

Bags have something in common with historic documents

TRENTON, N.J. (UPI) — They are used and abused, and most people handle them dozens of times a week, but they have one thing in common with a precious printing, an important letter of the Declaration of Independence.

The lowly paper bag, just like a Preamble printing, now has a signature revealing the identity of its maker.

"We use the signature to instill pride into the person making the bags," said Ted Dully, manager of retail packaging for Union Camp Corp. of Wayne, N.J.

"It also tells you, if there is a quality problem, who ran the bag so you can go back and talk to the person.

The practice of putting a signature on the bottom of a bag is relatively new and not widespread. For some who do, it seems to work.

Vernon Rowe, general manager of the bag and sack division for Georgia Pacific's Richmond, Va., plant, cooked up the idea of bag signatures 2½ years ago when the company was having problems with defective bags.

"We had a supervisors' meeting to decide what to do to instill pride and workmanship in the product," Rowe said. "When you put a man's name on it, you have somebody to

talk about. Not just a machine," Tom Smith of Richmond, Va., runs off about 130,000 bags each day at the Georgia Pacific plant. When he goes into a supermarket, friends recognize his name on the bag.

"It's a good idea because you are more aware of what you are doing," Smith said.

John Morgan, one of Smith's co-workers, said signing the bag makes him "personally committed" to doing a good job.

"You can go back and see the work you've done. I even go looking (in stores) when it's time to bag (groceries)," Morgan said. "I have a lot of friends and they pick up the bags and say, 'I didn't know you work for Georgia Pacific.'"

"If you make a bad product, you can go back and find out who did it," he said.

The brown grocery bag as we know it today was born in 1910 when manufacturers began making the bag out of a new kind of paper called "kraft," which is German for strength. Over the years, the materials used in the manufacture of the bag have been strengthened but the overall design has remained relatively unchanged.

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Helping out
 Sarah Keleher, elderly outreach worker, helps 83-year-old Frank Dalessandro of Main Street down the steps of his house as he leaves to attend a combined geriatric clinic and luncheon at the Salvation Army Thursday. Much of her job is in the field, at the homes of isolated older people trying to get by alone. See story on page 3.

China welcomes Reagan

By Helen Thomas United Press International

PEKING — China gave President Reagan a red-carpet welcome today with pink gladiolus and a booming 21-gun salute for a six-day state visit during which Reagan said he will strive to improve Sino-American ties.

But in a surprise development that apparently grew out of a misunderstanding, there was no live television broadcast of Reagan's banquet toast on his opening day in Peking as the White House had expected.

Reagan, the first U.S. president to visit China since Sino-U.S. relations were restored in 1979, found unseasonably cold, foggy and windy weather in the Chinese capital, but the welcome was warm.

U.S. and Chinese flags and colorful bunting decorated Tiansanmen Square where Reagan was formally greeted by President Li Xianmin, China's titular head of state.

Hundreds of workers bussed in from their factories for the occasion stood shivering behind barricades to see Reagan as his motorcade arrived at the Great Hall of the People for the ceremony, which featured the first 21-gun salute China has accorded a foreign leader since 1966.

Security was tight following a bomb threat received earlier in the week. The 100-acre Tiansanmen Square, the world's largest public plaza, was sealed off by troops who put metal spikes on the streets to shield the fires of unauthorized vehicles.

A Chinese honor guard goose-stepped past the reviewing stand before Reagan and Li returned to the Great Hall for a 20-minute meeting, the first of nearly eight hours of talks Reagan will hold with Chinese leaders.

As the two leaders went inside, the barricades around the square were lifted and thousands of Chinese surged into the square in the vain hope of catching a glimpse of Reagan.

A high-ranking Chinese foreign ministry official said Reagan's opening toast was not broadcast because it was scheduled to be given at 1:20 p.m. local time and. "As you know, all Chinese are taking naps at that time and nobody would be watching television."

The Chinese have a tradition of "xiouxi" or siesta in the early afternoon.

White House officials said Chinese television will broadcast a speech Reagan is giving Friday afternoon at 7:30 p.m. on what they call "golden time," the U.S.



The president and Mrs. Reagan are escorted from Peking Airport by U.S. Ambassador to China Arthur Hummel (left) after their arrival this morning. A crowd greeted the president and first lady with a 21-gun salute and bouquets of flowers.

equivalent of prime time.

Top White House aide Michael Deaver told reporters "there may have been some honest confusion" over whether Reagan's addresses would be broadcast live, but emphasized the White House has no quarrel with the Chinese explanation.

Before the trip, Deaver had said three Reagan addresses would be broadcast live by Chinese television.

Reagan, wearing a black suit but no overcoat in the chilly weather, joined Li on a grandstand as a brass band played the anthems of both countries and the thunder of cannon fire echoed across the square, sending up puffs of white smoke into the gray sky.

Then he and his wife Nancy were greeted by 200 gaily dressed schoolgirls chanting "Welcome, Welcome," and waving blue pom-poms and yellow paper sunflowers.

Reagan said he came to China "representing the sincere desire of the American people to be good neighbors to the Chinese people."

The visit of Richard Nixon in 1972, which opened the door to China, and that of President Gerald Ford in 1975, were key on protocol and official events but short participation by the Chinese people.

During the meeting, Reagan told Li that the Chinese children who had presented him with bouquets of pink gladiolus and red roses reminded him of his responsibility to create a better world for the younger generation.

Li, 78, accepted Reagan's invitation to visit the United States at a "mutually agreeable time."

More substantive meetings are expected when Reagan meets Friday with Premier Zhao Ziyang. The thorny issue of U.S. arms supplies to Taiwan is expected to be the top item on Zhao's agenda.

Speakes said Reagan described his meeting with Li as a "significant beginning to his visit here" and said it had turned into a much more wide-ranging discussion than expected, on both bilateral and global issues.

Iranians take over embassies; Libya begins evacuation

LONDON (UPI) — Libya dispatched two planes to London today to take out the first of about 200 diplomats and their dependents on the 10th day of a police siege of the Iranian Embassy.

As both Britain and Libya moved to settle their diplomatic standoff, a group of Iranian dissidents took over the Iranian consulate in central London. The takeover was to protest the torture of political prisoners by Iraq's Islamic regime.

Police said nine people appeared to be in the consulate and a spokesman for the group telephoned news agencies to say they had "peacefully occupied" the building. "They claim to be students and unarmed," a Scotland Yard spokesman said.

In the Hague, a group of unidentified Iranians ransacked the Iranian Embassy to the Netherlands and beat up the ambassador, who was hospitalized, Dutch police said.

There was no immediate indication that the actions against the Iranian diplomatic offices were connected to the Libyan Embassy crisis, touched off April 17 when gunfire from the embassy killed a policeman and wounded 11 demonstrators outside.

Britain broke off relations with Libya April 22, giving those in the embassy on St. James' Square and all other Libyan diplomats until midnight Sunday to leave the country.

In Libya, some 30 dependents of British diplomats, were gathered at the residence of Ambassador Oliver Mills in Tripoli for the trip back to London today on a British Caledonian airliner.

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Libya this afternoon but it was not immediately known if any of the Libyans ordered to leave would return home on the flight.

The estimated 30 Libyans holed up in the embassy were expected to be among the last to leave the country.

A Scotland Yard spokesman said security arrangements at London's Heathrow airport for the arrival of the Libyan planes would be "geared up to deal with anything that might arise."

Tight security has surrounded the arrival of Libyan flights since the siege at the embassy began.

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Tells of damage to language

Newman talks to chamber

By Alex Girelli Herald Reporter

Phrases like "impact attenuators" for highway crash barriers and "mobile mountain range technicians" for government cowboys are examples of bloated English that cheat millions of Americans when it comes to language, Edwin Newman, broadcast journalist, said Wednesday night.

Speaking at the annual banquet of the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce at The Colony in Vernon, Newman offered dozens of examples of phrases he said threaten the effectiveness of language and consequently threaten the strength of the country.

Newman, the author of two books on language, gave his audience of about 250 people numerous examples of tortured language, many of them humorous.

Among those examples were "strangled to death," "a living survivor," "a hunger fast," "a temporary reprieve," and "a free honeymoon for two."

He said it was reported that the Solar Max satellite was "successfully retrieved."

He said the colorful word "tortured" came into the vocabulary to describe a vehicle destroyed in an accident and prompted some to write "completely totaled."

Educators, journalists, bureaucrats and businessmen came in for criticism by Newman.

He said a business loss is called "negative cash flow." Politicians say they want to "exert a leadership role." The sales of a product has been called "commercial disappearance."

When troops were parachuted into Grenada, the operation was called a "pre-dawn vertical insertion."

Newman and his audience found humor in the phrase "spousal rollover," a term used by estate lawyers.

The speaker found "wellness" an awkward substitute for "health." (Wellness has found its way into memorandums about clinics designed to make Manchester town workers healthier.)

Newman said "busted, gassy language stands in the way of understanding and is dull. He said

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Brandeis wants its grads to use education to get jobs

WALTHAM, Mass. (UPI) — Like the wisful character in the late Harry Chapin's song "Taxi," many liberal arts majors in college worry they will wind up not behind a desk, but as philosopher cab drivers.

It is a fear that has pushed many from arts and humanities into business administration or high-tech. And say college officials and business executives alike, some liberal arts students wonder about the value of their education.

Now, some businesses have found that liberal arts majors are formidable competitors for students who specialize in business and other vocationally oriented colleges.

At Brandeis University, with more than 3,000 liberal arts majors, students soon will have some help in putting their education to use — and in finding work.

Brandeis and other liberal arts institutions have felt a lot of pressure. Students were perceiving if they did not study obviously relevant areas... they would not be able to work, they would drive a cab when they graduated," says center Director Marie Schorr.

She says Brandeis wants "students to feel their education is not only spiritually rewarding, but pragmatic and a study that may better prepare them for most careers."

"The notion about liberal arts training is you don't have to think about selecting a major. Politics majors don't go out and become politicians and history majors don't go out and become historians."

Instead, she says, students will get computer-assisted help in determining how their desires and education can fit into life after Brandeis.

THE HIATT PROGRAM includes internships, guidance and options for selecting courses to prepare them for work.

For example, history majors involved in research and writing might find their skills applicable to working on a magazine.

"The students will participate in a 'shadow program' working alongside professionals in banking, journalism, medicine, law and other fields. More than 200 'career coaches,' who are alumni, will assist."

"We're saying go ahead and study what you love. It can be philosophy, history or economics and you can still work when you finish. Businesses have found the more liberally educated you are, the better for them," she says.

"Alumni come back consistently and say 'Thank God for my liberal arts education.' They're business school graduates who can't write, an MBA who can't do basic communications."

How can a liberal arts background prepare students for various careers?

LIKE THE CLASSICAL education traditionally offered at better schools, says Ms. Hirsch, liberal arts "is designed to prepare the student for life, and the leaders of most major corporations have come to depend on the knowledge and insight gained through a strong liberal arts education."

Charles Brown, chairman of American Telephone and Telegraph Co. told a conference of corporate and academic leaders last year "there is a... central place for the humanities and the liberal arts graduate in business."

The Congo River is the only major African waterway that crosses the Equator twice.

Peopletalk

Well endowed dreams

A nationwide search is under way for nominees for the sixth annual W. Clement Stone "Endow a Dream" award to be awarded in October by a committee co-chaired by Art Linkletter and Pat Boone. Selected for overcoming adversity and making a meaningful contribution to humanity, the recipient receives a \$75,000 grant from the W. Clement and Jessie S. Stone Foundation.

Last year's winner, Debbie McKeithan of Charlotte, N.C. was struck by a debilitating malady at age 19 that left her speechless, nearly blind and epileptic. She went on to become the founder of Handicapped Organized Women, a support group for females.

People's face-off

Who are the "10 Great Faces" selected by People magazine? Judges Truman Capote, Gloria Steinem and Andy Warhol picked Meryl Streep, Princess Diana and Mel Gibson in the current issue. Jaclyn Smith, Mick Jagger and models Isabella Rossellini and Iman are also among the selections. But there are some surprises, including Millieken Fenwick, the 74-year-old U.S. ambassador to the Food and Agricultural Center in Rome, author Eudora Welty, 75, and Robert Goodman Jr., the Navy fighter captured by the Syrians last year whose "jut-jawed" good looks have become instantly recognizable.

Pedestrian admiration

A sidewalk star in Hollywood's Walk of Fame is treasured almost as much as an Oscar, Emmy or Grammy. Entertainment entrepreneur Jerry Weintraub, producer of "Diner" and "Oh, God," received the 1,777th pink and coral concrete tribute Tuesday. Lively Hollywood Boulevard ceremonies were highlighted by music from the USC Marching Band.

Weintraub said the location of the star, across from the boardwalk Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, was significant. When he arrived in Southern California as a child, he stayed at the hotel with his parents and marveled at the showbiz glitter at the nearby Chinese Theater, never dreaming he would become an industry celebrity.

Samantha's times with Yuri

Globe-trotting Maine schoolgirl Samantha Smith has written a book about her visit to the Soviet Union, which made her into a media phenom. The 11-year-old's 128-page manuscript includes nearly 100 pictures of her trip last summer to Russia at the personal invitation of the late Soviet President Yuri Andropov.

Tentatively entitled "Samantha Smith: My Trip to the Soviet Union," the book will be published Oct. 31 by Little, Brown Co. of Boston. Stephanie Lurie, spokeswoman for the publisher, called the book an apolitical photo essay focusing on how Americans and Soviets feel the possibility of nuclear war.

Best comic? 'Wizard of Id'

The National Cartoonists Society presented its award for excellence to Brant Parker, whose "Wizard of Id" comic strip involves a medieval kingdom of jive-talking knights, sorcerers and peasants and a harsh king who is sensitive about his lack of stature.

The annual Ruben Awards, named for the late cartoonist Rube Goldberg and presented in New York ceremonies this week, also honored Sergio Aragones of Mad magazine, Bill Gallo's sports cartoons in the New York Daily News, Leonard Starr's strips for "Annie," Bob Thaves' "Frank and Ernest" strips and Hy Eisman's "Little Lulu" comic books.

Almanac

Today is Thursday, April 26, the 117th day of 1984 with 249 to follow.

The moon is moving toward its new phase.

The morning stars are Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn.

Those born on this date are under the sign of Taurus. They include naturalist John James Audubon in 1785, German industrialist and arms manufacturer Alfred Krupp in 1812, South Korean statesman Syngman Rhee in 1875 and novelist Bernard Malamud in 1914.

On this day in history:

In 1697, the first British colonists to establish a permanent settlement in America landed at Cape Henry, Virginia.

In 1865, federal troops shot and killed John Wilkes Booth, the assassin of President Abraham Lincoln, near Fort Royal, Virginia, despite orders to capture him alive.

In 1954, a nationwide test of the Salk anti-polio vaccine began in parts of 45 states.

In 1982, Argentine occupation forces surrendered to the British on South Georgia Island, a Falkland Islands dependency.

Today in history

On April 26, 1865, federal troops shot and killed John Wilkes Booth, the assassin of President Abraham Lincoln, near Fort Royal, Va.

Weather

Today's forecasts

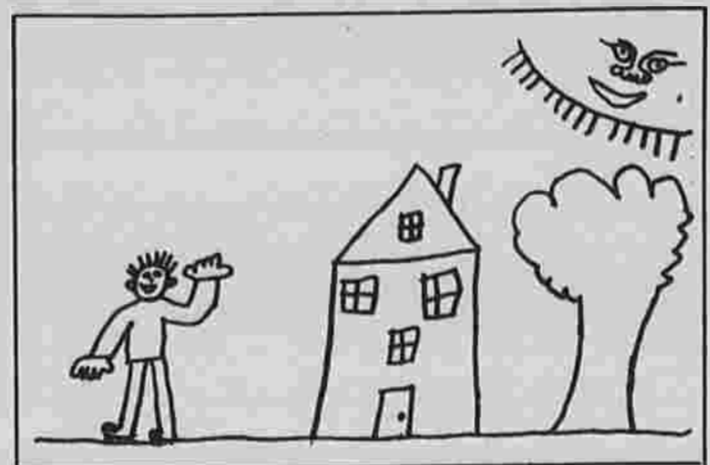
Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Sunny west portions and partly sunny east portions today. Highs in the 50s along the shore to 60s inland. Clear tonight with lows in the 40s. Friday sunny. Mild inland with highs in the 70s but cool along the shore with highs in the 50s.

Maine: Clearing slowly from west to east today. Highs in the 50s. Clear tonight. Lows 35 to 40. Sunny Friday. Highs in the 60s.

New Hampshire: Becoming partly to mostly sunny by this afternoon. Highs in the mid 50s to mid 60s. Clear tonight. Lows 35 to 40. Sunny Friday. Highs in the 60s north to low 70s south.

Vermont: Sunny and mild today with highs 60 to 65. Clear and cool tonight. Lows 35 to 40. Sunny and warm Friday. Highs 70 to 75.

Long Island Sound: Small craft advisory discontinued at 4 a.m. EST today. Winds northwest 10 to 20 knots today. Winds will be north around 10 knots tonight and northeast around 10 knots Friday. Visibility will be more than 5 miles through Friday. Weather will be through Friday. Weather will be through Friday. Wave heights will be 1 to 2 feet today and 1 foot or less tonight.



Becoming mostly sunny

Today: Becoming mostly sunny. Highs 65 to 70. Northerly winds 10 to 20 mph tonight. Clear. Lows around 40. Northwest winds around 10 mph. Friday: Sunny and mild. Highs in the 60s to lower 70s. Today's weather picture was drawn by Kevin Hodgkins, 10, of 14 Welcome Place, a fourth-grade student at Highland Park School.

Extended outlook

Extended outlook for New England Saturday through Monday.

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Fair weather Saturday and Sunday. A chance of showers Sunday night and Monday. Highs will generally be in the 60s to low 70s Saturday and Sunday and in the upper 50s to the 60s on Monday. Lows will be mostly in the 40s to lower 50s.

Vermont: Warm and dry Saturday. Chance of showers and thunderstorms Sunday and Monday. Highs in the 70s to low 80s Saturday and Sunday and in the upper 60s to mid 70s Monday. Lows in the 40s Saturday and in the 50s Sunday and Monday.

Maine: Fair Saturday. Fair followed by increasing cloudiness Sunday. Chance of showers Monday. Highs in the 50s and 60s except cooler at the coast. Lows in the 30s to low 40s.

New Hampshire: Fair Saturday. Increasing cloudiness with a chance of showers Sunday. Chance of showers Monday. Highs mostly in the 60s and lows in the mid 30s to low 40s.

Champagne and ballet

French champagne king Count Frederic Chandon de Briailles and his wife, Camilla, were hosts at a Cinderella Ball following the Tuesday evening New York premiere of American Ballet Theater's "Cinderella," with choreography by Mikhail Baryshnikov and Peter Anastos.

The party at the Metropolitan Opera House was awash in Dom Perignon and attracted such disparate ballet lovers as Liberace, wearing a white milk coat, former New York Gov. Hugh Carey and his wife, Evangeline Gouletas Carey, sporting a long hairstyle. Mrs. Gordon Getty of Los Angeles, wife of the man believed to be the richest in America. Also, Houston hostess Lynn Wyatt with actor George Hamilton, Patricia Kennedy Lawford with fashion designer Donald Brooks, ballerina Natalia Makarova in her trademark red turban, and socialite Nan Kempner, who was chairman of the gala.

It was the last of a series given in seven cities by Dom Perignon to raise \$650,000 for the ballet company. Jacqueline Onassis, honorary chairwoman, was unable to attend because she is traveling in Africa.

Across the nation

Snow will extend from the Plateau, through the northern Rockies to the northwestern edge of the Plains and strong thunderstorms will be scattered over the most of the Plains. Windy conditions will continue in the Southwest, the Pacific Northwest will have a few showers and the East states will have sunshine. Highs will be in the 30s from the Plateau to the northern Rockies and in the 50s along the Pacific Northwest and most of the northern Plains. Readings in the 60s, 70s and 80s were expected elsewhere.

Air quality

The State Department of Environmental Protection reported good air quality across Connecticut Wednesday and forecast good air quality statewide for today.

Weather radio

The National Weather Service broadcasts continuous 24-hour weather information on 162.475 mHz in Hartford, 162.55 mHz in London and 162.40 mHz in Meriden.

Lottery

Connecticut daily Wednesday: 719

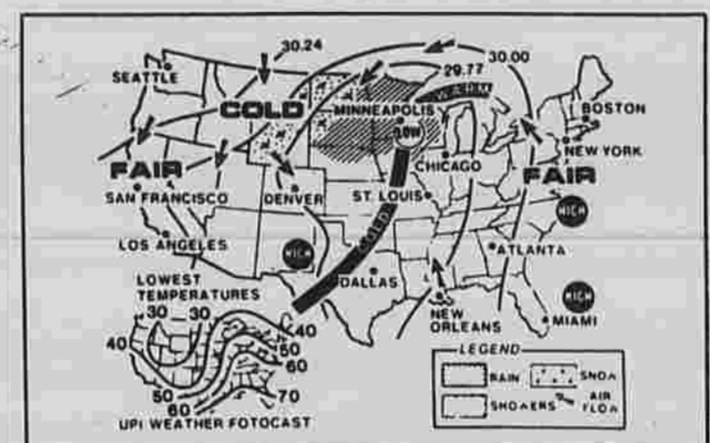
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Other numbers drawn Wednesday in New England:

New Hampshire daily: 5824.
Rhode Island daily: 816.
Rhode Island weekly: 650, 1388, 28194, 30328.
Me daily: 878.
Mass daily: 454.
Massachusetts weekly: Yellow 28, Blue 5, White 1.
Massachusetts daily: 3897.

Satellite view

Commerce Department satellite photo taken at 4 a.m. EST shows layered snow clouds stretching from eastern Idaho to the western Dakotas, shower and thunderstorm clouds stretching from the central Dakotas to Wisconsin and snow shower clouds over the central and western Rockies. All these clouds are associated with an intense storm over the central Plains. Low clouds cover New England. A couple of thunderstorm clouds are seen over Texas and the lower Mississippi Valley.



National forecast

For period ending 7 a.m. EST Friday. Tonight, During Thursday night, snow is expected in parts of the upper Rockies, changing to rain in the northern sections of the Plains and Mississippi Valley. Elsewhere, fair to partly cloudy skies are forecast. Minimum temperatures include (approximate maximum readings in parenthesis) Atlanta 64(86), Boston 47(70), Chicago 59(83), Cleveland 51(82), Dallas 59(80), Denver 24(54), Duluth 51(58), Houston 85(88), Jacksonville 84(91), Kansas City 55(75), Little Rock 64(84), Los Angeles 66(77), Miami 75(85), Minneapolis 55(53), New Orleans 74(88), New York 49(75), Phoenix 40(78), San Francisco 44(59), Seattle 41(64), St. Louis 57(78), Washington 50(63).

Manchester In Brief

Meg Harvey wins double

Margaret L. Harvey of 19 Grove St., recently named valedictorian of Manchester High School's Class of 1984, has placed as one of 500 finalists nationwide in the Presidential Scholars Program.

"We're excited. She's the first Presidential Scholar finalist at Manchester High School that we know of," Principal Jacob Lades III said today. He said she's decided to attend Duke University next fall.

From the 500 finalists, 141 will be selected in early May to attend a June conference in Washington. Selection is based not only on academic excellence, but also achievement in the creative and performing arts, leadership, community service, and more.

Waiting lists increase

The number of people on the waiting lists for federally subsidized and elderly housing in Manchester has increased substantially since March, Carol Shanley, executive director of the Housing Authority, said Wednesday night.

A total of 91 people are currently waiting for housing subsidized through the federal Section 8 program, under which tenants pay rents no greater than 30 percent of their income, she said. When the authority met March 21, only 84 people were on the list.

The number of people on the waiting list for elderly housing also increased, from 114 to 141 on March 23 this month.

Mafe gripes about cost

At the school board meeting earlier this week, member Francis Mafe Jr. complained that a listing of Manchester High School activities for seniors, brought home by his daughter, "read like the national debt."

"I know there are a lot of children who do not come from affluent homes, and I don't know how they'll meet the expense," he said. Costs include \$45 per couple for the senior prom, and \$21 per student for the senior picnic.

School Superintendent James P. Kennedy said that such activities were, to the best of his knowledge, "break-even propositions." But he said the high cost of being a senior was a "key issue" and proposed bringing in a high school administrator to address it at a later meeting.

Peppy MHS band the best

The Manchester High School band captured the Best High School Band award at the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Hartford, it was announced at the school board meeting Tuesday.

"Although we've made great strides this year, you ain't seen nothing yet," said Kurt Eckhardt, new band director recruited from the midwest. Since he was hired at the beginning of this school year, the band has boasted a number of "firsts" — new uniforms, scheduled lessons for members, marching in eye-catching formations.

"We'd like to start using flags," Eckhardt said. He said he'd also like to do a whole showcase with trophies like the one he had at the parade.

Water mains to be flushed

The Water and Sewer Department will begin flushing water mains in several areas Monday.

The areas include from Main Street through Charter Oak and East Center streets east to Autumn and Kensington streets; on Highland Street from Gardner Street to the town line, including Candlewood and Somerset drives; south from Highland Street to the town line and everything east from Gardner Street to the town line; Fern Street south to the town line, including Shallowbrook Lane and Line Street; all Glanstonbury customers; and the Lakewood Circle area.

The flushing, which will be done Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., may discolor the water and reduce pressure. If water appears discolored, the homeowner should try to avoid using it until it clears, the department advises. Clearing normally takes a couple of hours.

If water appears discolored for an extended period, the homeowner should call the Water Department at 647-3115.

School calendar approved

The Board of Education voted Tuesday to approve what School Superintendent James P. Kennedy called "a traditional calendar."

"That kind of calendar has the widest support that we know of," Kennedy claimed. It includes both February and April vacations, and has school ending on June 19 — the same day the schools will likely close this year, even after six snow days are made up.

Stroke awareness urged

The week of May 6 through 12 has been proclaimed "Stroke Awareness Week" by Mayor Barbara B. Weinberg.

"Stroke is the number one disability and third leading cause of death in the United States," she said in a proclamation. "I urge all citizens and organizations concerned with better health to cooperate in stroke awareness programs and in recommendations which will lead to effective prevention and/or treatment of this disease."

Fire Calls

Manchester
Wednesday, 6:04 a.m. — medical call, 238 N. Main St. (Eighth District, Paramedics).
Wednesday, 12:46 p.m. — alarm, Manchester Memorial Hospital (Town).
Wednesday, 7:34 p.m. — medical call, 297 E. Center St. (Paramedics).
Thursday, 1:29 a.m. — medical call, 162 Maple St. (Paramedics).
Thursday, 1:51 a.m. — smoke investigation, 40 Olcott Drive (Town).
Thursday, 7:24 a.m. — medical call, 607 W. Middle Turnpike (Paramedics).

Tolland County
Tuesday, 7:21 p.m. — motor vehicle rollover, Route 44 near the Bolton line, Coventry (North Coventry, South Coventry).

Manchester's outreach worker

Sarah Keleher doesn't forget elderly

By Sarah E. Hill Herald Reporter

It was a not-so-unusual Wednesday. In a sparsely furnished Main Street apartment, she helped an old man find a basin and Epsom salts to soak his feet. Across town, she reminded another to pay his gas bill. And at a Salvation Army luncheon for senior citizens, she made sure everyone who wanted seconds got them.

Her name is Sarah Keleher, and as the town's elderly outreach worker since 1980, she's not afraid to get involved.

The federal funding for her job runs out in December 1984, and the Human Services Department has asked to keep her on as a town employee. For the time being, her job hangs in the balance of the budget-honing process.

"I don't want to be taking over older people's lives or anything," Mrs. Keleher, 28, said Wednesday. "I'm really concerned about helping too much."

"Just knowing I'm there, just knowing someone knows they're alive" helps some elderly get by, she claimed.

Mrs. Keleher, who her clients know simply as "Sarah," has contact with 30 or 40 people per week. "Most of those are working, white and isolated, home-bound, low-income," she said.

She played chauffeur Wednesday, traveling from house to house in a rattling, low-owned car, taking a half-dozen elderly people out to a geriatric clinic.

Her first stop was at Frank Dalessandro's apartment on Main Street, a run-down but neat place with a rusting lawn-mower on the back porch. Before she was through the door, she was telling the 83-year-old man that a reporter was tagging along.

"We're going to be famous, Frank."

"Would you mind having your picture taken with me for the newspaper?" she asked.

"What would your husband say?" the short, white-haired man shot back. He complained that his razor wasn't cutting the way it should, she obliged by feeling his stubble.



Helping someone like Main Street resident Frank Dalessandro into his sweater is just part of social worker Sarah Keleher's job. Persuading elderly to go to geriatric clinics, senior citizen's functions, and the doctor is another. Sometimes, it's a matter of making phone calls to advocate their rights, and sometimes, just a matter of listening.

Hearing planned on Penney vote

A Friday hearing has been scheduled by the National Labor Relations Board to seek an agreement for an election warehouse employees at the J.C. Penney Catalog Distribution Center to decide whether they want to be represented by Teamsters Union Local 671.

This month, the NLRB received a petition signed by more than 30 percent of the warehouse employees who would be in the proposed bargaining unit. The present contract with the union requires that the minimum required by labor law to force an election.

John Sauter, deputy officer in charge of the Hartford NLRB office, said that J.C. Penney and the employees can't agree on an election date, a formal hearing will be held. Sauter said he could not predict whether challenges to the petition for an election or other issues will be raised that will prevent such an agreement.

If an agreement is reached, an election will probably be held within 60 to 90 days, he said.

J.C. Penney, Manchester's largest private employer with about 1,200 workers at its warehouse. Some of those employees, including telephone operators and clerks, would not be included in the proposed bargaining unit.

Sauter said he could not divulge how many employees actually signed the petition.

Teamsters Union officials could not be reached for comment on the hearing. The union has tried to organize warehouse employees on previous occasions, but their efforts fell short of calling for an election.

J.C. Penney officials have refused comment on the matter.

Pennsy man new plan director

The assistant director of the Beaver County (Pa.) Planning Department has been appointed director of planning and economic development by General Manager Robert B. Weiss.

Mark Pellegrini was selected from among 65 candidates who applied for the job. The position, which pays between \$27,559 and \$33,071, became available in January when Ainn F. Lamson resigned to go into private practice as an architect.

Pellegrini, 32, said today he became interested in the post when he saw it advertised in a national planning journal.

"The work that was involved attracted me," he said. "I was interested in returning to municipal government in a smaller city."

Beaver County, which is just northwest of Pittsburgh, has a population of about 204,441.

Before joining the Beaver County Planning Department, Pellegrini was principal planner for Beaver County and also served as a staff planner for the Hopewell Township Board of Commissioners.

He holds a master's degree in urban and regional planning from the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, and a bachelor's degree in journalism from Marquette University.

Weiss said Pellegrini was selected following a nationwide recruitment effort.

"He's got a very strong background in economic development and planning," Weiss said. "We are pleased that we were able to recruit someone with his qualifications and we all look forward to working with him when he starts work June 4."

Assistant Planning Director Carol A. Zebb has been acting director since Lamson's resignation.

Pellegrini said he and his wife love to find a home in Manchester.

"It looks like a very fine place to live," he said. "I feel it's an advantage to live in the community where you work."

Pellegrini said he has never lived in the Northeast before, but said his wife is originally from Hartford and still has family there.

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Kennedy said to have been on binge before his death

By Jane Taylor
United Press International

PALM BEACH, Fla. — David Kennedy was drinking so hard in the week before his death that he "looked like a transient on the street" by midmorning, according to a waiter at the hotel where his body was found.

The 28-year-old son of Robert and Ethel Kennedy, who turned to drugs after his father's assassination, was found dead on the floor of his \$250-a-day two-room suite Wednesday. His body was fully clothed and there were no signs of drug use or paraphernalia, police said.

Tests were ordered to determine if he died of an overdose or of natural causes.

In the week before his death, he often started drinking double vodka and grapefruit juice in the hotel bar early in the morning, and

one day he drank straight through until midnight, a hotel employee told the Miami Herald.

"By 9 a.m., he looked like a transient on the street," said a waiter who served him at the hotel. "Five minutes later he'd come and get me and say he wanted a double."

Bar tenders and waiters said Kennedy seemed to be in a stupor most of the time, although he tried to hide it from his brother, Douglas, who also was staying at the hotel.

"I'd say, 'Do you want a cocktail?' And if his brother was around he'd say, 'No, no, no,' water said. 'Five minutes later he'd come and get me and say he wanted a double.'"

Late Wednesday, Rick Black, chief investigator for the medical examiner's office, said "We are leaning toward natural or accidental death. An accidental (drug) overdose is still a possibility."

"Natural death is very possible," Black said. "There was nothing of any consequence on the body. There was no skin popping, no needle tracks or anything that the forensic pathologist observed to explain the death."

Kennedy had just completed a month-long treatment program April 19 at Saint Mary's Rehabilitation Center in Minneapolis. The St. Paul Pioneer Press reported Wednesday.

The Press, in a copyrighted story, also said Rose Kennedy's Palm Beach doctor, worried her grandson had returned to drug use, called the hospital Saturday and was referred to treatment programs near Palm Beach.

Four members of the family, led by Joseph, David's oldest brother, arrived at the funeral home where the body was taken early today for a 10-minute service with a local priest.

The body was found by a hotel secretary, who had been asked to check on him by a family member concerned because he had not returned to Boston.

Palm Beach County Medical Examiner Dr. James A. Benz ruled out suicide or homicide, but was unable to establish an exact cause of death pending further tests of body tissues and fluids that will take four to eight days. He also was unable to determine the time of death.

Although Kennedy had a history of drug abuse problems, Black told reporters, "He had prior medical problems that were not alcohol or substance abuse problems."

Black said Kennedy had surgical scars that appeared to be a couple of years old, but he declined to discuss them because they were a "delicate matter" of family privacy. He said the previous medical problem "could have contributed to an early death."

"Joe handled the situation exceptionally well," Black said. "All family members are very upset," he added. "They do want this completed as rapidly as possible, whatever the outcome. They want to know how he died."

Sen. Edward Kennedy, David's uncle, remained at the side of Ethel Kennedy at her home in Virginia.

David and several others of the Kennedy clan had gathered in Palm Beach to spend Easter with Rose Kennedy, the 93-year-old matriarch of the family, at her oceanfront mansion about 5 miles north of the Brazilian Court.

Before the speech, he asked the audience of about 200 to join in a moment of silence for his nephew, whom he called "a wonderful, gentle, thoughtful, compassionate human being."

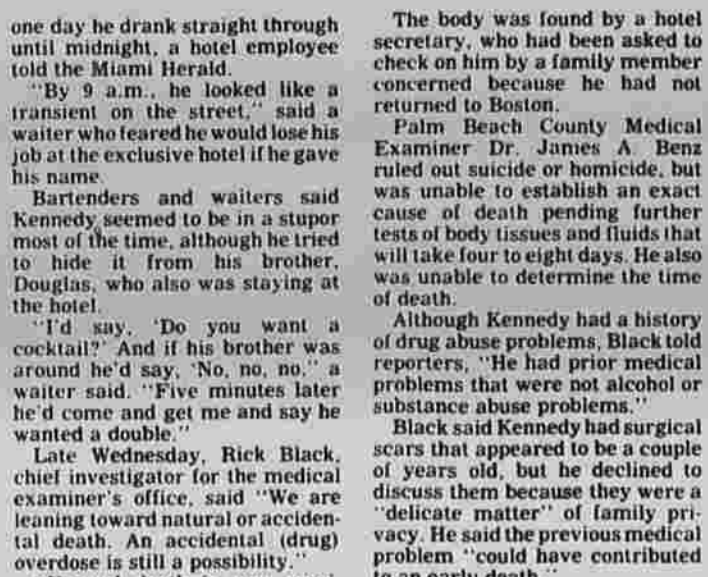
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Joseph P. Kennedy II (left), Caroline Kennedy and Sydney Lawford arrive this morning at the funeral home in West Palm Beach, Fla., where David Kennedy's body was taken after his death Wednesday. A funeral home spokesman said the body will be shipped north today.

David's death is latest in series of tragedies suffered by Kennedys

By Jerry Berger
United Press International

They have been called the nation's first family, boasting one president and two United States senators, but death and tragedy have been more than equal partners to the glory of Joseph and Rose Kennedy.

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Shriver says nephew was 'delicate'

By R. Sargent Shriver Jr.
United Press International

Worcester, Mass. (UPI) — R. Sargent Shriver Jr. Wednesday called his nephew, David Kennedy, a "delicate" person who could not withstand the tragedies that struck his family.

"I personally believe that the just was subjected to too much in the way of emotional blows at a very tender period in his life to withstand all that he was exposed to," Shriver said in a news conference

at Holy Cross College.

"I'm certain he's in heaven now," said Shriver, who is married to Robert's sister, Eunice, whom he called "a wonderful, gentle, thoughtful, compassionate human being."

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Grand jury may hear Bechtel bribe allegations

By Gregory Gordon
United Press International

WASHINGTON — A key figure in the Justice Department investigation of allegations that Bechtel Group Inc. funneled bribes to South Korean government officials was the only way to get the truth is for a grand jury to hear the sworn testimony of company officials.

Bechtel announced Wednesday that it is conducting its own probe into the charges. The Justice Department and the Internal Revenue Service are already investigating allegations by former Bechtel employee Daniel Charboneau about the activities of Yoon Sik Cho, a Korean-American consultant hired by Bechtel Power Co. to help win contracts to build nuclear power plants in Korea.

A lot of people were disgusted by this behavior," Charboneau said in a telephone interview from Seoul, South Korea, Tuesday night. "They won't be afraid to talk, I think — but only under oath."

Charboneau's charges have drawn widespread attention because Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger and Secretary of State George Shultz were top Bechtel officials between 1978 and 1980, when four lucrative Korean contracts were awarded to the construction industry giant.

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Hart carries Utah, calls Mondale funding 'moral issue'

By Laurence McQuillin
United Press International

Gary Hart won two victories over Walter Mondale Wednesday, the first a surprisingly strong 2-to-1 win in the Utah caucuses and the second in forcing Mondale to close down the delegate committees that have been bolstering his campaign.

With about 75 percent of Utah's 1,800 caucuses reporting, Hart had 48 percent of the vote, Mondale 20 percent and 28 percent voted for an uncommitted delegation, Jesse Jackson had 4 percent.

Earlier this week, Hart also won the Vermont caucuses, following his victory in the non-binding primary there in March.

In Utah, where 22 delegates were at stake, Hart received 3,274 votes to Mondale's 1,349. Returns showed that 1,858 votes were cast for an uncommitted slate and Jesse Jackson received 250 votes.

Gov. Scott Matheson had issued a plea to keep the state's delegation uncommitted.

Today Hart carried his campaign to Ohio, Indiana and Tennessee. Mondale and Jackson went to Texas. Hart spent much of Wednesday trying to keep alive questions over autonomous delegate committees set up in various states to promote Mondale's candidacy.

The committees claim they are independent of Mondale's campaign and therefore the money they spend should not be included in the candidate's spending limits.

Hart, a senator from Colorado, said in Nashville that receiving money from the committees had struck a "moral issue" and insisted Mondale return the thousands of dollars in what he called "back-door" contributions.

Although Mondale grudgingly sent telegrams Wednesday dismantling the 124 committees, Hart says more needs to be done.

"Give the money back, Walter. That's the way to solve the problem," he said. "Just give the money back."

"This issue is not only a legal one or a political one, but a moral issue," Hart told a rally at Vanderbilt University.

"The Democratic party will not defeat Ronald Reagan if its candidate adopts the ethics of Ed Meese. A practice is not tolerable simply because it is not indictable."

Mondale said he was ending the practice — which came under increasing fire from Hart and Jackson — "because I'm finding it's diminishing my capacity to conduct this campaign on the issues that really matter, like who would make the best president of the United States."

"These committees are legal. They're proper. But I've decided, because it interferes with the real debate, to get rid of them," Mondale said at a news conference in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Jackson, meanwhile, is accusing Hart and Mondale of "perpetuating a scam" for not going along with his call for a 20 percent cut in military spending.

Jackson complained that "both of my opponents have called for better education and increased commitments to social programs, but both also have called for increased defense spending."

"To go in the same direction as the war-mongering Reagan administration, only a little slower, is not offering an alternative. It is perpetuating a scam on the American public," he said.

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Karami would replace fellow Sunni Cherik Wazzan, caretaker prime minister of a Cabinet that resigned Feb. 5 to protest the Christian-led army's shelling of Shiite slums in south Beirut.

There were no injuries reported in the second attack.

The presumed new leftist group, calling itself the "Suicide Command," Wednesday threatened to kill foreign diplomats, military officers, rightist politicians and any family members in their cars.

The group's communique warned relatives of those targeted for assassination to expect violence if they traveled in vehicles with "smoked-glass windows," equipment that denies a view inside autos used by politicians and the wealthy.

"It is an order. We are implacable. We will overcome. Justice will come for the new generations. We will win or die," said a communique from the Suicide Command.

Authorities earlier said it was impossible to determine the threat's validity.

In Washington, the Pentagon today was expected to formally announce U.S. Navy maneuvers designed to help the small navies of El Salvador and Honduras cut off Nicaraguan arms supplies to leftist insurgents.

Pentagon officials said Wednesday two U.S. Navy destroyers were steaming near Central America for "coastal surveillance" exercises in the Gulf of Fonseca, waters shared by Honduras, El Salvador and Nicaragua.

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U.S./World In Brief

Diablo moves toward startup

AVILA BEACH, Calif. — Officials at the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant say they expect to begin facility's first nuclear reactor on Saturday, signaling the start of low-power testing at the \$4.9 billion unit.

The announcement prompted the anti-nuclear group that coordinated protests resulting in more than 3,000 arrests during several years to say it would not demonstrate, calling such action futile.

"When they actually do it, that's too late for demonstrations," Raye Fleming, a spokeswoman for the Abalone Alliance, said Wednesday. "We need time to step back and evaluate."

Pacific Gas & Electric Co. spokesman George Sarkisian said the leaking seal on one of the four cooling pumps in the facility's Unit 1 reactor was repaired and the process of heating water at the reactor core has begun.

The plant was moving toward low-power testing Sunday when the leak was discovered. PG&E, the nation's largest privately owned utility, decided to shut the plant for repair.

DeLoorean testimony challenged

LOS ANGELES — A lawyer for John DeLoorean says his initial cross-examination of the government's first witness proves the FBI agent was "less than truthful" in implicating a former auto executive in a cocaine deal.

Howard Weitzman, who will resume his questioning of FBI agent Benedict Tisa today, contended the start of his cross-examination Wednesday "achieved the beginning of the destruction of his credibility."

"It's clear he's less than truthful in a number of areas in his testimony and I will continue to pursue that," Weitzman told reporters.

He said it may take several days to cross-examine Tisa, who began testifying at the end of opening statements April 18.

Conceding with his testimony, the government introduced dozens of audio and video recordings secretly made during a four-month investigation of DeLoorean.

Tisa, who posed as a banker willing to launder drug money, was a go-between in discussions between DeLoorean and William Morgan Herick, a major drug trafficker under investigation at the time.

West fights 'dangerous' storm

An "extremely dangerous" storm halted traffic, closed schools and increased the potential for disastrous mountain floods as it swept nearly 3 feet of snow in the Rockies and charged into the Plains with tornadoes and thunderstorms.

The National Weather Service reported nearly 3 feet of snow hit Red Lodge, Mont., Wednesday. Forecasters said by late today as much as 2 feet of snow was possible throughout the mountains of Wyoming and Montana and the Black Hills of South Dakota.

Fourteen people were injured in storm-related traffic accidents. High winds in Southern California knocked out power and fanned grass fires that charred a total of 37 acres Wednesday night. Both fires were contained before they caused any property damage.

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OPINION

Reagan backers think they have it made

WASHINGTON — While the Democrats profess to see new vulnerabilities in President Reagan as a result of his foreign policy in the Middle East and Central America, his re-election strategists are taking comfort in indicators of their own that voters still see him as a strong and competent leader both at home and abroad.

They cite rapidly diminishing concern among Americans about Lebanon now that American forces at last have been pulled out, and a deep-seated reliance among them on the Monroe Doctrine as established and unquestioned authority in the Western Hemisphere, as protections for the President against the Democrats' hopes of playing on foreign policy to beat him in November.

Four yardsticks of presidential performance will determine the outcome of the 1984 election, they say, listing them as leadership, competence, the conduct of foreign policy and the state of the economy. In all four categories, they insist, Reagan continues to get high marks from the voters, regardless of Democratic wishful thinking to the contrary.

DISAPPROVAL OF THE PRESIDENT'S handling of the Lebanon situation, they say, was at 60 percent at the time of the attack on the Marine compound in Beirut, but three weeks later was down to only 26 percent and, one of them adds, "probably by now it's off the radar screen." Also, he says, at the time polls indicated that 92 percent of those surveyed favored drastic retaliatory action, but four weeks later only 20 percent did.

As for Central America, this same insider says, "as long as you're on this hemisphere, you can kick butts any time you want to." American involvement in Korea, Vietnam and other more distant troublespots could not



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draw public support to near the degree that action in our own hemisphere can garner, he insists. Whether that is so, it seems clear that President Reagan himself feels fully confident about support at home for his overt and covert military initiatives in the region.

WITH THIS KIND OF confidence in their candidate's standing with the American people, the re-election strategists are proceeding on course to lay the groundwork in state after state for his fall campaign, unhindered by any challenge within the Republican Party for the nomination and apparently unaffected by the fight for it in the Democratic Party.

Reagan political insiders early on had anticipated, and hoped for, the nomination of Walter Mondale by the Democrats, and their only adjustment to the surprise challenge from Gary Hart has been to expand what they call their "opposition research" — keeping track of all the nasty things Mondale and Hart have been saying about each other. They say the bitter pre-convention fight in the Democratic Party is certain to leave scars and make it easier for the Republicans to defeat the eventual nominee in the fall.

Most polls continue to indicate that Hart would run better against Reagan than would Mondale, but that could change. What will not change is the fact that in a Reagan-Mondale race, the Reagan campaign will attempt to picture it as essentially a rerun of 1980, when the voters decisively chose Reagan and George Bush over the ticket of Jimmy Carter and Mondale.

BOTH MONDALE AND HART have given ample indication that whichever of them is nominated, the issue of Reagan's competence will be raised against him. One of Mondale's favorite lines is that "I know what I'm doing" — a very unsubtle suggestion that the present occupant of the White House doesn't.

But Reagan's re-election strategists insist that the competence question simply has not cut against the President. "That has never worked," one of them says confidently. "That's where the Teflonization comes in" — a reference to the characterization by Rep. Patricia Schroeder, national co-chair of Hart's campaign, that Reagan has perfected "the Teflon-coated presidency" in which nothing he does sticks to him.

AS THE DEMOCRATS SCRATCH and scramble over their nomination, the Reagan re-election team is functioning without fanfare under the direction of former White House political chief Ed Rollins. Former Secretary of Transportation Drew Lewis, who was to have come in to take over, will be performing special tasks only at a senior level. Stuart Spencer, the California pro who was Reagan's on-the-plane troubleshooter in 1980, will be moving to Washington in June to function as prime liaison between the campaign and the President and White House, including Chief of Staff James Baker, the de facto campaign boss.

Richard M. Diamond, Publisher



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Intelpost a massive failure

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Postal Service would like to charge its mistakes and inefficiencies to the people who use the mail. This could add another nickel to the cost of mailing a first-class letter.

The latest example of poor planning and worse execution is INTELPOST, the Postal Service's 1978 brainchild that has turned into a dismal \$6 million failure. By the end of 1983, INTELPOST had brought in gross revenues of less than \$60,000 — and there is little hope that the costly toy will ever become a paying proposition.

My associates Donald Goldberg and Indy Badhar have been keeping close watch on the Postal Service. Here's what they've learned about the INTELPOST disaster:

The project was announced in 1978 by Postmaster General William Bolger as an experiment to test delivery of electronic messages overseas by satellite. It was supposed to give businesses and individuals a quick, cheap way to send letters abroad from five major cities: New York, Washington, Chicago, Houston and San Francisco.

INTELPOST IS QUICK ENOUGH. But it is far from cheap. At a cost to the sender of 45¢ a page, customer reaction was predictable — to everyone but the Postal Service, that is. The resulting financial fiasco was described in a report by investigators for a House Government Operations subcommittee chaired by Rep. Glenn English, D-Okla.

To date, INTELPOST has been a complete flop in the marketplace. The report states: "Through the end of 1983, cumulative Postal Service INTELPOST revenues were \$58,000. No zeros have been omitted from this figure." Notwithstanding that marked testing was underway for portions of this period, a service that generated so little revenue must be considered a failure by any measure of performance.

Since 1978, development, testing and operation of INTELPOST have cost \$6,232,000. This means the system has taken in less than 1 percent of its cost. "There is little reason to believe that revenues will even come close to matching current expenditures in the near future, let alone recover past costs," the report warns.

THE HOUSE INVESTIGATORS were particularly exasperated at the Postal Service's lack of most elementary records. It couldn't even tell them the number of messages that had been sent by INTELPOST.

The failure of the Postal Service to compile and maintain information on the number of INTELPOST messages is, to say the least, surprising, "the investigators wrote. "Any manager would want to know the number of messages in order to be able to analyze the traffic on the system... The committee is mystified that the Postal Service has not routinely compiled and made use of this basic management information."

The investigators found that, over the years, there was little discussion of the costly bonodoggie at meetings of the Postal Service's board of governors. Furthermore, "some of the information reported by Postmaster General Bolger in his presentation to the board was misleading," the report states. At a meeting two months ago, for example, the losses were understated by more than \$1 million.

"The committee does not criticize the Postal Service solely because its approach to INTELPOST has failed," the report states. "The most serious aspect of the failure is the inability of the Postal Service to demonstrate competence in planning, implementing and marketing of electronic services in a competitive and unregulated environment."

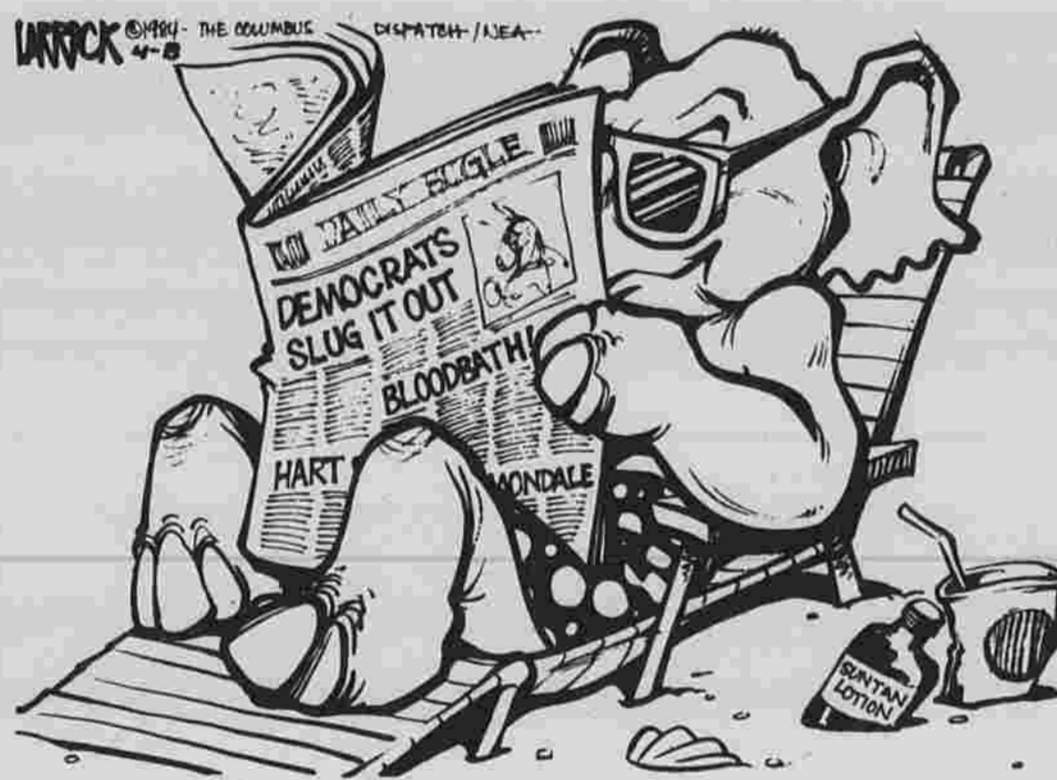
The bottom line: The committee urges the board of governors to "terminate INTELPOST as soon as practicable."

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Commentary

News Council did a lot more than just kill the messenger

By William A. Risher, Syndicated Columnist

NEW YORK — The National News Council has voted to dissolve, and with its passing goes what was probably the last serious hope of avoiding a bone-crunching collision between the forces of decency in this country and the strutting hit men of attack journalism.

The council was launched with foundation money in 1973, among other things to hear grievances against the media. After listening to both sides of a controversy, the council's dozen or so members (half of them journalists) would issue an opinion as to whether the complaint was "warranted" or "unwarranted."

If warranted, there was no penalty other than the publicity, which was usually minimal; but the media have taken this as a sign that the council's findings were not wholly without effect. I served on the council, first as its token conservative and then as one of a doubtful band of two or three (out of 13), from 1973 to 1981. Most of the liberals on it were open to a certain amount of persuasion, or at least of compromise, but the habit of genuflecting at every mention of the First Amendment was hard to break, and made it well-nigh impossible for the council to engage in robust criticism of the politically motivated and highly tendentious "investigative reporting" that has characterized the liberal pool-bahs of the Washington press corps since the mid-1960s.

From the outset, however, it was apparent that powerful elements in the media were in no mood to brook even such gentle criticism as the NNC was ready to indulge in. There were honorable exceptions; notably, the CBS television network, which manfully accepted

and fully reported council findings against it, and the Gannett newspaper chain, whose associated foundation contributed valuable financial support. But the opposition was led by the mighty New York Times (of which it was once said that "for the Times to criticize itself would be ontologically inconceivable"), Punch Sulzberger and Abe Rosenthal got to the point where they buried reports of the council's findings back in the shipping news, and seldom bothered to answer its letters at all.

So gradually the National News Council was ignored and starved out of existence. Significantly, however, such has not been the fate of Accuracy in Media, a combative and forthrightly conservative critic of the liberal media, which was founded in 1971 by Reed Irvine. Financed by the dues and contributions of private citizens, AIM's semimonthly "AIM Report" has become a valuable mechanism, and since the demise of the NNC just about the only one — for nailing leftist propaganda masquerading as "news." Pretty clearly, there is a powerful longing in this country for objective ways of hitting back at the burgeoning power and pretensions of the media.

Confronted with the charge of liberal bias, the media's worst offenders turn curiously silent. If they respond at all, it is usually to remark that their conservative critics are making the ancient mistake of "killing the messenger" — i.e., taking out on the media the displeasure they feel at news that doesn't suit them.

But that hardly explains the performance of the TV networks in (for example) the 525 news programs they aired in the second half of 1983. These were monitored by the Institute for Applied Economics, which identified 104 "economic stories of an in-depth or interpreta-

tive nature." Of these 104, about 95 percent involved statistics that were "positive," in the sense that they reflected the nationwide economic recovery then under way. And yet, according to the institute, "about 85 percent" of the stories were "primarily negative," obscuring or minimizing the good news. This was accomplished by such tactics as outright omission, selective emphasis, misrepresentation, imbalancing of "experts," etc.

Is it any wonder that, after a performance like that, many people are in a mood to kill the messenger? The importance of a free press is too obvious to require extended commentary. But thanks to technology, among other things, the media have become much too powerful, too chesty, too opinionated, and too far from the mainpripers of American thought to be allowed to get away any longer with the argument that "There's nobody here but us chickens."

See you later, gentlemen. As the First Tempter said to Thomas Becket in Eliot's "Murder in the Cathedral": "I leave you to the pleasures of your higher view which will have to be paid for at higher prices."

Editor's note: Risher is publisher of the National Review.

SPRING VACATION

Connecticut In Brief

KKK plans four rallies

White-robed members of the Ku Klux Klan plan to rally this weekend in four Connecticut communities where the issues of freedom of speech and public safety have collided in a "trap" of conflicting values.

The latest of annual appearances by the Klan sent officials scrambling for court injunctions to ban weapons and keep the group apart from anti-Klan demonstrators.

Police in Wallingford, West Haven, Groton and New Britain want to be armed with court orders as well as riot gear when the group rallies in those towns Saturday and Sunday.

Only West Haven tried to directly inhibit the Klan's presence in the city this week with an ordinance that would have forced the group to post bond for police protection.

A federal judge Tuesday blocked the ordinance and William Olds, executive director of the Connecticut Civil Liberties Union, said Wednesday that West Haven had played into the hands of the Klan.

The ACLU argued against the ordinance.

Officer fumbled with gun

BRIDGEPORT — A police officer who shot and killed a 15-year-old car-theft suspect when they collided in the darkness has been cleared of any criminal responsibility and will return to duty, police have said.

An initial police investigation found Officer William Perez was not familiar with the .22-caliber automatic "back-up" pistol he drew while chasing Carlos Santos through a darkened back yard last week.

A first shot was fired while Perez ran and fumbled with the safety mechanism on the weapon, but a second shot that killed the youth was triggered accidentally when Perez and Santos collided in the darkness, police said Wednesday.

"We find no criminality on the part of the officer. We find it was an unfortunate and accidental shooting," said Police Chief Anthony Fabrizio, who headed the police probe.

Impeachment said unnecessary

HARTFORD — Hartford lawyer James A. Wade claims Probate Judge James A. Kinsella has already been punished for his judicial misconduct and should not be recommended for impeachment by a special legislative committee.

"Regardless of his judgment, he has emerged without any claim of criminal wrongdoing, or personal gain. He has already been punished," Wade said in a 22-page report to the committee Wednesday.

"Impeachment should be reserved for the equivalent of high crimes and misdemeanors. Taken as a whole, the conduct of Judge Kinsella does not rise to that level and this process and the punishment it continues to inflict upon him should be stopped," Wade said.

Wade was responding to a summary report filed last week by Jacob Zeldes, the committee's special counsel. Zeldes reviewed legal issues and testimony from committee hearings, but made no recommendation on impeachment.

Kinsella was censured by the Council on Probate Judicial Conduct for his handling of a \$35 million estate belonging to 88-year-old Ethel A. Donaghe, an ailing West Hartford heiress.

Suits target water violators

HARTFORD — Four more Connecticut companies have been accused of dumping heavy metals into Connecticut waters, bringing to 15 the number of firms sued by the state and environmental groups since November.

The most recent suits were filed Tuesday in U.S. District Court by two environmental groups as part of a nationwide campaign to enforce the federal Clean Water Act.

The 15 firms are charged with violating state water pollution discharge permits by releasing substances such as cyanide, copper, chromium and lead, in concentrations up to 13 times the allowable limits.

The suits were brought by the Connecticut Fund for the Environment and the Natural Resources Defense Council in cooperation with the state Department of Environmental Protection and the state attorney general's office.

The four firms cited Tuesday were Arwood Corp. of Groton, Bassick Division of the Stewart-Warner Corp. in Bridgeport, Contract Co. of Stratford and Gould Inc. of Southington.

Death ruled out in dope case

HARTFORD — State's Attorney John M. Bailey says the state will seek to close a legal "loophole" which prohibits the death penalty for a Hartford woman who allegedly sold deadly "red bag" heroin.

Bailey said Wednesday the state will pursue a charge of at least manslaughter for Aida Lopez, despite a Superior Court judge's ruling Wednesday which denied the state's bid for a capital felony murder charge.

Lopez, 33, was charged last month with allegedly selling unusually potent heroin to a Bristol woman who later died of a drug overdose. Police say the heroin, sold in red-sealed bags, is responsible for up to 15 area deaths.

Judge John D. Brennan handed down his decision after state appointed Dr. James O'Brien examined Ms. Aida Lopez Monday and found she was dependent on heroin, methadone and cocaine.

State law says a drug dealer can be charged with capital felony murder, punishable by death, but the charge cannot be filed against a drug-dependent person.

O'Neill signs office bill

HARTFORD — Gov. William O'Neill has signed into law a \$51 million bond authorization for construction of a legislative office building to relieve crowding at the 105-year-old Capitol.

O'Neill's road repair plan passes senate

By Bruno V. Ronniello, United Press International

HARTFORD — A \$4 billion budget and Gov. William O'Neill's 10-year plan to repair bridges and roads have passed the Senate as proposed, despite repeated Republican attempts at change.

The Democrat-controlled Senate voted 23-13 along party lines Wednesday for a spending package of \$2.66 billion for the fiscal year beginning July 1. It was sent to the governor who is expected to sign it.

The chamber then took up O'Neill's proposed \$5.5 billion plan to repair the state's transportation network and the \$337 million in spending it required next year. The measure passed 28-8 on a cross-party vote.

Sen. Joseph Harper of New Britain was the only Democrat opposed to the compromise transportation plan hammered out between O'Neill and Democratic members Wednesday which will eliminate all tolls by 1987.

Six Republicans whose districts are in or near toll stations joined in backing the revised plan. It calls for one-cent gasoline tax hike July 1 rather than a 3-cent hike originally proposed by O'Neill.

Republican supporters were Thomas Scott of Middletown, George Gumbler of Stratford, Andrew Santaniello of Norwalk, John Matthews of New Canaan, Fred Lovegrove Jr. of Fairfield and Michael Morano of Greenwich.

The two measures call for total spending of \$4 billion, or about \$3.5 million less than sought by O'Neill in February.

The spending package was approved as sent from the House where it passed last week on an 88-62 vote. The House will consider the transportation program next week.

All 18 amendments presented by Republicans in attempts to obtain cuts for the elderly, handicapped and needy were defeated along party lines in a debate lasting nearly three hours Tuesday.

The plan was presented by Sen. Cornelius O'Leary, D-Windsor Locks, the co-chairman of the Appropriations Committee, who repeatedly called for defeat of the GOP amendments.

At one point, O'Leary sharply criticized Republicans over an amendment that would use one half of a \$700,000 pay raise for legislators to provide Children's Newington Hospital with an additional \$300,000.

"I could characterize this as a cute political ploy but it is nothing more than a cheap and cynical trick" in pitting a pay raise against the needs for children, O'Leary said.

He said the spending plan is generous enough in providing additional funding to the needy, the elderly,

the mentally ill and those on welfare. He said increases in spending included \$18 million for children on welfare, \$24 million in services for the elderly and \$22 million for mental retardation.

He noted \$92 million in additional education funding was approved and another \$92 million will go toward pay increases for state employees.

Senate Minority Leader Philip Robertson, R-Cheshire, said Democrats were benefiting from an improved economy under the Reagan administration and a lower inflation rate, but were still spending 10.8 percent over last year's budget.

Mastery tests part of House education bill

BY Susan E. Kinsman, United Press International

HARTFORD — Several more elements of an education reform package have passed the House en route to the Senate, including bills requiring mastery tests and written policies on homework, school attendance and promotion.

Lawmakers Wednesday also approved a bill excluding teacher evaluations as public records under the state's Freedom of Information law.

A House bill approved 144-4 a bill which would replace current required annual achievement tests given elementary school students by local school districts, with statewide mastery tests given by the State Board of Education.

Mastery tests to assess essential grade-level skills in reading, mathematics and language arts, would begin in the 1985-86 school year in fourth grades and the following year in sixth, seventh and eighth grades.

Ninth grade proficiency tests would be extended for two years, but the bill would repeal the requirement for state grade proficiency tests to begin in 1984-85.

The mastery tests will give teachers a "real view of how well the curriculum has been absorbed," said Rep. Dorothy Goodwin, D-Mansfield, and co-chairman of the Legislature's Education Committee.

Lawmakers also voted 133-9 for a bill to require boards of education to adopt written policies on management, student classification and discipline.

A bill to exclude teacher performance and evaluation records from public inspection under the state Freedom of Information law was approved 145-3. The records would be exempt unless the teacher gave permission to open them to the public.

The FOI Commission has recently ruled teacher evaluations were public records. Lawmakers rejected a proposed amendment to allow parents access to the records of their child's education committee.

"We are interested in improving teaching," said Miss Goodwin.

She said evaluations should be confidential between teacher and teacher supervisors. "They are a diagnostic tool. There's no room for publicity in that," she said.

The House also amended and approved unanimously a Senate bill requiring cable television companies with more than 10,000 customers to have a qualified repair technician on call at all times.

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State considers appeal of full GTB financing

HARTFORD (UPI) — The financial impact on roughly 75 of the state's 169 towns and cities may determine whether the state appeals a Superior Court ruling ordering full funding of school equalization grants this year.

Gov. William O'Neill discussed the court's decision for 45 minutes Wednesday with Attorney General Joseph L. Lieberman, state Education Commissioner Gerald N. Tirozzi and June K. Goodman, chairman of the state Board of Education.

But Lieberman said more information was needed and a decision was delayed until Friday. He said appeal would temporarily block the court order from taking effect.

"We agreed there is at stake here, not only the state's interest, but the interests of various municipalities affected by this decision," Lieberman said.

"We don't want to make it difficult for any of our communities," O'Neill said.

Judge Arthur L. Spada Tuesday upheld the state's guaranteed tax base formula to help equalize educational opportunities in Connecticut, but said it would be unconstitutional to delay full funding beyond 1985.

He said all towns and cities should be required to meet the minimum expenditure requirement this year and rejected minimum aid, a guarantee of \$20 per pupil for even the wealthiest towns, as perpetuating the disparity in educational opportunity.

The state must also use 2-year-old, rather than 3-year-old data in figuring the formula, Spada said.

Tirozzi said the ruling means at least 50 towns and cities would have to pay more for education this year and another 23 would lose minimum aid funds. The additional cost to the state was estimated at \$12 million.

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Thursday TV

- 6:00 P.M.
 - 1- 22-30 (48) News
 - 2- Three's Company
 - 3- Vegas
 - 4- Family Feud
 - 5- Alice
 - 6- Manda Sportsbook
- 12 - MOVIE: "Cracking Up"
 - The off-the-wall comedy is dedicated to anyone who has ever gotten lost or lost their keys, or who has ever been stuck in traffic. Stars: Jerry Lewis, Milton Berle, Sammy Davis Jr., Raited PG
- 13 - USA Cartoon Express
 - 14 - Dr. Gene Scott
- 3:30 - M*A*S*H
 - 15 - "Some Vodka" Man in hopes of performing on the Grand Ole Opry, an aging country singer travels across the back roads of America with his new show. Chas. Eastwood, Raited PG
- 3:45 - MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour
 - 16 - Mundo Latino Jesse Lopez and Sonia Vortauer son los anfitriones de esta programa de asuntos publicos nacionales y de actualidad. Raited PG
- 6:30 P.M.
 - 17 - One Day at a Time
 - 18 - CBS News
 - 19 - Sanford and Son
 - 20 - Hogan's Heroes
 - 21 - Ash Knack
 - 22 - NBC News
 - 23 - Noticicim Nacional 6N
 - 24 - Jefferies
 - 25 - ABC News
 - 26 - Business Report
- 7:00 P.M.
 - 27 - CBS News
 - 28 - M*A*S*H
 - 29 - Tic Tac Dough
 - 30 - ABC News
 - 31 - Best of Saturday Night
 - 32 - Jefferies
 - 33 - SportsCenter
 - 34 - Radio 1990 Today's program looks at the hottest trends and performers in the world of entertainment. Raited PG
 - 35 - Star Trek
 - 36 - Moneysite
- 8:00 P.M.
 - 37 - News
 - 38 - Business Report
 - 39 - Balls Comings
 - 40 - Entertainment Tonight
 - 41 - Family Feud
 - 42 - Wild World of Animals
- 7:30 P.M.
 - 43 - PM Magazine
 - 44 - All in the Family
 - 45 - Muppet Show
 - 46 - Family Feud
 - 47 - Benny Hill Show
- 8:00 P.M.
 - 48 - Independent Network News
 - 49 - ESPN's Sportsweek
 - 50 - Coming Attractions
 - 51 - NHL Stanley Cup Playoffs
 - 52 - Crossfire
 - 53 - M*A*S*H
 - 54 - Rainbow Jackson
 - 55 - Wheel of Fortune
 - 56 - Barney Miller
 - 57 - People's Court
 - 58 - Dr. Who
- 8:00 P.M.
 - 59 - Megam P.I. Magnum becomes his mistress. Al MacGrath, Alan King, Dina Merrill. Raited R
 - 60 - "Auschwitz & the Allies" and "Schweitz & America"
 - 61 - That's Inconceivable
 - 62 - The Mervs
 - 63 - Helen Keller: The Miracle Continues
 - 64 - NFL's Greatest Moments
 - 65 - Sports Moments: Moments presents highlights from the 1982 Michigan Dolphins
 - 66 - "The Personalists" Stunned by his wife's sudden request for divorce, a young man advertises in the personals column in order to get back into the singles scene. Bill Schoppert, Karen Valby. Raited PG
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SPEED TRAP
Steve Keaton (Michael Gross, 7) confronts Aixa (Michael J. Fox) when the boy tries to cope with the pressures of senior year by popping pills on "Family Ties," airing THURSDAY, APRIL 26 on NBC.

CHECK LISTINGS FOR EXACT TIME

- 11:45 P.M.
 - 71 - CBS News Nightwatch
 - 72 - MOVIE: "Battling Bastards" Between 1900 and 1910, a 10-round heavyweight bout featuring Tyrone Crawford vs. Jerry Sanchez. Raited R
 - 73 - Hawaii Five-O
 - 74 - Trapper John, M.D.
 - 75 - Star Trek
 - 76 - NHL Stanley Cup Playoffs
 - 77 - Dr. Gene Scott
 - 78 - Think of the Night
 - 79 - Newsnight
 - 80 - MOVIE: "Fidelio" A Victorian war flying ace is sent to Russia to lead a high-tech jet which could tip the balance of power in the Cold War. Clint Eastwood. Raited PG
 - 81 - Independent Network News
 - 82 - MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour
- 11:00 P.M.
 - 83 - CBS News
 - 84 - Tai
 - 85 - Laugh-In
 - 86 - Old Couple
 - 87 - SportsCenter
 - 88 - Alfred Hitchcock Hour
 - 89 - Benny Hill Show
 - 90 - Sports Tonight
 - 91 - Dr. Who
 - 92 - Twilight Zone
 - 93 - Manda Sportsbook
 - 94 - Barney Miller
 - 95 - Starkey and Hutch
 - 96 - Benny Hill Show
 - 97 - Rockford Files
 - 98 - Racing From Roosevelt
 - 99 - Non-Homonymers
 - 100 - "Stevie Nicks in Concert" This solo concert was taped at the Los Angeles Forum. Raited PG
 - 101 - "World Vision Special"
 - 102 - "Twilight Zone"
 - 103 - "Great Record Album Collec."
 - 104 - "MOVIE: 'A Date With Judy'"
 - 105 - "The Tonight Show"
 - 106 - "Nightline"
 - 107 - "Ten O'Clock News"
- 12:30 A.M.
 - 108 - "Think of the Night"
 - 109 - "Old Couple"
 - 110 - "MOVIE: 'Dial M for Murder'"
 - 111 - "SportsCenter"
 - 112 - "Alfred Hitchcock Hour"
 - 113 - "Benny Hill Show"
 - 114 - "Sports Tonight"
 - 115 - "Dr. Who"
 - 116 - "Twilight Zone"
 - 117 - "Manda Sportsbook"
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 (4) - MOVIE: "The French Lieutenant's Woman" An actress' on-screen affair is juxtaposed with her leading man, Meryl Streep, Jeremy Irons. Raited R
 (5) - Our Miss Brooks
 (6) - SportsCenter
 (7) - Great Pleasure Hunt III The documentary focuses on extravagant pleasures.
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Ciacci resigns his office, but shows no sign of loss

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (UPI) — Vincent A. "Buddy" Ciacci Jr. went out as mayor of Providence the way he came in — through the front door of City Hall with the crowd cheering.

Nearly 500 supporters turned out Wednesday night to hear Ciacci give his farewell speech at the helm of New England's third largest city. Ciacci, 42, was forced to resign following a scandal involving a \$1 million contract for a new city parking garage.

With the crowd moments later he was vintage "Buddy," at his best with the people who swept him into office in 1974 as a longshot Republican candidate in a heavily Democratic city. It was those supporters who elected him again in 1978, then again in a close three-way race in 1982 when he ran as an independent because his Republican party deserted him.

His only defeat at the polls was a stinging 3-1 loss to incumbent Gov. Joseph Garrahy in 1980 when Ciacci was the GOP candidate.

"There is no question everyone makes mistakes in their lives," Ciacci said from the first floor landing overlooking his supporters. "But one mistake I never made was loving the city."

His resignation took effect at 7:59 p.m. EST, just moments before the City Council swore in Council President Joseph E. Paolino as acting mayor. Paolino, 29, will serve until a special election is held in July.

Even before he resigned, there was some speculation that Ciacci could be a candidate for the office he was vacating. He may be allowed to run again because his sentence was suspended and he did not actually serve time in jail. But, under questioning from reporters, he refused to speculate on that prospect.

"Today is a day for resignations," he said softly.

Rogation day
 Rogation Day, observed by the Roman Catholic church on April 25, is a day when priests chant entreaties for a successful harvest.



Vincent A. Ciacci says goodbye to supporters and friends as he leaves City Hall Wednesday evening after resigning as the mayor of Providence, R.I. Ciacci received a five year suspended sentence on Monday for assault charges. Hundreds of people gathered at City Hall to bid their mayor of nine and a half years goodbye.

New England In Brief

Posters for peace
 BOSTON (UPI) — A group of peace activists leave today on a three-week tour of the Soviet Union in which they hope to use artwork to "start building bridges to people in other countries."

The main point of the trip is to make human, heart-to-heart connections with ordinary people from here to ordinary people there. "Fam Nelson, one of 34 members of the Earth Stewards Network, said Wednesday. "We hope to start building bridges to people in other countries."

Fam Nelson, of Harvard, Mass., said that participants will include groups from the San Francisco and Seattle areas.

Electric tax sponsors seek elusive vote

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Sponsors of a plan to pay for an acid rain cleanup with a nationwide electricity tax are trying to win the one vote they believe is needed to push the bill to a House subcommittee.

The Energy and Commerce health subcommittee was scheduled today to vote on the proposal, which is part of overall legislation to extend the Clean Air Act through 1990.

After an opening meeting Wednesday, subcommittee aides said they believed the panel was swayed over by an undecided Rep. Dennis Eckart, D-Ohio, holding the swing vote.

Staff members of sponsors were studying the bill, but contended that they didn't see much room for change because any substantial alterations could cost them other votes.

Even if the sponsors are successful in pushing the measure through the subcommittee, they are almost certain to face an even tougher road in the full panel.

Evidence of that came in statements Wednesday from the committee chairman, Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., who minced no words in stating his opposition.

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Astronaut McNair had lots to toot about

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (UPI) — Ronald McNair set two firsts when he orbited the Earth for eight days last February aboard the space shuttle Challenger.

Not only was he the first black scientist-astronaut to go into space, he was probably the first human being to play the saxophone beyond the Earth's atmosphere.

"I took my soprano saxophone into space and had the opportunity to play around the world," McNair, 33, told listeners at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Wednesday.

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Megabucks winner plagued by false drug rumors

CHICOPEE, Mass. (UPI) — A Chicopee man who won \$4.2 million in the state lottery Megabucks game said he's been plagued by false but persistent rumors that he was a drug dealer who died after a drug overdose.

"I'm a little sick and tired of all this," Gregory Jopson, 33, who won the largest amount ever on a single ticket April 14, said Wednesday. "I'm just a quiet guy and try to mind my own business. I don't need all this."

Jopson said the rumors apparently started last week after he quit his job at James River Graphics Inc. in South Hadley. Soon after, Jopson and his wife started getting calls from concerned friends and family, he said.

"I almost wish now we didn't win the money," said Denise Jopson, also 33. "How would you feel with people going around spreading rumors that you're dead?"

Jopson said his elderly mother became upset when his uncle heard the rumor and called to find out if it was true. "My mother called me up crying," he said. "I'm sick of these hassles."

"My kids are getting hassled. The other kids are asking for drugs. My husband isn't a drug dealer," Mrs. Jopson said.

"I'm fine and so is my husband," she said. "But they're saying he was overdosed on drugs."

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This hand was played many years ago. Modern bidding would get to the same spade slam, but the opening bid would be two clubs by South. North would respond two diamonds, saying, "I have nothing I want to bid." Then two spades by South, three spades by North, whereupon South would go into the Blackwood routine and reach the same slam.

To an expert, this hand looks like a cinch. It's so easy that if it were played in the last round of the Blue Ribbon Pairs, every declarer would wrap up 12 tricks without lifting an eyebrow.

ASTRO GRAPH
 Your Birthday

April 27, 1984

Your ambitions will be fulfilled in the coming year by friends who will go out of their way to help you. It is extremely important that you acknowledge and later repay their good deeds.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You could be a triple too cool to care for your own good today. There's a chance you might ask probing questions of others they may not be prepared to answer. Major changes are in store for you in the coming year. Send for your year-ahead predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-graph, Box 480, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you borrow something from a friend today, be sure you return it in the same condition you got it. Treat others' possessions with respect.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Do not vacillate on important issues today. Your failure to take a firm position will be both annoying and confusing to your associates.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) There's a possibility you might be somewhat of a layabout today, and it's going to take extra effort to perform at your usual level of productivity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be on guard in social situations today, especially if you encounter one you know from experience to be a deceitful. Do not let her take you in.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You will eventually be held accountable for any promises you make to others today, so don't agree to do something merely for the sake of expediency.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22) Tasks of a mental nature should be attended to as early in the day as possible. By afternoon, you might not be able to concentrate.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Most of the day you're apt to be in a hurry, so be prudent. However, if you go out on the town this evening, it could be an extravaganza night.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Conditions are reasonably favorable for you today, yet you could be plagued with self-doubts and fail to do things which serve your best interests.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Keep faith with a person who has placed her confidence in you. If she wavers, you know what she told you, she would have told herself.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Be kind and generous to the advantage of by someone who has a habit of using other people's names.

ANIES (March 21-April 19) Beware of tendencies today to do things in opposition to your own common sense, when it gives you the chance of succeeding in very slim.

Show us a man over 40 wearing shirts, and we'll lay odds you'll be looking at lanky knees.

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ERNIE: "I'M DEAFENED! THREE HOURS ON THE PHONE WITH AUNT BOBIE 'TIL SHE GOT THE NEWS DOESN'T SHE EVER QUIT?"

BOBIE: "NO WONDER UNCLE JEEBIE'S GETTING SHORTER EVERY YEAR."

LAB

PURTY, PURTY, PURTY! PURTIEST FLOWER I EVER SEEN!

ERNIE: "ARE YOU GOING AWAY TO SUMMER CAMP THIS YEAR?"

BOBIE: "MY PARENTS HAVEN'T SAID ANYTHING ABOUT IT YET."

ERNIE: "I'D BETTER START MAKING A PEST OF MYSELF."

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 15 Insect
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 19 Unusual
 19 God (Lat.)
 20 Press for payment
 21 Mountain near 21
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 25 Math symbol
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 28 Nurture
 29 Actor Daley
 30 Winds
 32 Country
 33 House
 35 Long time
 38 One
 39 Ireland
 39 Payment
 42 Insecticide
 43 Mountains (abbr.)
 44 Extreme fear
 45 Article
 47 Portable
 50 Louisiana
 53 Joke
 54 Revision
 55 Compresses
 57 Inborn
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 3 Throat
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Smoking imperils health of infants, doctors say

BOSTON (UPI) — A group of North Carolina doctors warned parents today not to smoke around their infants because a new study shows the babies inhale significant amounts of the dangerous chemical nicotine.

"We've shown that if exposed to smoke, babies clearly absorb it into their bodies. In the past this has only been an assumption," said Dr. Robert A. Greenberg, assistant professor of pediatrics at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine.

"It's always disturbing to find a little baby has absorbed a substance that is so toxic to the body," he said.

Significantly higher levels of nicotine were found in urine and saliva samples from 51 babies in North Carolina who lived in homes with smokers.

It also found samples from infants living with smokers contained a nicotine by-product called cotinine, which is believed to be non-toxic but stays in the blood longer and is therefore a better indicator of how much smoke babies breathe.

The UNC study, published in the New England Journal of Medicine, only tested the level of nicotine and cotinine.

It did not study if the chemicals have any ill effect on the babies, but previous studies have found babies who live where people smoke are more prone to lung infections and ear problems.

"The next step is to find out what harm is really done. We know that high levels mean cancer of the lung in active smokers," he said. "We should be studying what it means in low levels. The final word is not out."

Greenberg warned parents and other cigarette smokers living with babies: "Smoke away from your baby. Go outside. Open a window. Don't smoke in the baby's bedroom. Just make that extra effort."

Researchers tested 32 babies in homes with smokers and 19 infants living with non-smokers.

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Irving celebrates hats' demise

Connecticut House Speaker Irving Stolberg was in a light mood as the General Assembly celebrated the "Demise of Hat Day" in Hartford on Wednesday. From left, Stolberg models an Indian headdress, a "Billy Jack" hat, and a classic hat made in Danbury. "Hat Day" was removed from the general statutes last session.

Newman talks on speech at 1984 chamber dinner

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educators put less stress on standard English, partly because it meant less work for them. But Newman insisted that the English language is a unifying factor in the United States which is diverse in so many ways. And he said there is no evidence that rules choke off creativity. "Natural writers are few and far between," he said. Michael Belcher, incoming chairman of the chamber's Board of Directors, assumed office and stressed the chamber's continuing work toward re-accréditation, a process he described as a method by which "we can get our ducks in a row." He said the chamber will soon have in operation a group medical insurance

plan that will permit someone who runs a two-man gas station to buy insurance inexpensively. He praised his predecessor, Joseph Garman, who, he said, kept a low profile and made the chamber operate smoothly with coordinated effort by a lot of members. Garman said that the past year was a good one for the chamber, which, he said, is in sound financial shape and has achieved most of its goals for the year. Garman was made a member of the chamber's "Ambassadors' Club, the goodwill arm of the chamber. Garman, who operates a clothing store, accepted the red blazer worn by the ambassadors, from Bernard Apter who operates a competing clothing store.

Fantasia files appeal

Convicted drug dealer Richard Fantasia, former mayor of Manchester, who has served five and a half months of an eight-year prison sentence, was released from prison this week after he and his family posted a total of \$100,000 in cash and real estate bonds pending an appeal. Manchester Superior Court officials said. Fantasia was also granted a special public defender, at no cost. Hartford criminal attorney Gerald Klein will represent him in the appeal. Fantasia had hired Klein to represent him in a March perjury trial before Judge Richard Noren. Fantasia was convicted of lying about his previous drug record during the trial. He told the court he had only followed the instructions of John F. McKeon, his

attorney during the drug trial. He said McKeon told him he once pleaded guilty to breach of peace. Records show Fantasia pleaded to possession of a controlled substance and paid a \$45 fine. Fantasia was arrested in 1982 and convicted last October of possessing over 30 pounds of marijuana with the intent to sell and possession of cocaine. Judge David M. Barry sentenced Fantasia to nine years in prison, suspended after six years. Judge Noren added two years to the sentence on the perjury conviction. This week Noren also granted Fantasia a waiver of appeal fees, but warned him that he'll have to pay the court for his public defender if he finds a job while free on appeal.

Police roundup

Burglars hit 2 churches

Police Tuesday discovered evidence of break-ins overnight at two North Main Street churches, they said today. An employee of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, who opened the church about 10 a.m. Tuesday, reported finding that someone had rifled through desk drawers in the church office, police said. Nothing was found missing and police found no evidence of forced entry. The church is located at 447 N. Main St. About an hour and a half later Joseph Milton, minister of the Second Congregational Church down the street, called police to report that he had discovered wood chips on the floor outside his office, apparently backed from around the lock on his office door, police said. The front door of the church was found to have been left unlocked all night, they said. The burglar apparently entered by the unlocked door and then tried unsuccessfully to force his way into several offices. Police found fresh pry marks on several exterior and interior doors, possibly made with a large screwdriver, they said. Milton found nothing missing from any part of the church, they said. A 31-year-old Hartford woman was arrested Tuesday in connection with the theft of clothing from the Sears department store at the Manchester Parkade. Constance Giuliano was charged with sixth-degree larceny and possession of drug paraphernalia after police discovered syringes and a bottle of clear fluid in her purse, police said. She was held overnight in the police

lockup in lieu of \$500 bond and arraigned Wednesday in Manchester Superior Court, police said. According to police, a store detective at Sears saw a woman removed clothing from one rack and place it on another rack that was closer to the door. She then grabbed the clothing and ran outside to her car, which was left parked and running just outside the door, police said. She was apprehended in the parking lot by the store detective and held until police arrived, police said. While Ms. Giuliano was being booked on the larceny charge, police discovered a packet in her purse that contained, among other items, two syringes and a bottle of clear fluid, they said. The items were sent to the State Toxicology Laboratory for testing. **Jobless claims are down** WASHINGTON (UPI) — New claims for state unemployment benefits dropped to 345,000 during the second week in April, the Labor Department said today. The seasonally adjusted figure for the week ended April 14 was a decrease of 43,000 from the previous week's level of 388,000. The department said there were 2,470,000 people collecting regular state unemployment benefits during the week ended April 7, a decline of 7,000 from the previous week's total.

Count Basie, 79, dies after fight with cancer

HOLLYWOOD, Fla., (UPI) — Count Basie, the last active big band giant who made jazz classics of standards such as "April in Paris," died today "fighting like a champion" against cancer. He was 79. Basie died at 4 a.m. EST in Doctors Hospital of duodenal cancer. His adopted son and business manager, Arnon Woodward, 37, told reporters that Basie was "fully alert through the last 24 hours." "He was very strong," Woodward said. "He had a strong will to live in spite of all the physical problems. He fought like a champion."



COUNT BASIE ... jazz legend

Basie fronted his orchestra from 1938 until shortly before he was hospitalized in February. After the death of his friend and colleague Duke Ellington, Basie was the last of the active leaders from the big band era. Dr. Leo Schildhaus, Basie's doctor, said "He had cancer at the head of the pancreas. It eroded into the duodenum and that caused the ulcer. He was not a candidate for surgery. He did not get here to us soon enough." It was the second time in three months that Basie had been hospitalized in Hollywood, about 20 miles north of Miami. A diabetic, he had been admitted five days before he was scheduled to perform two shows Feb. 11 at a local musical theatre. The pianist-composer-band leader missed the second show because of illness, according to an announcement made during the show, and returned to the hospital for an additional three days of care. Basie then returned to his home in Freeport, Bahamas, but entered the hospital again four weeks ago for treatment, said his agent, Irvy Dinkin. His death came little more than a year after that of his wife more than 40 years. Catherine. She died of a heart attack at their Bahamas home April 11, 1983 at the age of 67, while Basie was performing in Toronto. Over the years, his hand served as a showcase for such jazz greats as blues singer Joe Williams, trumpeter Thad Jones and saxophonist Frank Foster.

Obituaries

Emil J. Ricci Sr. Emil J. Ricci Sr., 78, of East Hartford, died Tuesday at Hartford Hospital. He was the husband of the late Lucia S. Ricci and the father of John Ricci of Manchester. He also leaves a daughter, Doris Boccocci of East Hartford; another son, Emil Ricci Jr. of Somers; six sisters, Virginia Ricci of Hartford, Edith DeGudice of Lebanon, Susan LeLasso of Broad Brook, Angeline Ricci of Wethersfield, Philomena Saccoccia of East Hartford, and Theresa Guarino of South Windsor.

The funeral will be Friday at 9:15 a.m. from the D'Esopo East Hartford Funeral Chapel, 30 Carter St., with a mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. at St. Christopher Church. Burial will be in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery. Calling hours are today from 6 to 9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Bomb scare forces evacuation of MCC Hundreds of students were evacuated from the Manchester Community College campus at 10:30 this morning, an hour and a half after an anonymous caller said he had planted a bomb that would go off at 11 a.m. "Nobody was very scared," MCC President William Vincent said afterward. "If anybody wanted to create a panic or anything, it didn't work."

At about 9 a.m., Vincent explained, a caller told a switchboard operator that a bomb had been planted, then hung up. State and local police, as well as Manchester firefighters, were called in as a matter of routine, he said. "We evacuated all buildings, on both campuses (Hartford Road and Bidwell Street), and even the new building," Vincent said. Students were told they had to leave due to unforeseen circumstances. The premises were not searched.

Quarry permit renewed BOLTON — The Zoning Commission Wednesday granted a one-year renewal of Bolton Notch Quarry owner David Buck's permit to dig stone from the two acres of the 10.7-acre quarry that are currently zoned for industrial use. The rest of the quarry is zoned residential and the commission has forbidden Buck to quarry there. Buck bought the quarry last year. He also rents Box Mountain Quarries in Vernon. Zoning Commission Chairman Philip G. Dooley said today that the state highway department has staked out the land it intends to claim to build a cul-de-sac at the end of Notch Road extension — a good portion of it within the two-acre parcel Buck is allowed to quarry. The cul-de-sac is part of a state plan to build a four-lane expressway through Bolton Notch. Buck has said he is not satisfied with the limited terms of the commission's permit and may take the decision to court. He did not attend the commission's Wednesday meeting and could not be reached for comment today. In spite of the year-old permit, there has been little action at the quarry over the winter.

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Governor honors students BOLTON — Gov. William A. O'Neill presented Bolton Center School representatives with the Governor's Youth Action Award Wednesday in his office at the State Capitol. On hand to accept the award were students Ann Lewis and Rich Lebel, Superintendent Richard E. Packman, Principal Ann Rash and student adviser Wendy Murdock. The Center School was one of six Connecticut schools to receive the award this year. It's a first for Bolton. The school was singled out for a food, clothing and toy collection drive called "Necessities for the Needy," which was organized to help a family of Cambodian refugees and eight other families in the Bolton area. Students collected 310 cans of food, four boxes of clothing, a box of shoes, two boxes of toys and a box of children's books.

FOCUS / Family

That's gold in them thar conferences



Andy Rooney

Syndicated Columnist

My idea of a great television show is a presidential press conference. They're important, interesting and often funnier than any situation comedy. In the process of doing some research for a speech I'm giving, I looked through transcripts of press conferences of the last nine presidents, going back to Franklin Roosevelt. Reading through them is like mining for gold. There are a lot of rocks and mud but there's plenty of gold. Franklin Roosevelt held the most press conference, 998. Ronald Reagan has had 22 so far.

When I was a young reporter for the Army newspaper, The Stars and Stripes, I was home on leave from Europe for three months in 1945 and attended one of Roosevelt's press conferences in the Oval Office.

One reporter, I recall, questioned Roosevelt on why he hadn't talked more about the federal budget in his last speech. Roosevelt had a little simile for the reporter. He said that if there were a catastrophic fire in the reporter's home town that destroyed much of the center of the city, it could probably affect real estate values and might even have an effect on future taxes, but he'd noticed that the stories the reporters wrote about the fire and the pictures the newspapers ran on the front page the following morning didn't put much emphasis on next year's city budget.

Roosevelt loved his own jokes. Harry Truman held the second most press conferences, 324. At one of them, Harry handed out a memo saying he'd just appointed "a secretary for columnists."

"His duties," Truman said in the memo, "are to listen to all radio commentators, read all columnists in the newspapers, coordinate them and give me the results so I can run the United States and the world the way it should be."

There are two interesting deviations in the style used by various presidents. Of the nine I reviewed, five of them consistently used the first person "I" when they were talking about themselves. They said, for instance, "I am going to take action on this."

Four of them avoided the use of "I" as if it were immodest of them. Nixon, for example, almost always said, "We are going to take action on that" when he meant "I."

Dwight Eisenhower, a personal hero of mine, was criticized for his grammar, but listened to his answer to this question: "Sir," a reporter said, "would you define our national purpose? Many Americans think we're losing it."

"I'm not concerned about America losing its sense of purpose," Eisenhower said. "We may not be articulate about it and we may not give, daily, the kind of thought to it that we should, but I believe America wants to live, first in freedom and the kind of liberty that is guaranteed to us in our founding documents and, secondly, they want to live at peace with all their neighbors so that we may jointly find a better life for humanity as we go jointly forward. This, to me, is the simple purpose of the United States."

The syntax may be a little rocky but the thoughts are pure like, pure gold.

Calling all daddies

Support groups aren't just for mothers any more

By Susan Plesie Herald Reporter

When Bryce Nolting of Ambassador Drive found out his wife was pregnant almost two years ago, his first reaction was, "Oh, my God. There goes my freedom." Nolting, 31, was the victim of "old husbands' tales," he says — the male equivalent of old wives' horror stories about pregnancy and parenthood. When Nolting announced the baby-to-be, male friends regaled him with such classics as "There goes your sex life." "You'll never be able to take a vacation." And, "You'll have to work your tail off — wait'll you see the bills."

Today Nolting is the father of 13-month-old Nicole, and he says he's adjusted to parenthood just fine, thanks.

He wants to help other men with the transition. He will speak at the Family Oriented Childbirth Information Society about forming a father's support group at a meeting May 3 at 8 p.m. at the Church of Christ, 394 Lydell St.

THE MEETING, in fact, will be devoted to the often ignored issue of fatherhood. Richard Engelhardt of the Wheeler Clinic in Plainville will be the main speaker. Engelhardt, the father of two boys, has a master's degree in social work from the University of Connecticut. He is director of the Father Assistance and Community Education Service at Wheeler, a national pilot program for single fathers. At Wheeler he provides individual, group and family therapy to children and families and he maintains a private practice in Southington.

The meeting is open to the public. Cost, to non-FOCIS members, is \$1. Call 568-4150 for information.

Members of FOCIS hope Engelhardt's presentation will spur interest in the father's support group proposed by Nolting. "Listening to the guys at work is not the thing to do," Nolting says. "I guess I'm trying to dispel a lot of myths about fatherhood."

NOLTING FIRST became interested in the idea of a father's support group when he attended FOCIS meetings with his wife during her pregnancy. Although other men attended the meetings, Nolting had the impression, he says, that the organization spoke largely to women.

"So much being done was oriented to the mother and baby," he says. "A lot of questions bothered me. But I didn't dare ask questions for fear of being stupid. Guys don't like to ask certain questions in the presence of women," he says.

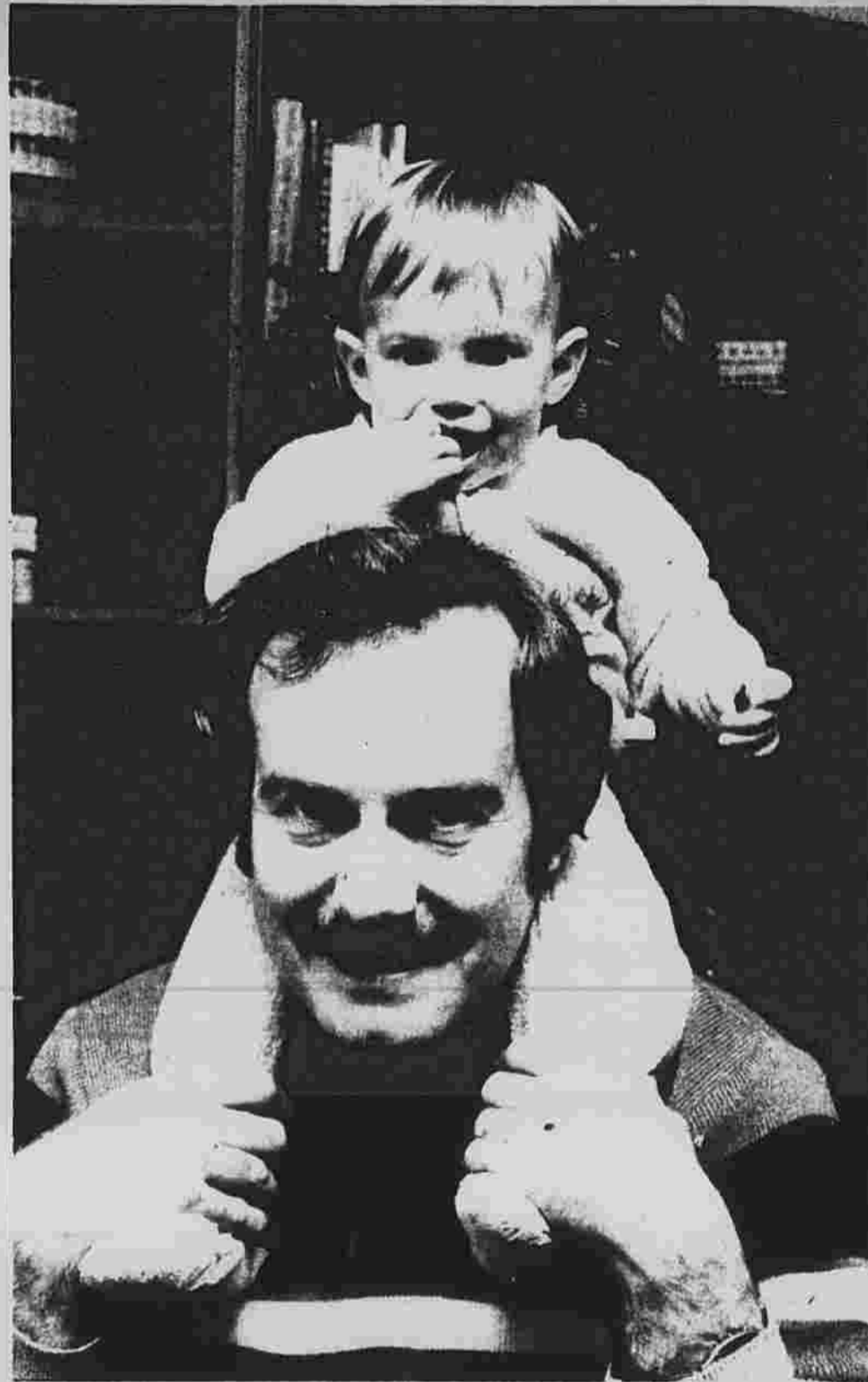
While mothers-to-be are discussing birth options and diet and doctors their husbands are agonizing over things like, "Will I pass out in the delivery room?" and "Will I gag when I'm changing diapers?" Nolting says. "But sometimes if you talk, you listen to other people and you don't feel alone."

Nolting tried to start a father's support group last winter. He announced his intentions in the FOCIS newsletter. (He is the editor.) "The response was zitch," he says.

But Nolting is hopeful that this time fathers will come forward. He tentatively plans to open his home to men on the same night as the regular FOCIS meetings. He envisions a very informal group with little structure — just a place to sit and talk about fears and concerns with other men.

IN HINDSIGHT, many of the old husbands' tales turn out to be just that — untrue, Nolting claims. "The smallest little thing can be romantic," he says. Finances are not the problem he feared. "Even though our salary has been cut in half, we've been able to survive," he says.

But perhaps the biggest transition was a personal one — getting to know his daughter. "I enjoy her," he says. And he enjoys his role as father, as well. "If you had asked me that a year ago, I would have pleaded the Fifth Amendment," he says with a laugh.



Bryce Nolting of Manchester gives his daughter Nicole, 13 months, a piggy-back ride. Nolting has been trying to generate interest in a father's support group. The topic of fatherhood will be addressed at a May meeting of the Family Oriented Childbirth Information Society.

There just isn't enough romance in our lives

By Ruth Youngblood United Press International BOSTON — "When was the last time you wrote 'I love you' on the bathroom mirror with a piece of soap?" the instructor asked his bewildered class. "How about running a bubble bath for your wife or girlfriend?" he asked when the first query failed to awaken a single memory. The blank expressions confirmed what Greg Godek suspected all along: that "there just isn't enough romance" in today's relationships. Godek, a romantic since his teens, is helping men and women put the spark back into comfortable but boring marriages and affairs, and even adding zest to first dates.

SINGLE, DIVORCED and even long-married men, confused by the attitudes of liberated women, are

signing up for Godek's evening adult education class, seeking to resolve such basics as "whether it's still all right to open your car door."

"With women's liberation, roles are no longer sharply defined," Godek said, "and men wonder all that old-fashioned romance is offensive to the modern woman."

"In learning that romance actually improves the quality of life, men are also opening up and expressing their desires for some spontaneous gesture, even a bouquet of flowers."

Godek, 28, an account executive with a public relations firm, said the course was the outcome of years of accumulating information and experience with romance.

HIS FILES are packed with lists of gift suggestions, restaurants, romantic ideas, poetry, songs and even comic strips depicting the dilemmas of love.

Godek, still single after a broken engagement, said, "I'm just a romantic person. I'm interested in romance the way some men are into cars or sports." He was skeptical a year ago when a friend running the adult school suggested he offer a course, but now the enthusiasm in his generated has inspired Godek to offer coed classes in addition to the ones for men only. "This class is about showing you care," Godek said. "Being more romantic improves the quality of life." He quickly cautions that "romance is not going to save a bad relationship, resolve major faults or improve your sex life in the long run. Women typically complain that a man just doesn't show he cares, while men respond defensively, 'she knows I love her.'"

THE FEMINIST MOVEMENT had not resolved the gap between what women expect and what men think is OK, remember to do and feel comfortable doing," Godek said.

"Be a little bit outrageous," he advises aspiring romantics, male and female. "Here is a part of life that most of you haven't focused on as much as you could. The smallest little thing can be romantic." His suggestions include a note in a plastic bag under the windshield in case it rains, mailing a card with a LOVE postage stamp every day for a week, packing a "trip kit" for the traveler filled with "carry things like a roll of dimes and a note saying 'Call Me,'" and giving one another \$5 to spend on a shopping spree.

Godek also recommends dispersing resumes to new acquaintances. "To get to know about each other," mailing lingerie in an envelope within an envelope to a woman's office in established intimate relationships, attaching a \$50 bill to a catalogue with a note saying, "I'd like to see you in the item on page 63" and tape recordings of romantic songs for a car stereo.

People who live in houses without kids get lonely

The children are home. Life in the zoo is back to normal. And I'm left with some observations. You see, the kids all went to visit Grandma in Pennsylvania over school vacation. We had five days at home without them. It was an eye-opener. Not that I've never been away from the kids before. I've just never been at HOME without them before. I wasn't sure how I would adjust. I learned some things. Living in a big house without kids is like driving a trailer truck to pick up a loaf of bread at the grocery. It seems like there's a lot of wasted space.

People who live in houses without children can hear the sound of their own voices. After years of talking over rock music, baseball games and sibling battles, one's voice sounds strange. Echoey.

People who live in houses without children don't have to vacuum the rug every day. That came as a very big shock.



Connections

Susan Plesie Herald Reporter

People who live in houses without children don't have anyone to blame for the mess. One can't say, "Look at the mess you kids made. Pick it up right away."

People who live in houses without children have to pick up their own messes.

People who live in houses without children don't

have to remember anything in the morning, except where the car keys are.

People who live in houses without children don't have many dishes to wash. That was a real revelation. There aren't 10 milk glasses and four cereal bowls and a half-dozen sandwich plates in the sink five minutes after the last dinner dish has been washed.

People who live in houses without children don't have much laundry. The washing machine gets pretty lonely downstairs without all the muddy jeans and the grass stains and spaghetti-spattered shirts and 14 changes of socks. People who don't spend half their time in the basement with the laundry have a lot of time on their hands.

People who live in houses without children know exactly where the leftover roast beef is located. It is in the refrigerator, next to the leftover spaghetti. It is not

being stuffed into someone's mouth.

People who live in houses without children never get any phone calls. The phone can go for as long as two days without ringing. When it finally does, it's a wrong number. Somebody wants to talk to somebody else's kid.

People who live in houses without children finally start to miss the noise and the vacuum and the pre-school hysteria and the laundry and dishes. Sometimes they get so crazy that they miss the rock music and the sibling battles and the telephone ringing.

So people who live in houses without children eat up the last of the roast beef and they all the refrigerator door and stock up on laundry powder and vacuum cleaner bags. Then they let out a deep breath and welcome the kids back in the house again.

Advice

Safety belt would have saved child

DEAR ABBY: Two years ago today we lost our 8-month-old son, I'll call him Johnny. He died because I chose to hold him on my lap instead of strapping him into his safety belt.



Dear Abby Abigail Van Buren

with my loss and my guilt the only way I know, and that is by promoting the use of safety belts for infants and children.

You'll never know how many 'Johnnys' will be saved because you had the courage and generosity of spirit to write.

DEAR ABBY: I am having a generation gap problem. My boyfriend and I have been seeing each other for a long time. We love each other very much, but we are not ready for marriage yet.

DEAR ABBY: Wow! Have we ever got a problem. Our immediate boss has the most repulsive body odor lately - perspiration. When he comes into the office in the morning, we can smell him three feet away.



Freckles gets lots of attention from Dog Warden Richard Rand's helper, Sandy Cramer, while waiting at the pound to be adopted.

Adopt a pet

Settler's face full of freckles

This week's featured pet is a mixed breed English setter with freckles on her face - so naturally Dog Warden Richard Rand has named her Freckles.

Alfie, last week's featured pet, was set to go to his new home in Coventry. On Tuesday a Coventry resident came in and fell in love with little Alfie, a shepherd cross.

Can't understand why someone hasn't adopted little Scout, the beagle. He's a quiet, lovable dog. He is not a large dog and is about 2 years old so has reached his full size.

The new residents of the pound this week are Frosty, a white Spitz, and Rocky, a puppy that looks like he's a shepherd-St. Bernard cross.

Experts discuss recovery after the hospital stay

By Barbara Richmond Herald Reporter

Before you even walk in the door, know what you will do when you leave the hospital. This was the advice of three persons who spoke to the spring meeting of the Manchester Memorial Hospital Auxiliary on Monday.

Noting she was speaking to auxiliary members as consumers, said, "No longer can a person come to the hospital and stay until they are better."

What are the alternatives for those who leave the hospital and still need care - Home care? Convalescent Home? Nursing Home? Rehabilitation Hospital?

"Social workers like to be loved, but today we're the bearers of bad news - we have to tell people they can't stay in the hospital as long as they need to."

She cautioned, however, that insurance doesn't necessarily pay for these other settings. And said, if it does, it is very expensive to carry.

Ms. Lewis offered advice about home care after coming out of the hospital, noting this is one of the options.

She outlined the many programs offered by her organization. The staff has on it, registered nurses, home health aides, physical therapists, occupational therapists and speech therapists, and medical social workers.

The cost of staying in a convalescent home ranges from \$50 to \$71 a day. "This doesn't mean that a person would get better care in the \$71 a day facility - that's just the price range in various areas, Ms. Fabst explained to a question asked by an auxiliary member.

Pill can cause migraine headaches

DEAR DR. LAMB: My 33-year-old daughter has daily headaches. Since she had her teeth straightened as a teenager I thought she might have malocclusion. However, her headaches really began when she went on birth control pills three years ago.



Your Health Lawrence Lamb, M.D.

common and using the Pill also is common, it's not surprising to find women who have both, even though the two conditions are unrelated.

Some women have migraines headaches during their menstrual periods, at the time when estrogen and progesterone hormones are at the lowest levels.

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Skaters waltz

Norman Gerber and Susan Phillips Plese attempt an impromptu skater's waltz in a scene from "Talley's Folly" by Lanford Wilson opening tonight at 8 at the Manchester Community College auditorium.

Thoughts

Frequently we start out a day expecting to find joy and fulfillment in the opportunities of a new day. But it is often the case that things will go wrong and we will despair.

Across the street from where the Board of Education building is now was once an apartment house dubbed the "beehive," because so many people lived there.

Clara Sweet, a turn-of-the-century teacher at the old Eighth District School, which once stood on North School Street, went on to become one of the first female medical doctors in the country.

Coach asks too much of this athlete

DEAR DR. BLAKER: My son is a high-school wrestler and in order to stay in his weight class for a meet, his coach has suggested that he get sick after he eats.



Ask Dr. Blaker Karen Blaker, Ph.D.

His father and I never thought too much about it, until we saw a television program about male bulimics. Evidently, there are several male-dominated occupations where vomiting is suggested and even encouraged as a weight maintenance technique.

DEAR DR. BLAKER: Actually, the importance of the grandparents' roles in the lives of children of divorce has been recognized by so many people that 42 states now have laws that protect your visitation rights.

DEAR DR. BLAKER: As grandparents, my husband and I feel we have been largely forgotten as victims of our children's divorces.

DEAR DR. BLAKER: The recent divorce of our son and his wife was devastating enough without having to go through emotional legal battles to insure our own visitation privileges with the grandchildren.

Cinema

Hartford Silhouette Cinema - Sullivan's Travels 7:30, 9:30. Cinema City - The Trouble with Harry (PG) 7:15, 9:30. The Dresser (PG) 7:30, 9:30. Reuben, Reuben (R) 7:30, 9:30. Educating Rita (PG) 7 with the Mission (R) 9:10. Cinema 10 - Come and Get It 7:30 with Silkwood (R) 9:30. Colonial - Reopens Friday.

Where to write

Here's where to write for advice from the syndicated columnists featured in the Manchester Herald:

Ask Dr. Blaker

Dr. Blaker's newsletter is available for \$2.00 per year. Send \$2.00 and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Dr. Blaker in care of the Manchester Herald, P.O. Box 475, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019.

Ryan heritage

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) - Irene Ryan, who played Granny in TV's "The Beverly Hillbillies" for nine years, died in 1973, but her memory will be ever green, thanks to the \$1 million scholarships she established.

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Manchester Community College Theatre Ring presents Talley's Folly. Tickets \$5.95. April 26, 27 & 28 8 p.m.

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Physicians rarely discuss death and resuscitation with the patient

BOSTON (UPI) — Patients who don't want to be resuscitated should tell their doctors in advance because physicians are unlikely ever to bring up the subject, two Harvard Medical School doctors said today.

Physicians did not often act according to their personal philosophy concerning the importance of consulting with patients about their desire for resuscitation, the pair wrote in the New England Journal of Medicine.

A study of 157 doctors showed they often decided whether a patient wanted to be resuscitated without discussing the question with the patient or family, said Dr. Susanna E. Bedell and Thomas L. Delbanco.

Most said they could tell what the patient wanted through non-verbal clues. But the study found the doctors were often wrong.

The study found that all but 4 percent of the doctors questioned believed that their patients who said sometimes take part in decisions about resuscitation — the prolonging of life using extraordinary measures.

Only 10 percent actually discussed it with a patient before a resuscitation was required and only 21 percent discussed it with the patient's family, the study showed.

The Harvard doctors said they discussed death with 25 survivors of resuscitation and "most welcomed the opportunity to discuss their disease and functioning."

They also found that only a small percentage of patients was too sick to discuss the situation. Of the 22 interviewed, only one was incapable of discussing it and another didn't care. Of the 23 others, 15 said they would like to be resuscitated if necessary; eight said they did not.

Of the 16 doctors questioned who cared for the patients who said they did not want to be resuscitated, only one doctor had presumed correctly that his patient didn't want to be resuscitated.

"We all have a little apprehension about talking with critically ill patients," said Mr. Bedell, an instructor in medicine at Harvard Medical School. "But certainly this group was easy to talk to and they welcomed a chance to talk about their experience."

She also said most doctors thought all but a very few patients want to be resuscitated and if they don't, they are either somehow mentally ill or will change their minds later. But of the 32 percent who said they did not want to be resuscitated, after six months they stuck to their decision.

About Town

Retarded invited

All retarded residents of the Manchester area are invited to a dance at the Manchester Sheltered Workshop, 57 Hollister St., Friday from 7 to 10 p.m. Dancing will be to a five-piece band. Refreshments will be served. For information, call the workshop at 646-5718.

Spring Fling at post

The Delta Booster Club of the Manchester Veterans of Foreign Wars will sponsor a "Spring Fling," country western dance Saturday at the post home, 608 E. Center St.

There will be dancing from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. to the music of "The Rambin Feavin' Band." Food will be available. Proceeds will benefit the scholarship fund.

Students plan walk-a-thon

The students at East Catholic High School will sponsor the "Blue and White Walk-a-thon," Sunday to raise money for the Father Bruce Ritter Covenant House, the Domus Amoris, and the Alpha Omega House.

Walkers will start at 2 p.m. and go on a 9-mile trek through Manchester. Father Ritter's Covenant House is a shelter for runaways in New York City.

Domus Amoris is a home in Plainville and Alpha Omega House in Ellington, are homes that care for children with multiple handicaps.

East Catholic students will be seeking residents to sponsor them on the walk.

Task Force to meet tonight

The Chemical Waste Task Force organizational meeting will be tonight at 7 p.m. in the library of Manchester High School, East Middle Turnpike. The Manchester Herald was given the incorrect date which appeared in Wednesday's paper.

Monthly dinner planned

The Widows Widowers Association, Chapter 11, will have its monthly dinner at Fiano's Restaurant, Route 6, Bolton, Sunday at 2 p.m.

All widowed persons are invited to attend. Reservations are required. Call 643-2235.

Crispino to speak at UNICO

Mike Crispino, sports director for Channel 30 television, will be the speaker and master of ceremonies at the dinner dance of UNICO, Saturday at Fiano's in Bolton. Tickets are still available from Joe Hachey at Heritage Savings & Loan and Damato Enterprises.

Musie for dancing will be by the Ed Lucchi group of Worcester, Mass.

The event is open to the public. For tickets call Hachey at 649-4586 or Damato at 646-1021.

Church to have supper

BOLTON — United Methodist Church of Bolton will have its annual ham and bean supper Saturday in Skinner Hall of the church. There will be sittings at 5 and 6:30 p.m.

The menu will consist of home-baked beans, ham, potato salad, scalloped potatoes, coleslaw, rolls, coffee and assorted desserts.

Reservations should be made in advance by calling Mrs. Stella Jablon at 649-0728.

The price is \$4.50 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Amaranth meets Friday

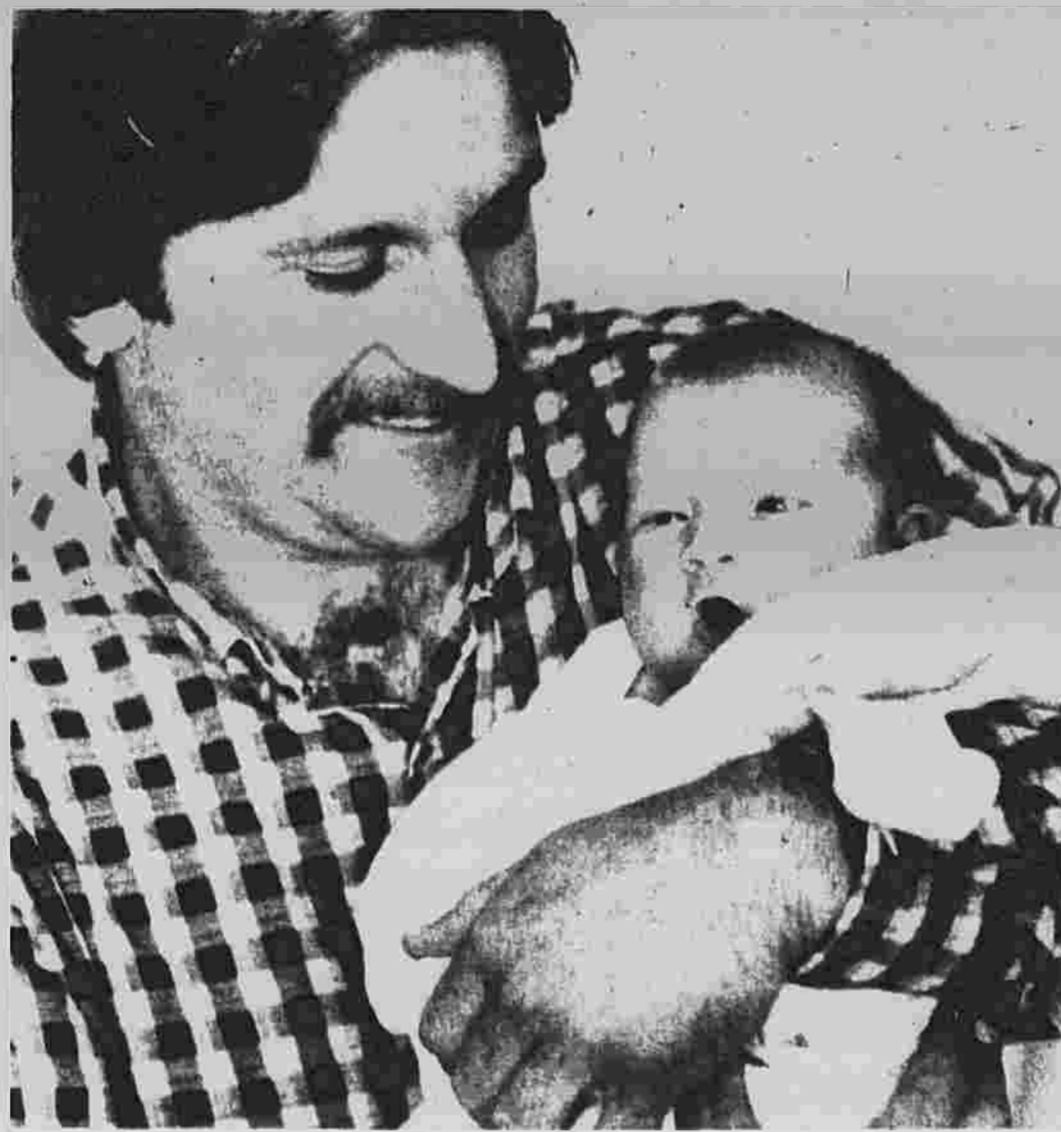
Chapman Court 10, Order of Amaranth, will meet Friday at 7:45 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 25 E. Center St.

Officers should wear colored gowns. There will be entertainment and refreshments after the meeting in celebration of the court's 62nd birthday. There will also be a tea cup auction.

Club offers scholarship

COVENTRY — The Coventry Garden Club is offering a scholarship for the 1984-85 school year, to a Coventry resident who is a high school senior, or graduate, and is planning to further their education in horticulture or related fields.

Students interested in applying should contact the school guidance counselor, or write to Mrs. Jacqueline Goble, 10 Barnsee Lane, Coventry. The deadline for filing applications is May 15.



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The earth shook and moved when baby Allison came into this world

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No deaths were reported, and only about 30 slight injuries occurred, although damage was estimated in the millions of dollars.

Kelly, 25, said he was "absolutely petrified and kept thinking how I could get my wife out of the room, but I was shaking so badly—I was shaking to begin with before the earthquake — I couldn't do anything."

The San Francisco plasterer said he tried to calm his wife down, "but the real credit goes to the anesthesiologist."

"I told her there would be no more shaking, although I was not sure myself. Then I told her the baby would be a real shaker and mover."

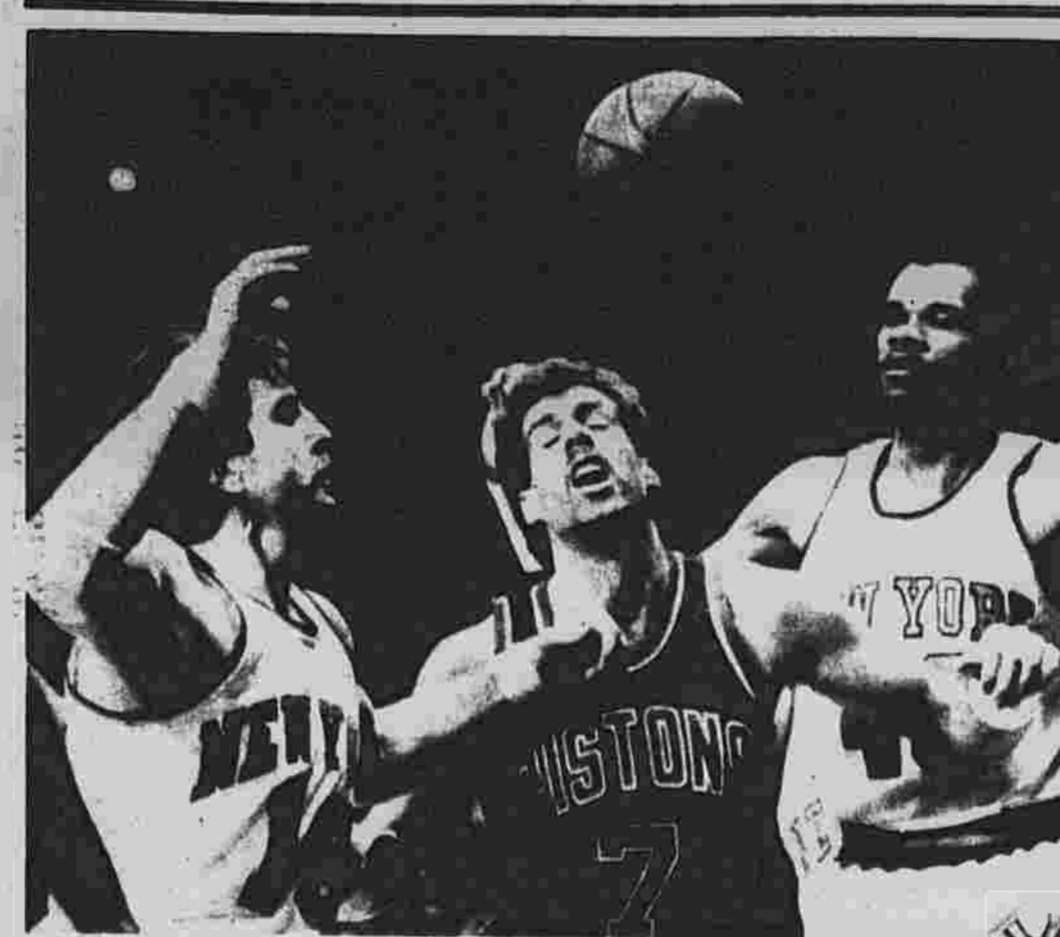
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SPORTS



Detroit Pistons' Kelly Tripucka finds Webster as all three attempt to get a himself sandwiched between New York Knicks' Ernie Grunfeld (left) and Marvin Loober ball Wednesday at Madison Square Garden.

NBA roundup

Pistons defeat Knicks to force fifth game

By Ira Kaufman
UPI Sports Writer

A few hours after the circus cleared out of Madison Square Garden, the Detroit Pistons lured the New York Knicks into a vanishing act.

Holding the Knicks without a field goal for more than half of the final period, the Pistons displayed some rare defensive intensity Wednesday night en route to a 119-112 triumph that extended the opening-round Eastern Conference playoff series to a decisive fifth game.

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Improving Hurst hurls Sox to win

By Frederick Waterman
UPI Sports Writer

BOSTON — Bruce Hurst is getting older, wiser and definitely better.

The Red Sox left-hander surrendered just five hits and an unearned run to earn a 2-1 complete-game victory over the Seattle Mariners Wednesday night, three times pitching himself out of early jams.

Seattle's Dave Henderson, whose pinch-hit single in the ninth drove in his team's only run, said the Mariners' bench "could see that Hurst had a good fastball and breaking ball and he was turning it over."

Having faced Hurst, 26, "several times over the past few years, Henderson said he has watched Hurst improve — and he's gotten smarter as a pitcher. I guess the



Seattle Mariners' Jack Percotte dives safely back to first base as Boston's Dave Stapleton tries to tag him on a

MHS takes fourth in row with win over Wethersfield

WETHERSFIELD — Chris Helin pitched six innings of three-hit relief to preserve a 6-1 victory for the Manchester High School baseball team over Wethersfield Wednesday.

Starter Chris Repass had control problems, Indian coach Don Race said, and he brought in Helin to protect the 4-0 lead Manchester had mounted by then. Helin was credited with the win.

Jim Fogarty, Rob Royo, Chris Peterson, and Greg Solomonson had two hits apiece to pace Manchester's 12-hit attack.

Scholastic roundup

Craft gets first victory

The Manchester High School softball team grabbed its third win in five games with a 12-8 cliff-hanger against Wethersfield Wednesday.

Manchester jumped to a 12-2 lead in the first four innings and withstood a late challenge by Wethersfield to escape with the win.

Manchester jumped to a 4-0 first-inning lead on the strength of six walks, an RBI single by Cathy Warnick, and a three-run throwing error by the Eagle catcher. The Indians added a single run in the second on Warnick's sacrifice fly.

EC softballers win

MIDDLETOWN — The two-week layoff didn't dull their playing skills. The Bulldogs suffered their sixth loss without a win. The team will try again Friday against RHAM and will also play at Rocky Hill Saturday in a makeup of a previous game.

Results: Donovan (M) def. Richert 2-7, 3-4; Swink (M) def. McKay 6-0; Brown (M) def. Gaudreau 6-0; Brown (M) def. Fusco 6-1; Swink (M) def. Keenan 6-0; Gaudreau (M) def. Keenan 6-2; Gaudreau (M) def. Keenan 6-2; Gaudreau (M) def. Keenan 6-2.

MHS golfers win two

AVON — The Manchester High School golf team won a three-way match against Northwest Catholic and Berlin High Wednesday at Bel Compo. The Indians defeated Northwest, 11-2, and edged Berlin, 7-6.

Results: Hagan (M) def. Collier (N) 2-0; Croner (N) def. Finnigan (N) 2-0; Croner (N) def. Finnigan (N) 2-0; Croner (N) def. Finnigan (N) 2-0.

AL roundup

Tigers make it 15 of 16 with win over Rangers

By Logan Hobson
UPI Sports Writer

The Detroit Tigers are making a fast getaway than Bonnie and Clyde.

Lance Parrish hit a three-run homer to highlight a five-run seventh inning and Johnny Grubb and Howard Johnson added homers to help the Tigers roll to a 9-4 decision over the Texas Rangers.

Detroit has won 15 of its first 16 games and needs two victories to tie the 17-1 mark of the 1981 Oakland A's for the best start in AL history.

"It's so much fun coming to the park," said designated hitter Grubb, an ex-Ranger whose first homer of the year started the Tigers toward their sixth consecutive victory.

"I've been on teams that have lost a lot and I know there are times when you struggle and you don't want to go to the park."

Milt Wilcox, 26, pitched the first six innings, giving up six hits and two earned runs while striking out two and walking two. Wilcox left with a slight stiffness in his right shoulder and Willie Hernandez finished for his second save.

Parrish's fourth homer of the year, off Dave Stewart, 6-5, gave the Tigers a 6-2 lead. Barvo

Lawn and Garden Shop

"Time To Get Growing!"

Gardening supplies

Here's how to mail-order shop

ITHACA, N.Y. (UPI) — Gardeners buying supplies by mail order have certain rights under Federal Trade Commission regulations — rights that don't apply to seeds or growing plants.

Although most mail-order firms are reputable, disappointment sometimes results from clerical mix-ups, supply shortages or damaged merchandise, says Josephine Swanson, a consumer educator for Cornell Cooperative Extension.

Before ordering, Ms. Swanson suggests checking with friends, consumer agencies or the Better Business Bureau about the merchant's reputation.

If an offer sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Other factors to consider, she said, include:

- All costs of ordering, including shipping charges.
- The firm's policy on refunds, repairs, replacements, substitutions and availability of merchandise. Some gardening materials, particularly live plants and bulbs, may not be available year-round, and the firm may not be able to ship a particular item immediately.

Ms. Swanson, a member of the department of consumer economics and housing, strongly recommends paying by check, money order or credit card instead of cash so you will have proof of purchase.

She said the consumer also should keep records of all transactions, including a copy of the catalog or advertisement on which the order is based.

"Do your part," Ms. Swanson said. "Fill in forms accurately. Print, don't write, and give your complete mailing address."

In general, she said, you have a right to know when mail-order merchandise will be shipped.

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BUSINESS

Battle against credit card fraud is unceasing struggle

When I make purchases with my credit card, I rip out the carbons from the transaction slips, crumple them, wrap them in a piece of tissue, and shove them into my purse. Once home, I rip the carbons into small fragments and toss them out. This little ritual prevents counterfeiters who loot the stores' trash from seizing my carbons and getting my valid — and valuable — account number.



Your Money's Worth
Sylvia Porter

Recently I've noticed that some transaction slips have perforated carbons so when they're returned, the number gets cut in half. And some stores use carbonless slips, which avoid the messy problem entirely.

The United States can, without pride, claim title as the world capital of credit card fraud, accounting for 94 percent of fraud losses worldwide. Much of this activity occurs in southern Florida and the New York metropolitan area. A 1982 study estimated that 96 percent of the fraudulent transactions in this nation occurred in 12 states.

The new kinds of slips mentioned above are among the latest developments in the ongoing war against credit-card crime now being waged by the card companies, financial institutions, merchants and police.

Credit-card fraud has exploded in the last few years to truly startling dimensions. Ironically, this growth is occurring at a time when the credit-card companies are making vigorous efforts to sign up new customers and to expand as fast as they can.

When the statistics are tallied, 1983 will have been a record year for card fraud, says the American Bankers Association, up to 40 percent over the \$160 billion lost to fraudulent bank credit-card transactions in 1982.

False or altered cards alone cost the industry about \$40 million in 1982, well over two times the \$15 million

lost to counterfeiting in 1981. Visa International, which has more than 104 million card-holders worldwide and 70 million in the United States, estimates it lost about \$20 million to counterfeiting in 1983, almost double the \$10 million in 1982. MasterCard, which has 90 million card-holders around the world and 65 million in the United States, is still adding up the figures for 1983, but admits it lost \$9.2 million to counterfeiting in 1982. Its total fraud losses that year were \$45.6 million.

American Express does not disclose this type of information.

While in some locations, fraud is actually declining, says Thomas F. Kelleher, vice president for security at MasterCard, counterfeiting is on the increase in all locations.

To make cards more difficult and costly to counterfeit, both MasterCard and Visa have redesigned their cards and incorporated new security features. Among them: fine-line printing; use of ultraviolet inks that glow when held under ultraviolet lights; and holograms. A hologram is a three-dimensional image on a metallic surface that changes colors and reveals a different picture when the card is tilted.

The switch to the new cards will take place gradually. Visa expects to have its new cards in use by October 1984 and MasterCard anticipates its turnover to be complete in June 1986. Eventually, all Visa card-holders will have personal identification numbers, or PINs, just like those used with automatic teller machine cards. Eventually, merchants will be outfitted with terminals into which you will enter your PIN when you make a purchase.

You, though, remain the key fighter in this struggle to contain credit-card fraud.

Guard your card as you would cash — and never lend it to anyone. Never give your account number to someone who asks for it over the phone for any reason — unless you have initiated the call.

Scrutinize your monthly statements and make sure you can account for each transaction. Consider disposing of some of your cards, particularly if you have more than one of a kind. Snip expired or canceled cards into pieces. And always shred those carbons; ask the merchants you deal with frequently to get the carbons from their banks. You pay for credit-card fraud through annual fees and interest charges. Stop cheating yourself.

FTC mulls proposed oil company merger

By Thomas Ferraro
United Press International

WASHINGTON — The Federal Trade Commission is considering a staff recommendation to conditionally approve the biggest corporate merger in U.S. history — Standard Oil Co. of California's planned \$18.2 billion takeover of Gulf Corp., agency sources say.

The FTC's five commissioners called a private meeting today to decide whether to accept what agency sources said Wednesday was a proposed consent agreement with Social aimed at meeting antitrust concerns.

Negotiated by the FTC's Bureau of Competition, the accord would require Social to divest certain oil properties, including 4,000 service stations, a major refinery in the Southeast and a pipeline operation, a source said.

At the commissioners' April 25 meeting, the accord would be subject to a 60-day period for public comment. Afterwards, the commission would make a final decision.

The proposed merger would make Social, headquartered in San Francisco, the nation's third largest, doubling its oil reserves to 3.9 billion barrels. The deal would swallow up Gulf, which has its headquarters in Pittsburgh.

The Social-Gulf deal is the latest in a series of multimillion-dollar oil industry takeovers.

The FTC tentatively approved Texas's proposed \$10 billion acquisition of

Getty Oil Co. Feb. 13. A final decision is expected within the next few months.

The FTC is now awaiting a staff recommendation on a third takeover — Mobil's planned \$5.7 billion purchase of Superior Oil Co.

Pennsylvania Attorney General LeRoy Zimmerman urged the FTC April 18 to delay a decision on the Social-Gulf merger until it conducted an economic impact of the proposed deal on the Northeast.

Zimmerman argued that the venture would "wipe out jobs, drive up heating oil prices, and close independent service stations."

FTC could not delay a decision. Midnight Sunday was the deadline for action under a federal bail-out plan that began last week when Social submitted additional information about the deal to the commission.

The recent rash of mergers has raised concern on Capitol Hill, particularly among those who charge that the administration is inadequately enforcing antitrust laws.

Opponents say the deals will reduce competition and oil exploration, boost prices and increase dependence on foreign supplies. Proponents say they will create stronger companies better able to meet the nation's needs.

Last month, the Senate defeated a proposed 11-month moratorium on oil company takeovers. Instead, it decided to have its Finance, Energy and Judiciary committees study the matter.

Hampshire's congressional delegation said they have not seen any specific proposals for a federal bail-out plan, but they would prefer a private solution.

A spokesman for Rep. Norman D'Amours, D-N.H., said D'Amours has opposed previous federal bail-out plans for troubled private industries.

It changes his position on that, said George Barker, D'Amours' news secretary.

Sen. Gordon Humphrey, R-N.H., said he opposed the federal bail-out for Chrysler Corp., but would not rule out any possibilities until he sees a specific plan.

"I haven't heard a peep from anybody on [possible federal involvement in] Seabrook except the press," Humphrey said. "I'd have to know what the proposal is. I prefer to have the owners and the lenders work out the problems among themselves as responsible parties should."

Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., also said he has not heard any specific proposals. "If at some future time, a proposal is forthcoming from the governor of New Hampshire in concert with other concerned public officials and the private owners for some form of federal involvement... I will consider it at that time," Rudman said in a written statement.

Legislator seeks study of Seabrook relief plan

CONCORD, N.H. (UPI) — Rep. Judd Gregg, R-N.H., has asked a congressional research service to study federal bail-out measures for the troubled Seabrook nuclear plant and its prime owner.

An aide to Gregg said Wednesday that the congressman does not support any federal bail-out for Seabrook now, but wants to review any possible measures. A response from the research service is expected within one week.

Although no specific plan has been proposed, one possible measure under review is a federal refinancing of nuclear projects that are 50 percent or more complete. Seabrook is rated at 75 percent complete.

The refinancing could be through tax-exempt federal bonds or federally guaranteed taxable bonds, according to Connecticut Consumer Counsel Barry Zitzer.

Seabrook construction was halted last week in a move by the project's prime owner, Federal Service Co. of New Hampshire, to avoid bankruptcy over the skyrocketing Seabrook costs.

Earlier this week, the 16 Seabrook owners hired Merrill Lynch as a consultant to try to find a way to complete the first unit. Merrill Lynch will also examine the possibility of restructuring Seabrook ownership.

The other three members of New

Court firm on benefits

BOSTON (UPI) — The Massachusetts Supreme Court has reaffirmed its 1982 ruling that a state law requiring inclusion of mental health benefits in group insurance policies is not preempted by federal statutes.

The state high court, in a 4-1 decision, Wednesday said it had not changed its mind in light of a 1983 U.S. Supreme Court ruling in a related case.

Massachusetts Chief Justice Edward Hennessey said the federal ruling dealt with non-insurance issues and did not apply to the state case.

Litigation in the Massachusetts case began when state Attorney General Francis X. Bellotti sued The Travelers Insurance Co. and Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. for failure to provide mental health benefits in group

plans.

"This could be an important victory for consumers and states alike, as it affirms the right of state legislatures to regulate insurance in a manner that protects their citizens from the burdensome costs of mental health care and promotes access to mental health for poor, working and middle-class people," Bellotti said.

Lawyers for the insurance company argued the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, a federal law, preempted the state statute. Justice Herbert Wilkins, in his dissent, agreed, saying the majority opinion destroyed the option of employers with work forces in more than one state to develop uniform plans.

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Our Town

The Manchester Herald's annual profile edition, a 24-page supplement, inside today.

Sunny today and Saturday — See page 2

Embassy standoff is ended

By Joseph Gombardello
United Press International

LONDON — Thirty Libyans, presumably including the killer of a British policeman, today peacefully evacuated the embassy where London police besieged them for 10 days and one hour.

"The siege is over," a Scotland Yard spokesman said. "All the occupants in the (Libyan People's) Bureau have left St James' Square."

In Tripoli, the United Jack today was lowered at the seaside British Embassy and at the residence of Ambassador Oliver Miles in advance of the imminent departure of the remaining 14 British diplomats in Libya.

The diplomats were expected to leave Tripoli today, British diplomats sources said.

The Libyans, who had previously refused to come out for questioning, surrendered the embassy to London police and were being given safe passage back to the land ruled by Col. Moammar Khadafi.

In groups of five, the Libyans penned in the "People's Bureau" since gunfire from the building killed the policeman April 17 filed out of the elegant 18th-century townhouse and into waiting police vehicles.

While a police helicopter whirred overhead, a convoy of more than 20 vehicles carrying the Libyans and their baggage headed for London airport.

"They're all out. They're gone. They're on their way," said a police officer at the scene.

The same policeman handed out notices of the funeral of the shooting victim, policeman Yvonne Fletcher, 25. She was being buried in Salisbury, 84 miles west of London, later in the day.

And-terrorist squad commander William Huckleby had said he believed Miss Fletcher's killer was still among the group of Libyan diplomats and radical students.

But the government let them all go free back to Libya. Home Secretary Leon Brittan said, because police did not believe they could gather enough evidence to prove a murder charge in court.

The Libyans filed out quietly and calmly, most dressed in business suits and looking well-shaven.

In the Libyan capital, the last British diplomats prepared their own departure, although no time was disclosed.

"It's good news to hear they are moving in London, but we're still here," a British official in Tripoli said. "We still have things to do here, but we'll probably be moving soon."

A police surveillance team with cameras filmed the departure from the London embassy. Fire engines and ambulances stood by. All streets surrounding the central London square were closed to traffic.

The removal operation took 2 hours 35 minutes. Some Libyans sat in police vehicles in the square for nearly an hour before the convoy moved off at 11:18 a.m. (5:18 a.m. EST) with police motorcyclists leading the way.

The convoy moved sedately through west London to the airport, where one cargo jet waited already. A scheduled Libyan airlines flight was due in some three hours after the siege ended, and the British Airports authority said an extra Libyan passenger jet was being sent to supplement the Libyan flight scheduled to leave for Tripoli at 2:45 p.m.



Specially painted vans containing 30 Libyans evacuated this morning from the "People's Bureau" in London drive to Heathrow Airport. The 10-day siege ended today, British diplomats in Libya are also expected to begin the return trip home sometime today.

By James H. Ludwin
United Press International

Von Bulow convictions void, says Rhody Supreme Court

By James H. Ludwin
United Press International

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — The Rhode Island Supreme Court today threw out the attempted murder convictions of wealthy socialite Claus von Bulow, accused of twice trying to kill his heiress wife, and ordered a new trial.

In a complicated 61-page decision, the court ruled one of the key pieces of evidence against von Bulow — a black shaving kit bag containing an insulin-laced needle — should not have been admitted in the trial.

von Bulow, 57, has been free on \$1 million bail since the conviction and living in New York. He had been sentenced to a total 30 years in the state prison.

Von Bulow was convicted March 16, 1982, of trying to kill his wife, Martha "Sunny" von Bulow, with insulin injections. She survived the Jan. 27, 1979, injection but another on Jan. 21, 1980, left her "a sleeping beauty" in an irreversible coma.

Because of his wealth, charm and jet-set image and the sensational nature of the case, von Bulow's six-week trial made international headlines. Attorneys for the Danish-born aristocrat claimed he was framed and prosecutors said he tried to kill Mrs. von Bulow, a utilities heiress from Pittsburgh, for the \$14 million he would inherit, and his love for New York socialite Alexandra Isles.

Von Bulow, who never testified in the trial, also claimed a private investigator tampered with evidence used to convict him.

Von Bulow, whose father went to prison for collaborating with the Nazis, worked as a lawyer in London and held a succession of jobs in the financial world. In 1959, he went to work for billionaire

Boudin pleads guilty to murder

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (UPI) — Former Westchester Underdog leader Kathy Boudin, who made a surprise guilty plea in the bloody \$1.6 million Brink's robbery, faces 20 years to life in prison for the shootout that left an armed guard and two police officers dead.

Ms. Boudin stated a Westchester County courtroom Thursday by pleading guilty to one count of murder and one count of robbery as part of a plea bargain concluded earlier in the day. Eleven other counts of murder, assault and weapons charges were dropped.

"I feel terrible about the lives of the people lost in the incident," she told Judge David Ritter.

Ritter said he would sentence her May 31 to 20 years to life in prison. Ms. Boudin, who has a 3-year-old child, would not be eligible for parole until 2001.

Three others convicted last fall — including Ms. Boudin's husband, David Gilbert — are serving 75 years to life.

A barrel of rediculous shot and killed a guard during a \$1.6 million heist of a Brink's armored car in Nanuet, N.Y., on Oct. 20, 1981, and killed two police officers at a roadblock in nearby Nyack, N.Y., where the money was recovered.

As Ms. Boudin stood to enter her plea, friends and relatives sat across from several Rockland police officers whose colleagues were killed in a roadblock shootout.

Ms. Boudin, who maintains she was unarmed during the robbery, wore a sleeveless sweater, long-sleeve shirt and skirt. Her mother, Jean, sat holding her baby pictures.

"I want to say that Kathy's life of almost 41 years as I see it has been a life of devotion to humanity," her father, attorney Leonard Boudin, said afterward.

"Even the events of this case don't change my view," he said. Ms. Boudin's attorney, Leonard Weinglass, said he decided to seek a plea bargain "because I sensed for the first time there would be reasonable judgment brought to bear on this case."

Reagan announces accord signed

PEKING (UPI) — President Reagan broadcast the virtues of a capitalist society to the Chinese people today and was in turn lectured on the failings of U.S. foreign policy.

Reagan, the first U.S. president to visit China since 1975, used the second day of his six-day tour to announce that China and the United States have reached a nuclear cooperation agreement following two years of tough negotiations.

Once approved by Congress, the nuclear accord will give U.S. companies the green light to compete for billions of dollars in nuclear purchases planned by the Chinese, including up to a dozen reactors. Such sales are China's currently illegal.

Today's hectic schedule included nearly four hours of talks between Reagan and Premier Zhao Ziyang and Communist Party chief Hu Yaobang. In addition, Reagan gave a keynote speech to an elite gathering of 600 American and Chinese students, scientists and political leaders in the Great Hall of the People.

The speeches extolling the benefits of freedom and democracy, was interrupted seven times by applause. It was to be broadcast on Chinese television Friday night, reaching an estimated 200 million people.

The staunchly anti-communist Reagan said he has discovered that China, a nation he once publicly scorned, is different from other communist countries.

"Unlike some governments, which fear change and fear the future, China is beginning to reach out toward new horizons, and we salute your courage," he said.

"As China moves forward on this new path, America welcomes the opportunity to walk by your side," Reagan declared in a pledge of U.S. assistance to China's modernization program.

Reagan went on to lecture Chinese leaders on the benefits of democracy, telling them to "trust the people."

"Those who ignore this vital truth will condemn their countries to fall farther and farther behind in the world's competition for economic leadership in the 1980s and beyond," he said.

Reagan said he had not come "to dwell on a closed-door past," a reference to 25 years without formal relations after the 1949 communist takeover.

Instead, China and America should go forward "hand in hand — xieshou bingxin," he said, repeating the phrase "hand-in-hand" in Chinese to the delight of his hosts.

The Zhao-Reagan talks were divided into two sessions on international questions and the other on bilateral issues.

At the first meeting, Zhao criticized U.S. policy in the Middle East and in Central America. A senior Chinese official said Zhao told Reagan "we oppose meddling in the affairs of Central America by any big power. We are not in favor of some practices by the United States in this region."

Zhao also told Reagan that the United States should halt the deployment of its medium-range missiles in Europe as should the Soviets, who also have missiles in Asia.

In the second 90-minute session, Zhao said he was extremely concerned by efforts in the United States to upgrade or even restore relations with Taiwan.

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Building sought for treatment

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Jamshid Marvasti, a prominent Manchester child psychiatrist, proposed at the Community Services Council meeting Thursday that the vacated Miller building at Manchester Memorial Hospital be put to use as an adolescent psychiatric unit.

Though he admitted his longtime attempt to establish such a unit has resulted in "zero" progress, he claimed he was not disappointed.

On Wednesday, he said he met with MMH Acting Executive Director Michael Gallacher to discuss his plans. He said he had received a not antagonistic, "but not very enthusiastic" response.

"I'm not very confident it would materialize unless we have strong community support," he said afterward. Marvasti, who directs the Sexual Trauma Center in Manchester, said he would deliver a written proposal to Gallacher.

The acting MMH head was not available for comment this morning, but hospital spokesman Andrew Beck said the document had not yet been delivered. "We really cannot comment until we see the proposal and look it over and determine what it says," he said.

The 17-bed "motel," as the Miller building is called, was closed early this year in response to a low patient census. Once the site of a self-care unit for patients with relatively minor ailments, it currently stands empty.

Beck said he knew of no other formal proposals to put the building to a new use other than Marvasti's proposals. Other plans are "just ideas in people's heads."

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