

New rules attack deception in travel advertising

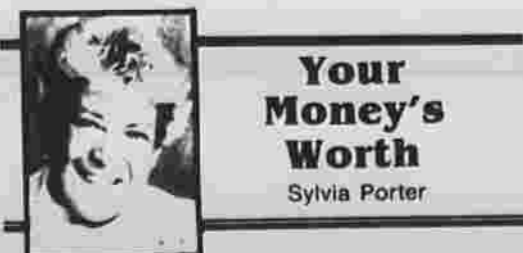
As of March 19 — only a few weeks from now — touring through the travel ads in your Sunday newspaper will be less of a journey into the unknown. For as of that date, travel ads will have to state the total price of a travel offer. And no longer will advertisers be able to hide some of your expenses in the tiny type way down.

Today, a typical ad for a tour package may state the price followed by an asterisk — for instance, \$499*. The asterisk alerts you to a footnote at the bottom of the ad, usually printed in the smallest type, that discloses an unwelcome extra charge. Usually, it's 15 percent for "tax and gratuities" — meaning in this case an extra \$75 out of your pocket.

That 15 percent can make the difference between reaching for the phone and booking a reservation and staying home. The practice has been under challenge by consumer activists for years — and now finally there is action to protect you from being misled or merely misinformed.

In one of its last acts, the Civil Aeronautics Board enacted a rule saying it is an unfair or deceptive practice for any advertising of flights, tours, etc., to fail to state the complete price to you.

And while the CAB is now history it went out



Your Money's Worth
Sylvia Porter

business Dec. 31, 1984, the rule will be enforced by the Department of Transportation (DOT). The new rule prohibits advertisers from adding or listing any mandatory charges separately from the base price. It requires advertisers to state clearly, in one figure, the total you will pay for the services described. The rule covers advertising in print and on TV.

Initially, the complaints that led to this rule referred only to charter packages. But the CAB uncovered ample reasons to extend the regulation to all travel packages, not just special charter deals.

Concern centered on two issues. First, that the

add-on charges, as the industry calls them, didn't represent the cost of taxes and service at all, but simply were a way to increase the basic price of the travel package. The second complaint focused on that tricky asterisk (*). This was an advertising device, insisted the Better Business Bureau of Metropolitan New York, that might mislead consumers into believing that they could buy the tour at the more prominently displayed basic price.

In some instances, the additional charges do reflect actual costs and the CAB concluded that the add-ons themselves are not necessarily unfair or deceptive. But the CAB also decided that the charges should be stated clearly and without the threat of misinterpretation.

No tour operator, the CAB found during its investigation, could justify the percentage attributed to tax and service without including a significant amount of the operator's own profit, overhead or commission paid to travel agents.

It was the CAB's decision that the percentage usually was just an arbitrary amount tacked on to the more prominently advertised charge.

Many in the industry blamed increased competitive pressure for the use of add-ons. This was no surprise to

any observer. In short, promoters use the add-ons when leaders in the tour field do.

One tour operator, for instance, advertised a tour at \$343, while another advertised something similar at \$299*. The small print accompanying the asterisk read "plus 15 percent tax and service."

What, then, was a tour operator to do? After the first tour operator took out an ad reading \$299*, others quickly followed. And that led to the befuddlement which in turn led to the investigation, which in turn led to the new rule requiring a clear statement of total price to you.

Meanwhile, many tour operators have been printing tons of brochures in advance of the March 19 effective date, a spokesman for the Department of Transportation warns.

The brochures can still employ what is obviously a deceptive practice, obviously designed to mislead you. So beware!

If you have complaints about travel ads in this fuzzy in-between period, contact your local Better Business Bureau. And the new address for consumer complaints you formerly sent to the CAB is now: DOT Consumer Affairs, Room 10465, 400 7th St., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590.

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Manchester Herald

Manchester, Conn. — A City of Village Charm

Friday, Feb. 22, 1985 — Single copy: 25¢

Chernenko too sick to give speech

By Anno Christensen
United Press International

MOSCOW — President Konstantin Chernenko, missing from public sight for more than eight weeks, was too sick to deliver a key election address today and a Politburo member read the Soviet leader's campaign speech to voters.

Chernenko would not attend the meeting on the Kremlin election meeting, but the Foreign Ministry said someone else would read a speech for the ailing leader.

His difficulty breathing is believed caused by emphysema and rumors of a stroke or heart trouble have also circulated.

Despite official efforts to keep his name in the news, implying that he is still running the country, his failure to appear at the important election speech reinforced suspicions he is not handling the affairs of state.

Soviet officials have made conflicting statements about the condition of the Communist Party leader.

Some have confirmed that Chernenko was ill, without revealing the nature or extent of his illness, while others have said he was at work and explained the prolonged absence by saying he was vacationing outside of town.

Chernenko is known to suffer from breathing difficulties caused by emphysema, and he gasps and wheezes during speeches even when he is not speaking.

Reports about his health have run the gamut from a bout with pneumonia to a major stroke that has left him bedridden.

The official media, however, has continued to give signals indicating Chernenko was not terminally ill.

During a campaign speech carried Monday on the nightly television news Vremya, Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov congratulated Chernenko on his 75th birthday and an absence that began Dec. 27 by presenting the traditional closing speech for the rubber-stamp elections to the Supreme Soviet, or parliament, scheduled for Sunday.



Steven R. Werbner, left, Manchester's assistant town manager, and Police Chief Robert D. Lannan review a report released today on the number of people who applied for three vacant patrol positions in the police department. Lannan announced the appointment of two men and a woman to the vacancies. Werbner said another round of recruitment will begin immediately to fill three more patrol slots that have come open since the just finished search began last June.

Lannan names three patrol officers

By Sarah Posselt
Herald Reporter

Manchester Police Chief Robert D. Lannan announced at a news conference this morning the appointment of three new police officers. During the same news conference, officials of the town administration expressed frustration at their continued failure to find qualified minority candidates for the all-white police department.

The three recruits named by Lannan are Coventry resident Thomas W. Lawson, a civilian police dispatcher in Manchester for the last two years; Renee V. Tourville of Rocky Hill, a woman appointed to the department since 1978; and Bruce T. Taylor of New Britain, who is currently a police officer at Central Connecticut State University.

Taylor, who has already graduated from the State Police Training Academy in Meriden, will be sworn in March 4 and will begin work immediately in the patrol division. Lawson and Tourville will start at the academy on March 4, where they must complete 520 hours of training before they graduate. They are expected to be sworn in by late spring.

In a related matter, General Manager Robert Weiss announced that Manchester is nearing a final agreement with several other Hartford-area towns to do joint police recruiting. Assistant Town Manager Steven H. Werbner said last spring that Manchester has been trying to sell the idea to other towns for several years.

WEISS AND WERBNER said the consortium agreement will probably not take effect in time for use in a new round of police recruitment set to begin this spring to fill three more vacancies in the department, but may serve the town in its next recruitment.

Weiss repeats minority hiring goal

Werbner said the town will begin the spring recruitment immediately. "To replenish our list" of qualified candidates.

Under the consortium arrangement towns would pool their resources to recruit and hire from the same pool of applicants.

"It's always an extremely laborious process," Werbner said of police hiring. He said that it cost the town about \$5,000 to conduct the most recent recruitment, which began June 29 and ended Thursday when the top three candidates passed a final physical stress test.

Weiss and Werbner said that a detail of a consortium agreement still is under discussion. A question of which town will have first rights to the first qualified minority applicant.

MANCHESTER CURRENTLY has no minority officers on its 86-member police force. Most other Hartford-area towns have at least one black police officer, according to a survey the Herald conducted last spring.

According to figures Werbner released this morning, 48 black men and five black women — or 15.5 percent of all applicants — submitted applications at the beginning of the latest recruitment last summer. Another 24 Hispanic men and two Hispanic women applied, representing 7.6 percent of all applicants, Werbner's figures show.

Six American Indians applied, but none were eligible to take the written examination, the administrator said.

Of the 30 minority candidates eligible to take the written test, only 18 took it and nine passed, the figures show. Of 166 white candidates invited to take the test, 86 showed up and 84 passed. Another 145 white candidates were declared ineligible for the test.

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Crash kills tourists in Timbuktu

BAMAKO, Mali (UPI) — A Soviet-built airliner exploded and crashed after takeoff from the ancient slave-trade desert town of Timbuktu today, killing 50 of the 81 people aboard, including American tourists, reports from the West African nation said.

"We do know there were Americans on board," said Dave Kyzner, a spokesman for the U.S. Embassy in Bamako, the capital of the former French colony.

"There were at least a few Americans, but we have no more details yet," he said, adding that the embassy had lost all communication with Timbuktu, situated on the edge of the Sahel desert some 400 miles northeast of the capital.

He said Air Mali officials reported the Antonov-24 plane developed engine trouble shortly after takeoff. It turned back to Timbuktu and exploded in the air, apparently as an engine caught fire.

The government-owned Mali Press Agency reported there was only one survivor, who was in critical condition. There were eight crew and 43 passengers, the agency said.

Debris from the Soviet-built plane was scattered beyond the end of the runway.

A government delegation from the capital was having trouble getting to the site of the crash because of severe sand storms that have swept the drought-stricken region for the past 10 days, the agency reported.

The twice-weekly three-hour flight between Bamako, Mopti, Gao and Timbuktu was a popular run with adventure-seekers. Timbuktu is a popular site for American tourists.

Reagan wants Sandinistas to say 'uncle'

By Iro R. Allen
United Press International

WASHINGTON — President Reagan, stopping just short of calling for the overthrow of the Sandinista government, says he merely wants the ruling Marxists to "say uncle" and restore the democratic values for which he said they professed a revolution.

The Sandinistas "don't have a decent leg to stand on," he declared at a news conference Thursday night, the 28th of his presidency and first of his second term.

The 30-minute session was dominated by questions about U.S. policy in Nicaragua and the plight of American farmers.

But Reagan also broke new ground in warning the Soviets that the United States may soon decide to abrogate the 1979 SALT 2 accord that both sides had agreed to live up to, even though the Senate refused to ratify it.

The president, who has turned up his rhetorical pitch on behalf of resumed congressional support for rebels fighting to overthrow the Sandinistas, was asked repeatedly

Officials say G. Fox plan no threat to Fingerra mall

By Susan Vaughn
Herald Reporter

Town officials have known about a plan by G. Fox & Co. to build a 125,000-square foot store in the proposed Winchester mall, but they do not consider it a major stumbling block to competitor John Fingerra.

Fox is the first store to announce a commitment to locating in either of the malls.

Commenting today on Thursday's announcement by G. Fox, General Manager Robert Weiss said the plan would be a limited partner in the 1.2 million-square foot mall with Melvin Simon & Associates of Indianapolis and developer Bronson & Hutensky of Bloomfield.

Allan Hutensky, a principal in Bronson & Hutensky, said today that the developers have had a written agreement with the May Co. "for some time," but G. Fox

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chose to withhold the information until Thursday. He added that the release of a formal statement by the company indicates a definite commitment.

G. Fox plans to open its Winchester store by the fall of 1987, Sklar said. The store would be the company's 10th — and its first in eastern Connecticut.

Six others currently operate in Connecticut, one in Rhode Island and one in Massachusetts.

Company announced plans last fall for a new store in the Danbury Mall and has recently spent \$7 million on its downtown Hartford store.

"G. FOX CONFIRMED TODAY that it plans to build a full-line retail store at Winchester, Bronson & Hutensky said today. The store would be the company's 10th — and its first in eastern Connecticut.

Sklar predicted that many customers east of the Connecticut River would shop at G. Fox if they had access to a closer store. "We're bringing the services closer to the store," he said.

The Winchester mall is proposed

Whalers to get Liut for Millen, Johnson

By Len Auster
Herald Sports Editor

The Hartford Whalers have traded goals in the NHL. It's a deal with Minnesota for Jordy Douglas on Oct. 1, 1982.

Liut, 29, has played in 32 games for the Blues this year with a 12-2-4 record and a goals against average of 3.82. Liut's career began in the old World Hockey Association. This is his sixth year with St. Louis.

"I consider Mike Liut one of the top goalies in the NHL. It's tough to give up players like Mark Johnson and Greg Millen. They're fine players, fine people. But this is a business and we feel the trade is in the best interest of the team in years to come," said Ernie Francis, Whaler president and general manager.

Liut is to report to Hartford in time for the Whalers' game Saturday night at the Civic Center against Los Angeles. St. Louis is at Hartford Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m.

Bird Inc. eyes new markets

WALPOLE, Mass. (UPI) — Bird Inc., best known as an old-line maker of roofing and siding for homes, is selling off many of its smoke stacks and moving into the service business.

It will sell some of those same products, bearing a Bird brand but made by another company, and try to market various services to contractors in an attempt to capitalize on the growing home remodeling business.

Bird might seem an unlikely company to jump into the service business. The company still is heavily influenced by the Bird family, has been in manufacturing for nearly two centuries and enjoys a well known name.

Bird makes about 30 percent of the shingles that go on New England homes. It has kept a much smaller, though significant share of the industry's nationwide business.

But the last five years have not been good ones at Bird, and Chairman George Hauffler was convinced the situation would only grow much worse if big changes were not made.

The company made a modest income in 1983, but it was the first profit in three years. "The recession's impact on the housing market and fundamental changes in the roofing industry created a short-term crisis and a big long-term problem."

Bird says it will report another loss for 1984, probably around \$15 million. It says the book value of company stock, which was \$26.65 in 1979, will fall to \$9 or \$10.

"The first thing we had to do was stop the bleeding, which was substantial," Hauffler said. "The first job was to survive."

He started by cutting some plants and renegotiating the company's bank debt. Bird spent \$12.5 million upgrading its Norwood plant, but decided to sell the facility and lease it back to help pay for the work.

Hauffler said in last year's annual report that roofing and Bird's two other manufacturing lines would still "provide the foundation for the company's future."

The company is holding on to its vinyl siding plant and its machine unit, which makes equipment for process industries.

Bird will sell to contractors and some distributors — aiming high quality products at the home remodeling business.

Hauffler thinks that \$60 billion a year business will continue to grow quickly, and the agreement with Genstar will protect it from the cyclical patterns of the new home business.

"All the romance in the existing home-market has come from the do-it-yourselfers. But the plain facts are the big ticket items in that industry are those being installed by contractors," Hauffler said.

Time

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Consistency and regularity

Doc says triathlon is healthy, enjoyable way to keep fit

By Gino Del Guercio United Press International

WARREN, Vt. — For most people the word triathlon evokes images of the Ironman — a superhuman race combining a 26-mile marathon, a 100-mile bicycle race and a five-mile swim.

stressful. Jonas has just finished a book on such races, called, "Triathlon for Ordinary Mortals." It will be published in the fall.

"Virtually anybody that is in reasonable physical and mental health can do a marathon equivalent triathlon without turning their life upside down," said Jonas.

"They can have an experience unlike any experience they've ever had in their lives."

He has designed a training schedule he claims will allow almost anyone to complete the triathlon after training only five hours a week for 12 weeks.

"THE MAJOR PRINCIPLES are consistency and regularity," he said.

Peopletalk



Hollywood meets homeless

Scriptwriters are wandering the streets of Washington, interviewing homeless people who will be portrayed in a CBS-TV movie about homeless advocate Mitch Snyder.

Beauty gets busted

Miss Africa, arrested for breach of contract, says officials of a marketing firm rigged the Miss Kenya contest so she would win and sign a contract with them.

Strength, love, compassion

Jerry Lewis points to a special Missionary award presented Thursday in Hollywood to Mr. T. The award, designed of beccar crystal, was inscribed, "For strength, love and compassion are an inspiration to all of us."

Another Carter on the run?

Rosalynn Carter was known as the "Iron Magnolia" when she was first lady and some Democrats would like to refer to her as the honorable senator from Georgia.

Cashed in

Johnny Cash, who has had a couple of serious bouts with drugs, was a surprise guest at Billy Graham's Fort Lauderdale, Fla., crusade.

Now you know

The age of a fish is determined by counting growth "rings" on scales or ringlike structures found in small bones of the inner ear.

Quote of the day

President Reagan at his news conference Thursday talking about using the Bible to defend his military buildup.

Almanac

Today is Friday, Feb. 22, the 53rd day of 1985 with 312 to follow. This is George Washington's birthday.

Lottery

On this date in history: In 1819, Florida was ceded to the United States in a treaty with Spain.

Today in history

Feb. 22, 1732, is the birth date of first president George Washington. He is shown in a portrait by Charles Wilson Peale.

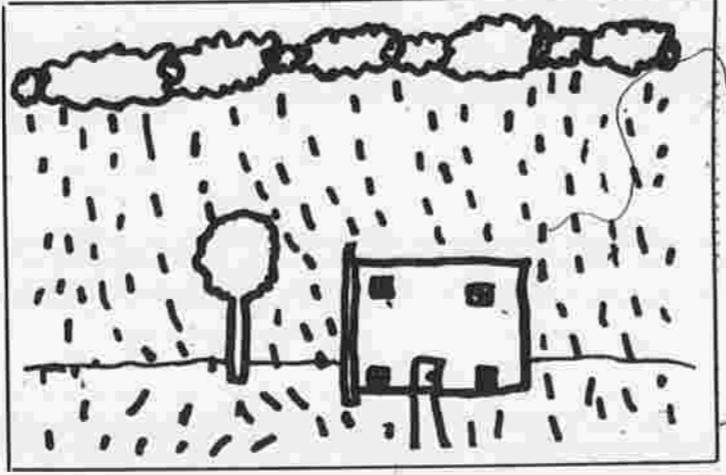
Weather

Today's forecast

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers today tonight and Saturday.

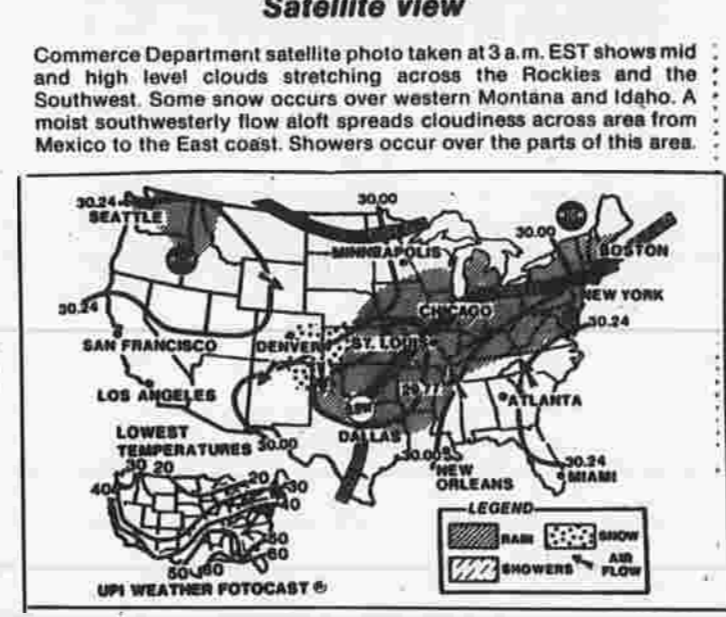
Extended outlook

Extended outlook for New England Sunday through Tuesday: Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers Sunday, Fair Monday and Tuesday.



Cloudy with a chance of showers Today: Mostly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of showers mainly in the afternoon.

Satellite view Commerce Department satellite photo taken at 3 a.m. EST shows mid and high level clouds stretching across the Rockies and the mountains.



National forecast For the period ending 7 a.m. EST Saturday, during early Saturday morning snow is forecast for parts of the Southern Plains Region.

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Lawyer in Pagano case says he'll seek another hearing

By Sarah Posell Herald Reporter

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ANTHONY PAGANO in 1982 photo

Manchester In Brief

Sidewalk fall nets claim

The town has received notice from an East Hartford resident that he intends to seek damages in connection with injuries sustained in a sidewalk fall in January on Church Street.

Lawrence request gets answer

State Sen. Carl A. Zinsner, R-Manchester, Tuesday sent Manchester architect Richard S. Lawrence a preliminary response to Lawrence's request for special legislation governing the Eighth Utilities District.

Weinberg to answer district

Mayor Barbara Weinberg, who has failed to answer the last three official communications from the president of the Eighth Utilities District, said Thursday that she is waiting for action on an alternative proposal to the district's requests by the town Board of Directors.

Directors seek public comments

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Fire Calls

Manchester Thursday, 9:41 a.m. — gasoline spill, 83K Rachel Road (Eighth District).

Coalition supports tenants' rights bill

By Susan Vaughn Herald Reporter

State Rep. James McCavanagh, D-Manchester, was expected to vote today in a House Judiciary Committee meeting for a hearing on a proposed bill which would extend the rights of tenants in eviction proceedings, members of the Manchester Tenants Housing Coalition said Thursday.

Pratt may lease Cheney parking spaces

General Manager Robert B. Weiss of the Cheney Town Attorney William J. Shea.

Building panel lists needed MHS repairs

157 building code violations within the high school. The building is in violation of certain code items because the state codes changed midway through the project, officials have said.

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U.S./World In Brief

Leak delays missile test

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — A fuel leak in a backup aircraft delayed the second free-flight test of a U.S. cruise missile over Canada by at least 24 hours, a Canadian military spokesman announced today.

A B-52 bomber was set to take off from Grand Forks Air Force Base, N.D., carrying the 22-foot missile to the Beaufort Sea, in the Canadian Arctic, where it was to be released on a 1,500-mile journey to the Primrose Lake testing range in northwestern Alberta.

The missile, capable of carrying a nuclear warhead, was scheduled to be launched at about 9:30 a.m. EST after the bomber refueled with two other support aircraft — a radar plane and an Advanced-Rang-1 Instrumentation Aircraft.

Dinner bill angers Weicker

WASHINGTON — Sen. Lowell Weicker, R-Conn., who believed General Dynamics Corp. threw a fundraiser for him in 1981, is angry now that he knows the taxpayers paid the bill.

Weicker demanded an apology Thursday from one of the biggest employers in Connecticut when he learned General Dynamics sent the Navy a bill for about \$1,000 for the Nov. 11, 1981 dinner. Weicker also alerted the general counsel of the Navy to the incident.

Weicker learned from ABC's "20/20" television program that General Dynamics had billed the Navy for the dinner hosted by P. Takis Veliotis, then general manager of General Dynamics Electric Boat Division in Groton, Conn. Weicker said he was advised the Navy paid the bill.

An aide to Weicker said today Weicker demanded an apology from the corporation on Thursday.

Refugees back in Cuba

MARITTA, Ga. — A woman who fled to the United States in the 1980 Mariel boatlift, and now lives in Georgia, pulled her car off the highway so she and her young son could watch 23 other Cubans arrive at an airbase to be deported.

"One man had such a look on his face," said the leary-eyed woman, who would not give her name. "He was crying. God help him when Castro gets him back. Castro is a man you would not believe."

The refugees were the first of more than 2,700 Cubans the Reagan administration plans to deport over the next three years. Nearly all of the deportation flights are expected to leave from Georgia.

Fires threaten neighborhood

NAPLES, Fla. — Wildfires fanned by 20-mph winds burned out of control over 2,500 acres early today, destroying a house and three mobile homes and forcing 225 people to grab a few possessions and flee their homes.

There were no injuries in the fires that broke out Thursday. But Larry Amison of the state Forestry Division said one evacuating family and a forest ranger had narrow escapes.

"A family forced to leave a home tried escaping in a car through the woods and the car got stuck," Amison said. "One of our supervisors happened on them and took them out in his truck. The car was destroyed by the fire."

In another incident, a tractor used to fight the flames was "burned over by the fire," Amison reported.

Crew error may be fault

SAN FRANCISCO — Federal investigators say pilot error may have contributed to the terrifying 6-mile dive over the Pacific of a China Airlines jumbo jet with 268 people aboard.

"Possibly, some procedures in the cockpit were not followed correctly," said National Safety Transportation Board member G. H. Patrick Bursley Thursday. He said there was also the possibility that "something mechanically acted up."

The Boeing 747 apparently plunged seaward Tuesday at 15,000 feet a minute "in a very severe roll," almost on its back.

Bursley said the investigation is being hampered by "shaky data" from the aircraft's flight-data recorder.

Johnny Applesed

John Chapman, alias Johnny Applesed, planted nurseries of apple seedlings in clearings before pioneers arrived. He planted until he died on March 18, 1845, near Fort Wayne, Ind., where his grave is now the center of a small park. Many of his trees still stand, though many believe the last one toppled in a storm near Mansfield, Ohio, on June 2, 1959.

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GOP senators struggle to get Meese OK

By David Lowsky
United Press International

WASHINGTON — Republican senators, stymied over a filibuster by Farm Belt senators, voted today to keep the Senate in session until the nomination of Edwin Meese for attorney general is approved.

The Senate returned for a third day to face an impasse by the farm state legislators demanding help for debt-stricken farmers, but no progress was reported by those negotiating to end the filibuster.

The Senate reconvened at 8 a.m. hours ahead of a typical working day.

"We want to get this Meese nomination done with," Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., said, standing in for Senate Republican leader Robert Dole in a traditional morning session with reporters.

A Republican aide said the negotia-

tions remained in "limbo," but Democrats and Republicans would meet later to try to work out a deal.

Chafee said Dole was determined to keep the Senate in session Friday and Saturday, if necessary, to bring the Meese nomination to a vote.

"I think he's determined to press along," Chafee said.

Among those who seemed to believe that the Meese confirmation would have smooth riding this week was Attorney General William French Smith, who scheduled a farewell speech to employees today.

All day Thursday, Dole, R-Kan., led bipartisan meetings working for a compromise to end the filibuster and bring Meese's nomination to the floor for a vote.

But the deal quickly came apart when angry Farm Belt senators and Democrats said the administration

was not offering enough help for debt-strapped growers.

"We think it's more important for the farmers to get their crops in the ground than it is for Ed Meese to be attorney general," said Sen. James Exon, D-Neb.

The sticking point was a letter from Agriculture Secretary John Block, which was supposed to be the administration's agreement to the deal.

Democrats unanimously rejected the letter, saying it should have been signed by President Reagan as well as Block. They also object to a clause that said the administration "would oppose any additional legislation."

The administration's proposals to help farmers would modify existing programs and ease cash-flow requirements for farmers to qualify, make it more attractive for banks to participate and ensure that sufficient funds would be available for guarantees of

existing loans and new operating loans.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., and several other Democrats called the letter "insulting." The letter was to have led to passage of a sense-of-the-Senate resolution expressing agreement with the administration's approach.

Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W. Va., said the Democrats rejected the deal because the administration proposals "will not relieve the plight of the American farmer."

Later, Dole acknowledged that with other Democrats joining the farm-state lawmakers, raising a petition to end the filibuster would be difficult because the Democrats would vote as a bloc against it.

Ending a filibuster, called cloture, requires 60 votes. Republicans hold a 53-47 majority but Democrats voting as a bloc can stymie cloture.

Sanctuary workers will appeal

HOUSTON (UPI) — Two Sanctuary Movement workers found guilty of aiding illegal Salvadoran refugees, blame their convictions on a hostile jury and say the case will incite public opinion against U.S. policies in Central America.

Jack Elder, 41, and Stacey Merkt, 30, said they were surprised by the jury's decision Thursday, and their attorney said the conviction would be appealed.

"It's far from being a setback," said Elder, director of a south Texas safe house for refugees. "It will be a tremendous stimulus. A conviction is going to bring the issue to a much higher priority in their (the public's) minds."

Elder, 41, was found guilty of conspiracy, bringing the aliens into the United States and transporting them through south Texas. Stacey Merkt, 30, was found guilty of conspiracy, but was acquitted on two charges of illegally transporting the Salvadorans.

Merkt and Elder said they will continue working for the Sanctuary Movement and at Casa Oscar Romero, a refugee shelter funded by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Brownsville, Texas.



Ready to leave hospital

William J. Schroeder waves to reporters at the hospital in Louisville, Ky., Thursday, on his second trip outside since heart implant surgery in November. Plans are being made to discharge Schroeder and Murray P. Haydon is "doing very well," surgeon William C. DeVries said today. Haydon had implant surgery Sunday.

GIs' remains on way to Hawaii

BANGKOK, Thailand (UPI) — The remains of 13 American servicemen missing in action in Indochina since 1972 were flown out of Laos today to be examined and identified at a military laboratory in Hawaii.

Human teeth, bone fragments and personal effects were discovered during a joint U.S.-Laos excavation of the crash site of an American AC-130 warplane that was shot down over southern Laos during the Vietnam War.

The 12-member U.S. search team arrived in Bangkok early today with the remains, which then were to be sent later in the day to Clark Air Base in the Philippines en route to the Central Identification Laboratory in Hawaii.

Officials familiar with the examination and identification work at the Hawaii laboratory said the process

should take about one month.

The excavation, which began Feb. 11 and ended Thursday, was the first time American military experts had been allowed to search for MIA's in communist Indochina. They were aided in the search by Lao soldiers.

"We are not really going to know what we have got until they (the remains) are analyzed by the experts in Hawaii," Lt. Col. Joe Harvey, head of the American search team, said.

Harvey refused to go into details on the remains found at the crash site near the village of Nong Sang Hong in southern Laos, 280 miles southeast of the Lao capital of Vientiane.

"We must consider the families," he said.

Harvey, commander of the Joint Casualty Resolution Center in Hawaii, did say, however, that "many" per-

Meltdown did occur in 1979

MIDDLETOWN, Pa. (UPI) — Temperatures inside the crippled nuclear reactor at Three Mile Island during a 1979 accident soared 300 degrees higher than originally believed, and a partial fuel meltdown did occur, a researcher said today.

Harold Burton, manager of TMI-2 programs for the government-hired research firm EG&G Idaho Inc., said Thursday ultra-hot uranium oxide was cooled by water and trapped inside the reactor.

The most recent information indicates that, although the reactor was subjected to even more severe conditions than previously thought, the accident was terminated by existing safety systems," Burton said.

In a related but separate announcement Thursday, TMI operator GPU Nuclear Corp. announced that a massive pile of hot-sized rocks, likely composed in part of once-molten fuel and weighing at least 10 tons, was found at the base of the Unit 2 reactor.

Burton and GPU Nuclear said the two companies have been unable to estimate how much of the solid fuel pellets melted during the worst accident in the history of U.S. commercial nuclear power.

Burton said new research on fuel particles taken from the crippled reactor at the south central Pennsylvania facility show temperatures in some parts of the core reached 5,100 degrees — the point at which uranium oxide melts.

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Who owns Hawaii? It's not open to all of us

KANEIHE, Hawaii — In theory, Hawaii consists of eight major islands, all officially part of the United States and therefore open to any U.S. citizen who wishes to purchase land and live there. But it doesn't quite work that way. The entire 29,000-acre island of Kahoalawe is controlled by the Navy and used as a bombing range. Nobody lives there.

The entire 46,000-acre island of Nihoa was purchased in 1865 for \$10,000 by the Robinson family. All activity there is shrouded in mystery because travel to and from the island is tightly controlled by the Robinsons. There are no casual visitors.

The entire 90,000-acre island of Lanai was sold to James Dole in 1921 for \$1.1 million. His Hawaiian Pineapple Co., later known as the Dole Corp., established the world's largest pineapple plantation there. Visitors are welcome on Lanai — if they can obtain accommodations at the island's only history, the 12-room Hotel Lanai. Only pineapple workers live there.

Quite "Big Island" of Hawaii sits the 224,000-acre Parker Ranch, one of the world's largest



Robert Walters

cattle ranches. It is so vast that it includes arid desert and tropical rain forest.

THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT also controls other vast tracts of land throughout the state — including some of the most valuable real estate here on Oahu, Hawaii's most populous island.

Ringling Honolulu are Hickam and Wheeler Air Force bases, the Pearl Harbor Naval Reservation, the Army's Schofield Barracks and more than a dozen other sprawling military installations.

The federal government owns about 8 percent of

Hawaii's land, the state government holds more than 24 percent and county governments control another 3 percent.

Among private land holders, the Robinson and Parker families rank behind the Bishop Estate, which controls 340,000 acres — almost 9 percent of Hawaii's 4 million acres.

Finally, the "Big Five" agribusiness companies which dominate the state's sugar and pineapple industries hold a total of more than 13 percent of Hawaiian land.

The state's nine largest private owners of real estate hold 35 percent of its land and the various governments control another 45 percent. That leaves 20 percent for everybody else.

MANY FAMILIES throughout the state must rent the land on which their homes are located. Here on Oahu, more than 79 percent of Hawaii's population is crowded onto 9.4 percent of its land.

The average resale price of a single-family home in the Honolulu area is approaching \$200,000. Confronted with the most concentrated land ownership in the nation, Hawaii's state legislature

in 1979 sought to remedy the situation by enacting a relatively modest land reform law.

Its most far-reaching provision would allow the owners of single-family homes to purchase the land which they have been renting for decades, often at exorbitant prices.

The Bishop Estate mounted a full-scale legal assault upon the law, but the U.S. Supreme Court ruled unanimously last year that the state had the right to curtail a "feudal land tenure system" that had become a "social and economic evil."

The scathing opinion, written by Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, held that "regulating oligopoly and the evils associated with it is a classic exercise of a state's police powers."

The Bishop Estate, however, remains unconvinced. Its challenge to the law is still before the Hawaii Supreme Court and the estate's trustees are pressing the state legislature to amend the statute.

Land reform may be crucial to the promotion of democracy in Central America and elsewhere in the Third World — but it certainly hasn't become fashionable here in the 50th state.

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Moffett goes to Capitol to lay the groundwork for 1986

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HARTFORD — Former U.S. Rep. Toby Moffett was on the other side of the hearing room, giving testimony rather than being interviewed and primed to answer questions rather than asking them.

Moffett went before the Legislature's Human Services Committee Thursday to testify in favor of a bill designed to expand state programs to keep the elderly at home and out of nursing homes.

For Moffett, the bill in question may have been secondary to an overall goal of wresting the 1986 Democratic gubernatorial nomination from the incumbent, William A. O'Neill, who plans to seek reelection.

Moffett says he has made no firm decision on running against O'Neill, but is laying the groundwork for a possible candidacy and will be ready if he decides to run.

"I'm considering running. I'm looking at a whole host of things," he said. "In the meantime I'd be crazy not to continue my advocacy of a handful of issues and that's the context in which I'm here."

Moffett represented the 8th District Congress from 1975-83, giving up the seat in 1982 when he ran against Republican U.S. Sen. Lowell Weicker Jr. and lost.

Moffett expects to establish a committee this summer, to begin work on a bill designed to expand state programs to keep the elderly at home and out of nursing homes.

"I'm in a first phase of putting the building blocks in place, taking a look around. If that continues we will form a testing the waters committee" in the summertime.

In the meantime, Moffett said he will speak out both in Hartford and Washington on several issues, including the elderly home care bill aired by the Human Services Committee.

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Injuries not enough to call paramedics

Deputy Fire Chief Robert Bycholski said Thursday afternoon he decided not to dispatch paramedics to the scene of an accident on Interstate 84 Thursday morning when he learned that victims of the accident had minor knee injuries.

Bycholski said that kind of injury requires only a basic life support system response and the emergency medical technicians from the Eighth District Fire Department were already on the scene.

The driver, Dominic Calender of Brooklyn, N.Y., was treated at Manchester Memorial Hospital for a lacerated knee and a bump on the head and then released.

Bycholski said he received a phone call from the emergency service dispatcher at the police station and was told that the accident involved minor knee injuries. Because protocol calls for only basic life support response to that situation, he did not dispatch the paramedics in the advanced life support system, he said.

The question of why the paramedics did not respond arose after the call.

The district fire department was called by the Tolland County mutual dispatch system after state police from Troop C in Stafford Springs called the mutual aid system. While the accident took place within the area of Troop H in Hartford, it was the Stafford Springs troop which first got word of it.

Thomas O'Marra, public information officer for the district fire department, said Thursday he did not know why the paramedics were not dispatched.

Police Chief Robert Lannan said later Thursday morning that the tape recording kept by police dispatchers will be consulted if necessary to clear up any questions that arise.

It is likely that, if anyone is not satisfied with the procedure that was followed, the question will be discussed at the next meeting of a committee on paramedic protocols. That is scheduled for March 14.

G. Fox plans store in Winchester mall

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people," he said. He could not provide figures on numbers of anticipated customers for the new store.

Whether construction of the store and the mall can be under way by late 1986, as the Winchester developers have said, will be up to the resolution of a lawsuit filed last week by a neighborhood group opposing the zone change to allow the mall. Hutensky said.

"They are as anxious as we are to start," Hutensky said today of G. Fox's plans. But he said a definite date on start of construction is "subjective."

G. Fox would be one of up to five anchor tenants the mall could accommodate, Hutensky said, but he expects announcements by other retail tenants to be forthcoming in the next few weeks. He added that announcement of plans is up to the stores, not to the developers.

FINGUERRA'S SPOKESMAN said today that commitments to Winchester "at this stage are all very conditional." He said the conditions are "pegged to other stores coming in by certain dates."

He added that G. Fox's decision "don't make or break" Finguerarra's plans. "We feel there is a large pool of stores that make good sense," he said. "We are negotiating with several."

Finguerarra has indicated previously that he is considering construction of a store in Winchester. He anticipates that the process of getting tenants for both proposed malls will take a year, the spokesman said today.

Officials repeat goals; Lannan names 3 cops

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"WE'RE STRONGLY COMMITTED to affirmative action," Weiss said. "That means attracting qualified candidates to the position. One thing we will not do is have two standards, one for minorities and one for non-minorities."

Weiss and Werber blamed the town's inability to attract more than a few qualified candidates of any color on competition from the private sector. But they rejected the idea that a wholesale increase in police salaries is the answer.

"Our salaries are competitive with any town in Connecticut," Werber said.

Only nine of 343 applicants made it through the extensive round of written, physical and oral tests to a final interview with Chief Lannan.

But Weiss said he does not think the requirements for police have been set too high in recent years. He said police need "the intellectual capacity to understand complex laws and legal decisions."

Japan will continue limiting auto exports

TOKYO (UPI) — Japan will continue to limit auto exports to the United States even after the current voluntary quotas expire at the end of March to avoid a protectionist backlash, official sources said today.

The sources said the Ministry of International Trade and Industry will solicit the views of major Japanese car manufacturers on ways to limit their car shipments to the United States.

One of the measures being considered by MITI officials is called a "weather forecasting formula," under which the auto-makers will be warned when their shipments exceed pre-allocated levels, the Kyodo News Service reported.

Japanese government officials fear that a sudden, sharp rise in car shipments will trigger protectionist moves by Washington in light of Japan's \$24 billion trade surplus with the United States last year.

The MITI action follows reports that the Reagan administration will allow the current one-year voluntary curbs to expire on March 31.

Under strong U.S. pressure and threats of protectionist retaliation, Japan's automobile manufacturers have voluntarily limited their car exports to the United States since 1981. The quota set at 1.6 million units for the initial three years, was raised to 1.85 million units in the year ending in March.

Japanese industry sources have said they expect auto exports to the United States to increase by about 10 percent after the curbs expire, while the Commerce Department estimates an increase at about 1.1 million units.

Takashi Ishihara, president of the Japan Automobile Manufacturers' Association, has ruled out a sudden surge in Japanese car shipments to the United States after the expiration of the voluntary restraints.

"All Japanese automakers consider the U.S. market an important one and they will act in a prudent manner," Ishihara, who also is president of Japan's No. 2 automaker Nissan, said Thursday.

Ishihara said the U.S. government would make a formal decision on the auto issue "within a week or 10 days."

When initially imposed, the "voluntary" quotas were described as a temporary measure to allow the American auto industry time to recover. Last year the three largest U.S. automakers earned a record total profit of \$9.3 billion.

The United Auto Workers Union, however, is still against lifting the restraints, claiming it would force 200,000 workers to be laid off and increase the U.S. trade deficit with Japan by an estimated \$7 billion.

Baker defends red ink

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Treasury Secretary James Baker says it's not a good idea to try to cut \$20 billion deficits to a balanced budget "overnight," and defends President Reagan's fiscal 1986 budget that is deeply in the red.

Reagan's fiscal 1986 proposal calls for about \$50 billion in spending reductions — mostly from domestic programs — while giving a hefty increase to the military.

At his news conference Thursday night, Reagan said his proposals to cut programs ranging from Amtrak and federal housing to revenue sharing and education loans are "rooted both in economic necessity and common sense."

Obituaries

Edward F. Hare
Edward Francis Hare, 57, of 146 Woodland St., died Wednesday at Newington Veterans Hospital.

He was born in Leominster, Mass., and had lived in Manchester for the last 29 years. He was a Navy veteran of World War II, serving for six years. Before retiring in 1962, he worked for the Power Systems Division of United Technologies Corp., South Windsor.

He was a member of Local 1746, IAW-AW.

He is survived by his fiancée, Virginia (Stevens) Simpson of East Hartford; a son, Edward F. Hare Jr. of Andover, a daughter, Mrs. Beverly Veal of Temple, Ga.; three brothers, Richard Hare of Leominster, Mass., Jesse Hare of Lunenburg, Mass., and William Hare of Quincy, Mass.; and four grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. at the Salvation Army Corps, Washington and Jefferson streets, Hartford. Local 1746, IAW-AW, also will hold a memorial service. There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer

Constance Szmeylo
Constance (Oakes) Szmeylo, 26, of 341 Grant Hill Road, Tolland, died Wednesday at home. She was the wife of Michael L. Szmeylo.

She was born in Manchester, the daughter of Frank Oakes of Wethersfield and Geraldine Hobbs of Manchester. She had lived in Tolland for 14 years.

Besides her husband and parents, she is survived by two sons, Michael L. Szmeylo Jr. and Jason T. Szmeylo, both at home; and her maternal grandparents, George and Floris Fletcher of Vernon.

The funeral will be Saturday with a mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. at St. Matthew's Church, Bernard's Cemetery, Rockville. Calling hours will be today from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Burke-Fortin Funeral Home, 76 Prospect St., Rockville.

Charles H. Ciscou
Charles H. Ciscou, 70, formerly of Stafford Springs, died Wednesday at the W.W. Backus Hospital, Norwich. He was the brother of John K. Ciscou of Bolton.

He is survived by two other brothers, Edmund G. Ciscou of East Hampton and Leonard F. Ciscou of Somers; four sisters, Mrs. Hoakan (Stella) Larsen of Staten Island, N.Y., and Mrs. Helen Pease, Mrs. Marvin (Elizabeth) McGowan and Amelia Ciscou, all of East Hartford; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

The funeral will be Saturday at 9 a.m. at the Introvigne Funeral Home, 95 E. Main St., Stafford Springs, with a mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. at St. Edward's Church. Burial will be in St. Edward's Cemetery. Calling hours will be today from 7 to 9 p.m.

Rose Mankus
Rose Mankus, 90, a former resident of Manchester, died today in Lakewood, Fla.

She was born in Poland and came to Manchester when she was

In Memoriam
In memory of my mother, Ruth Cooley Crie who passed away 35 years ago today, February 22nd, 1950.

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN
Daughter Shirley

Theodore Roosevelt, in 1906, was the first American to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

FOCUS / Weekend

Play it again, LTM!

By Fred T. Blish

On March 3, 1961, the Little Theater of Manchester raised the curtain on its first production of the William Inge comedy, "Bus Stop." At Bowers School auditorium, there were more than 400 people in the audience that night, and another 400 saw the play the following night.

Tonight, the theater will begin its 25th anniversary season with a "birthday party" before the first act of the Woody Allen comedy, "Play It Again, Sam." On hand to help Little Theater celebrate will be many members of the audience who attended the first play. Each of the original 100 patrons have been invited to share the occasion and attend the opening performance of the second 25 years. Mayor Barbara Weinberg will be there to give LTM's president, David Newirth, a town proclamation which honors the Little Theater of Manchester for its service to the community over the years.

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IN EARLY 1966, town recreation policy changed, and it was decided to eliminate sponsorship of activities which weren't directly connected to the sports program. The Little Theater of Manchester was incorporated as a non-profit educational theater organization and started on its own.

With space no longer available provided by the town, the theater moved into the old Circle Theater building on Oak Street, and occupied the space that had originally been the balcony of the theater and the front of the orchestra. (The Circle Theater was

demolished recently so the land could be used for a parking lot.)

The Oak Street location continued to be the home of the theater workshop until 1982, when the theater moved to its current home in the former Cheney Bros. Yarn Mill at 210 Pine St.

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Other productions which were produced with a student audience in mind were "Look Homeward, Angel" (1967), "Ring Round the Moon" (1968), "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie" (1973), "Tartuffe" (1977), "The Glass Menagerie" (1980), and "A Touch of the Poet" (1981).

In addition to local productions, in 1969 LTM produced an original play by one of its members, Dennis Turner. The play, "The Early Mourning of Jason," was presented at the theater of St. Joseph College in Hartford.

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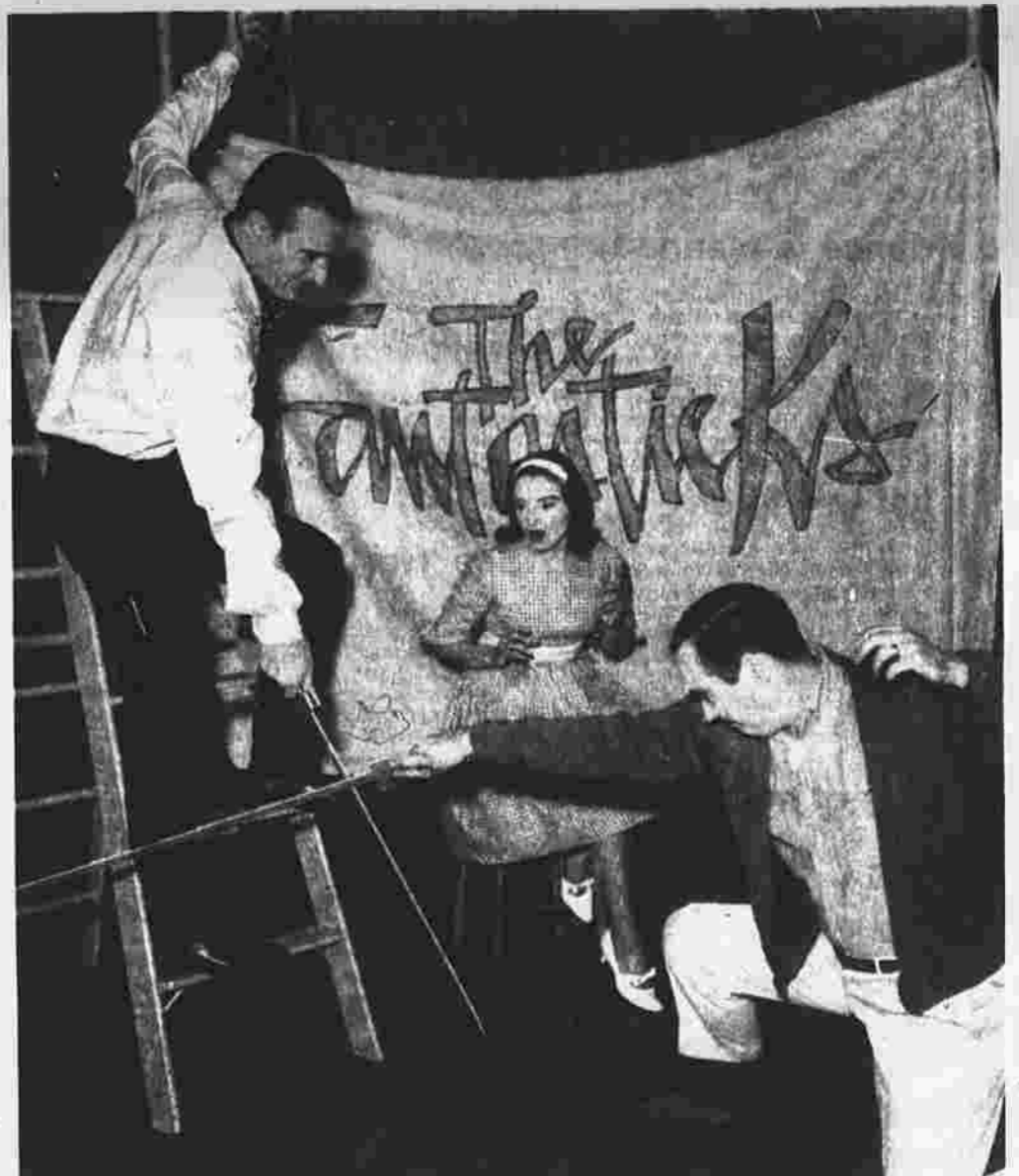
Little Theater has presented 16 musicals, including such favorites as "Carousel," "Funny Girl," "Fiddler on the Roof," "Jacques Brel Is Alive and Well and Living in Paris," "Cabaret," "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," "Company," and "George M!"

Recognizing that it is important to introduce youngsters in the area to live theater, in 1981, LTM presented the musical "Oliver!" with a cast which included several children. It attracted a large young audience.

Modern comedies have included the major hits of Neil Simon, such as "The Odd Couple," "Barefoot in the Park," "both Plaza Suite" and "California Suite," and the playwright's more serious offerings, such as "The Gingerbread Lady" and "The Good Doctor."

Near right: Paul Paulson and Toni Fogarty sing together during a scene from "Carousel," an LTM production in the mid-1970s.

Far right: Irving Mann, left, makes a point to Betty Lundberg, as Al Coe looks on during a scene from LTM's presentation of "Androcles and the Lion," by George Bernard Shaw.



Jayne Newirth looks frightened as John Spector, left, and Buzz Hall engage in a sword fight in the Little Theater production of "The Fantasticks."

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Other favorites of Manchester audiences have been topical shows, like "Never Too Late" and "You Know I Can't Hear You When the Water's Running." The avant-garde comedy has also been presented, as represented by the Murray Schisgal comedy, "LUV."

BESIDES THE SERIOUS DRAMA, which was presented with the student audience in mind, Little Theater has also tackled controversial issues with the production of Paul Zindel's "And Miss Beatrice Don't Drink A Little Lillian Hellman's "The Little Foxes," and Robert Anderson's plays, "I Never Sang for My Father" and "Sullivan's Double Solitaire."

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Mystery has been a mainstay of the Little Theater's repertoire. Among them was the presentation of two of the three one-act musical plays by Harold and Jack Under the Life of "The Apple Tree."

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ALMOST FROM THE BEGINNING, Little Theater has had a dream of its own home, where it could prepare its productions and also present them. In the late 1960s, the theater considered the possibility of converting the Oak Street location into a legitimate theater, but abandoned the idea because of the costs of conversion of a second-story theater.

In 1982, the town of Manchester approached the Little Theater with an idea of renovating Cheney Hall and using it as a permanent home for the theater. The plan was for LTM to be the resident tenant, staging its productions there. LTM would administer the hall for the town, leasing the facility to other organizations for appropriate functions.

The theater and the town agreed on a lease in the spring of that year. Since then, the Little Theater, together with the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce, and the Manchester Historical Society, has worked to raise the money for the renovation of Cheney Hall.

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Weekenders



Flowers and patriotism

The restoration of the Statue of Liberty is the theme of this year's Hartford Flower Show, which will be this weekend at the Hartford Civic Center. The patriotic theme will be reflected in many of the arrangements exhibited.

In addition, the assembly hall will be enhanced by a 12-foot waterfall, created by the University of Connecticut's Department of Plant Science. The Civic Center will house thousands of violas, primroses, orchids, begonias and other plant materials. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$2 for children 12 and under.

Take a voyage to space

"Voyage to a Green Planet" is a science fiction planetarium show about traveling in space to discover another world. It is presented every Friday at 4 p.m., and every Saturday at 1:30 p.m., at Copernicus Planetarium and Space Science Center, Central Connecticut State University. New Britain Admission is \$2.50 for adults, \$1.50 for children under 12. Call 827-7419 for more information.

Israeli dance is planned

An afternoon of Israeli dance will be offered Sunday at Federation East, the branch of the Greater Hartford Jewish Community Center which is located at 434 Oakland St. Ellen Greenblatt, a local musician and Israeli dance instructor, will be both teaching and performing at the 2 p.m. event. Admission is \$2 per person. To register, call the center at 236-4571.

Crafts fair in winter

Although most crafts fairs take place in the fall or the spring, this weekend the town of Willimantic will have a Mid-Winter Arts and Crafts Festival, featuring more than 50 artisans from three states. The event is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Windham High School in Willimantic. It is sponsored by the McSweeney Senior Center in that town, and proceeds will go to support the center, and to begin work on new dental and podiatry clinics for the elderly.

Oedipus is complex

The difficult Greek tragedy by Sophocles, "Oedipus Rex," will be staged this weekend by the theater department of the Watkinson School. The performance is at 8 p.m. on Saturday.

ces, tonight and Saturday at 8 p.m., will be in the Auerbach Auditorium, University of Hartford, in West Hartford. Original music has been written for this production. To reserve tickets, call 236-5618.

Shaw's up in arms

George Bernard Shaw's play, "Arms and the Man," will be presented this weekend and next at the University of Connecticut's Nutmeg Theater. This satire on war and the professional fighting man has proven popular through many generations of theater audiences. Performances are tonight and Saturday at 8 p.m., and Tuesday through March 2 at 8 p.m. Call 485-2569 for ticket reservations.

Walk along Hockanum

The Hockanum Linear Park Committee will hold a walk along part of the river Sunday starting at 1 p.m. at the parking lot of Robertson School near Union Pond. The committee holds monthly walks along different sections of the river or its tributaries. The public is welcome.

See 'Hartford Changes'

Paige Savery of the Manchester Historical Society will present a slide show, "Hartford Changes," at a society meeting Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at Whittier Memorial Library, 85 N. Main St.

A business session will precede the show on examples of architectural configuration of a city as its living patterns change. The presentation will include seven sites to show how varying uses altered the appearance of the city during several periods of its history.

The meeting is open to all. Refreshments will be served.

He wants to bite your neck

Martin Landau is starring in the Broadway show, "Dracula," at the Shubert Performing Arts Center in New Haven this weekend. Performances are tonight at 8 and Saturday at 3 p.m., with tickets ranging from \$1.50 to \$22.50 per seat. For more information, or to reserve seats, call 624-1825. The theater is at 247 College St., just three blocks from the New Haven train station.

'Miracle Worker' presented

United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Hartford will present William Gibson's play "The Miracle Worker," this weekend and next as a fund-raiser. Performances of this play about Helen Keller and her teacher, Annie Sullivan, will be at tonight, Saturday, and next Thursday, Friday and Saturday. There will be 2 p.m. matinees on Saturdays, as well. The role of Annie Sullivan, created on Broadway by Anne Bancroft, will be played by Lynn R. McCune of Glastonbury. Karen Tuomi of Ellington is Helen Keller. Performances are at the Whiting Lane School, on Whiting Lane in West Hartford. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens, with all proceeds going to UCP. For reservations, call 232-6158.

The infamous Delilah

Saturday evening, the Connecticut Opera Association will present "Samson & Delilah," starring Metropolitan Opera star Mignon Dunn, and celebrated tenor Jon F. West.

The performance is at 8 p.m. at the Bushnell Memorial Hall, Hartford. The enormous cast, some 200 performers, are doing the production in French. Both the Hartford Ballet and the Hartford Symphony Orchestra are participating in this performance. Tickets range from \$7 to \$30 each, and are available by calling 246-6807.



Enjoy flea market

Linen, books, handmade items, antiques, painted scenes, snacks are more will be on sale at a free flea market Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Burnside United Methodist Church, 16 Church St., East Hartford.

Eat pancakes, sausages

St. Maurice Knights of Columbus will sponsor a pancake breakfast on the parish center of St. Maurice Church Sunday from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Besides pancakes, sausages, toppings of syrup and blueberries, juice, coffee and tea will be served. The fees will be \$2.50 for adults, \$1.50 for children under 12 but no more than \$8 a family.

Dance to country, western

Anderson-Shea Post 2046 will hold an open dance to the music of the 1950s and 1960s and country-western Saturday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., at the post home.

'No Mercy' is revised

Interested in works in progress? Then you'll probably enjoy "No Mercy," a play by Constance Congdon which will be presented tonight through Sunday at the Hartford Stage Company, 50 Church St., Hartford.

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The magical mystery tour

Barry Moran will present a free magical performance, suitable for the whole family, at 8 p.m. Sunday. His presentation will be in the downstairs auditorium, Hartford Public Library, 500 Main St. Street parking is free, and readily available, on Sundays.

UConn contemporary ballet

The Ohio Ballet is a group of 20 dancers who perform a repertoire of contemporary dances. They have been well-received in this area before, and they return tonight to Jorgensen Auditorium, on the University of Connecticut campus, for an 8 p.m. performance. Tickets range from \$6 to \$10 per seat. They will be available at the door this evening. For further information, call 486-4226.

Real estate for dolls

A large doll house and miniature show will be presented Saturday by the Enfield Lions Club, at the Enfield Street School on Enfield Street. The show will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and tickets will be \$2 for adults, \$1 for children under 12. Senior citizens will be admitted for free. Refreshments will be available.

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Yvonne Talton Kersey, Teresa Bowers and Evan Bell appear in a scene from Coachlight Dinner Theater's production of the musical, "Ain't Misbehavin'" on stage in East Windsor through March 24.

'Ain't Misbehavin' calls on high-energy stars for cast

EAST WINDSOR — The stage shakes when Teresa Bowers bounces and sings "The Joint is Jumpin'." The audience giggles when Evan Bell tells individuals in the front row, "Honey, Your Feet's Too Big."



Center Stage Nancy Pappas

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The musical revue, featuring Fats Waller music of the '20s and '30s, doesn't seem unusual today. But it premiered off-off Broadway at the Manhattan Theater Club, back in the days before people were openly worshipping Prohibition-era black jazz, before the days of "Eddie," "Bubblin' Brown Sugar" and "Cotton Club."

When the musical moved on to Broadway, it was a surprise hit, and took both Tony and Drama Critics' Circle awards for best musical. The role of the primary comedienne was one of the first opportunities Nell Carter had to "strut her stuff," long before her success in television situation comedies.

In keeping with the tradition established by Carter, there is almost always a short, stout female in this show. The part was played most "amply" by Teresa Bowers, who was in both the Broadway and the national touring productions of this show. Bowers is a fine comedienne, who can turn on an Ella Fitzgerald-like voice in her more serious moments. It's rather startling, and yet delightful, to see that much magnificent-spangled fabric wiggling on the stage. All of this bump-and-grind jiggling works because this is a woman who's obviously quite comfortable with her image.

Yvonne Kersey, also a veteran of Broadway and national companies of this show, has one of the most remarkably versatile voices I have ever heard. She can sound as rumbly as Ertha Kitt, and yet hit notes as clearly as Beverly Sills. Of the three women in the show, she is best at changing her body language, and thereby the character she portrays.

As the leading male singer Evan Bell, remembered by Coachlight regulars for his appearance in "Rhapsody in Gershwin," immediately establishes a wonderful rapport with the audience. His vocal talent is prodigious — he has appeared in

seems approachable and lovable. Bell made his Broadway debut in this show, and went on to star in both the London and national touring productions. The excellent direction (and the relatively modest choreography) of this show were by Connie Shaffer, who normally choreographs the spectacular dance number at Coachlight. Performances are Tuesdays through Sundays, through March 24. Doors open for dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 5:30 p.m. on Sundays and 11:30 a.m. for matinees. For reservations, call 522-1266.

Nancy Pappas is a reporter with the Manchester Herald.

Whether he is rolling his eyes at the females in the cast, or getting down off the stage to gently insult the patrons, he

ton professional opera productions — but his acting ability is even more evident to the audience.

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UNICO checks go to members

UNICO President Leo DiMaio has announced that checks have been distributed to UNICO members for distribution to the following charities:

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The Manchester Chapter of UNICO National is the largest Italian-American civic organization in the United States. UNICO stands for Unity, Neighborliness, Integrity, Charity and Opportunity. Membership consists of those of Italian origin or those married to an Italian. All proceeds from the fund-raising activities are donated to benefit scholarship funds, mental health, mental retardation and other charities that UNICO supports.

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Alison Ziobrowski is all wrapped up in the WCA Nutmeg Branch's annual teddy bear picnic and party. The picnic took place on Thursday and drew about 18 youngsters.

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Thoughts

The word "Lent" began a long time ago. It's an old English word: "Lentgen" which means spring. It was changed to Lenten and finally to Lent. The Lenten season is to be understood as a time to reflect on Baptism and its basis in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Lent is, therefore, a time for rebirth and renewal in preparation for the celebration for Easter.

The traditional color of Lent is purple, to suggest solemnity and solemnity. Purple reminds us of the suffering and passion of Christ. The season provides a time for us to be sorry for our sins.

May all of us use this penitential season to reflect on our lives and the suffering which our Lord endured in our stead.

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Visiting Nurses promote three

Nurses Barbara Clark, Louise Leitao and Lynn Foote, who have been promoted recently, look over plans for the new office in Highland Park School. Leitao holds the new position of assistant director of clinical services of the Visiting Nurse and Home Care of

Manchester, where the three work. Foote replaces her as supervisor of clinical services. Clark is homemaker-home health aide supervisor. The present office is located at 150-N. Main St.

Herald photo by Tarquino

About Town

Scuba classes to start

The Manchester Recreation Department, 397 Park St., is taking registration for scuba classes from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The classes will start Wednesday at 7 p.m. at East Side Recreation Center, 22 School St., and continue on Wednesdays for seven more weeks.

A \$55 non-refundable fee must be paid at the time of registration with the remaining \$75 fee paid to Inner Space Dive Shop, 399 Center St., before Feb. 27 for those without equipment. Students with their own equipment will pay a base charge of \$70. The minimum age is 16. Medical examination reports must be presented at the first session.

For more information, call the department at 647-3084.

Family planning offered

WEST HARTFORD — Planned Parenthood of Connecticut is offering a series of volunteer training sessions for those who wish to volunteer for the organization or who wish to increase their knowledge of reproductive health issues.

Hosts for students sought

The American Intercultural Student Exchange, through its Eastern Connecticut representative Irving Tulin of Storrs, is seeking hosts for overseas students and students to send overseas. Foreign students come for their junior or senior high school year or for a five-week summer program and American students have a similar program abroad.

For more information, contact Tulin, 47 Meadow Road, Storrs, 06268.

Learn Rosemaling art

The Women's Club of Manchester will meet Monday at 8 p.m. at Community Baptist Church to hear Eilfred Arntzen speak on the Norwegian folk art of Rosemaling, painting on various materials.

Rainbow installs officers

Manchester Assembly 15, Order of Rainbow Girls, recently installed officers. They include: Sue Clarke, worthy advisor; Jennifer Shurkus, worthy associate advisor; Melanie Bodin, charity; Thayer Gowdy, hope; Ronda Mercer, Faith.

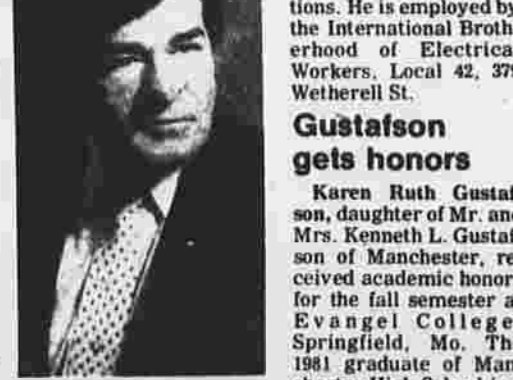
College Notes

Fraser gets bachelor's

James D. Fraser of 9 W. Middle Turnpike graduated from the adult-degree program of Norwich University, Montpelier, Vt., with a bachelor of arts degree. He had a concentration in labor relations. He is employed by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 42, 579 Wetherill St.

Gustafson gets honors

Karen Ruth Gustafson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Gustafson of Manchester, received academic honors for the fall semester at Evangel College, Springfield, Mo. The 1981 graduate of Manchester High School is a sophomore at Evangel majoring in psychology. The college is a four-year Assembly of God college of arts and sciences.



James D. Fraser

Advice

Church wedding is possible dream for interfaith couple

DEAR ABBY: In a recent column you stated, "If there is a rabbi or Roman Catholic priest who will perform a mixed marriage in a synagogue or church, I don't know where he (or she) is." Permit me to reply.

There are many rabbis and many priests who will officiate. We have had many mixed marriages in our synagogue in the past several years, including many in which clergy of other faiths have participated in the wedding ceremony.

Furthermore, the Rabbinic Center for Research and Counseling in Westfield, N.J., periodically completes a list of rabbis who will officiate at interfaith marriages. There are presently 180 rabbis on that list, including more than 50 who will invite their clergy to join them in their ceremony.

RABBI JOHN SHERWOOD, RABBI JOSEPH EMET, WOODLAND HILLS, CALIF.

DEAR RABBI SHERWOOD: I appreciate the helpful information to pass on to my readers. However, interested parties should not assume that they can just ring up any rabbi on the list and be assured of an instant marriage ceremony.

For example, most rabbis require a premarital conference and encourage a program of Jewish study prior to the marriage. Some rabbis (not all) require a commitment that the couple will establish a Jewish home and/or raise their children as Jews.

There are other conditions too numerous to mention here required by some rabbis, but a



Dear Abby Abigail Van Buren

national list of rabbis who will perform mixed marriages, plus the prerequisites of each, is available free of charge by writing to: Rabbi Irwin H. Fishbein, Rabbinical Center for Research and Counseling, 128 E. Dudley Ave., Westfield, N.J. 07090.

DEAR MRS. CRAIG: Others write to praise the Unitarian Universalist ministers for their non-judgmental, compassionate attitude.

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Elsewhere, inquire at the nearest college or university. A rabbi and a priest can be found to perform the ceremony at a non-denominational chapel where the dignity and spirituality of both religions are combined. You don't have to be a young college kid to be married in a chapel on a college campus. Anyone of legal age—and up—can get married there.

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made an appointment with the minister. Then she and her fiancé went to see him.

First, he gave them both a course in premarital counseling, and then he married them in a beautiful ceremony that included both the Christian and Jewish rituals.

I hope the couple who wrote to you takes your advice and finds a Unitarian minister as wonderful as the Rev. Robert Jones in Cherry Hills, N.J. I have never attended a more beautiful wedding nor heard a more meaningful service.

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Whalers play for tie; get OT win anyways

NEW YORK (UPI) — Hartford coach Jack Evans was playing for a tie, but came away with the victory instead when two of his top defensive specialists teamed in overtime to defeat the New York Rangers.

Overtime usually means bench time for penalty killers Mike Croen and Sylvain Cote. But Evans decided he would play it safe and send the pair out in the extra session. Hartford had forced overtime Thursday night by scoring twice in the final three minutes. NHL scored at 4:45 of overtime to

lift the Whalers to a 4-3 triumph. For the 19-year-old defenseman, playing in his 53rd game of the year, it was only his third goal.

"I can't believe this," Cote said. "I was very happy to even get out there in the overtime. (New York defenseman Barry) Beck grabbed my arm and it when off my skate."

Did he purposely kick it in? "I wouldn't do that," he grinned. "He was pulling me one way and maybe my skate went in the air." Croen, who has three goals and four assists this season, set up the game-winner. Working behind

the New York net, he poked the puck away from Beck and passed to Cote, who beat goaltender Glen Hanlon.

"Beck hit my pads when he tried to throw it around the boards," said Croen. "I threw it out blind in front. I never saw it go in."

With New York leading 3-1, Ray Newfield scored at 17:24 on assists from Sylvain Turgeon and Ron Francis. Then, with 13 seconds remaining and ex-Ranger goalie Steve Weeks on the bench in favor of a sixth attacker, Greg Maloney scored on a loose puck during a

goalmouth scramble and scored to tie it.

It was another in a series of third-period letdowns by the Rangers, who were coming off back-to-back victories against the last two Stanley Cup champions, Edmonton and the Islanders.

"It wasn't like the high over the weekend," Beck said. "When it got to 3-2 there was no feeling there. I don't know why and I made a couple of mistakes. At no time did we feel tonight like we did against the Islanders and Edmonton."

The game marked the return of New York left wing Don Maloney, who missed 41 games with a fractured leg. He was assessed a hooking penalty and got into a fight with Ulf Samuelsson in the second period.

"I feel OK. I'm out of shape, of course," said Maloney. "I'm very unhappy what happened during this game. We can't have things like this happen if we are to be serious about winning."

Mike Rogers' 21st goal of the season put the Rangers ahead 1-0 at 1:06 of the first period. Turgeon tied it at 2:14 on a breakaway pass from Ron Francis after Beck had

lost the puck, but Steve Patrick put New York ahead with a power-play goal three minutes later when he deflected a 50-foot shot by Reijo Ruotsalainen.

After a scoreless second period, Peter Sandstrom's rebound goal at 4:26 of the third put New York ahead 3-1.

Hartford has a pair of weekend home games, Saturday night against the Los Angeles King and Sunday afternoon against the St. Louis Blues.

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Goal barrages sweeping phenomena as quick onslaughts decide games

By Lisa Harris United Press International

A phenomena is sweeping the NHL — goal barrages in ludicrously short intervals.

Wednesday night, four of five games were decided by onslaughts. The familiar refrain in the New York Islander dressing room, "Except for a few mistakes, it was perfect," echoed in Toronto and New York Ranger camps and has become the NHL song and dance of late.

Last weekend the defending Stanley Cup champion Edmonton Oilers allowed the Rangers to score five goals in 3:22, quicker than New York had managed to score that many in 4:35. The next night, Quebec was on a rampage and after that New Jersey. It seems no team has not been caught in the quick scoring.

By and large, goaltending is not to blame. Hartford has an outstanding netminder in Greg Millen, but has yielded 255 goals

(fourth most in the league). Rather, team defenses are woeful and were at their worst last night.

Hartford beat the Oilers 4-1. Rangers 4-3, Winnipeg surprised the New York Islanders 3-2. Philadelphia topped Toronto 4-1, Washington whipped Vancouver 6-2 and in a see-saw game of spread out production, Los Angeles defeated New Jersey 5-3.

Jets 3, Islanders 2

At Uniondale, N.Y., after dominating the first period only to trail 1-0, the Islanders knew they were faced with a hot goaltender in Brian Hayward. Their counter-attack in the first 1:20 of the second period was to give up two more goals 70 seconds apart in a 3-2 loss.

"We'll be in good shape if we stop putting ourselves in a hole," was defenseman Brian Engblom's 1:30-riche-with-million-dollars hyperbole. The Islanders and NHL games these days, then, are not in good shape.

Not surprisingly, scintillating non-conference matchups between the best of the Patrick Division and the worst of the Smythe were decided in the same period but Philadelphia Flyers hosted league doormat Toronto, and the 2 Team in the West, Washington, played Vancouver, last in the Smythe.

Flyers 4, Leafs 1

At Philadelphia, the Flyers scored three goals in a 2-1 span. Brian Topp tied the score after Toronto defenseman Borje Salming kicked the puck out from behind the net to him. Murray Craven backed in a shot off a defenseman 24 seconds before Dave Poulin scored.

"We got ratty in the second period," Leaf coach Don Maloney said. "We became undisciplined."

Capitals 6, Canucks 2

At Vancouver, British Columbia, Mike Gartner had a hat trick to power Washington. Gartner scored once in each period to bring

his season totals to 38 goals and 79 points.

The Canucks had tied the score 2-2 at 7:30 of the second period but following the trend, gave up three goals within 1:33 to trail 5-2. Alan Haworth scored from a scramble at 14:46. Greg Adams got his second goal of the game on a 2-on-1 break at 15:10 before Gartner got his second goal at 16:39.

They played atrocious without the puck, said Canucks coach Brian MacLellan.

They are not alone. But they are among only five teams that will miss the playoffs. At this late date, post-season play may be defensive hockey's last hope.

Kings 5, Devils 3

At East Rutherford, N.J., Bernie Nichols and Dave Taylor each had a goal and an assist and defenseman Brian Engblom set up two goals to lift Los Angeles as the Kings' goal-fest from five players in a back-and-forth contest.

Northwest Catholic vs. No. 5 seed 6-8, 8-12 South Catholic at 8 p.m.

St. Bernard and Aquinas will clash for the HCC girls title at 4 p.m. St. Bernard opened East twice in the regular season, 6-45 and 52-47.

The winners advance to Monday's semifinals at 8 and 8 p.m. at East College's Perrie Athletic Center. The consolation and championship contests are Tuesday at 6 and 8 p.m. at Trinity.

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Kids add dash to recipes

DEAR POLLY: This pointer solved two of my piles of recipes cut from magazines and also many lovely pictures done on construction paper by my children. I send you my recipes and these works of art. I glued the recipes on the backs of the pictures and stored them in a pocket folder with my cookbooks. I dated and identified each picture, they'll be wonderful to look at in the years to come! — JUDY

DEAR POLLY: When I stuff Christmas stockings, instead of putting in a lot of rich and fancy goodies, I put in a small box of a favorite cereal, several pieces of fresh fruit and a sweet roll or doughnut wrapped in plastic, a hard-cooked egg with a Santa face drawn on the shell and a package of hot cocoa mix. If there's any space left, I add a small toy and some nuts. When they open the stock-

ings, they take the food into the kitchen and enjoy their breakfast, which usually satisfies them until lunch. — JEAN

DEAR JEAN: Although Christmas is past, I loved your pointer so much I had to print it anyway. Especially since this would be a great idea for filling those Easter baskets this spring. The kids can have a special breakfast that they can fix for themselves with the goodies in the basket and excessive sweets can be avoided. Thanks for

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Lakers having visions of catching top pair

By Rick Gosselin United Press International

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The arena was in Kansas City and the Los Angeles Lakers were the Pacific Division 13 games over the Phoenix Suns and gave the Lakers a 4-0 game edge over the Midwest Division-leading Denver Nuggets for the best record in the West Conference.

"We're going to win the division but that doesn't count," Johnson said. "What we're trying to do right now is get in a groove in the right frame of mind for the playoffs. We've got 25 games to go and the Lakers have already finished strong. We think we can catch Boston and Philadelphia, but we've got to keep winning."

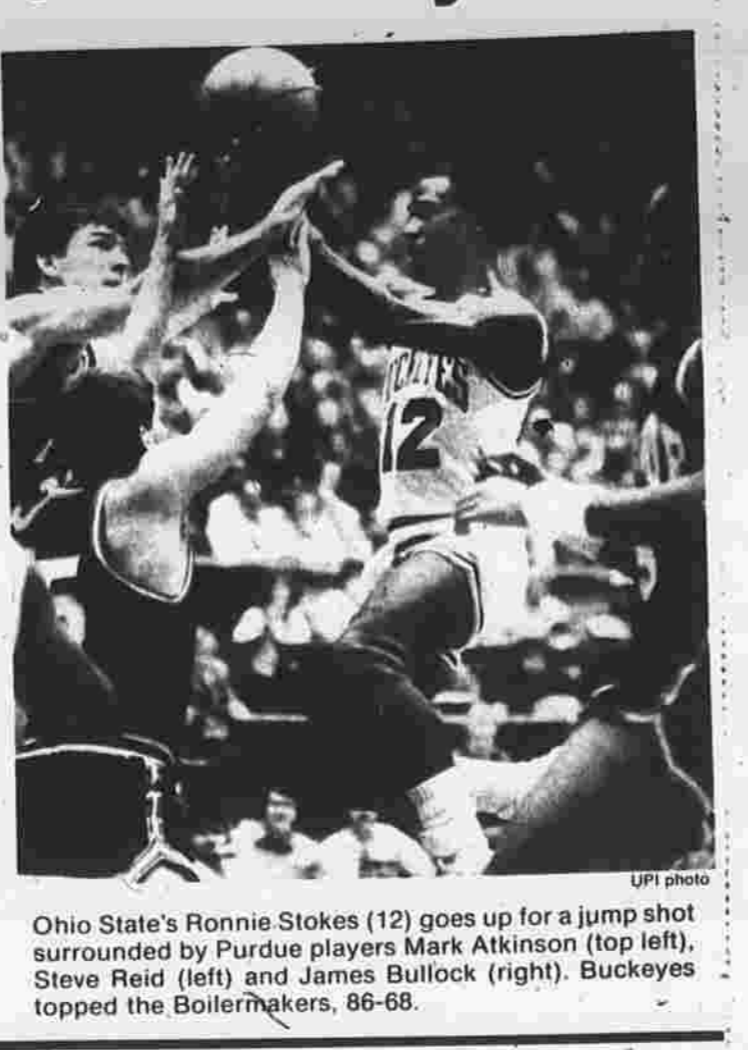
Johnson had 8 points and 4 assists to help Los Angeles rally from a 7-point second-quarter deficit into a 62-59 halftime lead. Kurt Rambis then scored 6 points and Johnson added a basket and 3 free throws to restore a 9-point lead heading into the final two minutes.

College basketball roundup

Lefty's 50th career victory was oh so easy

By Fred Lee
United Press International
They should all have been so easy for Lefty Driessell...

Harris never really got into his rhythm... Tulsa coach Nolan Richardson said...



Ohio State's Ronnie Stokes (12) goes up for a jump shot...

Sports In Brief

ECHS looking for coaches

East Catholic High is looking for assistant coaches in boys and girls track and for a varsity boys tennis coach...

March of Dimes appeal

HARTFORD—The annual March of Dimes appeal will begin Tuesday with duckpin and 10-pin bowlers throughout Hartford County...

Rookie Twiggs leads Doral Open

MIAMI—Lee Trevino believes his game is getting better with age. The 1984 PGA Championship winner...

Massey, Paul share LPGA lead

TUCSON, Ariz.—Debbie Massey and Anne-Marie Pauli overcame rainy 45-degree weather to card 2-under-par 70s Thursday...

Former boxer Janiro dies

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio—Former middleweight boxer Tony Janiro, whose 36-bout career included 10 fights with Jake LaMotta...

Coghlan tops indoor field

NEW YORK—There will be enough fanfare at tonight's USA Indoor Track and Field Championships that Carl Lewis and Mary Decker Slaney will hardly be missed...

Washington heads for Braves camp

WALNUT CREEK, Calif.—Atlanta Braves outfielder Claudell Washington, booked on suspicion of possession of illegal drugs...

Washburn won't be reinstated

RALEIGH, N.C.—North Carolina State coach Jim Valvano says he won't reinstate Chris Washburn to the team this season...

Jim Brown insists of innocence

LOS ANGELES—Hall of Fame running back Jim Brown suspected along with a female companion of sexually assaulting a 23-year-old woman in his home...

Celtics sign Ray Williams

BOSTON—The injury-hampered Boston Celtics Thursday signed NBA veteran guard Ray Williams to an offer sheet for the rest of the season...

Collinsworth back with Bengals

CINCINNATI—Wide receiver Chris Collinsworth, who never got as far as practice with the Tampa Bay Bandits of the USFL...

Red Sox sign three more

BOSTON—The Boston Red Sox announced Thursday they have signed three more players to 1-year contracts...

Mattingly undergoes minor surgery

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.—New York Yankees first baseman Don Mattingly, the 1984 American League batting champion...

Radio and TV

TONIGHT: 7:30 Hockey: Celtics vs. Bruins. WHYY-TV. 8:00 Hockey: Rangers vs. Penguins. WHYY-TV.

Baseball talks move slowly

NEW YORK (UPI)—Representatives of major league baseball players and owners met for three hours Thursday in negotiations over a new basic agreement...

The pension plan has been funded by the owners with a flat sum each year. Players seek a percentage of television revenues...

Several proposals were elaborated upon in writing. Among issues considered were plans for future expansion...

We basically got four or five proposals from them in a number of areas. Belanger said...

We don't like them," said Lee-CPhill, head of the owners bargaining contingent...

They've taken the 1981 agreement which was really ground out concepts. We thought they are making a difficult area even tougher...

By the end of February, we'll have all the proposals. Then it begins to try to work out differences between us. It will not be easy because they're so substantial...

We've gone through the preliminaries. The meetings in March will be more difficult bargaining.

Tim Raines big winner

CHICAGO (UPI)—Baseball's top free agent, Tim Raines, won the largest award ever granted in arbitration. The star outfielder was awarded \$1 million...

The 25-year-old Raines, who has won four batting titles, was paid \$1 million last year when he hit .309, scored 166 runs, had 60 RBI and 75 bases...

Roberts heard the case Wednesday in Chicago. Raines' case was presented by Brad Gilbert...

We're not terribly upset," said Bill Stoneham, the Expos' vice president in charge of players' salaries...

An arbitration award is for one year only. The ruling marked a dramatic turn in fortune for Raines, who in 1982 announced he was spending \$40,000...

My muscles, my body weight, balance and mind were used to another racket for 18 years," said the top-seeded Connors...

In the other quarterfinal match, third-seed Aaron Krickstein of Grand-Sport, Mich. will face David Pate of Las Vegas, Nev...

Krickstein advanced with a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Shaugh Perkins of Israel while Pate moved on by defeating Hank Pister of Bakersfield, Calif. 2-6, 7-6 (3), 6-4...

The winner of Sunday's final earned \$51,000.

Scholastic basketball roundup

Bellringers trip Techmen

EAST HAMPTON—Homesitting East Hampton High built up a 12-point first period lead and took a 28-10 lead over Techmen...

The Bellringers, now 7-0 overall at 9-8. The Beavers dipped to 4-11 and 5-12...

Cheney, which must win all three of its remaining games to qualify for state tournament play, hosts Coventry High tonight at 7:45...

Gary Wallace punched in eight of his 14 points in the first quarter to spark East Hampton. Brian Riley netted a team-high 19...

They made everything from outside jumpers to fast breaks, over second-most effective in the league last year against the Techmen...

The Gold will counter with the "Run 'n' Shoot" offense, which offensive coordinator Darrell Moseley Davis installed in Hampton...

After finishing 14th in offense and defense last season, the Gold needed an infusion of excitement. Vince Evans, formerly of Chicago, will start at quarterback...

At Birmingham, backfields will be the focus when the Stallions face the Gamblers at 7:45...

Young didn't join the Express until the sixth week of the 1984 season, but guided Los Angeles to eight victories in 10 starts...

Birmingham's defense, however, was second-most effective in the league last year against the Techmen...

At Jacksonville, the Bulls will sport a new look with former Philadelphia 76ers guard Keith Van Horn...

The Stars have jumped from Philadelphia to Baltimore and are making the move pretty much intact. The defending champions are tough on defense and their starting backfield is as good as any...

Quarterback Chuck Fusina has won 31 of 36 USFL starts and has eight victories in 10 starts...

He has led the Redskins to a 10-1 record in 11 starts...

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SCOREBOARD

Hockey

NHL standings

Table with columns for team, W, L, T, Pts, GF, GA. Includes Washington, Philadelphia, NY Islanders, etc.

Walters & Rangers 3

Walters & Rangers 3-0. First period—NY Rangers, Rogers 1; second period—Walters, Pennington 2.

Buffalo

Buffalo 2-1. First period—Buffalo, Smith 1; second period—Buffalo, Smith 1.

St. Louis

St. Louis 2-1. First period—St. Louis, Gosselin 1; second period—St. Louis, Gosselin 1.

Chicago

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Minnesota

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Edmonton

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Basketball

NBA standings

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Portland

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San Antonio

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Phoenix

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Football

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Golf

PGA results

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