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Unity sought by Gemayel; war intense

By Hala Khoury United Press International.

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Muslim militiamen, defying an army shoot-on-sight curfew, fought with troops in the streets of west Beirut today and Druze radio said the leftist rebels controlled west Beirut.

The fighting amounted to a spreading of clashes from the southern Shiite Muslim slums of south Beirut, and came 24 hours after President Amin Gemayel's U.S.-backed regime was plunged into crisis with the resignation of his Muslim prime minister and Cabinet.

"The patriotic and national fighters have put west Beirut under complete control," said a statement on Druze Moslem-operated opposition radio.

The radio claimed 9,000 of the Lebanese army's 35,000 soldiers had put down their arms as earlier requested by Shiite Moslem militia leader Nabih Berri.

"Lebanese army positions across west Beirut are coming under intense fire. Gunmen tried to occupy the west Beirut television station but the army pushed them back," Beirut radio said, interrupting its regular programs to advise the city's shell-shocked residents.

"Every army position everywhere in west Beirut is coming under fire," the broadcast said.

The U.S. Marine contingent of the international peace-keeping force in Beirut was not involved in the fighting, but eight Italian soldiers were slightly wounded in crossfire.

"There was tension around the



Cool, cool customer
Mike Bruckner, a student in the catering class of Dan Palmquist at Manchester Community College, very carefully puts the finishing touches on the ice sculpture he made Saturday. The outside weather didn't cooperate with the students as spring-like temperatures moved in. The students were originally scheduled to work outside.

Marine base following the cutting of the main road to the airport Sunday by Shiite militiamen. The Beirut airport was shut during today's fighting, with the government radio blaming the curfew.

In Washington, a White House aide said that U.S. ambassadors in Lebanon and Syria were working intensely to try to get a cease-fire.

The aide said Gemayel is seeking to form a new "broadly based government" and had made some new proposals, aimed at reconciliation of the warring factions.

A pall of smoke from exploding mortars and rockets hung over the capital during the latest fighting that has killed at least 150 people and wounded 561 since Thursday.

Shiite militiamen roamed the streets in cars, calling on loud speakers for Moslems in the army to desert and in some areas the fighting was virtually hand-to-hand combat.

"You cannot count them," a west Beirut resident said. "They are everywhere. On main streets, in alleysways, on rooftops. It's total anarchy ... machine gunfire is echoing everywhere."

With machine gunfire and rockets from mortars and rockets echoing throughout the city, the Lebanese army imposed a 1:30 p.m. curfew, declaring in a communique that armed men would be shot on sight.

Militiamen resisted the shoot-to-kill threat, attacking the state television station on Verdun Street and the International hotel, which is an army base.

One hour after the curfew went into force, the echo of exploding shells and the crackle of heavy machine gunfire was still reverberating across the city's deserted streets.

The so-called green line that separated the Christian eastern sector of the city from the western mainly Moslem side was cut during the fighting — the first in west Beirut since September when the army mounted an operation to quell a similar uprising.

Gemayel, who accepted the resignation of Prime Minister Cheikh Wazzan on Sunday, called for a cease-fire and peace talks between the nation's warring factions.

Views split on impact of P&W loss

By Alex Girelli Herald Reporter

Operators of small machine shops in Manchester this morning had varying views of what effect Pratt & Whitney's loss of a large jet engine contract will have on them.

A few said it is too early to access the effect, some said the result would be increased competition for other jobs as shops that did work for P&W seek other work.

One said bluntly, "I'm dead."

That fatal view came from Don Pellerin of the D and W Machine Co. at 86 Sheldon Road. He said he may have to go out of business. Pellerin said the shop has been in operation for seven years and up until last year was very profitable. He said it had been doing a quarter of a million dollars in business up until last year when the business dropped to \$7,000. He has laid off his five employees.

The operation was totally dependent on work from subcontractor work from P&W.

Pellerin said he has been trying to convert to commercial work but it is difficult to do so.

He said large shops will now keep more work to themselves to keep their employees going. Automation in large shops is also a factor, he said.

Machines operated with program tapes can replace a couple of skilled workers and reduce costs on jobs that involved thousands of pieces of work, Pellerin said.

Spokesmen for several shops said their companies do not do work for P&W and thus will not be affected.

But even some not dependent on P&W foresaw an effect. One man who asked not to be identified said his one-man shop does most of its work for Sikorski Aircraft but he expected vendors who lose P&W

Workers to lobby on contract

HARTFORD (UPI) — Workers at Pratt & Whitney Group and their union hope to flood President Reagan with letters demanding review of the Air Force's award of a multi-billion dollar jet engine contract to another firm.

Officials of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers also said they planned to ask the state's congressional delegation to push for changes to the contract decision.

The Air Force announced Friday it would award 75 percent of the \$10 billion to \$14 billion contract to General Electric, breaking what had been a Pratt & Whitney monopoly on the Air Force jet lighter engine business.

Charles Tracy, district representative of the machinists union, called Saturday for New England residents to write the president and their representatives in Congress protesting the contract award.

Tracy estimated 100,000 state

Mild St. Helens eruption is predicted

VANCOUVER, Wash. (UPI) — Earthquakes rumbling beneath Mount St. Helens today prompted scientists to warn that the erupting volcano was about to let loose a potentially explosive blast that could send ash and rocks hurtling for miles.

"Frequent earthquakes and rapid expansion of the lava dome indicates that an eruptive pulse is likely to begin within the next 24 hours, probably within the next 48 hours," U.S. Geological Survey and University of Washington

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The British planter in Malaysia — last of a dying breed

By Susan Robinson
United Press International

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — "We never talk about our lives here," said the planter's wife, a bird-like Scottish woman, as she watched the red sun slip away in the haze of a tropical evening. "If I told folks back home we'd entertained Lord Jubilee or Lady Barbara Anderson or we lived in a big house with servants, they wouldn't believe us. They'd think we were just boasting," she said. The planter and his wife live in isolated splendor on an expansive oil palm estate outside the Malaysian capital. The estate is owned by a Malaysian company and a British company before that — but the Scottish couple has managed it for 20 years. The gabled, Tudor-style com-

pany house, the size of a small hotel, rises inconspicuously above coconut and banana palms and the smoke of the oil mill. **INSIDE, POLISHED TEAK** floors squeak underfoot, the silk gleams and droning mosquitoes seldom dare invade the air of netting or the chilly blast of air conditioning. The furnishings are homey and comfortable. There are few pictures but an abundance of hand-embroidered English hunting scenes decorate the paneled walls. The acres of garden facing the sea are filled with the heavy scent of orchids, magnolias and jasmine and the incessant sounds of crickets, lizards and multi-headed birds. From the dawn until the last glint of sunlight the planter works,

his routine broken only by an occasional visitor or a "nuisance day" of rain that forces the cancellation of harvesting, trimming, weeding or pest control. **MOST ESTATE PLANTERS** arrived in Malaysia in response to newspaper advertisements asking for strong young men to work in an exotic place. They knew they would never be able to buy their own farms if they stayed in Scotland. Some got into planting after leaving the British civil service or the army after serving in Malaysia. They started at a paltry wage as an assistant and, if they enjoyed it, worked their way up to the envied position of estate manager, staying 20 years or more. Wednesday evenings are spent

at the club, another tack Tudor mansion with a velvet golf course and an aqua swimming pool, where a handful of company men and their wives meet for a quiet drink or a game of bridge. **EVERY OTHER SUNDAY** it's back to the club — two minutes by car from the house — for curryiffin, an English liquor-laden lunch that is an almost forgotten planters' tradition. "Most planters are reclusives and not interested in the cocktail lines," said another Scottish planter who also asked not to be named. "We always used to have a Sunday curryiffin. We'd go around at 11 in the morning to tank up with whiskey 'til the curry turned up and then we'd go home tanked up." But that was the old days.

Either we've grown up or there's not many of us left, said the Scotsman, who after 34 years as a planter will soon leave with his Malaysian wife to buy his dream farm in the Scottish highlands. **MOST PLANTERS' MEMOIRIES** revolve around the club — rather, their adventures after leaving the smoky sanctuary of the club's bar. "We'd go down to Kuala Krai to collect the pay. It all had to be in silver coins so our sacks were very heavy," said an elderly English planter. "A planter needs to be a walking encyclopedia," the November 1920 edition of the monthly magazine "The Planter" said. "He will have to acquire some knowledge of agriculture, botany, chemistry, hygiene, sanitary engineering, surveying, etcetera."

"We waited 15 minutes and there was absolutely no sign of him. It was then we saw the fresh tracks. A tiger had carted him off, poor blighter. He never was seen again," he said, sending his audience off into fresh gales of off-told "do you remember" stories. **FOR ALL THE BIG HOUSES,** private clubs and paid holidays home for the wife and children, it is a hard life for the handful of expatriate planters still employed on estates. "A planter needs to be a walking encyclopedia," the November 1920 edition of the monthly magazine "The Planter" said. "He will have to acquire some knowledge of agriculture, botany, chemistry, hygiene, sanitary engineering, surveying, etcetera."

Zone changes to be decided by PZC tonight

By Kathy Gormus
Herald Reporter

Two zone change applications which face considerable opposition, including one that would allow development of 57 single-family homes off Keeney Street, are scheduled to be decided by the Planning and Zoning Commission tonight. Gerald Investments, whose president is developer Lawrence A. Fiano, has requested a change from Residence AA to Planned Residence Development for 28.7 acres off Keeney Street near the intersection of Bush Hill Road. The change would allow 57 single-family homes on lots of at least 9,500 square feet each. The PZC previously received a 30-day extension from Gerald Investments to decide on its application after some of the commission members who originally heard the plans were unable to attend subsequent meetings. The PZC legally has until Feb. 16 to decide on the application, but is unlikely to call a special meeting, said Carol A. Zebb, acting director of planning. A number of Keeney Street residents have objected to the plans because they say the density of the proposed development would not fit the character of surrounding neighborhoods. Four homes per acre are allowed in a PRD zone while only two homes per acre are allowed in a Residence AA zone. The residents also say the subdivision would spur unwanted development in the area. Approval of the zone change requires a 4-1 vote by the PZC because owners of more than 20 percent of the land within 500 feet of the proposed zone change have signed a petition opposing the change. The PZC is also scheduled to act tonight on the application of Highland Park Market owner Timothy J. Devaney for a zone change for portions of two adjacent lots to allow for expansion of the market's parking. Devaney wants 0.4 acres changed from Residence AA to off-street parking so 44 parking spaces could be added to the 86 spaces currently available. At last month's public hearing on the application, residents of the area near the market turned out in force to oppose what they said was a step toward further expansion of the market. The expansion of the parking lot would also blight the neighborhood and would decrease the value of adjacent properties, they argued. The PZC legally has until March 14 to decide on the application, Ms. Zebb said. In other matters, the PZC is scheduled to: • Hold a public hearing on the application of Tracy Spencer to amend an inland-wetland boundary on Bell Street. • Decide on the application of Raymond F. Damato to build three bird and duck shelters at the Sunnybrook Village apartments on New State Road. The PZC meets tonight at 7 in the Lincoln Center hearing room.



Those icy fingers at work

Above, Louella Kalagher, a student in the catering class at Manchester Community College, examines the ice sculpture she made Saturday as part of the course. At the same time, at right, Paul Noble (left) and Mike Bruckner try to figure out how to maneuver a 300-pound sculpture through a doorway.

Some items may be changed

By Sarah E. Hill
Herald Reporter

The Board of Education will give School Superintendent James P. Kennedy's recommended budget for 1984-85 a final scrubbing tonight, possibly voting to change some contested items before sending the document to the Board of Directors. Kennedy's proposed \$150,000 addition to his original \$22 million budget will likely be the big question of the evening. A superintendent said Sunday that the teacher contract settlement reached in late January, which cost the school system \$150,000 more than administrators had estimated. While Kennedy is confident that the board will balance, he is already taking measures to make sure. He's imposed a spending freeze on 10 percent of the non-salary items in the current budget, and said some projects normally done in the spring (roof repair, blacktopping) may have to be postponed. "We're hoping there'll be some money left over in the salary accounts," he added. Of course, special education students now at special schools could move away or transfer to a less expensive school, relieving some of the board's financial burden. School administrators have long complained that spending for tuition at special schools is wildly unpredictable, since they are forced to pick up the bill at whatever facility

deemed necessary for a certain student. In next year's budget, Kennedy is attempting to bring that spending under control by establishing a day treatment center for adolescents in Highland Park School; after it closes in June, the \$94,000 center would probably save money by schooling some of the older learning-disabled students in town, avoiding the room, board and transportation charges incurred by sending them elsewhere. Nearly all school board members say something must be done to cap rising special education costs. Both the day treatment concept and Kennedy's proposal to reinstate the Youth Services' serious offenders program for troubled youth seem popular.

Perhaps the most hotly contested budget item besides the Highland Park closing has been the proposed purchase of a \$240,000 oven for home economics classes at Manchester High School. School board member Frances Maffei has repeatedly insisted that expenditure would be a waste of money. Most other items have not been debated, although Richard W. Dyer, another board member, asked Kennedy earlier to consider paring some accounts to save Highland Park. Overall, the budget process so far has been smooth — in at least one sense, according to Kennedy. "The actual budget document was one of the clearest we've ever put out," he said, "saying as a lot of effort in explaining things." It was

also the school system's first completely computerized spending plan, regardless of what happens at the meeting tonight. The recently revised budget must be delivered to the Board of Directors by Feb. 21. A completed, corrected budget must be delivered to the Board of Directors by Feb. 21.

salary items, which appear in the next two accounts, must be delivered to the Board of Directors by Feb. 21.

Peopletalk

Glimpses

Kate Jackson says in the Feb. 11 issue of TV Guide that Katharine Hepburn has been her chief heroine as far back as she can remember. "Friends have offered to introduce me, but I couldn't do that," Miss Jackson said. "It just doesn't seem... well, right, I can't talk to Katharine Hepburn."

Stevie Ray Vaughan and Double Trouble had a good year as recording artists in 1983 and hope to keep up the pace in 1984. If guidance means anything, Vaughan and his blues rockers should score big again because the executive producer of their last album is none other than music great John Hammond.

Rock star Adam Ant will visit 28 cities on his major three-month tour that started Jan. 27 in Atlanta. The tour is designed to promote Adam Ant's latest Epic album, "Strip."



Preparing for tour

Atallah Shabazz (left) and Yolanda King, daughters of Malcolm X and Martin Luther King Jr., respectively, are co-founders of the Nucleus Theater Company which will tour nationally during Black History Month. The two were in Wilmington, Del., over the weekend.

Sammy won't get involved

Sammy Davis Jr. says presidential candidate Jesse Jackson is a good friend and he's a long-time supporter of Jackson's PUSH organization, but the entertainer won't get involved in the campaign this year. "Politics is the most thankless job there is," says Davis, who's been selling out his engagements at a Dallas dinner theater the past week. "I don't think people want to know what really goes on behind the scenes — in the caucus rooms with people trying to lobby."

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Goliath's weakness

The giant Goliath may have been a pushover for David because he was afflicted with a hereditary disease, a husband-and-wife team theorize in the February issue of Geo magazine. Psychiatrist Pauline Rabin and endocrinologist David Rabin said their research into the Biblical confrontation has made them believe Goliath suffered from multiple endocrine neoplasia, which causes tumors to grow in the endocrine glands. Such a malady may have caused Goliath's huge size and his blindness in one eye. The Rabins, based at Vanderbilt University's Medical Center in Nashville, conclude that the stone which David hurled at the towering giant from his slingshot may have struck a cyst on Goliath's forehead and pierced his brain.

No candy for Ernie

Ernie Nagy has been lifting weights for 33 years and shows no signs of wear. He is 60 years old and says he doubts he will stop competing. Nagy holds the U.S. Masters records of 523 pounds for the dead lift, 412 pounds for the bench press and 523 pounds for the squat. "I'm stronger now than when I was younger, and I've learned to use my strength effectively," Nagy told Dynamic Years magazine. "Besides, I'd rather have a heart attack attempting a 600-pound dead lift than watching TV with a candy bar in one hand and a soda pop in the other."

Quote of the day

Lester Lamin, who has played at inaugural balls and other parties for seven U.S. presidents, says he was the only one who didn't seem to care for dancing. Lamin, who has played at inaugural balls and other parties for seven U.S. presidents, says he was the only one who didn't seem to care for dancing. Lamin, who has played at inaugural balls and other parties for seven U.S. presidents, says he was the only one who didn't seem to care for dancing.



Baseball-TV wedding

Baseball's Lee Mazzilli and his bride, television's Danielle (Dani) Folquet, leave St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York after their Saturday wedding. Mazzilli, who has played with the New York Mets and New York Yankees, was with the Pittsburgh Pirates last season. Miss Folquet is co-host of "PM Magazine" on WNEV-TV in New York.

Almanac

Today is Monday, Feb. 6, the 37th day of 1984 with 329 to follow. The moon is moving toward its first quarter. The morning stars are Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn.

There is no evening star. Those born on this date are under the sign of Aquarius. This is President Ronald Reagan's 73rd birthday. Others born this date include Babe Ruth in 1895, Zsa Zsa Gabor in 1922, French film director Francois Truffaut in 1932, and actor Mike Farrell in 1942.

On this date in history: In 1865, Robert E. Lee was appointed commander-in-chief of the armies of the Confederacy. In 1945, General Dwight D. Eisenhower was named commander of allied expeditionary forces in North Africa. He later became World War II Supreme Allied Commander in Europe. In 1952, Princess Elizabeth became sovereign of Great Britain following the death of her father, King George VI. She was crowned Queen Elizabeth II on June 2nd, 1953.

In 1974, the Caribbean island of Grenada was declared independent and a member of the British Commonwealth. A thought for the day: Author Henry Miller said, "It's good to be just plain happy... better to know that you're happy, but to understand that you're happy and to know why and how... that is beyond happiness, that is bliss."



Today in history

On Feb. 6, 1952, Princess Elizabeth became sovereign of Great Britain following the death of her father, King George VI. She was visiting Kenya at the time and is seen here on her return to London.

Weather

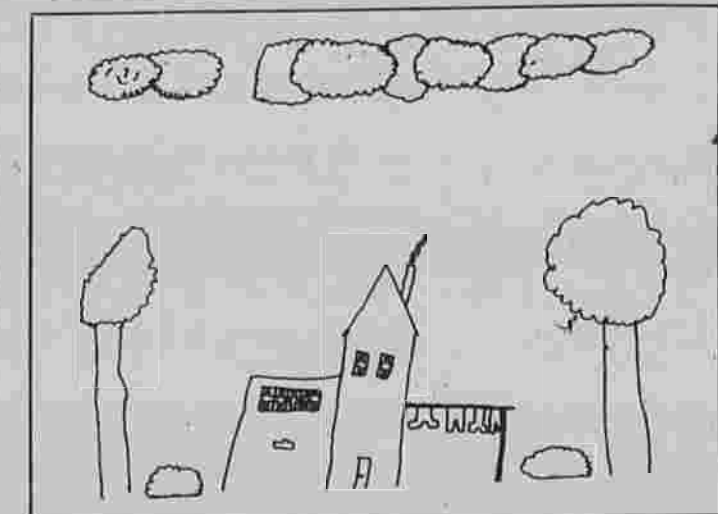
Today's forecasts

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Today a few clouds and some sun giving way to light snow by late afternoon. High 35 to 40. Tonight light snow early then clearing after midnight. Colder with the low in the mid teens to mid 20s. Tuesday sunny and windy and cold with the high 25 to 30.

Maine: Snow northern Maine with total accumulations of 6 to 12 inches before ending today. Elsewhere cloudy with scattered flurries. Highs in the 20s and low 30s. Scattered flurries tonight except occasional light snow south. Lows in the single numbers and teens. Tuesday becoming mostly sunny with highs in the teens and 20s.

New Hampshire: Mostly cloudy with scattered flurries today. Highs in the 20s and low 30s. Scattered flurries tonight except occasional light snow south. Lows in the single numbers and teens. Tuesday becoming mostly sunny with highs in the teens and 20s. Vermont: Snow tapering to flurries today. Highs near 30. Flurries or light snow this evening, some clouds overnight. Lows 5 below to 10 above. Tuesday brisk with sunny periods. Highs 15 to 20.

Long Island Sound: Small craft advisory in effect today. Winds west 15 to 25 knots today. Northwest 15 to 25 knots with higher gusts tonight and Tuesday. Visibility 1 to 3 miles or less in snow this afternoon and evening improving to over 5 miles by midnight.



Cloudy with chance of snow

Clouding up this afternoon with a 50 percent chance of light snow. High in the mid 30s. West wind 5 to 15 mph. Tonight light snow early then clearing after midnight. Colder with the low in the mid teens. Northwest wind 10 to 20 mph. Tuesday sunny and cold. High 25 to 30. Today's weather picture was drawn by Mark Bissonette, 9, of 337 High St., Coventry, a fourth-grade student at St. James School, Manchester.



Satellite view

Commerce Department satellite photo taken at 4 a.m. EST shows a developing East Coast winter storm dimly visible over the Carolinas and Virginia. Snow-producing clouds are also dimly visible over New England. Rain-producing clouds can be seen over the Pacific Northwest.



National forecast

For period ending 7 a.m. Tuesday, tonight, fair weather will generally predominate. Minimum temperatures include: (maximum readings in parenthesis) Atlanta 21 (49), Boston 20 (30), Chicago 8 (21), Cleveland 8 (18), Dallas 36 (63), Denver 27 (52), Duluth -05 (18), Houston 32 (51), Jacksonville 22 (51), Kansas City 15 (30), Little Rock 21 (44), Los Angeles 44 (73), Miami 40 (61), Minneapolis 2 (21), New Orleans 32 (52), New York 19 (29), Phoenix 56 (70), San Francisco 46 (62), Seattle 39 (57), St. Louis 10 (27) and Washington 20 (34).

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Manchester In Brief

LTM gets new lease

The Little Theatre of Manchester has signed a three-year lease for space on the second floor of the Cheney Mills yarn mill at 210 Pine St. LTM president David Newirth said. The lease is for 20,000 square feet of space, slightly less than the theater now occupies on the third floor of the building. The theater and other third-floor tenants were asked last month to vacate the floor after Heyman Properties of Westport, which owns the building, decided it was not economical to keep the floor open. Newirth said the theater will move when it receives a signed copy of the lease from Heyman officials.

Ferguson tickets available

A testimonial dinner for Police Sgt. Walter F. Ferguson, who retired at the end of January, is scheduled Feb. 24 at the Army-Navy Club on Main Street. Ferguson served in the Manchester Police Department for 31 years. The reception will begin at 6:30 with dinner at 7:30. Tickets are \$12 each. For tickets or further information contact Officer James Taylor or Sgt. Gerald Calve at Police Headquarters, 646-4555.

Teachers come, teachers go

Three teachers joined the Manchester school system in January. Julianne S. Kelly of Vernon became a half-time special education teacher at Martin School. Mary L. Mahoney of Manchester, a 6-year teacher in the Glastonbury school system, became a fourth-grade teacher at Verplanck School. Russell T. Harrington, whose teaching experience includes 21 years at E.O. Smith High School, seven years at Manchester High School, and three years at Stafford High School, became a part-time typing teacher at MHS. Claire T. Fazzino, whose contract was terminated last year due to a cutback of secondary art staff, became an art teacher at Hilling Junior High School. David Johnson, an industrial arts teacher at MHS, resigned Jan. 10 for personal reasons. LaVerne M. Kelton, head of the fine arts department at MHS, announced her intention to retire in June. Elementary music teacher Corinne Zanetti has requested and received a sabbatical leave of absence for the first semester of the next school year.

Comment concerns director

Democratic Director James F. Fogarty is concerned about a suggestion made by Nicholas Jackson, the town's liaison officer to the Manchester Country Club, at a Jan. 3 meeting of the club's Board of Governors. The minutes of that meeting say, "Town Liaison Officer Nick Jackson recommended that in the future we do not vote while members or people involved are present." Fogarty feels it is not appropriate for a representative of the town to take the point of view that club members should not be present when the club's governing body votes. But Jackson said Friday that his remarks were made, not about voting in general, but about the minutes. The personnel matter that prompted his suggestion was discussed earlier at the Jan. 3 meeting. It involved authorizing the club's greens superintendent to attend a conference of greens superintendents in Nevada. Jackson said he feels it would be better to vote on such personnel matters when the person directly involved is not present.

Dairy Queen HARTFORD RD. DAIRY QUEEN

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Mary is icing the cake with Dairy Queen softserve.

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U.S./World In Brief

U.S. diplomats expelled

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia — Ethiopia's Marxist government ordered the expulsion of at least four U.S. diplomats two days after 18 Ethiopians were arrested for plotting against the regime, Western diplomats said today.

A spokesman for the U.S. Embassy in Addis Ababa confirmed that a number of our personnel have already left Ethiopia by the government's request but refused to provide any details.

There was no immediate comment from the State Department in Washington.

Other Western diplomats said they knew of at least four American diplomats who were ordered out of the country during the weekend.

All this point we understand that those asked to leave were not of a high ranking... one diplomat said.

The highest ranking U.S. official in Addis Ababa, Charge d'Affaires John Korn and the Joseph O'Neil, the deputy chief of mission, were not among those asked to leave.

Surprise blizzard a killer

A surprise blizzard with 80-mph winds from the Yukon whipped through the upper Midwest, killing travelers stranded in their cars, closing roads and threatening crops as far south as Florida.

At least 28 people have died in the storm — half of them in Minnesota where it froze to death during the weekend before they could be rescued by National Guardsmen, police and volunteers.

Temperatures were below zero across the northern Mississippi Valley early today and readings in the teens were expected to chill the chills-growing regions of Florida.

Onion growers in southern Georgia covered their fields with plastic to keep them warm.

Up to a foot of snow frosted Maine and 10 inches (6 centimeters) in Vermont, with accumulations ranging from 2 to 6 inches closed roads and schools in Georgia, Alabama and North Carolina.

More than 1,000 travelers were stranded in cars and buses or sought shelter in schools and empty houses as 80-mph winds whirled through western Minnesota, the eastern Dakotas and Iowa Saturday night and Sunday, picking up snow already on the ground and blowing it into drifts as much as 11 feet high.

Shultz: Congress aids Syria

BRASILIA, Brazil — Secretary of State George Shultz said Syria is trying to destroy Lebanon's government and take the country — and is being encouraged by the congressional debate over the U.S. Marine presence in Beirut.

Shultz, arriving Sunday in the Brazilian capital of Brasilia, blamed Damascus for the resignation of Lebanese Prime Minister Cheif Wazzan and his Cabinet, saying Syria had used "force, shelling and attacks" and threats against government officials.

"I know that there are lots of threats, telephone threats and clearly there is a pattern of shelling and violence that is having a bearing," Shultz said.

And Shultz indicated President Hafez Assad of Syria is emboldened by the renewed debate in Congress on withdrawing the Marines stationed in Beirut.

"As far as the (U.S.) discussions with Syria are concerned, they basically don't get anywhere," Shultz said.

Russian fighter intercepted

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Nationalist Chinese jeffers today intercepted a Soviet TU-95 reconnaissance plane that intruded into Taiwan's air space for nearly 40 minutes, the defense ministry said.

Military spokesman Gen. Wang Miao said the Soviet aircraft entered Taiwan's air space at 10:49 a.m. local time over Luchiu Hsu Island, about 16 miles southwest of Taiwan's west coast.

Four Taiwanese F-5E jeffers notified the Soviet plane that it had intruded into Taiwan air space and followed it for 37 minutes before it left at 10:46 a.m., Wang said.

Another military source, who asked not to be named, speculated the Soviet plane's intrusion might not have been deliberate and was probably caused by bad weather.

The source also said the Soviet reconnaissance plane came either from Can Ranh Bay in Vietnam or the Soviet port of Vladivostok facing the Sea of Japan.

Wang said it was not the first Soviet military aircraft to have intruded into Taiwan's air space.

Laotians take ill son

COLUMBUS, Ohio — A Laotian refugee couple sneaked their gravely ill 5-month-old son out of a hospital rather than allow doctors to remove his cancerous eyes and they now face criminal charges of child endangering, officials say.

The couple went to Detroit about three weeks ago where a Laotian "spirit doctor" painted the baby orange and performed other rites, authorities said.

Franklin County authorities said Sunday they believe the family has returned to Detroit for more treatment.

Laotian Vang Hang of the Ohio Department of Health's refugee health program acted as interpreter for the parents at Children's Hospital.

"They don't have any education," Hang was quoted as saying in the Columbus Dispatch Sunday. "The cancer has been explained to them many times, but they don't understand. They don't want surgery and a baby with no eyes. If the baby dies, it is OK."

Finland protests players

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia — Finland Sunday lodged an official protest against 10 Canadian, West European and Scandinavian hockey players it charged are ineligible to compete in the 14th Winter Olympics due to stint in just two days.

An issue was how to interpret the rules defining the status of a player. Only amateur athletes are allowed to participate in the games.

With the first ice hockey matches due to begin Tuesday — one day before the official opening ceremony — the Fins decided to push the International Olympic Committee's eligibility commission into ruling on a controversial subject it wanted to avoid.

Just who is a pro?

The Fins want a final decision on whether players who have either played professionally or signed professional contracts are eligible to compete in the Olympics.

The Finnish hockey team's goalkeeper Hannu Kamppuri, who once played for the Edmonton Oilers, was barred from competing last November after he asked the commission for a ruling in his case.

Shuttle to launch new satellite

By Al Rossiter Jr. United Press International

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Undaunted by two earlier failures, the space shuttle crewmen prepared to launch an Indonesian communications satellite today identical to the Westar 6 stranded in the wrong orbit three days ago.

Astronauts Vance Brand, Robert "Hot" Gibson, Bruce McCandless and Robert Stewart and Ronald McNair also got ready for Tuesday's free-flying "Buck Rogers" spacewalks by lowering Challenger's cabin pressure.

McCandless and Stewart, who will conduct the five-hour excursion outside the shuttle, wore helmets to breathe pure oxygen as part of the process to eliminate nitrogen from their blood to avoid bubbles under the lower pressure of their space suits.

Gibson said they looked like martians.

The crew was informed in a radio-teletypewriter message early today that Westar 6 was found Sunday in an orbit reaching 600 miles high. The shuttle is 172 miles high and does not have enough fuel to reach the Westar, which was not designed to be retrieved.

Hartadi Asturi, project manager for the Indonesia's Palapa satellite, said Sunday that radio reports from the ill-fated Westar Union spacecraft increased confidence that the \$75 million Palapa and its booster rocket would perform as advertised.

The space shuttle was launched for its eighth day mission. Asturi said it was believed to be a random failure.

A Western Union official said Westar, insured for \$100 million, will never reach the proper 22,300-mile-high stationary orbit but might be partially salvageable.

The space fliers got their second dose of bad news Sunday when a 6½-foot balloon burst after springing out of Challenger's cargo bay.

The plastic balloon was to have served as a stand-in for the Solar Max sun-watching satellite the next shuttle crew is scheduled to capture and fix in April. Sunday's rendezvous rehearsal was canceled for fear the Challenger might run into a 200-pound weight that was supposed to have stayed inside the balloon.

Challenger's crewmen, in good spirits despite the satellite problems, began their fourth day in space today when they received a musical wakeup call from mission control at 1:21 a.m. EST.

Despite the rendezvous disappointment, flight director Randy Stone said the shuttle crew had performed successfully and all other exercises should run smoothly.

A more critical rehearsal for the Solar Max rescue mission remains scheduled for Tuesday when McCandless and Stewart try out new \$10 million jetpacks and become the first spacewalkers to fly away from their spaceship without safety lines.

A second spacewalk is scheduled for Thursday and, despite the changes in the mission forced by the Westar and balloon failures, the Challenger still is scheduled to return home Saturday, gliding to the first shuttle landing at the Kennedy Space Center launching base.

The Palapa satellite is the second of a second generation of radio relay spacecraft to electronically link the 150 million Indonesians living on the nation's 17,000 islands. Not only are the people of Indonesia separated by water, but more than 150 languages are spoken.

Ex Salvador envoy testifies on coverup

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Robert White, once ambassador to El Salvador, goes to Congress today with his claim the administration covered up evidence showing Salvadoran presidential candidate Roberto d'Aubuisson ordered the death of a popular leader.

The State Department denies any cover-up and says the material White cites already has been turned to the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

The material "is limited and incomplete and no conclusions can be drawn from it," the department said.

White, in testimony prepared for today's meeting of the Foreign Affairs subcommittee on Western Hemisphere affairs, accused the administration of covering up evidence from a credible witness that d'Aubuisson engineered the murder of Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero.

White said in his testimony the evidence also shows d'Aubuisson supervised a lottery to pick someone to plan Romero's death and later had the triggerman, Walter Antonio Alvarez, killed.

White also said the informant who told the embassy about d'Aubuisson's role in the assassination was upset that he had not won the lottery.

Romero was gunned down March 24, 1980, as he said a funeral mass. He was known in El Salvador as the "poor man's bishop" who brushed off death threats to "speak for those who cannot speak."

White, replaced as ambassador soon after the Reagan administration took office in 1981, now teaches and chairs a

private commission on Central America.

His charges, first made Thursday to reporters when the subcommittee was unable to meet, prompted Rep. Bill Alexander, D-Ark., the fourth ranking Democrat in the House, to call on the administration "to make a full disclosure of the facts in its possession" on Romero's death and the White's charge that a half dozen wealthy Salvadoran exiles in Miami finance right-wing terrorism in El Salvador and direct d'Aubuisson.

"I'm not pointing the finger. I'm stating that information exists from sources the embassy regarded as reliable," White told reporters last week.

"The Reagan administration had in its hands when it took office convincing proof d'Aubuisson ordered the death of Romero... and evidence on who won the lottery (to carry out the death plot) and who shot the archbishop," he told reporters.

White said he "kept quiet three years hoping somebody would use the information the embassy developed," but came forward now because he thinks the administration kept the material from Congress and the recently dissolved Kissinger commission on Central America.

d'Aubuisson, considered a leading contender in El Salvador's March 25 election for president and described by White as "a little Hitler," dismissed White's accusation as a lie and called White "a cockroach."

Violent crimes considered worst: study

By Barbara Rosewitz United Press International

WASHINGTON — Americans believe terrorist bombings, murders and fatal child beatings are the most serious crimes, but prostitution, smoking marijuana and cheating on taxes are among the least severe, a study says.

The findings, which could help police and lawmakers decide where to draw the line in fighting crime, come from the largest survey ever on how the general public ranks the seriousness of crimes, the Justice Department's Bureau of Justice Statistics said.

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The Severity of Crime

Study asked 60,000 adults to rank a list of hypothetical crimes according to their severity.

Below is a list of the top 12:	Numerical value
1. Killing 20 people in a bombing	72.1
2. Rape in which woman dies	52.8
3. Parent beats a child to death with fists	47.9
4. Bombing a public building, one death	43.9
5. Armed robbery, victim killed	43.2
6. Husband slays wife, she dies	39.2
7. Factory owners knowingly pollute a city water supply, 20 people die	39.1
8. Fatal stabbing	35.7
9. Intentionally injuring a victim, who dies	35.6
10. Ruining a narcotics ring	35.3
11. Bombing a public building, one injury	33.0
12. Armed hijacking for ransom	32.7

Source: Justice Department's Bureau of Justice Statistics

guiltiness, and it could assist in the scarce allocation of criminal justice resources," said Steven Schlesinger, director of the statistics bureau.

Participants were asked to rank the seriousness of a list of crimes, given that stealing a bicycle from a street should be assigned a value of 10.

Killing 20 people in a bombing got the highest score, 72.1 — more than seven times more serious than stealing a bike.

Among crimes considered less serious than bicycle theft were price-fixing, illegally collecting welfare and indecent exposure.

Rape in which the woman dies, 52.8; parent beats a child to death with his fists, 47.8; bombing a public building, one death, 43.9; armed robbery, the victim strangled and is killed, 43.2; husband stabs his wife, she dies, 39.2; factory owners knowingly pollute a city water supply, 20 people die, 39.1.

Also, fatal stabbing, 35.7; intentionally injuring a victim, who dies, 35.6; running a narcotics ring, 35.3; bombing a public building, one injury, 33.0; and armed skyjacking for ransom, 32.7.

Crimes ranked 50 were arson, shootings, beatings, armed robberies causing injuries, libel-taking by lawmakers and corporate fraud.

Ranked lower than stealing a bike were illegal price-fixing by companies, 8.2; injuring someone with a lead pipe, 8.9; illegally getting \$200 monthly welfare and \$12,000 in tax rebates, 8.1; cheating on taxes to save \$10,000, 6.1; exposing yourself in public, 4.7; smoking marijuana, 1.4; and a 18-year-old playing hooky, 0.2.

Police: Suspect probably committed all five murders

By G. L. Marshall United Press International

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. — A 27-year-old fast food restaurant worker who lived with a minister and had a penchant for girls' magazines is the prime suspect in the slaying of five women in 11 days.

Syvasky Poyner, 27, of Newport News, was scheduled for arraignment today on a capital murder charge for the fatal shooting of one of the five. Officials said they were confident they can link him to the other four deaths as well.

"We are very confident the same man committed all five murders," said Sgt. Susie Mowry, a spokeswoman for a special 30-member task force that investigated the slayings.

Ballistics tests were being run to determine if the same gun was used in each killing. Police searched for a .38 caliber pistol, among other items, in Poyner's room shortly after arresting him at 1 a.m. Saturday.

Officials disclosed Sunday that a patrolman came up with the break leading to Poyner's arrest when he spotted a stolen car belonging to the last victim, Carolyn Hedrick, a 44-year-old Hampton candy saleswoman whose nude body was found Thursday in a church parking lot.

Investigators said they found evidence in the car that led to the arrest of Poyner, who lived a short distance from where the car was found.

Willie Wilson, a 79-year-old retired minister who has shared his modest brick home with Poyner for the last five months, said Sunday he does not believe Poyner killed the five women.

"To tell you the truth, I never seen nobody better than that man," Wilson said. "Go all up and down the street, he never bothered no one. He'd come in, say 'Hiad,' and never bother me a bit."

Wilson said Poyner moved in with him after Poyner and his wife, Theresa, fell on hard financial times. Mrs. Poyner moved in with her mother, but there was a room for her husband — so moved in with Wilson.

Mrs. Poyner said she has talked to her husband since his arrest and that he told her he "didn't do it."

Wilson has yet to clean up Poyner's tiny bedroom — littered with girls' magazines and posters — which was rifled by police investigators.

The death of Ms. Hedrick was the last in the string of

five. On Jan. 23, Joyce Baldwin, 45, was found shot to death in a Hampton beauty shop. On Jan. 30, Louise Paulette, 72, and Chestine Brooks, 42, were

discovered dead in a Williamsburg motel. The following day Vicki Ripple, 17, was shot to death while working alone at a Newport News ice cream shop.

All were shot once in the left side of the head near lunchtime. Police do not discuss a possible motive, although cash robberies and car thefts have been involved.



Victims of strife. A man and a woman holding their young child. The Lebanese army clashed with government forces throughout the weekend. Dozens were killed and many more were injured.

Reagan visits home town for 73rd birthday celebration

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Reagan celebrates his 73rd birthday today, bathing in the nostalgia of the town where he grew up and recalling a Depression era when government was the solution to economic crisis, not the problem.

Reagan, the oldest man to serve in the presidency, is scheduled to visit his hometown of Dixon, Ill., and retroactive computer programs were exercised Eureka College, on the changes time has wrought in the American economy.

Two-thirds of that money was going to state and local governments with only a third to Washington. Today, government collects 24 cents from every dollar, and the proportion is completely reversed, with two thirds of that money going to the federal government.

Reagan "points out the irony that a federal government called upon to solve an economic emergency in the 1930s should now become an obstacle to economic progress," Speakes said.

In his last appearance at Eureka, his May 1982 graduation speech, sponsored by Time Magazine, Reagan laid out his proposal for the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks in hopes of agreeing with the Soviets on limiting long-range missiles.

The Soviets walked out of those talks in December and negotiations on medium-range and conventional weapons in November in response to the deployment of new U.S. missiles in Western Europe. Reagan graduated from Eureka, the first Illinois college to admit women, in 1922 with a degree in economics and sociology.

The homecoming began a week

Starred man is identified as ex-college prexy

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (UPI) — The 85-year-old man who starred himself to death with the permission of a state Supreme Court justice was a former Ohio college president, an author and a technical adviser to the military.

The man was identified by a Syracuse newspaper as G. Ross Henninger, an identity confirmed Sunday by the Harold Greenleaf Funeral Home in Syracuse.

The identification came after Henninger died Friday night, one day after state Supreme Court Justice Donald Miller ruled the retired educator would be allowed to continue refusing food and medical treatment.

To protect the patient's privacy, Miller had ordered reporters not to publish Henninger's name during court proceedings prior to his death.

The judge's decision to allow Henninger to starve himself came after one of his daughters testified that her father was depressed about his lack of mobility since suffering a stroke last May.

"He didn't see his life as worth struggling to maintain," said the daughter, identified in court only as Constance Doe.

In California, state courts have denied a similar request by cerebral palsy victim Elizabeth Bouvia, who asked for an injunction requiring Riverside County General Hospital to provide painkillers and hygienic care while she starved herself to death.

A judge ruled in December she does not have the right to violate the ethics of others by asking them to assist her in dying. The 36-year-old college graduate, all but fully paralyzed by her congenital disease, was being forced during legal appeals.

Henninger, who retired from the Oregon Institute of Technology in 1987, lived alone in a Syracuse apartment until his deteriorating health forced him into a nursing home.

He died Friday at 11:30 p.m., after having refused solid food since Dec. 20.

Henninger, a native of Hamilton, Ohio, served as president of Ohio Mechanics Institute, now part of the University of Cincinnati, from 1958 to 1962, when he went to Oregon.

An electrical engineer by training, Henninger established programs at OIT for skilled technicians in engineering and health professions at a time when many educators questioned the legitimacy of the field.

"He was a man of resolute character, a perfectionist, who was able to maintain his equilibrium in the face of difficulties," said Winston Purvine, founder and former president of OIT. "He was a steady, goer, even-tempered, who didn't let the opposition stir him up too much."

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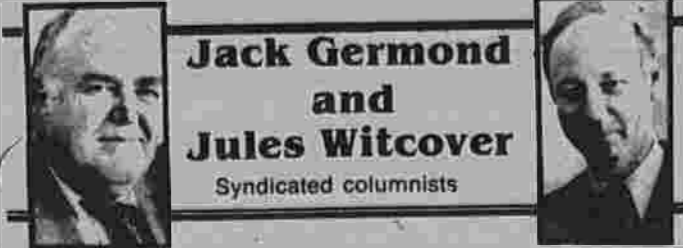
Glenn founders while Mondae sails on

AUGUSTA, Maine — Gov. Joe Brennan's announcement the other day that he had decided against challenging Republican Sen. Bill Cohen this fall was among other things, another piece of very bad news for the John Glenn campaign here.

What it means is that this remarkably popular Democrat now feels free to make an endorsement here which he says is precisely what he intends to do. And, although Brennan isn't quite ready to disclose his choice, he does say that Walter F. Mondale is "very strong."

As a result, despite Brennan's pause, no one in the political community has any doubt he intends to support Mondale. And if you do any doubt that Joe Brennan's machinery can be very important in a caucus situation.

THE FACT IS, however, that the Glenn campaign already has dug itself a deep hole in a state in which there are enough moderate



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to conservative Democrats so that he should have been a serious competitor with Mondale.

Once again, the Glenn campaign is paying a heavy price for a lack of foresight — in this case, the decision not to compete fully in the straw vote at the Maine Democratic convention last October. Glenn made the decision then that he would not compete on

even terms in such straw votes because they were so dominated by activist Democrats of the kind that are the core of Mondale's support.

In Maine, he allowed himself to become a little bit pregnant. He hired a bright young state legislator, John Diamond, to run an operation. He enlisted the backing of a former state chairman and one of the

represent the first test after the New Hampshire primary — and because there is no other competitive event the same day, they are likely to be given disproportionate press attention.

Meanwhile, Mondale sails on. Although his campaign has money problems here — he spent enough on the straw vote so that the legal ceiling is pressing down on him — he has a full-fledged organizational effort being run by another young state legislator, Greg Nadeau, and staffed largely by young organizers paid \$15 a day walking-around money.

AND HE IS getting the usual outside help. Charles O'Leary, president of the state AFL-CIO, says, for example, that he has a half-dozen telephone banks already operating and others in the works. The only other candidates with operatives in the state are Alan Cranston and Gary Hart, but neither is considered formidable yet.

Glenn, only here, it seems, would be to spring a surprise in New Hampshire and live off that momentum here five days later. But, by all informed estimates here, that would require a bit of a miracle.

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so that the role of the activists would be reduced in proportion to that of Democrats of the street. So one daily knows how many Democrats will attend the meetings at just under 400 locations.

Four years ago there were about 25,000, and the usual pattern is for the number to rise as more voters become comfortable with the process.

But Barry Hobbins, the party's state chairman, points out that last time there was a particularly exciting confrontation between a sitting president, Jimmy Carter, and Ted Kennedy. And everyone remembers how interest in the caucuses was fanned by, among other things, Carter's many telephone calls to local Democrats asking their help.

The difference this year is so pronounced that Hobbins suspects there may be fewer voters, perhaps only two-thirds as many as last time. In that situation, the endorsement from Joe Brennan is pure gold for Frits Mondale.

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Richard M. Diamond, Publisher Dan Fitts, Editor



Jack Anderson Washington Merry-Go-Round

A voodoo scheme at Justice

WASHINGTON — Recently I helped shoot down a \$500,000 Justice Department proposal to identify "future criminals" by examining 9-to-12-year-olds for such ominous signs as lethargy, odd-shaped toes and earlobes, and failure to sweat when given electric shocks.

My disclosure caused a storm of protest, and Justice dropped the idea like a hot potato. Now, two months later, the department has agreed to spend about \$800,000 yet another scheme that stinks of voodoo sciences.

My associate Indy Badwahr has learned that the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention is spending the money to evaluate the biological, hormonal and neurological responses — if any — of juveniles as they read such magazines as Playboy, Penthouse and Hustler, and watch pornographic films. Studying these expected changes is intended to help the department's researchers figure out whether exposure to pornography will cause juveniles to become criminal offenders.

DEPENDING ON the results, Justice will decide whether to recommend guidelines to deal with the effects of porn — and of the "mass media" — on juvenile behavior.

In the research proposal, pornography was defined as "commercial, public space, sexual displays involving male and/or female nudity, which would be coded by the animal biology literature as solicitation of copulation and/or violence."

The researchers are to fan out across the country, where "media scenarios" will be located and collected from public sources: stores, restaurants, etc., "according to the research proposal."

"These depictions will include murder, mutilation, bloody confrontations, adolescent inter-generational and promiscuous sex, individual and gang rape, sexual battery, incest, child-sexual abuse, sadism, forced anal/oral copulation, etc." The sample will be submitted to our expert team of professionals for analysis."

The analysts will include sociologists, primatologists (ape specialists), neurologists, anthropologists, etc. It is not clear whether endocrinologists, "victimologists" and, of course, experts in Justice's apparently unremitting nightmares, lethargy and lethargy (called "brain hemisphere stratification").

The project has also added another ally to these disciplines: "pornology."

THE RESEARCHERS hope to shed light on just about every ill that afflicts American youth except one: The study promises to find out whether "sexually explicit materials cause juvenile delinquency, runaways, teenage pregnancy, mayhem, rape in gangs or as individuals, murder, alcohol and drug abuse, pederasty, child prostitution...incest, rape, torture...mutilation."

The project director, Dr. Judith Reisman of American University, "has a broad background in this area," according to a Justice Department document. She is credited with discovery of a "new phenomenon on the youth scene: 'boyfriend rape' while the girl is under the influence of alcohol, drugs."

At press time, Dr. Reisman had not returned my calls for comment.

The project report says that sexually explicit material "tends to be used by the offender as a visible, authoritative support for coercion of very young girls into sexual acts."

The project documents allude to experiments, but a Justice Department official said there will be none — at least this time around. He explained that the raw data is already available from experts who have conducted experiments in the past, possibly financed by the government. The current project will collect this data and synthesize the results, he said.

Connecticut In Brief

Death linked to syndrome

FARMINGTON — The office of the state's chief medical examiner has ruled a 4-month-old Torrington child found dead by his parents died of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.

Julius Fields was found dead by his parents, Lynn Berne and Albert Fields Jr., 31, when they awoke Saturday.

A spokesperson for the chief state medical examiner's office said Sunday an autopsy revealed the child died of natural causes.

On Thursday Torrington police arrested his parents for third-degree assault and risk of injury to children as a result of allegations of child abuse.

No charges were filed as a result of the death.

Private dump deal reported

NEW HAVEN — Environmental Protection Commissioner Stanley J. Pac and two state lawyers privately worked out a deal that kept the state's most-hazardous landfill open until last year, it has been reported.

The New Haven Register reported Sunday the agreement reversed a decision by Pac in August 1982 that the Laurel Park Landfill in Naugatuck had reached its legal capacity and should be closed Feb. 1, 1983.

The newspaper said the deal allowed the dump to remain open until it was ordered closed last summer after traces of dioxin were found in samples taken from the site. A suit challenging that closure order is pending.

The Register said Pac confirmed that he supported the negotiations that lifted his August 1982 order that the dump be closed, saying such talks result in faster installation of pollution controls.

Pond likely to reopen

WATERTOWN — The pond at Black Rock State Park, closed last year for repairs to a crumbling earthen dam, is expected to be reopened to swimmers this summer, state officials said.

Repairs to the dam are nearly completed and dredging of the pond is expected to be done in May in time for the traditional Memorial Day start of the swimming season, officials said.

Since the pond will not be filled with water until the dredging is completed, the state does not plan to stock it for fishing, said Pamela Adams, a senior environmental analyst with the Department of Environmental Protection.

Group wants more heat aid

HARTFORD — A coalition is recommending that the state spend more money to help the needy pay their utility bills, concluding that existing assistance programs don't cover the needs of the poor.

The coalition, which includes the state's welfare commissioner and business, utility and other officials, said a survey showed assistance programs would have to be increased by an average of \$28 per family to meet needs.

The survey said poor families spend more than 20 percent of their income, including money from energy assistance programs, on energy. It said 7.5 percent would be a reasonable share to spend on energy.

The coalition recommended in a report released Friday that the state contribute additional funds to provide assistance to the needy in paying utility bills.

Wesleyan drops mine stock

MIDDLETOWN — Wesleyan University will sell \$500,000 worth of stock it holds in an international mining company because of the firm's operations in South Africa.

Wesleyan's board of trustees voted unanimously to sell all 2,000 shares of the university-held Newmont Mining Corp. The company has mining subsidiaries in South Africa, which has an official policy of racial segregation.

The vote Saturday followed a three-year review of the company's policies and practices in South Africa and was the second such divestiture by Wesleyan. All university holdings in Standard Oil of California were sold in 1982.

The board acted on the findings of students, faculty, administrators and trustees who held a series of public hearings on the issue. It said the removal of the stock would demonstrate "significant opportunities for its black workers."

Service held for donor

BRIDGEPORT — About 350 family members, friends and coworkers attended weekend funeral services for a hospital nursing supervisor whose heart was used in New England's first heart transplant.

Nurses who worked with Rita Barker at St. Vincent's Medical Center held single white carnations outside the simple, red brick St. Andrew's Church in Bridgeport where services were held for the Stratford woman, a mother of two.

Mrs. Barker, 37, died Wednesday of injuries suffered Jan. 27 in a traffic accident and her family donated her heart to a pharmacist from Massachusetts who had the chance to live.

About four dozen hospital staff members formed two lines as the casket was carried from the church following the service Saturday to be taken for burial at St. Michael's Cemetery in Stratford.

Driver sought in crash

MERIDEN — Police are seeking the driver of a vehicle involved in a hit-and-run accident that killed an elderly man riding a moped on the side of the road.

Andrew Goudry, 79, of Meriden was struck Friday as he drove a moped on Oregon Road and was pronounced dead at the scene, police said. "It would appear some speed was involved," said Police Sgt. Charles West.

The West said police had no witnesses and had conflicting reports from people who might have seen the hit-and-run vehicle.

Wolcott woman killed

WOLCOTT — A 37-year-old Wolcott woman was killed Sunday when the car she was a passenger in hit a patch of ice, slid into a curb and flipped over.

Police said Judith Pompkins was a passenger in a jeep driven by her husband, Gordon. Police said they were heading north on Route 60 when the accident occurred.

Mrs. Pompkins was pronounced dead at St. Mary's Hospital in Waterbury. Her husband and 10-year-old daughter Amy were not injured. No charges have been filed.

Result of survey of lawmakers

Roads and tolls top Capitol agenda

By Mark A. Dupuis United Press International

HARTFORD — Rebuilding and maintaining the state's roads and bridges and the perennial battle of adopting a state budget will be the top priorities for this year's Legislature, a UPI survey indicates.

The annual survey also showed this year that the debate over whether tolls should be kept on the Connecticut Turnpike remains alive despite plans now to tear the tolls down at the end of next year.

The survey, conducted recently by mail, asked legislators to list the top issues for the regular legislative session that will begin Wednesday with Gov. William O'Neill presenting his budget proposals for the next fiscal year.

Sixty-two legislators, or about a third of the 185 lawmakers now in the House or Senate, replied to the survey, taken annually for several years by UPI.

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Educators will fight decision on arbitration

HARTFORD (UPI) — Connecticut's local school boards are coming to a standstill over a decision to let teacher contract negotiations become deadlocked.

Superior Court Judge Julius J. Kremis last week rejected a suit brought by the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education challenging the compulsory binding arbitration law.

A.B.E., which represents local school boards, said it hadn't decided if it would appeal the judge's ruling, but was certain it would continue to ask the Legislature to repeal the law.

The law was adopted in 1978 to avoid teacher strikes, even though they were illegal. Lawmakers were shaken by the jailing that year of nearly 275 Bridgeport teachers for 18 days during a bitter strike.

The law requires public school teachers and school boards to abide by an arbitrator's decision when a contract dispute is deadlocked. C.A.B.E. challenged the law on a claim local communities had lost control of their own affairs.

Capital events

HARTFORD (UPI) — The following is a partial calendar of events scheduled this week at the State Capitol. Meetings and hearings are generally open to the public.

Access to news conferences may be limited to the media.

Tuesday, Feb. 7 A subcommittee of the Legislature's Education Committee studying employment of handicapped adults will meet at 9:30 a.m. in Room 418 at the Capitol.

The Legislature's Appropriations Committee will meet at 9:30 a.m. in Room 310 to vote on the allocation of block grant funds. The committee will hold a 10 a.m. public hearing on teacher retirement bills.

The Legislature's Medical Care and Health Committee will hold a 1 p.m. hearing in Room 10 of the Capitol on the Department of Health's proposed budget for 1985.

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The state board voted to propose a longer school year for teachers as one of the reforms, but rejected a longer school year for students. Legislators replying to the survey also opposed a longer year for students.

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An editorial

Which president was the oldest?

Any quiz on American presidents surely would carry the question: Which president was the oldest upon assuming office?

The answer, of course, is Ronald Reagan, inaugurated Jan. 20, 1981, at 69. He turns 73 today. Now that he's officially a candidate for reelection, Reagan has a chance at stretching the age distinction by four years.

Before Reagan became the 40th president, the age record belonged to the ninth president, William Henry Harrison, who was 68 at inauguration March 4, 1841.

Harrison, you will remember from history, served as president the shortest time, only one month. He died of pneumonia.

A few age comparisons: Dwight Eisenhower was 66 to start his second term, James Buchanan was elected at 65, Zachary Taylor at 64.

Vice President Theodore Roosevelt, at 42, was the youngest to become president, succeeding to his post upon the assassination death of William McKinley in 1901. He was elected to a term of his own in 1904.

John F. Kennedy was 43 when he became the youngest person elected president. His assassination at 46 made him the president who lived the shortest number of years.

On the other end of the spectrum, John Adams and Herbert Hoover lived the longest. Each died at 90.

Franklin D. Roosevelt served the longest tenure in office — 12 years, 1 month, 8 days. Elected a record four times, he died early in his fourth term.

We have mentioned the oldest and youngest presidents. By far the largest number of chief executives have been in their 50s when inaugurated. George Washington was 57, Abraham Lincoln, 52.

Only a relatively few have been in their 40s — Ulysses S. Grant, 46; Grover Cleveland, 47; Franklin Pierce, 48; James A. Garfield and James Polk, 48; Kennedy, and Theodore Roosevelt.

How much of an issue will be of Reagan's age in the 1984 campaign? Only time can tell. The President himself frequently has joked about his age. Perhaps, in this, he has sought to defuse serious focus on the subject.

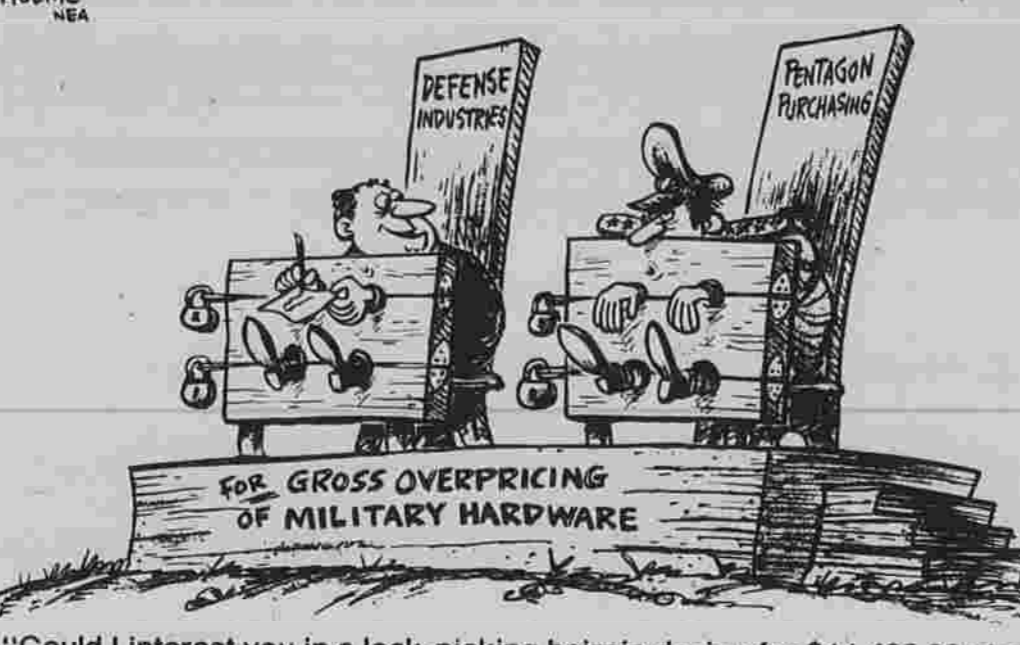
The lengthening life expectancy trend already has done that to some extent.

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Waste!!

To the Editor: A first prize award for wasting taxpayers' dollars must go to the State Legislators in Hartford who recently unveiled one of their most expensive and unnecessary projects ever conceived.

The leaders of the General Assembly unanimously approved the expenditure of \$30 million to construct themselves a new office building on the grounds of the State Armory parking lot, said building to consist of four stories with a 1000-car parking garage. They approved the allocation of these dollars, to the best of my knowledge, without public input or approval!

As a former assistant state comptroller, I feel I can comment with some degree of expertise that this building will cost the taxpayers close to \$75 million to complete, and I cite the enormous expense of the University of Connecticut Health Center in Farmington as a prime example. The original cost estimate to construct this building was under \$30 million. However, due to mismanagement and untold design changes during construction, the final construction cost came in at a whopping \$100 million plus, not including the month-to-month operating cost.

What guarantees have been offered to prevent a replay of the same boondoggle? The energy costs alone (heating, cooling, telephone), not to mention wall-to-wall carpeting, new drapes and office equipment, could read like the national deficit!

To even consider an expenditure of such magnitude with taxpayers' dollars is political arrogance with complete disregard for the already

over-burdened taxpayers. There are far more pressing problems facing us for the priority use of these tax dollars!

Recently the state educational equity committee asked the Board of Education to adopt a policy under which the state would contribute 50 percent to local schools, but they (the committee) conceded that persuading the General Assembly would be difficult, this in view of the fact that Connecticut ranks 45th among the 50 states in the share of local school spending paid by the state.

Who among our lawmakers is truly concerned regarding the dire needs of the elderly in Connecticut who, through no fault of their own, have been waiting years for affordable housing, or those handicapped living at home who are now threatened with possible cut-backs in funds for home aid services?

In 1983, the Legislature approved \$1.1 million to construct a rifle range in Plymouth. This money, due to public outcry, was reduced to \$460,000, still a bit exorbitant in view of the above needs, though. Connecticut does have need of a good weapon range.

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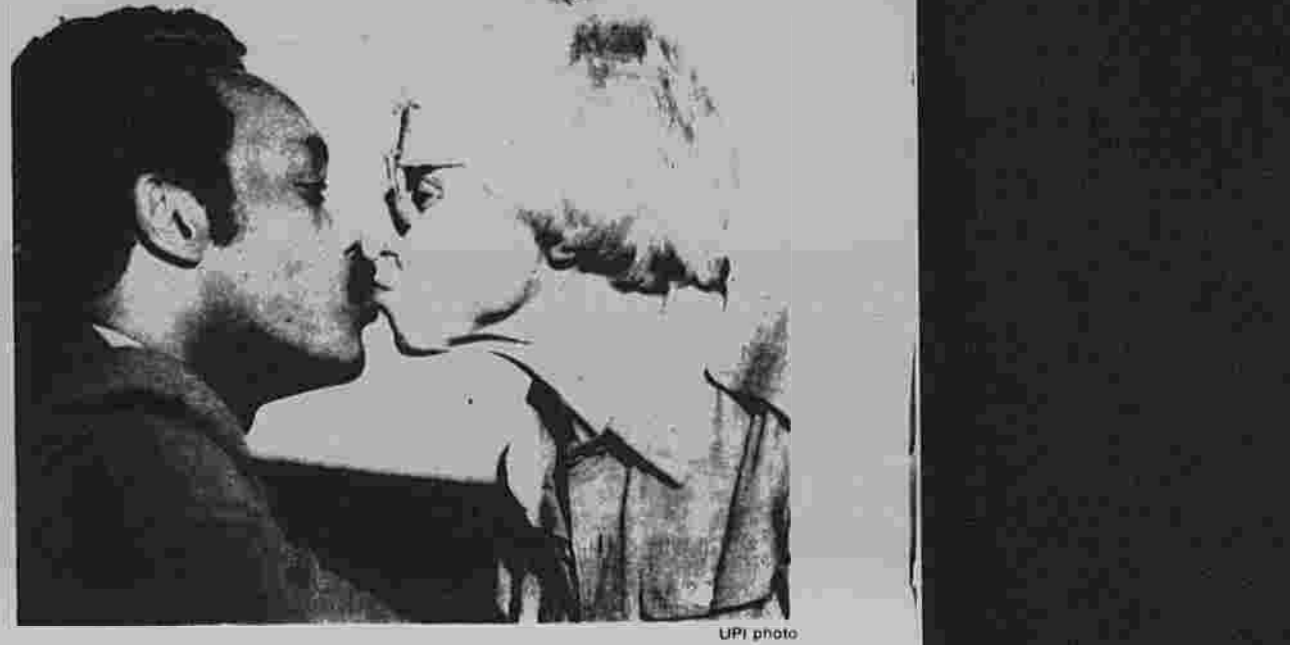
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Obituaries

Doris Mehr Packer

Doris Mehr Packer, 83, of 418 W. Middle Turnpike, died Thursday at Manchester Memorial Hospital. She was the wife of the late Morris Packer. She was a resident of Manchester for the last 20 years. She was a member of Temple Beth Shalom, the Sisterhood, and Hadassah, B'nai Brith chapter. She is survived by a daughter, Blanche Stone of Manchester; a brother and sister in South America; and two grandchildren, Amy and Jeffrey Stone. The funeral was scheduled this morning in the chapel of Weinstein Mortuary, 640 Farmington Ave., Hartford. Interment will be in Temple Beth Shalom Memorial Park. Memorial donations may be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Memorial week will be observed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Stone, 69 Butternut Road.

Mrs. Bluma R. Katz

Mrs. Bluma (Rubin) Katz, of 67 Gerard St., died Saturday at Hartford Hospital. She was the wife of the late Samuel S. Katz. She was born in Hartford and attended local schools and was a graduate of Weaver High School and the Hartford Hospital School of Nursing. She was a member of Temple Beth Shalom Hadassah Hebrew Home and Hospital, the Alumna Association of the Hartford Hospital School of Nursing, and other local charitable organizations. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Jerome (Judith) Baskin of Manchester; two brothers, David B. Rubin and Leon A. Rubin, both of Manchester; and two grandsons.

Leon Biathrow

Leon "Lee" Biathrow, 83, of 69 White St., died Saturday at Hartford Hospital. He was the husband of Diane (Pizzola) Biathrow. He was born in Nashua, N.H., and had lived in the Hartford area for many years before moving to Manchester five years ago. Before retiring he had worked for Gerber Garment Co. of South Windsor. He was a member of the First Church of Christ of Hartford, and the Windsor Lodge of Elks.

Besides his wife he leaves two daughters, Mrs. Christine Reilly of Tolland and Mary-Allen Putnam of Monroe; three sons, Daniel Biathrow of East Hartford, Alan Pizzola of Manchester and Marc Pizzola of Greenville, S.C.; four sisters, Mrs. Blanche Spinsky of Auburn, Mass., Mrs. Alice McGlew of Margate, Fla., Mrs. Jenny Dorcy of Worcester, Mass., and Mrs. Dee Macdonald of Sulphur, La.; 10 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. The funeral will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the Watkins Funeral Home, 142 E. Center St. Burial will be in Hillside Cemetery, East Hartford. Friends may call at the funeral home today from 7 to 9 p.m. and Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the First Church of Christ, 69 Gold St., Hartford.

Mary Frances Klein

Mary Frances Klein, 68, of 152 Brantford St., died Saturday at Manchester Memorial Hospital. She was the wife of Walter A. Klein. She was born in Agawam, Mass., and had been a resident of Manchester for more than 55 years. Before retiring she had worked for the Manchester Board of Education for many years. She was a member of Concordia Lutheran Church, the Senior Citizens, and the AARP of Manchester. Besides her husband she leaves two daughters, Nancy K. Sweet and Elissa J. MacMillan, both of Manchester; four sons, Gary F. Klein of Bolton, Richard T. Klein, Robert J. Klein and Jeffrey A. Klein, all of Manchester; a sister, Mrs. Ruth C. Gauruder of Manchester; a brother, David M. Kenton of Mansfield, Mass.; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. The funeral will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Concordia Lutheran Church, Pkinstreet. Burial will be in East Cemetery. Friends may call at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, the Memorial Fund of Concordia Lutheran Church, or to Manchester Memorial Hospital.

Deborah D. Ferland

Deborah (Dowds) Ferland, 62, of Ashford, formerly of Manchester, died Saturday at her home. She was the wife of the late Oscar Q. Ferland. She was born in Manchester Nov. 23, 1921, and had lived here most of her life before moving to Ashford 13 years ago.

She leaves two sisters, Mrs. Helen Saimond and Mrs. Florence Quay, both of Manchester; a brother, Frank Dowds Jr. of St. Petersburg, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews. The funeral will be held Wednesday at 10 a.m. from the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St. Burial will be in St. James Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Margaret G. Downs

Margaret G. (Walsh) Downs, 89, of Springfield, Mass., died Saturday at Ring Nursing Home in Springfield. She was the wife of the late George H. Downs and the mother of Shirley Moran of Springfield, formerly of Manchester. The funeral will be Tuesday at 9 a.m. at the Holy Forest Park Chapel, 404 Belmont Ave., Springfield, with a mass at 10 a.m. in Holy Cross Church. Calling hours are today from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Frederick McCarthy

In the obituary notice for Frederick McCarthy, who died in Tucson, Ariz. on Jan. 29, the family inadvertently omitted the name of his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Moon of Manchester.

Edwin A. Cooper

NEW TOWN (UPI) — Services were to be held today for veteran actor Edwin A. Cooper, a veteran of stage, screen and television who also acted in radio with then-actor Ronald Reagan.

Cooper, who lived in Newtown for 35 years, died Thursday in Danbury Hospital. He was 87. His film credits included the roles of the grandfather in "Ragtime" and performances in "The Luckiest Star" and "State of the Union." He also acted on television and with Reagan in the Lux Radio Theater.

Stanley H. Page

GUILFORD (UPI) — A memorial service was to be held today for Stanley H. Page, a former state senator and aide to former Gov. Thomas J. Meskill. Page, 41, died Friday after a long illness. He served in the Senate from 1973-77 and was chairman of the Legislature's General Law Committee. He also worked as an administrative assistant to Meskill and was campaign manager for Sen. Lowell Weicker, R-Conn., in 1980 and worked on the senator's field staff.



Scrapping again
Nicholas Krascella, outside his house at 376 Porter St. this morning, resolutely scrapes the ice off his car windows for the umpteenth time this winter before leaving for work. The window glaze is the residue from last night's rain and light snowfall.

Gov. O'Neill backs Mondale

HARTFORD (UPI) — Gov. William O'Neill and three other top state Democrats today endorsed President Jimmy Carter's choice for vice president, Walter Mondale, for the Democrat presidential nomination. O'Neill said it was time for Democrats to back one candidate from the field of eight major contenders for the nomination and avoid a divided party as the party heads into the November election against President Reagan.

"I think it's time for the Democratic Party to unite behind one candidate," O'Neill said at a news conference where he, Lt. Gov. Joseph J. Fasullo, Rep. Barbara B. Kennedy, D-Conn., and state Comptroller J. Edward Caldwell threw their support to Mondale. "I think the (former) vice president is an excellent candidate for president of the United States," O'Neill said. O'Neill said he believed from the beginning Mondale was the leading contender for the nomination and favored Mondale all along and thought now was the appropriate time to announce his position. O'Neill said he would work for Mondale in the state's March 27 presidential primary and be "active enough so he will be the leading candidate coming out of the state of Connecticut."

The endorsements give Mondale added support at the top of the Democratic Party in Connecticut, where he already has support of Democratic Reps. Sam Gendenson and William Ratchford and two top leaders in the Legislature. Fasullo and Mrs. Kennedy, in announcing their support for Mondale, praised the former vice president as having a proven track record in public service. "I think the country needs a change in leadership," Fasullo said. "There's no question in my mind that when the voters examine the president's record, his deeds do not match his words."

Fire Calls

(Paramedics)
Friday, 9:57 a.m. — gasoline washdown, 1041 Main St. (Town).
Friday, 1:53 p.m. — alarm, Bidwell Street (Town).
Friday, 4:12 p.m. — medical call, 227 N. Main St. (Eighth District).
Friday, 4:18 p.m. — alarm, Stone and St. John streets (Town).
Friday, 4:38 p.m. — motor vehicle accident, 144 extension (Town).
Friday, 9:51 p.m. — medical call, 501 E. Middle Turnpike (Paramedics).
Friday, 10:45 p.m. — alarm, 360 Oakland St. (Eighth District).
Saturday, 10:03 a.m. — alarm, Sears, 348 W. Middle Turnpike (Town).
Saturday, 1:50 p.m. — transformer fire, Parker and Stevens streets (Town).
Saturday, 2:24 p.m. — chimney fire, 638 Parker St. (Town).
Saturday, 4:26 p.m. — medical call, 1145 Tolland Turnpike (Paramedics).
Saturday, 10:09 p.m. — medical call, 86 Park St.

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Turnpike bridge opens for rush

BRIDGEPORT (UPI) — Two westbound lanes of a busy Connecticut Turnpike Bridge closed Friday because of a 2-foot crack in a bridge support girder were reopened early today in time for the commuter rush.

Work on the span over Bridgeport Harbor was completed about 4:35 a.m., said a state Department of Transportation official. The two westbound lanes of the span, one of the busiest in the state with more than 110,000 vehicles crossing daily, were closed Friday after an inspection showed a 2-foot crack in one of the girders supporting the bridge, located 20 miles from the Mianus River bridge on the turnpike which partially collapsed last June, killing three people and seriously injuring three others.

Deputy Transportation Commissioner William A. Lazarek said the cracked girder did not pose a safety hazard because the bridge was supported by seven girders, and the other six would hold up the span if the cracked girder gave way. "Unlike the Mianus River Bridge, which was a two-girder bridge, this bridge has seven girders on it," said Lazarek. A 100-foot section of the Mianus River bridge on the turnpike in Greenwich collapsed last year, killing three people and injuring three others. The turnpike is part of a larger bridge.

Lazarek said the cause of the crack in the bridge girder had not been determined but he speculated it was wear and tear on the span, which was built about 25 years ago. "It's just wear and tear and old age I think more than anything else," he said, adding the state had 25 or 30 people working to get the bridge over Kossuth Road near Bridgeport Harbor re-opened.

Lazarek said the crack was discovered Friday by inspectors examining the bridge as part of an accelerated state program to repair bridges throughout Connecticut rated in poor or fair condition. The Bridgeport span is classified in fair condition, he said. The stepped-up bridge repair work statewide was begun by the Department of Transportation in the aftermath of the Mianus bridge collapse.

Charges lodged over jobless tax

MANCHESTER (UPI) — A Manchester man is scheduled to be presented in Manchester Superior Court Wednesday on charges that he failed to pay \$895 in state unemployment compensation taxes, police and state Labor Department officials said today. Anthony Dinimli, 47, of 655 W. Middle Turnpike, was arrested Thursday and later released on a \$1,000 non-surety bond.

According to Labor Department spokesman Richard Ficks, Dinimli was a co-owner of Dinimli Brothers Inc., a now-defunct clothing manufacturing company. Ficks said the delinquent payments date to before October 1982, but the statute of limitations precludes the department from charging him with missing earlier payments. Ficks said the arrest comes after Dinimli repeatedly failed to answer the Labor Department's request for bank payment.

Manchester resident Donna Pether and East Hartford resident Mark J. Pelletier, both 16-year-olds injured in a two-car accident that cost their companion her life Thursday on West Middle Turnpike, were injured in a satisfactory condition this morning at Manchester Memorial Hospital.

A passenger, 16-year-old Selma LaChance, also of East Hartford, died at the hospital a few hours after she was pulled from the wreckage near exit 92 of Interstate 86. According to police, Pelletier lost control of his car while trying to brake behind a stopped tractor-trailer, and spun into the east-bound lane, where the car was struck by an oncoming car. The driver of the other car, Dorothy Patelli, 46, of East Hartford, sustained minor injuries in the accident.

Woman hurt in crash
BOLTON — A Bolton woman suffered serious head injuries Sunday afternoon when her car she was riding in collided with a van on Lake Street near Box Mountain Road, police said today. Diane Miller, of 23 Cook Drive, was transported to Hartford Hospital, where she was listed in stable condition this morning. According to state police, a van driven by Edward Masterson, 25, of Ellington, was traveling south on Lake Street when Masterson lost control of the van on a downhill curve, slid into the northbound lane and struck an oncoming car. Masterson and the driver of the other car, Anthony Morrone, of Satellite Beach, Fla., sustained minor injuries, police said. But the van hit the other car where Ms. Miller was sitting in the passenger's seat and she got the worst of it, they said.

Tolland County

(Town, Bolton) — Sunday, 5:03 p.m. — chimney fire, Lake Road, Andover.
Sunday, 5:33 a.m. — medical call, Broadway, Coventry (North Coventry, South Coventry).
Sunday, 5:03 p.m. — motor vehicle accident, Lake Street, Bolton (Bolton, Manchester Ambulance).

SPORTS



WBA welterweight champion Donald Curry lands a left to the jaw of top contender Marion Starling during successful defense of his title Saturday afternoon at Bally's Park Place Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City.

Curry open to offers after beating Starling

By Logan Hobson
UPI Sports Writer
ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Don Curry is open for business. Curry, who successfully defended his World Boxing Association welterweight title Saturday with a 15-round unanimous decision over Marion Starling, is as ready as a gold-glove shortstop to start talking fight offers. Shortly after the unbeaten champion defeated Starling for the second time in his career, he served notice on several of boxing's big names — including Sugar Ray Leonard — that he's ready to fight.

"If Ray's ready, I am," said Curry of the former world welterweight champion who is scheduled to fight lightly regarded Kevin Howard in his first fight since announcing his comeback last December.

"I think I showed him (Leonard) I was tough," said the champion. "A lot of people were saying Don Curry likes to run. They saw differently today."

"I don't think Milton wants to fight," Curry said of McCrory, an in on the post-fight news conference. "But I'm ready to fight when he is." Curry won the title — declared vacant by the retirement of Leonard — with a 15-round decision over Jun Sak Hwang of Korea on Feb. 13, 1983 and had defended once with a first-round demolition of Roger Sanchez of September. Starling, 25, of Hartford, Conn., dropped to 30-2 with 20 knockouts. His kick of aggression surprised the champion.

"I was going into the fight feeling that I'd let him dictate the first couple of rounds," Curry said. "When he started backing up, I started taking the fight to him. I thought he'd come out a lot stronger. When he started backing up, I put the pressure on him. I knew I was stronger than Marion during the fight."

"I think about the eighth round I didn't pressure him and caught my second wind. I felt he was going down. I fought a better fight than I did last time. The first fight I was not 100 percent."

MHS sextet ices Warriors

BOLTON — With some operatives under the weather, others took up the slack as Manchester High overwhelmed Hail High 9-3, in ice hockey action Saturday night here at the Bolton Ice Palace. The victory was the 13th in 14 outings for the Silk Town Icemen while the loss drops the Warrior skaters to 1-12 for the season. Second line sophomore center Mike Genieris was sick in bed for a week with a case of the flu and junior left wing Doug Matthew, also on the second line, has a possible case of the mumps and was sidelined. Indian coach Wayne Horton was forced to juggle lines, putting up sophomore center Kyle Bockus and sophomore left wing Brian Coughlin and coupled them with senior right wing Brian Beckwith. The result was two goals and three assists from that unit in support of the No. 1 line of Galen Byram, Eric Trudon-Bobby Blake that accounted for seven goals and six assists.

"Overall, I was quite pleased," Horton said, looking at the production. "This is what I need come tournament time. When the tournament comes, we have to depend on the whole team. "I was worried a little with the sickness how we were going to pull through but we did quite well."

Manchester scored six times in the first period to put the contest on ice. Bockus opened the scoring at 1:43 with his fourth of the season, assisted by linemates Beckwith and Coughlin. Blake, sophomore right wing, tallied the first of two consecutive goals at 4:46 off an assist from defenseman Dan Senkow. Senkow, who missed the Indians' last game with a bruised foot, returned to the lineup and played well according to Horton. Blake's second goal of the evening, and 25th of the

season, made it 3-0 before goals by Byram (his 34th), Trudon (21st) and Beckwith (10th) moved the edge to 4-0 after 15 minutes. Trudon scored twice, giving him a hat trick and 25 goals for the season, and Byram once for Manchester. The Silk Towners had a final 47:26 edge in shots. Ian Fennell worked the first 26 minutes in goal for Manchester with sophomore Chip Blaggett finishing up. Steve Heiland and Jim Miller handled the goaltending duties for Hail.

Horton paired sophomore Mark Cichowski with Dan Guachione on defense and they did a commendable job. Senkow worked with his normal partner, Mark Keith, along with sophomore John Riemittis on the blue line. Brad Pendleton was paired with Keith at times. "I did it to give the younger guys some experience with the older boys," Horton cited. Horton formed a third line of Genieris, who was slowed by the effects of the flu, with Keith Hurley and John Bourret and "they held their own out there," he said. He also cited Hurley for his work killing penalties.

Manchester resumes action Tuesday afternoon against Farmington High at the Hartford Arena at 7:30.

East pucksters hold off determined Wethersfield

BOLTON — Holding off a determined Wethersfield High sextet in the first period, East Catholic skated to a 9-3 victory over the visitors here Saturday night at the Bolton Ice Palace. The win gets the Eagles back on the right track after their 9-5 loss last Wednesday to Notre Dame of West Haven. In that affair, East took too many costly penalties in dropping its third game of the season. The win over Wethersfield boosted East to 12-3. Wethersfield dips to 9-5 with the loss. "It was a nice win for us," East coach Bill Mannix said. "Because they are a real tough team this year, maybe one of the top four teams in the north. They were flying in the first period but I told the team if we could contain them we could do the job. "We were playing well in our defensive zone. Everyone was taking his man so they didn't get too many quality chances from the slot," he added. The clubs were deadlocked at 1-1 piece after the first period. Junior Rob Tedaldi scored his ninth goal of the season at the 13:07 mark and that was equalized by Wethersfield's Dave Healy at 14:22. The sextets traded goals in the second period. Dave Glender scoring for East and Wayne Pietroniro for Wethersfield, before senior Dennis Tulumieri scored at 6:33 off a pretty headman feed from senior captain Paul Roy. Roy's pass sent Tulumieri in alone on goal and the senior deposited home for his fifth goal of the season. Dan Thebaud, with his third goal of the campaign, gave East a 4-2 lead with 47 seconds left in the middle session. He was assisted by Mike Keeler and Glender. Keeler finished with four assists, giving him a team-high 21. The opening minutes of the third period told the story of the game. According to Mannix, that's when Wethersfield had a five-on-three skating advantage on East but missing his sixth straight game.

Four-point weekend logged by Whalers

CHICAGO (UPI) — The Hartford Whalers have had little to cheer about in the last month, but Sunday's 4-3 victory over the Chicago Black Hawks may indicate that things are changing. The triumph was only Hartford's second in its last 12 games, five of which were ties. The victory gave the Whalers a 2-1 record on their three-game road trip. Hartford is unbeaten in its last four games (2-2). The back-to-back road victories, coming 18 hours apart, tied a club record.

"We're playing well although our record (17-28-8) doesn't indicate that," said Whalers coach Jack Evans, whose club defeated the Blues in St. Louis Saturday night 7-3 while the Black Hawks were idle.

"It's amazing how people find the energy," Evans said. Goalie Ed Stasiowski played a hell of a game.

Stasiowski was not in goal against St. Louis, but Sunday he scored 41 shots fired at him compared to 20 against Chicago goalie Tony Esposito. In the scoreless third period, Hartford had just one shot on goal to 11 for Chicago, which wasted two power-play opportunities. "We were slow setting up and made soft passes," said Chicago coach Orval Tessier. "The key to the power play is how much effort they put into it. We were very lazy."

Tessier added that the play of Stasiowski was a key factor. "Their goaltending won the game for us," he said. "We should have had more than three goals."

Stasiowski gave the credit to his teammates. "They kept the area clear so I was able to see a high percentage of their shots. Our guys stood tough."

Hartford will try to continue its winning ways Tuesday night back at the Civic Center when it hosts the Detroit Red Wings. That begins a three-game homestand that includes a Saturday night date against Calgary and Sunday afternoon game against Wayne Gretzky and the Edmonton Oilers.



Hartford Whalers' Tony Currie (center) is congratulated by teammates Ron Francis (10) and Doug Sullivan (22) after scoring goal Saturday night against the St. Louis Blues in St. Louis. Whalers scored 7-3 victory over the Blues and came back Sunday afternoon to nip the Chicago Black Hawks, 4-3, for a rare four-point weekend.

UConn outclassed by Hoyas but Perno sees bright spots

WASHINGTON (UPI) — University of Connecticut coach Don Perno made no excuses for his 29-point loss. "They're better basketball team than we are, and they beat us good," Perno said after the Huskies fell to fourth-ranked Georgetown 87-62. Still, Perno saw some bright spots Saturday night. "We're not there yet. We were out of the blocks, and we went at it on the boards. For the first few minutes we even took it to them inside," said Perno.

"But it was just too much Georgetown. They're a great team with many, many answers. Patrick Ewing hurts you a lot, but even besides him, they have an awful lot of answers."

Ewing scored 23 points, grabbed 15 rebounds and blocked six shots to lead Georgetown to the Big East win. Georgetown trailed only once, early in the contest, in recording its sixth straight win. The Hoyas were now 19-2 and 8-1 in the Big East. Ironically, it was from the Hoyas, thinking about post-season playoffs, that cautious comments were heard. "We have a long way to go. We didn't do a lot of things right," said Ewing.

"We're not where we want to be," said coach John Thompson. "We don't rattle as easily, which is good, and we know now we can play poorly and still win. But, I'm looking for us to play poorly and get better."

Connecticut, led by Tim Coles' 18 points, dropped to 11-8 and 3-6 in the conference with its third straight loss. It resumes Big East play tonight at the Field House in Storrs against Pittsburgh. It will meet the Panthers without leading scorer Earl Kelley, who'll be missing his sixth straight game.

Georgetown's Tim Coles (34) lays the ball off the glass as he's confronted by Georgetown's David Wingate (center) and Patrick Ewing (33) during Big East clash Saturday at Capital Center in Landover, Md. Georgetown was an easy winner, 87-62.

It's hoped Kelley will be ready for Saturday afternoon's contest against St. John's at the Hafdorf Civic Center. The Hoyas went up by 12 at the half and increased the advantage to 52-32 six minutes into the second half to put the game out of reach. Ewing had nine of Georgetown's 13 points in that span. The score was tied at 7-3 minutes into the game before the Hoyas went on a 10-2 spurt to open a 17-9 lead with 12:40 left in the half. Alvin Frederick, who finished with four points, scored four points in a 6-0 Connecticut run that brought the Huskies to 23-19, but that was the closest they would get the rest of the game. For the Hoyas, Reggie Williams finished with 14, Horace Broadnax had 13 and David Wingate pitched in 11.



Rally round the flag, boys

These men are gathered here the present-day Arthur's Drug Store on Main Street today. They're waiting to leave to fight in World War I. Dr. Fred Gorman, a prominent dentist in Manchester for years, is in the front row, sixth from the left. In the same row, fourth from the left, is his brother, Michael

Gorman, who owned State Service Station, today called Anderson Brothers Amoco Service Station, 770 Main St. The photo was loaned to the Manchester Herald by Alice and John Fitzgerald of Brainard Place.

Supermarket Shopper

Supermarket manager tells the inside story

By Martin Sloane
United Feature Syndicate
DEAR MARTIN: I read a supermarket manager's column in your issue of Jan. 22. I'm a supermarket manager, and I'm interested in your column. I'm a supermarket manager, and I'm interested in your column. I'm a supermarket manager, and I'm interested in your column.

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About Town

Task force to meet

The Chemical People task force will meet Feb. 15 at 7 p.m. at the Manchester High School library.

Church sponsors pork dinner

The Second Congregational Church, 385 N. Main St., will sponsor a roast pork dinner Saturday in Fellowship Hall.

Overeaters meet

Overeaters Anonymous will meet Wednesday in the cafeteria meeting room of Manchester Memorial Hospital.

Praxy to speak

Robert Maerz, president of Gerber Scientific Instrument, will give a slide presentation on his corporation at the meeting of the Manchester Rotary Club.

Rec sponsors ski trip

The Manchester Recreation Department will sponsor a ski trip to Mount Snow Saturday.

Music for sweethearts

The Manchester Green AARP 2399 will meet Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at Community Baptist Church on East Center Street.

Posters on display

Winning posters for Catholic Schools Week will be on display this week at St. James School on Park Street.

Blood pressures check

The Manchester Geriatric Clinic will sponsor a blood pressure screening Thursday from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Mayfair Gardens community room.

Widows plan potluck

The Widows-Widowers Association will meet Sunday, 1:30 p.m. at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 60 Church St.

Valentine's party set

The Sunset Club will have a St. Valentine's Day party Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. at the Manchester Senior Citizens' Center.

Chorus to rehearse

The Beethoven Chorus will rehearse Tuesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 60 Church St.

Host families needed

GARDEN GROVE, Calif. — Host families are needed in Connecticut to host English-speaking European teachers as house guests for seven to 10 days this summer.

United Press International

NEW YORK — Howard Cosell will definitely be back on ABC Monday night...
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Ending a 30-year retirement, Artie Shaw conducts a rehearsal of the all New Artie Shaw Orchestra for the recent reopening of one of the Big Band Era's most famous music halls — the Glen Island Casino. Dick Johnson is doing the clarinet parts once performed by Shaw.

Glen Island Casino reopens in wake of big band revival

By Andrew Blum
United Press International
NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y. (UPI) — The reopening of one of the Big Band Era's most famous music halls, the Glen Island Casino, has given reality to the dream of 1940s music fans who pine for the return of favorites such as Artie Shaw...
During Shaw's appearance, it was as if he and the big bands had never left the scene. The all New Artie Shaw Orchestra was conducted by Shaw with Dick Johnson doing clarinet roles once performed by Shaw.

Cosell, Mr. T, Esther Williams on Barbara Walters special

By Juliette Hastings
United Press International
NEW YORK — Howard Cosell will definitely be back on ABC Monday night...
Cosell gets a quick two bits in right of the start: "Speaking of punches, maybe we'll discover tonight if Barbara has the speed of Leonard, the movement of Ali, and the power of Lewis, or will she say, 'No mas, no mas'" as Roberto Duran said to Sugar Ray Leonard when he quit in the eighth round of their 1976 match.

Advice

Children rarely will lie about being sexually abused

DEAR ABBY: The recent ABC television special, "Something About Amelia," caused hundreds of people to come forward and admit that they are — or had been — victims of child sexual abuse...
DEAR CONCERNED: The importance of your message cannot be overstated. Whenever I publish a letter from someone who has been sexually abused as a child, I am inundated with letters from readers saying that this has happened to them.

Surgery in advanced age rarely a problem these days

DEAR DR. LAMB: What causes gallstones? Can an 85-year-old be operated on to have gallstones removed and survive the operation? Can the stone be removed and the gallbladder sewed up?
DEAR READER: One of the miracles of modern surgery is that age alone is seldom a limitation. In the medical status of the individual, if a person has advanced heart disease, a stroke or other serious medical problems, he may not be a very good surgical risk at any age.

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Business In Brief

Associate director named

Paul R. Ostuni, of 27E Esquire Drive, has been appointed associate director in the Life, Health and Financial Services Department of The Travelers Corp. in Hartford.

Ostuni joined The Travelers in 1967 and was named an actuarial analyst later that year. After a leave of absence for military service, he returned to the company in 1970 in the group department and in 1977 was named assistant director of the department.

He returned to the Life, Health and Financial Services Department as assistant director in 1982.

Ostuni, a native of Glen Head, N.Y., is a graduate of Bucknell University. He is married and has two children.

Cervera named director

Genevieve M. Cervera, of 117 Downey Drive, has been named brokerage regional director and sales consultant of the Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Co.

She will be responsible for providing assistance to the brokerage field force in representing the company's services to the general public.

Cervera joined the company in 1969 as a legal secretary. She was promoted to supervisor in the Phoenix Equity Planning Corp. and later to the Pension Trust Department. She also worked as a brokerage representative and a sales consultant.

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Dieterle promoted at NU

James E. Dieterle, of 81 Lavton Road, has been promoted to supervisor of underground construction for Northeast Utilities' Central Region.

Dieterle joined the Hartford Electric Light Co. in 1972 as a field technician in the underground group. In 1981, he was promoted to senior project technician.

He is a graduate of the Tilton School in Tilton, N.H., and holds an associate's degree in civil engineering from Hartford State Technical College.

Dieterle is a member of the Hartford Industrial Management Club. He is also a director and co-founder of the Manchester Soccer Club, and a member of St. Mary's Church.

Dieterle is married and has three children.

Firm receives honors

Appliance Repair Inc., at 199 Forest St., has been selected as one of the top six authorized Frigidaire service stations in the country.

The firm received the honor in the 1983 "MACSI" service award competition, which determines the best service station in each of the six Frigidaire regional service areas. The name is derived from the key evaluation categories which include management, accessories and parts, customer relations, service, and identity and image.

Stanley Kaufman of Newton, owner of Appliance Repair, also received the Frigidaire Award of Merit from 1973 to 1978. He has been servicing Frigidaire appliances for 12 years.

Gerber declares dividend

SOUTH WINDSOR — Directors of Gerber Scientific Inc. have declared a quarterly cash dividend of 3 cents per share to be paid to shareholders Feb. 29.

Earnings more than double

GROTON — General Dynamics Corp., parent of Electric Boat division in Groton, more than doubled its earnings over last year and increased sales nearly 15 percent, officials said.

The company finished 1983 with earnings of \$28.6 million, or \$5.30 per share, compared with 1982 earnings of \$12.2 million. Annual sales totaled \$7.1 billion, up 14.5 percent over the \$6.2 billion earned last year.

Chairman and Chief Executive Davis S. Lewis said Electric Boat ranked as the second most profitable division in the company, and a Fort Worth division which builds military aircraft proved most profitable.

Agreement announced

WATERBURY — The chemical producer MacDermid Inc. will begin working with C.P. Chemicals company in the manufacture and sale of copper ethanols used in the electronics industry, company officials announced.

Arthur Lovetere, president of MacDermid Inc., and Norman Feldman, president of C.P. Chemicals Inc., announced the agreement will take effect within the next three months.

Under the agreement, C.P. Chemicals will make all ethanols, or substances such as acids used in etching, for both companies and handle copper reclaim operations.

MacDermid will provide research and marketing services to Southern California Chemical Co. Inc., a company recently acquired by C.P. Chemicals.

At least taxpayers won one round

In 1983, three different Federal Circuit Courts of Appeal reversed three court decisions involving office-at-home deductions. The Internal Revenue Service won two of the three appeals, a taxpayer won the other.

The winning taxpayer was a violinist who played with the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra. He set aside one room of his five-room New York City apartment as a music studio, furnished it entirely with musical instruments and didn't use it for any social or personal purposes. In this room the taxpayer practiced, reviewed musical scores and rehearsed for about 30 hours a week. In the opera season, he spent 26 to 27 hours at the Met.

The Metropolitan Opera didn't furnish any individual practice studios or require any specific practice (although most musicians had to practice to meet the orchestra's standards). The taxpayer claimed an office-at-home deduction for the studio portion of his apartment expenses.

The Tax Court upheld the IRS' disallowance of his deduction because the studio wasn't his principal place of business — a prerequisite for an office-at-home deduction. He spent less time at the opera house than in his studio, but the opera was still his principal place of business.

The Second Circuit Court of Appeals disagreed. The violinist spent less than half his working time at the opera. The place where he worked was immaterial as long as he was prepared and most of his preparation occurred at his home. The home area was, therefore, his principal place of business.

The IRS has decided not to follow the Second Circuit's decision. So even if you're in a similar situation, if you claim the deduction, you can anticipate an IRS disallowance and expect the IRS to sue you to litigate the issue in the courts.

Another of the Circuit Court reversals dealt with the question of whether an active investor in stocks and bonds could take an office-at-home deduction for the room in which the securities activities were handled.



Your Money's Worth

Sylvia Porter

In this case, the investors met the requirements for regular and exclusive use of the space but the key issue was whether these investment activities qualified as carrying on a "business." Note: the office-at-home deduction is allowed only for carrying on a "business" in that office.

The husband and wife spent 40-plus hours a week in their office in their home managing their investment portfolio of more than \$18 million. This involved much financial reading, investment decisions, help from a part-time secretary/bookkeeper. The lower court found these persons were "active," not passive, investors, and therefore were in "business." They merited the office-at-home deduction.

The Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit agreed they were active investors, but that is not the correct test. They had to be "traders" to be considered in business. Traders engage in short-term activities and their income is primarily from buying and selling securities, not from dividends and interest income. While the couple here were active investors, their income was primarily from buying and selling securities and therefore were not carrying on a "business" for purposes of this tax rule. They couldn't take an office-at-home deduction.

The third reversal involved an unusual situation in which the lower court allowed an office-at-home

deduction for a room that was to be used exclusively as a place of business for meeting and dealing with customers in the normal course of business. This lower-court victory was remarkable because all the taxpayer did in this room was handle a substantial volume of after-office-hour business phone calls. As an executive of a condominium-development firm, he spent most of his workday outside the firm's office and was required by his firm to receive business calls at home at night.

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals reversed for the simple reason that the tax rule required the office be used for customers, clients, etc. Using the room ordinarily means having physical contact with the room. Clients who phoned were not using the room for the required purpose. Thus, no office-at-home deduction. No matter how much relief we received in 1983, office-at-home deductions are still a slippery area.

Workers get 'flextime'

HARTFORD — The city's largest downtown employer will begin giving employees more flexible schedules in April to help ease a predicted crunch of city traffic.

"Flextime," Travelers Insurance Co. will allow employees to begin work from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and finish between 2:30 and 5:30 p.m.

— up from the present 45 minutes — will provide employees with a far greater freedom," said senior vice president Robert Fogles.

The company changed its policy in response to a 1982 study which predicted new offices would increase downtown traffic 23 percent by the end of this year and 49 percent by the end of 1991.

Fogles said the company also was responding to requests by employees for more time to shop and exercise during lunch hours.

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Today may be a very good day to give attention to your IRA — either the new one for 1984 or catch up on 1983's, if you haven't yet done so, before income tax time. And who can help you with it better than the Savings Bank of Manchester — the experts on IRAs.

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School budget passes without board debate

By Sarah E. Hall

After just five minutes of discussion and no debate, the Board of Education Monday unanimously approved School Superintendent James P. Kennedy's \$23,048,391 recommended budget for 1984-85.

Kennedy said he was confident the budget was a "good, light, defensible one" to give to the Board of Directors and general manager Feb. 21. "We're going to do our best to defend it and advocate it," he said.

The speedy budget approval by the school board itself was "one of the quicker ones," Kennedy said, but it broke no record.

While he said it would be foolish to speculate about possible budget cuts, he noted that the directors have "invariably" requested reductions in the recent past. Last year, they cut his budget by more than \$20,000.

Assistant General Manager Steven Werber, filling in for vacationing General Manager Robert B. Weiss, said this morning that it's too early to predict whether the directors will adopt the budget as is. "But certainly, based on past experience, the board has seen fit to request some cuts," he added.

Richard Jensen, chairman of the Parent Teacher Association committee which studied Kennedy's budget, promised to lobby for its adoption by the Board of Directors. "We'll be there to back you guys up," he said.

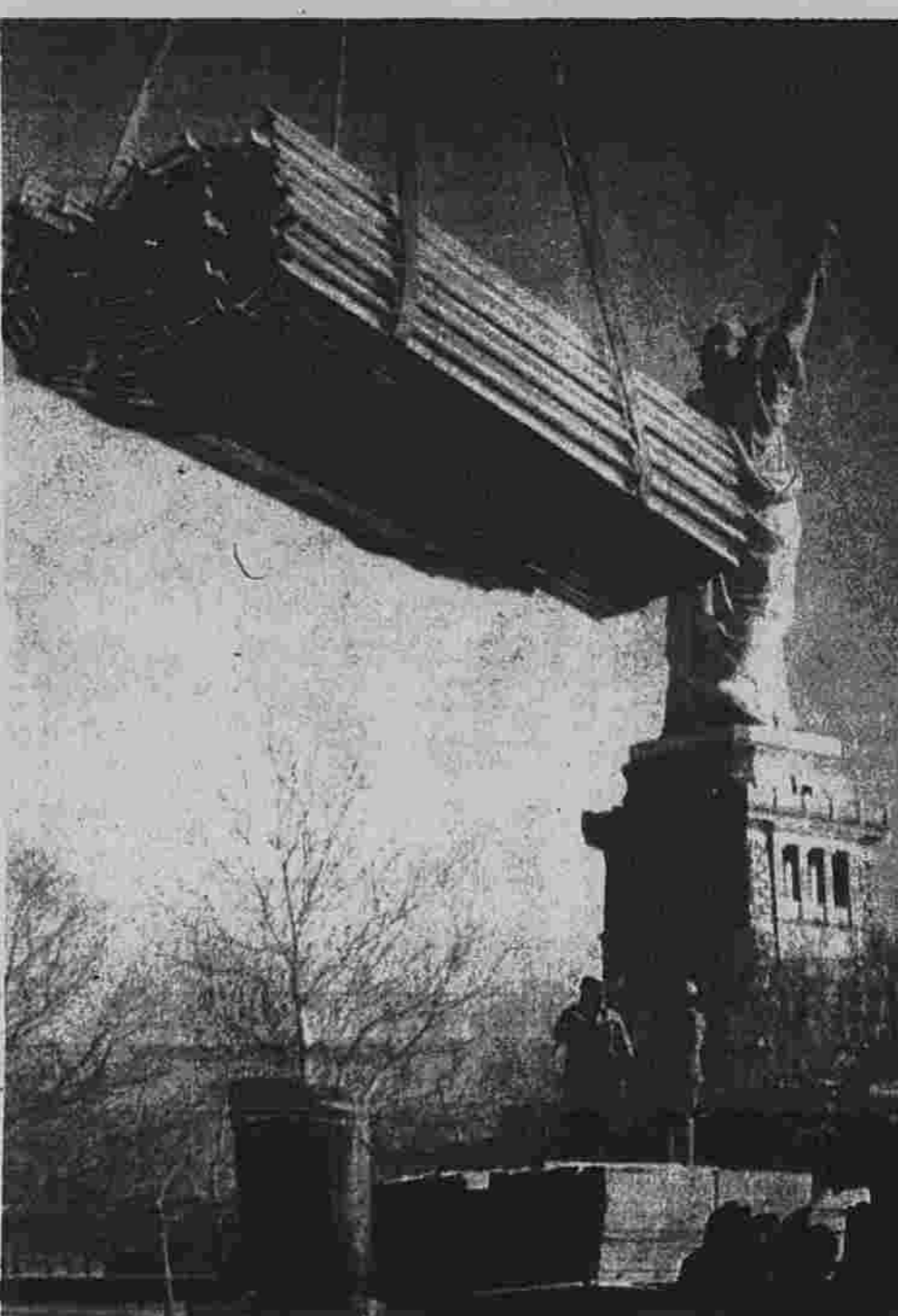
Jensen characterized the budget as "both reasonable and prudent," and praised proposals for a \$94,000 day treatment center and reinstatement of the serious offenders program in the Youth Services Bureau for the long-term savings he said they would bring.

The budget approved Monday was increased by \$156,000 over Kennedy's original recommended budget, after an arbitration panel awarded teachers a 6 percent pay raise and dental benefits on Jan. 26.

The adjusted budget is 8.8 percent or \$1,875,100 over current spending. The administration's salary-and-benefit calculations may change again when more precise projections are available, probably in May, Kennedy said.

Only minor changes were made before the school board voted Monday night. Kennedy requested that a \$2,450 appropriation for a home economics oven be postponed until the following year, and the money used to purchase two industrial buffers and an industrial vacuum for Manchester High School instead.

He also asked that \$2,000 to purchase a microcomputer for a school office be moved from the math equipment to the building administration account.



Getting ready for face lift

Scaffolding is unloaded at Liberty Island in New York as a campaign begins to make the Statue of Liberty a new woman. More than 300 tons of materials for the framework will be delivered and erected during the next six weeks. The reconstruction of the 225-ton monument, her green patina pockmarked with age, is expected to be completed in time for her 1986 centennial. The face lift will cost \$3 million.

Canada 4, U.S. 2 in Olympic hockey

By Mike Tully

United Press International

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia — The United States' chances of repeating its 1980 miracle Olympic hockey gold medal were virtually collapsed today under a hat trick by Carey Wilson that fired Canada to an emotional 4-2 victory over the Americans.

The decision means the United States must win its next four games to have much chance of even advancing to the medal round and a gold medal now appears out of question.

Canada outplayed the Americans despite the absence of center Mark Morrison and defenseman Don Dietrich, who were removed from the roster after the IOC's Monday decision on player eligibility.

Canada, however, used three of its five controversial players — goalie Mario Gosselin, center Russ Courtnall and forward Dan Wood.

Wilson, a right wing who has played the last three seasons in Finland, helped sting the Americans just 27 seconds into the game by setting up linemate Pat Flatley. After David A. Jensen of Needham, Mass. scored the first of his two goals to tie the score at 1-1, Wilson then helped the Canadians gain a 3-1 lead. Jensen pulled the United States within 3-2 at 13:54 of the second period but Wilson completed his four-point game at 9:19 of the third period.

The closest the United States came to repeating the miracle of 1980 was at the 18-minute mark of the second period when a shot by Tom Hirsch of Minneapolis that would have tied the score at 3-3 clicked harmlessly off the goal post and out of danger.

The shot was strangely reminiscent of the one taken by Bill Baker in the final period of the opening game in 1980. The only difference was Baker's shot went in, helping the United States salvage a tie against Sweden.

Canada took a 1-0 lead on its first shot of the game when Flatley changed the course of Wilson's shot, sending it past surprised goalie Marc Behrend of Madison, Wis.

Jensen's first goal came at 10:19 on a centering feed by Ed Olczyk of Chicago. Wilson, with Al Iafraite of Dearborn, Mich., in the penalty box, rebounded a shot by Jean Jacques Daigneault at 12:02. The red light behind Behrend, perhaps as an omen, remained on, causing a slight delay in play.

Wilson made it 3-1 at 2:12 of the second with a tap-in after Flatley's first centering attempt was blocked.

Jensen tipped a power play goal off Gosselin to give the Americans some life, but Wilson then completed his performance — and most probably ended the United States' medal hopes — midway in the third period.

State samples show little EDB

NEW HAVEN (UPI) — A state analysis of 24 random samples of processed grain products showed the samples contained 10 times less than the federal maximum safe levels of ethylene dibromide.

The details of the testing were disclosed Monday at the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station by its director, Paul E. Waggoner, and the station's chief analytical chemist, Lester Hankin.

The chemical, known as EDB, is a pesticide used mainly to fumigate stored grain to rid it of things like weevils and mold and has been shown to cause cancer in animals.

Waggoner and Hankin said the 24 samples the station tested were picked up by the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection.

The items ranged from Finest Bleached White Flour and Bonozoni Spaghetti, which had zero parts per billion, to various cake, muffin, cereal and pancake mixes. Their parts per billion ranged from 0.5 in the case of Stop & Shop Pancake Mix to 16.3 for Betty Crocker White Angel Food Cake Mix.

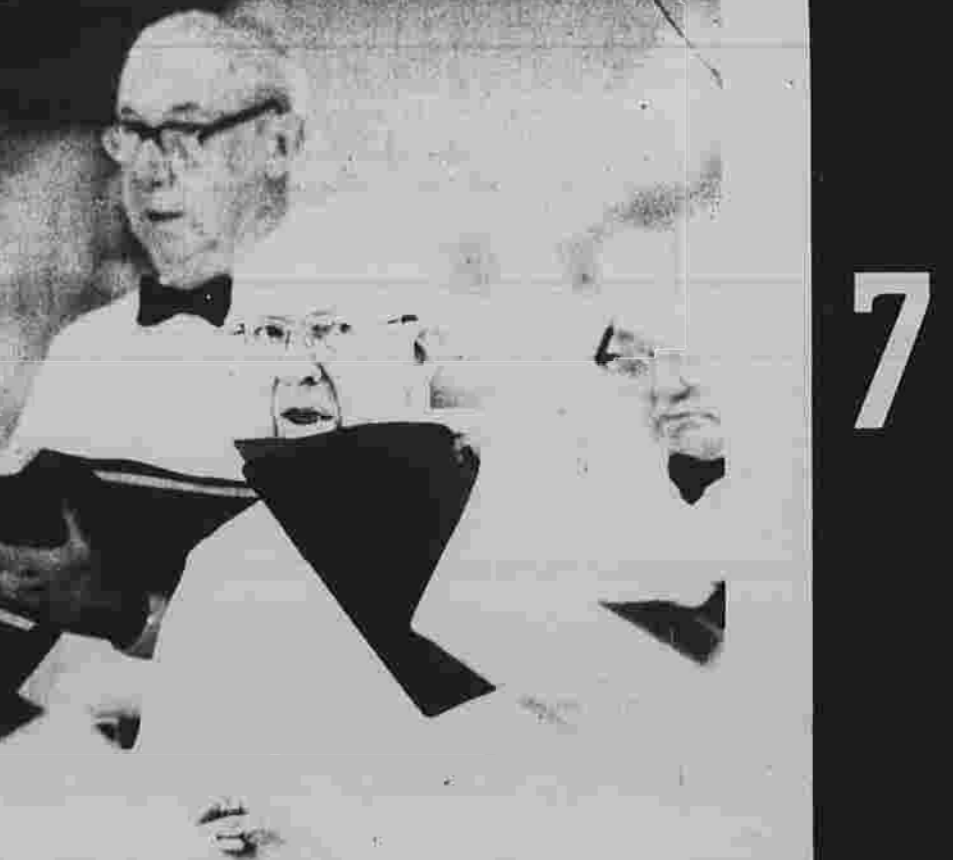
Both officials said they expected more samples and the testing would continue. They said they were looking into tobacco plant and water samples from the Connecticut Valley from Portland to the Massachusetts line.

Waggoner said he was comfortable with the federal safe levels because they were conservative.

In Massachusetts, food store owners today began removing 18 products containing unacceptable levels of EDB and state health officials gave them 30 days to remove 32 other products.

The testing done at the Connecticut station was the basis for Gov. William A. O'Neill saying Thursday he wouldn't order grain products off the market that contained traces of EDB.

William D. Ruckelshaus, administrator of the federal Environmental Protection Agency, suspended use of the pesticide Friday and announced the maximum safe levels for grain and food.



Beethoven what?

Ever wondered how Manchester's Beethoven Chorus got its name? Chorus director James W. McKay (right) answers that question in today's Focus section. Chorus member Richard Berggren and other chorus members sing at a recent performance at the Fenwick Manor.