Education," Dyer said. Republican board members, H. John Malone and Gloria DellaFera echoed his concerns.

Kennedy responded that the

assumption that Highland Park would close was a matter of financial priorities, or determining the best uses for \$17 million dollars. The closure would save the school system \$235,805, he pointed out, which he planned to use \$217,200 for the following school year improvements.

• A \$94,000 adolescent day treatment center in the Highland Park school building, which, Kennedy said, could save out-of-district tuition costs of \$500,000 over five years. "It would certainly pay for itself within the first one or two years," he said. For each local student enrolled at the center who would otherwise have been sent to a special, out-of-district school, Manchester would save about \$9,000, he estimated.

• Special math and computer training for elementary teachers.

• A Youth Services worker for the

Fighting renewed as Syria knocks pullout agreement

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — Lebanese troops traded mortar and machine-gun fire today with Syrian-backed Druze Muslim militiamen near the U.S. Marine base south of Beirut and Israeli forces threatened fishermen in Sidon.

The renewed violence came as Syria charged that the Lebanese-Israeli troop withdrawal agreement was the major problem in ending the fighting.

"The Americans and the Israelis are in the same trench," said an official Damascus radio commentator.

"Because of that, the Lebanese should not yield to American pressures aimed at persuading them to keep the May 17 accord."

The radio criticized the U.S. role in urging the Lebanese not to cancel the agreement, under which an Israeli military pullout from Lebanon is contingent on Syria withdrawing its estimated 40,000 troops.

"The American pressure on the Lebanese to keep the accord serves the Zionist interests," the radio said. "The May 17 accord remains the major stumbling block to attempts to unify Lebanon."

The comment came hours after the Syrian foreign minister ended talks in Saudi Arabia with his Lebanese and Saudi counterparts to facilitate the execution of a plan aimed at ending the fighting.

U.S. Middle East envoy Donald Rumsfeld was in Jerusalem today on an unannounced visit to confer with Israeli Foreign Ministry officials. He was not scheduled to meet with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

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Center Stage

Tracy Geoghegan



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O'Neill still opposed to keeping pike tolls

HARTFORD (UPI) — Gov. William O'Neill said today he remains opposed to continuing turnpike tolls, but may have to change his stand if the Legislature opts for continued tolls to finance highway and bridge repairs.

O'Neill said he did not intend to ask the Legislature to retain tolls to pay the state's estimated \$1.6 billion share of a 10-year, \$2.2 billion road, bridge and dam repair program recommended by a task force last week.

However, he said he might have to reconsider his opposition to tolls if lawmakers opt to repeal a toll removal plan enacted last year to finance the infrastructure repair plan.

"I don't think tolls is the way to go. I've stated that over and over again," O'Neill said at a news conference. "However, if my propositions are not purchased by the General Assembly, we're going to have to find some ways to raise those dollars."

The Governor's Infrastructure Task Force, which recommended the \$2.2 billion road, bridge and dam repair plan, called for financing the work with higher gasoline taxes and fees for motor vehicle registrations and licenses.

Some lawmakers, however, have said they will seek to repeal the toll removal law, which calls for ending toll collections on the Connecticut Turnpike and three Hartford-area bridges, and continue the tolls to finance road repairs.

Researchers track metabolism

NEW HAVEN (UPI) — Yale University researchers have developed a technique a spokesman said may allow diagnosis of malfunctioning body tissue — including the brain, heart and lungs — without exposing it to radiation or other harmful agents.

The researchers use magnetic forces to monitor changes in the chemical functioning of the brain and other vital organs, offering for the first time a continuous picture of changes in the health of nearly any part of the body.

The technique, unveiled Monday, uses a spectrometer to measure a process called nuclear magnetic resonance. NMR, NMR machines, reading signals from water are already used in hospitals to provide images of the human body.

The Yale researchers, led by Robert G. Shulman, professor of molecular biophysics and biochemistry, and James W. Prichard, professor of neurology, went even further. They measured radio signals transmitted by hydrogen protons in living tissue, reflecting metabolic activity.

"This NMR technique will eventually give doctors the ability to monitor metabolism in the human brain during serious illness, such as coma and stroke," Shulman said. Prichard said, "Similarly, the technique may be used to diagnose the progress of heart attacks and liver malfunction," he said.

Unlike X-rays, including CAT scans, which use radiation, NMR measurements present no known hazard to living tissue.

It has been used on arms and legs, those of the researchers, which could fit inside.

Manchester police roundup

A Manchester man facing drug charges in connection with an incident last September in the Manchester Parkade has told the town he expects to be reimbursed for \$2,000 worth of camera equipment he claims disappeared from his car after police impounded it.

Vernon attorney Joseph D. Courtney has filed notice with the town clerk that his client Gary Olsvaver, of 73 Seaman Circle, holds the town responsible for the camera equipment.

Olsvaver said that, when he got police permission to remove everything in his car, which was being held as evidence at a local garage, he found that camera equipment worth \$2,000 was missing. Olsvaver said police told him they were not holding his

Suspect claims cameras missing

camera equipment at police headquarters.

Asked Monday if police had found camera equipment in the car when they impounded it on Broad Street, police spokesman Gary Wood said he didn't know because he had not seen an inventory.

Olsvaver was arrested Sept. 8, after police saw several people smoking suspected marijuana or hashish in a car parked outside David's bar, police have said.

Police approached the car, the driver started in reverse, apparently attempting to hit the officers, police have said.

As the car went into reverse, the person on the passenger's side threw open his door, also trying to hit an officer, police said. Police pulled the passenger, later identified as Donald S. Whorff, 18, from the car, they said.

But the driver, later identified as Olsvaver, tried once again to run over an officer before speeding away down Broad Street, police said.

Police chased his car to a spot near the Manchester Amusement Center, where they found it abandoned, police have said.

Two of its four doors were open, and the driver was nowhere in sight, police said.

Police said they found and confiscated a pipe that appeared to have been used to smoke hashish, and jars with suspected hashish oil, hashish and marijuana.

Olsvaver was later arrested on a warrant and charged with attempted first-degree assault.

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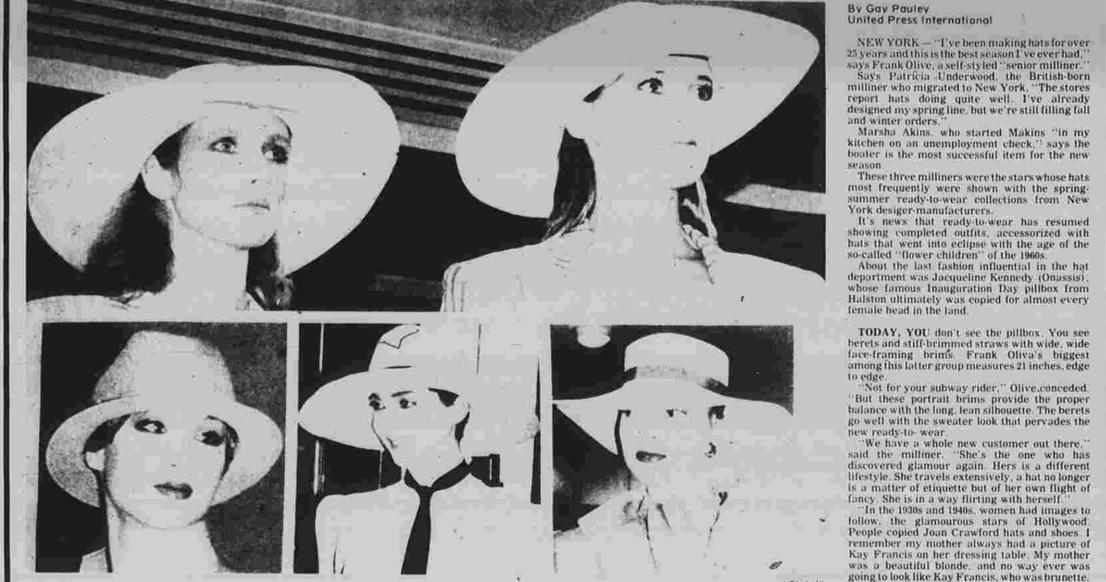


"Of Mice and Men" by John Steinbeck runs through Jan. 29 at the Hartford Stage Company. Damien Leake as Crook, standing, and Edward O'Neill as Steinbeck discuss the Edward.

FOCUS / Leisure

Hats on!

Wide-brimmed and extravagant — that's the news for spring



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Advice First cousins can marry, says Massachusetts expert

DEAR ABBY: A letter appeared recently in your column in the Brockton (Mass.) Enterprise from "Kathleen," whose son wanted to marry his first cousin. Kathleen's letter stated that first cousins could not marry in Massachusetts. Abby, for some strange reason, this is a common misconception among the citizens of this state: first cousins can marry in Massachusetts.



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

My office phoned Elaine Trudreau in Boston to thank her for the above information, and to inquire "What types of marriages would be legal in other states, but not in Massachusetts?" You replied that a valid marriage is valid in every state.

What is not in Massachusetts? If Massachusetts' residents go to another state to contract a marriage that cannot be legally performed in Massachusetts, and said couple return to continue to live in Massachusetts, their marriage would not be valid in the state of Massachusetts.

ELAINE TRUDEAU, REGISTRAR, REGISTRY OF VITAL RECORDS, BOSTON, MA



Opening as LBJ

Hollywood makeup man Charles Scham makes final adjustments to makeup on the face of actor Jack Klugman as Klugman readies himself for the Jan. 31 debut of his one-man show "Lyndon" in

Washington, D.C. The show, which opens at Washington's Kennedy Center, is a candid portrait of Lyndon Baines Johnson and his turbulent career as president of the United States.

On television tonight

'License to Kill' stirs anger

By Julianne Hastings
United Press International

NEW YORK — The slaughter of a bright high school girl in an accident involving a drunk driver and the effects of the senseless tragedy on two families is the subject of the CBS movie tonight, "License to Kill."

General Motors is the major sponsor of the movie special, which airs 9-11 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Kristen Vigard plays Lynne Peterson, a high school honor student who dies on the eve of her graduation when her car is hit head-on by a car driven by Tom Fiske (Don Murray).

Fiske, a successful businessman, had been drinking at the country club with his associates just prior to the accident. He is distraught, but his wife, an accident is an accident.

comment on how skinny and young he is. I'm going down one bra size and my pants barely stay on. I eat three meals a day. Other than chasing my two children around, I'm not very active. I'm not losing two pounds a month. I also feel run down and when I stand up, I feel like I'm going to faint. I take vitamins and prescription iron pills.

The doctor just says I should be happy I don't have a weight problem.

DEAR READER: Better see a different doctor. Unexplained weight loss is usually because of a medical disorder. High on the list is a thyroid gland. Thyroid and diabetes, though there are other causes.

Meanwhile, do the opposite of what we recommend for losing body fat. Eat more and cut between meals. Eat high-calorie foods and decrease your exercise. Since I weigh 110 pounds, but recently I've lost 10 pounds, your weight loss is explained.

Stapedectomy will not help all types of hearing problems

DEAR DR. LAMB: I'm 63 and in fairly good health, but I am hard of hearing. At first I thought people spoke in low voices and their enunciation was poor. Finally I realized I had a hearing problem.



Your Health
Lawrence Lamb, M.D.

vibrate may indeed restore the hearing in some patients.

But many people have a different form of hearing loss that is related to the hearing cells in the inner ear, the hearing nerve itself or the hearing cells in the brain. When this is the problem, stapedectomy will not help at all.

When surgery cannot correct a hearing loss, hearing aids often are of great value. There are some differences in the types of hearing aids that should be used. A good ear, nose and throat specialist or audiologist should be able to match the proper type of hearing aid with the form of hearing loss that is present.

DEAR DR. LAMB: I'm a 20-year-old, 5-foot-4-inch woman. Since I was 13 I've weighed 110 pounds, but recently I've lost 10 pounds.

Friends and family comment on how skinny and young he is. I'm going down one bra size and my pants barely stay on. I eat three meals a day. Other than chasing my two children around, I'm not very active. I'm not losing two pounds a month. I also feel run down and when I stand up, I feel like I'm going to faint. I take vitamins and prescription iron pills.

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Marijuana isn't 'addictive,' but can lead to 'dependency'

DEAR DR. BLAKER: I didn't think it was possible but I think I am addicted to marijuana. I had always been told that there was no such thing as marijuana addiction.



Ask
Dr. Blaker
Karen Blaker, Ph.D.

There is help available. By admitting that you have a problem you have taken the first step towards maintaining a drug-free life-style.

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Many want theater seats

NEW HAVEN (UPI) — There was a waiting line when the Shubert Performing Arts Center box office opened for business selling tickets to the Jan. 21 opening night performance in the refurbished theater.

Ron McDermott, 51, of Branford was first in line and he arrived four hours before the 10 a.m. opening Monday for the privilege.

The landscaper brought a pair of \$50 tickets so he could attend the show with his wife Audrey on their 32nd anniversary.

McDermott said he was also first behind the scenes when the inside of the old Shubert Theater were auctioned off.

The opening night performance is a musical revue called "White the Shubert Stage." It features numbers from hit Broadway musicals that ran during the seven years that the Shubert was closed.

They seek best eyes

WETHERSFIELD (UPI) — The Connecticut Society to Prevent Blindness is looking for the man or woman with the most beautiful eyes in the state, eyes that might not be as beautiful without proper care and protection.

The selection of the man or woman will be the highlight of "A Celebration of Sight," a dinner-dance March 10 honoring the society's Wise Owl Club.

The more than 2,500 members are Connecticut residents whose eyesight has been saved by wearing eye protection at the time of a potentially blinding accident.

Celebrity judges including make-up artist Peter Shen of Prince Matchabelli will select the winner. The grand prize is a one-week trip for two to Hawaii.

The competition is open to the public and entry forms are available from the 72 Photomat stores in the state and from WTNH-TV in New Haven or by calling the society in Madison.

Knitting leads field in popularity

By Guy Pauley
United Press International

NEW YORK (UPI) — There are 27 million of you out there, knitters all. Untold millions more join you in some other type of needlework.

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Magnetic field

Each sunspot is enormously powerful magnetic field pours out streams of electrified particles that can cause radio signals to bounce frantically about the Earth. During one sunspot peak, London television viewers were started to hear a New York taxi dispatcher ordering a driver to proceed to Flatbush Avenue.

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Alaska, Olympics, FDIC and Truman first stamps in '84



HARRY S. TRUMAN STAMP to be released Jan. 26

The first of our 1984 stamps came out at the University of Alaska in Fairbanks just a week ago. You can see a many-pronged caribou head with background of tundra, the oil pipeline, and Mount McKinley. The stamp celebrates the 25th year of coinage in the United States.

On the day after tomorrow, the 12th, in Washington, D.C., we will have the first day ceremonies for the 50th anniversary of the ubiquitous FDIC (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation). The design shows the top of a rugged pillar with a dollar symbol inside. This 20-cent stamp comes in six colors. It is meant to convey a your-money-is-safe feeling, and it does, but it will not be a threat in the most attractive stamp of '84 competition.

The dominant stamp of the month is the Harry S. Truman head coming on the 26th. Here his name is shown complete with the superfluous period after the "S." (Harry told people over and over that the initial was not an initial and should stand alone.) The World Almanac explains that there was a family argument over whether baby Harry was named after grandfather Shippe or grandfather Solomon, so the upshot was an unadorned S.

Collectors' Corner

Russ MacKendrick

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mystery stories), will take part in the ceremonies on Capitol Hill. The stamp vignette will be all in black, in the same format as the previous issues in the Great American definitive series — the Ralph Bunche (1982), and the Thomas Gallaudet (1983).

Also this month, in Washington this month, from the Children's Museum on the 31st, we will have another of the stamps slanted toward Valentine's Day, weddings, anniversaries and similar warm greetings. It spells out LOVE, using a heart for the "O" — this five times. This seems better than the LOVE of 1973 where the "O" is falling on its side, but less charming than the intertwined flowers spelling out the word in 1972.

GOOD NEWS FROM THE STAMP CATALOG FRONT: A letter from the H.E. Harris & Company, Inc., (who owns I now's) states that their US/BNA book due in March, will show major price revisions which will accurately reflect the changed market.

TONIGHT: First meeting of the year for members of the Manchester Philatelic Society at Mott's Community Hall, 587 E. Middle Turnpike. 6:30 to 9. Visitors always welcome.

Vintage goods still productive

Household items of bygone days are now collectibles

buy and use the original. Sources ranging from thrift shops to garage sales to church bazaars to the full-fledged antique show provide many interesting bargains. For example, a brand-new 1925 Hotpoint iron recently was purchased at a thrift shop in upstate New York. The iron, still in its original box, with wrapping and instructions intact, looks and works perfectly... for only \$8. It is used for pressing shirts, but looks good just sitting on a shelf.

A trip to a Salvation Army store produced a well-preserved, General Electric clock radio from the late 1940s — one of the first of its kind. The tube radio — AM only — since FM's popularity was still a

decade away — sounds fine; the clock keeps accurate time and features unusual Roman numerals. A virtual novelty, and only \$5. A futuristic 1948 Crosley radio was \$7 at a New York street fair, and a 1950 Westinghouse model cost \$10 at a dealers' emporium in Pennsylvania. Both look and work well.

If air-conditioning isn't a requirement, a brass-bladed fan might provide a cool solution as well as a decorating novelty. A perfect 14-inch Century oscillating fan from pre-World War I was purchased for \$55 at a Long Island shopping mall, only slightly more than a modern product but far more of a conversation piece. A

1925 Polar Cub miniature fan in poor condition was \$15 and provides a kitchen breeze to clear out cooking odors. Kitchen items are abundant at thrift shops, particularly chrome toasters with decorative side panels. A Hotpoint toaster from the 1920s — the original model where the slice of bread was placed inside a hinged panel and removed manually — is a durable item that sells in the \$25-\$35 range. The "newer" popper models cost less and are more practical. A Toast-master from the early 50s was \$2 at a rummage sale and a perfect '40s Proctor-Silex) with grates made for an interesting project. Three days of work — stripping,

sanding, spray painting and new rubber molding — and at a cost of \$275 produced a beautiful antique white vintage appliance that works perfectly for storing beer, wine and soda. A new refrigerator would have been easier, but more money and nowhere as much fun.

1930s typewriters are readily available, and at good prices. A Remington Noisless 5 desk model in excellent condition was just \$40 at a tag sale and a Remington 5 portable is a durable example that cost \$8. Both are cast iron and therefore heavy, but the desk model is a crabmer's work of art and the portable is constructed to take a pounding.

Here's why exercise plays important role in slimming

By Cherry Lowman
Special to the Herald



Beauty Improvement Plan
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It's not too late to join thousands of other folks who are following my Eight-Week Beauty Improvement Plan (BIP), now in its second week. In less than seven weeks, they are going to feel better, look prettier and enjoy life more. If you'd like to lose from 15 to 20 pounds in just eight short weeks, send for a BIP KIT.

Exercise burns up calories; and if you exercise while reducing you will not have to cut your food intake so drastically to lose weight. A little more exercise and a little less food is the magic formula. If you reduce this way it will be much more pleasant and more successful.

Exercise does take some effort, and you have to make time for it in your daily routine. Although the ease and mix with fresh big olives, chopped, and 1/2 cup of cucumber, chopped. Split one round of pita bread

in half, open the pocket on each side and fill with the Feta mixture. Black coffee or tea with lemon.

FOR MEN (620 calories): At breakfast, use a whole banana. At lunch, have a second Feta cheese sandwich. At dinner, add 1 cup of spaghetti dressed with chopped parsley and 2 teaspoons of margarine. Add 1/2 cup of grapes to lunch or dinner.

My BIP KIT tells you everything you always wanted to know about losing 20 pounds. If you miss any part of this series and would like the kit send \$1 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request to Cherry Lowman, in care of the Manchester Herald, P.O. Box 591, Manchester, CT 06604.

Woodward. The standard of Windsor is said to have knitted his own argyle socks. Playwright Tad Rosell crochets argyle socks for friends and is a worker on his bedspread. He won a Pulitzer Prize for his play, "All the Way Home."

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About Town

St. Margaret Circle to meet

St. Margaret Circle, Daughters of Isabella, will meet tonight at 7:30 at First Federal Savings and Loan Association, 344 W. Middle Turnpike.

Come for a story

BOLTON — Bentley Memorial Library will have a story time for preschool children age 3 and up beginning Wednesday from 10:30 to 11 a.m. The series will continue each Wednesday until Feb. 29. Registration is necessary. Call 646-7249.

DAR to meet Thursday

The Orford Parish, Daughters of the American Revolution, will meet Thursday at 12:30 p.m. at the Center Congregational Church, 11 Center St. Mrs. Warren LeFort is hostess. She will be assisted by Mrs. Howard Amos, Mrs. John Darling, Mrs. Hoyt Sisson, Mrs. Frank Steele, John Darby, Elbridge Cobham.

John Zakarian, editorial page editor of the Hartford Courant, will speak. Guests are welcome.

'LifeLine' is on agenda

The Manchester Green AARP 2399 will meet Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the Community Baptist Church, 585 E. Center Street. David Morgan from Manchester Memorial Hospital will speak on "LifeLine," a new telephone hook-up service with the hospital's emergency room.

B'nai B'rith discusses Israel

The Charter Oak Lodge of B'nai B'rith will meet Sunday at 3 p.m. at Temple Beth Shalom, 400 W. Middle Turnpike.

Eitan Ben Yossif will discuss current life in Israel. He is director of Israel Programs and head of the Israeli Information Service to the Hartford Jewish Community Center.

He has lived in the development town of Katzin in the Golan Heights. He and his wife were pioneers and settlers to the town in 1977, and he headed the community center in Katzin. He has served in the Israeli Army as captain of a tank command group.

He will speak about study opportunities in Israel for high school youth and adults. The meeting is open to the public.

Polish night planned

Manchester Lodge of Elks will have a Polish night Saturday at the lodge home on Bissell Street. A Polish dinner will be served at 7 p.m. and dancing to the Promium Orchestra will follow. Chairman of the event is Lesz Zabaha. Chef is Walter Ziemiak and decorations are by Raymond Zimmerman. The event is open to Elks and their guests. Tickets are available from Jerry Fournier. Call 646-9282.

Learn about mental health

The Unitarian Women's Federation will sponsor a program on women and mental health Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Society-East, 153 W. Vernon St.

Claudia Ryan, clinical coordinator of Manchester Memorial Hospital's mental health center, and Beverly Wagner, staff nurse, will speak. Topics will include women's life cycle, female roles, and the impact of the woman's movement on the emotional health and illness of women.

Ramsey installed

Neil Ramsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Ramsey of 31 Astum St., was recently installed as pastor, councilor for John Mather chapter of DeMolay. The chapter is sponsored by the Manchester Lodge of Masons.

Other officers installed were Scott Auden, senior councilor; Vincent Liscomb, junior councilor; Scott Gowdy, senior deacon; Scott Liscomb, junior deacon.

Also Peter Alyn, senior steward; Frank Lea, junior steward; Scott Custer, orator; Scott Gaudin, chaplain; Corey Wayland, marshal.

Also Donald Wright, Hugh Bledgett, Sam Norman, Derek Green, Tom Topping, Bob Hollowell, preceptors; and Richard Gagnon, treasurer.

James Clifford, Daniel Hanson, Donald Wright, William Strickland, and Scott Custer, installed the officers. James McKay provided the music.

Mos. s and tots to meet

The Manchester Recreation Department will sponsor a new set of classes for mothers and children ages 1 and 2 beginning Jan. 25. Classes will meet Wednesdays from 9:30 to 10 a.m. for eight weeks at Winger's Gymnastic School on Main Street. Call 647-3989.

Here's how to adopt

HARTFORD — Child and Family Services will sponsor a program on adoption Jan. 17 from 7:00 to 9 p.m. at the agency headquarters, 1880 Albany Ave.

The program will focus on adoption of minority children, children with emotional and medical problems, and older Caucasian children.

Refreshments will be served. The public is invited. Call 236-4511.

Check your blood pressure

The Rite Aid Pharmacy will sponsor a free blood pressure screening Jan. 28 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 361 Main St. No appointments are necessary.

Pharmacists will answer questions about high blood pressure medication. Call 649-9110.

Handweavers meet

GLASTONBURY — The Handweavers Guild of Connecticut will meet Jan. 21 at the Congregational Church, 16 High St.

At 10 a.m. several guild members will display weavings from Greece, Scandinavia and Guatemala. At 1:30 p.m. Miriam Chesley will present a lecture and give a demo on the tape loom. There will also be a display of ethnic weavings.

The event is open to the public. Guest fee is \$2.50. Snow date is Jan. 29.

Families needed for students

The American Scandinavian Student Exchange is seeking local families to serve as hosts for 15 Scandinavian, German, Swiss and British high school students for the 1984-85 school year.

The students, who are 16 and 17 years old, are fluent in English and are carefully selected for the program based on their high school performance, good character and interest in the ASSE program.

They are covered by insurance and will have adequate money for personal needs. The host family furnishes meals and housing.

Families interested in serving as hosts should contact the area representative, Sally Ingle of Farmington, 673-4821.

Manchester Yesterdays

Main Street was center of activity

By Ed Atkinson
Special to the Herald

The Main Street of Manchester in the 1920s and 1930s was quite different from the Main Street of today. At that period, when chain stores, shopping centers and parkades had not yet appeared, the center of business activity was on Main Street.

As a 10-year-old, I can recall walking with my Dad down a crowded sidewalk on the east side of Main Street on a Thursday or Saturday night when stores were open until 9 p.m. It was an evening not only to shop for bargains, but also to greet and talk with friends. The newspaper headlines of the day were discussed as well as local events, and people talked about their working experiences at Cheney Brothers, where the majority of residents were employed.

The popular stores of that era included Hale's Department Store, H.E. House Clothing Store, Watkins Brothers, Marlow's, Thom McAnn, Metter's Smoke Shop, F.T. Blish Hardware, Manchester Plumbing & Supply, Manchester Public Market, Packard's Drug, Magnell's Drug, Murphy's Restaurant (and bowling alley), and McClellan's (forerunner of Fairway).

On Thursday nights, the local Salvation Army Corps held an orchestra service at the corner of Birch and Main. I can still see the big bass drummer in the center of the ring and hear the music, songs and testimonies. One of the band members at that time was Harold Turkington Sr., who subsequently was Manchester's Mayor for several years.

Other places on Main Street that remain in my memory are the State and Hiato theaters where we sat entranced watching silent movies and serials on Saturday afternoons for 10 cents admission. The Riato Theater, which was located adjacent to the Salvation Army Citadel, was preceded by the old Park Theater, which had Saturday matinees for only a nickel.

In the 20s, our favorite movie stars were Lon Chaney, Charlie Chaplin, Tom Mix, Ken Maynard, Harold Lloyd, Marie Dressler, and Wallace Berry. Our own Collins Driggs was at the console of the State Theatre organ, providing music and sound effects for the silent movies. And who could forget the amateur programs on Saturday afternoons arranged by Jack Sanson, long-time manager of the State

theater. Those were also the days of Bank Niles and Dish Nites when patrons could collect sets of dishware by attending Wednesday night shows.

As a young lad, I can recall joining a crowd of people watching a daredevil "Evil Knivel" who those days as he climbed to the top of the Hotel Sheridan, Manchester's seven or eight-story "skyscraper" (located across from the present Mary Cheney Library).

A familiar scene in June of each year was the parade of the graduating class of Manchester High School, marching proudly from the old high school (later the Bennett School and now being converted into apartments) to the State Theatre for graduating exercises.

These are a few of my pleasant memories of what Main Street in Manchester was like over 50 years ago.

Editor's note: Ed Atkinson lives at 102 Oxford St. Do you have a Manchester memory you'd like to share with Manchester Herald readers? Perhaps you remember your first church picnic or the night the garage burned down or the day your brother enlisted in the navy. Submit a photo if one is available. If your submission is used, we'll pay you \$5. Photos will be returned; submissions will not.

Yankee Traveler

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SPORTS

Ehrlich reign in jeopardy

Wendy Ehrlich's reign as women's division champion at the Ellington-Ridge Country Club over the last decade is in jeopardy.

Nancy McHugh is already eyeing the 1984 competition for the most prestigious championship among the fairer sex members at Ellington-Ridge. McHugh is the former Nancy Narkon who demonstrated her clear superiority as the No. 1 female golfer in the Manchester Country Club during a five-year reign that started in 1976 and



Nancy Narkon McHugh

ended in 1980 when she stepped up the competition.

Both Ehrlich and McHugh are well known in Connecticut and New England competition. The former has been a regular in the finals for the Connecticut State Women's Tournament in 1978, losing to Leslie Shannon.

McHugh has played out of the U.S. Open in her first test against the LPGA pros.

McHugh has played out of the Tallwood Country Club the last two years but will be in the Ellington-Ridge membership book this season along with her husband, Bruce, who is also a fine golfer.

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Dubois going for gold, and whatever is beyond

By Rich Cahill
Herald Sports Writer

HARTFORD — There are 20 people in the room, but it is silent except for the pop of leather, an occasional grunt and the twang of a jump rope repeatedly striking the wooden floor. If one stretches the imagination, the theme from "Rocky" almost can be heard.

The place, the Universal Life Gym on Charter Oak Avenue in Hartford, is a throwback to another era. Boxing posters cover the walls. Dim lights shine on the roped-off area in the center. Young men train in the organized manner they hope will lead to a different way of life.

One of them is Glen Dubois of North Main Street, Manchester. He has been training at the gym for a year in preparation for an amateur boxing career which has begun to take shape.

Dubois became a boxer through a friendship with Czerwinski's son Steve, a former student at East Catholic High School. Stan Czerwinski saw the two boxing in Czerwinski's garage, and invited

him to the gym. Steve Czerwinski gave up the sport when he took a larger role in his father's East Hartford construction business.

As of Monday, Dubois also works in that business. He quit his job at the Manchester Lumber Company and accepted a job offer from Czerwinski. He will be able to do three miles of road work each day while on the job.

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He will find out this week or next when Dubois' third fight will be. If he wins the tournament in Holyoke, Dubois, a 139-pound lightweight, will go on to the national Golden Gloves competition.

Dubois' father has gone to both fights. His mother went to Saturday's bout, and became so nervous that her son couldn't see the fight.

"I've heard about it, and I read it. I don't think about that. If you're good enough, you don't get hit. You won't get hurt."

Czerwinski said he will end Dubois' career if it becomes apparent that he is susceptible to injury. "I don't sell meat," he said. "I don't want to eat my own conviction that a kid gets hurt with me."

He never admitted it until after the game, and yet, it was pretty evident he felt he could deliver the blow if he were willing to sign him and if it were able to draft him.

The Maulers got their next big break when they won a league conducted lottery held over New Year's weekend to determine which of the six expansion teams would draft first.

Heddeston and Maulers president Frank DeBartolo until this past weekend. Heddeston said, "There were signatures on both sides Tuesday night (Jan. 3), and there were no plans to bail out of the contract."

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He will find out this week or next when Dubois' third fight will be. If he wins the tournament in Holyoke, Dub

BUSINESS

Business In Brief

Times Fiber names exec

WALLINGFORD — Colin J. O'Brien has been named executive vice president and assistant to the chairman of Times Fiber Communications Inc. effective Jan. 30, 1984.

O'Brien is vice president and deputy group executive of General Instrument Corp.'s Broadband Communications Group, responsible for all General Instrument's cable television operations worldwide.

Previously, O'Brien was general manager and largest president of the entire Jerrold Division, the largest segment of General Instrument's operations.

Auditor appointed

BRIDGEPORT — The Hydraulic Co. has named Mark R. Trojanowski of North Haven its new manager for internal auditing.

The Hydraulic Co. is parent of Bridgeport Hydraulic Co., a public water supply company serving approximately 360,000 customers in 17 towns in cities in Fairfield, New Haven and Litchfield counties.

Pratt engine passes tests

EAST HARTFORD — Pratt & Whitney says its new version of the F100, a top-selling military engine, has passed high durability tests.

The company said Sunday the extensive tests on its improved version of the F100 show the engine's maintenance costs can be reduced by more than 50 percent.

The new test results, if accepted by the Air Force, provide Pratt & Whitney with a response to claims by chief competitor, General Electric, that its engine is more rugged than Pratt's F100.

Pratt & GE have been involved in stiff competition for an estimated \$10 billion to \$14 billion in fighter engine business with the Pentagon over the next several years.

The competition between the two companies, which has been dubbed "The Great Engine War" at the Pentagon, is scheduled to be decided later this month.

Chosen as outstanding by forest institute

Tree farm joins technology with ingenuity

By Rod Clarke
United Press International

JOHNSON, Vt. — There is a noticeable glint of pride and just a touch of wistfulness in Dave Marvin's eyes as he stands in the doorway of his sugarbush and surveys the panoramic vista overlooking his 600 acres.

"My dad used to enjoy coming up here to help out," he said. "A lot has changed since then, but I think he'd still enjoy it."

James Marvin, who died in 1977, left an indelible mark on Vermont's forest industry. A botany professor at the University of Vermont and a pioneer in maple sugar research, he bought the family land back in the 1950's for sugarbush development.

Now his son is carrying on that tradition in his own way, running one of the nation's most successful tree farms, a diverse melding of modern technology and Yankee ingenuity.

In October, Marvin was named by the American Forest Institute as the National Outstanding Tree Farmer of 1983, a somewhat surprising choice, since the competition included vast corporate operations in the west and south.

"The fact that they are so successful with a relatively small tract of land makes them unique," says University of Vermont extension forester Thom McEvoy, who heads the state tree farm committee.

"We're unusual because we're small," says Marvin.

Last year, Marvin's Butternut Mountain Tree Farm high in the Green Mountains produced 3,600 gallons of maple syrup, 1,500 Christmas trees, 150 cords of firewood, 75 cords of pulpwood and 50,000 feet of saw logs.

That mix, coupled with a willingness to play most of the profit back into the land, makes Marvin one of the few tree farmers in the state able to earn almost all his income from the operation.

"You need to be diversified in order to make a living just tree farming. We're like a Mom and Pop store, working seven days a week," said Marvin who runs the operation with his wife, a full-time employee, several part-time workers and an occasional college intern.

But Marvin, a 1970 UVM graduate who majored — not surprisingly — in forestry, acknowledged tree farming does provide a bit more freedom than dairy farming. It may be demanding, but trees don't have to be milked twice a day, every day.

Such comparisons are natural in a state with an economy dominated by dairy farming.

"Like the dairy farmer, we have a large capital investment in land and equipment," he said. "But unlike the dairy farmer, we're responsible for marketing our products directly."

This month they shipped 2,600 balsam Christmas trees off to market — trees Marvin started raising from seed 12 years ago.

He also does most of his own logging, but it is maple that is the centerpiece of the Butternut Mountain Tree Farm.

Sap from 16,000 taps flows into Marvin's sugarbush, much of it through 100 miles of underground vacuum tubing, making it one of the state's largest sugaring operations.

It is stored in four 8,000-gallon steel tanks Marvin purchased from an old brewery; the evaporators are run off a large steam boiler he obtained from a milk plant.

The beauty of the steam is that it's controlled heat, well under the scorch point (of syrup), he said.

Marvin also has begun producing a relatively new maple product, granulated sugar made from low-grade syrup that would otherwise be difficult to market.

The family handles its own packaging and sales, and utilizes a computerized accounting system to keep track of finances.

In short, the maple business has

grown like "Topsy."

"When we started, everybody said, 'build a sugarbush twice as large as we did,'" Marvin said. "We built one one-third the size, and now we're doing it three times."

Marvin, meanwhile, takes pride in the fact that the farm provides his family with the tangibles most people spend a lifetime pursuing — a livelihood, a home and recreation.

"This afternoon, we'll be pouring concrete. Yesterday, it was office and marketing work," he said. "Last week, we were bundling Christmas trees, and next week, we'll be checking vacuum lines for squirrel damage."

"We're never bored," he said.



DAVE MARVIN named tree farmer of 1983

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Newsletter publisher once an investment misfit

The final standings will be out later this week, but it looks all but certain that The Prudent Speculator of Santa Monica, Calif., walked off with the honors as the country's best-performing investment newsletter in '83.

What makes it all so intriguing is that the brains behind the letter — which comes out once every three weeks — was an investment misfit when he first started buying stocks in '69.

He's 53-year-old Al Frank, a former \$18,000-a-year assistant psychology professor at California State University at Los Angeles.

When I first caught up with Frank last April, the soft-spoken, non-toasty investment newsletter publisher had, would you believe, just 75 subscribers. The price: \$75 a year.

But word-of-mouth and published results on his dazzling performance have changed all that. He now boasts about 1,600 subscribers and his newsletter has gone up to \$125.

IN THE FIRST 11 MONTHS of last year, Frank's stock selections shot up 80.1 percent; that was way ahead of the rest of the newsletter investment pack and more than four-fold the gain registered by Standard & Poor's 500-stock index in the same period.

Frank's personal portfolio — worth about \$400,000 — did even better: for all of '83, it showed a sizzling 120 percent gain.

If you think the man may be a flash in the pan — he's not.

In '82, his personal investments showed a 52 percent rise in the S&P index — which was far ahead of that year's 14.8 percent rise in the S&P index.

And in '81, a down year for the market in which the S&P indicator fell nearly 10 percent, Frank's portfolio was up 11 percent.

So obviously he's consistent in picking winning stocks.

THIS IS A FAR CRY from his early investment days when everything he bought turned sour.

Frank recalls those days vividly. The market itself was no great shakes, but Frank did even worse.

Caught up in that late '60s hysteria when stocks went through the roof, Frank made his first purchase in '69. It was Whittaker Corp., which he bought at \$27 a

Dan Dorfman

Syndicated Columnist

share. A year later he sold it at \$15. In '80, he also bought the Enterprise Fund, which had doubled in price twice in the previous couple of years. It was another bummer as the Enterprise Fund tumbled to less than \$5 a year after he bought it.

"I remember that everything I bought went down," he says. "It was only a couple of hundred dollars each investment (he owns 10 or 20 shares of a stock), but it was a lot of money to me. So I decided to study the market."

Judging from his performance in recent years, he obviously did his homework well.

And that raises an intriguing question of interest to just about every stock market player: How does one go from being an investment deadbeat to a spectacular winner?

FRANK'S CHANGE IN SUCCESS was sparked by a book he read — "The Intelligent Investor," by Ben Graham (of Graham & Dodd fame).

Graham was the father of fundamental analysis — a man whose stock market fetish was value. And Frank was sympathetic to that point of view.

"It made sense to me," he says. "I never had much money and I always looked at bargains."

Graham's focus was on a company's book value, but Frank went beyond that (such as focusing as well on earnings and cash flow).

Further, Graham's approach was to sell a stock when it went up 50 percent.

Frank, who went on to concoct his own value standards, heeded Graham's advice on taking 50 percent profits. But he soon found that a number of stocks he had sold went on to double and triple again.

And so he parted company with Graham on this strategy.

HOW DO YOU JUDGE VALUE? Frank uses 30 measurements to judge a stock's worth — but five stand out.

• A company selling at 30 to 40 percent below its average price-earnings ratio of the past 10 years.

• A company selling at about 30 percent below its book value.

• A good history of cash flow the past four years (even though earnings may be down).

• A company with a return on its net worth of 15 percent or better.

• A combination of rising sales and earnings the previous four years.

Frank is quick to stress, though, that there are no absolute rules. If a company's return on net worth is only 10, but its p-e multiple is 5, you could well be looking at a super bargain, he observes.

FRANK HAS A NUMBER of other thoughts on stock market investing — several of which run contrary to general market thinking.

He doesn't like dividends. "I think a company can better use its money than pay it out in dividends," he says. "We look for a long-term capital appreciation; that's our goal. We look for a 26 percent annual compounded return so money doubles every three years."

Frank is also a very strong believer in diversification. For example, in his personal portfolio, he has 63 stocks — none of which ever exceeded five percent of the portfolio. He notes that one of his picks, Tosco, was a dog last year — but it represented less than two percent of his holdings. One of the worst things an investor can do, he says, is to plunge in a stock — even if it looks great. "Sure you can win big if you're right, but what happens if you're wrong?"

Frank never sells short (a bet on a declining stock price) and the average holding of his stock — which probably shock you — is four to five years.

Long-term investing, he emphasizes, is the key to winning big. The thing is you have to have patience, which most people don't have ...

THIS CAN BE SEEN in his strong '83 showing as many of the stocks he bought in recent years

continued to balloon. For example, he bought Oxford Industries in April of '78 at 9 1/2. It's now about 39, having risen from a 52-week low of 21. Stop & Shop is another big winner. Purchased in January of '80 at 46, it's now about 47 — with a low over the last 12 months of 24 1/2. Another sizzler: Katy Industries. Bought in September of '82 at 9 1/2, it's now 29 1/2 — up from a 12-month low of 11.

But when do you sell? When a stock gets above its fundamental values the criteria of which were mentioned previously, Frank says. He observes that stocks will exceed their fundamental values in a bull market — but you can't get carried away, he says. One important signal to Frank: when a p-e multiple runs 30 percent above its average p-e of the past 10 years.

Frank, who also manages about \$3.6 million worth of funds (excluding his own) for some 40 investors, tracks a series of 10 technical indicators tied to his Board trading. These too can trigger a sell signal on the market if Frank gets concerned.

FRANK TELLS ME BARGAINS are getting harder and harder to find. Nonetheless, he's remaining fully invested, as well as fully margined (a reference to the use of borrowing power to buy stocks).

"My stocks are not yet fully valued and I still think we're in a long-term bull market," he says. Still, he's only put 80 cents of every new investment dollar in stocks because of the dearth of bargains and the lack of a clear buy signal on the market.

Where would he put new funds? Frank has 10 favorite stocks. They are Chelsea Industries, Ford Motor, First Wisconsin, Marine Midland, Pacific Gas Transmission, NBD Bancorp, Puerto Rican Cement, Royal Dutch Petroleum, Tesoro Petroleum and Gibraltar Financial.

Frank, who started his newsletter in '77 at the suggestion of friends who complained about his chewing their ears off about the market, considers his investment approach as rather pedestrian.

"You don't have to be too intelligent or clever, but you've got to do your homework," he says. "You buy bargains and hold them — and that could be for years until they're no longer bargains. And then you sell and do it all over again. The thing is you have to have patience, which most people don't have ..."

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Fighting is heavy in Beirut



Herald photo by Y. Arquin

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — Heavy fighting between the Lebanese army and Muslim militiamen erupted today in and around Beirut just hours after Syrian-backed rebels blocked a plan to separate the nation's warring factions, state-run Beirut radio said.

"Fighting has engulfed most fronts," the radio broadcast said.

The army battled Shiite Muslims with heavy weapons in the southern suburbs around the U.S. Marine base at the Beirut airport but the American peacekeepers were not involved, a Marine spokesman said.

There is some very heavy fighting going on around us but we still have not received anything," Marine spokesman Maj. Dennis Brooks said. "We are not involved — so far."

Heavy fighting was also reported between the army and the Muslim Druze militia around the Sheifiat hills and the Khalden junction just south of the airport.

"All kinds of heavy weapons are being used. Stray mortar shells are crashing into nearby regions as well," Beirut radio said.

The sudden upsurge in fighting came after a day of renewed attacks on Lebanon's multinational peacekeeping forces and last-minute objections to a master disengagement plan from the government's Syrian-backed opponents.

Assaults fired rocket-propelled grenades and automatic weapons Tuesday at French peacekeeping troops but no casualties were reported.

Lebanese officials had hoped to announce the new security plan Friday but Beirut radio said the plan "needs more contacts and its implementation will be delayed."

The security plan had raised hopes in Washington that some P.S. Marines could be withdrawn from vulnerable positions at the airport.

The government radio said the delay was due to "some surprising stands just taken" in Damascus, Syria — an apparent reference to objections voiced by a anti-government leader, Druze Muslim chieftain Walid Jumblatt.

Jumblatt said he and other opponents of Lebanese President Amin Gemayel's government "agreed to the necessity of finding a comprehensive political solution" that would keep the Arab identity of Lebanon.

Echoing a Syrian demand, Jumblatt called for the scrapping of the May 17 U.S.-sponsored Lebanese-Israeli accord and the reform of the Lebanese army, which he maintains is controlled by the right-wing Christian Phalange Party.

In the attack on the French forces, the guard at the French Embassy, near the bombed-out ruins of the former American Embassy, came under light arms fire while French troops positioned with Lebanese army soldiers were attacked with rocket-propelled grenades.

No casualties were reported in the latest attack by unidentified assailants on the multinational units. A U.S. Marine was killed Sunday and a French paratrooper died Monday in similar attacks.

Jumblatt's refusal to allow the army to undertake "security missions" was a clear rejection of the government's attempts to implement the Saudi-mediated security plan for Beirut and the surrounding region.

The plan calls for a separation of warring Muslim and Christian factions and substitution of the army and national police into some areas now occupied by the combatants. It also would neutralize Beirut International Airport — the base for the 1,200 U.S. Marines stationed in Lebanon.

before the storm. The National Weather Service Monday issued a winter storm watch predicting snow in the Manchester area this Tuesday morning. But it was evening before anything wet came out of the sky.

The storm began about 7 p.m. Tuesday and dumped more than 7 inches of snow in most of Manchester before tapering off at about 3 a.m. this morning, said a Manchester Highway Department spokesman.

At Multi-Circuits Inc. the midnight and day shifts were each short about 40 workers out of a total shift force of 250 to 300, a company spokesman said.

The J. C. Penney Catalog Distribution Center on Tolland Turnpike and Lydall and Chestnut Streets reported snowed-out workers calling in late, but both companies said most employees expected to make their way to work.

TOWN HIGHWAY CREWS have been out plowing, salting and sanding since shortly after the storm started, and will be on the roads through most of the afternoon, according to work coordinator George Ringstone. Crews

work around the clock in winter storms because there are no extra shifts at the Manchester Highway Department, he said.

Manchester police reported eight minor accidents between 8 p.m. Tuesday and 9 a.m. this morning. Police spokesman Gary Wood said five accidents a day is average for Manchester. A spokesman for the Eighth District Fire Department said at least one accident, on Oakland Street at 8 p.m., was a result of icy road conditions.

Traffic was snarled this morning around Bush Hill Road, where police had blocked off the stretch between Bell Street and Hillstone Road so Northeast Utility crews could repair a broken broken utility pole that was leaning against five electrical wires.

"It looks as though somebody cut the pole with a saw," one officer said. Police had not determined this morning if the incident was related to the storm.

STATE HIGHWAY road crews have also been out all night. Interstate 84 and Routes 6 and 44 were reported plowed

this morning but were still slippery along some stretches.

The town Meals on Wheels program expects to deliver all meals on time today, in keeping with its unbroken seven-year record of service. Meals on Wheels Director Robert Goughgan said he expects the service's four-wheel drive trucks will be able to handle the work today, but the police department stands by to help in emergencies.

There was no loss of electrical power in area towns overnight, utility companies said. A spokesman for Southern New England Telephone said there were no major cable out of service, but that a few houses lost service when wires connecting the houses with main cables broke.

Public bus service ran five to 10 minutes behind schedule during rush hours this morning, but all buses were running, a Connecticut Transit official said. The Manchester Taxi Company reported receiving twice as many calls as usual during rush hour. A company dispatcher attributed the increase to stranded motorists calling for rides to work.

Business In Brief

Nathan, partners buy firm

Manchester native Larry R. Nathan has been named executive vice president and chief financial officer of Baurer Electro Inc. of Farmington.

Nathan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Nathan of 109 Adelaide Road, joined with two other Connecticut businessmen to buy the company.

Baurer Electro, a maker of test equipment for jet engines, has annual sales of \$4 million.

Nathan is a principal in McArthur-Batham Associates, a private investment banking firm that has offices in Springfield, Mass., and

Nathan's partners in the purchase, the first of McArthur/Nathan, were John R. McArthur, Nathan's partner, and Louis J. Aiello.

Nathan is a graduate of Manchester High School. He got his undergraduate degree from the University of Connecticut and holds graduate degrees from George Washington University and the Wharton School of Finance.

Larry R. Nathan

NEW HAVEN — Southern New England Telephone Co. has sent out new cards to its credit card customers, but their primary feature can't be used for at least another three months.

The cards carry a magnetic strip that can be read by certain telephones when the customer makes a call, automatically billing the charge to the customer's account.

They are designed to save credit card customers time they now spend punching in their multi-digit numbers, or reading them to an operator, before making a call.

But the new reading telephones won't be available in Connecticut until later this year.

Michael Gomez, a SNET spokesman, said installation of the machines in high traffic locations such as Bradley International Airport or train stations will begin between April and June.

Unemployment claims jump

WETHERSFIELD — The state Labor Department reported unemployment claims jumped 8,200 over a two-week period ending Dec. 31 due to holiday closings.

Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro said Monday the increase pushed the state's total jobless claims to a weekly average of 41,017, compared to the 39,806 claims filed in the same period one year ago.

Claims filed in Manchester increased 24.3 percent to a weekly average of 1,463 for the period ending Dec. 31. Of 351 initial claims, 177 were attributed to seasonal closings.

Leasing firm opens

Timothy A. Bycholski has announced the opening of New England Auto Leasing at 315 Broad St., Manchester.

The company leases new cars, vans and light trucks — both foreign and domestic — to individuals and firms through the Engage-A-Car program. The program includes an option which allows the lessee to either sell the vehicle at the end of the leasing period or to return it if used car market conditions are unfavorable.

Bycholski, a lifelong resident of Manchester, was previously employed as a regional sales manager for MacGregor Systems of Newtonington.

Hartford man earns awards

Ex-teacher wins with 'Heirloom' designs

By Susan E. Kinsman United Press International

HARTFORD — Former unemployed kindergarten teacher Louis Nichole has earned a place in the world by selling romanticism and 18th century style and charm to a 20th century world.

His designs for "decorative arts" — everything from lace to porcelain dolls — earned him eight international design awards in 1980 and the chance to decorate the Carter White House for Christmas.

His work has been displayed in pages of prominent magazines and can be found in the collections of the Smithsonian Institute, the Victoria & Albert Museum in London, the Boston Children's Museum and Queen Elizabeth.

Nichole, 31, had no formal design training when he used the \$5,000 proceeds from publication of a book he had written in high school — "Designer Accessories to Make For Your Home" — to start a design shop in Hartford in 1978.

Liberty of New York manufactures the lace he designed for the White House; World Doll of New York produces his line of limited edition, hand-crafted porcelain dolls; Mikasa handles his china and dinnerware designs; Crossell of New York manufactures his bed linens and kitchen accessories; Millbrook produces his wallcovering and coordinated fabrics and Le Newton produces his "antique" secretaries, breakfronts and cupboards.

"There has never been this kind of look in the marketplace," said Nichole. "It's a success in part, partly on the appeal to romantic fantasies of men and women. Nichole said: "Women have forgotten to be feminine and they're looking for the romantic. When they see our lace or our dolls, it's all part of a fantasy."

"Many men are buying the products for their wives because the romantic appeals to them," he said.

Nichole started designing when efforts to land a kindergarten teaching job were unsuccessful. His style was influenced by rich sights and experiences of two years spent in Italy. While training in the Montessori teaching method, Nichole also apprenticed himself as a wood carver, glider and restorer.

His philosophy is to combine the best of the Old World and the new.

"The basic elements of my designs for the home are that the furnishings evoke a mood rather than impose one. Although I may be inspired by the look of a time long past, I do not try to reproduce that 'period look' verbatim," he said.

"I borrow feelings from the past just as I borrow details, trends and technology from fashion," he said. "Nichole was no stranger to business. At age 8, he was selling flower bouquets collected from a local cemetery dump on street corners in Waterbury where he grew up.



UPI photo

A former unemployed kindergarten teacher, Louis Nichole, shows his "decorative arts." He has earned a

place in the design world by selling romanticism and 18th century style and charm to a 20th century world.

While other children were earning a dollar or less, Nichole was bringing home \$10 to \$14 a day as the "Traveling Cardboard Florist." His slogan: "We dig these up just for you."

In junior high school, Nichole became a wedding florist, using the same source of discarded flowers.

"By age 18 I had a monopoly on the wedding business in the town. I produced an entire bridal package which consisted of the flowers, the white carpet at the church, full color photograph, a four piece couple, plus I could sing a high mass in Latin or English," he said.

Nichole was not an immediate success at the interior design business in Hartford. "People here

were very colonial oriented." But his work caught the eye of Norma Skorka, executive editor of House Beautiful, and led to a nine-page layout in the magazine in December 1978 on Christmas decorations in for the home.

The following December, Good Housekeeping carried a 29-page spread and the orders started pouring in from major department stores. Nichole, who had worked alone, recruited his 23-member Italian family to begin production.

Nichole has since moved his showroom and himself to New York, using the old Hartford storefront as a warehouse. Christmas decorations and dolls are the biggest sellers in the line, he said.

As an analyst, Culp often recommends stock of restaurants whose food he can't stomach. Marketing, location, and other variables can be as important as the product when it comes to making a profit, Culp said. And he readily concedes his taste does not always coincide with the rest of the dining public's.

"Sometimes I'm a good reverse indicator. I take all this with a shakerful of salt," he said.

For instance, Culp recalls he found Burger King's veal parmigiana sandwich "awful," but for a few years the rest of the world couldn't seem to get enough of the stuff. "It's finally cooled off," he said with relief.

Rumors that he's had enough of life in the fast food lane are greatly exaggerated, said Culp.

"I don't want to do it for 15 more years," he acknowledged. "But I can do it for 5 or 10."

Analyst has gourmet guide to fast food

By Gail Collins United Press International

Culp's standards are a little different from most restaurant reviewers. Edible, he once said, "means there were no cigar butts in the hamburger."

But he takes his work seriously enough to withhold judgement until he's visited a chain at least ten times.

Luther's Bar-Que, an Atlanta-based chain, is the star of the Edible Meals Index. Luther's is owned by Chart House, whose steak house chain also ranks high on Culp's list.

The Texas-based Ruby's Cafeteria, Church's Fried Chicken, Chi-Chi's Mexican food chain and Shoney's Big Boys are other Culp favorites. At the bottom is Pizza Hut, a chain Culp says has improved, but not nearly enough.

"In my experience the pizza is gooey or cold or the toppings fall off the minute you pick up a slice," he said. Godfather's, another of the big pizza chains, also gets a thumbs down.

Kentucky Fried Chicken, whose quality-control problems have been

well-publicized, has done a good job improving its company-operated stores, Culp said, "but that's only about 15 percent of the chain."

After 25 trips to Ponderosa steak houses, he still finds the meat "on the tough side, or having no flavor at all. But I'd say in fairness they're getting scores in the mid-60s, and the whole industry average is 74 percent."

The Big Daddy of the fast food biz, McDonald's, gets a high score at breakfast (84) but rates below average the rest of the day (64).

Arbes and Hardies also have failed to charm Culp. "I just have not been pleased with the quality of their sandwiches," he said loftily.

Culp does not strive for anonymity in his dining forays, but he would be hard to miss anyway. "I usually order one of everything, or at least six or seven different things and then just eat a little bit," he said.

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SAMPLES TODAY The Manchester Herald today continues its sampling program to bring copies of the newspaper to non-subscribers in Manchester.

Computers will make income tax audits chillingly swift

By Denis G. Guilino United Press International

WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service is computerizing its audit procedure to make the process chillingly swift in the next three years, IRS Commissioner Roscoe Egger says.

"It will permit much more rapid dealing with the taxpayer," Egger said.

"There won't be long delays between the time they have their first meeting and the time the agent's report goes through the process and a check over got out of the mail can also be resolved fast."

Egger, in an interview with United Press International, said he hopes taxpayers will not feel intimidated.

"When there's agreement between them as to how an item is to be treated, that can be entered into

State's roads passable despite snowfall

Major highways were reported hard to pass in Connecticut this morning as state crews and private contractors waged a 29-hour battle against snowfall reaching 8 inches in some areas and 20 mph winds that blew it back on roads as fast they plowed it off.

The National Weather Service reported the winter storm warning for Connecticut and the Greater Springfield, Mass., area before 6 a.m.

The westbound lanes of Interstate 84 in Farmington were closed intermittently for periods of 15 to 20 minutes as crews tried to recover a tractor trailer that ran down an embankment by Exit 40 about 9:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Crews were still trying to pull the rig back on the road at 4 a.m.

Gary Toscano, a dispatcher at state police headquarters in Hartford, reported no other major traffic problems around the state and major roads

hazardous but passable."

State Trooper Robert Emmons, taking a break from highway patrol at the Hartford barracks, qualified the statement.

"They're passable if you go slow — you're on your own," he said. "There's a lot of blowing and drifting snow. If you don't have to go out, don't go out."</