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# Manchester Herald

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## Paper says doc heaved wife out of window

HARTFORD (UPI) — Connecticut investigators believe Dr. Russell F. Manfredi beat his wife to death with a sharp instrument and threw her out a second-floor bedroom window of their home, a newspaper reported today.

Investigators spent Wednesday in Scranton, Pa., near Manfredi's hometown where they told local police what they believed happened when the cardiologist's wife was found in a car crushed into a utility pole early Friday near their West Hartford home.

The warrants in the case have been sealed but The Scranton Tribune today published the investigators' information obtained from what it said were independent sources.

The Tribune reported police believe Manfredi may have thrown the body of his wife, Catherine, 33, from the window to avoid taking it past the bedrooms where their three children were sleeping.

The Tribune identified the investigators as West Hartford police detectives Anthony Duffy and John Looby and Edward Kezowski of the Chief State's Attorney's office.

The state medical examiner's office ruled the death a homicide, saying Mrs. Manfredi died from repeated blows to her head delivered before she left the house. No motive has been disclosed.



Attack on apathy  
 Mark Dignoti, a second-semester freshman at Manchester Community College, tries to study in the lounge of the MCC Lowe Building Wednesday while a folk singer entertains students. The college Student Program Board, which has complained of apathy among the students this year, sponsored the mid-day event to gain interest in student activities on the campus.

## Pillowtex gets union

Workers at Pillowtex Inc. in Manchester today voted to join United Auto Workers Local 376, which represents workers in about 30 different companies in the Hartford area, union representatives said today.

If the vote is certified by the National Labor Relations Board, it will represent the first UAW foothold in Manchester.

In an election conducted this morning by the NLRB at the Pillowtex plant at 49 Regent St., 46 of 75 workers eligible to vote voted to have Local 376 represent them in future contract negotiations with the company, according to figures provided by Robert Madore, a union official.

He said that the other 29 eligible workers voted against the UAW.

Madore said the union will be seeking higher wages and better benefits and working conditions for employees who make pillows and comforters. Most are women, Madore said.

Madore charged that wages in many cases are not much above minimum wage, which is currently \$3.35.

"Ironically the biggest gripe is the treatment that they received, not the wages," Madore said. "The workers came to us."

## Police raid Elks Club, VFW Hall

Illegal gaming machines were seized Wednesday night in raids on the Elks Club on Bissell Street and the VFW Hall on East Center Street, police said today.

The raids were carried out by the Statewide Organized Crime Investigative Task Force, with assistance from Manchester police.

Four officers from the task force and three from the Manchester Police Department were involved in the two Manchester raids. Although no arrests were made Wednesday, some arrests are expected as a result of the raids, according to a state police spokesman.

Gary Wood, spokesman for the Manchester Police Department, said the department independently will continue a drive to rid the town of illegal gaming machines in social clubs.

The clubs are put on notice now that this is not going to stop," he said.

Three gaming machines were seized from the Elks Club in a raid on Sept. 8, 1982. On the same night, two machines were seized at Zipsper Club on Brainard Place.

Wood, referring to the 1982 raids, said the machines were eliminated once and later began to creep back in.

The raid Wednesday was carried out with warrants obtained by the task force. Sgt. Bruce Haines, a task force member, said information leading to the issue of warrants came from various sources, including anonymous phone calls.

Wood said the task force asked the police department to supply three officers to assist in the raids.

The Elks Club is frequented by local police officers and the police union often conducts its meetings there.

Haines said the machines at the Elks Club were located in a small meeting room.

Adam Berluti, a state police spokesman, said that some arrests are expected pending a review of the raids by the office of the state's attorney.

Since the beginning of the drive in 1982, about 100 machines have been confiscated, Berluti said.

Most of the machines offer video poker, but are modified so that players accumulate credits based on winning poker hands and get cash payouts. It is the cash payouts that make the machines illegal in Connecticut, Berluti said.

The eight other clubs raided Wednesday are the Polish American Citizens' Club on Village Street, Rockville; the Maple Grove Club on Franklin Street, Vernon; the Italian American Friendship Club in Tolland; the Moose Lodge in Tolland; American Legion Post 14 on West Street, Rockville; the Italian Social Club on Sainste St., Rockville; the Rockville Lodge of Elks on North Park St., Rockville; and the Kosciuszko Benefit Society on Vernon Avenue, Rockville.



Testimony in Washington  
 Alejandro Salazar, right, formerly a member of the Sandinista government in Nicaragua, looks on as Martha Murillo, 9, speaks at a news conference in Washington Wednesday. Murillo was stabbed, shot and left for dead after her family was killed by Sandinista troops in Wivima, Nicaragua, 75 miles from the Honduran border.

## Aides caution against early summit

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Reagan's aide cautioned against a summit with the Soviet Union before the end of the year.

But aides said, "We expect this to be a long road. The Russians don't seem to be in any hurry. Don't look for anything dramatic anytime soon."

Bush told a news conference he was "high on hope" for improved relations between the United States and the Soviet Union. "We encountered nothing to discourage us from these feelings. It's a good time to move forward."

The vice president, who is heading on to Latin America on a previously scheduled visit, will brief Reagan early next week.

Reagan met Wednesday with former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, who said a summit should be held but only after Moscow shows a firm commitment to improve relations.

Emerging from an hour-long discussion with Reagan over lunch, Kissinger was cautious in sizing up Gorbachev, 54, whose relative youth and more dynamic personality have fueled hopes in the West of improved relations with Moscow.

"We have a tendency to look at these Soviet leaders as if this were a personality contest," he said. "The first thing one has to remember is that you don't get to the head of the Poliburo by being a choirboy."

Kissinger said Reagan should not rush into a summit without demonstrated progress on arms reductions or other fronts of U.S.-Soviet relations.

"A summit is not an end in itself," he said. "What is an end is the result of a summit."

"I don't think foreign policy is a psychiatric exercise," he said. "I don't think it's so important to meet each other as it is important to have an agenda to talk about."

Cautioning against expectations of significant change in Soviet policy under Gorbachev, Kissinger appeared less enthusiastic about an early summit than some White House officials.

## State lawmakers want convention

### Balanced budget amendment gets support from public

By Lydo Phillips  
 United Press International

HARTFORD — State lawmakers released results of a poll showing that a majority of Connecticut residents favors a constitutional amendment requiring a balanced federal budget.

About 40 percent of all those questioned would be more inclined to vote for a candidate who supports a balanced budget amendment.

Sen. Thomas Scott, R-Milford, gender or age, favor such an amendment.

A smaller margin, but still more than 50 percent, were in favor of calling a federal constitutional convention to draft the balanced budget amendment, according to the poll, which was done in January.

But Rep. Richard Foley, R-Oxford, who is leading the push for the resolution in the House, said only about 40 representatives are committed to vote in favor of it now. Seventy-six votes are needed for the measure to pass.

So far, 32 states have adopted resolutions calling for a constitutional convention to consider a balanced budget. Only two more states are needed to force Congress to call the convention, unless it proposed its own amendment by the meantime.

Any proposed amendment to the constitution must be ratified 38 states.

Scott said the Michigan Legislature is close to approving a similar resolution, which could make Connecticut the state that puts the issue "over the top."

"This would be a fitting honor for Connecticut, the Constitution State," he said.

Opponents said Wednesday that, on the contrary, a constitutional convention is a dangerous way to address the problem of soaring federal deficits.

"If the president wants a balanced budget all he has to do is present one — without dragging the Constitution through the mud," said Rep. Tom Dudgeon, R-Ansonia.

Looking for a constitutional amendment to require it, "like the Cowardly Lion going to the Wizard of Oz and asking for courage," Dudgeon said.

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## Woman claiming sextuplets isn't pregnant

**KITTERY, Maine (UPI)**—A man who said he had "no reason to doubt" his wife had conceived sextuplets—despite his vasectomy—has admitted she is undergoing psychiatric care and is not even pregnant.

Her mind told her she was carrying six children, Dick Perham said of his wife Kim, 27, Wednesday. "I had no reason to doubt her at all."

"Our neighbors said she looked pregnant. She gained a significant amount of weight and wasn't eating any more than usual. But in her mind, this was all reality," he said.

"During these last few months, her mind told her she was carrying six children. They say the mind is a very powerful thing," he said.

Perham and his wife came under pressure Wednesday when reports from medical officials surfaced that the claim she was carrying sextuplets—four girls and two boys—was either inaccurate or exaggerated.

Perham said he took his wife to an area hospital after "we decided to get our own ultrasound test." It was at the undisclosed hospital that Perham said he

first learned the truth—that his wife is not pregnant. At the hospital, Mrs. Perham was examined by a psychiatrist and admitted for treatment.

"When we determined she wasn't pregnant, we decided to get some help. She's currently under psychiatric treatment," said Perham, a diesel mechanic at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

Earlier, doctors at Portsmouth Hospital in New Hampshire, where the woman claimed to have had two ultrasound tests performed, denied she had been treated there. And Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, where Mrs. Perham said she would deliver the sextuplets via caesarean section July 28, had no record of her impending visit.

Dr. William Casack of Dover, N.H., who had treated the woman before, said in a prepared statement that "Neither I nor any of my colleagues... have seen Mrs. Perham during her pregnancy. We have not done an ultrasound test on her or know of any ultrasound test" performed for her.

Perham said he first learned there was something about the pregnancy Tuesday night when friends of the family said they could get no medical

## Mass. General admits Guthrie

**BOSTON (UPI)**—Folk singer Arlo Guthrie has been admitted to Massachusetts General Hospital where doctors hope to find out why one of his kidneys became partially blocked.

Guthrie, 37, was transferred to MGH Wednesday from Mary Lane Hospital in Ware, where he had been undergoing tests since experiencing pains during a recording session last Friday.

North he had been working on his latest album at the Long View Farm Recording Studios in nearby North Brookfield when he was stricken.

MGH spokesman Martin Bander said the hospital expected to release a diagnosis once it is made, which is expected within a few days. Doctors first thought Guthrie had an inflamed gall bladder but determined Tuesday one of his kidneys was partially blocked, according to Jackie Guthrie, 40, the performer's wife.

"They went through each organ and finally hit on the kidney," she said. "He's actually gotten better than when he went in. His fever's down and he's stabilized."

confirmation of Mrs. Perham's story. The friends were hoping to set up programs to help the couple cope with the expected births but needed medical confirmation.

The Kittery couple already has two-year-old twin sons. Perham last fall had a vasectomy, but said he never returned to the doctor to verify he was sterile.

Mrs. Perham said last week she was told in December she was pregnant, apparently because the vasectomy took longer than expected to become effective.

But Harry Castleman, a spokesman for Brigham and Women's Hospital, said officials had no records of Mrs. Perham having any dealings with the hospital, its obstetrics department, or any doctors there.

Castleman also said radiologists at Brigham and Women's were "surprised" at the woman's statement last week that an ultrasound test she said was performed at Portsmouth Hospital was able to detect the sex of the fetuses, though he said it was "not impossible" at that early developmental stage.

He said Mrs. Perham arrived at the hospital Wednesday with a TV crew.

## Peopletalk



**From Tara to Tallahassee**

Theilma "Butterfly" McQueen, who played the maid Prissy in "Gone with the Wind," is in Tallahassee, Fla., finishing up her autobiography.

"I have a wonderful life now," McQueen, 74, told the Tallahassee Democrat. "Some people are still curious about this black-skinned, plain-faced woman from the Deep South, who has gone so far."

She said she has completed a draft of a short autobiography and came to Tallahassee from her New York home to work on it with a friend. During a brief visit to Florida A&M University last week, McQueen handed out short poems she had written on cards.

Besides her role as Prissy, McQueen has appeared in more than a dozen other films, including, "Cabin in the Sky," "Since You Went Away," "Duel in the Sun" and, most recently, "Amazing Grace" in 1974.

## Weather

**Today's forecast**

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Tonight, partly cloudy, no change on Friday. Low in the 20s. High 40 to 45 except 30 to 35 western hills.

Vermont: Brick winds and cold with flurries tonight and Friday. Low tonight 20 to 25. High in the 20s Friday.

New Hampshire: Flurries likely north and a chance of flurries south tonight. Low in the teens and 20s. Windy Friday with scattered flurries north and partly sunny south. High in the 20s north and 30 to 37 south.

Maine: Flurries likely north and a chance of flurries south tonight. Low in the teens and 20s. Windy Friday. Scattered flurries north and mountains. Partly sunny south. High in the 20s to mid 30s.

**Extended outlook**

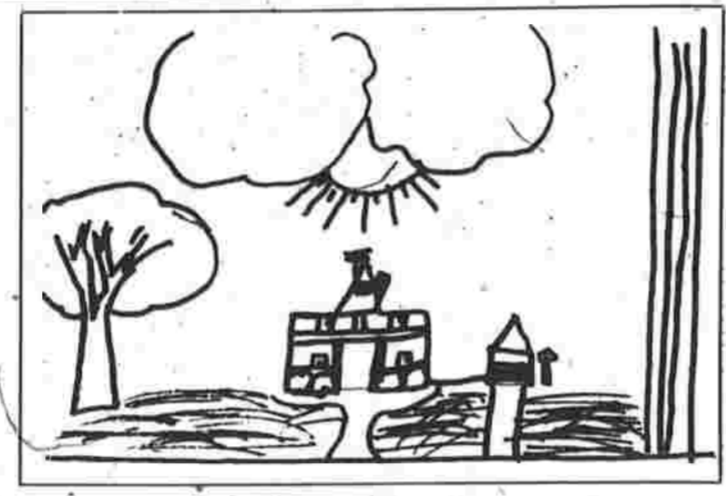
Extended outlook for New England Saturday through Monday:

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Partly cloudy Saturday. Chance of showers or flurries Sunday. Fair Monday. Highs in the 40s. Overnight lows in the 20s.

New Hampshire: Fair south and chance of flurries north Saturday. Chance of flurries Sunday. Fair Monday. Lows near 10 north to 20 south. Highs in the 20s to lower 30s north and mid 30s to lower 40s south.

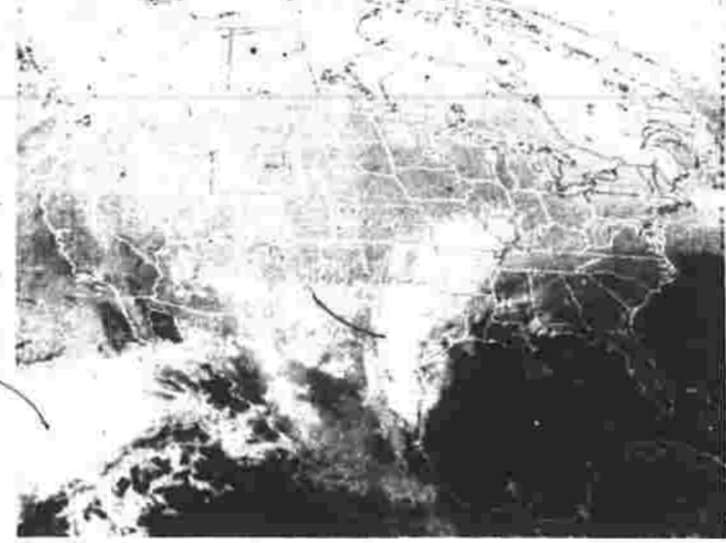
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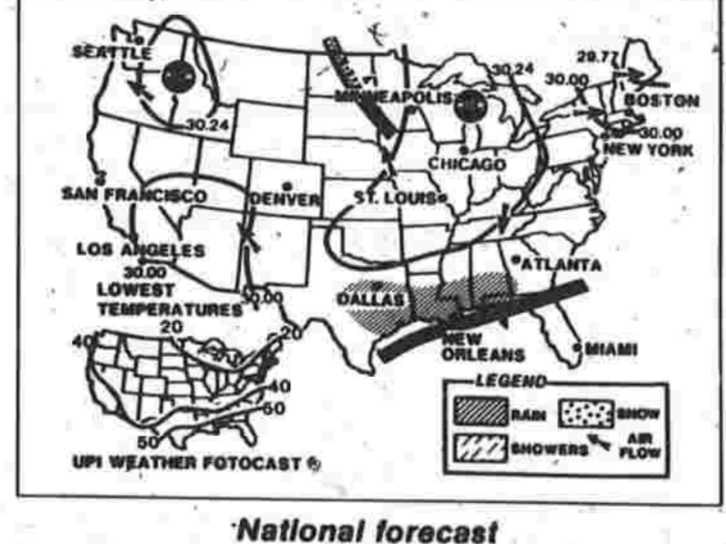
**A hide-and-seek sun**

Tonight: partly cloudy. Low in the mid 20s. Wind west around 10 mph. Friday: partly sunny windy and colder. High near 40. Today's weather picture was drawn by Danielle Frazier, 9, of 209 Center St., a fourth grader at Washington School.



**Satellite view**

Commerce Department satellite photo taken at 4 a.m. EST shows thunderstorms over Texas and clouds extending to the Mississippi Valley. Low clouds cover the Ohio Valley and the Northeast.



**Lottery**

Connecticut daily Wednesday: 191. Play Four: 4346

Other numbers drawn Wednesday by New England:

Maine daily: 632  
New Hampshire daily: 3656  
Rhode Island daily: 6074  
Rundel's weekly: 927, 6707, 57179 and 826350  
Vermont daily: 302  
Massachusetts daily: 7196  
Massachusetts weekly: Yellow 018, Blue 79, and White 3 "Megabucks": 15-20-21-23-30-35

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## Manchester In Brief

### Power hearing set Friday

A public hearing on a study of the power industry and legislation dealing with energy has been scheduled for Friday at 10 a.m. in the state Capitol, state Sen. Carl A. Zinsner, R-Manchester, has announced.

The hearing will address a \$150,000 study approved by the Legislature last year on the feasibility of a state takeover of the power industry, as well as several bills concerning "rate shock," "It is my opinion that anytime the state commissions a study for \$150,000, the public deserves a chance to voice their views on the matter," said Zinsner, the co-chairman of the Legislature's Energy and Public Utilities Committee. "This is an excellent opportunity for the public to comment on Northeast Utilities, power rates and service."

### Democrats want ideas

Democrats from Manchester and other towns in the First Congressional District are invited to share their ideas or comments on the future of the state Democratic Party at a public hearing in Hartford on March 28.

"Democrats have a lot of opinions and a lot of ideas and we're interested in hearing them," said Democratic State Central Committee members Nancy N. Owens of Newtonington and William J. O'Brien of West Hartford in a joint statement.

The hearing is being sponsored by State Central Committee members from the First Congressional District and is open to all interested Democrats. Among the committee members from the First Congressional District is John J. Sullivan of Manchester. The hearing will be from 7 to 10 p.m. in the auditorium of Bulkeley High School on Wellesfield Avenue.

### Leprechaun to pick winners

Waddell School Principal Gail Rowe has scheduled the "Irish Sweepstakes" for Friday.

Students at the school will nominate one student and one teacher they think most deserve the sweepstakes' secret prize. The ballots, she said, will then be put into a box.

Then, at 8:45 Friday morning, Lucky Leprechaun will visit Waddell School, do an Irish jig around the sweepstakes box and choose three students and three teachers to receive the prize. Rowe would not disclose the prize.

Lucky Leprechaun, whom Rowe said is invisible to the camera, will only make a brief appearance at the school. But, she said, if the sweepstakes is a success, he will return again next year.

### Crafts fair to benefit fund

Manchester High School industrial education teachers will sponsor a crafts fair March 30 in the high school cafeteria to benefit the Conroy McCurry Scholarship Fund.

McCurry was an industrial education teacher at MHS who died in his early 20s.

Nearly 50 area craftsmen will display their works at the fair, which is scheduled for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A variety of snacks and refreshments will be available, as well as free, supervised child-care services for those who attend.

For more information, contact Greg Kane at 647-3561.

### Gifted parents to meet

A group of parents has scheduled a meeting on the "Issues of Giftedness" for March 21 at 7 p.m. in the Bowers School library, on Princeton Street.

Characteristics, peer relationships and the schooling of gifted and talented students are among the topics to be discussed at the meeting.

The group will also select a name and elect a group of officers. For more information, contact Libby Zakowicz at 646-2318.

### Easter donations are sought

Human Relations Commission member Robert Faucher is seeking contributions and volunteers to help provide a free Easter dinner to those who might not otherwise be able to afford it or who might have to eat alone on Easter.

The dinner will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church at 41 Park St. at 4 p.m. on Easter Sunday.

Contributions may be sent to Manchester Easter Dinner, P.O. Box 204, Manchester. Anyone who wishes to donate time should call Faucher at 646-8826 or 865-3181.

Anyone who knows of someone that would like to attend the dinner should also call Faucher or mail the name and address of the person to the post office box above.

### YWCA hosts 'misbehavior' talk

Anne Bonney, child life specialist at Manchester Memorial Hospital, will speak at the March 20 meeting of the Single Parent Support Group at the YWCA, 770 Main St., East Hartford.

Bonney will discuss child misbehavior at the one-hour meeting scheduled to begin at 1 p.m.

For more information, call 569-4493.

## Course opponents circulate article against 'Humanism'

By Bill Yingling  
Herald Reporter

A philosophy that proponents say is based on individual dignity, civil liberties and a world community has been at the eye of a recent storm surrounding an eight-credit health course taught at two Manchester junior high schools.

"Most of the material being taught falls into the category of Scientific Humanism," a group called the Concerned Citizens of Manchester said in a March 7 letter to the Board of Education.

The group is opposed to the course, "Focus on Wellness," which is taught to eighth-graders at Bennet and Illing junior high schools. It claims among other things that the course poses a threat to the mental health of students.

"The philosophy," the letter continued, "teaches that there are no absolutes—no absolute authority, no right, no wrong, and no morality."

In the letter, parents called for the suspension of the course from the two schools.

School officials have eliminated several filmstrips from the course and the recommendations of a review panel that investigated complaints by parents about the material it covers.

But a motion at a school board meeting Monday night to have at least two units of the course suspended from the curriculum was defeated by a 6-2 vote. Controversial topics that are covered in the course include abortion and teenage suicide.

The Manchester Herald has since obtained a copy of a 31-page interpretation of the humanist philosophy entitled "Weep for Your Children."

The commentary, which decries humanist theory in education, has been circulating among opponents of the course. Some parents who support the course said this week that the article has been used in an effort to persuade them to fight its continuation.

Included with the article is a copy of the "Humanist Manifesto II" and a list of people who the author claims have endorsed it. They include author Isaac Asimov, Nobel Peace Prize winner and Soviet dissident Andrei D. Sakharov, Harvard University psychologist B.F. Skinner and National Organization for Women founder Betty Friedan.

The following are unedited excerpts of that article:

"Far too many schools today are no longer hiding the secular humanism base of education. They are openly promoting the religion of secular humanism in the classroom—→ a selfish, hedonistic, anti-God religion that has become the official, or at least semi-official religion of the public schools."



**Flowers fight cancer**

Herald photo by Tarquinio

American Cancer Society volunteers Ferne Pasternak, left, and Karen Chorghos Wednesday try to manage a gigantic delivery of daffodils to be distributed today to those who contributed to a recent fund-raising drive. A Cancer Society spokeswoman said today that the fund drive was a rousing success, with more orders received than the society can fill.

"Unfortunately, the federal government is heavily financing various Humanist programs."

"Why would the federal government use \$7 million of our tax money to instruct fifth graders of this nation in adultery, suicide, murder, and cannibalism?"

Another vehicle for the Humanist cause, the author claims, is a mental exercise called Values Clarification.

The article says:

"Few parents realize that sex education is merely Values Clarification in the disguise of sex education. It is taught to give students a new set of values in line with the sexual freedom of the Humanist."

"As any parent can tell you, it takes about 15 minutes to cover the facts of life. Any further sexual questions can be covered in a few minutes each when they are brought up. There is no reason for teaching sex education for 12 years in school unless there is an attempt to change the sexual values of the students from what they learned at home and church, to the Humanist point of view."

"Why do we use the Manuals of men when we are dealing with men? Why not go to the One who made man and learn from His manual—the Bible?"

The unidentified author of the article refers to himself in the first person. But he said that in 1972 he was the editor of a California newspaper called the "Fresno Guide."

He claims to have left the newspaper because it would not support his views on abortion and pornography.

The author attributes his source of information to a list of letters to the Christian Family Renewal headquarters in Clovis, Calif.

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## The Yuppie bride

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Yuppie Coalition President Susanne Lee Houke models the true San Francisco Yuppie trademarks. The mood of elegance prevailed, however, when the lavish show featured renowned New York designer Richard Glasgow.

## Strip auction

Country singer Lee Greenwood gave it all—  
almost all—for the Easter Seal Tuesday night.

During a six-hour fund-raising auction Greenwood sang his hit "God Bless the U.S.A." before a packed house at the Stockyards restaurant in Nashville, Tenn. The crowd, however, wanted more.

Easter Seals officials persuaded Greenwood to auction off his silver leather jacket with his name on the back and that brought in \$1,000. Easter Seal Chairman Betty Kilien then yanked Greenwood's custom-made jacket and auctioned it off for \$400. The shoes went next for \$50.

Greenwood's wife opened the bidding on his pants but the final bid of \$50 was from an unidentified woman who jumped on stage and took control of her possession, leaving Greenwood standing in his white-striped boxe shorts.

The auction also brought in \$250 for a black Johnny Cash shirt and \$150 for a white Tammy Wynette dress.

## Professor Haley

Alex Haley, the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of "Roots," will begin work April 1 as adjunct professor of journalism and American studies at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville.

"We are excited about Alex Haley's association with the university and the opportunities for students to learn from a Tennessee writer who has earned acclaim throughout the world," Chancellor Jack Reese said.

Haley's position, a joint appointment in the colleges of communications and liberal arts, will include lectures and writing workshops. Haley recently has been living in Norris, Tenn., and is co-chairman of Tennessee's "Homecoming '86" program.

## From vinyl to film

What started as a record album has become a two-hour television special. Dolly Parton, Willie Nelson, Kris Kristofferson and Brenda Lee will star in "The Winning Hand" with Johnny Cash making a special appearance.

The album by the same title was released in 1982 with music by Parton, Nelson, Kristofferson and Lee and liner notes written by Cash, who suggested the record would make a good television show. The show, which will feature 23 songs, airs in 150 markets across the nation this month and next.

## Some brief glimpses

Conale Francis, committed by her father to a Florida hospital for treatment of mental problems two years ago, is being sued for not paying her entire bill. The suit was filed in Palm Beach court and claims Francis owes \$7,546.

Middleweight boxing champion Marvellous Marvin Hagler is helping rock singer Johnny Van Zant with the video to the song "I'm a Fighter" in Palm Springs, Calif.

## Stolen gubernatorial car

The daughter of Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis was a little overzealous in guarding the house while her father was touring the Far East.

Kara Dukakis and a friend came home Tuesday night and saw her father's 1983 Dodge sedan was missing and called police. She didn't know that mechanics from an auto dealership had picked it up and taken it in for maintenance. Police and newspapers reported it as a stolen car case, which was a surprise to the folks down at the Silver Lake Dodge garage.

"All of a sudden the poor guys down at Silver Lake Dodge picked the paper and said, 'Oh, oh—we should have left a note or something,'" said Dukakis aide Rick Gureghian.

In 1981, Three terrorists holding more than 100 hostages aboard a jetliner they hijacked in Pakistan surrendered in Syria after a 13-day siege, the longest hijacking ordeal on record.

In 1964, Dallas nightclub owner Jack Ruby was convicted of murder in the slaying of presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald. Ruby was sentenced to death, but the conviction was overturned and he died of cancer while awaiting a new trial.

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## Bolton selectmen want revisions on non-resident fees

By Sarah Pissell  
Herald Reporter

**BOLTON** — In a special meeting Wednesday with the Recreation Commission, members of the Board of Selectmen found fault with the commission's proposed \$5-per-sport registration fee for non-resident youth sports. But board members sent the commission back to the drawing board on the issue of fees for non-resident players.

Commission members will also collect the fees this year, despite a recent controversy over the handling of fees in the past. Two recreation volunteers, including Ronald Avery, the current recreation director, have admitted to keeping some fees for program expenses rather than turning them into the town.

Members of the Board of Selectmen considered arranging for fees to be paid at Community Hall this year. But they reconsidered that step when commission members said there would be logistical problems in conducting registration there.

Instead, the selectmen ordered commission members to turn in all fees within seven days of the time they are collected from players.

The four selectmen present at Wednesday's meeting also gave the commission permission to print the town's first recreation cards, which are to be distributed to residents who plan to sign up for a town recreation program.

The selectmen also gave the commission to come up with a plan to charge non-resident children substantially higher fees than resi-

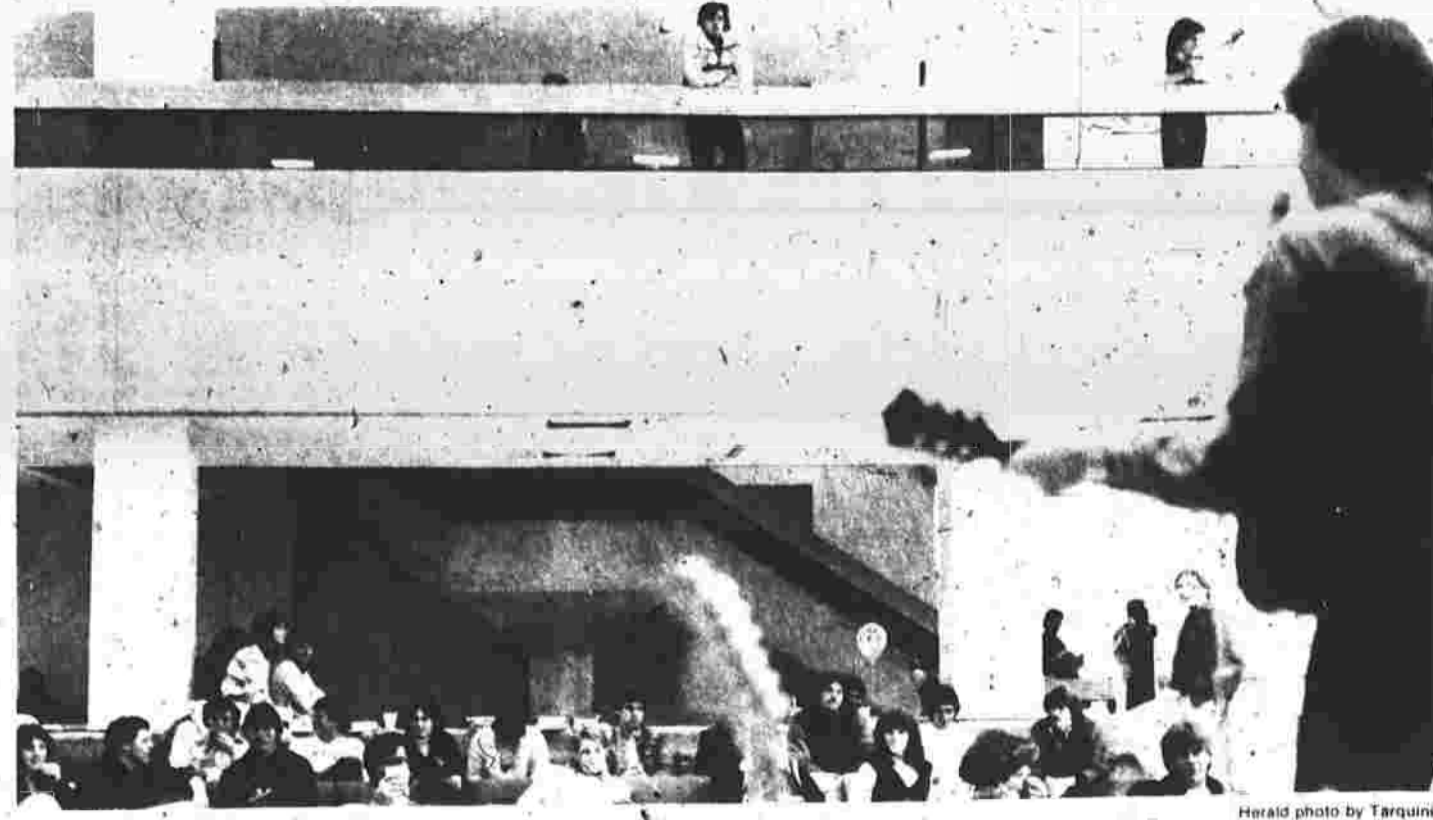
dents to play in town sports. For example, Selectman Lawrence A. Converse and First Selectman Sandra Pierog said they thought that a \$25 non-resident fee for football — the most expensive youth sport the town sponsors — would be reasonable.

Bolton Football Association President Clifford Searso, who is also a member of the Recreation Commission, estimated that it costs about \$50 a child to run the football program last season. He charged residents \$10 and non-residents \$20 and got the rest of the \$25,556 draw a generally equal contribution and from fund-raisers run by volunteers.

The selectmen Wednesday also asked commission members to rewrite some fees for program expenses rather than turning them into the town.

One change the selectmen requested was the deletion from the draft guidelines of all references to the commission as a body with its own authority independent of the Board of Selectmen. In particular, the commission was ordered to strike a clause that would allow the board itself temporarily to fill vacancies on the commission until the Board of Selectmen made a permanent appointment.

First Selectman Pierog also asked that the guidelines include a provision ordering all equipment purchases and fees to be paid for through the town's purchase-order system. The system requires those who spend town money to get formal approval before spending more than \$25 on a single transaction.



Herald photo by Tarquinio

### MCC boosts activities

Folk singer Michael Spiro entertains Manchester Community College students in the Lowe Building lounge Wednesday. The two-hour mid-day event was sponsored by the Student Program Board in an effort to bring attention to MCC student organizations' and

activities because of a significant drop in participation this year. Students' response to the program was good, said Carlene Stevenson, Student Program Board president. The board gave out literature, food and balloons to students.

## Budget reaction favorable, but uncertain

General Manager Robert Weiss's decision not to cut the Board of Education budget request of \$25,258,546 drew a generally favorable reaction from members of the town Board of Directors Wednesday.

But no director was willing to say that the budget will not be cut by the board when it considers the Fiscal Year 1985-86, which begins July 1.

Democratic Director Eleanor Colman, a former member of the Board of Education, said the budget request is a good one that

shows an effort by the Board of Education to pare costs while providing improvements in education.

"I'm delighted he saw fit to pass it through uncut," Colman said. "When the Board of Directors will be able to fully fund the school budget request is not certain, she said. It may not be possible in view of other town needs, Colman said. "My preference for anything that can help education is well known," Colman said.

Director Donna Mercier, a Republican, said Weiss's decision not to cut the school budget request

was "a pleasant surprise for me as a parent of three children in school."

However, she said it is premature to make any assessment without seeing the rest of the budget and the effect it will have on taxes.

Director Stephen Penny, leader of the Democratic majority on the board, pointed out that he has said previously that the budget appears reasonable and that any cuts would have to be made according to educational needs and the community's ability to pay. He said, however, that he has not had a

chance to study the budget in enough detail to endorse the manager's decision.

"I'm glad he did it," Democratic Director Stephen Cassano said of the manager's decision. Cassano said he thought that School Superintendent James Kennedy would have asked for more in light of the clamor for educational spending. "I probably will support it," Cassano said.

Republican Director William Diana said it was too early to form an opinion.

## Area Towns In Brief

### GOP sponsors D.C. trip

**BOLTON** — The Republican Town Committee is sponsoring an essay contest among high school juniors who live in Bolton. The prize is a half scholarship to the Connecticut Junior Internship Program, which annually sends students to Washington, D.C., for one week in July.

The GOP will pay half the \$225 cost of a week in Washington under the wing of Sen. Lowell Weicker, R-Conn. Student interns tour Capitol Hill and visit with members of the Connecticut delegation to Congress.

Those who wish to apply for the scholarship must submit a three-page essay explaining why they want to take part in the program to Board of Education Chairman James H. Marshall, who lives at 14 Fernwood Drive, by April 1.

The winner may choose the session beginning July 8, July 15, July 22 or July 29.

The Bolton GOP has also reserved a second slot for any junior who wishes to pay the full fee to attend one of the one-week sessions. For more information, contact any member of the Republican Town Committee.

### New art is on display

**ANDOVER** — Colonial crafts by Andover resident Elizabeth Besaw are on display this month at the Andover Public Library on Route 6.

Works on display include quilting, painting on velvet and stencils.

Besaw is a registered nurse and lives with her husband and four children on Hebron Road.

## Tax plan would give town \$517,916

A local property tax relief program proposed by Gov. William O'Neill would allot \$17,916,000 to Manchester out of a total \$792,000 for the Fourth Senatorial District, according to a statement by State Sen. Cornelius O'Leary, D-Windor Locks.

Bolton would get \$29,818. O'Leary, the Senate's Democratic minority leader, urged bipartisan support and "early action on the proposed funding" by the General Assembly because of its significance for local taxpayers.

The Governor's state revenue-sharing program, together with his recommended increases in PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) grants for towns with hospitals and colleges, reflect a sound approach to helping out the property-owner," O'Leary said.

State Sen. Carl Zinsler, R-

Manchester, who represents the fourth district, had not had time to analyze the proposal, an aide said today. Zinsler was unavailable for comment.

State Rep. James R. McCavanagh, D-Manchester, said today he heard about the proposal Wednesday but had not received a copy of the figures. He called it a "good proposal" and he

said he "fully supports the concept."

State Rep. Elsie Swenson, R-Manchester, said today she had not received any information on the proposal.

Arrangements for other towns in the Fourth Senatorial District according to the proposal include Colerain, \$10,000; Gillingham, \$166,000; and Hebron, \$49,321.

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## Mercier renews opposition to housing plan

By Alex Girelli  
Herald Reporter

Republican Director Donna Mercier, the only member of the Board of Directors who voted against going forward with town plans to build 11 subsidized "starter" houses on Love Lane, Wednesday reiterated her opposition to the project.

"When we are going to start concentrating on giving a break to all of the taxpayers," Mercier asked in a prepared statement.

She said Manchester has no business arranging mortgages, building houses, or providing subsidies for only 14 homeowners.

The directors voted March 5 to seek bids from developers on the construction of affordable housing on the town-owned Love Lane land.

They also authorized Manchester General Manager Robert Weiss to seek a zone change for the 7.5-acre parcel.

About a dozen contractors have picked up copies of a request for proposal Bids on construction of the houses are due April 8.

A key to the plan, initiated by Democrats, is that the town will not charge the house buyers for the land until 10 years after they have purchased the houses.

Mercier attacked that feature of the proposal. "Where else can a taxpayer buy a home and not pay for the land?" she asked.

As she has in past discussions of the housing proposal, Mercier said the town should have looked into alternatives, such as selling the land outright.

"Why was this suggestion not considered?" she asked. "Perhaps it was because the Democratic Party could not take the credit for the suggestion."

The chief proponent of the plan is Director Kenneth Tedford, one of six Democrats on the nine-member board.

At the March 5 meeting, Mercier and Tedford engaged in a brief debate over the proposal.

All eight other directors voted in favor of the plan, including Mercier's two Republican colleagues, William Diana and Peter DiRosa. DiRosa has since announced he will resign from the board after being criticized by Mercier and Republican Town Chairman Curtis Smith over another vote.

Mercier, in her statement Wednesday, said that while a low selling price for the houses proposed on Love Lane could be achieved by the town's holding a sleeping second mortgage, town

assets would be tied up for a 10-year period.

She said, "There are other ways to use these dollars that would benefit more people: sidewalk repairs, school repairs or to provide seed money for the North Elm Street elderly housing."

The town hopes to use land it controls on North Elm Street to construct housing for the elderly.

"I sympathize with the plight of the first-time homeowner, but as a town director I feel an obligation to put town assets to work for the whole community," Mercier said.

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# OPINION

## Jurors: the honest, the meek, the mistrustful



**Manchester Spotlight**  
Kathy Garmus

Some of the state's most prominent lawyers might have been on target this week when they argued against a proposal to change the way jurors are selected in state courts.

Several lawyers told the Legislature's Judiciary Committee during a hearing Monday that allowing potential jurors to be questioned as a group, rather than individually, could undermine a defendant's right to a fair trial. People would be less likely to admit to biases in front of others, leaving open the possibility that a group of highly prejudiced jurors could be selected, they argued.

during group questioning of potential jurors. They are terribly shy and find even the routine roll call a knee-rattling experience.

Richard M. Diamond, Publisher  
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**ONCE INSIDE THE COURTROOM**, potential jurors are asked to reveal seemingly intimate details of their lives in front of about 40 strangers — often while facing a battery of well-educated lawyers whose expressionless faces fail to belie their disgust with the jury candidates.

**THAT DOUBT WAS DEMONSTRATED** at U.S. District Court in Hartford Tuesday, where a veteran judge was trying to select a jury for a civil lawsuit filed against a railroad. The suit was brought by an employee of the railroad who was allegedly injured by a co-worker.

## Editorials

### Education key to problem of youth drinking

While the state Legislature considers legislation to raise the legal drinking age, it might include a sweeping education program in schools to end drug and alcohol abuse among young people.



## Report doubts the stability of Saudi regime

**WASHINGTON** — The Reagan administration is quietly preparing a new arms package for Saudi Arabia, the premier Arab oil nation. This will likely provoke a major battle on Capitol Hill.

## Open Forum

**Educators just keep store busy**

To the Editor:

I recently attended a meeting of a group of concerned parents in Manchester. Their concerns were about the health course or inter-course, depending on one's viewpoint for eighth-grade students in our public schools.

should place our confidence in them to oversee the education our children will receive, consistent with taxpayers' funds available. Education is a big business; make no mistake about that. But to develop the curriculum for the sole purpose of feeding the multi-billion-dollar education industry — Department of Education, National Education Association, school boards, school administrators, principals, teachers, and paid public relations personnel — is a gross infringement on parental rights, and a crime against young impressionable minds. I call it "keeping the store busy."

**Pentagon pitch**

Sen. David Boren of Oklahoma, who led the Senate filibuster to get emergency loans for farmers, has a fresh idea for solving the farm debt crisis.



**Letters to the editor**

The Manchester Herald welcomes letters to the editor. Letters should be brief and to the point. They should be typed or neatly handwritten, and for ease in editing, should be double-spaced.

**Jack Anderson**

A crucial consideration is the stability of the imperial Saudi regime. Congress doesn't want a replay of Iran, where the shah was kept in power with the not-so-covert aid of the CIA. This emboldened the populace against the United States.

## Connecticut In Brief

**Three more named to panel**

HARTFORD — Two lawyers and a former chairman of the Legislature's finance committee were named to a special legislative committee that will investigate the state's criminal justice system.

**Crackdown clogs courtroom**

HARTFORD (UPI) — Sometimes as many as 600 motor vehicle cases are heard a day in Superior Court and 18 additional workers have been hired to process the violations from the state's crackdown on speeders.

**Suspect held in shooting**

BRIDGEPORT — A Bridgeport man has confessed in the shooting last weekend of a 73-year-old man waiting to pay his bill inside a pizza parlor, police said.

## FOI panel orders release of police files

release of the files, which was sought in a complaint filed with the FOI Commission by The Hartford Courant.

**Legality of arrest at issue**

adding that judicial officials agreed a private law firm should represent O'Neill.

**O'Neill nominates commissioner**

HARTFORD (UPI) — Gov. William A. O'Neill said he will nominate a former Arizona state official as Connecticut's new commissioner of mental retardation.

waterbury attorney Timothy C. Moynihan, who is representing McDonald, also argued that the information be kept secret, saying the file included nothing but unproven allegations and rumors. He said he will try for an appeal.

**Shays to get another day in court**

HARTFORD — Private lawyers will represent a Superior Court judge in a challenge to his order jailing a legislator for contempt of court during a legislative session and not during the actual contempt citation was void.

**Thorne left the Department of Mental Retardation** in July at age 61 amid controversy over his handling of state efforts to move the retarded from large institutions to community-based group homes.

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# Weiss seeks plates from 8th District

Town General Manager Robert B. Weiss has asked the Eighth District to return four municipal license plates that town officials say the district is using illegally. Weiss said today.

# Court ruling keeps Walsh dispute going

BRIDGEPORT (UPI) — An agreement ratified in Superior Court has cleared the way for city officials and Police Superintendent Joseph A. Walsh to appeal several orders in their long and bitter legal dispute.

# Teens face charges

A Rachel Road resident accused of twice beating up two East Haven teenagers last month outside of Capone's bar in the Manchester Parkade was arrested Wednesday on assault charges, police said today.

# Obituaries

Richard Alley, 68, of 607 Hartford Road, died Wednesday at his home. He was the husband of Helen K. Alley.

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**In Winston's shadow**  
Stephen Parent seems to be in no hurry as he waits for a cab outside Churchill's Hideaway bar in Miami, Fla., earlier this week. However, it's unlikely he could be as patient as the silhouetted cigar-smoking figure of Winnie, whose name suggests he's perpetually posed for a stroll that takes him nowhere.

# Negotiators begin 1st work session

By John A. Colicott  
United Press International  
GENEVA, Switzerland — With formal introductions out of the way, U.S. and Soviet negotiators now begin organizing the most ambitious arms control talks ever — a tedious process that could take more than a week.

**Convict continues role**  
LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Actor Christopher Robinson, sentenced to four months in prison for federal income tax evasion, will be let out daily to go to work as star of television's "General Hospital," authorities said.

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# FOCUS / Family



## Her floor takes the cake

Appliance manufacturers would certainly go broke waiting for me to make purchases. I am sadly deficient as a consumer of durable goods.

For example, I am probably the last professional food writer in this country who doesn't own a dishwasher or a microwave oven.

My food processor arrived as a hand-me-down when my mother purchased a larger model. Even then, I was reluctant to accept it.

When an afternoon of artistic endeavors and an evening of wrestling with spaghetti leaves your floor looking like an early Jackson Pollock, wouldn't it be wonderful to leave the room, flip a switch, and hear the churn-churn-churn of those self-cleaning tiles?

So here's a challenge to all those whose minds work along these lines. Send in your plans for the self-cleaning kitchen floor, and the winning set of "specs and blueprints" will be published in the Manchester Herald on April 9's Day.

## Book tells why Procrastinate no longer, there's help at hand

By Ellie Grossman  
Newspaper Enterprise Association  
NEW YORK — Everyone's here but Fred, but that's nothing new and, as usual, it's galling. Everyone always gets held up because Fred always arrives late, leaves late and never finishes anything he starts. He just goes along carefree. Lazy. Undisciplined.

THE FACT IS, though, you don't know why you behave as you do, so you can hardly be expected to change. Ms. Burka, however, knows both why and how and covers it all in "Procrastination: Why You Do It, What to Do About It" (Addison-Wesley, \$5.95), which she co-authored with Lenora M. Yuen, Ph.D.



Kathy Cyr and her daughter, Lina, 2½, share a moment together at home in Coventry. Cyr is a candidate for a liver transplant at Pittsburgh Presbyterian Hospital. She suffers from a congenital enzyme deficiency which has given her liver failure.

# Kathy Cyr waits for a precious gift

By Adele Angle  
Focus Editor  
COVENTRY — North Ayers Road isn't easy to find in this neighborhood of twisting dirt roads. Kathy Cyr's cottage sits a short way from where the road suddenly ends in a mass of fruts and puddles.

INSIDE the cottage is a new coat of dark blue paint, but the paint doesn't hide all blemishes. One window shutter hangs precariously from one side of the cottage and bits of foam insulation poke out from around the foundation. A motorcycle badly in need of repair sits by a door.

KATHY CYR'S LIFE is a script that no soap opera writer would believe. For the last several months, she's carried an electronic beeper with her whenever she leaves the house. The beeper is there to signal that Pittsburgh Presbyterian Hospital may have a liver for her.

She needs a liver to survive. She has a congenital metabolic condition with the tongue-twisting name of Alpha-1-anti-trypsin deficiency. Her body lacks an essential enzyme.

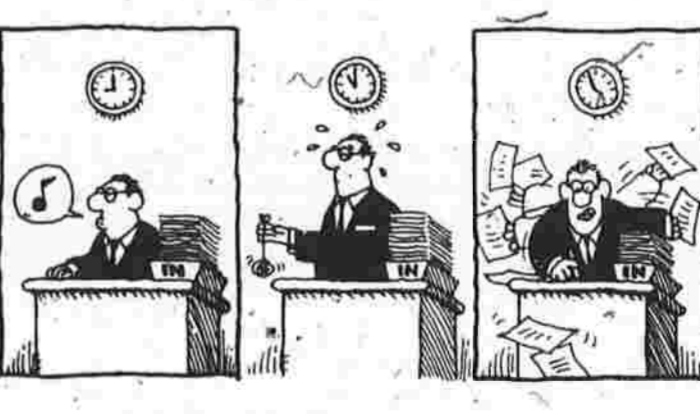
## done much better. Actually, this erodes self-esteem because confidence comes from a realistic sense of one's abilities.

THEN AGAIN, you may procrastinate because, as a child, that was the only way to assert independence before overpowering parents who checked your every move toward separation. Now, you continue to delay because you see "cooperation as a form of capitulation," she says.

ESPECIALLY if you give yourself a reward after you do it, you must see to it that you do, she says. "Procrastinators always think of a reward at the end. But, since they never finish anything, they never get a reward and it's crucial to have them, especially in the beginning, to keep you going."



Cyr reflects on her illness. She carries a beeper with her at all times, so the hospital can notify her if a liver becomes available.



"Sometimes, the only college graduate in the family may allow procrastination to interfere with achievement because he's afraid his success will further distance him from the rest of the family. Or maybe your father was a successful workaholic and you decide, 'that road is too costly.' Also, parents sometimes resent offspring who do better so you get the message, 'do well, but not better than I.'"

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Advice

Column proves child's play for kids

DEAR ABBY: I am doing my student teaching in a fifth-grade advanced program at Eisenhower Elementary School in Louisville, Ky. All the students keep a journal of their creative writing skills...



Dear Abby, Abigail Van Buren

ahead. Accept it as something you have to do and do it.

DEAR ABBY: I have a problem. At my school they serve totally horrid lunches. I mean it. They don't even clean the trays or the silverware...

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DEAR ABBY: My brother was jumping up and down on his bed, and the bed broke down, and the floor fell through. Now every time I vacuum, I fall through the floor...

DEAR WENDY: Don't vacuum in your brother's room.

DEAR ABBY: I know somebody who is stupid, mean and very ugly. What should I tell him to do?

DEAR W.W.: Tell him to study, be nicer and wear a ski mask.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a dad with a problem. My daughter is a tomboy and she plays with Transformers, G.I. Joes and plastic guns...

DEAR S.U.H.: You should change your name, get a divorce and name the dog Toby.

DEAR ABBY: What's green has bad breath and stands 5 feet tall?

DEAR ABBY: I have riddles, but here's one for you. What's white, all crumpled up and is now in the bottom of my wastepaper basket?

In general, the lower the uric acid level, the less likely one is to have an acute attack. The level can fluctuate, and one's lifestyle can affect the level, too...

Zyloprim (allopurinol) also is used to decrease the body's tendency to produce uric acid. One's own cells create the uric acid that causes the problem. Zyloprim is not useful in treating acute attacks.

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Medicine helps ease pain from gout

DEAR DR. LAMB - I have gout. Can attacks occur in places other than the big toe? I have had severe pain in both knees and a knotting pain on the ball of my foot...

My doctor found an elevated uric acid about four years ago. I have been taking Benemid to control the uric acid, and periodic checks of the uric acid level have found it to be acceptable.

Why do I get attacks when I am taking action to control the uric acid? Can attacks occur even when the uric acid level is OK? Does the uric acid level go up and down?

I'm 37. Naproxen was prescribed for acute attacks. Can it be used for all acute attacks of gout involving areas other than the big toe?

I don't know if gout is the cause of my other areas of pain, since you could have something in addition to gout. However, both the feet and the knees can be involved in gout.

Benemid increases the elimination of uric acid through the kidneys, which helps to lower the uric acid level. It will not help relieve the symptoms of an acute attack.

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Your Health, Lawrence Lamb, M.D.

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Thoughts

Striking Comparisons

In his book, "Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire," written in 1788, Edward Gibbon gives five reasons for the collapse of that world power:

- 1. The rapid increase in divorce; the undermining of the dignity and sanctity of the home.
2. Higher and higher taxes.
3. The mad craze for pleasure; sports becoming every year more exciting and brutal.
4. The building of great armaments within, in the decadence of the people.
5. In the decay of religion, faith fading into mere form, losing touch with life and becoming impotent to guide it.

It does not take an expert diagnostician to discover the same symptoms which caused the decline of Roman power and influence, in our so-called modern civilization. America will fall into ruin through this moral decay as surely as did the ancient Roman Empire, unless we, as a people, and also as individuals, awake to righteousness, and sin not.

Pastor Ken Gustafson, Calvary Church, South Windsor



Your turn, Melissa. Melissa Gilbert, best known for her portrayal of Laura Ingalls on 'Little House on the Prairie,' received the 1,800th star on the world's most famous sidewalk in Hollywood.

Cinema

Hartford - Stop Making Sense (R) 7:10, 9:20. - Rag Man (R) 7:10, 9:20. - A Night on Elm Street (R) 7:40, 9:40. - A Sunday in the Country (G) 7:40, 9:40. - Amadeus (PG) 7:40, 9:40. - Cinecittio - Dune (PG) 7:30, 9:30.

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Social Security

Divorce and the benefits

Editor's note: This column is prepared by the Social Security Administration in East Hartford. If you have a question, write to: Social Security, Box 591, Manchester Herald, Manchester, Conn. 06040.

QUESTION: I have been a housewife all my adult life and have never worked. I have just gone through a divorce. What rights do I have to Social Security?

ANSWER: If you were married for at least 10 years, you retain the same rights and benefits you had before your divorce. For example, when you reach age 62, you'll be able to get monthly payments, provided your ex-husband is eligible at that time for either retirement or disability benefits, and you have been divorced for at least two years.

You may also get payments at age 60 if your ex-husband dies and you are unmarried at 50, if you're disabled, or at any age if you have children under 16 or disabled who are entitled to benefits on his record.

For more information, get in touch with any Social Security office.

Adopt a Pet

'Munchie' gets second showing

By Barbara Richmond Special to the Herald
This week's featured pet has had his picture in the Manchester Herald before. He made the front page a couple of weeks ago when Dog Warden Richard Rand took him to the open house at the Police Department.

Munchie is a neutered male collie cross. He'll munch away on dog biscuits as fast as you can feed them to him. He is affectionate and needs a good home as soon as possible.

Several kind people came to the rescue of some of the impounded dogs last week. Bumper, the handsome Doberman pinscher featured in last week's column, was adopted by a Cambridge Street family. Rand said he had several other people who called who also wanted to adopt him.

More good news. The little female shepherd cross found by Calders on Route 84, Feb. 21, has been adopted by a Park Street family. She's been given the name of Sweet Pea.

The male shepherd cross, also a young dog, was adopted by a Webster Lane, Bolton family. And the black-and-white mixed breed picked up on Wetherell Street late last month has been adopted by a Coventry family.

The handsome male Malemute with the sad look is still waiting. He's a quiet dog and has a gentle disposition. He's been at the pound since Feb. 18 when he was picked up on Mitchell Drive. He's brown and tan and is about 3 years old.

Waiting since Feb. 28 is a large black Labrador retriever. He was picked up on Hill Street and is about 3 years old. He was wearing a collar, but no tag, when found at the pound as of Tuesday. He's a black-and-brown mixed breed. Rand said he's part hound. He's about 1 year old and is quiet and gentle.

The dog pound is located on town property off Olcott Street. Rand is at the pound daily from noon to 1 p.m. He can also be reached by calling the police department at 646-4555.

There is a \$5 fee to make the adoption legal. The new owner must also have the dog licensed.

Mystic offers teen sail class

MYSTIC (UPI) - Mystic Seaport, a maritime museum, is offering this summer a Mariner Training Program designed to teach teenagers the basics of sailing.

Students between the ages of 12 and 17 learn to sail on an historic training vessel, known as the "Conrad," which once served Danish mercantile. The ship has since been extensively renovated and can accommodate up to 55 passengers.

For more information, contact the Mariner Program, Education Dept., Mystic Seaport Museum, Mystic, Conn., 06355.

College Notes

Students work at firms
Central Connecticut State University's Cooperative Education Program has placed five local students in six-month, paid, on-the-job work assignments alternating a semester study with a semester of career-related work experience.

The students, their jobs and firms include: Harold Blanchard of 268 Channing Drive, programmer, Travellers Cos., Hartford; Dorothy Katsiva, 43 Summit St., trainee, Society for Savings, Hartford; and Shelley Smith of 30 Division St., assistant, Multiple Sclerosis Society, Hartford.

Repass on dean's list
Christopher Repass of 187 Homestead St. has been placed on the dean's list for the fall semester at the College of Basic Studies, University of Hartford.

Catnip may be hallucinogen but kitty won't 'OD' on it

QUESTION: How much catnip is too much? My 2-year-old kitty loves her catnip mouse but I'm not sure if it's good or bad.

IRENE K. PETERSON
ANSWER: A catnip mouse is not toxic to a kitty. By consuming some amount of catnip, they can hallucinate. I don't think they can 'OD' on it, however. And as long as the mouse stays whole, I don't think there's any problem. Even if the cat consumes some of the contents, it would not be an overdose.



Pet Forum, Allan Leventhal, D.V.M.

QUESTION: We have a Tom cat that readily mates with the several females we keep confined in our house. When we bring a strange female to mate with him, he ignores her. Are there cats he will never mate with, or are we just not giving him time enough? Should we keep the female here until she's in heat again?

L. POWELL
25 CROMWELL ROAD
ANSWER: Yes, some male cats have preferences, as do any breeders, male or female, in their mates, while others need a "warming-up or association period" before they'll mate with a new partner.

QUESTION: I have a 10-month-old Shoo'Poo puppy. He was eating his Purina puppy chow up to three times a day. Now he won't eat unless we've stopped. He had all his shots and the vet gave him pills for hookworms. Everyone says to let him starve and he will start eating. Two weeks went by and we gave him hamburger which he loves. Should I let him go hungry longer, or is there something else wrong with him?

GEORGE TAFLIN
VOLPI ROAD, BOLTON
ANSWER: Try another dog food if he's tired of Purina puppy food. Variety often keeps the appetite stimulated. But if he refuses everything but table scraps, he should be allowed to go hungry until he starts eating prepared dog food again. Most table-scraps diets, especially those rich in meat, are inadequate and not properly balanced for dogs or puppies. A small amount of hamburger may be mixed in with the new food initially so the puppy may start eating it more readily.

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Probably the next best choice is a program being offered by an instructor for the UConn Dog Obedience Club. Alice Trattner, who practices dog psychology, has recently started a puppy kindergarten class with eight pupils (and their owners). They meet one evening per week for seven weeks. Pups nine to 13 weeks are entered, and the fee is \$25, for the course for this session. She is teaching them:

- House breaking - theory and how to apply it.
• Discipline - do's and don'ts.
• Tips on choosing proper housing and diet.
• Basic health care.
• How to avoid common behavioral problems such as excessive chewing and barking.

For further information, phone 646-6134 or 456-4288. Remember, a pet owner is known by the canine company he keeps.

Dr. Allan Leventhal is a Bolton veterinarian. Pet Forum is a new column which will appear in the Manchester Herald on Thursdays. The column will be written by Dr. Leventhal and Edward Williams D.V.M., a Manchester veterinarian. Do you have a question or a pet problem? Write to Pet Forum, Manchester Herald, Box 591, Manchester, Conn., 06040. If you don't wish your name used, request anonymity.

College Notes

Students work at firms

Central Connecticut State University's Cooperative Education Program has placed five local students in six-month, paid, on-the-job work assignments alternating a semester study with a semester of career-related work experience.

## Grandmothers get child care training

By Barbara Evans  
United Press International

PITTSBURGH — Teachers and health officials are trying to reduce the nation's highest black infant mortality rate and improve relations among generations by educating the grandmothers who often care for babies.

Grandmothers in low-income families often have to take maternal role for babies of their own teenagers, said Anna Blevins, who founded the New Educational Options for Grandmothers program.

Health problems such as anemia and poor nutrition are prevalent among the black infants, particularly those born to very young mothers, said Blevins, an education professor at the University of Pittsburgh.

Twenty-three grandmothers — the youngest is 29 — currently are in the NEOG program, which includes classes at the Community College of Allegheny County's Homewood facility. The predominantly black Homewood section of Pittsburgh has the city's highest incidence of teenage pregnancy, Blevins said.

While the grandmother attends classes Tuesday and Thursday mornings, the grandchild is in the care of a babysitter provided by the program, which also pays for public transportation.

The state-funded program also provides training in career opportunities for the grandmothers, ideas to help the grandchild succeed in school and parenting skills for the grandmother to pass on to the adolescent parent, Blevins said.

Most programs work ONLY with the teen parent, said Blevins. "This program operates on the assumption that the grandmother is really central" when a teen becomes a parent.

She said mothers of adolescent parents often have difficulty communicating with their children and sometimes feel the added child-rearing responsibilities are consuming their lives. NEOG's curriculum helps them deal with those problems.

To be eligible, the grandmother must be 25 to 60 years old and the primary caretaker of the infant, must be receiving welfare payments and her child must have been born to 17 years old when the baby was born. Grandmothers-to-be who have pregnant adolescent daughters also may enroll.

"When I was younger, education was something my parents were forcing on me," says Odessa Hough, 47, who has been the primary caretaker for the year-old son of her daughter, Janet, 17, currently a nursing student. "I felt, 'Let somebody else do it (school), and let me do something else.'" But Hough, who has 13 siblings and dropped out of school in the 10th grade to help her mother with household chores, says she now has a broader knowledge of child development.



**Chrissy and Bobbette**  
Christine "Chrissy" Rockledge, 8, of 93A Sycamore Lane, and her Cabbage Patch doll, Bobbette, confer a moment before starting the day at Martin School. Chrissy is a third-grader.

### Army has new research

By Elizabeth Pennisi  
United Press International

NEW YORK — Army researchers found that five out of seven wives of married AIDS patients and their families.

The findings will be published in Friday's issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

Redfield and his colleagues found that five out of seven wives of men with AIDS or an AIDS-like syndrome were infected by the virus linked to AIDS, but only one out of 11 children showed signs of exposure to the virus.

The researchers suspected the one 14-month-old baby who had antibodies to the virus was infected at birth by the mother, who had an advanced case of the disease.

"I think it's clear by looking at the children, that it's not transmitted in the routine household setting," Redfield said in a telephone interview.

That most of the wives were infected indicates that heterosexual activities that involve fluid exchange either semen or saliva, does spread AIDS, he said.

"I think a lot of people don't think that this is a disease you can get

### Heterosexual activity affects AIDS spread

living in a house as a child is not sufficient for transmission," said Dr. Robert Redfield of Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Washington. "The average heterosexual transmission of AIDS may be more common than previously suspected, but their studies show the disease is not transmitted through non-sexual contact."

Recurrent heterosexual activity among spouses is sufficient for HTLV-III virus transmission, but that way," Redfield said. "Heterosexual activity has the potential for playing a significant role in heterosexual transmission."

Therefore, prostitutes and bisexual males may be important in transmitting AIDS to the heterosexual community, he added.

Heterosexual promiscuity is the sole risk factor in an estimated 30 percent of AIDS cases in military personnel. But the average heterosexual with few sexual partners will be at little to no risk of getting AIDS, unless that partner has the disease, Redfield said.

Four of the men with the disease were not members of groups deemed at risk for the disease, but may have been heterosexually promiscuous or drug users years before marriage.

Researchers at the National Cancer Institute have isolated the AIDS virus in saliva of AIDS patients, but intimate contact

# SPORTS



Whaler goalie Mike Liut (1) keeps his eye on the puck while defenseman Ulf Samuelsson (5) tries to move Liut of the net. Kings and Whalers tied at 3-3.

## Iona and Loyola squads understand each other

By Fred Lief  
United Press International

HARTFORD (UPI) — Iona and Loyola (Ill.) understand each other a lot better than any game film would indicate.

Both are small Catholic schools with a basketball tradition. Each plays in a big city, but in another's shadow. For Iona, St. John's is the New York team. In Chicago, Loyola yields to DePaul.

Tonight, in this bracket of the East Regional, the Gaels and Ramblers meet in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

The four-game card opens this afternoon with No. 1 Georgetown playing Lehigh and Temple taking on Virginia Tech. In the other night game, Southern Methodist faces Old Dominion.

Iona, 26-4, belted to a 17-1 start this season before stumbling. The Gaels have no quality big man, but can run and shoot and mix defenses. Rory Grimes, 5-foot-9, handles the point with Tony Hargraves at forward.

"We say we'll outpace the game," Iona coach Pat Kennedy said. "But I really appreciate it tonight."

"I just feel good about being with this club. You always say that after a trade, but this is the best I've felt in my many moves."

Marcel Dionne's power-play goal with 7:41 left made it 3-1. The 35-foot slapshot was Nicholls' 2nd goal of the season.

Marcel Dionne scored the only goal of the first period to extend his NHL record for most 40-goal seasons in a career to 10. Number 4 came on a 2-on-1 breakaway with Hartford a man short at 8:33.

"I'm aware of those milestones, but we did lose another point to Calgary," he said.

By only gaining one point, the Kings fell to five points behind the first-place Calgary Flames in the Smythe Division.

Hartford is 4-2 in its last six games.

"Every time I've ever played here I've heard the fans applaud," Dionne said. "I really appreciated it tonight."

"I just feel good about being with this club. You always say that after a trade, but this is the best I've felt in my many moves."

Hughes hits for 27.4 points a game — tied for the national high — and Andre Balle for 21.

"We like to shoot," sometimes within 15 seconds," Loyola coach Gene Sullivan said. "We think we play defense though other people don't think we play defense."

Few like to shoot more than Hughes, the NCAA's sixth all-time leading scorer.

"One time in his freshman year against Bradley he was 1-0 for 21," Sullivan recalled. "He still thought he was hot."

Lehigh is a 33-point underdog against Georgetown and a 90-60-10 shot to win the NCAA Tournament.

Let them think what they want," said Lehigh freshman forward Daren Queenan, averaging more than 16 points a game.

The Ramblers of the East Coast Conference are 12-18, the only losing record in the NCAA field.

The Hoyas, 30-2, have Patrick Ewing, Reggie Williams and Bill Martin on the frontline with guards David Wingate and Michael Jordan. They are bidding to be the first team to repeat as NCAA champions since UCLA in the early '70s.

"I'm a little sick of everybody harping on Lehigh," Georgetown coach John Thompson said. "They won their way into this. Obviously, they beat somebody."

Virginia Tech, 20-8, has big problems. Perry Young and guard Tim Lewis missed practice Wed-

nesday and Coach Charles Moir said they will not start and may not play at all.

"I'll sleep on it before making a decision," Moir said.

The players, roommates, said they did not know when practice was scheduled. They apologized to the coach and their teammates.

Also, point guard Al Young had knee surgery a week ago and there is only a "possibility" of his playing. The burden thus falls on Dell Curry and Bob Beecher.

Temple, 24-5, offers tough zone defenses and yields less than 58 points a game. Granger Hall averages more than 18 points and 8 rebounds a game. Nate Blackwell and Charles Rayne hit for double figures.

Southwestern Methodist, 22-9, was ranked as high as second this year before making its postseason. The Mustangs averaged 84 over their last 16 games and finished out of the Top 20.

"We've gone from being a surprise team to one not much fun to follow," SMU coach Dave Bliss said.

Jon Koncak, a 7-foot Olympian, averages more than 17 points and 10 rebounds a game and guard Carl Wright averages 10 points a game.

## Whalers deadlock Kings

By Elizabeth Pennisi  
United Press International

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (UPI) — Marcel Dionne and Dave "Tiger" Williams both reached milestones Wednesday.

Dionne again reached a new plateau with his stick and grace, and the pugilistic Williams attained his with his uniform.

Williams, who for 11 years in his journeyman career heard boos in the Forum for his fighting style, received a standing ovation with a goal as the newest member of the Kings.

Despite the play of Dionne and Williams, rookie Kevin Dineen scored with 11 seconds remaining to help lift the Hartford Whalers into a 3-3 tie with the Kings.

"I feel like a loss because we blew a 3-1 lead," Kings coach Pat Quinn said. "In general I'm unhappy with the results, but not with the effort."

The 31-year-old Williams, the NHL's all-time penalty minute leader and a player the opposition crowds love to hate, wasted little time in winning over the Forum crowd of 10,938.

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"I just feel good about being with this club. You always say that after a trade, but this is the best I've felt in my many moves."

Mike Liut sat on the bench in favor of an extra attacker.

"Lackluster" defenseman shot, and I took kind of a baseball swing at it, and it went in," Dineen said.

Paul Penton's 20-foot shot with 4:46 remaining had closed the Kings lead to 3-2.

Williams, who was acquired from Detroit Tuesday, brought the crowd to its feet when he rammed in his own rebound from five feet in front of the net at 6:11 on a 2-1 lead.

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### NCAA Tournament roundup

## Kentucky not apologizing

By Elizabeth Pennisi  
United Press International

The University of Kentucky feels no need to apologize for having the worst record of any at-large team in this year's NCAA Tournament.

The Wildcats, who finished 16-12 after a Final Four appearance last season, are not ashamed to be playing Washington on national television tonight (11:30 p.m. EST) in the first round of the West Regional at Salt Lake City.

"We are the 12th seed and playing the fifth seed, we're on a neutral court and a 2-point favorite," said Kentucky coach Joe B. Hall. You figure that one out. That justifies us being here. I rest my case."

Kentucky is in the NCAA Tournament for a record 29th year.

To beat the Wildcats, Washington coach Mary Harshman will have to figure out a way to stop Kenny Walker, the Southeastern Conference's leading scorer (22.7) and rebounder (10.4).

Today's opening round in Salt Lake City also includes third-ranked St. John's against Southern Arkansas versus Iowa and No. 9 Nevada-Las Vegas against San Diego State.

Dean Smith's rebuilding year, instead the Tar Heels are the favorites to be one of the two to emerge from the first two rounds at the raucous Atlantic and Convocation Center.

In the Midwest bracket at Tulsa, Okla., Oklahoma plays North Carolina A&T. Louisiana Tech meets Pittsburgh. Southern Cal plays Illinois State and Iowa State tackles Ohio State.

The Sooners unveil the nation's highest scoring offense — led by Wayne Tisdale's 25.5 points per game — but will not be feared by their Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference foes.

"We probably can't match them in any way physically," North Carolina A&T coach Don Corbett said. "They're very well coached and they're very, very talented to go along with that coaching. But we certainly won't be intimidated or awed by Oklahoma. We've played those kinds of teams before."

On Friday, the second half of the East Regional will be played at Atlanta; the Southeast at Dayton, Ohio; the Midwest at Houston; and the West at Albuquerque, N.M.

## Southern isn't planning stall against St. John's in West

By Ralph Wakley  
United Press International

SALT LAKE CITY — Southern University coach Bob Hopkins knows one thing for certain about third-ranked St. John's, his Jaguars' first-round opponent today in the NCAA Western Regional.

"You won't have to look for them because they come right at you. St. John's doesn't hold the ball," Hopkins said.

But Hopkins vowed the Redmen, 27-3 and top-seed in the West, "we won't have to look for us either. We've been scoring 45 to 50 points a game by using our quickness and speed and we don't plan to change."

In the other first-round games, Arkansas, 21-12, plays Iowa, 21-10, No. 9 Nevada-Las Vegas, 27-3, meets San Diego State, 23-7, and Kentucky, 16-12, plays Washington, 22-9.

St. John's coach Lou Carnesecca battled between Kentucky's Kenny Walker and West German Olympian DeDe Schrempp of Washington, and guards Anthony Jones of UNLV and Anthony Watson of San Diego State.

Kentucky coach Joe B. Hall said Walker — the leading scorer (22.7) and rebounder (10.4) in the Southeastern Conference — "appears to be carrying our team, but maybe that's because he wants the ball more than the other players."

Hall said some of his younger players, including freshmen Ed Davender and Richard Madison and sophomore James Blackmon, "have matured in the second half of the season and are a real factor in our game."

Schrempp is Washington's leading scorer (15.8) and rebounder (8.0). And, since Schrempp "is a natural forward on defense," according to Hukties coach Mary Harshman, he will be on "Skiy Jam." Walker at least part of the game.

"He's (Schrempp) a surprising player for a 6-10 man," Harshman said. "He's a good ball handler and he can take the ball away from most big men."

San Diego State coach Smokey Gaines said Watson "may be the

## Bucks rediscover Grevey's jumper

By Mike Barnes  
United Press International

Every once and awhile, Kevin Grevey likes to break out his jumper and see if it still works. The Cleveland Cavaliers can tell you it does.

With four-time All-Star Sidney Moncrief sidelined with a sore knee, Grevey played 27 minutes Wednesday night and scored 17 points to spark the Milwaukee Bucks to a 128-93 thrashing of the Cavaliers.

"When we discovered Sidney was injured, I realized I was going to get more minutes," said the 16-year veteran, who in his heyday with the Washington Bullets was one of the NBA's finest perimeter shooters.

"I love to get my minutes. We're all very concerned if Terry (Cummings) or Sidney gets hurt. We know we then have to rise to the occasion. Fortunately, this is a very deep basketball team, right down to the last man."

Grevey hit 7-of-11 shots for the game, and had 13 points in the second period to send the Bucks to a 64-48 halftime advantage.

Ricky Pierce, another unheralded Bucks' reserve, also played well in Moncrief's absence, collecting 22 points, and Cummings had 25 Milwaukee maulhandled the Cavaliers, who entered Milwaukee Arena with seven victories in their last eight games.

Cleveland still leads Atlanta by one game in the race for the final playoff berth in the Eastern Conference. The Bucks won for the fifth straight time and hold a commanding 10-game lead in the Central Division.

Milwaukee, which led 85-63 late in the third quarter, had its lead shrink to 89-78 early in the fourth

## Grevey's jumper

rebounds, and Byron Scott added 23 points to power the Lakers to their second 15-point victory over Utah in the nights. Reserve Fred Roberts led the Jazz with 24 points.



Cleveland's Mark West (41) lays one in over Milwaukee's Alton Lister in NBA action Wednesday in Milwaukee. Bucks won, 128-93.

### Bring on the spring!

Donna Stratman, left, of Leaf, Stem and Root, shows Marilyn Neumayer, center, and Jeanne Forcino some flower-arranging tips. All three will be at the Koeney Street School PTA meeting at 7 p.m. Monday in the school cafeteria.

The theme will be "From Garden to Table." Stratman will discuss spring flowers. Neumayer will give table decorating demonstrations. The program is open to the public and there's no charge.



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Copies of the Request for Proposals may be obtained at the Planning Department, Lincoln Center, 494 Main Street, Manchester, between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. or by calling the office at 647-3044. RFP's will be issued until 4:30 P.M., March 18, 1985. Proposals are due April 8, 1985 at 4:00 P.M. in the Planning Department.





About Town

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Manchester AM Bridge Club results for the March 4 game include: North-south: Mollie Timreck and Ann DeMartin...

MHS jazz goes to Boston

BOSTON — The Manchester High School Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of Kurt Eckhardt...

Radio operators meet

The Hartford County Amateur Radio Association will have its monthly meeting tonight at 8 at the Veterans Memorial Clubhouse...

Legion parades for Irish

The color guard of Dilworth Cornell-Quey Post 102 will march in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Hartford starting at 11 a.m.

Club dances for St. Pat's

Manchester Square Dance Club will hold its St. Patrick's Day dance Saturday from 8 to 11 p.m. at Wadwell School...

Compete in chess at MCC

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Workshop holds dance

A live band will play at the St. Patrick's Day dance Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Manchester Workshop...

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# BUSINESS

## Americans forget oil crisis of '70s

After coping with two fuel crises and an inflation explosion that nearly tripled our cost of driving comparable new cars in one decade, you and I are once again becoming "oil gluttons" — and thereby inviting the oil-rich sheiks to slide in and shake us down as they did in the 1970s.

We finally had the OPEC nations under control. Our annual traveling by auto had been declining for almost a decade. Then, in 1974, auto travel rose about 3 percent. Auto ownership costs — after dropping in 1963 for only the second time in history — rose 5.5 percent to a record 45.67 cents a mile for typical new 1984 compacts.

"And in 1984, for the first time in nearly a dozen years," says Leigh Smith, the veteran researcher for Hertz, "U.S. motorists contributed to the yearly rises in costs to own and run cars rather than trying to curb them." From 1972 to 1983, in order to curb skyrocketing expenses, Smith told me, we:

- Cut our motoring mileage 22 percent to 8,037 miles a year;
- Settled for cars a foot shorter and 1,000 pounds lighter;
- Passed up costly, fuel-wasting optional gadgets;
- Began to keep our buggies longer than at any time since World War II — almost 7½ years vs. about 5.7 years a decade ago. (The longer a car is kept, the less expensive it usually is to own and run. This is because depreciation, loan interest and insurance normally drop, offsetting repair rises.)

The result? Between 1972 — the last full year before the first Arab embargo — and 1984, auto purchase



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Sylvia Porter

prices soared 195 percent for comparable models. But because buyers selected smaller makes with fewer options, their sticker prices jumped "just" 166 percent, and typical ownership and operating costs rose "only" 172 percent. (The percentages scarcely seem to warrant the qualifications "just" and "only" given the auto purchase prices.)

And even at 1984's slightly higher 8,317-mile-a-year travel, a typical vehicle's annual cost was up a mere 97 percent in the dozen years, reflecting our driving of the smaller, older models and the still-reduced annual mileage.

Drivers were hardly alone in pushing expenses to an all-time record last year, the new Hertz study indicates. Manufacturers raised typical new 1984 compact model purchase prices 9 percent above '83; car loan interest rates averaged a full percentage point higher than the previous year, compounding the hike in sticker prices; insurance, licenses, fees and

repairs also rose. Only gasoline prices continued their drop.

With "voluntary" quotas on some import models, U.S. car makers unloaded their larger, more expensive models, too. Car dealers are seeking a new law to prohibit volume discounts for so-called U.S. "fleet" buyers who purchase vehicles in large quantities. This would inevitably mean higher charges later for the two out of three vehicles we buy used rather than new, says Smith — because two out of three of us tell Hertz pollsters we can't afford new units.

Why do some motorists think it's OK to increase their driving under today's conditions? Because fuel-efficiency in new cars is almost double what it was a decade ago, and coupled with this is a drop in per-gallon pump prices from a \$1.36 average in 1981 to \$1.13 last year and even less at self-service stations.

This gives motorists the illusion that running expenses are reasonable — but this is only an illusion. We American motorists have beaten OPEC and forced Detroit to curb costs somewhat — but we can't relax.

Cut driving. Buy the size car you need, and nothing bigger. If you're a multicar family, try to replace one by public transit, car- or van-pooling to commute, walking or biking to stores and taking fly-rent or bus-taxi vacations.

The multi-digit inflation of the 1970s was worsened by higher car and truck outlays. We must control our motoring. We must never drive ourselves back to the cost roller coaster.

### Firm inks final contracts

## Lightnet starts east coast construction

NEW HAVEN (UPI) — Lightnet, a fiber optic communications network designed for high volume voice, data and video users, has announced the start of construction of its system from New York City to Washington, D.C., and Chicago.

Lightnet also said Wednesday it has signed final contracts with US Telecom Inc., which will be both a major customer and a primary contractor for 3,500 miles of the system.

Lightnet, a joint venture of Southern New England Telephone Co. and CSX Corp., said it will install a fiber optic cable for Teleport Communications connecting New York City and Princeton, N.J.

SNET is based in New Haven and CSX is headquartered in Richmond, Va.

The 1,077-mile New York-to-Chicago route is the second leg of Lightnet's planned 5,000-mile fiber optic network designed to link 43 cities in 24 states east of the Mississippi River.

The 455-mile Florida portion of the network already is operational.

Four interconnecting routes radiating from Atlanta also will be constructed to serve US Telecom and other

Lightnet customers. Construction of the first route from Atlanta to Washington is scheduled to begin in the third quarter of 1985.

Interconnecting routes later will be constructed to Jacksonville, Fla., New Orleans, and Chicago and the Detroit area.

The routes will link the New York City to Chicago and Florida routes, completing most major components of the Lightnet system.

The US Telecom contract provides for purchase of Lightnet transmission

systems over more than 3,500 miles of the Lightnet network, which will be a major portion of US Telecom's planned 23,000-mile national network.

US Telecom also acquired options to 5,000 miles of rights-of-way along CSX railroad routes in the East and Southeast to connect with the Lightnet system.

US Telecom, the long-distance subsidiary of United Telecommunications Inc., is based in Kansas City.

Lightnet customers will have access to the Lightnet system in New York

City, in each major market along the corridor to Washington, D.C., and to Chicago and the interconnecting routes from Atlanta.

Lightnet plans to start installing AT&T Technologies FT Series G electronics in the system in early 1986.

Initial operation will be at 417 megabits per second, the equivalent of 6,048 simultaneous voice conversations. The system can expand modularly up to the equivalent of nearly 24,200 simultaneous voice conversations.

## Carbide to aid East German firm

DANBURY (UPI) — Union Carbide Corp. has announced separate contracts with the government of East Germany and Standard Oil Co. of Indiana involving technology provided by the Danbury-based firm.

The German Democratic Republic will build a high density polyethylene plant at Schkopau using Union Carbide technology, the company said Wednesday.

The plant is scheduled for completion in 1987 and will be capable of producing a wide range of polyethylene resins for blow and injection molding, extrusion and film applications.

Announcement of the new plant was made Wednesday by the import agency of the East German government and Linde A.G. Munich, which has been awarded the construction contract.

Polyethylene is the world's largest

volume plastic and 25 percent of total polyethylene capacity is based on Union Carbide's "Unipol Technology" process.

In a separate announcement, Union Carbide said it has licensed technology to Standard Oil Co. of Indiana (Amoco) for use in octane requirements of gasoline produced at its Texas City, Texas, refinery.

## Business In Brief

### UConn offers workshop

FARMINGTON — An all-day workshop designed to help public works managers improve productivity in their departments will be held April 10 at the University of Connecticut's Barney House on Mountain Spring Road. The conference is sponsored by the UConn Institute of Public Service. For reservations, call 486-2828.

### Failure index declines

NEW YORK — The Dun & Bradstreet Business Failure Index decreased 2.8 points to 91.4 in the week ended Feb. 22.

The current Failure Index indicates that the level of failures in the latest week is more than 8 percent below the average level of weekly failures in the base month for the index, October 1983.

The year-to-date Business Failure Index increased 1.6 points to 80.0.

### Mortgagors get dividends

HARTFORD — A total of \$900,000 will be distributed to 44,000 mortgage borrowers in Connecticut who participate in the Savings Banks' of Connecticut group mortgage life insurance plan. The plan, offered on a voluntary basis to mortgage borrowers, is underwritten by Phoenix Mutual in cooperation with the Savings Banks Life Insurance System in Connecticut.

Area banks whose insured mortgagors will be receiving cash dividends are the Savings Bank of Manchester, the Savings Bank of Rockville and Tolland Bank.

### GTE makes promotions

STAMFORD — GTE has announced that Charles A. Crain was elected president of its Hawaiian Telephone Co. subsidiary effective April 1.

Crain has been executive vice president for General Telephone Co. of California, a GTE telephone operating company.

GTE also announced the appointment of Donald M. Kuyper as group vice president of business services for its Telephone Operating Group. He will be responsible for the unregulated businesses of GTE's telephone operations.

### Firm awarded contract

STAMFORD — Combustion Engineering Inc. has announced its Lummus Crest unit won a \$350 million contract to upgrade a refinery in the Netherlands.

Combustion Engineering will provide engineering, procurement, project management and construction supervision for the Shell Nederland Raffinaderij project.

### PBA seeks credit protection

TAMPA, Fla. — Provincetown-Boston Airline, which has suffered investigations and a fatal crash in recent months, has filed for protection from its creditors under Chapter 11 of the bankruptcy laws, company officials say.

PBA filed the papers late Wednesday afternoon in federal bankruptcy court in Tampa. Airline officials say the carrier will continue its flights as scheduled. The court gave PBA approval to honor all tickets issued to the public before the filing.

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## He had to lose an old friend to redecorate his living room

By Nancy Pappas  
Herald Reporter

The expert advice from the interior designer was very straightforward: Get rid of the seven-foot-long cobalt blue couch with the frayed arms and the popped stuffing, and substitute a square-shoulder off-white number, very sleek and up-to-date.

But for Tom Dawkins of Elm Street, a Manchester sculptor, the whole living room renovation project became a complex, emotional affair. "It's horrible to get rid of an old, true friend," said Dawkins. "And it's worse when you find out that no one else wants to adopt it, either."

Dawkins' odyssey began because, he said, "I thought it was time, one of these decades, to wash my damned windows. I'm a bachelor and I don't do that very often."

But unlike a normal person on a cleaning jag, Dawkins was not content to stop when the buckets and ammonia were put away. "See, I got in this real estate lady. After all, I said, as long as I'm washing the windows, I might as well redecorate the house."

THE DECORATOR sug-

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gested painting the living room off-white, to brighten it up, and she said "the slumped-down old blue couch was going to have to go." Dawkins said, "It didn't fit the new image."

At first, Dawkins was not convinced. "Of course, when we got it, I had four boys at home, and we used and we used it and the stuffing was coming out in places," he admitted.

"But I had made 'slipcovers' for it, out of a pair of Cape Cod mainsails that a pal of mine had given me, and it was looking pretty good, I thought. Of course, you had to tuck in the ropes all around, and watch out not to sit on this big metal thing that kind of stuck up in the middle. But I didn't think it was that bad."

In the end, however, "I took a lady's advice. I went with the squared-off beige look. I guess I kind of sold out."

THE BIG QUESTION then was, what should Dawkins do with his old, blue friend? For several days it sat in the middle

of the living room, looking forlorn and particularly shabby, in contrast with the bright new paint being applied to the walls.

But "it was still perfectly usable," Dawkins insisted. "So I called Nancy Carr (director of the Manchester Area Conference of Churches) to offer it to her."

With the help of a friend whom Dawkins calls "a young man" — he's 40 and Dawkins is 68 — he loaded the couch onto a truck. "I was meeting them at the furniture barn at 4:30 that afternoon," he said. "Ah, I was feeling good. Nothing like being charitable to give you a great feeling."

But at 4:15, the telephone rang. "It was MACC. They wanted to know if I would save the couch, in my home, until a client needed it. They said they couldn't take it — there was no room in their barn. How was I going to keep an extra, seven-foot couch in my home?"

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Tom Dawkins of Elm Street relaxes on the new, square-shouldered beige couch he got on the advice of an interior designer. It was far harder to part with his old, frayed blue couch than he ever would have imagined.

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## No room for garden? Rent a plot

By United Press International

Apartment dwellers who yearn to grow their own vegetables but don't have space for a backyard garden can still be weekend farmers by renting plots of land through community gardening organizations.

For a fee ranging from \$10 to \$30, community garden programs rent a plowed plot of land, offer advice on how to grow vegetables, and in some cases provide water and fertilizer.

The gardener must provide the seeds, tools and the labor. Steven Brachman, president of the American Community Garden Association in Milwaukee, Wis., said there are about 1.5 million people nationwide growing vegetables through an estimated 10,000 non-profit community gardening programs.

The major reasons people participate in community gardens are to have fresh vegetables and to reduce their food budgets," Brachman said. He said a 20-by-30-foot plot of

land can grow \$480 of vegetables.

"However for a number of people, it's a form of recreation or it may be part of a neighborhood improvement activity, he said.

Felix Prince, 50, a military retiree from Troy, N.Y., became involved with community gardening in 1975 when several of his neighbors got him interested.

"I grow a variety, but mostly green vegetables: lettuce, cabbage, green beans some corn," he said.

"I like growing the stuff, Prince said. "It's a summer project that I got into. I enjoy the fresh vegetables."

Brachman said anything grown in a backyard garden can be grown in a community garden, but high yield vegetables such as tomatoes and beans seem to be very popular with community gardeners.

"I grow four or five times the amount that I use, so I give it away to my neighbors or other people in the community, said Prince. "They enjoy the fresh vegetables, too."

## Booklet offers dozens of energy-saving tips

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Nobody wants to waste money on energy bills, and yet few people know how to cut utility consumption.

With this problem in mind, the United States Office of Consumer Affairs and the Department of Energy, assisted by the Union Oil Corp., has published a booklet listing dozens of energy-saving tips.

"Your Keys to Energy Efficiency," available free, tells how to cut utility bills and protect oneself from health hazards associated with extreme cold and heat.

The booklet notes that 70 percent of residential energy costs come from heating and cooling. Some suggestions to increase efficiency:

- Stop air leaks. These can account for a third of energy loss. Caulk and weatherstrip doors and

windows, close insulated drapes at night and install storm windows.

- Insulate the house thoroughly.
- Install a ceiling fan. Circulating air helps heating and cooling.
- Set the thermostat at 65F in winter and 78F in summer.

- Lower temperature on hot water heater from 140F to 120F, and wrap the unit with fiberglass insulation.
- Restrict the use of dishwasher, washer-dryer and other major appliances. Try to run them during "off peak" morning or late night hours.

For more information, send name and address to the Consumer Information Center, Dept. 587N, Pueblo, Colo. 81009.

## He lost a friend in house project

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Dawkins next tried taking it to Goodwill Industries on Main Street in Hartford, but it wouldn't fit through the door. He called around to offer it to a variety of Manchester churches, but nobody seemed to want it.

FINALLY, he got in touch with the Salvation Army on Hartford Road, which "referred me up the line, like any good army will do." When he reached the army's Hartford offices, he was, at last, given the green light.

"I was told I could drop that couch off at the Salvation Army in Hartford, at 9:30 the next morning," he said. "So I did something I really hate to do. I set the alarm clock, for 7 in the morning."

When Dawkins and his frumpy blue friend arrived in Hartford that morning, "we weren't exactly welcomed with open arms. They acted like they weren't really sure they had ever spoken with me."

The supervisors "dragged three clients to help me," Dawkins said. "They told me to put the couch on the loading dock and ask for Will. We no sooner got the couch on the dock, praise the Lord, when who should come out, but Will.

"Now there's this look on his face, like I don't want to believe. This Will, he had the most superb sense of public relations of anyone I've ever met. The first thing he says is, 'Next time, bring it somewhere else.'"

Dawkins was offended, and pretty exasperated, and he asked, "Oh? Where do you suggest?"

"To the town dump," said friend Will of the Emily Post manners.

DAWKINS CAN HANDLE rejection with the best of 'em. But this was just a bit too much.

"I had to wash my hands of the whole thing. It really made me sad, because it goes against my grain to throw anything away," he said. "But I had to accept that this was the end of the line for that couch. I was just glad he was willing to take it to the dump for me. I couldn't bear to leave it there."

So now, Big Blue has gone to that Great Furniture Mart in the sky.

Or has it? "I get the feeling that they weren't really going to move it anywhere," said Dawkins, ever the optimist. "I get the feeling that, maybe, they were leaving it right where it was. I'll bet you those workmen are enjoying sitting on that couch, right now?"

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# Repairing broken window sash is an easy job

By UPI-Popular Mechanics

When a window breaks in winter, it has to be fixed quickly. Fortunately, repairing most broken storm sashes is an easy do-it-yourself job that does not even require cutting the glass. The hardware store will do that.

Homes can be made more energy-efficient by replacing a broken pane with a low-iron, high-energy glass that looks, performs, and costs about the same as conventional glass while admitting about 16 percent more sunlight and 25 percent more BTUs for passive solar heating. Called Solakleer, it's made by General Glass International Corp., 342 Main St., New Rochelle, N.Y. 10801, and is sold through hardware stores, home centers and other similar stores.

Whether you replace the broken pane with Solakleer or conventional glass, tackle the job immediately and handle the replacement glass carefully. When cutting the glass, wear safety goggles and leather gloves. Leather gloves are a good idea for handling sharp-edged glass at any time and the safety goggles can keep chips or splinters from flying into the eyes as the glass is scored or cut.

Replacing the glass in an aluminum storm sash requires few tools and they are all standard household items. A rubber or plastic-headed mallet and a wooden block are needed to tap apart the sash frame members and a pair of cutting pliers used for electrical wiring or scissors are used to cut the rubber spline that secures the glass in the groove of the frame.

If the old rubber spline is split or deteriorated, replace it. New spline material is available at hardware stores and glass dealers. Use the old one to match size

and shape, and get the new spline a bit longer and then trim it to a tight fit.

First remove the aluminum storm sash with the broken pane from the window frame. Wearing gloves and goggles because jagged glass fragments may fall out of the frame.

Next, determine the size of the replacement glass pane, measuring the sash frame's inside dimensions including the support lips. Sometimes, if the broken pane is not completely shattered, it's easier to measure two full sides of the old glass and take the dimensions directly from it. An experienced glazier can easily tell the pane size from the sash frame and that gives him the responsibility for getting the size correct. It also lets him cut the replacement to size from a large sheet of glass.

To disassemble the aluminum sash, remove the four corner screws that hold the frame together. If there are no screws, examine the corners where the rubber spline holds the glass in the groove of the frame. Carefully, pry out the rubber at a corner where it is cut rather than folded. Once you have started it, you should be able to pull off the rubber spline strip. Do this all the way around the pane and then you can lift out the glass. Frames with corner screws come apart so you can lift one side of the frame off the edge of the glass and then remove the rubber splines holding it. For either design, wear gloves and work carefully to avoid cutting yourself on the sharp edges of the broken pane.

Carefully remove the old rubber spline from the broken pane. If the rubber is not ripped or deteriorated, you can reuse it to mount the new glass. Depending on the frame de-

sign, you can carefully place the new glass in the frame and then gently work the rubber spline that secures and seals it back into the groove around it. Work gently and you should be able to do the job safely with your fingers. If you want to push it in place with a tool, use either a piece of wood like a doctor's tongue depressor or popsicle stick. Do not use a screwdriver because it could either break the new glass or tear the rubber spline.

If the frame comes apart, put the rubber spline gasket on the edge of the glass before assembling the frame around it. With a new spline, start by folding it over to find the middle of its length and then start this in the center of the top of the glass. At the corners, cut a miter so the spline folds over neatly when its grooves are pushed over the edge of the glass.

Then, when the spline is fitted to the edge of the glass, install

the frame sections. Start with the top, then do both sides and put the bottom on last. Before fitting the bottom frame member, cut the spline at the center of the bottom of the glass so it makes a neat butt joint. Gently tighten the screws holding the frame together and the job is done. All that remains is to reinsert the sash in the storm window the same way you took it out. With most storm-screen combination windows, this can be done from inside the house.

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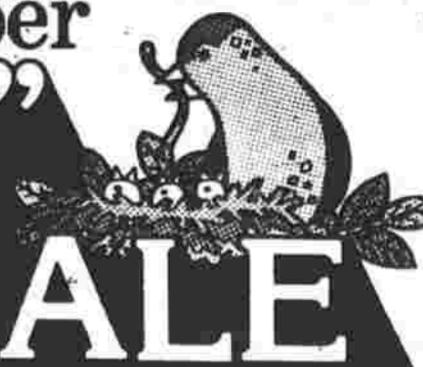
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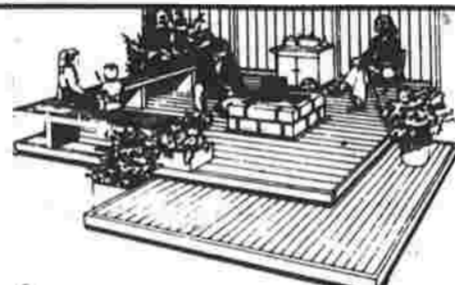
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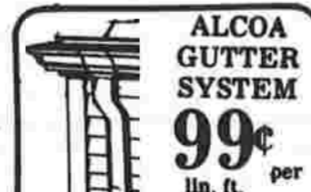
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### Appliance Clinic

## Here's how to replace refrigerator door gasket

By UPI-Popular Mechanics

**QUESTION:** How do I go about replacing the door gasket on my Admiral duplex refrigerator, model No. ND2566-BM6352B, serial No. 5684259?

**ANSWER:** First, take off the door by removing the three screws in the top door hinge. Then lift the door up and off the lower hinge and lay it on a flat surface, such as the floor or saw horses. Use an old blanket to pad the door and protect it from scratching or other damage.

Next, take out all the inner panel mounting screws that are under the inner lip of the door gasket. These screws hold the door gasket and the door liner to the outer door panel. After removing the old gasket, lay the new gasket in place and reinstall the screws finger-tight. You may have to adjust the gasket fit after replacing the door, so leave these screws tight enough to hold the panel in place but loose enough so you can shift the gasket a bit if you have to. Lift the door and place it on the bottom hinge, then reinstall the top hinge.

Adjust the door hinges so that you have an equal distance between the top and bottom when the door is open. Close the door and make sure there is a good gasket seal all around. If the door sticks out too far at the bottom, hold the top in position so it cannot shift and push it in at the bottom until the door lines up with the cabinet. Now, open the door and fully tighten all the inner panel mounting screws. Take care not to tighten them so much that you distort the inner panel.

The part number for the refrigerator door gasket is No. 27406-4. The freezer door gasket is part No. 27406-3. You can order these parts from Marcone Appliance Parts Co., 1515 Cypress St., Tampa, Fla. 33606.

### The World Almanac

#### Q&A

1. What is the capital of Nevada? (a) Reno (b) Carson City (c) Las Vegas
2. Who were the water polo champions at the 1984 Winter Olympics? (a) United States (b) West Germany (c) Yugoslavia
3. Who discovered the Gulf of St. Lawrence in 1534? (a) Jacques Cartier (b) Pere Marquette (c) Henry Hudson

#### ANSWERS

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Every year an estimated 1.6 billion cubic feet of usable wood is left on the ground of the nation's forests after logging.

**QUESTION:** Our built-in KitchenAid KDS-17A dishwasher doesn't dry the dishes the way it used to. The dishes are not hot when the machine finishes, but the fan seems to be working. I suspect that the heater element may have burned out.

**ANSWER:** Check that the hot water temperature is between 140 and 160 degrees F. Then make sure current is reaching the dryer heating element when the timer is in the DRY period. Possibly one of the push-button controls is not operating properly or the timer contacts could be burned or worn. There are two button-type thermostats in series with the heater element and either or both of these could be inoperative.

To check out these trouble causes, first turn off the power and remove the bottom kick plate which is secured by a screw on either side. Lift it up and out to remove it. Look for loose or disconnected wires.

The problem may be that obvious. If everything is OK, check wiring, switches and connections with a volt-ohmmeter set at the Rx1 or Rx10 scale. Any reading across a switch that is closed or across the heater element itself indicates the part is defective. Check for a faulty energy-saver switch on the door panel or possibly a bad timer contact. If current is reaching the heater element through the thermal protector, which is in series with the element, the heating element is probably defective. If your tester shows no continuity through the element, it is definitely defective.

To check continuity through the heater, with the power turned off, disconnect both wires to the element. Place the volt-ohmmeter probes across the element. With the switch still at Rx1 or Rx10, no reading shows the heater element is open and should be replaced. You can also check the thermal protector button thermostat the same way. Replace the defective parts, replace the kick panel and test the machine. It should now dry

your dishes just as it did when new.

**QUESTION:** Two questions came in at the same time on soggy wash. The owner of a Ward's Signature 18-pound automatic washer, model No. LNC 6732-A33 reports clothes coming out of the spin cycle very wet. Another with a General Electric W.W.A. 8050L reports her clothes have been coming out a little wetter than usual.

**ANSWER:** Check for a loose drive belt by unplugging either machine and removing the back cover. You will see the motor, water pump and clutch assembly in one assembly on the GE model at the lower left corner of the machine. The drive belt goes around the pulleys on the motor and the transmission. There should be about 1/8-inch of deflection when you push hard on the belt with your thumb. To tighten the belt, slack off on the three bolts holding the motor-mounting plate to the machine. Pull on the motor to tighten the belt using one hand while tightening the mounting nuts with the other.

Check the belt for cracks, wear or fraying. Replacing the belt is only a little harder than simply tightening it. Take the old belt to an appliance parts center or auto supply store to have it matched for size and then reinstall it over the pulleys. Adjust it the same as a used belt.

If this doesn't solve the problem, the GE may have clutch trouble. This is an involved repair best handled by an authorized repairman. The Ward Signature could have a slow spin caused by a top seal leak that has washed the lube out of its top bearing. Since this replacement requires special tools, it is also a job for a pro. Check your nearest Ward's repair center to have this work done. The approximate cost of parts and labor should be about \$100, so you might want to replace the washer instead of repairing it.



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## Here's a primer on refinishing furniture

By UPI-Popular Mechanics

Buying new furniture does not have to stop at machine-made pieces or genuine antiques — both at high prices. Refinished furniture, or even better, furniture that needs refinishing is also a good bet.

Older pieces of furniture can often be obtained at bargain prices because of a bad finish. When properly reworked, these pieces can be improved structurally and given a new finish as good or better than the original. This step-by-step refinishing primer can get you started on your own.

The old finish need not come off a fine piece to give it a professional facelift. Sometimes old finishes merely collect films of wax and grime that look terrible but can easily be removed. With a genuine antique, an original finish will increase the value more than a new finish.

Before refinishing, repair problems that can be accomplished without stripping off the old finish, like shallow surface scratches that can be touched up with paste wax.

Apply the wax by rubbing it across the grain. Allow it to set according to the directions and then buff with a soft, clean, dry cloth.

If the scratch has penetrated the original finish and removed the stain down to the wood, use a colored wax touch-up stick to hide the scratch. You can also get colored shellac sticks that fill larger cracks and gouges. These sticks are melted with a soldering iron, staying hot enough to melt the shellac around burning it. Once the shellac starts to flow, use the knife to fill the cracks and smooth the surface. With prac-

### Reduce pollution inside the home

LINCOLN, NEB. (UPI) — Home air pollution is a growing concern among American families, according to Kathleen Parrott of the University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension Service.

The most common pollutants come from appliances burning gas, oil and kerosene; wood burning stoves and fireplaces; building products and furnishings with formaldehyde glues and binders; chemicals for cleaning and maintaining the home; and tobacco smoke.

Parrott says energy efficiency in homes plays a role in this problem, since air-tight houses tend not to ventilate as quickly as drafty ones. The air change rate is an important factor, although it is difficult to measure and varies throughout the year.

Generally the best way to handle home pollution is to cut it at the source. Some steps to start:

- Avoid using unvented appliances burning fossil fuels, like kerosene heaters.
- Whenever possible, use volatile chemicals outside, such as paint, polish or sprays. Otherwise, open windows and ventilate the house well.

tice, the melted shellac can be blended to match the surrounding wood tones.

Rings left by wet glasses are one of the most obvious and unattractive blemishes on otherwise good-looking furniture. Sometimes stripping or repairing the area is the only solution. Before trying this, though, there are two simpler options.

Place a blotter and a warm iron over the ring for a few seconds. If it doesn't lift the ring after a few tries, try rubbing it out. Apply a mild abrasive like pumice or use a fine grade steel wool (4-0) with a lubricant, like boiled linseed or lemon oil. Applying a poultice of olive oil and salt for several hours may also remove water stains. A few drops of household ammonia on a dampened cloth sometimes remove rings left by alcohol.

If none of these methods works or if the finish has been eaten away down to the bare wood,

you'll have to strip the surface and refinish it. This is a major job that calls for time, a place to work, the right stripping materials and refinishing supplies. While you won't be working eight-hour days on the job, even a small piece will take at least three days allowing for drying time. A large bookcase or chest can take up to five days and a big job like a dining table could go for a week or more.

The tools you need for refinishing include a low-priced paint brush for applying finish remover, disposable plastic or rubber gloves, lots of clean rags, coarse (1-0) and fine (4-0) steel wool, assorted sandpaper from 120 to 220 grit, and a good brush for applying the new finish.

First identify the old finish. Denatured alcohol dissolves shellac. Test on an inconspicuous spot. If this doesn't soften the finish, try a commercial stripper. These dissolve most

other finishes including oil, varnish, lacquer and polyurethane varnish. Some of the newer two-part epoxy and polyester resin finishes may be untouched. Take these off with heat, a job better left for a professional to avoid damage to the wood.

Follow the directions on the can of stripper to the letter and remember that a well ventilated area means two open windows on opposite sides of the room with a fan going to exhaust fumes.

If the piece you are stripping has carving or decorative grooves, work on the surface with a toothbrush or a short length of small-diameter dove cut at a 45 degree angle to avoid marring the surface.

Avoid using water—even with water-soluble strippers, since it can lift veneers and play havoc with old glue joints even if it doesn't stain the wood. Lacquer thinner works better on a slightly-dampened cloth pad.

Repair loose joints before refinishing, raise or fill dents and repair cracks or gouges with shellac stick.

Finally sand the surface smooth and sand off the whiskers before applying the final finish. The better you prepare the surface, the better the final finish will look.

Stains, shellacs and varnishes all come with complete instructions. Follow them carefully. Apply shellac with long, even brush strokes. Overlap each succeeding stroke slightly to minimize brush marks. If you spot a flaw in the finish, don't try to brush it out. Let it dry, sand it out with 220-grit paper and touch it up. Each coat should dry in about 30 minutes. Apply a second and third coat up to as many as five coats. Then let to dry and, after at least two days or better still—a full week, apply a coat of paste furniture wax.

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## First-time gardener? Proceed with confidence

By Patricia McCormack  
United Press International

Down to earth first-time gardeners touch the same bases old-timers do — but with less bravado.

So if you're a beginner you need to psyche yourself up and divest yourself of any sinking feeling of failure. After that, proceed with confidence. A certain amount of beginner's luck will see you through.

Besides, you can always pull up your mistakes — or plow them under.

Neophytes, as veterans, must first diagram the garden. A blueprint. On it block off patches for assorted vegetables you'd like to nurture on your farmette.

Tomatoes, lettuce, radishes, beans, cucumbers, peppers are the most commonly grown crops. If you don't want all that, give your green thumb the gardening test by sticking to one crop. The most popular in America is tomatoes.

**AFTER YOU'VE** made your plan, pick up tools. A rake, a fork, a hoe, a shovel, a trowel. In the cost floors you, check out tag sales, garage sales, and even the Goodwill store for used implements.

You'll also need a hose, sprinkling can, wheelbarrow, tape measure, garden stakes.

Presumably you have checked out and picked a good site. Soil should drain well. A swamp, for example, is a rotten place for a garden. The same for a plot

drenched with shade. Your crop needs sun in addition to well-drained soil. What's that? Mud that doesn't let puddles form.

Size? Think small, suggests Charles L. Scott II, President of Gardens for All in Burlington, Vt. Five-by-five feet, for example. Even 20-by-20 is considered small, he says.

Mark off the plot by driving stakes in the corners. Tie string from stake to stake to keep the plot from developing an odd shape as you prepare it for planting.

**THE FIRST STEP** in the preparation ritual: Clear plot. Cut down brush. Rip up roots. Remove huge rocks. Pick up bottles, cans, and other debris.

The next big step: Turning over the earth. It's done with a fork. It is hard work. Your back and arms will tell you the day after you dig up your garden.

Once the soil's turned, pick up the hoe and knock apart clumps. Make the plot less lumpy. Then run the rake back and forth over it all, smoothing it out and catching extraneous rocks and other junk.

Next, using string, and following your diagram, mark off the beds. Then plant seeds, following directions on packets. If you don't like waiting or worry about thieving birds stealing your newly planted seeds, you can do something else.

The else? Don't garden from seed. Instead pick up plantlets at a garden center. Once you transplant them, your garden will look something like a well-kept garden.

Follow up is the same as if you started from seed. You water the garden, weed, hoe, fight blights, bugs, birds, small animals and other cursed things.

**QUESTIONS?** Let your fingers walk over the pages of the phone book. Look for the number of the United States Department of Agriculture County Extension Agent in your locale.

No charge for all kinds of advice.

Check out gardening books in the library, too.

If you want to buy books, here are some good ones:

- "All About Fertilizers, Soils and Water" (Ortho Books, \$4.95). A detailed look at these important components of the vegetable garden.

- "Down-to-Earth Vegetable Gardening Know-How" (Garden Way Publishing, \$7.95). Tips and information on planning, soil preparation, planting, weeding,

disease and pest control, harvesting, soil building, compost and vegetable storage.

- "The Encyclopedia of Organic Gardening" (Rodale Press Gardening Magazine, \$21.95.)

- "Rodale's Color Handbook of Garden Insects" (Rodale Press, \$10.95). Includes over 300 color photographs of insects in egg, larva, pupa and adult stages. Life styles, feeding habits, host plants, related predators, and organic control techniques are covered.

- "Taylor's Encyclopedia of Gardening" (Houghton-Mifflin Co., \$12.50.)

- "Common Weeds of the United States" (U.S. Department of Agriculture-Dover Publications, \$6.50.)

- "Square Foot Gardening" (Rodale, \$11.95). This companion book to a National PBS television series is about a new system of laying out, planting, and maintaining a productive, attractive garden in any amount of space. The garden is based on a grid of 1-foot-by-1-foot squares, with single seeds or plants placed in carefully determined spacings.

Climbing and sprawling crops like cucumbers, pole beans, squash, and tomatoes are grown vertically to save space. Mel Bartholomew, the author, claims a square foot garden takes only one-fifth the space and work of a conventional garden to produce the same harvest and is easy to maintain so the garden stays neat, weedless and uncluttered.



## Here's the story on paint spraying

By UPI-Popular Mechanics

Paint spraying equipment is expensive, although serious craftsmen need it to get professional results. But most people do not use elaborate paint spraying equipment often enough to justify its high cost.

When a spray finish is called for, most people now use paints in spray cans.

Spray can paints come in a wide variety of finishes, colors and types to tackle most around-the-house painting jobs. And, with a little practice, professional-looking results can be achieved.

Choosing the correct finish and preparing the surface carefully can determine whether a particular job will turn out successfully. Make sure in refinishing projects to buy a paint specifically designed to adhere to the surface being covered. For instance, with wood projects, select a paint or varnish compatible with the original finish, or else seal the surface with an undercoat or primer before applying the final finish. Follow the instructions on the label of the spray.

Preparation is important. Unless the surface to be painted is smooth, dry and absolutely clean, the paint will show up imperfections when it dries. Dust in the air can settle into the wet paint and spoil the best prepared surface, which is why it is often better to spray outside, rather than indoors. This way sanding dust and paint fumes are both quickly dissipated.

Make sure to take a few safety precautions when painting outdoors.

- Hang an old sheet or a corrugated cardboard carton as a backdrop to catch overspray. A large carton from an appliance like a refrigerator or washing machine, makes a perfect outdoor spray booth.

- Make certain none of the overspray drifts onto a neighbor's property.

- Don't spray paint outdoors on a windy day.

- When painting indoors, also remember:

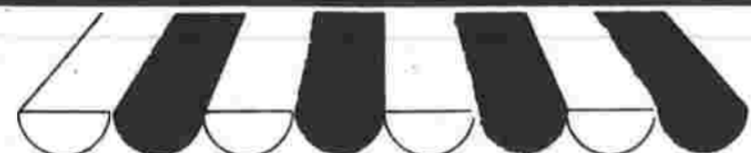
- Ventilation is a necessity. Open at least one shop window and turn on the exhaust fan, if there is one. Otherwise, open another window at the opposite side of the room and set up a fan blowing outwards.

- Wear a respiratory mask if possible.

When masking a project with newspapers or tape, be sure first to smooth the surface to be painted with the right grade of sandpaper, using a sanding block when the area is flat. Then dust the surface, removing all traces of particles with a tack cloth (a wiping rag treated to make it sticky or tacky enough to remove dust).

Most surface preparation should be done before covering areas not to be painted. If the inside of a project should not be painted, then cover any ventilating holes with paper from the inside to prevent overspray from leaving a pattern.

After thoroughly vacuuming the surface and using the tack cloth again, apply a primer coat before spraying the final finish. Special metal primers are also available for this purpose.



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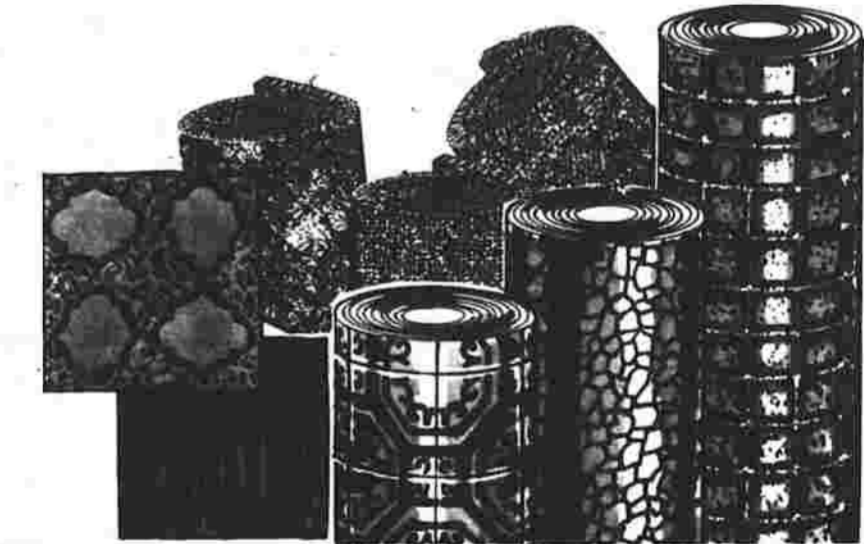
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Homeowner's Clinic

## The paint in the bathroom keeps blistering

By UPI-Popular Mechanics

**QUESTION:** Although I've applied several coats of primer on my bathroom drywall, the paint above the shower tile keeps blistering because of moisture. Is there a special paint or preparation that will prevent blistering?

**ANSWER:** Without a fan or open window, you are courting trouble. If you can get the blistered walls dry enough to work on, the next best thing to applying more ceramic tiles would be to sand the old, blistered paint thoroughly and cover the area with a solid vinyl wall covering (not vinyl-coated wallpaper).

When applying the vinyl wall covering, make sure to brush the edges and joints tightly against the wall to prevent moisture from seeping behind the covering and loosening it.

**QUESTION:** The concrete in my driveway has been stained by oil and rusty coolant from a blown radiator hose that dumped several gallons of coolant onto the drive. The stains resist the cleaners I have tried. Can you help?

**ANSWER:** Two products have worked well for us when cleaning rust and dirt from concrete. But there is one problem. They clean so well that the rest of the driveway looks dirty by comparison. To avoid leaving a speckled clean-dirty surface, you'll have to clean the whole driveway.

Rust-X contains oxalic acid, designed specifically for removing rust stains from masonry and concrete without etching the surface. The maker also claims that it works just as well on other surfaces such as painted metal, fiberglass and vinyl.

A companion product called "Scrub-It" from the same manufacturer removes dirt and grime from concrete surfaces. The manufacturer also recommends it for cleaning asphalt and ceramic tiles. We used Scrub-It on a ceramic-tiled shower pan. It removed old soap and grime quickly and effortlessly. As the manufacturer claims, we could see no damage to the tiles.

Both products are made by Vi-Chem Products, Inc., Box 34507, San Antonio, Tex. 78265. Prices are high enough so that cleaning an entire driveway would get expensive, but for small jobs their effectiveness justifies their cost.

**QUESTION:** Can you tell me what kind of paint I can use to color Styrofoam ice chests? The outside is soiled, although the inside is still white and clean. I cannot find new ones the same size that will fit in our car.

**ANSWER:** Your cooler may have been made by a manufacturer of polystyrene. Styrofoam is the trade name of one kind made by Dow Chemical U.S.A., and is probably the best known. You can paint polystyrene with any latex (water-soluble) paint. Solvents in oil-base paints might partially dissolve the foam and could form a sticky surface that would not dry.

**QUESTION:** I've seen advertisements for a kit to convert gas-fueled yard lights to operate on electric power. The light would still look like a gas light but would cost less to operate. I've never done a project like this, and was planning on hiring

an electrician to do the wiring for me. Have you any suggestions?

**ANSWER:** We had never converted a light, either, so we called Yardlighting Systems, Inc., 1039 Charles Ave., Dept., Dept. 45, St. Paul, Minn. 55104 and asked them about their Reite kit.

They replied that the instructions packed with each of their kits make installation very simple. Since you are working with low voltage electricity, you only need a pro to disconnect the gas line and cap it off. Your gas company will probably do that for you for a nominal charge. Then they, or you, must cut the copper tubing at a point near the base of the lamp pole.

The low-voltage conversion model they recommend for homeowner installation is a transformer that plugs into a basement outlet. You don't have to do any electric wiring in your home or open any electrical boxes to

make connections. You just have to dig a small trench to bury the wire to the lamp. Complete instructions explain this step-by-step procedure for each of their kits.

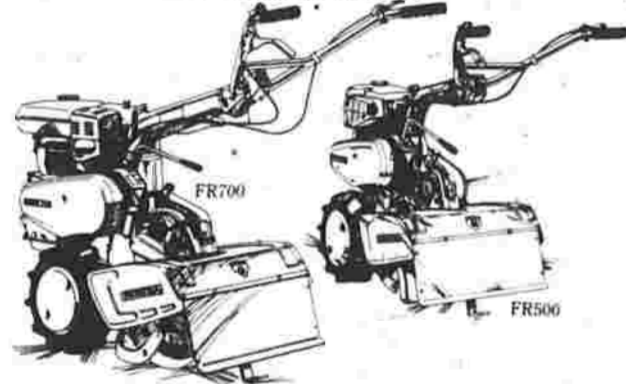
**QUESTION:** I want to insulate the walls of my basement with polystyrene insulation boards. Can I make the job easier by applying the paneling directly over the polystyrene?

**ANSWER:** Don't do it. First cover the polystyrene insulation board with drywall material at least a half inch thick. Then glue the paneling to this.

If there is a fire, polystyrene can give off toxic fumes when it burns. The drywall protects it long enough to allow time to escape before the flames reach the polystyrene. Most such insulating boards come with instructions for covering them with gypsum board for this reason.

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## Questions and answers on home gardening

By Dick Raymond

**QUESTION:** I'm about to order my seeds. Do you have any advice on getting crops to harvest sooner?  
 S.P., MANSFIELD, OHIO

**ANSWER:** First off, look for "days to maturity" in the catalogs, or on seed packets themselves. Count the days between final spring frost and first fall frost for your area, so you'll be able to grow the faster-growing varieties. Also select cold-tolerant varieties, when that feature is specified, if you've got a short growing season.

In many areas it's short but hot and dry, so heat-tolerant is helpful, too. You can start seeds indoors in small flats to get a real jump on spring. I transplant most vegetables at least twice, to

encourage the strongest possible root system. This will anchor my young plants quicker, and bring them sooner to the fruiting stage. Concentrate on spinach, onion sets, kale, lettuces, the crops that do real well even in cold and wet conditions of spring. You can of course buy your already-started plants to set out in your garden. The cabbage family plants — broccoli, cauliflower, Brussels sprouts, etc. — will do real well in cold spring weather, so they can go in early.

Protecting your earliest transplants with collars and other simple devices will also trap heat and sun for more vigorous and rapid early growth.

**QUESTION:** I don't have land to garden but have had some success growing in containers. Will the vegetables really reach full size?  
 H.M., CHICAGO

**ANSWER:** Not only do vegetables grow to full size in containers, but you can grow 'em all —

cherry tomatoes to beefsteak! In one windowbox garden I had this last year that was only 10 feet long — and the standard 1 foot wide — I raised 15-some vegetables. I grew an eggplant, cabbage, tomatoes, broccoli, beans, lettuces, beets and carrots, parsley, chives and onions and more.

You can grow tomatoes and herbs and beans in hanging baskets. You can use all sorts of tubs and containers, from inner tube tires to old kettles. Punch holes to allow for drainage.

Here are my rules: Water well. Surrounded by air, tubs dry out much faster than in-ground plants. Add a weekly dose of regular houseplant fertilizer to the water. Crowd the vegetables together, as long as the container is a good 10-to-12 inches deep. The close-growing foliage will shade the plants and soil so they won't bake on you. Use a potting soil mix that's got some inorganic, spongy-like filler or inert material, like vermiculite. This will help moisture retention.

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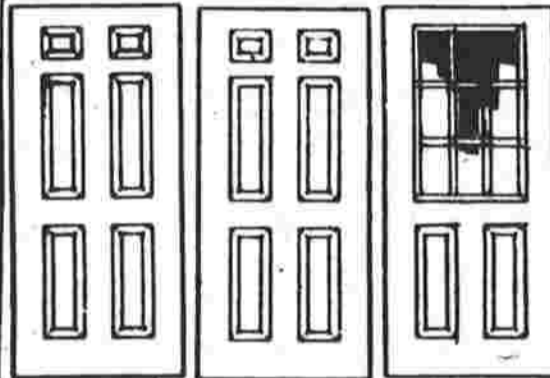
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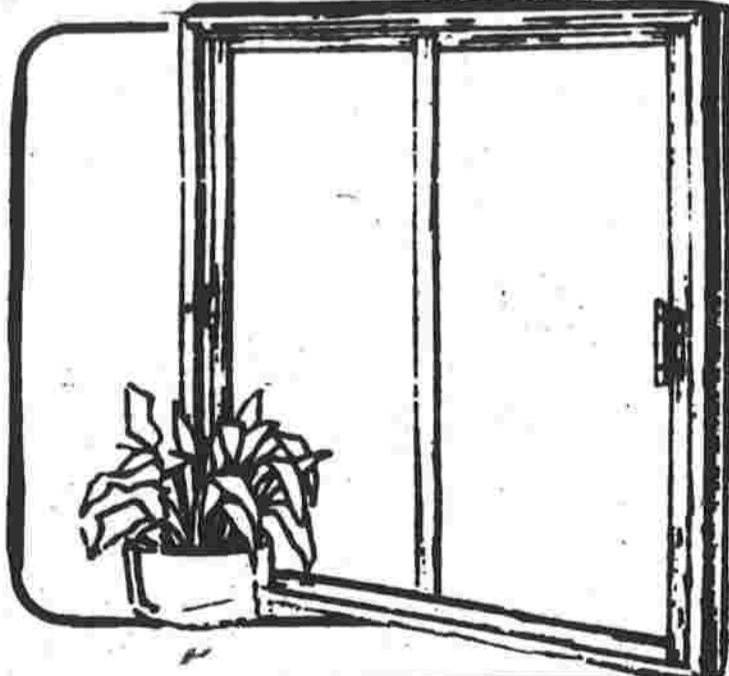
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