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## House votes \$70 million for El Salvador

By Robert Shepard  
United Press International

WASHINGTON — The House abandoned its opposition to more military aid for El Salvador this year and voted Friday for \$70 million of the \$117 million sought by President Reagan.

The Senate, which had previously voted the full amount, approved the compromise plan by voice vote and sent the bill to the White House.

In California, where Reagan is vacationing, White House spokesman Larry Speakes said, "We're pleased that the House has acted on Central America funding. We feel it's a good example of bipartisan cooperation."

The 234-161 House vote ended a

dispute that threatened passage of the \$6.2 billion supplemental spending bill needed to keep most government agencies operating until the end of the fiscal year Sept. 30.

The action also cleared the way for Congress to recess until after Labor Day.

The bill also includes \$700 million needed to keep the food stamp program from running out of money in the next few weeks.

The House refused last week to provide any additional military aid for El Salvador this year, but the Republican-controlled Senate voted Wednesday for the full \$117 million requested by Reagan.

House and Senate negotiators were unable to agree on a compromise Thursday and sent the

issue back to the House for another vote.

Rep. Clarence Long, D-Md., chairman of the House Appropriations subcommittee on foreign operations who originally opposed any additional aid, eased his position and offered an amendment providing \$40 million, but the House rejected that proposal.

Kemp said El Salvador's new president, Jose Napoleon Duarte, in a phone call just before the House debate began, said the aid was important not only militarily, but was "a vital political need" that would help him deal with factions of both the extreme left and right in his country.

"Let's not pull the rug out from Mr. Duarte," Kemp said. "Let's

give democracy a chance."

Speaker Thomas O'Neill, who continued to oppose the aid, said earlier Friday the House probably would agree to a compromise figure.

O'Neill said that since the previous House vote some key members had been persuaded by secret administration briefings that additional aid is needed to help El Salvador resist attacks by leftist guerrillas. Duarte's reform efforts also bolstered the case for additional aid.

O'Neill had said he still opposes any additional aid, but I know my thoughts don't prevail with the majority."

The aid was contained in a supplemental spending bill needed by federal agencies to finish a

fiscal year ending Sept. 30. The two houses were about \$2 billion apart in their original versions of the bill, but the conference committee came up with a \$5.8 billion compromise on the non-aid provisions.

The most urgent item was \$700 million to keep the food stamp program from running out of money in the next few weeks.

O'Neill said Reps. Edward Boland, D-Mass., and Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., two members of the House, had been "tremendously impressed" by secret briefings this week on the situation in El Salvador.

The Senate backed the full \$117 million earlier this week, but Senate members of the conference committee offered to accept a

lesser amount.

A \$90 million compromise was offered during the conference committee meeting Thursday night, but was rejected by most of the majority Democrats on the panel. A \$70 million offer also was rejected.

O'Neill said \$90 million was "too high," but said "something around \$70 million" probably would be accepted by the House.

Boland, chairman of the House intelligence committee, said the administration briefings had documented El Salvador's position as the area's "linchpin."

"If we lose El Salvador we're going to lose the whole area. I don't think we ought to take that chance," Boland told the conference committee.

## Lawrence enforces curfew

By Dave Wood  
United Press International

LAWRENCE, Mass. — Police and community leaders patrolled nearly empty streets Friday evening, enforcing a curfew imposed after two nights of rioting between Hispanics and other ethnic groups in a low-income neighborhood.

"Things are very quiet," said Mayor John Buckley. "They've cooled off considerably. We haven't had any real incidents."

He said five people were arrested for violating the curfew and charged with disorderly conduct.

Buckley said there were about 30 to 40 police patrolling the curfew area, with another 120 police on other city streets. Up to 50 State Police personnel were also on alert nearby.

"We have reason to believe there will be no more problems for the rest of the night," Buckley said.

The city police officers and an alliance of neighborhood residents — identified by their yellow baseball caps — moved through the otherwise empty streets. Many residents stood at their windows, looking out on the six-block area that was wracked by violence Wednesday and Thursday nights.

The City Council declared a state of emergency and imposed the nighttime curfew earlier Friday.

The declaration followed successive nights of firebombings, looting and fighting among Hispanics and members of other ethnic groups, predominantly of French-Canadian descent, in the Tower Hill neighborhood.

"The events are both tragic and senseless and have led to a situation where too many people are reacting without reason or logic," Mayor John Buckley said after the five-member City Council voted unanimously to declare a state of emergency and impose a nighttime curfew for the weekend.

Buckley said the curfew would be enforced between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. for three nights beginning Friday in the six-block area where the violence has occurred.

"We hope to meet this problem coolly and calmly. The city has a long and proud history of being a city of immigrants," Buckley said.

He said signs stating the curfew were being posted in English, Spanish and French and anyone violating the order would be subject to arrest and detention for 24 hours.

Twenty-seven people were arrested and at least 17 injured in the two nights of rioting, which police said began Wednesday with an argument between a woman and a man and escalated quickly in the steamy humidity.

Authorities offered conflicting opinions on whether the violence was prompted by racial and ethnic differences. Most agreed the incident that touched off the first round of disturbances Wednesday was not related to race.

"It's the Hispanics against the Anglos right now, but I don't think the underlying causes are racial," said Alderman Raymond Johnson, who is in charge of public safety for the factory city of 63,000 north of Boston.

But Alderman Richard D'Agos-

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Republican Mary Willhide, party-endorsed candidate for registrar of voters, flashes a smile at a party she threw Friday night to celebrate her victory by default. Frederick Peck, the long-time registrar who party leaders

sought to oust, did not get enough signatures to force a primary. The T-shirt Mrs. Willhide is wearing is one of several campaign items her backers were prepared to use.

## Sadloski in the race

## Peck loses bid to force primary

By Sarah E. Hall  
Herald Reporter

Frederick E. Peck, Republican Registrar of Voters for the past 24 years, bowed out of the race against the party-endorsed candidate Friday when he failed to gather enough signatures to force a primary.

"That to me is the biggest news for our party in a long time," said Republican Town Committee Chairman Curtis Smith, who spearheaded efforts to unseat Peck. "This just saved us 2,600 bucks. We had plans for a massive campaign. Fred would not have known what hit him."

Peck's would-be opponent, former GOP vice-chairwoman Mary Willhide, held a party at her home at 57 Jean Road to celebrate later Friday evening. "I can't understand why he didn't get enough signatures," she said. "I feel sad for Fred, I really do, but I think I can do a good job."

Stoic acceptance was Peck's reaction. "I'm kind of disappointed," he said, standing in the Registrar's office. "I thought I would come through, but it wasn't to be."

Peck said that despite last-minute efforts, he fell short of the needed 404 signatures by "a couple dozen" — or at any rate, by a sufficient margin to make it clear without counting that there were not enough.

As expected, Betty Sadloski — the challenger for candidacy

against state Rep. James R. McCavanaugh — succeeded in collecting 13 more than the 100 signatures she needed to force a primary against the party-endorsed Jonathan Mercier.

Smith said no party-sponsored campaign will be launched against Mrs. Sadloski, who "worked hard for the party."

The challenger herself said Friday she plans a "limited" campaign against Mercier, to be conducted primarily through letters to the editor and other statements in newspapers. As president of the Manchester Property Owners Association, she said she is contesting Mercier because the Republicans "ought to have a chance to put somebody up there who has a chance. I felt I had better experience, better name recognition — all the requirements the Republicans said were needed to win an election."

"Betty is well-known, and I knew from the beginning she would have no problem getting the signatures," Smith said. He said the primary "will be superb for the party because McCavanaugh is extremely well known and this will give our people exposure."

Smith characterized Peck as a man who "sat back" over the past 24 years as the GOP slid from power in Manchester. He said Peck lacked the "enthusiasm and sparkle" of Democratic Registrar Herbert Stevenson and seldom

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## State health officials worried

## Lyme disease is at an epidemic level

HARTFORD (UPI) — Lyme disease, which can lead to arthritis and neurological problems if left untreated, has reached epidemic levels in Connecticut this year, health officials said Friday.

"If it is recognized in the first 10 days and treated early, that seems to abort future problems," warned epidemiologist Patricia J. Checko of the state Department of Health Services.

Initially reported nine years ago in children living in the small Connecticut River town of Lyme, the illness, carried by ticks no larger than a pencil point, is caused by bacterium that infects the ticks.

"In reality, it's almost impossible to control ticks," said Ms. Checko, but she suggested that those living in wooded areas keep the land around houses short and spray the borders of their yards with insecticides.

The illness, which often starts with a red rash and can lead to arthritis-like joint swelling, is treated with penicillin or tetracycline to block later complications including joint swelling and heart and neurological problems.

"If it is not treated, approximately 25 percent of those with the ailment might go on to manifest arthritis or the other problems," Ms. Checko said.

Ms. Checko stressed that although the number of cases this year is far greater than in previous years and is technically an epidemic but, "there is no reason for alarm."

Physicians caution patients usually develop a fever, headache and general aches and pains. A red rash sometimes develops.

Doctors have been inundated with patients afflicted with the condition.

"There's lots of it, two or three times more than last year," said Dr. William H. Zeidler, whose office is in Haddam. "We've had 10 or 12 patients who had positive serum tests and another 10 or 12

who were clear cases just from their symptoms."

Dr. John Paardenkooper of Moodus has found 64 patients with Lyme disease and suspects it in several more.

"Patients come to me with symptoms they compare to the flu," he said, "but we don't see flu in the middle of the summer. So I immediately suspect Lyme disease."

Two mothers in Lyme brought the first known cases of the disease to the attention of state health officials in 1975 when their children's joints started to swell.

Still mostly found east of the Connecticut River, Lyme disease

has spread as far north as Portland, Marlborough and Glastonbury and into Voluntown along the state's eastern border. Ms. Checko said. Cases also have been found in Greenwich and are suspected in Litchfield County.

The disease is also prevalent on Long Island and has been found in New Jersey, Rhode Island, Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket, and the midwestern and western sections of the country. A similar illness has been reported in Europe.

The health department started its first comprehensive surveillance program in mid-July. Ms. Checko said.

## Second Portland baby saved in fall

PORTLAND, Maine (UPI) — History repeated itself in Portland this week, when a 14-year-old boy caught and saved a baby who fell from a third-story window — the second such incident this summer.

Kevin Buzzell, 14, told police his mother spotted 20-month-old Anthony Langella II hanging from the third-floor window of the Douglass Street apartment building and alerted him.

Buzzell said he ran, screaming, and broke the baby's fall with his arms.

"The hospital spent three hours checking him over and they couldn't find anything wrong with him," Anne-Marie Langella, 24, mother of the baby said Friday. The toddler is the son of Mrs. Langella and her husband, Anthony, 25.

The accident happened Thursday morning while Mrs. Langella and her sister-in-law were watching television in the apartment.

Buzzell, who lives nearby on Congress St., said he arrived in time to catch the toddler by the left

shoulder, but the child slipped from his grasp and fell to the ground.

Little Anthony apparently crawled out the window shortly before 10 a.m. Thursday morning, Mrs. Langella said.

"It couldn't have been five minutes that he was out of the room," she said.

The baby was treated and released from Maine Medical Center with a bruised ankle and minor cuts.

Another Portland resident, Cyn-

this Nevers, caught a 17-month-old baby who fell from a second floor porch on Munjoy Hill. Mrs. Nevers was commended by President Ronald Reagan, who personally called and offered to pay her medical expenses.

Mrs. Nevers received a large gash when she ripped her arm open on a chain link fence while rushing to the baby's rescue.

Later, some people in the neighborhood apparently turned against Mrs. Nevers. Her dog died after it was fed poisoned meat.

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# Von Bulow case could modify the exclusionary rule

By Ken Fronckling  
United Press International

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — The Claus von Bulow high society attempted-murder case has wound its way to the U.S. Supreme Court, where it might give the justices another crack at reforming the exclusionary rule.

The 76-year-old rule of law has been attacked by the Reagan administration and other law enforcement officials in recent years as allowing criminals to get off on minor technicalities, resulting in acquittals or costly new trials.

The rule was adopted by the Supreme Court in 1914 to prevent police from violating the Fourth Amendment prohibition against "unreasonable search and

seizure."

The court reasoned that police would be deterred from violating the amendment if the evidence they obtained illegally would be suppressed — or excluded — from any trial.

From 1914 to 1966 the rule applied in federal criminal prosecutions, but in 1966 the court extended the rule to all prosecutions, including state cases.

In the term just ended, the Supreme Court, for the first time, carved out an exception to the ruling.

In the case United States vs. Leon, it allowed evidence to be used if police thought in "good faith" that the warrant they had was valid, even if a judge had made a mistake and issued an invalid warrant.

Rhode Island Attorney General Dennis J. Roberts II, backed by national law enforcement officials, is hoping the Supreme Court will carve another exception through the von Bulow case.

Roberts asked the high court last month to review the case and consider reinstating the Danish-born financier's two attempted-murder convictions of trying to kill his heiress wife, Martha "Sunny" von Bulow, with insulin injections at their elegant Newport mansion in 1979 and 1980.

In March 1982, a Superior Court jury in Newport found von Bulow, 57, guilty on both counts. He was sentenced to 30 years in prison but allowed to remain free on bail pending his appeal.

Last April, the Rhode Island Supreme Court ordered a new

trial. It tossed aside both convictions because a state police detective failed to obtain a search warrant before sending drugs to the state crime lab for identification and analysis. The drugs, taken from the mansion by von Bulow's stepson and

In effect, Roberts has asked the U.S. Supreme Court to modify the exclusionary rule for instances where police do not obtain warrants when ordering tests on evidence obtained through private seizure, examination and testing. State police handling of the evidence, he argued, came after the defendant's Fourth Amendment privacy right "has already been substantially compromised."

Whether or not the U.S. Supreme Court hears the case hinges on a very different matter — whether

the state court's decision is supported by an "adequate and independent" basis in state law.

The defense contends it is. Roberts argues it is not.

"The court neither analyzed nor concluded that the state constitutional error was harmful," the state claimed in its July 23 appeal to the high court.

Sometime after the U.S. Supreme Court convenes its next session on the first Monday in October, it will announce if it will hear the von Bulow case.

Yale Kamisar, a University of Michigan law professor and an expert on the Supreme Court and constitutional law, said the state appeal of the von Bulow case poses "interesting questions" that might interest the high court.



CLAUS VON BULOW appeals his case

## Peopletalk

### Birthday almanac

Aug. 12 — Cecil B. De Mille (1881-1959), the film director and producer who is remembered for his biblical and historical spectacles. They include "King of Kings," "The Sign of the Cross," "The Ten Commandments" and two versions of "The Ten Commandments."

Aug. 13 — Pat Harrington Jr. (1928-), the actor who has co-starred on the "One Day at a Time" television sitcom since 1975. He made his national television debut on the Jack Paar show in 1958.

Aug. 14 — Magic Johnson (1959-), the all-league guard for the Los Angeles Lakers who was chosen the most valuable player in the NBA playoffs in 1980 and 1982.

Aug. 15 — Edna Ferber (1887-1968), the novelist and playwright whose novels include "Show Boat," "Saratoga Trunk" and "Giant." She collaborated on many plays including "The Royal Family" and "Dinner at Eight."

Aug. 16 — Frank Gifford (1930-), the sports broadcaster and former football player who has been part of the "Monday Night Football" broadcasting team since 1971. As a player, he was the National Football League's MVP in 1961.

Aug. 17 — Davy Crockett (1786-1836), the politician and legendary hero of the American frontier. He fought in the Creek War under Andrew Jackson, 1813-14, and served two terms in the U.S. House of Representatives. He was killed at the Alamo.

Aug. 18 — Robert Redford (1937-), the actor and director who has been one of the most popular film stars of the past two decades. His films include "The Candidate," "The Sting," "The Way We Were" and "The Natural."

### Guess their number was up

An alert mechanic was a lot richer today because he took down a license number.

The number belonged to the getaway car in a \$7 million robbery on an armored car firm, Uthmaniyah & Co., located near the airport. Uthmaniyah & Co. declined to say how much it was.

Castillo, 38, a Mexican native, said his life has been threatened since the May 27 robbery at the Armored Transport Co., located near the airport where he works — where he saw the car and noted the license number.

John Cassotta, security director for the company, said Castillo has had to move because of those threats.

Castillo said he only wanted to "do my duty" when he took down the number. "It was the right thing to do," he added.

He told reporters he plans to use some of the money to take mentally handicapped children to Disneyland.

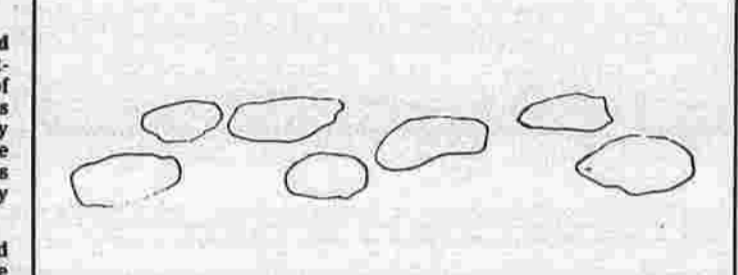
## Weather

### Today's forecast

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Mostly cloudy Saturday with a 30 percent chance of showers. Highs in the mid 80s inland, 70s along the coast. Cloudy Saturday night with fog and drizzle redeveloping along the coast. Lows in the 60s. Continued cloudy Sunday. Highs in the 70s.

Maine: Variable cloudiness and sunshine up north Saturday. In the south, mostly cloudy after some early morning fog and drizzle. Fog may linger along the immediate coast particularly downeast. Highs in the 60s to low 70s coast to the 70s to low 80s north. Partly cloudy north and mostly cloudy with some fog Saturday night and Sunday. Most fog along coastal sections. Lows Saturday night in the 50s north to near 60 south. Highs Sunday in the 70s to near 80 cooler except at the coast.

New Hampshire: Variable cloudiness and sunshine north and southwest with remaining mostly cloudy southeast Saturday. Highs 75 to 80 but cooler at the coast. Fair night mostly fog and drizzle. Lows near 60. Variable cloudiness Sunday. Highs in the 70s to near 80 cooler except at the coast.



### Extended outlook

Extended outlook for New England Monday through Wednesday:

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Partly cloudy inland, and periods of drizzle and fog over coastal sections through the period. Overnight lows in the upper 50s to mid 60s. Daytime highs from the upper 60s to mid 70s along the coast, to the 80s west inland.

Vermont: Fair and dry with a gradual warming trend. Highs Monday near 80. Highs Tuesday and Wednesday in the 80s. Lows Monday and Tuesday 55 to 65. Lows Wednesday in the 60s.

Maine and New Hampshire: Partly cloudy Monday. Fair Tuesday and Wednesday. Some patchy fog during the nighttimes and early mornings through the period. Highs 75 to 85 but cooler at the coast. Lows in the 50s to low 60s.



### Lottery

#### Connecticut daily Friday: 754

Play Four: 1348  
Weekly Lotto: 1-6-10-18-25-26

Other numbers drawn Friday in New England:  
Vermont daily: 814  
Massachusetts daily: 2312  
New Hampshire daily: 6682  
New Hampshire Sweepstakes: 27-22 Red.

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## Manchester In Brief

### Runner's yearbook right

You can bet Linda Chambers of Manchester will be in front of her TV cheering on Alberto Salazar when he runs the men's marathon at the U.S. Olympics on Sunday.

Mrs. Chambers, a Myrtle Street resident, still has her sixth-grade yearbook from Bowers School.

Alberto Salazar, who lived in Manchester as a youngster, is named as "best student" and "funniest" in her yearbook.

And, guess what Salazar's ambition is? The Bowers School yearbook lists it as "Olympic runner."

### Permits, fees decrease

The number of permits issued by the town Building Department in July and the fees collected on those permits decreased substantially from the same period a year ago, according to figures released by Acting Chief Building Inspector James Fitzpatrick.

Last month, the department issued 212 permits for which it collected \$15,401, compared with 228 permits and \$29,489 in fees in July 1983.

### Police contract near

The president of the Manchester police union said Friday he hopes to know next week whether a tentative contract agreement between a union negotiating committee and town officials is acceptable to the Board of Directors.

Both union president Edward J. Tighe and Assistant Town Manager Steven R. Werber said they had agreed not to discuss details of the negotiations.

Tighe said that if Werber can guarantee the directors approval, the union negotiating committee will present the contract proposal to the union ranks.

"We're really pretty close," Tighe said. "Basically, it's just the money issue. We've come to a point where we both seem to agree that this contract might work."

The most recent police contract expired at the end of June. But the terms of the old contract will prevail until a new settlement is reached. The old contract set the top salary for a non-ranking patrol officer at \$23,000.

## Area Towns In Brief

### Council nears decision

COVENTRY — After interviewing top candidates for the town manager's position, town council members are nearing a decision on who will take over the post vacated by Charles McCarthy in June.

Chairman Robert Olmstead said Friday the council has called back one applicant for a second interview Aug. 17 and 18. Olmstead said council members have agreed they will hire this man if mutually satisfactory agreements are reached.

Olmstead said he could not speculate when the town might have a new manager. He said this issue is one of the topics that will be addressed in the second interview.

Earlier this week, council members interviewed three top candidates out of 44 applicants for the position.

The town manager's position was advertised at an annual salary of up to \$32,000, depending on the prospective manager's qualifications. When a new town manager is selected, he or she will be the fifth person to hold the position in 15 years.

### Bentley library has party

BOLTON — On Monday, Aug. 27, Bentley Memorial Library will sponsor a party to wrap up its summer reading club for children. It will begin at the library at 10:30 a.m.

In conjunction with the club, the library is encouraging participation in the "Reading Rainbow Book Review Contest" for children ages 5 through 8. The library will submit to the contest sponsor any book review letter before Aug. 16. There is a limit of one review per child, and all reviews must be handwritten on lined, 8 1/2 by 11-inch paper or typed on plain paper. For more details, inquire at the library or call Jane Verdeck at 646-7249.

## Fire Calls

### Manchester

Friday, 3:12 p.m. — medical call, 145 Spencer St. (Paramedics).

Friday, 8:56 p.m. — medical call, 1146 Main St. (Town, Paramedics).

Friday, 9:14 p.m. — gas spill, 770 Main St. (Town).

## Calendars

### Manchester

Wednesday  
Zoning Board of Appeals, Town Office Building, 8 p.m.

Thursday  
Library Directors, Andover Public Library, Route 6, 7:30 p.m.

Friday  
Public Hearing, Andover Public Library, Route 6, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday  
Board of Selectmen, Andover Public Library, Route 6, 10:30 a.m.

Sunday  
Town Office Building, 7 p.m.

Monday  
Finance Committee, nurse's office, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday  
Water Pollution Control Authority, planning office, Town Office Building, 8 p.m.

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Democratic Town Committee, board room, Town Office Building, 7:30 p.m.

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### Bolton

Monday  
Public Building Commission, Community Hall fireplace room, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday  
Republican Town Committee, Community Hall, 7:30 p.m.

## Researchers look to genes for answers

By Dennis C. Milewski  
United Press International

NORWALK — "Mother nature makes better monsters," joked Donald Jay Silvert, a scientist excited about genetic engineering and its promise in preventing deadly disease and feeding the world's hungry.

Science fiction fare may conjure up images of mad scientists, but Silvert says genetic researchers have done remarkable work that may lead to startling applications in medicine, industry and agriculture within five years.

"There has never been any disaster. Our worst fears appear to be unfounded," said Silvert, director of research and development for University Genetics Co., which evaluates campus research in genetics for potential commercial use.

Initial concerns came from scientists themselves who worried experiments might go awry, but Silvert said genetic engineering has proven a potential boon in fighting nature's own horrors — birth defects and disease.

"Mother Nature really does do a better job of making monsters than we do. There are a lot of good things to look forward to. In the long-term, genetic therapy will help people who would have spent their lives in bed," he said.

Once more is understood about DNA — chemical blueprints for genetic information — it should be routine to determine which patients are prone to heart disease, produce drought- and frost-resistant crops and someday even "grow" micro-chips, Silvert said.

Within five years, doctors may begin using some of the new techniques in preventative medicine and the new field of genetic counseling should improve for couples concerned about passing disorders onto their children, he said.

"It's clearly coming. People are now trying to map where genes are located on the chromosome scale. There was a recent breakthrough in finding the gene that causes Huntington's chorea. You can bet the insurance companies will be on board," Silvert said.

A recent patent issued to University Patents Inc., parent firm of University Genetics, improves on the method of linking chemicals into chains of synthetic DNA inside a so-called gene machine.

The once bulky "chemical robots" now sit on a table top and sell for \$30,000 each to universities and industries for a worldwide market worth an estimated \$100 million, Silvert said.

The new process was developed by Marvin H. Caspersen of the University of Colorado, whose earlier work with Serge L. Beaucage produced chemicals credited with bringing new standards to gene machines.

The chemicals are less sensitive to moisture, are fast working and make longer chains of DNA. The chemicals also can be stored for months as a dry powder, Silvert said.

University Patents bills itself as a "technology transfer company" for Princeton, New York University and the universities of Arizona, Chicago, Colorado, Illinois and Pennsylvania.

One DNA research-based product Silvert is developing involves a cosmetic that he claims may retard the aging process in the skin.

The substance is being tested in cooperation with companies in Japan, Europe and the United States and may hit the market in about a year, but Silvert would say little more about the possible breakthrough.

The synthetic DNA is valuable to researchers because it allows for the study of isolated, microscopic pieces of DNA.

"It is the genetic makeup of a person that says whether or not you are an Albert Einstein or an Alfred E. Newman. It also says if you might get Lou Gehrig's disease or develop asbestosis," Silvert said.

The process involves molecular cloning — microscopic work that still sounds like the stuff of science fiction — and genetic engineering has raised ethical questions from the start, Silvert said.

Scientists called a moratorium after a researcher at Stanford University "crossed the species boundary" in 1974 and pieced together DNA from two tiny organisms and introduced it into a bacterium which survived.

Strict standards were adopted through the National Institutes of Health, but the lack of incidents has eased constraints on many experiments, Silvert said.

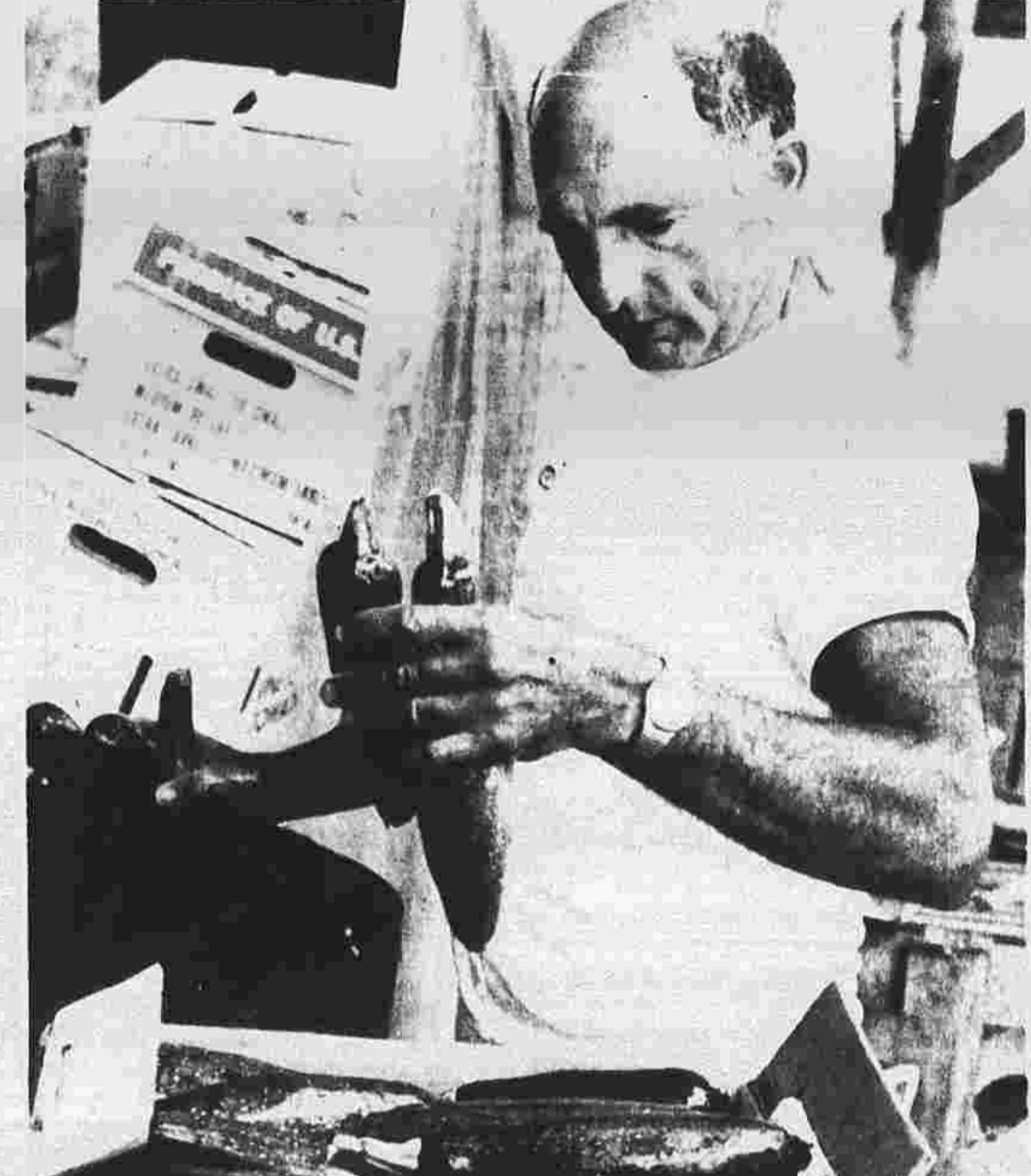
A single cell contains all genetic information necessary for life and while cloning an entire organism is not possible for more than one molecular cloning, it has been proved that frogs and mice can be duplicated, he said.

Someday, it will be possible to clone a human being, he added.

"That's the kind of cloning that scares people, with good cause," Silvert said. "You can imagine what Hitler would have done with that kind of technology. But what is the incentive? It is not being pursued."

There is nothing frightening or even original about modern genetic engineering, he said.

"It allows you to speed up the process that has gone on since the last millennium. We have dealt with breeding in animals and before that with plants," Silvert said.



Squash wash  
Henry Botticello of Hillstown Road time of year, farmers like Botticello are ready to get their produce shipshape for local markets.

### Manager says bridges cited by state are OK for travel

By Tracy L. Geopheon  
Herald Reporter

COVENTRY — Acting Town Manager Michael Cleary has inspected five bridges recently judged by the state to be in need of repairs, and said he wants to assure people none of them is unsafe for travel.

"Our bridges are in good shape," said Cleary. "None of them is about to fall down."

Cleary said that just this week the town finished repairing one of the bridges in question on Depot Road.

"I'm just waiting for a report from the state to find out what they want," Cleary said. "I don't think the reports will be critical."

The bridges are among a list of 84 municipal bridges in need of repair which was released Thursday by the state Department of Transportation. Beside the five in Coventry, one bridge in Andover and one in Manchester were named.

At a meeting Thursday with officials from DOT and other towns, Cleary said he learned that only \$5 million will be available from the state this year for bridge repairs.

Cleary said DOT officials told him they have no idea how many municipalities will ask for funds this year, but that Coventry's bridges were low priority.

Town Council Chairman Robert Olmstead said, "We can't see wanting to repair bridges with state money when we can fix them ourselves year by year."

Cleary, Olmstead and Superintendent of Streets Roger Bellard spent several hours Friday inspecting the Coventry bridges on the list.

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

Those born on this day are under the sign of Leo. They include American author Robert Ingersoll in 1833 and Nobel Prize-winning Dutch physician Christian Eijkman in 1858.

On this date in history:  
In 1877, American astronomer Asaph Hall discovered the two moons of Mars, which he named Phobos and Deimos.

In 1954, a formal peace announcement ended the seven-year war in Indochina between France and forces of the communist Viet Minh.

In 1965, six days of rioting began in the Watts section of Los Angeles. In the violence, 34 people were killed and 856 injured. Here a national guardsman escorts an elderly resident in the riot area.

A thought for the day: French writer Jules Renard said, "We don't understand life any better at 40 than at 20, but we know it and admit it."

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# Tax issue divides the GOP's platform committee

By Gregory Gordon  
United Press International

GOP platform committee members appear to be split heading into the Republican National Convention over how to respond to Democrat Walter Mondale's concession that he will raise taxes, if elected, to trim the budget deficit.

In what otherwise may be a non-controversial GOP convention, the tax issue threatens to flare into a major controversy triggered by Mondale's charges that the White House has its own "secret plan" to increase taxes if President Reagan wins re-election Nov. 6.

Reagan's otherwise firm control over the carefully scripted convention may be shaken as Republicans who will likely be battling for the GOP nomination in 1984 — especially Rep. Jack Kemp of New York and Sen. Bob Dole of Kansas — jockey for the advantage on the tax and deficits issue.

## U.S./World In Brief

### Israel's leaders may share

TEL AVIV, Israel — With the Labor Party admitting it cannot form a government without the rival Likud bloc, Labor leader Shimon Peres and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir are considering rotating the leadership of the country, news reports said Friday.

Both Labor and Likud have made it clear they want the first turn of leadership to go to Peres, named Prime Minister-designate last week by President Chaim Herzog, political sources said.

Both Labor and Likud have been trying unsuccessfully since July 23 elections to put together the 61-seat majority needed in the 120-member Knesset, or parliament, to form the next government.

Negotiations aimed at forming a national unity government that would include both rival groups began after the inconclusive elections, in which Labor won 44 seats and Likud 41. Both blocs, however, have continued to court the 13 smaller parties that won seats in an attempt to gain a majority.

### Two surrender in shootings

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. — Two members of a defunct women's softball team called Peck's Bad Girls surrendered Friday on charges of killing one man and wounding another, and authorities said the shootings may have resulted from a hatred of men.

Virginia Beach Police Sgt. A. Goertel said Sara Mae Richardson, 28, and Charmaine Pfender, 18, turned themselves in.

Bernard Peck, former manager of the Pittsburgh softball team, was murdered three years ago, labeled the anti-male speculation "a bunch of bull."

The Pittsburgh Press Friday quoted Gloria Pfender as saying her sister, Charmaine, had been involved in run-ins with men before.

"She and Sara would take guys out and have them take their pants off and leave them. Crazy shit. High school stuff," she said.

Gloria Pfender also told the newspaper her younger sister and Miss Richardson were lesbian lovers for about a year.

### Rebel killed in Colombia

BOGOTA, Colombia — The political leader of Colombia's most active guerrilla group was shot and killed by suspected rightist gunmen Friday just days before the group was expected to sign a cease-fire with the government.

Two men on a motorcycle pumped five bullets into Carlos Toledo Plata as the political leader of the rebel group M-19 was 190 miles northeast of Bogota, authorities said.

Toledo, 32, died two hours later in surgery. Police said the gunman escaped.

The physician and former congressman in 1970 co-founded M-19, which professes a non-Marxist nationalist ideology but is reportedly supported by Cuba.

Authorities and guerrilla spokesman said right-wing groups opposed to the talks between M-19 and the government of President Belisario Betancur were believed to be behind the murder.

### Sales of infant charged

OKLAHOMA CITY — A 21-year-old woman and her mother have been charged with selling the woman's infant daughter, getting a friend to pose as a social worker to take the child back and then selling her again, officials said Friday.

Assistant Oklahoma County District Attorney Bill Weaver said Jeanne Aylor and her mother, Charlotte Aylor, have been charged with a misdemeanor count of child trafficking. Weaver said Lydia Gail Vann was charged with a misdemeanor count of impersonating an officer of the Department of Human Services.

Ms. Aylor's mother, confined to a wheelchair, was booked into city jail and released. The two younger women remained in jail awaiting arraignment.

Weaver said Ms. Aylor's three children, including a 3-year-old girl already staying with the family that police said bought the infant, have been placed in custody of DHS authorities.

### Libya, Iran planted mines?

CAIRO, Egypt — Egyptian officials Friday said they were "70 percent sure" Libya and Iran planted mines that have disrupted Suez Canal shipping and said they would close the waterway to the nations' ships if the connection could be proven.

In Washington, Navy officials said an amphibious ship had departed a Spanish naval base carrying four mine-sweeping helicopters to search for mines in the Gulf of Suez and the Red Sea, vital waterways that lead into the Suez Canal.

President Hosni Mubarak, returning from a four-day visit to Yugoslavia, said he would close the canal to the ships of any nation found to be responsible for blasts in the Suez gulf and Red Sea that have damaged 18 ships since July 27.

the debate that's going on in the party. The Reagan people have how to answer the question of how to campaign on that issue.

Social positions, such as the party's conservative stands on the Equal Rights Amendment and abortion, also could create brushfires when the 106-member committee drafts the party's official list of campaign policies and promises.

But Republican officials said Reagan's conservative backers have such a high grip on the convention they can — at will — roll over any opposition.

The panel is expected to adopt a brief, straightforward, conservative doctrine.

"It's Reagan people and this is a Reagan party," shrugged one GOP aide.

However, the White House, whose liaison is former Transportation Secretary Drew Lewis, likely will try to soften some of the more controversial parts of the party's platform.

Another issue that could be controversial is a push by Kemp and others for a call for U.S. military superiority. The American Security Council, a conserva-

electorate, the aide said. Republican sources said, for example, that an early draft of the platform bowed to conservative wishes for language opposing the ERA for women and to a call for a constitutional amendment banning abortions.

Another draft, written after Mondale topped Rep. Geraldine Ferraro of New York as his running mate, eliminated direct reference to the ERA in much the way it was dropped from the 1980 platform for the first time, the sources said.

One of the later drafts, which have been jealously guarded by Rep. Trent Lott of Mississippi, the platform committee chairman, reportedly retained inflammatory anti-abortion language stressing the government's role in preserving the sanctity of life.

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tive organization, has been lobbying for "peace through strength" language, but big industries have expressed concerns about limitations on technology transfer to communist countries.

Other planks in draft versions call for a balanced budget, urge a sustained moderate rate of growth in the defense budget, denounce a proposed freeze on nuclear weapons, endorse the MX missile and praise the all-volunteer Army, said sources who have seen a draft of the 20-to-25-page manifesto.

With respect to foreign policy, the draft platform calls for strong American efforts to maintain democracy in El Salvador and taking steps to keep Soviet bases out of Central America, sources said.

Lott has held no formal hearings to date, drawing criticism from party moderates such as Sen. Lowell Weicker of Connecticut who has called for more extensive solicitation of testimony from civil rights, environmental and anti-nuclear leaders at their own hearing.

Weicker charged the White House hopes to "slip through" a barebones platform, and said he and his colleagues would propose a platform for the non-pacifist group.

Another critic, Rep. Jim Leach of Iowa, helped form the Republican Mainstream Campaign Committee, a former Republican Party co-chair Mary Louise Smith as his vice chair.

"We don't contemplate any floor fights the week of the convention," said Ken Ruberg, executive director of the non-pacifist group.

"What we do contemplate is being a progressive Republican voice on a series of issues."

"Certainly, we are going to remain loyal to the president's re-election. We will be asserting... mainstream Republican views. To the extent that we're not demonstrating in the streets should not be mistaken for lack of intensity of feeling."

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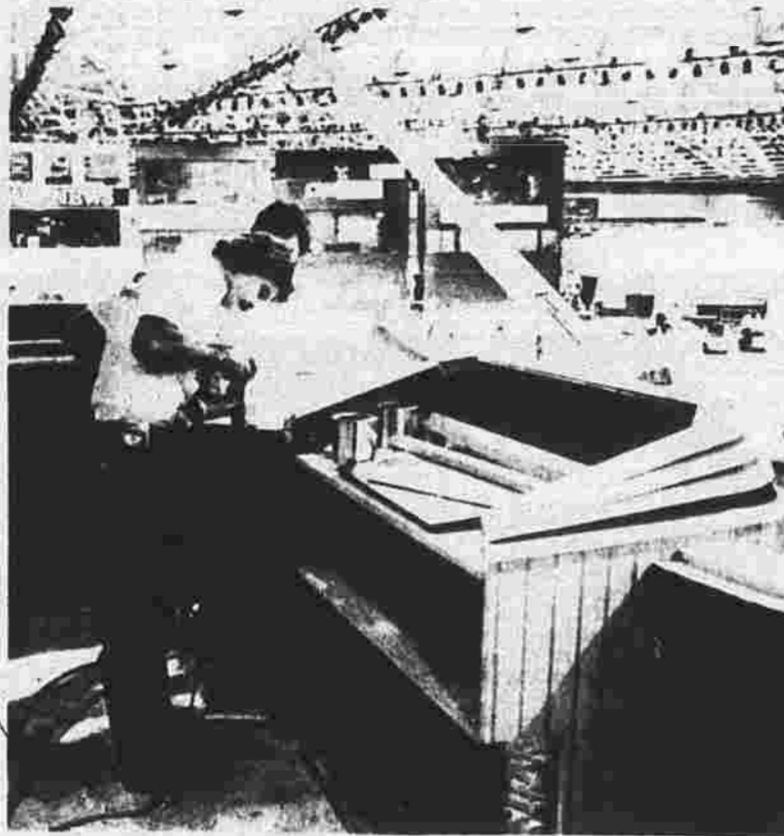
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## Keep Your Eyes On This Space Next Week...

OPINION

Television bingo hits dubious jackpot

By Tom Tiede

BETHLEHEM, Pa. — The Twin County Cable TV system has taken some controversial risks in recent years. It has battled over subscription rates and program controls... It's started a television version of bingo. The game is broadcast five nights a week in the hour preceding prime time.



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NATURALLY, THE SPONSORS think it's silly. And most of the people in this part of Pennsylvania probably agree. The sponsors include the American Diabetes Association, a local Lions Club, and the Easter Seal Society, and there isn't a whole lot of feeling that the bingo party would get into anything untoward.

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Perhaps he's right. The society insists that the bingo games are harmless entertainment. She says they are a refreshing alternative to the run of the mill television fare. "The people who watch it say it's the best hour on TV, they think it's terrific."

Miss Strosser says the people also think it's exciting. Ordinarily, players who cover five numbers on a card, in any of three directions, have a

bingo; the television player must cover all of the numbers on a card (25) to win. Also, the TV version is monitored by a computer. The computer calculates the mathematical possibilities of each game. When the computer determines that enough numbers have been called to produce a winner, the game is stopped for 60 seconds; the winner has that time to call in for the jackpot.

Players say it can be very dramatic. And the winners are usually very pleased. One of them is said to have used the jackpot money to purchase a block of game cards for people in a nursing home, and Miss Strosser says others have shared part of their winnings with the Easter Seal Society.

The sharings are appreciated, naturally. The society is unshamedly out to make money on the games. Miss Strosser says times have been tough in this area of Pennsylvania, i.e., charitable contributions have fallen off, "and that's why we got into TV bingo in the first place — to help raise extra funds."

ALAS, IT HASN'T WORKED out like that. Not so far, anyway. Miss Strosser says the ongoing legal squabble has hindered the growth of the games, and the \$100 a night fine has cut even further into the profits. The Easter Seal Society is still breaking even; some other sponsors are said to be losing money.

But Miss Strosser says there is still hope. She thinks the state legislature may come to the rescue. Pennsylvania is a gambling state, it has parimutuel parlors and a large lottery, hence the lawmakers are presently being lobbied to revise enough state statutes to make room for television bingo.

The odds for success are not known. But a lot of players in Bethlehem are writing regularly to their representatives. "I like everything about the show," says one of them. "I even like the scheduling. It ends at 7 p.m., you know; that gives me time to get to the church for my regular bingo game."

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Tsakos case is curiouser and curiouser

WASHINGTON — The case of Greek munitions merchant Tsakos gets curiouser and curiouser. He span a web that caught many prominent Washington figures, including Sen. Mark O. Hatfield, R-Ore., in its gossamer-like strands. He sought their support for a pipeline scheme by spreading money around generously in Washington. The evidence suggests that he was simply using the influence-buying technique that he had perfected in arms deals abroad.

For example, sources in the United States and West Germany told my associate Corky Johnson that Tsakos tried in 1981 to cut in on the sale of 100 Leopard tanks to Greece by the West German firm of Krauss-Maffei, claiming he was owed a \$10 million commission. When Krauss-Maffei refused to pay, Tsakos sued.

According to knowledgeable sources, Tsakos offered a cool million dollars to former Greek Defense Minister Evandros Averoff if he would testify that Tsakos had arranged the tank sale. Tsakos also told an associate that he had given \$25,000 to New Democracy, the opposition party Averoff heads.

Averoff reportedly refused to cooperate with Tsakos and became angry when the arms dealer persisted. Averoff told my associate that he knew nothing of any contribution from Tsakos.

But the sources said retired Greek Gen. Dimitrios Lambridis did take money from Tsakos for signing a court statement that said Tsakos had participated in the tank sale. Tsakos reportedly paid Lambridis an initial \$20,000 from a Swiss bank account, and promised any money from Tsakos.

When Tsakos came to this country in 1980, he hooked up with an entrepreneur named Frank Rosenbaum. They were introduced by an ex-congressman and ex-convict, Cornelius Gallagher, D-N.J., who had figured in the scandal in an earlier influence-buyer, Tongsun Park.

The biggest deal Tsakos and Rosenbaum put together involved \$1 billion worth of old Soviet-made weapons to be purchased from Egypt and sold to Iraq. Using an introduction from a Rockwell International employee, Al Grasselli, they persuaded Egyptian Defense Ministry officials to agree to the sale.

To be on the safe side, Tsakos hired a former Egyptian general to seal the deal. Though the arms eventually got to Iraq, sources said it was doubtful that Tsakos was able to make the sale himself after several trips to Baghdad.

Grasselli, who got a free trip to a ski resort in Gstaad, Switzerland, out of Tsakos, said he broke off contact with the arms merchant after learning of his shady dealings. But his employer, Rockwell, did business with Tsakos.

Court records show that Rosenbaum arranged a meeting for Tsakos in Paris with representatives of Rockwell and a French firm to discuss the sale of security surveillance equipment to Saudi Arabia. Tom Campobasso, Rockwell attended the meeting; he later became a member of the board of Tsakos' trans-African pipeline company.

Even after being shown a report on Tsakos' criminal record by a Rockwell associate who was an ex-CIA agent, Campobasso arranged to have Tsakos represent Rockwell in the sale of aircraft and missile parts to Morocco, Tunisia and Abu Dhabi.

Late last year, Tsakos contacted General Dynamics seeking a contract to sell new tanks to Greece. He then planned to sell Greece's old tanks to Lebanon. But sources said the deal fell through when General Dynamics learned of Tsakos' alleged bribery attempts in Athens.

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Another opinion

Master of muck

Just when we thought we had heard — and seen — the last of the Penthouse-Vanessa Williams flap, here comes that muck photographer, Robert Guccione, with more, more, more.

Nothing succeeds like sleaze, apparently, so Guccione, fresh from his publishing triumph that cost Miss Williams her Miss America crown, will offer up still more nude photographs of the unfortunate young woman.

For those who willingly parted with \$4 to get a glimpse of Miss Williams in sexually explicit photographs with another female model, Guccione will offer you

another opportunity to offer up a few more dollars to support his enterprise — an enterprise that would not think twice at printing photographs that would knowingly impact a budding career.

The latest display promised for Penthouse's November issue will be accompanied by an interview with the photographer who sold the photos, Tom Chiapel. Oh, he still our hearts! We can hardly wait to hear his side of the story.

There is, as they say, a sucker born every minute. Bob Guccione is counting on that.

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Scholar spots holes in reports of education crisis

By Patricia McCormack

NEW YORK — Critics who socked it to the nation's schools in a batch of reports last year, causing frenetic movement for reform from coast to coast, did not offer useful recommendations, says a dissenting scholar.

The scathing reports offered traditional solutions to old problems without getting down to current issues in education, says A. Harry Passow of Columbia University Teachers College in New York. What's more, Passow says he found holes in all of the 15 major reports. Big ones include:

• Excellence is not defined in any of the tomes calling for excellence in the nation's schools.

• Largely ignored is equity: the assurance of quality in the education of poor, minority and disadvantaged students.

• The intrinsic worth of education never is discussed meaningfully.

PASSOW'S CLAIMS are — you guessed it — in a new report, "Reforming Schools in the 1980s: A Critical Review of the National Reports." The Herald reserves the right to edit letters in the interests of brevity, clarity and taste.

Urban and Minority Education, it was produced under contract with the National Institute of Education, the research division of the U.S. Department of Education.

Passow said reports critical of the nation's schools — all with warnings of a crisis and impending doom — have made the scene about every decade since the first major one surfaced in 1983.

Called "The Report of the Committee on Secondary School Studies (also known as the Committee of Ten), it said the chief purpose of schools was to train the mind.

The Committee of Ten also declared that preparation of a small percentage of graduates for college was not the principal purpose of the public high school.

By 1911, a Committee of Nine popped up. This one declared the purpose of high school was to foster good citizenship, provide vocational education and pay attention to needs of students not aiming for college.

Passow, reviewing the reports over the last century, said they see-saw between traditional calls for strong college-preparatory programs and progressive emphasis on individualized curriculum, especially for students not bound for college.

He says the 1983 reports, which

Education Today

of the see-sawing in major reports since 1893, call on schools to abandon many reforms put on line in education as a result of critical reports in the early 1970s.

REFORMERS IN THE 1970s demanded more humane education than was provided in schools of the time. Educators had tightened standards in response to reports of the 1960's which called public schools too lax.

Passow said educators started up many remedial and special programs for poor and minority students during the 1970s. But he finds the recommendations of 1983 mostly ignore these students.

"There is an implicit assumption that urban disadvantaged are no different from anti-intellectual and anti-democratic," he says.

In place of equity, he says, "excellence is the shibboleth of the day" — urged by virtually all reports, but clearly defined by none.

"Excellence in the reports has come to mean higher standards, tougher academic requirements,

reduction or the elimination of electives, more mathematics and science, more homework, longer school days and school years, better school discipline and classroom management, and more regular testing," he says.

In common, he also finds, the reports link the education crisis to the poor quality of teaching. But he's puzzled that no report gives a clear definition of excellence in teaching.

THE RECOMMENDATIONS to improve teaching, report from report, include higher salaries, better working conditions and stricter certification. All are old ideas, Passow says.

Passow also faults the reports for not considering the impact on education of teacher militancy, the growth of competency-and-performance-based-education, and changes in family and society values, including the growing entry of women into the full job spectrum.

Also missing from the reports is an explanation of the purposes of education.

Passow questions whether re-

commended reforms will lead to significant improvements in education.

The reports he studied include Commission on Excellence in Education, the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, and the Twentieth Century Fund.

"Reforming Schools in the 1980s: A Critical View of the National Reports," by A. Harry Passow, costs \$10 by mail from ERIC Clearinghouse on Urban and Minority Education, Box 40, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, N.Y. 10027.

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# Not all our presidents were born in a log cabin

By James V. Hefflon  
United Press International

**NEW HAVEN** — "He's forgotten from whom he came," said Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill said in a public television interview of President Reagan as if Reagan's family were churchmouse poor in the good days of the six-day work week.

O'Neill, like untold numbers of Americans, seemed to be perpetuating what social historian Edward Pessen calls "The Log Cabin Myth" — the popular belief that the majority of the nation's presidents were born into poor or modest circumstances.

He says well-off presidents have been poor-mouthing themselves since George Washington got the touch on somebody for \$500 before taking off for New York City and the presidency.

John Adams worried about his wife's finances. A successful Jefferson said he was tapped out. So did Monroe. Theodore Roosevelt, the son of a wealthy stockbroker, complained in his youth of not having "butter and jam" for his bread. Talked about the "happiness of poverty."

Reagan has been heard to hum the hard times dirge, too: "We were poor, but didn't know it at the time."

Yes, and while his family didn't exactly come from the wrong side of the tracks, they were "within sound of the train whistle."

The president has said his father bought a new car just once and the family had never lived in a house they owned. But Pessen says the houses they lived in were attractive and situated on tree-shaded streets.

At various times, Reagan's father earned his living as a salesman, a general store manager, or shoe store partner. His mother gave "regular readings for the various ladies' societies," and visited jail inmates and the indigent, a role not usually associated with the truly needy.

The president asked at a news conference in June 1983 how he could be charged with lack of sympathy for the poor when his own youth was marked by poverty.

"And yet," says Pessen, "the president's own evidence has led one of his few biographers to describe Reagan's as a 'picture-book boyhood ... out of an old Norman Rockwell cover for the Saturday Evening Post, a youth typically marked by good times, attractive housing, and solid middle-class comfort."

The son of an impoverished New York farmer, Millard Fillmore, the thirteenth president, was the first president actually born in a log cabin. He worked in a sawmill as a kid. But he became a lawyer

and after that, it was as if he were the manor born. He died wealthy.

In the politics of a true social democracy," Pessen says in his book, "one would expect to find the highest office occupied by men and women who represent a cross-section of the society, socially and occupationally."

"This is not usually the case. It suggests to him American politics are concerned excessively with serving the narrow interests of the small privileged and wealthy minority."

"It signifies," he said, "that the people who rule are not the people."

various stages of development across the state. The department plans to open 23 of them by next July, providing 247 new beds.

As residents are transferred, the department expects to close 10 living units that fall short of federal staffing and program requirements. Eagan called some of those units "seriously deficient" and "devoid of any potential for meaningful human activity and interaction."

However, the department has been criticized for not meeting earlier deadlines. It was required to find community placements for 15 plaintiffs named in the lawsuit by June 30, but three remain temporarily in the department's regional centers and six others are still waiting to move.

The department had intended to open 21 group homes by June 30, but only nine have been completed.

During the last 14 months, 154 people have been moved from Mansfield into community facilities or smaller regional centers. Only eight have returned.

"I don't want to be overly optimistic," said Frank Laski, a Philadelphia lawyer who represented the association. "But if they do all they have set out to do, to put a system in place and develop 400 good community placements in the next two years, that's a decent movement."

Meanwhile Friday, Gov. William O'Neill named three more people to fill out the panel that will conduct a nation-wide search to replace Thorne. They were Dr. Allen Crocker of Natick, Mass., associate professor of pediatrics at the Harvard Medical School; Dr. Sally Provence of Bradford, a professor at the Yale University Child Study Center and Jay W. Jackson, a pediatrician in New York.

The department must also find places to move the residents and appoint advocates and guardians for those who have no relatives. Groups of teams to evaluate individuals for community placement, train staff and improve the system for following up on those placements.

Thirty-nine group homes are in



**A pair of helpers**

Hector Beaulieu of Lyman leads two teams of work horses around his yard on Route 35 with help from his twin 12-year-old daughters Lisa (hidden behind horse) and Lynn, in background. Beaulieu practices with horses for four hours daily to keep them in shape for future fair competition.

## Connecticut In Brief

### State transfer plan to get judge's rule

**GROTON** — An exposed live electrical outlet and 12 other safety violations have been cited at the auto body shop of the Ella T. Grasso Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical School.

The Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration is charging the school a \$200 penalty for not having a protective cover over a 220 volt electrical outlet in the body shop — a violation described as serious.

A serious violation is one that "could cause immediate loss of life or potential loss of life or serious bodily injury," OSHA assistant director Donald Becker said Friday.

The school has until Sept. 4 to repair the problem, one day before classes begin.

### Police paychecks worthless

**NEW HAVEN** — A computer error is apparently responsible for 126 policemen receiving worthless checks from the city for extra-duty assignments.

Deputy Controller Joseph Dolan said Friday the city will make good on the checks, which total \$34,000. But policemen writing personal checks against insufficient funds would apparently be liable for the penalties, in the case of one bank, \$15 for each bounced check.

The school has until Sept. 4 to repair the problem, one day before classes begin.

### Newman making amends?

**BRIDGEPORT** — Actor Paul Newman, once quoted as describing Bridgeport as the "armpit of New England," may have been making amends of sorts when he visited the old Palace and Majestic theaters.

Mayor Leonard Paolletta would not discuss the brief tour Thursday or the subject of his conversation with Newman, but the meeting led to speculation that the old playhouses may be restored.

The theaters, built in 1922 and considered among the finest remaining works of famed theater architect Thomas W. Lamb, were closed in 1971 and the owners owe more than \$1 million in back taxes to the city.

Some officials said Paolletta might be trying to enlist Newman, a Westport resident, and other area celebrities in a campaign to reopen the theaters.

### Dropout can be a surgeon

**NEW HAVEN** — A listing in the telephone directory can transform a high school dropout into a brain surgeon, at least on paper.

All it takes is \$28 and a toll-free call to the Southern New England Telephone Co. to be listed as a doctor, attorney or any other type of professional.

Maria Frontis Stowe of Clinton was charged recently with practicing medicine without a license. One of her patients said she found her by letting her fingers do the walking. She was listed in the yellow pages under physicians and surgeons.

"We obviously do not do any policing of listings," Michael Gomez, a telephone company spokesman, said Friday. "We rely on the customer's claim."

### Few incest cases reported

**WILTON** Some doctors are reluctant to report cases of possible incest for fear of losing their patients while families involved worry scandal might hurt their social standing and careers, a Wilton psychiatrist says.

Dr. Diane Schetky claims that while more cases of incest are reported in Connecticut, under-reporting remains the case in affluent Fairfield County.

"Many pediatricians think such things don't happen in nice families and are afraid of reporting suspected cases because they don't want to lose patients," said Ms. Schetky, who works with Norwalk's Coalition for Children and Youth.

### Explosion case closed

**MILFORD** — A Shelton High School student accused of storing stolen chemicals in his locker which exploded and injured seven people will be treated as a youthful offender, a judge has ruled.

Superior Court Judge William Ramsey granted the request Thursday for Jeffrey Palmucci, 17, and said court hearings in the case would be closed to the public.

The explosion June 6 injured five students and two teachers and damaged six lockers and a wall, police said. Four of the students have filed lawsuits against education officials for allegedly failing to secure the chemicals.

### Council chairman resigns

**WALLINGFORD** — Town Council Chairman Robert Parist Thursday resigned after an "undignified" situation arose following his submission of a bid for a log cabin municipal office.

Parist, who owns a cleaning service, maintained he was within his rights to bid on the contract to clean Sheehan High School. He said the ensuing controversy in the last several weeks made it impossible to continue as a town leader.

"To respond to the various allegations would only put a very undignified situation," he said Thursday.

## Rizzo and son are hurt in car explosion

**WETHERSFIELD** (UPI) — A Gastonbury man charged with the attempted murder of a reported informant in a crime figure earlier this year was injured Friday in an explosion that killed his 12-year-old son.

Albert Rizzo Jr., 48, was admitted to Hartford Hospital for treatment of chest and arm and was listed as stable. His son Anthony, 16, a passenger in the car, was treated for less serious burns and released.

State and federal investigators would not say whether a bomb had been planted in the car, but police said the Rizzo was driving on Route 99 shortly after 6:30 a.m. and had just turned onto

Route 3 when the rear of his blue station wagon exploded. The blast blew a hole in the roof, shattered the windshield and hurled debris 300 feet.

The car was thrown across the road and landed in the yard of the Rizzo manor to free themselves from volunteer firefighters arrived.

"It was a very close call," said Frank Ferrantino of Wethersfield who lives in the area. "The car went all the way in the air and landed on the other side of the street."

Mike McDonald was in his apartment when he heard the blast. "Everyone in my house heard the explosion. The explosion and came running out. The car was sitting over here in flames,"

McDonald said. "It was just one big explosion."

Police closed off the area and called in the State Police Major Crime Squad and the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms to help with the investigation.

But Police Lt. John Karagekios could not say whether an explosive device had been planted. "I am unable to answer if this was an explosion or whether we will know more when the investigation continues."

Rizzo, the owner of Rizzo's Pools & Spas with outlets in Newington, Avon and Vernon, may have been on his way to work when the car exploded.

He was arrested in January as part of an ongoing probe of organized crime in the central Connecticut area.

Rizzo was charged with conspiracy to commit murder and criminal attempt to commit murder for the Nov. 6, 1982, machine gun attack on a car owned by Frank Zimmiti, 47, of New Britain. The charges are pending. Zimmiti's son Gino, 17, and his girlfriend were in the car at the time and ducked when the fusillade of shots began. They were not injured.

The arrest warrant said Rizzo had become involved in bookmaking and allegedly hired two unidentified New York gunmen after Zimmiti tried to collect \$30,000 from him.

## High court denies collector his \$\$\$ after long fight

**CONCORD, N.H.** (UPI) — A Bow coin collector whose battle with town officials over a set of silver commemorative coins won him almost \$11,000 in a court case will not get the money in a unanimous decision, the New Hampshire Supreme Court ruled Friday that Arthur Sinclair does not deserve the money because his deal with the town was unauthorized.

Sinclair, whose involvement with the coins dates back to 1975, had proposed to buy the coins and had apparently closed a deal for them with Bow administrative assistant Walter Jones in 1980.

The deal, however, never went through. Although there was a bill of sale, selectmen eventually voted against the deal. A \$2,000 deposit was returned to Sinclair.

He objected and sued in Superior Court. In January 1983, a Superior Court judge awarded Sinclair \$12,867 for the profit he would have made by reselling the coins and for his legal costs.

The town objected and appealed to the Supreme Court.

Reversing the Superior Court decision, the Supreme Court ruled that Jones had no authority to sell Sinclair the coins.

## Record numbers taking vacations

**WASHINGTON** (UPI) — With gasoline prices under control and the nation's economy stabilized, a record number of Americans are planning summer vacations.

Americans will spend an estimated 1.8 billion nights away from home between Memorial Day and Labor Day, according to the Marriott Corporation.

A vacation usually represents one of the largest expenditures in the family budget," say Sanford and Joan Portney, Marriott Hotels & Resorts travel representatives. "Yet there is often less thought put into it than into what kind of refrigerator to buy."

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## Business In Brief

### Secretaries' meetings set

The Hartford chapter of Professional Secretaries International will begin its 1984-85 year in September. Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at various locations in the Hartford area.

The officers are: Judith A. Bardeen of Heublein Inc., president; Jeannette Slocum of Aetna Life & Casualty, vice president; Elizabeth M. Mackiewicz, CFS, of Connecticut Bank and Trust Co., recording secretary; Edna J. Powell of Aetna Life & Casualty, corresponding secretary; and Ruth Urso of Automobile Club of Hartford, treasurer.

Anyone in the secretarial profession who would like information regarding the meetings, programs and other activities should contact Noreen E. Jordan at 273-4987.

### Caldor opens new center

NORWALK — Caldor Inc., the Northeastern and Mid-Atlantic chain of discount department stores, opened its \$22-million distribution center in North Bergen, N.J., this month. The new facility was built by Hartz Mountain Industries as part of a 500-acre, multi-use site in Harmon Meadow.

Marvin Goldstein, vice president of distribution for Caldor, said the new 520,000-square-foot structure has been furnished with state-of-the-art material-handling equipment and conveyor systems capable of serving up to 200 Caldor stores. More than 300 persons are employed during a 12-hour day of one-and-a-half shifts.

### Rite Aid makes acquisition

SHIREMANSTOWN, Pa. — Rite Aid Corp. announced that it has acquired the Encore Bookstore chain headquartered in Philadelphia, Pa. The purchase price was not disclosed.

Encore operates 18 discount bookstores in the greater Philadelphia area. This acquisition marks the initial entry for Rite Aid into the retail book industry.

Rite Aid operates 1201 drugstores in 20 states. The company's specialty retailing division includes 180 Circus World stores, 36 ADAP discount automotive parts stores, and Heaton, a group of nine contemporary variety stores.

### Stocks finish mixed

NEW YORK — The stock market finished with mixed results Friday as Wall Street wrapped up the busiest week in its 192-year history with some profit taking.

The day started with a surge sparked by a drop in the nation's money supply that took pressure off of interest rates. But some investors were disturbed by an unexpected increase in producer prices.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 5.98 to 1,218.09. The closely watched average, which soared 27.94 to a six-month high Thursday, rose 16.01 for the week overall.

The New York Stock Exchange index rose 0.11 to 95.08 and the price of an average share increased three cents. Advances led declines 1,106,552 among the 2,926 issues traded.

The Big Board volume of 171,630,000 shares, up from 151,190,000 Thursday, was the fourth highest ever. It trailed the record 226,850,000 traded Aug. 3, the 203,050,000 on Aug. 6 and the 172,830,000 on Aug. 2.

The American Stock Exchange index gained 1.40 to 208.37 and the price of an average share rose eight cents. Advances topped declines 343,252 among the 814 issues traded. Composite volume totaled 11,969,200 shares, up from 9,281,700 Thursday.

### Biogen reports a loss

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Biogen, a biotechnology company without a product on the market, Thursday reported a second quarter loss of \$4.5 million.

The loss, 24 cents per share, compared with a loss of \$1.3 million, or 7 cents per share, in the same quarter last year.

Revenues were up to \$7.8 million from \$5.6 million. Biogen, like most biotechnology companies is not yet selling a product, derives revenues from licensing and research agreements.

The company reported a first half loss of \$8.1 million, or 44 cents per share, on revenues of \$13.8 million. Biogen lost \$3.1 million, or 18 cents per share, on revenues of \$9.6 million in the first six months of last year.

Biogen is in the midst of clinical trials of interleukin-2 and gamma interferon, two drugs thought to have possible applications in the treatment of cancer.

### Pittston names director

GREENWICH — Frank T. Lennon has been named director of administration at the Pittston Co.

Lennon has been director of risk management, insurance and employee benefits for the company since joining its corporate staff in 1977.

### Capitol Life opens books

DENVER — Financially troubled Capitol Life Insurance Co., an active seller in annuities nationally, has agreed to an independent inspection of its operations, the Denver Post reported Thursday.

The inspection will be made under supervision of the Colorado Division of Insurance as part of a voluntary plan negotiated between the company and state insurance regulators aimed at trying to turn around a \$17.1 million operating loss last year.

The newspaper said it learned of the inspection in a memo from Acting Insurance Commissioner John Keizer to the state's director of regulatory agencies. Capitol officers declined comment.

### New magazine launched

BATTLEBORO, Vt. — A southeastern Vermont man has launched a magazine devoted to people interested in learning experiences abroad.

Douglas Grube, a former teacher at the Experiment in International Living in Battleboro, began working on Travel and Learning Abroad 18 months ago.

Several weeks ago the first issue of the magazine rolled off the presses, and Grube said response has been good so far.

The 48-page July-August issue contains articles about college study abroad, wheelchair-bound travel, youth exchanges and foreign language study.

## Tax shelter helps persons in top bracket

By Gail Collins  
United Press International

NEW YORK — Your tax bracket is not the same as the proportion of taxes you pay, and thereby lies a crucial lesson for the novice investor.

"Nobody knows what his tax bracket and that's unfortunate, because it's probably the single most important information in planning investment strategy," said Jay Rabinowitz, vice president in Merrill Lynch's financial planning department.

Swanson received taxable income of \$50,000 paid \$13,000 in federal taxes in 1983. That meant 26 percent of their last dollars were taxed — was 44 percent. When trying to decide whether to take advantage of a tax-favored investment, it would be the 44 percent rate that would refer to.

Freemore-Hall, the publishing and financial services company, recently offered another example based on the computations required to fill out

## Firms offer fast foods for the home

NEW YORK (UPI) — The food industry, courting a nation of fast food junkies, is starting to market products that promise home-cooked meals just minutes away from the microwave oven.

That's the word from Martin Friedman, the Miami-based editor of "New Products News."

"You'd think the fast food people would try to figure out what people are buying in the supermarket to cook at home," he said. "But it's the other way around."

Swanson is offering Great Start Breakfast Sandwiches that look suspiciously like Egg McMuffins, Friedman said. Another company is doing well marketing "Micro-Magic Fries," that come in single-serving boxes ready for the microwave.

The Swanson breakfasts are designed for microwaves, too, Friedman said, and packaged so people can take them to the office and zap them into shape before their first coffee break.

Smaller-sized packaging and microwave-ready items are two of the stronger trends in new products this year, Friedman said. In yet another sign of the expanding economy, the number of new supermarket and drug store products introduced in the first half of the year were up 13.8 percent to 897.

Friedman, whose monthly newsletter is published by Dunce-Fitzgerald Sample Advertising Agency, is a former ad man who now spends his time proselytizing supermarkets and checking out the new arrivals.

In recent months he has noted the debut of Famous Fido's Canine Cookies, poodle-shaped treats that come in a flavor called chocolate liver chip, and a new fall antiperspirant called Green Tea Deodorant.

He has observed the passing of Feast For One, a low-calorie frozen food, and a new rail antiperspirant called Green Tea Deodorant.

People are willing to pay more for good quality frozen food, but at that level I guess they figure they might as well go out, he said.

The battle of the low-calorie frozen entrees like continues apace, and Lean Cuisine alone has come up with four variations, he said. The health trend is also going strong, with plenty of new items that are low in sodium or caffeine.

A new line of frozen entrees called Legume combines beans with a soybean cakes known as tofu.

An interesting product we've just picked up on is called Life Chef Tofu Mixers," he said. "They're sort of like tofu helpers."

Despite the trend to mass marketing and national brands, manufacturers still bow on occasion to regional tastes. In Florida, Swanson is marketing its new breakfast sandwiches in biscuits, "but in the Midwest they've got them on English muffins," he said.

Friedman recently got more than his fill of new products when he judged a contest for best new arrival on the food scene. "We ate about 80 products in two days," he said.

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## Cloudy tonight, same Tuesday

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## Mayor unaware of risk

By Leslie Anderson  
United Press International

LAWRENCE, Mass. — A dusk-to-dawn curfew imposed to restore order in riot-torn Lawrence was lifted today by City Hall after three days of apparent calm. A state of emergency remained in effect.

Mayor John Buckley announced the decision after he and the City Council met behind closed doors for about an hour.

The decision followed a period of relative calm after riots in the city's Hispanic district on Wednesday and Thursday night resulted in more than 50 arrests and 17 injuries.

The curfew was imposed in the Lower Tower Hill neighborhood Friday after fighting, looting and firebombing broke out among Hispanics, French Canadians and other ethnic groups.

City officials reported few problems since the curfew was imposed.

"It's been extremely quiet," Alderman Kevin Sullivan said. "We are concerned that there are tensions in the neighborhood over the curfew — that people are getting impatient, that they're sick and tired of being inside."

In another development, Buckley said he was unaware of a justice department list that named his city a "high risk area" before ethnic tensions in a working-class neighborhood erupted into riots last week.

A justice department official said the list had been on the federal government's list as a "high risk area" for racial or ethnic confrontations before the clashes in Lower Tower Hill last Wednesday and Thursday nights.

"The potential was there for some difficulty," said Lawrence Turner of the department's office of community relations services.

"It was a feeling that this city had the ingredients for some trouble to occur," Turner added, referring to complaints three years ago from Hispanics in the neighborhood.

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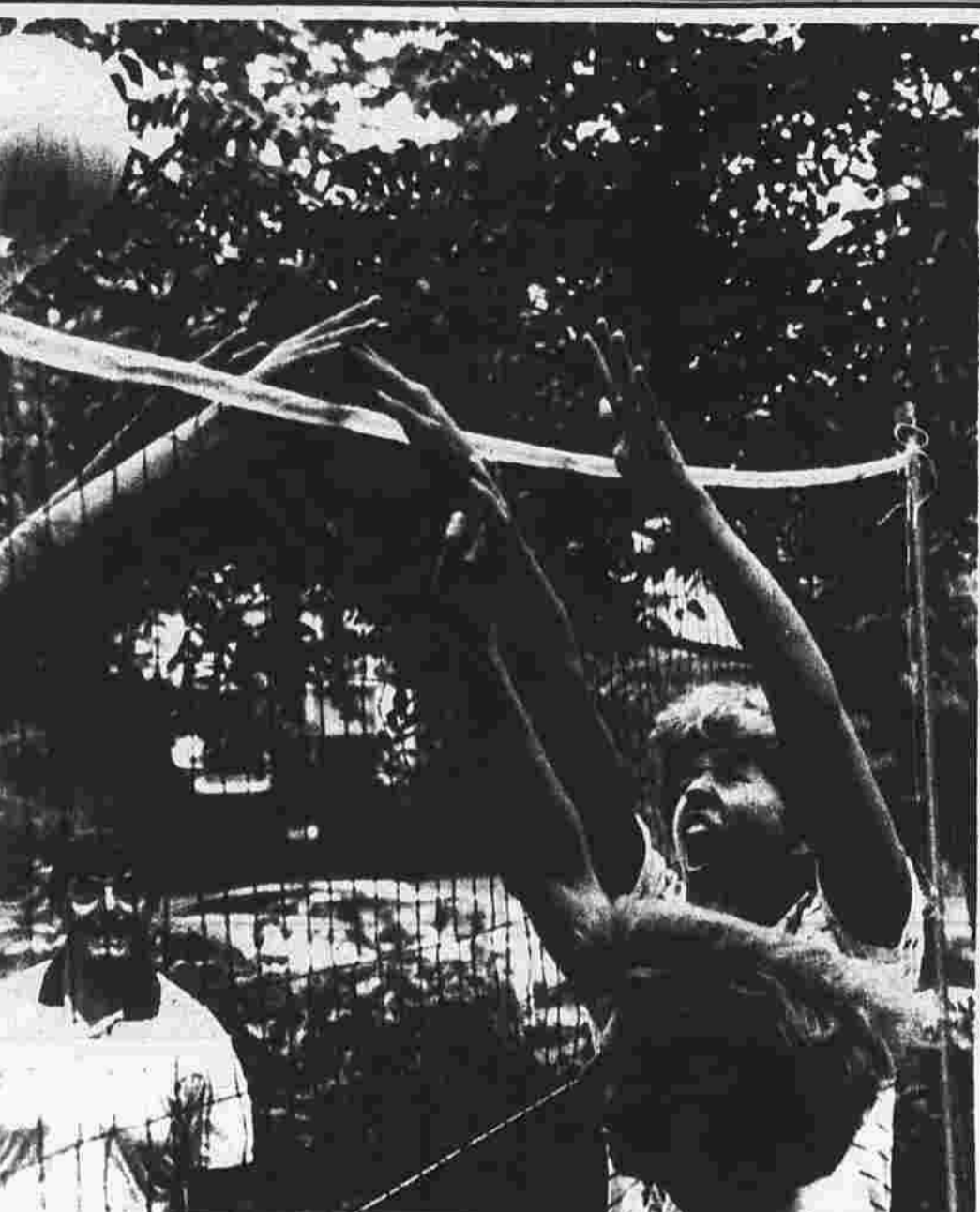
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John Cullinane ... he had good idea

## Radicals take responsibility for mining

CAIRO, Egypt (UPI) — A U.S. congressman said today Egypt still has not determined who set mines that have damaged 17 ships in its waters despite claims of responsibility by the Muslim terrorist group that blew up the Marines' headquarters in Beirut.

The claims came as minesweeping ships from Britain, France and the United States headed to the Red Sea and the Gulf of Suez to help Egypt locate the mines.

A spokesman for the British Embassy said four Royal Navy minesweepers, dispatched at Egypt's request, were expected to arrive at Port Said, at the northern entrance to the Suez Canal this afternoon.

The vessels will join a Southbound convoy, leaving Port Said around midnight arriving off Port Said, at the canal's southern end and the northern end of the Gulf of Suez, Wednesday morning.

The USS Shrewport, an amphibious transport dock, carrying four Sikorsky RH-53A minesweeping helicopters, was expected to arrive at Port Said sometime Wednesday and take the same route through the Suez Canal, diplomatic sources said.

The sources said two minesweepers sent by Beirut will arrive in Egyptian territorial waters Thursday.

Trying to ascertain who is doing the mining is going on and an investigation is in effect.

The (Mubarak) shared that with me and there is no conclusive result at this time," Gray said.

Minesweepers from the United States, Britain and France moved closer to the region to search for the mines.

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The USS Shrewport, an amphibious transport dock, carrying four Sikorsky RH-53A minesweeping helicopters, was expected to arrive at Port Said sometime Wednesday and take the same route through the Suez Canal, diplomatic sources said.

The sources said two minesweepers sent by Beirut will arrive in Egyptian territorial waters Thursday.

Trying to ascertain who is doing the mining is going on and an investigation is in effect.

The (Mubarak) shared that with me and there is no conclusive result at this time," Gray said.

Minesweepers from the United States, Britain and France moved closer to the region to search for the mines.

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## Olympics good to America

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LOS ANGELES — The 23rd Summer Olympics, which opened two weeks ago amid fears of massive traffic jams and terrorist attacks, ended peacefully Sunday night in a triumphant celebration of song, dance and international harmony.

Juan Antonio Samaranch, president of the International Olympic Committee, described the Games as "perfect" opposition, were distinguished as the most peaceful and profitable in recent memory.

The Games were exceptionally profitable for American athletes, who took advantage of the Soviet boycott to lead the world with 174 medals — 83 of them gold. The gold medal collection surpassed by three the number won by the Soviets in 1980, when the United States boycotted the Moscow Games.

The Games, marred only by the

Soviet boycott, set a new record in attendance as an estimated 5.7 million people buying tickets to see events, including 92,000 people who jammed the Memorial Coliseum Sunday for the spectacular closing ceremonies.

The high-tech extravaganza in the Coliseum, a brightly lit space ship suspended from a helicopter over the stadium, a 7-foot alien and a barrage of fireworks.

Pop star Lionel Richie sang a 20-minute rendition of his hit "All Night Long" on a huge stage in the center of the Coliseum surrounded by 200 young break dancers.

Peter Ueberroth, the president of the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee and the driving force behind the Games, received a standing ovation when he introduced the closing ceremony.

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