

BUSINESS

Business In Brief

LaBarre directs contracts

WINDSOR — Robert M. LaBarre of Manchester has been named director of commercial contracts by C.E. Controls, a division of the Power Systems Group of Combustion Engineering Inc.

He joined C.E. in 1942 and has served in numerous management positions, most recently as director of planning and materials at C.E. Controls.

LaBarre attended Cornell and Denison universities and is a World War II veteran, serving with the U.S. Navy in the Pacific Theater.

Dickstein wins contest

BOLTON — Howard W. Dickstein of Vernon was the grand-prize winner of United Cable TV's "Be Choosy Sweepstakes" drawing for a new Bertone convertible sports car. United Cable has two cable systems in the state serving 64,000 customers in the Avon, New Britain and Vernon areas.

Colonial's profits increase

WATERBURY — Colonial Bancorp Inc. has reported an increase in first-quarter profits over 1984's first quarter.

Net income for the first quarter of 1985 was \$2.8 million, a 33 percent increase over the \$2.1 million reported for the first quarter of 1984.

Net income per common share was 90 cents for the first quarter, compared to 87 cents in the first quarter of 1984.

First-quarter results were led by growth in domestic loans and deposits. Total loans reached \$1.036 billion at March 31, 1985, compared to \$920 million a year ago, while total deposits grew to \$1.366 billion from \$1.168 billion in 1984.

It's a better first quarter

HARTFORD — The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co. has reported that operating income for the first quarter of 1985 was 85 cents per share following a two-for-one stock split approved by shareholders. This compares to a loss of 11 cents per share for the first quarter of 1984.

In his letter to shareholders, President Wilson Wilde said that the combined ratio for the first quarter was 100.1 percent, compared to 127.8 percent for the first quarter of 1984.

"The improvement primarily relates to our insurance operations where revenues increased 18.8 percent, claims declined 18.1 percent, and underwriting expenses increased only 3.8 percent," Wilde said.

WCVB price \$450 million

NEEDHAM, Mass. — WCVB-TV is expected to soon announce the sale of the station for \$450 million, twice what Metromedia Inc. paid for it three years ago, reports say.

The buyer of the station was reported Thursday to be Hearst Corp., although American Broadcasting Companies Inc. was also considered a possible buyer.

The sale is expected to be part of a transaction by which Metromedia will either merge with Twentieth Century Fox Film Corp. or sell Fox one or more of its other television stations.

Metromedia's television stations are valued at \$1.8 billion. In addition to WCVB, it owns stations in Los Angeles, New York, Chicago, Washington, Houston and Dallas. It also owns radio stations valued at \$400,000.

Hearst currently operates stations in Pittsburgh, Dayton, Milwaukee, Kansas City and Baltimore.

Emhart employees return

BERLIN — Employees at Emhart Industries' Hardware Division returned to work Friday after ratifying a new three-year contract ending a weeklong strike.

More than 1,000 workers who walked off their jobs gathered at New Britain High School where they ratified the new proposal.

A joint statement from the union and the International Association of Machinists, Locals 1137 and 1249, said the new pact included "improvements in wages and benefits" but no other details were disclosed.

Negotiators arrived at the agreement after more than 14 hours of negotiations that began Wednesday morning and broke up early Thursday, said Fred M. Hoffelder, hardware division president.

The division manufactures builders' materials such as lock sets, fire-ext devices and padlocks.

Union Carbide delays production of chemical

INSTITUTE, W.Va. (UPI) — Union Carbide Corp. Friday postponed for another 24 hours the resumption of methanol production at its plant in Bhopal, India, after the production at its institute pesticide plant, citing minor mechanical problems.

After making MIC for 17 years, Carbide halted production at Institute Dec. 3, the day the same deadly chemical leaked at its plant in Bhopal, India, killing up to 2,500 people and injuring about 200,000 more.

"Barring any further developments, we are estimating now starting up sometime during the day tomorrow (Saturday)," Carbide spokesman Thad Epps said.

Epps said delays are common when restarting a major chemical unit.

"There are instruments you have to make some adjustments to, as an example," he said. "You can have some minor mechanical situations — oil seals that may be leaking a little more than necessary, any one of which can cause a delay. It is very common."

The renewed production of MIC concerns many people in the Kanawha Valley where the Carbide plant is located, but many others are taking the imminent start-up in stride.

"I think Carbide does a good job," said Louise Peters, 66, who has lived in the area for 40 years. "I know people (who) worked over there and they did real well."

Perry Bryant, acting director of the West Virginia-Citizen Action Group, said, however, it is "unfortunate," Carbide officials have not been more open with the residents.

"I had hoped that (Carbide Chairman) Warren Anderson would have been right when he

Cancer patients encounter job barriers

A dietitian fired after a mastectomy was having difficulty in getting another job, usually on the basis that she was "not suitable."

A 53-year-old technical writer was refused employment by a company which told him that his treatment a year earlier for Hodgkin's disease, a form of lymphatic cancer, made him a poor insurance risk.

A 42-year-old college graduate, given a clean bill of health after being afflicted with prostate cancer, was turned down for a series of jobs for which he was otherwise considered superbly qualified.

Studies by the American Cancer Society of hundreds of "workable" cancer patients, typified by those mentioned, found that more than half of the hundreds of white-collar workers and 84 percent of the blue-collar workers surveyed reported job problems because of their illness.

Outright dismissal was only one problem. Patients also faced such discriminatory tactics as demotion, denial of promotion or pay hikes, or having to give up their group health and/or life insurance as the price of keeping the job. Also found were many instances of psychological abuse, being isolated and shunned, teased or treated with hostility.

As a 42-year-old bookkeeper with a colostomy summed it up: "I received a death sentence twice: once when my doctor told me I have cancer, then when my boss asked me to quit because the cancer would upset my fellow workers. Except for my wife, that was my whole world."

The problem affects not only many of the 400,000 members of the nation's work force who

groups can rise because of the cost of ongoing cancer treatments.

It is deeply ironic, therefore, that an insurance giant, Metropolitan Life, made history in 1974 with a pioneering study showing its own employees with cancer histories were "excellent employment risks." The job record of former cancer patients compared favorably — in performance, absenteeism and turnover — with a sampling of non-cancer workers. The study recommended "selective hiring of persons treated for cancer."

Yet, a decade after the publication of this study, many employers seem unaware of the findings or, if aware, choose to ignore them.

If you are a former cancer patient (or a person recovered from a heart ailment, emphysema or other disabling disease) and you feel you have suffered job discrimination, you have some legal redress under the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973. This act requires most employers doing business with the federal government to take "affirmative action" to hire handicapped persons and treat them fairly — or face the loss of their federal contracts.

In addition, more than 35 states have affirmative action and fair employment practice laws to prohibit job discrimination.

If you feel you are a victim of job discrimination because of your cancer history, ask your local American Cancer Society for a free copy of its pamphlet, "Cancer — Your Job, Insurance and the Law." It tells you your rights and how to get them.

Note: After filing a complaint with the Labor Department, the technical writer mentioned earlier was hired by the company which had rejected him six months before because he had Hodgkin's disease.



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83 Mercury Lynx - Station Wagon 3.3 dr. 8 to choose from, mileage varies, fully equipped \$5,700	81 Chevrolet Malibu 2 dr., maroon, fully equipped, 63,000 miles \$6,400	
81 Mazda GLC 5 spd., 60,000 miles \$3,900	79 DeSoto 200 9K 2 dr., green, automatic, 52,000 miles \$2,900	
83 Mercury Grand Marquis Blue, 4 dr., 40,300 miles, fully equipped \$9,800	81 Lincoln Town Car 4 dr., black, fully equipped, 41,000 miles \$9,800	
81 Ford LTD Crown Victoria 4 dr., black, 44,000 miles \$7,900	82 Honda Accord 2 dr., beige, 5 spd., 44,000 miles \$6,900	
82 Mazda GLC 4 dr., blue, 5 spd., 60,000 miles \$5,500	81 Jeep CJ7 2 dr., red, 4x4, 43,000 miles \$5,900	
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79 Dodge Aspen SE 2 dr., white, fully equipped, 99,000 miles \$3,995	81 Buick Skylark - 4 dr., green, white, 68,000 miles, needs some mechanical work \$2,800	
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81 Mazda GLC Station Wagon 4 dr., 60,000 miles \$6,200	77 Mercury Comet 4 dr., yellow, 60,000 miles, cover starting \$2,500	
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Manchester, Conn. — A City of Village Charm

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Bolton goes to the polls

By Sarah Passell Herald Reporter

BOLTON — By noon today, 600 of Bolton's 2,500 registered voters had cast their ballots in the municipal election at Community Hall.

"For a town election that's good," said Town Clerk Catherine Leiner. In the 1983 town election, a total of 1,180 of the 2,375 registered voters cast ballots, or 51.4 percent.

"They've been coming in droves," said another town employee who observed the election traffic all morning.

The polls, which opened at 6 a.m., will close at 8 this evening.

The 1985 election campaign has featured fierce competition for three seats on the six-member Board of Finance, with those allied on the side of fiscal conservatism crossing party lines and standing united against those who favor a more liberal approach to spending.

The conservatives are the three incumbents — Republicans Morris Silverstein, who is current chairman, and Clayton Adams and Democrat Charles Holland.

The challengers are Republican Robert Campbell and Democrat Rusty Kelsey and Claude Rusti.

The contest for first selectman, the town's top elected post, pits Republican Deputy First Selectman Douglas Cheney — the biggest vote-getter in the 1983 election — against incumbent First Selectman Sandra Piaras. Piaras, a Democrat, was appointed to the position in her first term on the board to take over for fellow Democrat Henry P. Tyska after his death last September.

Challenger Robert Madore rounds out the Democratic ticket for the Board of Selectmen with Piarog and incumbent Michael A. Zizka. Zizka, appointed when Piarog became first selectman, is seeking his first full term on the board.

The three face Republican incumbents Cheryl Carl Preuss and Lawrence Converse. Either party may win up to three seats on the five-member board, under the terms of the state minority representation law.

The race for three openings on the Board of Education features all the incumbents and a challenger from each party.

Chairman James Marshall and Michael Parsons, both Republicans, and David Fernald, a Democratic appointee seeking election for the first time, are the incumbent members.

Democrat John Muro and Republican Thomas Manning, are seeking to break in to the ranks. Manning, who petitioned to get his name on the ballot, has targeted Parsons as the weakest candidate.

Muro was nominated by the Democratic Town Committee to try to increase the party's representation on the seven-member board, which is controlled by five Republicans.

Other races include the uncontested election for the town clerk and town meeting moderator and those for seats on the Planning Commission, Zoning Commission, Board of Appeals and Board of Tax Review.



Walking tall

Tipping his hat from a high vantage point at the Manchester Community College Springfest Saturday is David Brennan, a performer with LaMere Mime and Mask of New Haven. An estimated 1,500 to 2,000 people attended the afternoon of varied entertainment sponsored by the MCC Student Program Board. More pictures on page 4.

Accident leaves one driver in serious condition

Three people were seriously injured and three others sustained minor injuries when two cars collided in the unlighted intersection of McKee and West Center Streets early Sunday morning, police said today.

The accident occurred shortly before 3 a.m., less than an hour after another accident at the same intersection. A car hit an electrical pole at West Center and Broad streets, knocking out the traffic control lights and power to almost 2,000 customers, police and a utility company spokesman said.

The driver of one car, Farmington resident Shamus DeLaney, 34, was taken to Manchester Memorial Hospital with multiple injuries, police and a hospital spokesman said. He was in serious condition at noon today, hospital spokesman Andrew Beck said.

Police said DeLaney, who was traveling west on West Center Street in a 1978 Volkswagen Rabbit, was at fault in the accident. They said that with no lights controlling the intersection, DeLaney should have yielded the right of way to the car on his right, which was heading south on McKee Street.

DeLaney's car caught fire after the accident and without electricity for an hour and 40 minutes.



Police stand by as town firefighters douse flames in the engine of 1978 Volkswagen Rabbit that was involved in a two-car collision early Sunday in the unlighted intersection of West Center and McKee streets.

Under the contract, the Ambulance Service of Manchester was to be the first ambulance responder to medical emergencies.

But in a letter dated April 25, Chris A. Gentile, director of the state's Office of Emergency Medical Services, said the payment provision was in direct conflict with a state statute that prohibits ambulance companies from offering money in exchange for the right to be the first responder.

Gentile issued the opinion after a meeting in his office with town officials and state legislators that town staff would begin preparing alternatives to the current contract to present to the Board of Directors. But he cautioned against panic, saying that a town-run ambulance service might be the answer.

Other options town officials said they would look into include soliciting competitive bids for ambulance service and renegotiating the contract with the Ambulance Service of Manchester.

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"We were playing it low key," he said.

Weinberg also said the two Republican legislators from Manchester should not have been excluded in the town's efforts to remedy the problem legislatively.

"This is not a political issue," she said.

Besides McCavanagh, other legislators who attended the meeting were state Rep. Elsie L. Swenson, R-Manchester, and state Sen. Carl A. Zinser, R-Manchester. Republican town Director William J. Diana, Assistant General Manager Steven R. Werbner, Town Attorney Kevin M. O'Brien and Assistant Town Attorney Barry Botticello also attended the meeting.

All three legislators said nothing could be done at the state Capitol to exempt Manchester's agreement from the provisions of the state statute cited by Gentile.

"If there was something we could do, we would do it," Zinser said.

Zinser questioned how officials from the town and ambulance company missed the statute when the agreement was drafted. Director Diana said he thought the legality of the payments was questioned when the Board of Directors was considering the contract.

Town considers own service due to void ambulance pact

The town may consider setting up its own ambulance service now that a contract with the Ambulance Service of Manchester Inc. has been determined to be void, town officials said this morning.

Town General Manager Robert B. Weinberg said at an hour-long meeting in his office with town officials and state legislators that town staff would begin preparing alternatives to the current contract to present to the Board of Directors. But he cautioned against panic, saying that a town-run ambulance service might be the answer.

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Fighting moves to airport

Gemayel calls council in cease-fire search

By David Zenton United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon. — Four civilians were killed and at least 50 were wounded as Christian and Moslem militiamen shelled Beirut's airport and residential areas during all-night artillery and mortar clashes, police said today.

Four employees of Middle East Airlines, Lebanon's national carrier, were wounded and several aircraft were diverted to Cyprus when at least 13 shells hit the runway, but the airport did not close.

The airport is open, and Boeing 747 of Middle East Airlines landed at 11:40 a.m. and others are expected soon. Takeoffs are planned for noon, an airport spokesman said.

Police and hospital sources said the "vast majority" of the casualties in Beirut were civilians hit by shellfire in Christian and Moslem residential neighborhoods.

Rival militiamen are using residential neighborhoods to fire at each other and thus openly and knowingly risking the civilian population, a police source said.

There are more Christians (4 percent of the population) than Hindus (3.5 percent) in South Yemen.

Peopletalk

High school activist

Juan Baez began her career as an activist in high school in Palo Alto, Calif., when she realized school officials were trying to buffalo students into accepting a nuclear war.



UPI photo

High Ideas

When he wants inspiration, Peter Allen likes to get high in the air. Allen joins the list of entertainers — Bob Hope, Roger Moore, Farrah Fawcett, Jane Fonda and Leonard Nimoy — who have talked to NASA about flying aboard a space shuttle.

Glimpses

Dom DeLuise will continue a tradition when he introduces a new comedian — his son, David, at the Concord in the Catskills in August. Buddy Hackett's son had his debut on the same stage last year and Judy Garland brought her daughter Liza on stage many years ago.

A playful squeeze

Stevie Wonder "throated" Boy George for the cameras Sunday after the Apollo Theatre 50th anniversary bash in New York.

Together again

Nat King Cole originally brought Marty Allen and Steve Rossi together, thinking they could be a comedian-singer team like Jerry Lewis and Dean Martin, and an audience at the Playboy Hotel in Atlantic City, N.J., helped bring them back together.

Now you know

The longest kiss ever recorded on film was between Regis Toomey and Jane Wyman (later Mrs. Ronald Reagan). It lasted 185 seconds and took place in "You're in the Army Now," released in 1940.

Almanac

Today is Monday, May 6, the 126th day of the year. There are 239 days left. Those celebrating birthdays today include actor Stewart Granger, 72; actor-director Orson Welles, 70; author Theodore H. White, 70; baseball great Willie Mays, 54 and singer Bob Seger, 40.



UPI photo Today in history On this date in 1941, Josef Stalin (undated photo) became official leader of the Soviet government.

Weather

Today's forecast

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Today: cloudy with occasional rain north, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers south. High 60 to 70. Tonight: rain likely north, showers likely south. Low 40 to 50.

Extended outlook

Extended outlook for New England Wednesday through Friday: Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Fair through the period. Highs from the mid 50s to low 60s Wednesday and Thursday, the 60s Friday. Lows in the 30s and low 40s Wednesday and Thursday, the 40s Friday.

Across the nation

Thundershowers will be scattered from the central Rockies across the central Plains to the mid-Mississippi Valley. Thundershowers also will stretch from the Ohio Valley to the north Atlantic coast and spread from the eastern Great Lakes to southern New England.

Air quality

The state Department of Environmental Protection provides daily air pollution reports and seasonal pollen count information from the Department of Health Services. The recorded message is provided at 666-9449.

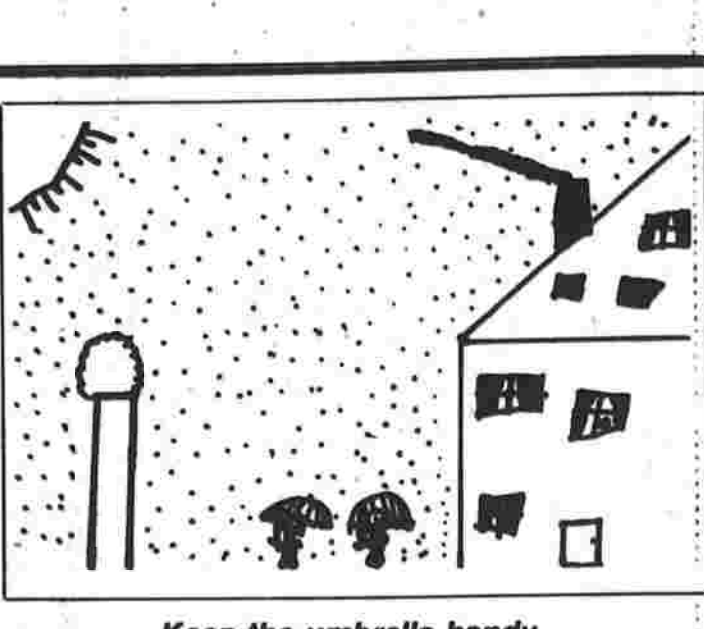
Weather radio

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

Lottery

Connecticut daily Saturday: 373 Play Four: 7894

Other numbers drawn Saturday in New England: Maine daily: 129 New Hampshire daily: 8835 Rhode Island daily: 4888



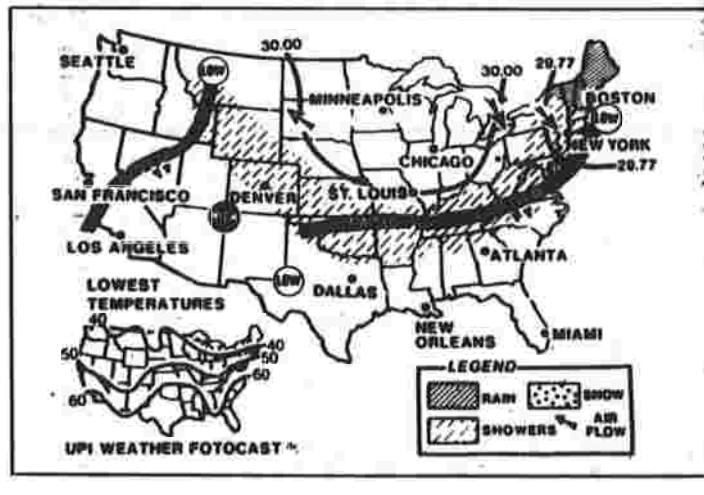
Keep the umbrella handy

Today: periods of rain. High 60 to 65. Wind light and variable. Tonight: a 60 percent chance of showers. Low in the mid 40s. Wind shifting to northwest to 15 mph late at night.



Satellite view

Commerce Department satellite photo taken at 4 a.m. EDT shows thick frontal clouds with showers and thundershowers extending from the southern Rockies to the Great Lakes and the Northeast.



National forecast

During early Tuesday morning showers are forecast for parts of the Central Plains states, Central Mississippi and Ohio valleys and parts of the mid-Atlantic coast. Rain is forecast for the Northern Atlantic coast region. Elsewhere, the weather will be fair.

Manchester Herald advertisement including contact information for Richard M. Diamond, Publisher, and subscription rates.

Manchester In Brief

Some lanes of traffic on Interstate 94 in Manchester will be closed this week while construction crews continue work on widening and relocating the highway, the state Department of Transportation has announced.

New town map ready

An updated map of Manchester and Bolton has been published by the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce and is available at the chamber's Hartford Road office.

Cuts said to lack party input

The support given a final \$92.6 million tax-cut package in the state House of Representatives does not reflect complete agreement among Democrats with the proposal, state Rep. James R. McCavanagh, D-Manchester, said in a news release.

Safe Rides officer elected

Diana Brassell, vice president of the Manchester Safe Rides program, has been elected the Safe Rides year representative for the region.

Parents to meet on schools

Supporting Parents of Quality Education will hold its monthly meeting next Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Bowers School library.

Jazz Ensemble a winner

The Iling Junior High School Jazz Ensemble recently tied for first place in a band competition at the Liberty Bell Music Festival in Philadelphia.

Fire Calls

- Manchester: Friday, 11:36 p.m. — smoke investigation, 35 Charles Drive (Town). Friday, 11:51 p.m. — service call, 125 Carriage Drive (Town).

Zoners to try again tonight on condo hearing

The Planning and Zoning Commission tonight will try for a second time to conduct a hearing on a proposed condominium development on Gardner Street.

Students want belts

Third-graders from Bowers School present a petition calling for seat belts in school buses Friday to state Sen. Carl A. Zinaser, R-Manchester.

Hydro proposal shifts costs

The only proposal submitted to provide hydropower at Manchester's Union Dam is higher than the original cost estimate for the project, but it could not be determined today how much higher it is.

Congregate plans submitted to town

A local partnership Friday petitioned the Planning and Zoning Commission for changes in the zoning regulations that would allow construction of the town's first congregare housing project for the elderly.

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When voters approved a bond issue in 1983 for the work, the estimate for repairing the dam and installing a hydropower-generating facility was \$695,000.

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Michael's advertisement for pearls, including a list of products and prices like 'MUCKE'S NATURAL CASINO FRANKS \$1.85/lb' and 'BOSTON CREAM PIE \$2.19 each'.

Michael's advertisement for pearls, featuring a large image of a pearl necklace and the text 'ABSOLUTELY FREE' and 'With the purchase of a cultured pearl necklace of your choice, this pair of cultured pearl earrings with 14k white gold accents (Retail Value \$60) is yours FREE.'



Springfest at MCC

Milton Smith, in picture above, a security officer at Manchester Community College, stands at careful attention while war clubs fly around him at MCC's Springfest Saturday afternoon. The jugglers are Mike Zito (left) and Jerry Carson of Free Flight, Danbury. At left, juggler Fred Stempel of Deep River balances a unicycle on his mouth. Below:

3-year-old Michelle Ruocco is tickled by the mime movements of Deslie Rood of LeMere Mims and Mask of New Haven. Michelle is held by her father, Wayne Ruocco. Springfest included two stage shows, two bands, 12 walkabout entertainers, a caricature artist, a face painter and crafts booths.



Political crisis goes on

Vocal coalition protests Bitburg visit

By Janice Fuhrman
United Press International

Jewish and veterans groups around the nation protested the visit by President Reagan to a German military cemetery where Nazi SS troops are buried, while one gathering honored the liberators of Nazi concentration camps.

At Arlington National Cemetery outside Washington, D.C., 600 Jews and members of Disabled American Veterans gathered Sunday for a ceremony billed as "A Tribute to America's Defenders and Liberators."

In Cambridge, Mass., about 2,000 Harvard University students were yellow armbands to mark Reagan's wreath-laying visit. The armbands were handed out at dining halls in the student center dormitories of the 6,000-student Harvard College "to mourn President Reagan's visit to the cemetery in Bitburg, West Germany, and in silent identification of the victims of the SS," said a student organizer.

Smaller groups of protesters converged in Los Angeles, Miami, Atlanta, Milwaukee, West Hartford and New Haven, Conn., and Philadelphia.

About 400 Holocaust survivors and their children, many wearing black armbands and carrying signs, staged a protest in front of a war memorial in Boston Common. Boston protesters carried signs saying, "Our families had no graves."

THE GATHERING AT ARRLINGTON National Cemetery was riddled with angry references to Reagan's visit to the cemetery where 49 members of Hitler's Waffen SS troops are buried. "It is of paramount importance to honor in an appropriate manner the heroism of those who perished in the defense of freedom from Nazi tyranny," said the Rev. Edward White at Arlington.

Religious leaders held a commemorative service at the Veterans Green in West Hartford Sunday honoring Holocaust victims to counter Reagan's trip to the Bitburg cemetery.

Rev. Roger Floyd, executive director of the Capitol Region Conference of Churches, said the service was to "honor the victims of the Holocaust and those who died fighting Hitler and Nazism rather than those who fought for Hitler."

"It is our intent to make clear the difference between the long-standing reconciliation with a democratic, postwar Germany and the Germany that committed unforgettable horrors of Nazism," said Rev. Roger Floyd.

In New Haven, a group of about 30 protesters, including Rep. Bruce A. Morrison, D-Conn., met on the Green Sunday to protest the visit.

Reagan attends when visiting Los Angeles.

ABOUT 500 DESCENDANTS OF Holocaust survivors marched from the federal building to the Veterans' Administration cemetery in West Los Angeles at the same time the president was at the cemetery in Bitburg.

Two-hundred demonstrators carrying signs with messages such as, "Bonzo goes to Bitburg" converged on Miami's Bayfront Park to protest the visit to the German war cemetery.

More than 120 military veterans gathered at a national cemetery to protest Reagan's visit and 400 others held a silent vigil at a stark Holocaust memorial.

The services were among several held in the San Francisco Bay area Sunday to protest Reagan's visit to the Bitburg cemetery. Several religious groups held an interfaith gathering in Milwaukee, Wis., to remember the Holocaust and to protest Reagan's visit to the military cemetery.

Reagan today for visiting the cemetery.

"Paying a tribute of forgiveness to the Hitlerite butchers, the U.S. president permitted himself to utter monstrous claims against the Soviet Union," the newspaper said.

But, postwar reconciliation was Reagan's theme. "We do not believe in collective guilt," Reagan said in a speech at the U.S. Air Force base in Bitburg shortly after the cemetery ceremony. "Only God can look into a heart."

"Our duty today is to mourn the human wreckage of totalitarianism and today, in Bitburg cemetery, we commemorated the potential good and humanity that was consumed back then, 40 years ago," Reagan said.

Reagan, standing in a place once hemmed in by barbed wire and guard towers and visibly moved by the experience, spoke of "the hell suffered by people who were brought here for no other purpose but to suffer and die."

"Out of this tragic and nightmarish time — beyond the anguish, the pain and the suffering and for all time, we can and must pledge, 'Never again,'" Reagan said in an emotional speech at the death camp.

Soviet official gives warning

MOSCOW — Soviet Defense Minister Sergei Sokolov warns that continued U.S. research into the "Star Wars" program would force Moscow to take "adequate" measures against the space-based weapons system.

In an interview with the official Tass news agency Sunday, Sokolov admitted that the Soviet Union was conducting its own research into a space-based military system, but denied it would be offensive.

Sokolov's first major policy statement since he came to power after the death of Defense Minister Dmitry Ustinov in December made no significant departure from existing Kremlin policy on President Reagan's "Star Wars" anti-missile program.

Reagan keeps pledge

By Barry James
United Press International

BITBURG, West Germany — Defying worldwide protests and pleas, President Reagan laid a wreath of reconciliation in a German war cemetery containing 49 Nazi SS graves, saying he mourned "the human wreckage of totalitarianism."

"We can give meaning to the past by learning its lessons and making a better future," Reagan minutes after his 10-minute visit to the Bitburg military cemetery Sunday.

In a symbolic gesture of reconciliation, West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, Reagan laid floral wreaths at the cemetery that contains the remains of 2,000 German soldiers and 49 Waffen SS troops.

Earlier in the day, Reagan made a further attempt to allay critics of his Bitburg gesture by staging a surprise visit at Rheindorf, near Bonn, to honor the grave site of an anti-Nazi and postwar Chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

Kohl and Reagan rode with their wives in a motorcade through the streets of Bitburg, which were lined 10 and 12 deep with supporters and protesters.

The crowd of about 10,000 people mostly cheered and waved German and American flags. But pleas to halt the ceremony were shouted at the passing limousines by about 1,000 protesters.

"Never again," chanted some demonstrators. "Why Mr. President?" one banner read.

"Don't do it — they killed my family," screamed one man from the crowd.

Many Jews among the protesters wore yellow Stars of David similar to the symbols Jews were forced to wear in Nazi Germany. Some pushing and shoving between police and demonstrators was reported, but police said there were no arrests.

Thousands more throughout America and Europe protested the visit.

In the United States, the head of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Commission, death camp survivor and author Elie Wiesel, said: "His presence at Bitburg will remain to me a source of much anguish. I felt rejected, humiliated. It is wrong for the president."

U.S./World In Brief

U.N. makes new food plea

NAIROBI, Kenya — The six African nations hardest hit by famine will face a "major disaster" unless donor countries expedite their pledged food deliveries to the starving millions on the continent, a United Nations report says.

The report by the U.N. Food and Agricultural Organization regional office in Nairobi said Sunday that as of late April, international food pledges for 31 African countries amounted to 4.3 million tons.

But it said only 2.7 million tons — or 42 percent — has been delivered. It also said the 6.5 million tons in pledges still leave a continental shortfall of 700,000 tons.

"In order to meet the present crisis effectively, a priority challenge for the international community in the coming weeks must be to expedite the delivery of the pledges already made, including efforts to overcome the logistical constraints to the maximum extent possible," it said.

Mercy killing trial begins

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — A jury must decide whether a 75-year-old retired engineer fired a bullet into the head of his wife of 51 years as an act of mercy or murder.

Kenneth Ward Gilbert admits shooting his wife Emily, 73, on March 4 but says he did so out of love and the agony caused by Alzheimer's disease. "I just had to end her suffering," he said. "There was no hope of recovery."

But if jurors decide Gilbert shot his wife out of love, he could be found innocent or convicted of a lesser degree of homicide carrying a minimum three-year prison term for using a firearm while committing a felony. The trial was to open today with jury selection.

Agency releases crime stats

WASHINGTON — Males, blacks, young people and the poor are more likely to be victims of violent crime than women, whites, the old and the wealthy, a new government study found.

The survey by the Justice Department's Bureau of Justice Statistics also found that about six million Americans were the victims of violent crime — rape, robbery or assault — each year between 1978 and 1982.

While violence struck 3 percent of Americans, the study found "males are more likely than females to be victimized by violent crime, blacks more likely than whites, the young more than the old, the poor more than the wealthy and the unmarried more than the married," bureau director Steven Schlesinger said.

Although the study took in only rape, assault and robbery, Schlesinger said the National Center for Health Statistics estimates a person has about one chance in 10,000 of being murdered in a single year but the risk is one in 123 over an entire lifetime.

Crew readies for landing

Shuttle finish rosier than start

By Robert J. Foss
United Press International

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. — Shuttle Challenger's slated scientists closed up their orbital laboratory and prepared for a searing glide to Earth today carrying a priceless cargo of space-grown crystals and a wealth of data.

Commander Robert Overmyer, co-pilot Frederick Gregory and crewmates Don Lind, Norman Thagard, William Thornton, Taylor Wang and Lodewijk van den Berg were scheduled to end their week-long science mission at Edwards Air Force Base in California's Mojave Desert.

Thagard and van den Berg closed up the Spacelab module in Challenger's payload bay about 3:30 a.m. EDT today and returned to Challenger's crew cabin for final re-entry preparations.

"Norm had a little problem saying goodbye to his friends in there," Gregory said, apparently referring to Challenger's space zoo of two dozen rats and a pair of frisky squirrel monkeys.

Overmyer planned to fire Challenger's big braking rockets over the Indian Ocean east of Africa to slow the spaceliner enough to drop it out of orbit and begin the 1-hour, 6-minute glide home.

A jet was standing by at the landing site to rush the animals back to the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. The monkeys will be observed to learn how they react to gravity but the rats will be killed and dissected for medical studies to shed light on the physiological effects of weightlessness.

After a week of intense activity, van den Berg took time off early today to simply enjoy the weightless environment in the roomy laboratory.

"You know, somewhere at some level you really get spaced here," the 35-year-old scientist told mission controllers as he slowly whirled about. "You want to do all these dumb things."

Challenger's scientists have worked in two shifts during the mission to staff the European-built Spacelab 34 hours a day for a series of experiments in five disciplines ranging from astrophysics to materials processing.

The 17th shuttle flight got off to a rough start with snagging equipment trouble and poor communications with the ground, but the crewmen were able to fix most of the problems and project scientists were ecstatic over the amount of data they collected.

Lind, who joined NASA in 1968 and waited 18 years for his first space flight, proudly displayed a six-sided crystal of mercuric iodide Sunday that was grown in a high-tech furnace.

"We have managed to grow what really appears to be as far as I am concerned a really excellent material," Lind said.

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'Bloom County' leaving Iowa for the desert

IOWA CITY, Iowa (UPI) — You can take "Bloom County" out of Iowa, but a lot of Iowa will stay in "Bloom County."

Cartoonist Berke Breathed, creator of the comic strip "Bloom County," which appears in about 70 newspapers, says readers won't notice much difference when Breathed moves to New Mexico later this month.

The desert Southwest will be a big change from the rolling eastern Iowa prairie, but the strip won't be trading in its lush pastures for clear brooks for mountains and gila monsters, Breathed said.

"There won't be a bit of change," Breathed said. "Bloom County was invented while I was in Austin, Texas, before we even moved to Iowa. People have associated the rural quality with Iowa, but that's more my own conjecture than reality."

The New York Mets were their one and only World Series defeating the Baltimore Orioles four games to one in 1969.

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Crestfield nursing home is scene of informational picket

About 60 employees of the Crestfield-Fenwick nursing home, their families and sympathizers from a nearby convalescent home picketed outside the Vernon Street facility Sunday in an attempt to gain public support for their "employees' efforts to start contract negotiations, a spokesman for a union seeking to represent the workers said today.

Larry Fox, secretary-treasurer of the New England Health Care Employees Union, District 1189, said today that union members and supporters confined their activity to passing out literature and talking to visitors.

Besides employees and their families, Fox said workers from the Meadows Convalescent Center on Bidwell Street also joined the informational picket. Some employees at Meadows are represented by District 1189.

Fox said he hoped the visitors to whom union members spoke would urge the nursing home's owners to drop their challenges to certification of District 1189 as the bargaining agent for some of the home's nurse's aides, dietary workers and housekeeping and maintenance employees, but for some owners' objections to certification of the union with the National Labor Relations Board. Although an NLRB hearing officer recom-

mended in March that the objections be dismissed, the nursing home appealed to the NLRB in Washington.

Fox said the union's negotiating committee planned to meet tonight to discuss further action against the 155-bed home, including a possible strike.

"If they (the owners) don't all down, ultimately they're going to leave the workers with no choice but to take stronger action," he said.

Members of the union's negotiating committee last month presented a petition signed by 61 Crestfield-Fenwick employees to the administrator of the nursing home calling on the home's owners to drop their challenges to certification of the union and begin contract negotiations.

However, the home's attorney, Alan J. Scheer of Hartford, has said the administrator of the nursing home would be illegal for the home to begin negotiations until the NLRB rules on the questions posed in its objections.

The nursing home is owned by Howard Dickstein and Manchester attorney Roland Castanera and Joseph J. Lassar.

In their objections, the owners said District 1189's parent union disaffiliated from another union last year in an improper manner and that Crestfield-Fenwick employees were unsure of exactly what union they were voting on.

Obituaries

Catherine Motta

Catherine (Rosalia) Motta, 72, of Wetherfield, wife of Sam Motta, died Friday at Hartford Hospital. She was a sister of Anna Dondolo of Manchester.

She is also survived by two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Lucia) Prewitt of Wetherfield and Mrs. John (Loretta) Turner of Rocky Hill; and five grandchildren.

The funeral was held this morning at St. Joseph's Church, Wetherfield, with a mass of Christian burial at the Church of the Incarnation, Wetherfield, Burial was in Rose Hill Memorial Park, Rocky Hill.

Joseph Barno

Joseph Barno Jr., 67, of Main Street, Coventry, died Sunday at Uncas-on-Thames Hospital, Norwich.

He was born Aug. 6, 1917, in Coventry, and had been a lifelong resident. He was employed by Rogers Corp. in Manchester for 25 years, retiring in 1979. He was a communicant of St. Mary Church, Coventry.

He is survived by two sisters, Anna C. Kelley of Willimantic and Thelma L. Lucas of Chaplin; and four nieces and two nephews.

The funeral will be Tuesday at 9:15 a.m. at the Potter Funeral Home, 456 Jackson St., Willimantic, with a mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. at St. Mary Church, Coventry. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Coventry. Calling hours will be tonight from 7 to 9.

Donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

GOP panel interviews 4 hopefuls

Four candidates for several elective offices, including the Board of Directors, were interviewed by the Republican party's selection committee Sunday night, but party officials were mum today on the identities of the candidates.

David Frost, chairman of the committee, said today that the candidates had decided not to come forward yet.

"We didn't want the other side to know what we're going to do early," he said.

The position contrasts one taken by Frost last month when he said, "If somebody's serious about running, they should wait to be mentioned."

However, Frost today described three of the four candidates interviewed Sunday as serious. The fourth was a newcomer to politics, he said.

Besides the Board of Directors, the committee also interviewed candidates for the Board of Education and selectmen, he said. Two incumbents were among those interviewed, Frost said.

The three Republicans on the nine-member Board of Directors met Sunday night to work on an alternative to the administration's proposed \$45.4 million budget for the next fiscal year and did not attend the meeting of the selection committee.

However, all three directors — William J. Diana, Donna R. Mercurio and Thomas H. Ferguson — said today that they would seek re-election in the November election.

Vartanoush Turner

Vartanoush "Nousha" Turner (Paroukanyan) Turner of Farmington, mother of Margaret V. Turner of Manchester, died Sunday. She was the wife of Richard Turner of Hartford.

She is also survived by two other daughters, Anne N. Arnold of Hamden and Margaret V. Berwyn, Pa.; three sisters, Mrs. Hagop Damadian of West Hartford, Mrs. Manoush Bostanjian of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, and Susan Parakanyan of Avon; and three grandchildren.

The funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in St. James Episcopal Church, Mountain Road, Farmington. Calling hours at the Longenecker Funeral Home, 111 Main St., Route 4, Unionville, will be tonight and Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m.

Memorial services will be held at the Memorial Fund at St. James Episcopal Church or at the Connecticut Music Teachers Association, 219 S. Main St., Wethersfield.

Mary E. Mathiason

Mary E. (Lovett) Mathiason, 91, of Manchester, died Friday at a local convalescent home. She was the widow of Charles C. Mathiason.

She is survived by a son, Charles Mathiason Jr. of Cape Canaveral, Fla.; two daughters, Eileen Derog and Susan Derog of East Hartford and Pearl Koles of Glastonbury; a sister, Catherine Pack of Manchester; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

A private funeral was held today in St. James Church, Burial was in the East Cemetery.

The John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 S. Main St., was in charge of arrangements.

Robert Wolfgang

Robert Wolfgang, 74, of Bloomfield, died Sunday at Manchester Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Russia and had lived in the Manchester area before moving to Bloomfield. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias.

He is survived by two sons, Barry S. Wolfgang of Manchester and Harvey M. Wolfgang of Cherry Hill, N.J.; a daughter, Mrs. Ronald (Beverly) Nathan of Amherst, Mass.; and eight grandchildren.

The funeral will be Tuesday at noon in the chapel of Westmain Mortuary, 460 Farmington Ave., Hartford. Burial will be in John Hay Memorial Park, Hartford. A memorial period will be observed at the home of his son, Barry S. Wolfgang, 193 Grosvenor Road, through Thursday evening.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hartford Heart Association.

Hearing for parole is delayed

HARTFORD (UPI) — A man sentenced to die in the electric chair for a murder 15 years ago has asked that a parole hearing for Tuesday be postponed indefinitely, but officials won't reveal the reason.

The state Board of Parole granted the request from Louis F. Coffone, convicted of the 1970 murder of a woman in the city.

Assistant Attorney General Stephen J. O'Neill said Coffone "asked to have his hearing off the parole ticket, and that request was granted" last week.

O'Neill would not say why Coffone requested the postponement.

Coffone's death sentence was changed to life in prison in 1974 by the state Supreme Court after the U.S. Supreme Court barred the death penalty.

James Diack, 28, Carol Diack's son, said the family had been preparing statements to read at the parole hearing and planned to submit petitions signed by 6,000 people supporting the request that Coffone be denied parole.

James Diack was 11 when he found his mother dead on the floor of their home in Wilton. She had been strangled. Coffone was arrested in Louisiana.

Coffone was on parole when he committed the murder, released after serving nine years for a 1960 rape.

"We were looking forward to getting it over on Tuesday, and we were looking forward to getting this behind us for a long time to come," said James Diack.

"He's still in jail. He's not going anywhere, and that's what we accomplished our objective."

Diack said he believes public pressure generated by family members may have prompted Coffone to decide to request the postponement.

O'Neill said Coffone will decide when he wants to be heard, but he said he would let the board know.

Marion Filipczak

Marion (Tarasuk) Filipczak, 86, died Sunday at a Rocky Hill convalescent home. She was the widow of John J. Filipczak Sr.

She is survived by a son, John J. Filipczak Jr. of East Hartford; two grandchildren; a nephew and a niece.

The funeral will be Tuesday at 9 a.m. from the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St., with a mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. at St. Rose Church, East Hartford. Burial will be in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. Calling hours are today from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Elizabeth H. Dickinson

Elizabeth H. Dickinson, 70, of West Hartford, died at her home Wednesday after a long illness. She was the sister of Dorothy Dickinson of Bolton.

She is also survived by two other sisters, Olive Dickinson, with whom she lived, and Helen Elliott of Granby; two brothers, Gilbert Dickinson of West Hartford and Russell Dickinson of Atlanta, Ga.; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in First Baptist Church, North Main Street, West Hartford. Niwirik & Whitney Funeral Home, 78 Farmington Ave., West Hartford, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial donations may be made to the First Baptist Church or the Hospice Program, Visiting Nurse Association, Hartford.

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Town mulls service

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The conflict with state law came to the attention of the ambulance company and the town shortly after the contract took effect, when the Town of East Hartford asked for approval of a similar contract and the state said it would be illegal.

The ambulance company has not paid the town any money since the contract went into effect, town and ambulance officials have said.

The state statute prohibiting payments by ambulance companies to towns or other individuals was aimed primarily at preventing ambulance companies from bribing town officials to obtain the exclusive rights to provide ambulance service in those towns, O'Brien said.

"That wasn't our intent here at all, that wasn't the intent of the ambulance people," O'Brien said.

The \$20,000 annual payment was agreed upon after town officials rejected a plan to charge users of the paramedic service directly.

The \$20,000 payment was intended to help defray the cost of the town's paramedic service and was based on the amount of money the ambulance company would save in personnel and equipment by having the town's paramedics respond to medical emergencies.

"The \$20,000 wasn't to inflate the coffers of the town," Werber said.

O'Brien said that because the payment provision was illegal, the entire contract was null and void. But he said there should be no trouble in getting the Ambulance Service of Manchester to continue responding to medical calls with the paramedics, since the town has designated it as the primary ambulance responder.

The three legislators from Manchester said they would be willing to look into trying to amend state statutes during the next session of the General Assembly to allow for agreements similar to the one negotiated by Manchester and the ambulance company.

TV addicts get fatter

NEW YORK (UPI) — Overdosing on television may contribute to obesity in kids and teenagers, a Harvard research team has reported.

The researchers found a link between time children spend watching television and the incidence of obesity and super obesity in 6-11 year old youngsters and teenagers.

The prevalence of obesity moved beyond the normal 15 percent level in the group of grade schoolers when viewing lasted two-to-five hours a day, the research team reported Sunday in "Pediatrics," the journal of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

The incidence of obesity broke across the same normal 15 percent barrier among teenagers who watched television three-to-five or more hours per day.

American youngsters spend an average 22 to 26 hours a week in front of TV, and by the time they finish high school devote 22,000 hours to the tube.

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Victims' condition serious

An Andover couple injured in an accident Friday afternoon on Route 6 in Bolton remain in serious condition at area hospitals, police said today.

Theodore Balon, 71, of Lakeside Drive in Andover, was listed in serious condition after a tractor-trailer struck his car in front of the tractor-trailer driver, Martha K. Gioux, 37, of Lebanon, who was charged with speeding, state troopers said.

Police said Gioux was traveling east on Route 6 and braked to stop her truck when the car in front of her was unable to stop and swerved left into the oncoming lane, where her truck hit the Balons' car and another car driven by Patrick A. Johnson, 18, of Willimantic, police said.

Police said Johnson was not injured.

Housing plans filed with town

Local developers submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission Friday afternoon applications for separate subdivision plans — one off Shallowbrook Lane and one off East Eldridge Street.

James J. Peterman Sr. and Barney T. Peterman Jr. asked for approval of plans for a seven-lot subdivision called Brennan Woods which would be located on a new street called Brennan Road north of Shallowbrook Lane in south Manchester.

The subdivision comprises nine acres in a Rural Residence Zone which allows for construction of single-family homes only.

The other subdivision plan is a resubmission of the same plan for the subdivision of 10 lots in the second section of Swenson Estates. The first section on which houses were constructed faces Oak Grove Street. The second section is 8.8 acres in a Residence Aa zone.

The newest subdivision would be built on an extension of East Eldridge Street and include a new dead-end street to be called Louise Lane, according to the plans.

The Planning and Zoning Commission will conduct an additional business meeting Thursday night at 7 in the Lincoln Center hearing room instead of tonight because of a heavy schedule of hearings and applications.

Kentucky Derby winner saddled by Manchester native

Spending a Buck may bypass Preakness

By Paula Smith
United Press International

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Dennis Dix, owner of Spend a Buck, will ship his Kentucky Derby winner to Garden State Park today. But he has yet to decide if he will run in the Jersey Derby, the rich inaugural race at Garden State, or the Preakness, the second leg of the Triple Crown.

"Now don't take that to mean that he's running in the Jersey Derby, because it doesn't," Dix said Sunday outside Spend a Buck's Churchill Downs' stable.

"He loves it there, and he gets good care there. When he left after winning the Garden State Stakes, they locked up his stall and said they'd keep it waiting for him."

The Jersey Derby offers a possible \$2 million bonus plus the winner's share of the \$600,000 race. A Preakness victory would leave Spend a Buck one victory from thoroughbred racing's most prestigious honor while enhancing the colt's potential stud value.

Dix said he would not decide until talking with several people: trainer Cam Gambolati, the 35-year-old trainer, Conn. native who is a relative novice in the thoroughbred field, Derby jockey Angel Cordero Jr., and William Farish III, an established breeder negotiating a possible quarter-share purchase of Spend a Buck.

"I'll probably talk to Farish Monday," Dix said. "I don't think we're going to make a decision before that."

Dix also said he would "talk" with his colt, who was checked out as healthy Sunday by the track veterinarian and save for a tiny cut on his right hind leg.

"You have to listen to the horse," Dix said. "He may tell us he needs the extra nine days of rest."

Dix's delayed decision was a problem for Pimlico Race Course official Chuck Lang, who came to Louisville hoping to get a list of potential starters for the May 18 Preakness.

"It's a short list," he said, "because everybody's waiting to see what Spend a Buck's going to do. So far the only horse I know is coming in Chief's Crown."

Derby favorite Chief's Crown, the 1984 juvenile champion, ran the Derby race mapped out by trainer Roger Laurin — just off Spend a Buck's pace — but didn't have the speed to catch the wire-to-wire winner in the stretch.

He ended up third, a half-length behind Woody Stephens late-closing Stephan's Odyssey. Spend a Buck won by 5 1/2 lengths — the Derby's largest victory margin in 39 years — in a time of 2:00 1/2, first third in the 111-race history of the event.

Sunday, Stephens said Stephan's Odyssey would skip the Preakness and he probably would run the colt in a New York prep for the Belmont. Fast Account, the long-shot who took fourth, was being shipped home to California.

Lang's dilemma of seeing the Preakness compete for the Derby winner may be the shape of things to come.

Garden State Park burned down a few years ago. When it was rebuilt and reopened this spring, its owners had no intentions of the track being a home for also-rans. They drew a schedule of big-purse races designed to attract good horses and an innovative bonus system meant to keep them.

As winner of the track's Cherry Hill Mile and Garden State Stakes and the 1 1/4-mile Kentucky Derby, Spend a Buck is eligible for a \$2 million bonus if he returns to Garden State May 27 and wins the \$600,000 event.

However, a run in the Jersey Derby would preclude a run in the Preakness — and probably also in the final leg of the Triple Crown, the 1 1/4-mile Belmont June 8.

SPORTS



Former players, coaches and umpires from the 1950 Manchester Little League season were honored at opening day ceremonies at Leber Field Saturday. Among the notables is Jim Leber (far right), former Little League president for whom Leber Field is named.

Little League kicks off 36th season

The 36th season of Manchester Little League got under way Saturday with a 5-1 triumph over Town Fire at Waddell Field in an American League opener Saturday. Jeff Goodin, Eric Blackman, Sean Norris and Ryan Rawlins hit home runs for the winners. For Town Fire, Mark Flyer and Gunnar Larson slammed doubles. Greg Geer fired a four-hitter in a losing cause.

Over at Bowers School in a National Farm League tilt, Wolff-Zackin downed Moriarty's, 14-8. Jeremy Krob went the distance, striking out 14. Ron Starkweather, Scott Cunningham and John Cooney played well for the winners. Chris Plaut, Norm Spector and Chris Cromier played well for Moriarty.

In the second game at Bowers, Nichols Tire nipped DiRosa Cleaners, 7-6.

In an American Farm League opener at Valley Field, MARC tripped up Town Fire, 20-8. Mike Toomey slugged two homers and a triple for MARC while Mike Toomey, Mike Wilbanks and Shawn Knowles each roped two hits for MARC. Paul Dean and Julie Smart played well for Town Fire.

In an International Farm League opener Saturday, the Lawyers downed Dairy Queen, 19-10, at Verplank Field. Adam Dolan pitched the complete game victory and aided his cause with two hits and five RBIs. Scott Scheinbaum cracked four hits to pace the offense, while Matt Viera and Bob Mercer added two safeties apiece. Scott Herman and Richard Gagnon were defensive standouts for the Lawyers. For DQ, Mark Flores ripped three hits, Greg Ryan had two hits for Dairy Queen and Steve Botticello doubled.

In another opener at Verplank, the Oilers routed Boland Oil, 30-8. Eben Plesse led the Grant attack with three hits, while Grant Kluck and

EC nine swept

UNCASVILLE — Runs and hits were at a premium Saturday in the East Catholic-St. Bernard's HCC baseball doubleheader. The Eagles could only come up with five hits — all singles — in the two games with the home-standing Saints taking both contests by identical 4-1 scores.

"The field is near the ocean and there was a 30-35 mile per hour stiff wind blowing in. It is a very difficult place to hit," cited East coach Jim Penders, who saw his Eagles dip to 4-6 overall, 4-4 in the conference.

East, two-time defending HCC champion and state Class L semifinalist a year ago — state Class L champs in 1983 — need to win six of its final 10 games to qualify for post-season play. That assignment will not be an easy one, admitted Penders, with the task beginning Tuesday night against HCC foe Notre Dame at Quigley Stadium in West Haven at 7:30 p.m.

St. Bernard's, 7-2 in the HCC and 8-4 overall, also only managed five hits in the twinbill. "They have a team batting average of around .160," Penders offered. "But they capitalized on our wildness. Every run they scored was on a bouncer on balls that our pitchers issued."

Rich Radicioni spun a two-hitter in the opener for the Saints with Todd Shasha scattering three hits in the nightcap. Radicioni fanned three while walking two while Shasha in the nightcap fanned six and walked four. "Both their pitchers were like clones, each about 6-foot-3. And their pitchers got the ball over the plate. That was the difference," Penders cited.

Bernard's scored three times in the second inning of the opener on four walks — two forcing home a run — and the third trotted home on a wild pitch by losing hurler Jim Powers, 1-2. Powers in his stint fanned only one while issuing seven walks.

Larry Stanford absorbed the loss in the nightcap. He fanned four, issued six walks and uncoiled three wild pitches in seeing his record evened at 2-2.

A walk, stolen base and RBI single gave the Saints their first run in the nightcap with two out and (Kevin) Marston hit a shot but it was right at the leftfielder. I guess it wasn't meant to be," Penders said.



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Celtics fighting for survival as Pistons pull even

DETROIT (UPI) — If games were three quarters long, the Boston Celtics would be celebrating a victory away from clinching a trip to the Eastern Conference final. Instead, they are fighting for survival.

The defending NBA champions lost a chance to grab a commanding lead in their best-of-seven series with Detroit Sunday when the Pistons, led by Vinnie Johnson, erased an 11-point deficit at the start of the final period and went to a 107-99 victory.

"We couldn't buy a bucket if we had any money."

"Instead of my being in a position of going back to Boston to wrap up the series, Detroit now has the momentum in their favor and we're fighting to survive."

The Celtics themselves were critical of their play.

"You mean to tell me we played four quarters?" asked guard Dennis Johnson, who was burned by Vinnie Johnson for 24 points, including 22 in the final 12 minutes. "I thought we only played three."

"I don't know what the problem is. We just can't seem to get it going in the last quarter. This is the second straight game this has happened and if we don't get it corrected pretty soon, we'll be out of it."

After scoring only 12 points in the first three quarters, Vinnie Johnson hit 6 straight jumpers to erase an 87-76 deficit and put the Pistons ahead 88-77 with 7:47 left.

"Now it's a three-game series. We hope to continue to battle the way we have. You guys like to talk about momentum, well, this win makes it a whole new game."

Spending a Buck may bypass Preakness

By Paula Smith
United Press International

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Dennis Dix, owner of Spend a Buck, will ship his Kentucky Derby winner to Garden State Park today. But he has yet to decide if he will run in the Jersey Derby, the rich inaugural race at Garden State, or the Preakness, the second leg of the Triple Crown.

"Now don't take that to mean that he's running in the Jersey Derby, because it doesn't," Dix said Sunday outside Spend a Buck's Churchill Downs' stable.

"He loves it there, and he gets good care there. When he left after winning the Garden State Stakes, they locked up his stall and said they'd keep it waiting for him."

The Jersey Derby offers a possible \$2 million bonus plus the winner's share of the \$600,000 race. A Preakness victory would leave Spend a Buck one victory from thoroughbred racing's most prestigious honor while enhancing the colt's potential stud value.

Dix said he would not decide until talking with several people: trainer Cam Gambolati, the 35-year-old trainer, Conn. native who is a relative novice in the thoroughbred field, Derby jockey Angel Cordero Jr., and William Farish III, an established breeder negotiating a possible quarter-share purchase of Spend a Buck.

"I'll probably talk to Farish Monday," Dix said. "I don't think we're going to make a decision before that."

Dix also said he would "talk" with his colt, who was checked out as healthy Sunday by the track veterinarian and save for a tiny cut on his right hind leg.

"You have to listen to the horse," Dix said. "He may tell us he needs the extra nine days of rest."

Dix's delayed decision was a problem for Pimlico Race Course official Chuck Lang, who came to Louisville hoping to get a list of potential starters for the May 18 Preakness.

"It's a short list," he said, "because everybody's waiting to see what Spend a Buck's going to do. So far the only horse I know is coming in Chief's Crown."

Derby favorite Chief's Crown, the 1984 juvenile champion, ran the Derby race mapped out by trainer Roger Laurin — just off Spend a Buck's pace — but didn't have the speed to catch the wire-to-wire winner in the stretch.

He ended up third, a half-length behind Woody Stephens late-closing Stephan's Odyssey. Spend a Buck won by 5 1/2 lengths — the Derby's largest victory margin in 39 years — in a time of 2:00 1/2, first third in the 111-race history of the event.

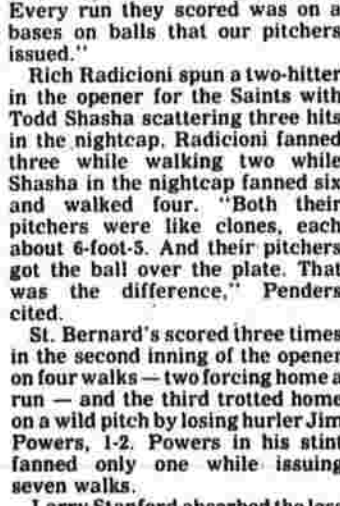
Sunday, Stephens said Stephan's Odyssey would skip the Preakness and he probably would run the colt in a New York prep for the Belmont. Fast Account, the long-shot who took fourth, was being shipped home to California.

Lang's dilemma of seeing the Preakness compete for the Derby winner may be the shape of things to come.

Garden State Park burned down a few years ago. When it was rebuilt and reopened this spring, its owners had no intentions of the track being a home for also-rans. They drew a schedule of big-purse races designed to attract good horses and an innovative bonus system meant to keep them.

As winner of the track's Cherry Hill Mile and Garden State Stakes and the 1 1/4-mile Kentucky Derby, Spend a Buck is eligible for a \$2 million bonus if he returns to Garden State May 27 and wins the \$600,000 event.

However, a run in the Jersey Derby would preclude a run in the Preakness — and probably also in the final leg of the Triple Crown, the 1 1/4-mile Belmont June 8.



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Spend a Buck laughed at the rest of the field Saturday, winning the 111th Run for the Roses with the third fastest time ever recorded.

Cougars runners-up to Housatonic nine

Housatonic Community College showed its superiority in state junior college baseball over the weekend, sweeping unbeaten through the CCAA tournament, hosted by runner-up Manchester Community College at Cougar Field.

In other games Saturday, Housatonic shutout Norwalk Community College, 5-0, and then routed Manchester, 8-2, at Moriarty Field, Tunxis closed at Norwalk Sunday, MCC never trailed as Brian McAuley gave up just one earned run in six innings to notch the triumph.

Hill had a run-scoring single in the third and Bob Gagnon laid down a RBI-suicide squeeze bunt in the fourth. The Cougars' other four runs came in on two wild throws and a passed ball.

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Mets send down Sisk following win over Reds

CINCINNATI (UPI) — It wasn't an easy decision for Dave Johnson to make. The New York Mets manager kept reporters waiting about 15 minutes after his team had posted a 2-2 victory over the Cincinnati Reds Sunday while he ironed out final details of a move that dispatched one of his ace relievers to minor leagues.

"He'll be back when he gets better command (of his pitches)," predicted Johnson, "and when he gets his rhythm back."

Rose, who upped his hit total to 4,117 and his average .278 to .276 from replacing Cobb as baseball's most prolific hitter of all time.

"We're sending Doug Sisk to the minors so that he can work out his problems," Johnson said. "Our New York fans were getting on him and forced me to send him down. He'll be a starter at Tidewater (in Class AAA), where he'll get plenty of work."

"I didn't have my real good stuff," said the 23-year-old Gooden, "and I made a lot of pitches. So I wasn't surprised about going out of the game. Johnson didn't say why he took me out and I didn't ask him. It was Dave's choice and I'm satisfied that I kept our team in the game."

The Mets moved to a 3-0 lead over rookie left-hander Tom Browning with one run in the third inning and two more in the fourth, as rookie outfielders Len Dykstra and John Christensen each batted in a run.



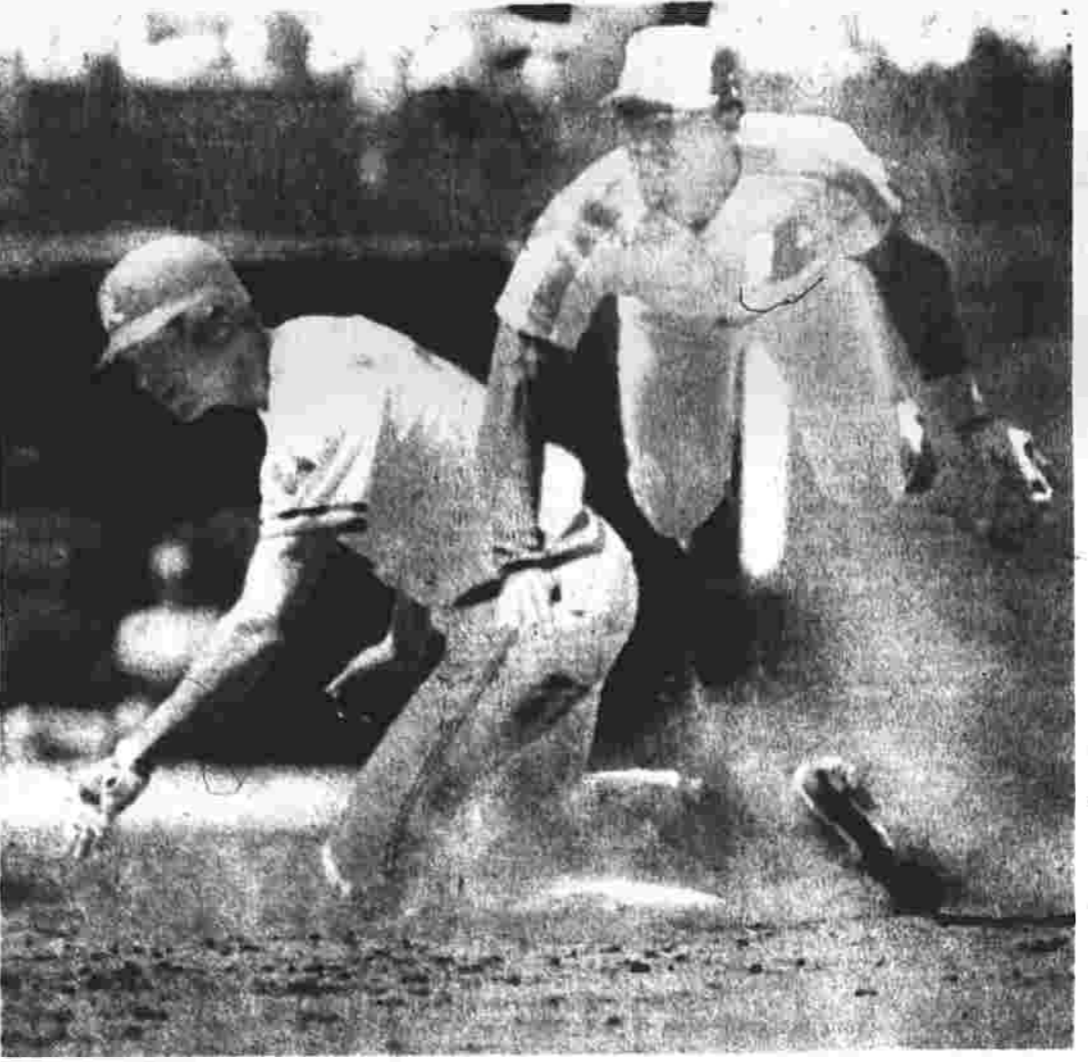
Toronto's Garth Iorg slides into second base but Seattle shortstop Spike Owens fires to first base for doubleplay in action Sunday in Seattle. Mariners won, 4-1.

AL roundup Early streak helping confidence of Angels

By Joe Huizzi United Press International
The California Angels are one of the most experienced teams in the majors, so the last thing you think they'd need is self-confidence. Not so, says veteran Reggie Jackson.

Against the Brewers, the hard-throwing right-hander pitched two innings to save the game for Mike Witt.

smacked a two-run homer to cap a three-run sixth inning and make a winner of Juan Berenguer, 1-1. Aurelio Lopez pitched the seventh and Willie Hernandez finished his fifth save. Richard Dotson, 0-1, was the loser.



Atlanta's Dale Murphy (left) tried to upset high-flying Expo shortstop U.L. Washington but latter was able to complete third-inning doubleplay with flip to first base. Braves won, 6-1.

NL roundup SF's LaPoint refuses to let decision escape

By Ion Love United Press International
Dave LaPoint wasn't about to let this one get away. The San Francisco left-hander captured his first victory of the season Sunday, blanking St. Louis 5-0. It was the first time the Cardinals were shut out this season.

Mike Marshall and gave up a two-run homer to Pedro Guerrero. He lost the game on a 10th-inning homer by Dave Anderson.

At Chicago, the Padres-Cubs game was suspended after six innings because of darkness. It will be completed at Wrigley Field — the only major-league park without lights — July 8 before the regularly scheduled game between the clubs. Sunday's contest was delayed by rain three times.

Declare for NBA draft Tisdale, Benjamin to go pro

NORMAN, Okla. (UPI) — Unlike a year ago, when two-time All-America player and great young man and I think he's decided to go pro.

Benjamin's decision to leave Creighton was the second blow to the school's basketball program in less than a week. Coach Willis Reed, who plucked Benjamin from Monroe, La., three years ago, resigned Wednesday.

St. Bernard was upset and East Catholic was upfitted. The Saints scored once in the top of the first but the Eagles answered with seven runs in the bottom of the frame and never trailed again.

USFL roundup Reserve Norris outshines stars

By Ion Love United Press International
In a game studied with Heisman Trophy winners, the big play belonged to a reserve.

Walker said, "But what I do doesn't mean much unless we win." Norris scored the first of his two touchdowns on a 23-yard run late in the first period that made it 10-7.

Invaders 21, Renegades 7 Stars 24, Wranglers 19

At College Park, Md., Kelvin Bryant rambled for a 15-yard TD run with 4:44 left to lift the Stars.

At San Antonio, Texas, Bob Gugliano passed for two touchdowns and scored twice on short runs for the Gold. Denver intercepted five San Antonio passes, made six sacks and recovered two San Antonio fumbles.

Sports In Brief Rain washes out soccer clinics

Youth junior and intermediate soccer clinics scheduled tonight, conducted by the Manchester Rec Department, have been rained out and will be rescheduled for Tuesday night at the same hour and place.

Bruins to tab Goring

BOSTON — Butch Goring has already signed to coach the Boston Bruins, a source close to Goring said Sunday night.

Perez placed on disabled list

ATLANTA — Atlanta Braves pitcher Pascual Perez has been placed on the 15-day disabled list for tendinitis in his right elbow, the team said Sunday.

Phillies' Kosman sidelined

PHILADELPHIA — The Philadelphia Phillies have sidelined starting pitcher Jerry Kosman and purchased Dave Rucker from their Portland, Ore., farm club.

Spouses win Pittsburgh Marathon

PITTSBURGH — Husband and wife runners, Ken and Lisa Martin of Mesa, Ariz., Sunday won all of the \$40,000 first-prize money in the Pittsburgh Marathon.

Hot start paces Sluman's record

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Jeff Sluman birdied six of the first eight holes for a 7-under-par 65 Sunday to win the \$200,000 Tallahassee Open with a record total of 269.

Thomson cops Seniors Tournament

CARLSBAD, Calif. — Peter Thomson, a five-time winner of the British Open, Sunday shot a final-round 70 to capture the \$100,000 Seniors Tournament of Champions.

Noah advances; Solomon upset

NEW YORK — Yannick Noah of France defeated Cesar Kizil of Brazil 6-1, 6-4 Sunday in the qualifying round of the \$635,000 Tournament of Champions and Harold Solomon was upset by Jimmy Gurin 6-3, 6-3.



Tom Kite blasts out of the sand trap on 14th hole during final round action of the Tournament of Champions tournament in Carlsbad, Calif. Kite fired 3-under-par 69 final round and wound up six stroke winner.

Kite goes wire-to-wire in winning TofC crown

By Rich Tosches United Press International
CARLSBAD, Calif. — A thoroughbred named Spend a Buck scored a wire-to-wire Kentucky Derby victory this weekend, and Tom Kite did the same in the \$400,000 Tournament of Champions.

He began the final round with a three-shot lead and boosted it to four strokes with a birdie on the 400-yard, par-4 first hole.

The victory was his first in 1985, the eighth of his career and only the sixth wire-to-wire triumph in the 33-year history of the tournament.

Alcott unfazed by it all

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. (UPI) — Rain, wind and a scare over a man authorities thought might be armed didn't faze Amy Alcott, who went on to an easy four-stroke victory in the LPGA Mess Creek Plantation Women's Invitational.

Five strokes back at 1-over 289 were Judy Ellis (68), Judy Clark (70) and Kathy Baker (72). Marta Figueras-Dotti (72) and Jan Stevenson (68) were at 290.

The delay was the second to strike the tournament. Several holes were closed on Saturday after rain held play up for two hours. And gusting winds — some as high as 25 knots — had buffeted the players Saturday.

Martina not ready to give up perch

By Richard Luna United Press International
SUGAR LAND, Texas — Martina Navratilova, the world's No. 1 ranked women's tennis player, doesn't sound like she's ready to leave the front of the pack.

Alcott started the final round a shot behind third-round leader Lori Garbacz, who skied to a 78 Sunday and finished tied for 12th at 4-over 292.

Alcott's victory at either the World 600 or the Southern 500 would give Elliott the \$1 million bonus. He has captured the Daytona 500.

Elliott can't be limited

TALLAHASSEE, Ala. (UPI) — After winning his fourth super-speedway race of the season in record speed and leaving NASCAR rulemakers eating his dust in the process, Bill Elliott has only one problem.

"What does he do for an encore?" The answer came easy to Elliott's older brother, Ernie, the crew chief and engine builder for the Ford Thunderbird that won Sunday's Winston 500 — go faster.

The rule raised all Fords one almost two laps down, but he roared back to grab the lead for good 20 laps from the finish and took the checkered flag 29 car lengths ahead of Kyle Petty.

But the race ran caution-free for 159 laps and Varnborough leading most of the way. Elliott finally made up his early deficit, using a surge in maneuvering to surge past Varnborough on the first turn of lap 145.

The Dawsonville, Ga., native stands a good chance of topping the \$3 million mark before the season is finished. His victory guarantees him another \$100,000 for taking the second of a four-event Winston Million promotion and leaves him only one victory short of the total prize.

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FOCUS

Supermarket Shopper

Coupons accompany exercise program

Getting started on an exercise program isn't easy, but the Dow Chemical Company is offering the incentive of a coupon — and a new way to exercise that just might appeal to people on the move.

It's the Bathroom Cleaning Fitness Routine for Tough Act bathroom cleaner. The program was developed by Ann Dugan, a physical fitness author and teacher who also has responsibilities as a housewife and mother.

Mrs. Dugan knows what a busy schedule means. "Exercise can be made a part of everyday activities," she says. She recommends the bathroom as an ideal spot to work out since there is usually enough room for stretching and swinging to firm the arms and the waistline, and knee bends at the sink and tub help firm the legs and counteract "cottage cheese thighs."

Mrs. Dugan believes the best time to combine bathroom cleanup with exercise is after a shower or bath. "The room is warm and moist, the body is relaxed, ligaments and tendons are more pliable, and muscles are more receptive to activity," she says.

"Take your cleanser, then spray, bend and stretch," she says. "I recommend a heavy-duty cleanser because it makes the job easier on your body and you avoid strain. It also allows for fluid movement, which is essential to proper exercise."

The eight exercises in the Bathroom Cleaning Fitness Routine are illustrated in a free booklet you can obtain by calling the toll-free number 1-800-428-4785, or by sending a postcard with your request to Tough Act Fitness Routine, P.O. Box 78466, New Augusta, IN 46278. If you mention that you read about the booklet in this column, you will also receive a 20-cent Tough Act coupon to help get your exercise program off to a money-saving start.

I recently attended an awards luncheon where consumers, exemplifying what the frozen food industry is calling "America's New Traditional Homemakers," were presented with checks for \$10,000. Among them, Pam Lot, from Muncie, Ind., works as a real-estate agent, and she describes frozen foods as "a lifesaver."

Sheila Eckman from Auburn, Ala., is also happy about the amount of time she saves by using frozen food: "You can have it all, but you can't do it all," she says.

Eileen Keller, a single parent from Austin, Texas, works full time in an advertising agency. She says she uses frozen foods so she can spend less time in the kitchen and more time with her 8-year-old daughter, Leah.

When I interviewed the New Traditional Homemakers, I was a little disappointed to find that none of them are avid couponers or refunders. But Mrs. Keller was proud to tell me about her daughter. Leah clips the coupons out of the Sunday newspaper, and she reads the outside of every box I bring home from the supermarket. If Leah can send for a refund, she does.

Sometimes money-saving skills skip a generation.

Clip 'n' file refunds (File No. 11-A)

Clip out this file and keep it with similar cash-off coupons — beverage refund offers with beverage coupons, for example. Start collecting the needed proofs of purchase while looking for the required forms at the supermarket, in newspapers and magazines, and when trading with friends. Offers may not be available in all areas of the country. Allow 10 weeks to receive each refund.

The following refund offers are worth \$10.85. This week's refund offers have a total value of \$36.74.

These offers require refund forms: ACE, Z-BECK Gold Medal Winners Offer. Receive a \$3 refund and the following coupons: \$1 off on Ace Brand Sports Medicine Products, \$0.50 off on Ace Brand Elastic Bandages, \$1.25 off on Ace Cold Wrap, 75 cents off on Ace Reusable Cold Compress, \$1 off on Z-Bec Vitamins, plus an Ace Brand treatment guide. Send the required refund form and one Universal Product Code from any Ace Brand Sports Medicine, Bandage or Cold Compress package of Z-Bec Vitamins, along with the cash-register receipts with the purchase prices circled. Expires June 30, 1985.

CHILDREN'S ANACIN-3 \$2.50 Offer. Receive a \$2.50 store coupon for your next purchase of any Children's Anacin-3 product. Send the required refund form and the entire Children's Anacin-3 carton, along with the cash-register receipt with the purchase price circled. Expires June 30, 1985.

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CORICIDIN Free Offer. Receive a store coupon good for a free 24-tablet package of Coricidin Dor Coricidin; a maximum value \$3.50. Send the required refund form and the panel bearing a 24-tablet Coricidin 'D' or Coricidin package. Expires June 30, 1985.

DAYCARE-NYQUIL \$2 Offer. Receive a \$2 refund. Send the required refund form and one front panel from any size DayCare package — liquid or capsules — and one front panel from any size NyQuil package. Expires June 30, 1985.

HALLS Thermometer Offer. Receive a free thermometer. Send the required refund form and two Universal Product Codes from any flavor of Halls bags or five Universal Product Codes from any flavor of Halls Sticks. Expires June 30, 1985.

TYLENOL Store Coupon Offer. Receive a \$2 store coupon. Send the required refund form and the entire carton of any regular or extra-strength Tylenol product, except 8's, 10's or 12's, along with the cash-register receipt with the purchase price circled. Expires June 30, 1985.

Here's a refund form to write for: A \$1 cash refund, BRECK Styling Mousse Refund, P.O. Box 450, Little Falls, NJ 07424. Offer expires June 30, 1985 or while supplies last. While waiting for your form, save the Universal Product Code from either Extra Style or Light Style Breck Styling Mousse, along with your cash-register receipt.



On the Line
John Bossidy

It's in, man, and on so bad to be young

My family emigrated from Ireland. Unfortunately, none of those who came over were able to speak or learn the ancient Gaelic. However, since we married, my wife and I have become bilingual. We speak "Old."

Having five children accounts for this. As each of them grew into a new phase, we valiantly tried to keep up. Being adults, we always found ourselves translating the new jargon being foisted upon us. This slowed us down. By the time we got it, something else was "in." And we were "out." I'll remember correctly.

Kids are great with new language because they don't think. They just do it. Speeds up learning. I think this is the basis for the second-language crash courses you can take at night.

WE WENT THROUGH the "bad" period, when everything good was bad. And everything bad was the "pits." Or, is that what you say now? I forget. There was also the "awesome" period, the "neat" phase, and the "incredible" stage. Things were not mostly "amazing." I liked neat best of all. Still use it. But it makes me quite "old" when I do.

For the last year or so, everything "goes." As in: "He goes," "So I went out and got into my wheels." Which is his car. Or: "She goes." Well, gimme a break, willya? There's quite a bit of "Gimme a break" lately.

Most people are "Man." As in: "Hey, man, gimme a break, willya?" Even women. Which makes the jargon even harder to comprehend. There aren't too many ya know's being used today. Thank God. But there are a lot of like's. E.g.: "Like, I thought I'd die." I guess like has transplanted "for example."

A SECOND LANGUAGE comes fast and furious. Kids go to the "fills," while their parents go to the movies. Or parents stay home while the kids "split."

They also get a big charge out of their parents when the elders use their own second language — the jargon of their own youth. I seem to hear the kids up whenever I tell them to put on their "foul-weather gear" during a storm. Or when I pack my "shaving gear" whenever we go away.

The kids also break up over "arctics" or "galoshes." "Ice box," "sofa," and "parlor" are usually good for hysterics in a pinch. So quaint, when what I meant to say was: "fridge," "couch," and "living room." And don't think I'm not corrected, either.

It's tough enough to grow old, but keeping up with a constantly changing language is murder. Now that three of them are married, and a fourth lives out of state, we aren't under much pressure as before. It is a little jarring trying to translate whenever they come home to visit the "rents."

That's the latest for "parents." In case you don't have the newest dictionary. Ciao, man.

John Bossidy is a longtime Cambridge Street resident.

Advice

Small point is big to Truman fans



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

I wrote to Margaret and asked: (a) What the "S" in her father's name stood for; and (b) should there be a period after the "S"?

Margaret replied: "The 'S' in Dad's name stands for nothing. There was a family argument about what his middle name should be, so to keep peace in the family, he was baptized Harry S."

Margaret further stated: "My father always put a dot after the letter 'S,' that's why it appears on the cover of the biography I wrote about him."

So dear readers, even though the "S" in Harry Truman's name stands for nothing and is not an abbreviation for anything, because Harry himself always put a dot after the letter "S," I would say that it belongs there. Period.

DEAR DAVID LOOMIS: I, too, had heard that there should be no period after the "S" in Harry Truman's name, but I noticed there was one on the jacket of the book titled "Harry S. Truman" written by his daughter, Margaret.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have read that aluminum cookware is not the best type to cook in because it may be detrimental to one's health. I am sure that it is better to use stainless steel, or anything other than aluminum. What's your opinion?

DEAR READER: Millions of people cook in aluminum cookware and appear to suffer no ill consequences. To my knowledge, no study has shown that aluminum cookware is a health hazard.

However, some initial investigators who studied Alzheimer's disease reported unexpectedly high levels of aluminum in the brain cells of these victims. That got me thinking about the potential relation of aluminum pots (and aluminum salts in antiperspirants) to Alzheimer's disease. There's probably no valid cause-and-effect, but I'm suspicious enough to keep an open mind until the final word is in. I don't purchase aluminum cookware anymore.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am an old woman, 83, and my skin has always been dry. The last three or four years I have not been able to get any relief. It itches, flakes and scales, especially after a bath. I have been to five doctors, one a specialist. One said it was nerves,

but he did not give me anything for nerves. I am in good health otherwise.

DEAR READER: Dry skin is as predictable in old age as gray hair. While it's true that high-strung individuals can develop dry, itchy skin, the most common cause is the answer for all nervous people with rashes. As a nation, we already are too prone to assume that we can take medicine to cure every minor complaint. I suggest you try applying any of the easily available lotions in the supermarket. Dry, itchy skin. Lotions that contain glycerine, aloe and lanolin seem to work best.

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On the other hand, blood in the urine is always abnormal, whether it comes from the penis or internal structures. You may be labeled a nag for insisting your husband see a doctor, but he should. Bleeding from the reproductive tract can be treated; however, its cause must first be diagnosed. When your husband goes for professional help, he may want to ask the doctor about taking allopurinol, a drug that usually prevents attacks of gout and can protect against gouty kidneystones.

Harper's was similar to the Atlantic Monthly and other magazines that publish lengthy literary and political articles when Harper's was bought by the MacArthur Foundation in 1980. It is now owned by the Harper's Magazine Endowment, a \$3 million fund set up jointly by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and Atlantic Richfield.

In the fall of 1985, Lewis Lapham returned as editor (a position he had held from 1976 to 1981) and completely revamped its format in March 1986 to appear like the upscale Harper's assistant editor Eric Etheridge.

Harper's now consists of loosely labeled sections presenting short reprint selections, an essay and a forum of differing views briefly presented.

The aim is to appeal to the affluent younger readers who want to know what's out there but don't have time to read everything," Etheridge, 27, said. "By reprinting articles we can choose a selection of writings and can juxtapose them so that readers can see the points which they might not be able to do with longer articles."

Harper's format and contents draw praise from its one-time rival, Atlantic Monthly.

"I find it extremely interesting. It's a constant source of provocation because of the different opinions it presents," said senior editor Michael Curtis. "What I miss is the literary piece and the sustained reporting. But I (Harper's) don't have the financial resources we have to commission pieces that are more careful and thoughtful than that," Etheridge said.

A non-profit magazine, Harper's has gone from a \$600,000 operating

deficit three years ago to a \$250,000 operating deficit in fiscal '84. Atlantic Monthly, one noted media critic calls them "the great unread magazines of our time."

The index is a page of figures that entertain and that sometimes convey a sense of the ridiculousness of society. In April issue, for example, the index cited these figures: "Number of U.S. government employees who have authority to classify documents: 2,401,555" "Average number of Health and Human Services Department employees it takes to answer a letter to the secretary: 55" "The action has been sought for mediation by the Los Angeles Times."

The Harper's "Readings" section consists of short stories, tables, speeches, essays and cartoons on a variety of topics.

The March issue contained a table taken from the Presidential Biblical Scoreboard, a magazine published during the election campaign by the Biblical News Service, which helps readers "conscientiously for the godly rule."

Scoreboard's table listed the top performers in high schools in the 1984-85 — including talking, chewing gum, making noise and running in the halls. Its list of top problems in 1982 included, in order, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, arson, bombing, murder, suicide and absenteeism.

"Many readers seemed to take that list literally instead of perhaps considering that it came from a conservative magazine. Perhaps we need to be more careful and think about that," Etheridge said.

About Town

Blanchard judges paintings

Alfred E. Blanchard, an artist who has judged many juried shows, will judge paintings at the 12th annual juried show and crafts outdoor show and sale June 2 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Center Park. The show will be sponsored by Manchester Art Association.

Blanchard, a graduate of Yale Art School, has a studio in Middletown. He is a member of the New Mexico Archaeological Society and has exhibited his work in several juried shows.

Barbara Hallgren of Plainville will judge the crafts. She is an art teacher in the East Hartford school system and gives classes in basketry. She has exhibited her work in several juried shows.

Mary Daley is chairwoman of the show. Other involved include: V. Jennings, Judges; Jennings and Doris Johnson, awards; applications; John Massolini; publicity; Phyllis Voiz; and hanging. John Daly.

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BUSINESS

Fifteen-year mortgage brings home financing innovation

A new type of mortgage has been introduced into the marketplace that can save you thousands of dollars over the life of your loan. It could be of immense importance to you — as it already has been to other individuals buying or planning to buy homes.

What's the gimmick? There is none. Merely shop for a 15-year mortgage instead of the traditional 30-year loan. The "gimmick" then is: For a surprisingly low increase in your monthly payments, you build equity more quickly and own the property outright in half the time.

"Just because a 15-year mortgage is half as long doesn't mean you have to pay two times as much," says Michael J. Wilson, assistant director of research for the U.S. League of Savings Institutions, an association for the savings and loan industry. "That's the big misconception."

In little over a year, almost two-thirds of \$4.6 billion in the United States have started offering 15-year mortgages to their customers, and these loans have jumped from zero to 17 percent of the fixed-rate loans bought in the secondary market by the Federal National Mortgage Association.

Ready for merger

Scovill facility for sale

WATERBURY (UPI) — The world headquarters of Scovill Inc. is up for sale, marking the beginning of sweeping changes at the 183-year-old company.

In January, 93 percent of the firm's stock was sold for \$320 million to the wealthy Canadian Beitzberg family of Vancouver. Now Scovill is poised to merge with First Cities Properties Inc. of Beverly Hills, Calif., a real estate development firm also owned by the Beitzbergs.

The headquarters building, cost about \$5 million built in 1979, is being sold for \$10 million. The days when Scovill was returning to property under the chairmanship of Malcolm Baldrige, who is now U.S. Commerce Secretary.

The current value of the headquarters is now set by commercial real estate agents at over \$10 million.

Seabrook unfazed by Vt. ruling

SEABROOK, N.H. (UPI) — Construction of the Seabrook nuclear plant's first reactor will continue at its present pace, despite an adverse regulatory ruling from a state court in Vermont.

Vermont cast another shadow over the troubled New Hampshire seacoast reactor Friday when its Public Service Board ordered Vermont utilities to get out of Seabrook by an unspecified date.

Regulators said the pullout could be accomplished through a sale of their combined 2.9 percent interest in the plant or by pushing for cancellation of the reactor.

Seabrook's first reactor is rated as 90 percent complete. The project price tag of \$4.6 billion. The project was first proposed more than a decade ago at a projected cost of \$1 billion for two nuclear reactors.

Hearst Corp. plans WCVB buy

NEW YORK (UPI) — The Hearst Corp. said it has reached agreement in principle to buy Boston television station WCVB for \$450 million, which the publishing firm said was the largest single broadcast station transaction in history.

Frank A. Bennack Jr., president of the Hearst Corp., and John W. Kluge, chairman of Metromedia, made a joint announcement Saturday about the deal, which is subject to Federal Communications Commission approval.

Kluge said the deal would affect the Boston TV station would be effected in connection with another major transaction involving the sale of seven Metromedia stations to 20th Century Fox, half of which is owned by publisher Rupert Murdoch.

Kluge and other Metromedia officials met Saturday with Murdoch, who said he expects to complete details involved in buying the Metromedia television stations soon.

"The whole deal including Boston is contemplated to be slightly in excess of \$2 billion," Murdoch said in an interview with the Cable News Network.

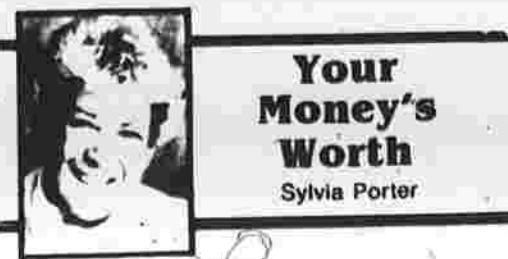
The purchase of WCVB, Channel 5, in Boston would be the latest in a series of more than a dozen acquisitions by Hearst since 1979. In all, when the Boston purchase is completed, Hearst will have spent nearly \$1 billion on the properties and in development of new ones.

"We are, of course, delighted with the opportunity to acquire WCVB-TV," said Bennack. "We intend to preserve its unique character as a great local broadcasting organization in one of

America's premier regions. We believe Hearst's record as a radio and television broadcaster for more than three decades has been outstanding and we are proud of that record. The addition of this extraordinary station to our broadcast group represents a quantum leap forward."

Kluge said he had felt "the highest responsibility to find a quality broadcaster to be the successor owner" to Metromedia in Boston.

Hearst publishes more than 20 magazines including Good Housekeeping, Cosmopolitan and Harper's Bazaar and 16 daily newspapers including the San Francisco Examiner, The Albany, N.Y. Times-Union, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer and the San Antonio Light.



Your Money's Worth
Sylvia Porter

involve less risk because money is tied up for a shorter period, and since virtually all 15-year loans to date have been at fixed rates, the institutions can calculate precisely what their returns will be.

Lenders don't grab all the benefits, though. The 15-year loans attract homeowners who want to pay off loans quickly and have their cash available for other needs. One woman in her early 30s spoke for many when she told me the reason she and her husband took a 15-year mortgage was so they could own the house

free and clear before retirement. In confirmation, these loans appeal primarily to second- and third-time buyers.

To illustrate the savings gained by selecting a 15-year loan: Consider a \$100,000 mortgage at 12 percent interest. On a 30-year loan, monthly interest and principal payments would be \$1,029. On a 15-year loan, your monthly payments would rise \$171 to \$1,200.

But over the life of a 30-year loan, you would pay \$279,301 in interest charge alone. On the 15-year loan, your interest would total \$116,030. The difference: a dramatic \$163,271.

Now note how quickly your equity would build in a 15-year mortgage. Continuing this illustration, at the end of five years on a 30-year loan, you still would owe about \$97,700 in principal. But with a 15-year loan, you would owe about \$83,700 in principal — a difference of \$14,000.

For owners planning to sell their homes relatively early in the life of a loan, the quick growth in equity is an outstandingly attractive feature.

One benefit of paying off a mortgage shows up on your income taxes. Curiously, the tax benefits for

interest payments in the first five years of a 30-year loan don't differ drastically from those of a 15-year loan, the U.S. League's Wilson explains.

Again, using the same example, you would pay \$59,373 in interest during the first five years of a 30-year loan. On the 15-year loan, you would pay \$55,862. The difference: \$3,511. If you're in the 50 percent tax bracket, the savings would amount to about \$1,855.

Another attractive twist to 15-year mortgages: Many lenders price these 15-year loans at lower interest rates because their funds are tied up for shorter periods. With a little hunting, you can find rates up to one-half point below rates for fixed-rate 30-year mortgages.

Even if you already have a 30-year loan and don't want to go through the hassle of refinancing, you still can save in interest charges by fattening your monthly loan payment.

Be sure you don't trigger a prepayment penalty by including the extra sum. Your extra money will be applied to the principal. This will help reduce the interest charges to you, because you'll be cutting the total on which you pay interest.



Quality at Dean

Jeff Perkins, center, a purchasing agent at the Pratt & Whitney division of United Technologies Corp., watches while Laurie Fedynyk, an inspector at Dean Machine of Manchester, examines a part Thursday. Dean Machine, which manufactures parts for aircraft engines, was presented with a quality achievement award by Pratt & Whitney for the second straight year. At right is Pete Naktens, president of Dean Machine. Dean Machine is one of Pratt & Whitney's suppliers.

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Manchester, Conn. — A City of Village Charm

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Budget calls for tax rise of 1.18 mills

By Alex Girelli
Herald Reporter

Voting almost entirely along party lines, the Board of Directors Monday night approved a budget for the next fiscal year, which calls for a tax rate of 44.48 mills to support the general fund.

The budget will mean a rise of 1.18 mills in taxes for the general fund, or \$1.18 per thousand dollars in assessed property value. The current mill rate is 43.30.

The budget calls for general fund expenditures of \$45,531,016, compared with \$45,655,125 recommended by General Manager Robert B. Weiss and \$45,592,516 that would have been approved if a separate Republican budget had

Center OK is sought

Local developer Richard Hayes said today that he is negotiating with a food store and several retail outlets as prospective tenants of a 150,000-square-foot shopping center he wants to build on 12.8 acres on North Main Street.

Hayes and his joint venture partner on the project, Myron Kaufman of New York, submitted an application Monday afternoon to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a zone change to Business III for the property. The property, which is adjacent to the Georgia-Pacific Corp., is currently split into three zones — Residence A, Industrial and Business I.

Hayes said that if all the zoning approvals go through by June, he hopes to start building the center by the fall. The shopping center would be very similar in size and architecture as the Caldor Shopping Plaza to the west.

Hayes and his partner have an option to purchase the property from the Hackett estate, he said, although he will not purchase it until the zoning approvals go through.

Hayes would not reveal what stores he is negotiating with, but he said there are several, including a food store.

Two bars are located on the property, which fronts North Main Street near the intersection with Tolland Turnpike. The land is also bounded by Depot Street and Agway on the west, Gerich's gasoline station and the Buckland Post Office on the north, and railroad tracks on the south.

The 44.48 mill rate in the approved budget, backed by six Democratic votes, compares with 45.59 mills recommended by Weiss for general fund expenditures, proposed a rate of 44.49 mills.

For the Town of Manchester Fire District, the majority passed a budget of \$84,070 with a tax rate of 6.32 mills. The Republicans proposed a budget of \$3,378,515 with the same tax rate.

The party budgets for the downtown taxing district were identical at \$94,620 and a rate of 10.5 mills, a rate which is normally kept constant.

Some of the cuts made by the Democrats in Weiss's recommendation.

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Playing to learn

Debbie Offen, a sixth-grader at Nathan Hale School, looks for hidden words last week in a word-search game created by seventh-graders at Bennett Junior High School. The two groups met at Bennett last week for the

second annual "math playday," in which the Nathan Hale students tested games and puzzle books prepared by the Bennett seventh-graders.

Town may lose right to Buckland land

By Kathy Gormus
Herald Reporter

The town has waived its right to purchase surplus state land off Buckland Street that the Eight Utilities District wants to buy because it did not act within the required time, district attorney John D. LaBelle Jr. said today.

Although the town has requested an extension on the 45-day limit it had to tell the state if it wanted to buy the land, LaBelle said he did not think state law provided for extensions.

"I don't think they can get an extension legally," he said, adding that the town had "waived its right (of first refusal) under the statutes."

The district wants to buy the land to give a satellite fire station it plans to build on Tolland Turnpike and Buckland Street. However, under state law, the town has the first right to purchase any state-owned land that the state decides it no longer needs.

Although town officials have said they are interested in pur-

chasing the land, the town Planning and Zoning Commission and the Board of Directors must first recommend the purchase.

The town had 45 days from the time it was notified of the state's decision to sell the land, or until April 7, to respond. Critics of the town's interest in the land at the corner of Tolland Turnpike and Buckland Street have charged that the town wants the land mainly to block the district's plans to build a second firehouse.

The firehouse would be located within 500 feet of a town-owned fire station around which state courts have ruled the district has the legal right to provide fire protection.

Director of Planning Mark Pellegrini said today that he wrote to the state treasurer's office on March 22, requesting an extension until May 17. The town decided to seek an extension because it did not have enough time to bring the proposal before the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Board of Directors, he said.

"I took it as pretty much a verbal confirmation that this would be fine," he said.

John Lengon, assistant director of rights of way for the DOT, said today he thought the DOT had granted similar extensions before when the 45-day limit posed valid problems for the towns involved.

"I don't deny that," LaBelle said when asked if the DOT routinely granted such extensions.

"Whether they have the legal authority is another matter," he said. "My reading of the statute is that they don't."

LaBelle said that under the applicable statute, the chief executive officer of a town or city has within 45 days to notify the state if it wants to purchase excess state land within its boundaries.

LaBelle said Pellegrini's March 22 letter could not be construed as an expression of interest in the purchase of the land.

"What he says is 'we can't make our mind up within 45 days,'" he said. Pellegrini is also not the chief officer of the town, he added.

And, he said, Weiss does not have the authority to tell the state the town wants to purchase the land unless he has the backing of the Board of Directors.

The development is the latest in a series of disputes over the property and the district's plans to buy a firehouse to serve the Buckland area.

Bolton election turnout is low

Cheney ousts Pierog from top post

By Sarah Possell
Herald Reporter

BOLTON — Republican Douglas T. Cheney won the race for first selectman in the town election Monday, defeating incumbent Democratic appointee Sandra W. Pierog by 70 votes out of 1,167 votes cast for the position.

A total of 1,190 residents cast ballots Monday, or 47 percent of those registered. The turnout was well under the 51.8-percent mark reached in the 1983 elections and surprised some who manned the polls all day. Town Clerk Catherine Leiner said Monday morning that the early turnout had been brisk.

Cheney won 618 votes, or 53 percent of those cast in the race, to Pierog's 549, or 47 percent.

The Democrats, who currently

claim a minority of elected positions, gained no seats on town boards this year, keeping two seats on the five-member Board of Selectmen.

They traded incumbent Board of Education member David Fernald for newcomer John T. Muro and traded incumbent Board of Finance member Charles F. Holland for Claude Ruel. (See stories on page 10.)

The highest vote-getter among the six candidates for Board of Selectmen was Carl Pruss, the 29-year-old Republican who has already served six years on the board. He got 673 votes. Cheney, 47, has never run for first selectman before. He was the top vote-getter among candidates for selectman in 1983.

All five incumbents were re-elected to the board, with Pierog retaining a seat by the smallest margin. Even fellow Democratic appointee Michael A. Ziska, who said last week that he had spent

almost no time campaigning, outpolled Pierog with 583 votes.

Pierog was serving her first elected term on the board when she took over the post after the death of First Selectman Henry P. Rybo last September. The Town Charter calls for an interim appointment to come from the same political party as the person who vacated the seat.

Democrat Robert L. Madore was unsuccessful in his challenge to the Republican incumbent Board of Finance member Lawrence A. Converse who was re-elected with 646 votes.

"I run a very nervous campaign, always," said a flushed and shaken Cheney Monday night at Community Hall, where the votes were tallied. Asked for his assessment of his victory over Pierog, he said, "We have a lot of Republicans."

"I hope I can maintain the voters' faith," he said.

Republican Town Chairman Mark Johnson said he thinks Madore's union ties worked against him and Pierog, who campaigned door-to-door with Madore during the campaign. Madore is an official of the United Auto Workers in Connecticut and got the UAW to contribute \$500 to the Democrats' campaign.

Republican leaders tried to make the union an issue in the campaign, decriing what they said was outside influence.

"That's not true," Pierog said of Johnson's assessment of her loss. "I think it helped. I had the support of some Republican voters. I had the support of some unaffiliated voters and I had the support of Democrats. We ran a good, clean, hard campaign."

Marian "Ruey" Kelsey, an unsuccessful Democratic candidate for the Board of Finance, also took issue with Johnson.

"I think we had the support of very well received by the people in town," Kelsey said.

But Madore himself said there was merit in Johnson's assessment.

"It probably had an effect because most of the people in town are professionals," he said. He also referred to Republican criticism of his past political involvement in state campaigns for other candidates and his seeking support from the UAW and the Legislative Electoral Action Program, a coalition of women's and labor groups based in Hartford.

"It's a small town," Madore said. "They're not receptive to the political scene on a bigger scale than they're used to."



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Republican Deputy First Selectman Douglas T. Cheney, who defeated Democrat Sandra W. Pierog in the race for first selectman Monday, tabulates the votes as they are called out by election officials Monday night at Community Hall.