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Food, fuel costs push consumer prices up

By the Associated Press
Sharply higher food and fuel costs sent consumer prices up 0.6 percent in November, the biggest jump in nearly two years, the government said today.

The Labor Department's Consumer Price Index had risen just 0.2 percent a month from May to September before inching up 0.3 percent in October.

In a separate report today the government said the U.S. economy grew a sluggish 2.4 percent in 1985, the weakest rate since the recession year of 1982.

The Commerce Department said growth in the gross national product, the broadest measure of economic health, was down substantially from the revised 6.6 percent increase posted in 1984.

For the last three months of this year, the economy is growing at an estimated annual rate of 3.2 percent, according to an initial "flash" calculation released today.

According to Labor Department figures, the last time retail prices rose at November's pace was January 1984. The last time they rose at a steeper rate was April 1983, when there was a 0.7 percent increase.

But even with the advance reported today, retail prices have risen at an annual rate of only 3.6 percent so far in 1985.

If that rate holds through December, it would be the slowest

Salvation Army income falls

By George Lovoy Herald Reporter
Although donations to the Salvation Army in Manchester are below average this year, contributions are expected to increase this weekend and remain strong until Christmas, its leader said this morning.

Maj. Reginald Russell, who has led the Manchester congregation since August, said the decline in donations is part of a national trend.

"It has been the same as experienced around the country," he said. "The income is not up as far as normal."

Russell said a variety of factors are to blame. The recent cold spell, for instance, has discouraged both donors and the bell-ringing volunteers who solicit donations alongside familiar black kettles, he said.

Russell said the Army expects to take in around \$6,000 this year. The average is about \$8,000, though donations have fluctuated each year, he said.

Russell, who has been with the Salvation Army for 27 years, said the group has had between six and eight volunteers working since the day after Thanksgiving.

People have been very receptive to the Army's efforts, he said, even though it has not been reflected in the amount of donations so far.

"It depends on the circumstances," Russell said. "When the weather is cold and people's arms are full of packages, they're less likely to give."

He said the kettles, which can hold between \$400 and \$500 dollars each, have been set up at the town's major stores, including Cadbury, K-Mart and Shop Rite. How long a volunteer solicits donations depends on the individual, said Russell.

"Some work only three or four hours, others the entire day," he said. Most of the kettles are outside, which makes the weather a major factor in how long a volunteer works, he said.

Despite the lower totals so far this year, Russell said he expects contributions to increase as Christmas draws near.

"Our busiest days are the two to three days after Thanksgiving, and two to three days before Christmas," he said.

Russell said he is optimistic the trend will continue again this year.

"I'm still very hopeful things will pick up as people get in the Christmas spirit," he said.

Russell said donations to the Salvation Army help feed less fortunate people in the area. The Army

Congress nears budget accord

By Robert Shepard United Press International
WASHINGTON - Congress edged to the brink of adjournment early today, but was thwarted in its effort to head home for the holidays by a stalemate over a \$74 billion package of spending cuts and taxes.

The drive to wrap up business for the 1985 session was to resume during daylight hours after the weary lawmakers caught a few hours of sleep.

Tangled up in the congressional impasse was the fate of the 16-cent-per-pack cigarette tax and a proposed new tax on manufacturers to help pay for the nation's toxic waste cleanup program.

The end of the first session of the 99th Congress appeared to have finally arrived at about 1 a.m. EST today when the House refused to consider the Senate's latest offer and House Democratic leader Jim Wright of Texas declared the chamber had completed its business for the year.

The adjournment resolution was passed and House leaders prepared to join senators in the traditional telephone call to President Reagan informing him Congress had completed its year. But the leaders instead huddled in Dole's private office to consider their options.

Dole finally emerged and recessed the Senate until 11 a.m. today. The House followed suit, quitting until noon.

During the long session that began Thursday morning, the two chambers approved a \$35 billion catchall spending bill and sent it on to Reagan, who promptly signed it.

The bill was thought to be the last major obstacle to adjournment.

But the two chambers then got into a long squabble, described by several members as "a game of chicken," over the \$74 billion "budget reconciliation" measure.

The delay caused the 18-cent cigarette tax to expire and technically reverted to 8 cents a pack.

Among the key points of contention was the new, broad-based tax on manufacturers to help finance the Superfund toxic waste cleanup program, backed by the Senate, but resisted by the House and the administration.

"We have to make a judgment on the Superfund tax and whether or not to insist on it and sending it back to the House," Senate Republican leader Robert Dole said at about 2 a.m.

Crestfield strikers get support

By John F. Kirch Herald Reporter
Five members of the town Board of Directors have lent their names to a newly formed committee that supports striking workers at the Crestfield-Fenwood nursing home, a union organizer said today.

The directors are Stephen T. Cassano and James F. Fogarty, both Democrats, and Republicans Thomas H. Ferguson, Donna Mercier and William J. Diana, according to Pearl Grant, an organizer for the New England Health Care Employees Union, District 1199, which represents the striking workers. The committee is made up of union organizations and other groups, and will seek the support of town and state officials, Grant said Thursday.

Four of the directors contacted said they lent their names, which would be used on letters sent by the committee to state officials, because they supported the strikers and thought the nursing home's owners - Rolland Castleman, Josiah Lessner and Howard Dickstein - were wrong to refuse to negotiate with District 1199.

Fogarty could not be reached for comment this morning and has not confirmed his support for the strikers.

"I told them to feel free to use my name," Ferguson said today. "I feel that strike has gone on as long as it should. I believe they (the owners) are wrong in not recognizing that union."

"We're trying to bring enough pressure on the owners to get them to negotiate," Cassano said.

Officials of Crestfield-Fenwood could not be reached for comment this morning.

About 60 nurse's aides, housekeeping and maintenance employees at the Vernon Street home went on strike Oct. 20 to protest the owners' refusal to negotiate a contract with the union. Union officials have sought state and town intervention to help end the strike.

The new committee, called the Committee for Justice for Crestfield Workers, was formed about 10:30 p.m. Thursday.

Supporting that date is a new translation of a tablet that shows a population census was ordered in region in 12 B.C., and evidence that Halley's comet was visible that year, Fleming said.

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Frugality no help to this frail man

Editor's note: This is one of a series of vignettes prepared by the Manchester Area Conference of Churches, which is seeking to provide Manchester and Bolton residents with Christmas gifts, food and clothing.

"Albert" lives so frugally on his small social Security check that he could pay the cost of a taxi to the convalescent home. Unfortunately, he's dependent on a walker to get around and can't use the taxi service.

A thin, gentle man in his 80s, he's lived alone ever since his last living relative, his sister, was taken to a local convalescent home 10 years ago. The two of them would very much like to spend Christmas together. The home has already invited him to join his sister for dinner.

The Manchester Area Conference of Churches would like to provide not just the ride, but a Christmas to remember, including all the special touches that a family shares together - a small tree, homemade cookies, perhaps even a pie for later. It won't take a lot of money but it will take a special kind of giving.

Albert and his sister are among the more than 300 households which MACC hopes to help during the Christmas season. Nonperishable foods, and gifts for shut-ins and elderly people, may be left at the Town Fire Department's Center Street headquarters. The Eighth District fire station at 32 Main St., any office of the Heritage Savings and Loan Association or the Manchester Mall at 811 Main St. Checks can be mailed to MACC/Seasonal Sharing, Box 773, Manchester, 06040.

Scholar: Jesus born in summer

By Masha Hamilton The Associated Press
BETHLEHEM, Occupied West Bank - New evidence suggests Jesus was not born Dec. 25, the date on which Christmas has been celebrated for 16 centuries, and that Halley's comet, rather than a star, alerted three wise men to his birth, according to a Biblical scholar.

Jim Fleming, founder and dean of the non-profit Jerusalem Center for Biblical Studies, also says Jesus probably wasn't born in the year A.D. as popularly believed, but in 12 B.C.

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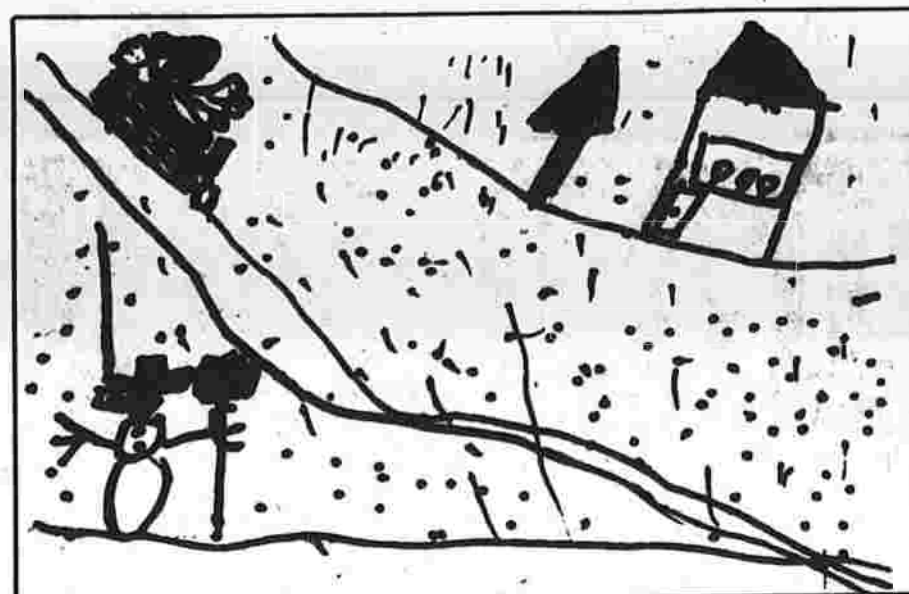
Bowing out

The torch has been passed to a new generation of America's most famous political family with the surprise announcement Thursday by Sen. Edward Kennedy that he will not run for president in 1988. Story on page 22.

Weather forecast
Winter storm watch for tonight and Saturday. Snow possibly becoming heavy tonight with lows in the teens and lower 20s. Snow possibly heavy at times Saturday. Continued cold with highs in the 20s. Details on page 2.

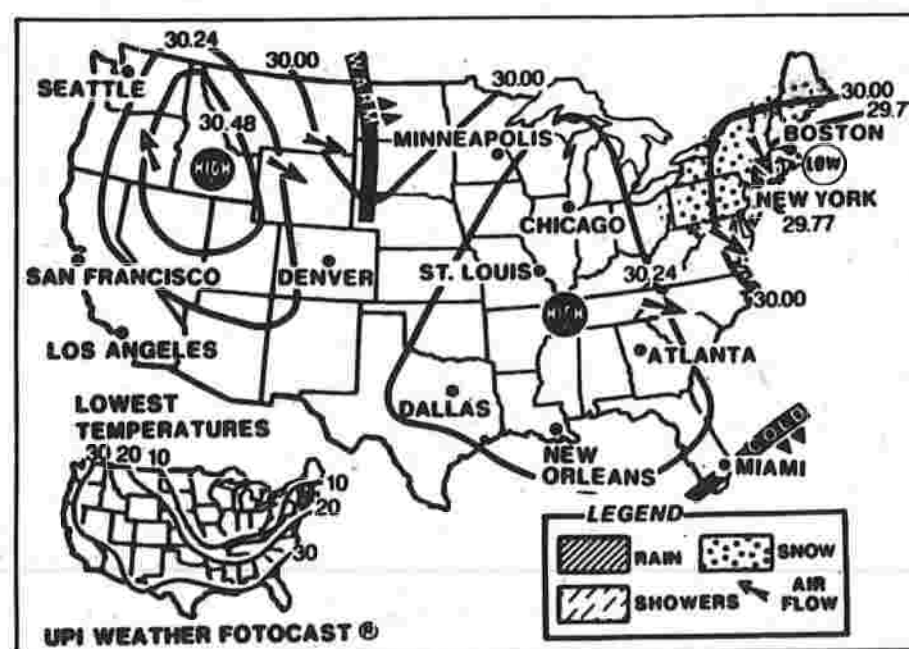
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WEATHER



Snow Job

A winter storm watch is in effect for tonight and Saturday. Today, skies will be increasingly cloudy and highs will be in the mid 20s. Snow is expected to begin early this evening, possibly becoming heavy at times. Temperatures will remain cold, with lows 15 to 20. The chance of snow is near 100 percent. Saturday, snow will continue, diminishing late in the afternoon. Today's drawing is by Jason Pouliot, 9, of 142 Broad St., a fourth-grader at Waddell School.



National forecast

During Saturday morning, snow is forecast for the North Atlantic Coast states as well as parts of the Lower Great Lakes and Northern Ohio Valley. Rain is possible in parts of the Gulf Coast Region. Elsewhere the weather will be fair.

Today's forecast

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Winter storm watch for tonight and Saturday. Increasing cloudiness today. Chance of snow west late this afternoon. Cold with highs in the 20s. Snow tonight possibly becoming heavy. Cold with lows in the teens and lower 20s. Snow possibly heavy at times Saturday. Windy with some blowing and drifting snow. Continued cold with highs in the 20s. Maine: Mostly sunny north followed by increasing cloudiness elsewhere today. Highs 15 to 15 north and teens to mid 20s south. Clearing up with a chance of snow north and snow developing south tonight. Lows 5 above to 10 below north and upper single numbers to teens south. Snow and windy Saturday. Highs near 10 north to near 20 south. New Hampshire: Partly sunny north and increasing cloudiness south today. Highs 10 to 15 north and upper teens to mid 20s south. Snow tonight 5 below north and upper single numbers to mid teens south. Windy Saturday with highs from the teens north to near 20 south. Vermont: Mixed clouds and sun with flurries today. A steadier snow developing late this afternoon or evening and continuing tonight. Snow tapering to flurries Saturday. Continued cold with highs both days 15 to 25. Lows tonight 5 to 15.

Extended outlook

Extended outlook for New England Sunday through Tuesday: Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Partly cloudy Sunday. Chance of snow Monday. Partly cloudy Tuesday. Continued cold. Lows 5 to 10 north and 10 to 20 southeast. Highs in the 20s Sunday and in the mid 20s to mid 30s Monday and Tuesday. Vermont: Dry Sunday, chance of snow Monday and flurries Tuesday. Cold with highs in the 20s. Lows zero to 15. Maine: Fair Sunday. Chance of snow Monday. Chance of flurries north and fair south Tuesday. Lows from 5 below to 10 above Sunday morning moderating to the single numbers and teens Monday and Tuesday mornings. Highs in the teens to mid 20s Sunday morning to between 20 and 30 Monday and Tuesday. New Hampshire: Fair Sunday. Chance of snow Monday. Chance of flurries north and fair south Tuesday. Lows from 5 below to 10 above Sunday morning moderating to the single numbers and teens Monday and Tuesday mornings.

Across the nation

Snow will be likely over much of the Great Lakes and Ohio Valley region, spreading eastward to the Atlantic Coast. Rain mixed with snow will fall over portions of North Carolina and Virginia. Rain or snow will be scattered over the western portions of Nebraska and South Dakota. Daytime temperatures will be in the teens and 20s from New England across the Great Lakes and mid-Mississippi Valley to the central and northern Plains and in parts of the South Pacific. Subfreezing readings in the single digits over northern New England and the upper Mississippi Valley.



Today in history

In 1864, Union Gen. William Sherman completed his "march to the sea" across the defeated South and arrived in Savannah, Ga.

Almanac

Today is Friday, Dec. 20, the 354th day of 1985 with 11 to follow. The moon is moving toward its full phase. The morning stars are Mercury, Venus, Mars and Saturn. The evening star is Jupiter. Those born on this date are under the sign of Sagittarius. They include industrialist Harvey Firestone in 1868, philosopher Susanne K. Langer in 1895, nuclear physicist Robert Van de Graaff in 1901, and actress Irene Dunne in 1904 (age 81).



DAYS 'TIL CHRISTMAS

In 1983, Greyhound bus drivers ended a 47-day strike. In 1984, 33 unknown keyboard works by Johann Sebastian Bach were found in the Yale library, from France in the Louisiana Purchase. In 1922, the 14 Russian republics were combined to form the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. In 1978, Mayor Richard J. Daley of Chicago died at age 74.

Lottery

Connecticut daily Thursday: 185
Play Four: 0812

Other numbers drawn Thursday in New England:
Tri-state daily: 979, 3247
Rhode Island daily: 5336
Lot-O-Bucks: 11-18-33-35-40
Massachusetts daily: 4380

PEOPLE

Waiting for Gary

Shooting for ABC's "Different Strokes" will be postponed in January due to actor Gary Coleman's return to a Los Angeles hospital for treatment of kidney problems, his publicist said. Coleman, 17, entered UCLA Medical Center on Thursday for minor surgery after his transplanted kidney showed signs of rejection, said spokesman Larry Goldman. He was scheduled for surgery today to insert tubes for an ambulatory dialysis unit. The actor was in no danger and his "spirits are high," he said. Coleman received the kidney, his second transplant, in November 1984.

Blast from the past

Jack "Book 'em, Danno" Lord says he will bring back the enormously successful "Hawaii Five-O" television series in a "Hawaii Five-O Revisited" special. "I want to reunite the gang," Lord said Wednesday in Honolulu, adding that he was

inspired by the ratings of a similar resurrection of the "Perry Mason" show. "But I don't want to do episodic television again. The work is too hard." "Hawaii Five-O" ran from 1968 to 1980 to become the longest-running police show in television and remains in syndication worldwide. Lord said shooting is expected to begin in Hawaii in February.

She's not kidding

Princess Anne, the president of the Save the Children Fund, told American reporters in London of her true feelings about kids. "I don't actually like children," said Anne, who, nonetheless, travels the world in support of hungry infants. "But children ought to have as good a start as possible from the health and education point of view." Something else she doesn't like is the proliferation of famine aid agencies in Africa, which she feels is mucking up things. "There are too many now," she says. "I get depressed by the sheer weight of numbers of agencies in Sudan. They are treading on each other's toes."

Alter ego

Although Donald Sutherland has played the likes of Casanova and "Hawkeye" Pierce, he says his latest role, as French painter Paul Gauguin "is the first time in my life I played a character I am myself." Sutherland, who wore a green beret, silk pants and enormous wooden shoes to a Copenhagen news conference Thursday to discuss the film by Danish director Henning Carlsen, called the production "a lovely, intelligent filmmaking experience." The new film, as yet untitled, depicts the two years Gauguin spent in Paris between his own trips to the South Pacific. Sutherland has more than 50 films to his credit, among them "M-A-S-H," "Kluge," "Casanova," and "1900."

Scratch this show

The 4-month-old daily news-and-feature show "America," starring Sarah Purcell and McLean Stevenson, has been scratched despite strong ratings in several major cities, Paramount Television said. The hourlong show made its debut in September as a companion piece to local news shows. Mel Harris, president of Paramount Television, said in Los Angeles Thursday he had hoped to keep the show alive because of strong ratings in such cities as Miami, Phoenix, Ariz.; Washington, D.C.; Dayton, Ohio, and Albany, N.Y. But when CBS affiliates withdrew from participation, other stations followed.

Gatlin music hits home

Larry Gatlin says the song "Runaway Go Home" is the "biggest commercial disaster" in the Gatlin Brothers' history but he has no regrets. Gatlin wrote the song after seeing a billboard in Joliet, Ill., that said, "Runaways go home free on Continental Trailways." CBS Records released the song in September and Gatlin says its message reached at least one person: upon hearing the record, a young prostitute in Sacramento, Calif. contacted her parents and returned home to Montana. "I'm not an expert on the runaway problem — I'm a songwriter," he said. "But if it can move somebody with music, let's do it."

Gatlin recently joined the Department of Health and Human Services in a national effort to help runaway kids. The campaign provides a network of "safe places" — including stores, restaurants and other designated businesses — where teenage runaways can go if they need help.



FOCUS
Water Wars
This ribbon of water is the California aqueduct, only one source of water for southern California. Another source, the Colorado River, may soon become even more pinched now that the newly-launched Central Arizona Project is taking more of the river's flow. In 1934, Arizona's governor actually sent national guardsmen armed with machine guns to stop work on the Parker Dam, which was to divert Colorado River water to California. The state later settled the issue in court. **DO YOU KNOW** — What is the longest artificial seawall?

THURSDAY'S ANSWER — Mistletoe is the Christmas plant associated with kissing. Knowledge Unlimited, Inc. 1985

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Santa Claus visits strikers

Santa Claus hands out gifts Thursday to children of striking employees of the Pillowtex Corp., above, outside the company's Regent Street Plant. At right, Roney Bell climbs down from Santa's lap after receiving a gift. About 80 employees of the pillow and comforter manufacturer have been on strike since Aug. 26, when they walked off their jobs after negotiations for their first union contract stalled.



Ruddell grant boosts Cheney Hall fund

By Alex Girelli
Herald Reporter

A challenge grant of \$50,000 has been received from the H. Louise Ruddell Charitable Trust for the restoration of historic Cheney Hall.

co-trustee of the fund, called it "a challenge to the citizens of Manchester to match this \$50,000." "Miss Ruddell would have been excited about this project, and would have wanted to offer a goal to our town," he said. Ruddell was lifelong resident of Manchester and a collector of antiques. For many years she was executive secretary to Theodore Pope Riddle, an internationally renowned architect and the

founder of the Hill-Stead Museum Inc. of South Windsor. The other trustee restored the front lobby entrance to Cheney Hall will be named the H. Louise Ruddell Foyer. An engraved plaque will commemorate her \$50,000 gift. The trust created under her will is administered by three co-trustees, attorneys George C. Lesser, John S.G. Rottner and Josiah J. Lesser. Attorney Roland Castellan is counsel to the trust.

Contributions to the restoration fund are tax deductible. They are payable to LTM/CHARM, c/o the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce, 20 Hartford Road, Manchester, 06604. Further information may be obtained from William R. Johnson, president of the Savings Bank of Manchester, Michael B. Lynch, president of Lynch Toyota Inc.; or John A. DeQuattro, president of J. D. Real Estate Co.

Offers for boards don't burn any barns

The market for boards from tobacco sheds is apparently not as good as it was when the wood was widely used to panel basement recreation rooms. The town took bids recently on removal of a collapsed tobacco shed on Windsor Street and hoped to get the job done at a low cost in exchange for the wood.

Director George Kandra is looking for alternative ways to get rid of the shed cleared away. The lower of two bidders at the Dec. 18 bid opening asked \$3,900 to remove the wood. That bid came from Mitchell Trucking Inc. of South Windsor. The other bid, \$4,850, came from A-1 Demo of New Britain. Kandra said today he is disappointed in the prices and is considering alternatives, including having town employees remove the wood.

The tobacco shed was blown down Sept. 27 by Hurricane Gloria. The town had used the shed from time to time to store materials.

Fire Calls

- Saturday, 1:25 p.m. — service call, 58 Strickland St. (Eighth District).
- Saturday, 2:19 p.m. — arcing wires, 31 Union St. (Eighth District).
- Saturday, 3:14 p.m. — motor vehicle accident, 71 Hayes St. (Town, Paramedics).
- Saturday, 6:04 p.m. — medical call, 689 Main St. (Town, Paramedics).
- Saturday, 7:44 p.m. — medical call, 360 Oakland St. (Paramedics).
- Saturday, 8:38 p.m. — medical call, 459 Keeney St. (Town, Paramedics).
- Sunday, 2:12 a.m. — medical call, 107 Sycamore Lane (Town, Paramedics).
- Sunday, 11:04 a.m. — medical call, Ralph Road (Town, Paramedics).
- Sunday, 2:56 p.m. — medical call, 22 Duval St. (Eighth District, Paramedics).
- Sunday, 5:47 p.m. — medical call, 84 Essex St. (Town, Paramedics).
- Sunday, 6:31 p.m. — medical call, 727 Center St. (Town, Paramedics).
- Sunday, 9:22 p.m. — service call, 327 Hilliard St. (Eighth District, Paramedics).
- Monday, 1:29 a.m. — medical call, 22 Duval St. (Eighth District, Paramedics).
- Monday, 8:10 a.m. — service call, 106 N. Main St. (Eighth District).
- Monday, 1:33 p.m. — medical call, 57 Blissell St. (Town, Paramedics).
- Monday, 1:38 p.m. — bomb scare, 1539 Tolland Turnpike (Eighth District).
- Monday, 4:01 p.m. — motor vehicle accident, Interstate 94, westbound near exit 96 (Town, Paramedics).

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Mill bonding gets nod from directors

Conversion to apartments likely to begin in spring

By John F. Kirch
Herald Reporter

The Board of Directors Thursday night authorized the Manchester Redevelopment Agency to issue up to \$12 million in tax-exempt industrial bonds for the conversion of a former Cheney Brothers mill building into apartments.

The board's action allows the developers to use federally backed mortgage revenue bonds to help convert the former Westing Mill at 91 Elm St. into 249 apartments. Construction could begin in the spring, the attorney who represents the developers told the board during a special meeting Thursday in Lincoln Center.

The Westing Mill project is one of about four redevelopment efforts either in the planning stages or under way in the Cheney Historic District, which lies north of Interstate 84 and west of downtown Main Street. "It's one of the hottest spots going," said Manchester attorney Dominic Squatrito, who represents the developers, Silk Mill Associates Limited Partnership. The redevelopment partnership is made up of David C. Woodbury and Associates, Manchester, and Munro, Jennings and Dolg Associates Inc. of Farmington.

SQUATRITO SAID the board's approval of the bond issue was the last "critical juncture" for the developers. The Manchester Redevelopment Agency approved the bond issue Monday and will meet with the developers on Dec. 27 to consider the structure and rate of the bonds. Approval of the bond structure would be relatively easy, Squatrito said. Once the structure and rate have been set, the developers will be responsible for marketing the bonds, said James H. Lloyd III, a bond counsel with Uppide, Kelly & Spelacy of Hartford, who represented the town in the bond agreement.

Lloyd and Squatrito told the board Thursday that the bonds would be issued by the town through the agency, but would not be backed by municipal revenues. Instead, the bonds are to be guaranteed by the Federal National Mortgage Association. The proceeds from the bonds are

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Students get outside instruction

Gifted program sparks interest at Cheney Tech

By Susan Vaughn Herald Reporter
Earlier this fall, three seniors at Howell Cheney Regional Vocational Technical School built a programmable controller in the school's electrical shop using only an instruction manual.

Their project was a perfect example of what a new program for gifted students at the technical school seeks to achieve — motivating students to pursue interests that aren't included in the regular curriculum, according to program director Michael Orfitelli.

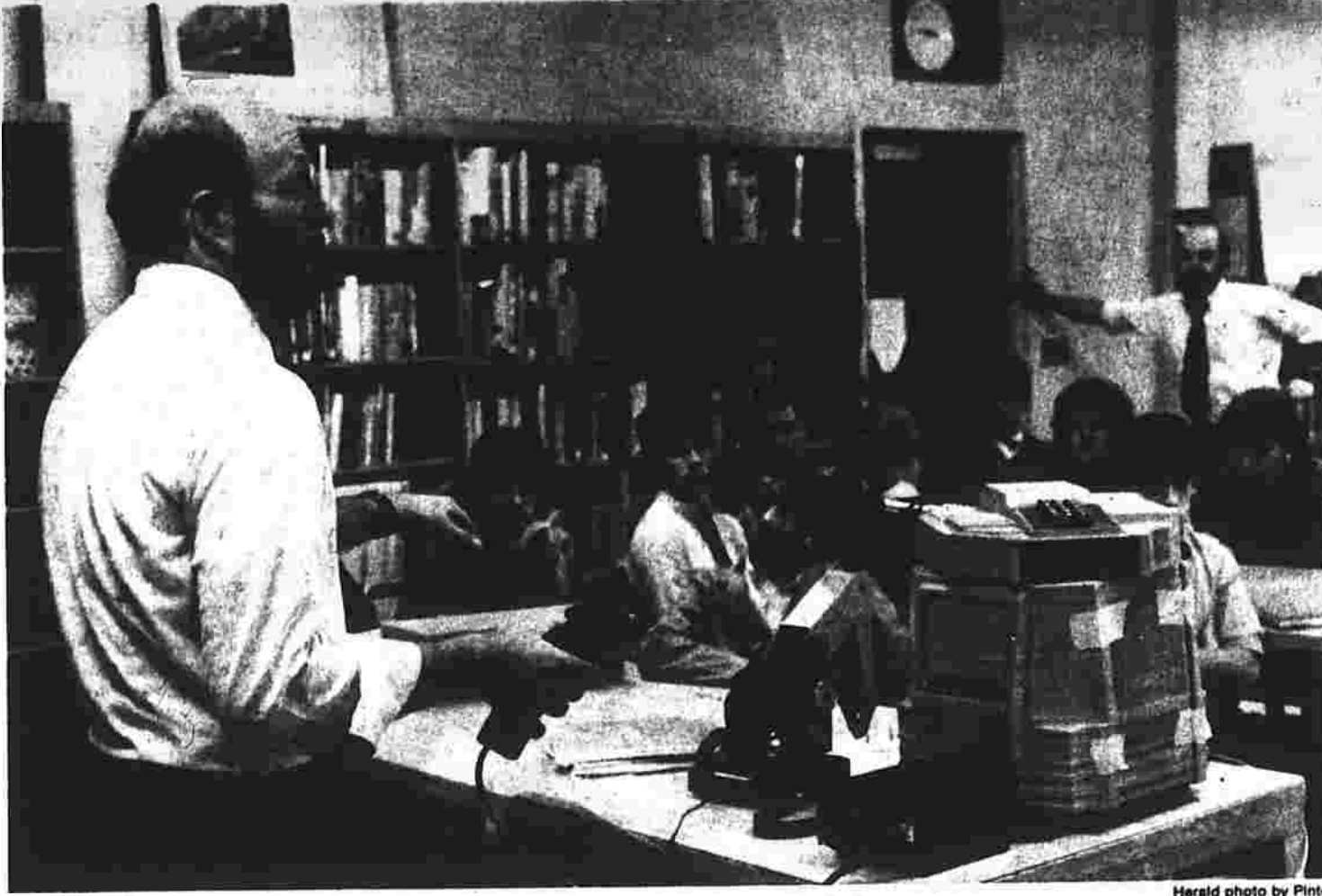
"It's a doing program. They learn by doing," Orfitelli said during an interview Thursday in his tiny office in the corner of a storage room at the school.

The program, called PRO-TECH, is being phased in at the state's 17 vocational-technical schools and is already in place at five of them, including Cheney Tech, Orfitelli said.

The program is designed to link students in vo-tech schools with community resources. It offers three kinds of activities for students identified as gifted or talented.

THE FIRST INCLUDES hosting guest speakers from business, industry, educational institutions and other outside sources. Their topics and demonstrations would not normally be covered in school and are intended to stimulate students to go on to the next two phases of the program: research and developing a project, Orfitelli said.

Although the three seniors, who were not yet in the gifted program when they began their project, "sort of backed into the



Herald photo by Phyllis

Craig Stalk of the engineering department at the University of Hartford shows students at Howell Cheney Regional Vocational Technical School how he trains the robotic arm, at left on the table, and Hero, the robot, at

right. The demonstration was one of several offered this fall as part of a program for gifted students at Cheney Tech.

program," Orfitelli said a speaker he invited from the Square D Co. in Newington, an electrical equipment firm, was able to help the students expand their project.

All the companies that have been invited to present demonstrations to the students have been very responsive, Orfitelli said. "Industry realizes they have a

responsibility and a future interest in the students as their future work force, he said.

"There is an ever widening gap between the real world and education," Orfitelli added. He said programs like PRO-TECH help to narrow that gap.

Topics that have either been presented by guest speakers or will be covered this year include futuristics, solar energy, robotics, electronic music, compact disk technology and the development of fuel cells.

ABOUT 25 Cheney Tech students — mostly tenth-graders — have been involved in the program this fall. An additional 16 or 17 ninth-graders have been identified as gifted and will be invited to join the program during the second semester, Orfitelli said.

Students are identified for the program through one of three methods — aptitude tests, nomination by teachers and self-nomination. The latter is the most difficult, Orfitelli said, because a student must demonstrate a talent through a project he or she has already done.

Offering the program for gifted students at the state's technical schools helps to belie the opinion that students who attend such schools are not academically or otherwise talented, Orfitelli said. Tests have shown otherwise, and Orfitelli said he hopes to find out more of the students' special skills and interests by having individual conferences with them.

Orfitelli said the gifted program will get more sophisticated as it progresses, with planned follow-up and evaluation of students' projects.

Coventry tries again to have sewer suit dismissed

By George Lovvo Herald Reporter

COVENTRY — The town has filed a new motion seeking the dismissal of a lawsuit brought against it by a citizens' group called "Save Our Coventry," on

controversial \$5 million sewer project. Town Attorney Abbot Schwebel said Thursday that the town has asked Tolland County Superior Court Judge Arthur L. Spada to dismiss the suit, filed by a group called "Save Our Coventry," on

Bids on fire truck spark fiscal debate

By George Lovvo Herald Reporter

BOLTON — A Wisconsin firm's bid to sell the town a new fire truck for \$143,264 was the lowest of five opened Thursday at Community Hall.

Pierce, of Appleton, Wis., submitted the lowest bid. However, under the regulations covering the bidding process, Bolton is not obligated to select the lowest offer, according to First Selectman Douglas T. Cheney, who opened the bids Thursday.

The highest bid on the truck — which is to replace one damaged in an accident this summer — came from Emergency One Inc. of Ocala, Fla., which bid \$174,000. Town officials had expected the bids to range between \$130,000 and \$150,000.

The five proposals received by the town will be studied by the Board of Fire Commissioners, which will submit its recommendation on the purchase to the Board of Selectmen in January.

Fire Commission Chairman Henry W. Kelsey said Thursday that the town has 60 days to choose among the bidders. He said the truck, which would be built specifically for the town, should be delivered by June or July.

Before the truck is purchased, the expenditure must be approved by Bolton residents at a town meeting. How the town is to pay for the truck has become a matter of debate among members of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance.

In November, the finance board recommended to the selectmen that federal revenue sharing funds, which will total over \$85,000 by January, be used to cover part of the cost of the new truck.

THE SELECTMEN have delayed a decision on the funding method until next month, when work on the 1986-87 budget is expected to begin. But a number of members have said they favor using the revenue sharing money for other projects.

"We have a whole list of items," selectman Carl Press said Thursday. He said he would rather see the money spent on other projects, such as improving the ball fields at Herrick Park.

"Just to put it towards the fire truck — that's wrong," he said. Selectman Sandra Pierog also said the money should be spent on

the grounds that the group failed to ask for relief from the town.

"You've got to ask for something in a lawsuit and they didn't," Schwebel said.

The suit only asked that the state Department of Environmental Protection be ordered to stop construction of the sewer system in the Coventry Lake area, he said. The town will argue its motion before Spada on Jan. 6, Schwebel said.

Spada rejected an earlier motion for dismissal filed by the town. However, since Spada dismissed the DEP as a co-defendant on the same day he rejected the town's

motion, Schwebel maintained that the lawsuit cannot be heard.

Meanwhile, Hartford attorney Edward Hare, who represents Save Our Coventry, said he will appeal the dismissal of the DEP as a co-defendant.

If the town's second motion is also rejected, officials will ask the judge for a summary judgment in the case, Schwebel said. Spada proposed that option to the town when he rejected its earlier attempt to end the lawsuit, Schwebel said.

The town argued in its first motion for dismissal that because the citizens' group was not part of a 1983 lawsuit brought against the

town by the DEP, it could not bring action against the town now.

The 1983 lawsuit concluded with a court decision overturning a referendum held earlier that year in which townspeople had rejected the sewer project. Voters had also rejected the project in two previous referendums.

Frank Hastings, a spokesman for Save Our Coventry, said Wednesday that the DEP acted unconstitutionally when it filed the suit. Hastings has argued that the DEP decision disenfranchised Coventry voters.

However, Assistant Attorney General Robert Whitehead, who represented the DEP in the mat-

ter, said that under state law the agency has the right to ask the court to overturn a referendum if the vote violates an abatement order.

In 1971, the DEP told the town to stop pollution from flowing into Coventry Lake from two areas along the water — Lake View Terrace and Waterfront Manor. The department argued that the referendums violated the order.

The court agreed and ordered the town to build the sewer project when it handed down the 1983 decision.

The sewers and new treatment plant are scheduled to be in operation by August 1986.

Fire Calls

Tolland County
Wednesday, 1:06 p.m. — fire alarm, Coventry High School (North Coventry, South Coventry).
Friday, 1:17 a.m. — motor vehicle accident, Routes 6 and 87, Andover (Andover Fire, Columbia Ambulance).
Saturday, 9:31 p.m. — campfire, Lakeside Drive, Andover (Andover Fire).
Sunday, 10:55 a.m. — medical call, 42 Orchid Hill Estates, Coventry (South Coventry).
Sunday, 4:06 p.m. — chimney fire, 1160 Main St., Coventry (South Coventry).
Sunday, 6:34 p.m. — motor vehicle accident, Route 94, Coventry (North Coventry, South Coventry).
Sunday, 8:54 p.m. — motor vehicle accident, Route 6 and Wales Road, Andover (Andover Fire).

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Bolton quarry owner addresses complaints

By Christine Richardson Herald Correspondent

BOLTON — The Bolton Notch Quarry is "trying hard to cooperate" with town zoning officials, owner David Buck told the Zoning Commission this week.

Buck said Wednesday evening that a 6-foot-high chain-link fence will be put up around the most accessible sides of the quarry property on Notch Road to prevent access. The fence was delivered Wednesday morning and will be erected as soon as weather permits, he told the commission during its meeting at Community Hall.

The commission ordered the fence installed by Dec. 31, saying the alternative would be a cease-and-desist order.

Buck asked members of the commission to view the areas where he intends to erect the fence. But they agreed after looking at a map that Buck's plans were acceptable.

When commission Chairman Phillip Dooley accused the quarry of having blasted at excessively high seismograph readings in the past, Buck said he would pay for an expert of the commission's choice to come in for a test blast.

Prompted by complaints of excessive noise, Dooley said he had diverted the quarry and listened to the stone crusher. He said he didn't feel the crusher exceeded a reasonable noise level.

Buck said the crusher is within the state Department of Environmental Protection's standard of 61 decibels — about the noise level of a conversation. He also said the machines have proper mufflers that provide good noise control and that they are not operated outside of the permitted hours.

Dooley said an expert he contacted recommended the maximum blasting at the quarry to be 35 pounds per delay. He said last summer a 150-pound blast was recorded and in 1984, a 256-pound blast was measured.

Buck asked for the expert's recommendations in writing. He said he was willing to pay for a test blast.

NU eyes need for lights

By George Lovvo Herald Reporter

ANDOVER — Northeast Utilities is surveying the town to determine whether additional street lights are needed, First Selectman Jean S. Gasper said Thursday.

She said the survey, which is being done at no cost to the town, should be completed by January and could result in a recommendation that Andover add to its 29 existing lights.

Gasper said she did not know how much additional street lights would cost.

"We haven't gotten that far yet," she said. The cost will not be known until NU completes its study, she said.

Selectman Nellie L. Bolavert said Wednesday that the study

NU eyes need for lights

grew out of complaints from residents who live near Andover Lake that the area was too dark.

The lake area will be a focus of the survey, she said.

Gasper said there are street lights at four intersections on Lake Road, which runs along Andover Lake. She said other areas are also being looked at, but cautioned that no preliminary decisions have been made.

"Whatever we do," she said, "it will not be a big, major setup."

Bolavert said the state Department of Transportation will also survey areas along Route 4 to determine if additional lights are needed. The town will be informed when that project begins, she said.

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OPINION

House tax bill a good start

When President Reagan rescued the Ways and Means Committee tax plan from the road to legislative limbo this week, it marked only the opening shot in what will be a long and treacherous battle.

The president's perseverance in the face of opposition from congressional Republicans saved a bill that contains numerous worthy provisions and would benefit the great majority of taxpayers if adopted in its present form.

But unless the Senate is unusually careful when it seeks to reshape the measure, the same thing may no longer be true by the time a tax revision proposal lands on Reagan's desk next year. The danger is especially great for residents of Connecticut and other states that rely to a similar extent on property taxes to fund essential services.

The plan developed in the House differs significantly from the one offered by the administration when the push for tax reform was announced as the top priority of Reagan's second term in office. And after the voice vote Tuesday that sent the measure on to the Senate, the president vowed to keep his veto pen handy in case the bill emerges from the Congress in a form he believes would damage the economy.

But surely, if Reagan and members of Congress are as dedicated as they claim to be about equalizing the tax burden, some compromise can be worked out that will benefit most taxpayers without pushing the country into a recession. The bill passed Tuesday is an excellent place to start.

Barbara Kennedy, who represents Manchester and other Central Connecticut towns in the House and is a member of Ways and Means, says that if the bill approved Tuesday were implemented without change, working people would be able to keep "a healthy amount of the dollar they earn."

The plan would raise the standard deduction to \$1,500 or \$2,000 for all taxpayers, lower rates across the board and properly institute a minimum tax for corporations. As Kennedy points out, it would remove large numbers of the working poor from the tax rolls altogether.

Many have criticized the bill's authors for not going far enough in simplifying the tax code or in reducing taxes for middle-income earners. But under the plan, most middle-income taxpayers would receive a tax cut somewhere above 9 percent, the number of brackets would be reduced from 14 to four, and the top levy would fall from 50 to 35 percent.

In addition, the bill would wisely continue the deduction on federal returns for local and state property taxes. That's something the final product must retain if legislators from the Northeast are to represent their constituents in supporting it.

Unlike Southern and Western states, which impose severance charges on fuels and other levies of the same type, Connecticut and its neighbors must rely on property taxes to pay for education and other such services.

While the House plan would not reform the tax code to the extent that many had hoped, it offers a substantial improvement over the current morass of regulations and loopholes.

If the Senate can fine-tune the package to ensure that it is fair to both business and the average taxpayer, the entire country will benefit from its adoption.

Open Forum

MY GOAL IS FOR A NEW INCOME TAX SYSTEM THAT'S SIMPLER, MORE EFFICIENT AND TREATS EVERYONE EQUALLY



Let's get tough on speeders, too

To the Editor:

We need more police cruisers. I agree with Gloria DellaFera's article in October. Get more fire and police protection before any more development.

Manchester looks more like Hartford every day. A few years back, I used to go hunting in the area where I live now. No way today.

The Manchester Police should get a gold star for continually getting drunk drivers and deer fiends off our streets. I prefer "fiend" to the polite "addict."

I have discussed the following with about 20 local drivers. They have agreed with me.

It is all driver carelessness and negligence in Manchester. The majority of reckless drivers are young ladies between 20 and 50. Spencer Street, West Center, Main, McKee, Kenney, Wetherell and Bidwell streets are all speedways, as well as Hartford Road.

The same "get-tough-with-drunk-drivers" should apply to speeders and red-light runners. Why not? Let's not make the arrest when the ambulance arrives on the scene.

If a drunk or a speeder hits you, you will be just as dead. Right? A state cop recently told me: "If we all drive like we did on the day of our driver's exam, we would have Utopia. We will never see that on this planet."

Doug Johnson
Seaman Circle
Manchester

Deer kill insult to reason, ethics

To the Editor:

Thomas Helmer, my husband, is continuing his fast to protest

-THE CURRENT SYSTEM TAKES ONLY HALF OF THE CITIZENS UNFAIRLY



Deer kill insult to reason, ethics

Yale University's action to allow the killing of deer on its property and to protest the state Department of Environmental Protection's "wildlife management" policies. Both of these institutions claim that to protect seedlings and to control the deer population this killing program is necessary. I would, for Connecticut taxpayers, like to set the record straight.

First of all, Yale is involved in a logging operation in this forest; consequently, economics play a key role in its decision to sponsor this hunt. David Smith, the director of the Yale forests, stated in an August 14 letter that "Timber production, which must involve logging, was and is (the school's) primary management objective." Yale contends that killing the deer is the only way to protect seedlings. Many alternatives are available to protect seedlings, one of which included an effective chemical repellent called Deer Away. Why has Yale ignored these alternatives?

Yale has chosen to ignore all scientific evidence, including a U.S. Department of Interior study which reveals that hunting, just as humans, are sentient beings which feel pain and pleasure, have their own language, and are entitled to their own existence. The killing of other animals is morally wrong. My husband is now in his third week of the fast. Yale has yet to explain its policies to the public. Yale's actions, as my husband has stated, are "unworthy of an academic community where ideas are explored, truth sought, and ethics honored."

Hopefully, Connecticut taxpayers, just as humans, are sentient beings which feel pain and pleasure, have their own language, and are entitled to their own existence. The killing of other animals is morally wrong. My husband is now in his third week of the fast. Yale has yet to explain its policies to the public. Yale's actions, as my husband has stated, are "unworthy of an academic community where ideas are explored, truth sought, and ethics honored."

Debra Therrien Helmer
Lebanon

Jack Anderson

Hijacking one battle in Iran's undeclared war

Message for the governor

WASHINGTON — The evidence is overwhelming that Iran is waging an undeclared war on the United States.

We have disclosed Iranian culpability for the torture-induced death of CIA agent William Buckley in Tehran last April. We have also disclosed the contents of a telephone intercept that proved beyond question Iran's collusion in the bloody hijacking of a Kuwaiti plane a year ago; it resulted in the savage murder of two American government employees.

Since that incident in December 1984, even more evidence has been uncovered that adds to the proof of Iranian involvement. Several pieces of evidence in a recent *Reader's Digest* story by Nathan Adams, "Anatomy of a Hijacking."

From that evidence and other sources, we have put together a chronology of the Kuwait Airways' Flight 221 hijacking.

Nov. 22, 1984: Four men met in eastern Lebanon to plan a hijacking with American and Kuwait passengers as their targets. One of the plotters was a young Lebanese Shiite Moslem, Ali Al-Yafi; another was Iran's ambassador to Syria, Ayatollah Mohtashami.

Dec. 3: A dozen men, possibly including Iranian government officials, conversed earnestly throughout the night in the Tehran airport restaurant, long after closing time.

Dec. 4, pre-dawn: Thirty minutes after Flight 221 took off from Dubai airport in the United Arab Emirates, four terrorists hijacked the plane and forced the pilot to land at Tehran. The dozen men left the airport restaurant after the plane landed.

Among the passengers on Flight 221 were two Iranian agents posing as students. Their job was to mingle with the passengers and report any resistance plans.

Dec. 4, late morning: Charles Hegna, an Agency for International Development official, was shot and dumped out of the plane onto the tarmac.

Dec. 4, early afternoon: The National Security Agency intercepted a telephone call between Ambassador Mohtashami and the foreign ministry in Tehran. The call clearly established the Iranian government's involvement in the hijacking, and included a discussion of flying the plane to Beirut. The White House ordered that a crack anti-terrorist unit be put on alert for a possible flight to the Middle East.

Dec. 5, morning: Al-Yafi strutted up and down the plane aisle displaying Iranian newspapers with graphic reports of Hegna's murder. Delivered with the papers were coils of rope and an additional pistol.

Dec. 5, early afternoon: William Stanford, was shot and thrown out of the plane. The two remaining Americans aboard were tied up and one was nearly choked to death with the Iranian-supplied rope.

Meanwhile, Al-Yafi was conferring with Iranian negotiators linked to terrorist training centers in Iran. Two of the officials were overheard using the hijackers' real names.

Dec. 6: Kuwait's prime minister sent an urgent request to Tehran that Iran take "all necessary measures" to protect the hostages' lives. Kuwaiti officials requested an early rescue attempt, but Iran later claimed it didn't have Kuwaiti permission to storm the plane.

Dec. 7: An Iranian foreign ministry official interviewed released passengers and asked if anyone had considered trying to overpower the hijackers. One foolishly said several passengers had weighed the possibility. Within minutes, Al-Yafi threatened to shoot another hostage unless the plotters identified themselves. When nobody confessed, Al-Yafi made all the Pakistani passengers swear on the Koran that they would not resist.

Dec. 8: The two surviving American hostages were brutally beaten and burned with cigarettes.

Dec. 9: One of the hijackers changed from his jogging clothes to a suit and the Minutes later, an obviously choreographed rescue was made by Iranian security forces. The hijackers were never tried. All ballistic evidence was removed from the bodies of the two dead Americans before they were turned over to the U.S. authorities, so the murder was never solved.

Footnote: Only after President Reagan and Syrian President Hafez Assad secretly accused Iran of complicity in the hijacking did the Tehran government stage its rescue.

Confidential file

Unsuspecting the head that wears a crown, quoth Shakespeare. Bayardo Arce, chief ideologue of Nicaragua's ruling Sandinista party, evidently knew the matter to the Federal Election Commission in a Managua restaurant frequented by the Sandinistas, and counted no less than 25 bodyguards.

Mini-editorial

Federal officials have been yearning for years to make the espionage laws applicable to reporters' sources. With the conviction and sentencing of Samuel Loring Morison — the Navy intelligence analyst who leaked spy satellite photos of a Soviet shipyard to a British publication — they have finally succeeded. In our judgment, the case was an outrageous assault on the First Amendment and ought to be overturned on appeal.

Letters policy

The Manchester Herald welcomes original letters to the editor.

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Coast Guard finds barge upside down

NEW LONDON (AP) — An oil barge that sank near New London last month has been found resting upside down in Long Island Sound, the Coast Guard said.

Coast Guard Lt. Joseph Castillo said Thursday that the barge was pinpointed with the use of sophisticated sonar equipment. The vessel was loaded with more than 800,000 gallons of oil when it went down Nov. 23.

Castillo said the fact the barge is upside down is good news. That's the best position to keep the oil inside. With the barge upside down, the oil is pushing against the flat bottom of the boat and not against valves or latches that might leak, he said.

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Kennedy effort will divide state party

WASHINGTON — Key Democrats in Massachusetts were surprised that Joseph P. Kennedy II entered the 1986 primary race to succeed retiring House Speaker Tip O'Neill as a U.S. congressman from Boston.

Party leaders were dismayed because this sets up a primary match between some of the Bay State's brightest young Democratic politicians.

Many of the leaders believed "Young Joe" had given them his commitment to run for lieutenant governor. They wanted him on the state ticket and thought they had sold him on the idea of being a running mate for Gov. Michael Dukakis.

It was expected, of course, that Robert Kennedy's eldest son would soon enter politics — even though he lived in the suburb of about 25 miles southeast of Boston, in a district represented by popular Democrat Gerry Studds.

However, Kennedy, 33, made an abrupt decision to move back to the 8th District, where he was born, and enter the congressional race.

Among his opponents now is James Roosevelt Jr., grandson of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt (the son of a congressman). He has tried to play down the Kennedy-Roosevelt match, saying, "This is not a race between my grandfather and his grandfather."

But Roosevelt, like Kennedy, is a political neophyte.

WHAT CONCERNS PARTY PROS

is the fact that the crowded field already includes three state senators and one state representative — including two of the party's more attractive young officeholders.

One is state Sen. George Bachrach, whose district includes 30 percent of the congressional district's voters. With one of the best and most extensive grassroots organizations in the state, he has often been mentioned as a possible future governor.

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The other is state Rep. Thomas Valley, a close friend and political ally of U.S. Sen. John Kerry. It's assumed that Valley will have Kerry's backing and will benefit from his extensive organization.

However, the equation is skewed by Kennedy's entrance.

It's assumed that his Uncle Ted will support him, which would put the state's two Democratic U.S. senators on opposite sides. In addition, the Kennedy organization that will be mobilized overlaps Bachrach's.

Furthermore . . .

- Another next-generation Kennedy besides Young Joe may run in the 1986 congressional races. His sister, Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, may seek the Democratic nomination in Maryland's Second Congressional District.
- Townsend, 34, the state's assistant attorney general, says she will decide before Jan. 1 whether to challenge freshman GOP Rep. Helen Delich Bentley in next year's race. Townsend said she had talked with Democratic Party leaders and that "they're encouraging me."
- A controversial \$75,000 poll commissioned by the Republican National Committee has upset the

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political camps opposed to Vice President George Bush. That includes backers of Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole, Rep. Jack Kemp and former Senate Majority Leader Howard Baker Jr.

The poll included questions evaluating Bush's chances in the 1988 presidential contest. Bush's political opponents claim this shows that the RNC is already playing favorites.

They've demanded that Bush either pay for the poll himself or set up a presidential exploratory committee to do so. Bush has delayed setting up such a committee because it would cut his fundraising limits.

RNC and Bush aides have defended the poll. They argue the RNC bought opinions about a wide range of public officials, and allowed Bush's staff to add a series of Bush-related questions to be paid for by Bush's political action committee.

If Bush were only piggybacking on the RNC poll, why did 65 of the poll's 71 pages deal with Bush? RNC aides blame pollster Robert Teeter — who, they say, added questions about the 1988 presidential contest without getting permission from the RNC or Bush.

But Dole and Baker aides contend that it would violate federal election law for Teeter's firm to absorb the cost, since this would be an illegal corporate contribution to a presidential campaign.

They also claim that Bush's PAC can't pay for any part of the poll. The poll, they say, deal with whether a presidential candidate, and the PAC is prohibited by law from financing a presidential bid.

The Bush forces dismiss the dispute as political gamesmanship, but Bush's opponents say they'll bring the matter to the Federal Election Commission. Perhaps all of this shows just how bitter the upcoming GOP fight will be.

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Connecticut In Brief

Accused mobsters plead innocent

NEW HAVEN — Twenty-four alleged members and associates of the Genovese organized crime family have pleaded innocent to a variety of federal charges including racketeering, gambling and the collection of unlawful debts.

Those pleading innocent Thursday include John G. Ardito, 66, of Queens, N.Y., a reputed captain in the Genovese family, and two high-ranking members of the family's Connecticut arm — Vincent J. Pollina, 65, of Derby, and Salvador C. Basso, 70, of Stratford.

Pollina heads Genovese operations in Connecticut, according to an indictment returned against the 24 in federal court in New Haven last week, the result of a two-year investigation by the FBI that included wiretaps and hidden microphones.

Stolen teddy bear is recovered

STAFFORD — A teddy bear stolen from an infant boy's grave was returned to the boy's parents, after police found the teddy at the home of a local youth.

Authorities said that the bear, which clutched a red silk rose, was taken a week ago from its glass case at 2-month-old Kevin Bull's grave in Staffordville Cemetery. The theft received national publicity, and rewards of more than \$300 were offered for the teddy's return.

Acting on a tip, Trooper Louis Lacapra recovered the teddy bear Wednesday night from the home of a local youth, according to Trooper David Waddell, who said the tip came from a friend of the youth. The bear was returned to the parents on Thursday. Douglas Bull said he would put the bear back on the grave of his only child, who died in action in Newington Children's Hospital.

O'Neill action fills charity's stock

HARTFORD — Thanks to some help from the governor, it should be a merry Christmas after all for the needy residents of a New Haven neighborhood whose food and gifts were stolen by burglars.

State businesses will donate food, toys and clothing to replace the items that were stolen in a burglary earlier this week at the Fair Haven Ministry in New Haven, the governor's office said Thursday.

Gov. William A. O'Neill personally made phone calls to get donations of the items to replace those stolen from the ministry, which had items for about 300 needy families in the Fair Haven neighborhood.

The governor's calls netted donations of 110 chickens, 25 turkeys, 50 packages of hamburger, a supply of turkey wings, 400 pounds of non-perishable food, toys for 200 children and a supply of children's clothing.

Asbestos violation brings jail term

BRIDGEPORT — A Waterbury man was sentenced to 30 days in jail in the first criminal prosecution in New England for violations of asbestos removal provisions included in the federal Clean Air Act.

Chief U.S. District Judge T.F. Gilroy Thursday sentenced Maurice Fabiani, owner of a Waterbury demolition site, to the jail term, while sparing the demolition contractor a prison term. The contractor, Peter J. Vilella Jr., of Waterbury, drew a one-year suspended sentence. Vilella, president of Waterbury House Wrecking Co., was also ordered to attend seminars on the proper handling of asbestos during building demolition.

Both men were also sentenced to five years probation, fined \$25,000, and ordered to perform 1,000 hours of community service.

Corruption suspects to be arraigned

TORRINGTON — Two suspects, one a police officer, are due for arraignment today on drug charges, arrested in connection with a grand jury probe of alleged municipal corruption.

Torrington police officer Vance Williams, 29, and George Blasko, 35, of New Hartford, were scheduled to be arraigned in Winsted Superior Court.

Williams is accused of three counts of cocaine possession and one count of second-degree hindering prosecution. Blasko, a car salesman, is charged with two counts of sale of cocaine, three counts of perjury and one count of possession of marijuana. Four suspects have been arrested in the on-going investigation.

Cross advocate files feelings, gets suspended

GREENWICH (AP) — A town firefighter will be suspended for two days for flying the American flag upside down and at half staff to protest a court ruling barring the display of a cross at the building.

However, Frank P. Marrello, 45, a 15-year veteran of the Cos Cob fire department, said he plans to appeal the suspension ordered by Fire Chief John H. Tisworth on Thursday.

"I just felt that his personal feelings were not a reason to use the flag as a tool for his protest," Tisworth said.

The cross, a traditional Christmas decoration at the fire house, has been challenged by community members who say it would be a violation of the constitutional guarantee to separation of church and state.

A federal judge has barred its display until a federal lawsuit resolves the matter. Marrello is one of eight paid firefighters at the Cos Cob department, whose staff is 75 percent volunteers.

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UTC to pay estate of crash victim

MILFORD (AP) — United Technologies Corp. has agreed to pay the estate of a Milford serviceman \$715,000 to settle a claim in connection with his April 18 death in the crash of an Army Blackhawk helicopter, a lawyer for the estate said.

Roy Gallagher, who was 28, died at Fort Rucker, Ala., along with two other soldiers in a training flight crash of the aircraft, which was manufactured by UTC subsidiary Sikorsky Aircraft in Stratford.

As a result of the crash, the Army's entire fleet of 628 Blackhawk helicopters was grounded for inspection and repairs. The last of the helicopters were to return to service early this month, but the Army and Sikorsky officials have not yet determined who should pay the estimated \$6.5 million price tag.

GOP backs expansion of day care

HARTFORD (UPI) — Republican legislators are calling for increased state spending and tax incentives to improve day care in Connecticut and make the service more readily available to parents.

The \$5 million program announced Thursday calls for stepped-up efforts to provide more space in both public and privately run day care centers as well as increase training and salaries of day care workers.

Rep. Peter Nystrom, R-Norwich, who chaired the Human Services Committee panel that developed the program, said it was designed to expand day care to all parents in Connecticut who need the services.

"We have a day care system (now) for those who can afford it and for the poor subsidized by the state," he said at a news conference.

The Republican plan, which will be submitted for action in the legislative session that begins in February, includes proposals to expand both public and privately run day care centers.

It calls for providing tax incentives to employers who pay part of the cost of day care services needed by their employees and to encourage development of in-school centers to provide day care for so-called latch-key children.

Leonard Levy, attorney for the Gallagher estate, said UTC agreed to make the settlement even though its liability in connection with the crash has not been established in court or through negotiations with the government. The corporation did not acknowledge responsibility in talks with him, Levy said.

Hartford-based UTC confirmed it had agreed to pay the \$715,000 settlement. Sikorsky spokesman James Ventralo declined further comment.

Levy said UTC attorneys raised the issue of the so-called "contractors defense" during settlement discussions, but did not press it.

Boeing Co. successfully argued in the federal court case Shoenborn vs. Boeing last year that even when aircraft parts are defective, if they're made to government specifications, the contractor is immune from liability.

In the Fort Rucker crash, one of four rotor spindles broke while the helicopter was 300 feet in the air, allowing one of the rotor blades to fly off and causing the aircraft to break up in mid-air, according to an Army crash report.

Gallagher, a chief warrant officer second-class, was being trained to fly the Blackhawk at the time of the crash.

The men who died with him were Chief Warrant Officer Second Class Buddy Parris of Georgia and Flight Instructor Bobby Hogan from Alabama, Levy said. He said the estates of both men are also pressing claims with UTC, but neither has been settled yet.

Aviation trade journals have reported that Sikorsky recommended strengthening Blackhawk spindles with tie rods 3 1/2 years ago, but the Army did not follow through.

Army officials responded that the recommendation was made to extend the life of the spindles and was not made as a safety warning.



Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis holds up t-shirt before signing an end to the 7 1/2 percent income tax surcharge earlier this week at a statehouse ceremony in Boston. It was the largest tax cut in state history, and the hottest political topic in the Bay State in recent months.

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Some directors praise tax offer

By Alex Girrell
Herald Reporter

The town should be receptive to a proposal made by the developers of the planned Winchester mall under which Manchester would be guaranteed 38 percent of the tax dollars generated by the project, some members of the Democratic majority on the Manchester Board of Directors said today.

But one Democratic director, Peter DiRosa, took a different view. He said the town should not become involved in the competition between the Winchester developers and a rival developer to build a regional shopping mall in the northern part of town.

"I'm not betting in the mall race," he said. "I don't care which mall is built so long as Manchester gets its fair share of the taxes."

The developers of the Winchester mall, which would straddle the Manchester-South Windsor town line, proposed last week that the mall site be made a special taxing district. Under the plan, Manchester would be guaranteed 38 percent of the revenues generated by the mall, even if less than 38 percent of the development took place in Manchester.

Strikers at Crestfield win directors' backing

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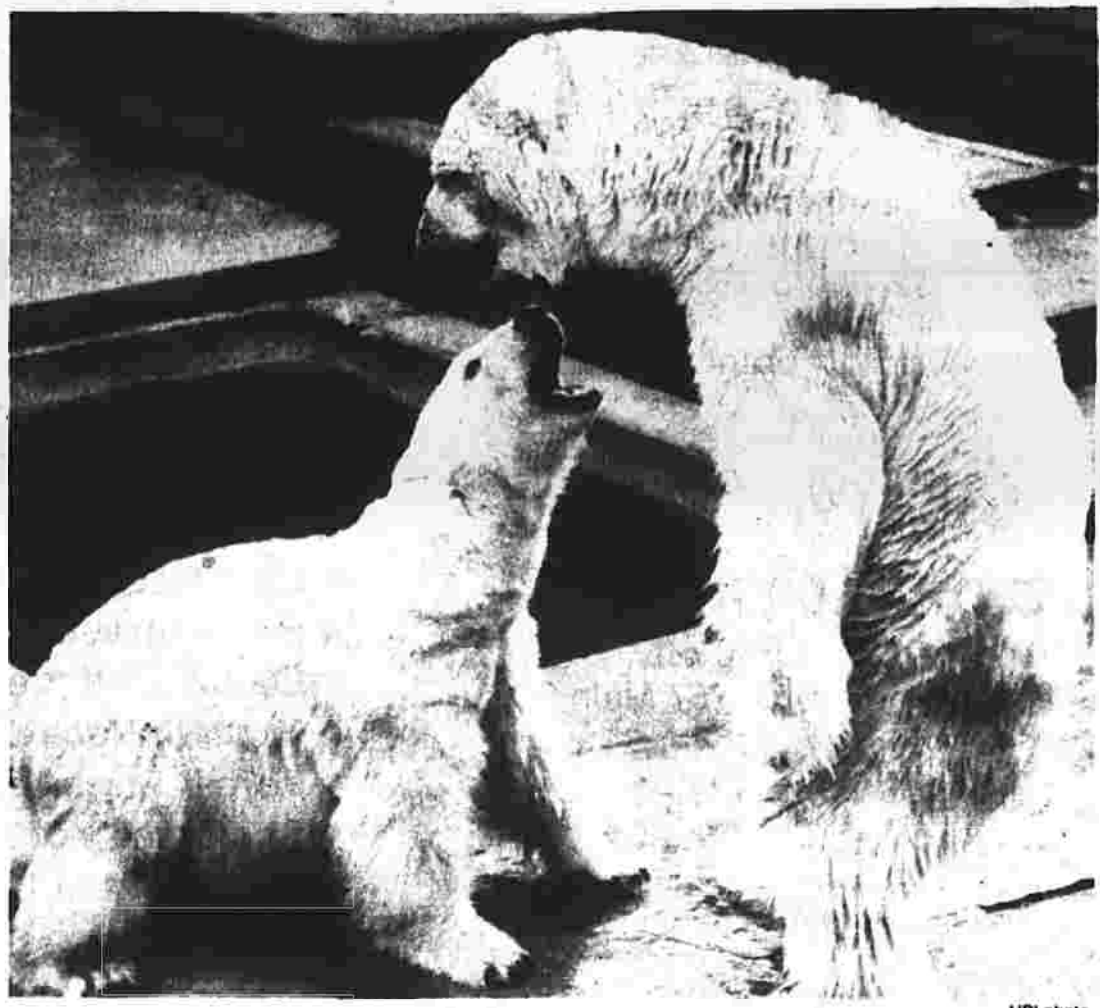
— a good number of them — are single mothers with children. For the administration of the nursing home not to recognize the union at this time is a slap in the face. They're the workers certainly not asking for the moon but a stand behind them 100 percent."

Christ birth date disputed

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used New Testament references to choose Dec. 25, A.D., as the date of Christmas.

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Drama continues in France

Gunmen flee with hostages

NANTES, France (UPI) — Three heavily armed men who had held a courtroom full of people hostage for more than 27 hours fled the courthouse in a van today, each chained to at least one of the four remaining hostages, witnesses said.

The reporter said later the three gunmen were "very tense" and that each was carrying a hand grenade and a .357 Magnum pistol. The gunmen tried to escape before dawn today, but were forced back inside. A court clerk escaped in the confusion.

The incident began Thursday when Khalid, freed from prison three weeks ago, burst into the courtroom, fired a shot into the air and disarmed five guards.

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Obituaries

Custon J. Abratti

Custon "Cus" J. Abratti, 77, of 24 Doane St., died Thursday at Manchester Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of Rose (Peck) Abratti.

He was born in Manifold, Pa., July 24, 1908, and had lived in Manchester most of his life. Before he retired in 1975, he was a millwright with Rogers Corp. of Manchester for more than 40 years.

He is survived by a son, Mark F. Abratti of East Hartford; two daughters, Annette Rowe of Springfield, Mo., and Margaret Potter of Great Bend, Kan.; a brother, Victor Abratti of Manchester; three sisters, Isabelle Smith of Manchester, Sally LaChapelle of East Hartford, and Victoria McKeever of Jensen Beach, Fla.; and several grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be Monday at 9:15 a.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., with a mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. at St. Bridget Church. Burial will be in St. Bridget Cemetery. Calling hours are Sunday from 7 to 9 p.m.

Doris (Smith) Mikells

Doris (Smith) Mikells, 60, formerly of Bolton and South Windsor, died Thursday at a convalescent home. She was the widow of Eugene T. Mikells.

She was born in Hartford and had lived in South Windsor and Bloomfield as well as Bolton. She was a member of Abe E. Miller Post American Legion Auxiliary of South Windsor for many years and was a past first district president. She was past chapeau of Salon 1566.

She is survived by a son, Edward T. Mikells of Manchester; two daughters, Deldre Mikells of New York and Debra J. Mahoney of Bloomfield; and six grandchildren.

The funeral and burial will be at the convenience of the family, The Samuel Funeral Home, 419 Buckland Road, South Windsor, on Monday.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 237 E. Center St., or the Visiting Nurse and Home Care of Manchester Inc., 397 Porter St., P.O. Box 628.

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NBA roundup

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The Giants spent last Christmas in Fresno, Calif., preparing for a second-round playoff game against the San Francisco 49ers, the team that has the inside track on getting the second wild-card berth in the National Football Conference.

The Giants are tied with San Francisco and the Washington Redskins, all at 9-6, heading into the final week of the regular season, and New York holds all the advantages in the tiebreakers. New York could lose this weekend and still make the playoffs if either San Francisco or Washington loses.

The Redskins visit St. Louis on Saturday to face the Cardinals, 5-10, and on Sunday the 49ers will play host to the Dallas Cowboys, 10-5 and champions of the NFC East.

Giants center Bart Oates said he doesn't expect any help from the Cardinals or Cowboys.

"I'm going to go out and play the best I can play because we're in it if we win, and we're probably going to be out of it if we lose," Oates said. "I just don't see St. Louis beating Washington, and Dallas has San Francisco in San Francisco and that's a tough task for Dallas. It's going to come down to us beating Pittsburgh to be in the playoffs."

Pittsburgh is looking to avoid its first losing season since 1971. The Steelers could finish in a tie with Cleveland and Cincinnati for first place in the American Football Conference Central, but have no chance of making the playoffs because Cleveland and Cincinnati have the advantage in all tiebreakers.

"Fundamentally, it's a very important game for us because it has the real basics at stake for us, which is, Steelers Coach Chuck Noll said, "Being 500 does not count; winning is what counts."

Noll said he planned to start second-year pro Scott Campbell at quarterback. Last week, Campbell rallied the Steelers from a 21-0 deficit to a 30-24 victory over Buffalo.

The long final weekend of the regular season opens

NHL roundup

Stellar night for Robinson ends in a painful defeat

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Larry Robinson sounded bitter. He had cause to be.

The two-time Norris Trophy winner of the Montreal Canadiens responded last night with the biggest offensive game in his 14-years in the NHL. What could have been a highlight of a stellar career, however, ended in painful defeat.

And the Quebec Nordiques smiled all the way to first place in the Adams Division.

Robinson scored his first hat trick in a 5-3 game over the Canadiens and three seconds left in overtime. Paul Gillis shot deflected off Robinson and past Canadiens goalie Steve Penney to lift the Nordiques from a 3-0 deficit to a 5-4 victory over the Canadiens. The Nordiques victory broke the tie for first place created by Montreal's 3-2 victory over Quebec Wednesday night.

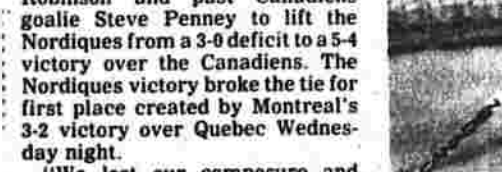
"We lost our composure and played stupidly," said Robinson, referring to the Canadiens' second-period play. "The second period made the difference. When you have a team down 3-0 you just don't let them back into the game, and that's exactly what we did."

Montreal Coach Jean Perron had little choice but to agree with Robinson. "I lack discipline in one period and it cost us the game," he said.

The winning goal surprised Gilles. It stumped Montreal goaltender Steve Penney.

NBA roundup

Deviils goalie Chico Resch (1) strains to reach the puck with the help of Dave Fleeth (8) as the Flyers' Rick Tocchet (22) closes in. Philadelphia won, 6-3.



comes back from a three-goal deficit to win.

right point went through a maze of players and deflected off Smith's skate into the goal at 5:30.

Flyers 6, Devils 3
Peter Zeehl and Derrick Smith scored about a minute apart in the third period as Philadelphia beat New Jersey for the Flyers' first victory over the Devils in three tries this season.

The Flyers were losing 3-2 in the third period when Zeehl put a rebound past Devils goaltender Glenn Resch at 4:25. Resch stopped 37 shots, including a penalty shot by Propp. They then took the lead for good as Brad McCrimmon's slap shot from the

Penguins 4, Stars 3
Dan Frawley scored 38 seconds into overtime to boost Pittsburgh over Minnesota. Frawley scored from eight feet out after Mario Lemieux faked a shot and hit him with a pass on the right side of the net.

Goaltender Gilles Meloche, who played for Minnesota for seven years until he was traded to Pittsburgh last summer, had 37 saves in his first appearance against his former teammates.

NBA roundup

Seahawks 87, Jets lose Sunday

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With one game left, the Seahawks will play tonight for all that's left for them this season — pride. The Broncos, meanwhile, will be pushing to make the playoffs.

The Seahawks, 87, are out of the post-season picture for the first time since Chuck Knox became their coach in 1983. The Broncos, 10-5, can gain a wildcard berth if they beat Seattle and if New England or the New York Jets lose Sunday.

"Our attitude will be the same as it would be if we were playing for the divisional championship," Knox has said. "We want to be 9-7. Our modus operandi is not to keep Denver out of the playoffs. Our motivation is not to destroy the Denver Broncos' Christmas."

Denver coach Dan Reeves is not expecting the Seahawks to give them a gift-wrapped victory.

"This is a divisional game and a big rivalry," said Reeves, whose team edged Seattle 13-10 in overtime earlier this season. "We've got to win, that's all there is to it. Then we have to hope for the best."

The Seahawks were expected to challenge for the AFC Western Division title this year, but Knox admitted the season has turned into one of mystery. He has no explanation for their disappointing performance.

"A missed field goal here, a missed pass there, who knows," he said. "I'll know the reason, you and I could bottle it and sell it around the league."

Scholastic roundup

Liut standout in goal but tired Whale bows

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NBA roundup

Bock's score

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BOSTON — Hartford goalie Mike Liut talked like a winner, despite his team's 2-1 loss to the Bruins in a National Hockey League game at Boston Garden.

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"They had a lot of chances, but they didn't have much time to pick up the puck and take a look," Liut said of the Bruins. "They didn't have time to make a play or see if someone else was open. That's a big difference."

The Bruins, 3-1 in their last four outings, defeated the Flyers at Hartford, 7-2, about a week and a half ago.

"It was an important game," Boston Coach Butch Goring said. "It was a divisional game which was very, very important."

"It was important to establish ourselves as a team that could beat Hartford," he added.

College basketball

Maris good player, not Hall of Famer

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The death last week of Roger Maris can be expected to generate a wave of emotional support for the slugger in the current Hall of Fame election.

It is a nice sentiment. It is also a bad idea.

Maris was a fine player. He was not, however, a Hall of Famer. That designation must be reserved for more than just fine players. It belongs to great ones.

The current Hall of Fame ballot lists 41 names, 26 of them non-pitchers. Only two players in that group had lower career averages than Maris' .260.

Voiers had trouble with Harmon Killebrew's Hall of Fame credentials a few years ago because he was a career .256 hitter. But Killebrew had 573 homers. No 5 on the all-time list.

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There were some segments of baseball society left over from an earlier era that did not respond well to Maris' run at Ruth's record. Commissioner Ford Frick was the self-appointed protector of the beloved Babe and ruled that Maris, who was playing the modern 162-game season, had to break the mark in 154



Hartford's Dana Murzyn (4) misses with a right during fight with Boston's Nevin Markwart during first-period action. Bruins won, 2-1.

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College basketball roundup Jumper big play for DePaul

By United Press International
The big play for No. 18 DePaul Thursday night came in the form of a little jumper.
Freshman Rod Strickland hit a short field goal with just 14 seconds left and added a pair of free throws with only two seconds to go, lifting the undefeated Blue Demons to a 76-67 victory over Northwestern.
"He's going to be a great, great player, and we have a lot of confidence in him," DePaul coach Joey Meyer said.
Northwestern opened a five-point lead early in the second half and stayed with the bigger Blue Demons for the entire contest.
"We should have stretched it (the lead) to 10," said Northwestern coach Rich Falk. "We had the game going our way at that point. We had two or three mental errors in a row that put them back in it."
Northwestern fell to 5-3 with the loss.
Kevin Holmes led DePaul with 18 points, 14 in the first half. Northwestern led 32-31 at the half and scored the first four points of the second half to take a 36-31

lead. DePaul scored seven of the next eight points to take a 38-37 lead. Freshman Rod Strickland capped the outburst with a three-point play.
"I thought they played us dead even," said Meyer. "The one difference this year is that we've been making the big play, and winning the close games."
Northwestern battled to within 66-65 with 59 seconds left on two free throws by Shawn Watts, but Strickland made the jumper and then the free throws to close out the victory.
In other games, North Carolina State handed Wake Forest 77-64, Ohio State defeated Dayton 80-73 and Washington beat Brigham Young 74-68.
At Raleigh, N.C., Chris Washburn scored 22 points and grabbed a game-high 12 rebounds to lift North Carolina State past Wake Forest in the Atlantic Coast Conference opener for both teams. Washburn, who scored 16 points and grabbed 9 rebounds in the first half and Wake Forest's 5-foot-3 Tyrone Bogues, the smallest player in the ACC, scored 15 points.

At Columbus, Ohio, Dennis Hopson scored 23 points to lead Ohio State past the University of Dayton 80-73 in the first meeting between the two Ohio schools in 53 years. The Buckeyes, trailing 53-45 five minutes into the second half, went on a 19-3 run to take a 64-56 lead. Dayton, led by 28 points from Dave Colbert and 22 from Ed Young, never got closer than 5 points the rest of the way.
At Seattle, Chris Welp scored 21 of his career-high 26 points in the second half to power the Washington Huskies. Welp ran off 7 consecutive points with 11:42 to play, after Brigham Young's Greg Humphries' short jumper gave the Cougars their only lead of the game.
Elsewhere, at West Orange, N.J., Andre McCloud scored 14 points to lead four players in double figures as the Seton Hall Pirates routed the Dowling Golden Lions, 81-45. Seton Hall, 7-2, trailed 11-10 before 16-0 spurt blew the game open midway through the first half. The Pirates outbounded Dowling 50-27.
At Wichita, Kan., Lew Hill

scored 22 points to lead Wichita State to an 85-69 victory over previously unbeaten New Orleans. Wichita State improved to 4-2, while New Orleans fell to 4-1.
At Tulsa, Okla., David Moss and Tracy Moore scored 16 points apiece to lead Tulsa to a 63-47 victory over Oral Roberts. Moss added 9 rebounds while Brian Rabilly had 14 points and 7 rebounds for Tulsa. Tulsa improved 5-2 and Oral Roberts dropped to 3-5.
At Deland, Fla., Charles Stevenson scored 22 points and three other Hatters scored in double figures to lead Seton to a 79-53 victory over Dartmouth.
Randy Anderson scored 15 points for Seton, 4-4, and Terry Johnson scored 14 points and Gary Johnson scored 10. For Dartmouth, 1-4, John Mackay and Eugene Sims each had 10 points.
And finally, in Muncie, Ind., Dan Palombio scored a game-high 28 points and 19 rebounds to lead Ball State to a 73-63 victory over Mississippi Valley State in the championship game of the annual Cardinal Varsity Club Classic.

BYU's Alan Pollard (left) wears a Washington road uniform as the BYU uniforms failed to put in an appearance. He's guarded by a real Husky, Paul Fortier (right). Washington won, 74-68.

Reds in major deal acquire Gullickson

CINCINNATI (UPI) — The Cincinnati Reds completed their second major trade of the season Thursday, acquiring veteran right-hander Bill Gullickson from the Montreal Expos in a six-player deal.
After getting right-hander John Denny from the Philadelphia Phillies during the winter meetings, the Reds added more experience to their pitching staff in acquiring Gullickson, who has a 14-12 record last season with Montreal.
The Reds also acquired reserve catcher Sal Butera in exchange for pitchers Jay Tibbs, Andy McGaffigan, John Stuper and catcher Dann Bilardello.

"I think we're going to have the finest pitching staff that we've ever seen," said Reds' owner Marge Schott, "and now (manager) Marv (Pete) Rose has no excuses not to give me a World Series in 1986."
Rose said he did not understand why Montreal wanted to get rid of Gullickson, who has a career mark of 72-61 and a 3.44 lifetime ERA.
"I don't think there's a manager in the league that wouldn't want Gullickson," Rose said. "He told

me last year during the season he wanted to go somewhere."
Gullickson admitted he had been a little more specific than that when he chatted with Rose.
"When Pete played for us, I enjoyed playing with him," said Gullickson. "When he went to Cincinnati, I was wondering if I could get over there. I was really for a change, I mentioned it to him around the batting cage."
"I feel honored Pete wanted me to play for him. Last year Cincinnati proved that it's on the move up. I think the future will hold a lot of happy moments for the

Reds."
As for what the Expos got out of the deal, Gullickson figured they were "looking for a couple of pitchers to fill their staff."
"In the last couple of years, the Montreal front office has changed quite a bit," he said. "They're trying to rebuild. We were supposed to win it all in the early '80s and never lived up to the billing."
Reds General Manager Bill Bergsch said it was his understanding that Gullickson's salary, an estimated \$800,000 a year, was a factor in the Expos trading him.

Sports in Brief

Summer soccer signups planned

Manchester Rec Department will conduct youth soccer registration on three Monday nights — January 6, 13 and 27 — from 6-8 p.m. at Illing Junior High.
There are four age groupings — pee wee (ages 6-7), midget (8-9), juniors (10-11) and intermediate (13-14) with divisions for boys in girls in midget, junior and intermediate. Pee Wee play is co-ed.
Age division is determined as of Dec. 31, 1985. There is a \$5 registration fee and a \$3 Rec card is required at time of registration. To help speed registration, Rec cards can be purchased in advance at the East Side, Rec Community Y, Mahoney Rec Center and the Rec Department office.
There is a maximum number of participants and when the number is reached, registration will be closed. There will be no registration accepted after Jan. 27, 1986.

Vikings' Jan Stenerud to retire

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. — Jan Stenerud says he's known for the past few months that his career was over.
The Norwegian ski jumper who became one of pro football's greatest kickers announced Thursday he will retire after the Minnesota Vikings conclude their season Sunday against the Philadelphia Eagles.
Stenerud, 45, is the oldest player in the NFL. He has kicked a league-record 373 field goals during his 19-year career.

Roger Maris remembered

FARGO, N.D. — Roger Maris was remembered Thursday as a man who received a free pass into a spiritual Hall of Fame.
"Some might say he struck out in his final time at bat. But I don't think so. I think of it as a base on balls, a free pass to heaven," said the Rev. John Moore, who delivered the homily at Maris' funeral.
Maris was buried Thursday at Holy Cross Cemetery in the stark, snow-covered North Dakota flatlands that produced the left-handed power hitter.
More than 600 people braved slippery roads and a steady snowfall to fill alabaster-columned St. Mary's Church, where Maris attended mass as a boy. Some stood along the walls and many more crowded the basement.

Rangers send Rogers to Oilers

NEW YORK — The New York Rangers Thursday traded center Mike Rogers to the Edmonton Oilers for defenseman Larry Melnyk and minor-league left winger Todd Strubeby.

Cosell quits ABC-TV

NEW YORK (UPI) — Howard Cosell, the outspoken sports commentator audiences love to hate, has quit ABC television after 20 years.
The network announced Thursday Cosell, 65, will continue to work on ABC's Radio Network, where he began in 1963 with his show, "Speaking of Sports." He was named Broadcaster of the Year in 1974 by the International Radio and Television Society.

Roone Arledge, president of ABC News and Sports, said Cosell asked to forego his remaining 1986 contract commitments with ABC Sports. He had been scheduled to host the Kentucky Derby, Prekness Stakes and Tournament of Champions Tennis Classic in 1986.
"We wish him nothing but success in his future endeavors," Arledge said.

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Long wins Maxwell Award

PHILADELPHIA (UPI) — Iowa quarterback Chuck Long accomplished what he set out to do when he passed up a chance to turn pro and remain with the Hawkeyes for a fifth year.
Long, who led the Hawkeyes to a 10-1 season and a berth in the Rose Bowl against Pacific 10 champion UCLA, will get his degree in marketing.
He got a bonus, however, when he was named Thursday as the 49th recipient of the Maxwell Award,

presented annually by the Maxwell Football Club to the college football player of the year.
"I'd heard about it (the award) from year to year, but I never dreamed of getting it," said Long, who threw for 2,978 yards and 26 touchdowns this season. "I never really thought about it. That's why it's such a surprise."
Long was selected for the award over Auburn running back Bo Jackson, the winner of the Heisman Trophy.

Seaver thinking

CHICAGO (UPI) — Tom Seaver says he is "giving a little thought" to retiring if the Chicago White Sox fail to finalize his trade to Boston, the Chicago Sun-Times reported.
Seaver, a 41-year-old right-hander told the Sun-Times he is discouraged by the club's inability to achieve its end-of-the-season promise to accommodate his wish to be closer to his family.
Seaver's wife Nancy and daughters Sarah, 14, and Anne, 10, live in Greenwich, Conn.

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Church of the Nazarene members, in a posed indoor shot, show one part of the outdoor drive-through Christmas set. From left, Becky Erikson and Jocilyn Erikson decorate the tree while Jeff and Andy Erikson enjoy listening to tales told by David Blaney. A similar tableau will be one of many scenes tonight at Saturday

Drive-through puts reason into the season

By Nancy Pappas Herald Reporter

What do Pasadena, Calif., and Manchester have in common? No, it's not an athletic team or a food phenomenon. It's the fact that both communities have Christmas pageants which people view from their cars.
The Manchester drive-through opens tonight behind the Church of the Nazarene, 236 Main St. Sponsored by the church's Youth Programs Board, the layout includes 16 and 18-foot Christmas trees; 70 feet of stores, complete with shoppers and a Salvation Army band; a huge home with a living room, kitchen and den; and a nativity scene featuring live sheep, goats and donkeys.
Against these backdrops, about 60 people — most from Manchester — will present scenes which carry out the theme, "A Reason for the Season." In the den, for example, a pair of grandparents will be sitting by the fire and reading from the Bible. Their voices will be amplified through a public address system, so that the visitors in their cars can hear the passages.
The Church of the Nazarene put together a similar event two years ago, and were pleased when between 600 and 800 area residents visited the set-up. This year, however, youth worker

David Blaney expects to double that number of visitors. "There was a lot of publicity after the last one," he said. "Even the New York Times wrote up a little blurb. So everyone's been asking when we were going to do another."
The efforts involved in putting together a four-acre tableau are enormous. About 100 people have volunteered their time, each giving anywhere from 5 to 500 hours. Jobs varied from painting the huge wooden flats which constitute the "town," to transporting and erecting the 18-foot Christmas tree donated for the occasion.
"Actually, that was one of the hardest things we've had to do. It took eight guys just to load that thing onto a truck," Blaney said.
Erecting and lighting the more than 100 feet of 8-foot-high wooden panels was also no small feat. Most construction work was done Thursday, so that the displays would be exposed to weather — and vandalism — for as brief a period as possible. As a precaution, one volunteer spent last night on the premises, and will be there again tonight.
The drive-through Christmas scenes are open from 6 to 9 tonight, and at the same times on Saturday. It's expected to take about 20 minutes to go through the whole thing, including a stop to listen to carols and enjoy cookies and hot chocolate at the end. Visitors remain in their cars the whole time, so youngsters can view the scenes in their pajamas. The entrance to the drive-through is at 236 Main St.

Battle of the Nutcrackers

For the best deal of all, just stay home!

From toothpaste to holiday dance productions, Americans are a hardy bunch. There's still one more weekend of "Nutcracker" performance available to area shoppers. So here's my buyer's guide to the top-rated brands of this Christmas confection.
The best buy is still the venerable Baryshnikov production that in return annually on public television. For the price of a few watts of electricity, you can enjoy outstanding acting and breathtaking dancing among magical sets. This has become for many the standard against which local love versions are judged.
In this area the Albano and Uthoff "Nutcrackers" vie for the top rating. Uthoff and the Hartford Ballet offer live music, first-class sets and elaborate lighting techniques. The production is a polished spectacle of 10 dancers on Bushnell Memorial Hall's stage.
With a company half that size, Albano focuses on the excitement of his superior choreography and excellent dancing by the corps and soloists. Elegant costumes and imaginative props decorate the stage at Central Connecticut State University's Weite auditorium. These help to make up for both the minimal sets of painted cardboard stands and the recorded music.
Both Uthoff and Albano do a good job creating holiday hustle and bustle. This keeps the overly long party scene that opens the "Nutcracker" visually varied, if not interesting.
Albano has a field day as Dr. Drosselmeyer. His elaborate mime provides constant cues for his actors. He even adds humorous asides not present in Roland Bour's serious if not sinister Hartford Ballet Drosselmeyer. Rous creates magical transformations of characters with sweeps of

Dean Dufford, as the Cavalier Prince, lifts Cynthia Bulson, as the Sugarplum fairy, in Tchaikovsky's famous pas de deux, which is the highlight of Joseph Albano's full-length production.

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Weekenders

Not too late

It's not too late to make a few more ornaments for your Christmas tree, so the Wadsworth Athenaeum is offering a workshop to help. From 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, participants will make non-traditional ornaments, as well as gift wrapping paper. Admission is just \$1. For more information call 278-2670, ext. 322. The museum is at 600 Main St., Hartford.

When stars come out

It's a grand night for star gazers. There are three events at the Copernicus Planetarium and Space Science Center on Wella Street in New Britain. At 7:30, a show called "The Christmas Star" will be shown. It is followed at 8:45 p.m. by "Halley's Comet: Mark Twain's Star," which has proven to be a big favorite with planetarium audiences. Then the observatory will be open from 9:30 to 11:30 p.m. for star gazing. Admission to either of the planetarium shows is \$2.50 general, \$1.50 children. The observatory is free to those with a stub from one of those shows.

A folksy Santa

The Sounding Board, a coffeehouse, will present a folk music concert with the Portables, and that well-known crooner of the North, Santa Claus. The concert will be Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at First Church of Christ Congregational, 12 S. Main St., West Hartford. Admission is \$5 per person. Call 953-5263 for reservations.

What's your sign?

Traditional Christmas carols will be given a new dimension tonight, when the National Theater of the Deaf offers a sing-and-sign-along in Chester. Actors from the theater will lead the songs in sign language, with musical accompaniment. Participants are welcome, whether they know sign language or not. The free event begins at 7:30 p.m. in front of the Chester Book Co. on Main Street. It concludes with refreshments at about 9.

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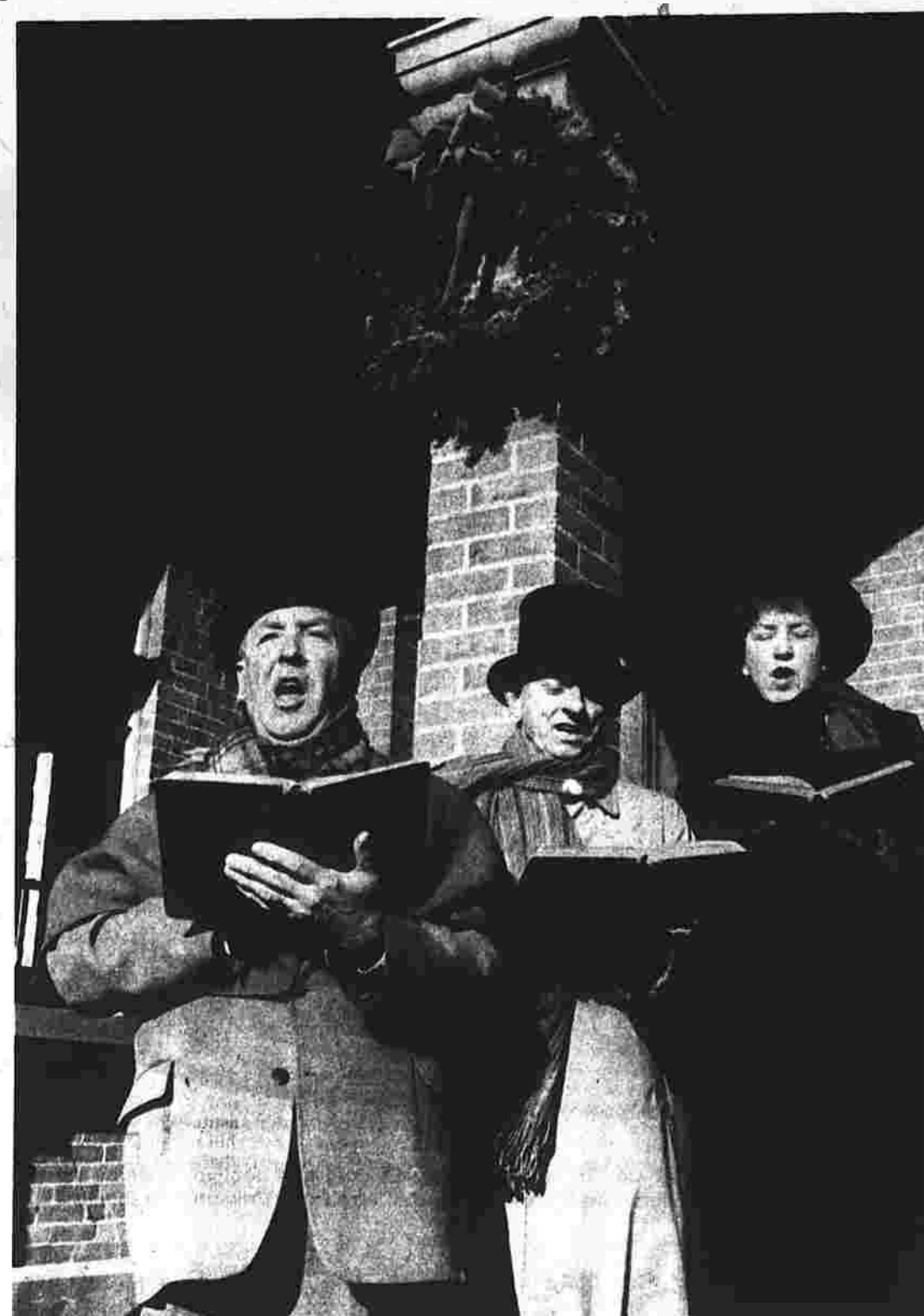
Have a scoop of this and that for supper Saturday at 6 p.m. at a smorgasbord-style meal at Hilltown Grange 87, 617 Hills St., East Hartford. Each scoopful will cost 25 cents. Santa will drop in but others may make reservations by calling 569-8933.

'Toy Shop' to close

This is the last weekend for Penny Pinchers to head to the Old State House in Hartford for the free performances of the National Marionette Theater's production of "The Toy Shop." Shows are at 12:30, 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. While you're there, don't miss the model train display, with engines chugging around several rooms on the state house's upper floor. The model train exhibit, complete with replicas of Connecticut landscapes and houses, is open through Jan. 5. It was assembled by the Train Exchange in Manchester.

Christmas opera free

Menotti's marvelous opera about a small Palestinian boy and a large Christmas miracle, "Amahl and the Night Visitors," will be presented free at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Hartford Public Library auditorium, 500 Main St. The production, entirely in English, is presented by the Connecticut Opera Express.



Herald photo by Bethann

Sing we now 'Noel'

Robert Gordon, Ray McGugan and Sandy Finnegan lift their voices in song in front of Century Hall, 177 Hartford Road. The second annual carol sing, sponsored by the Little Theater of Manchester, the Cheney Hall Foundation and the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce, will be held in front of the hall on Sunday at 8:30 p.m. It will feature the Salvation Army Band under the direction of Michael Orfitelli.

members of the South United Methodist Church Choir, James Farrell on bagpipes, and a visit by Santa Claus. A reception will follow at the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, 20 Hartford Road, where Mayor Barbara Weinberg will be the hostess. Carolers are requested to wear at least one piece of Victorian clothing, and bring a flashlight. The entire event is free.

About Town

Red Cross seeks volunteers

The American Red Cross, Connecticut Valley East Branch, will hold a training program in disaster assistance. Classes start the last week of January on a day to be announced at 7 p.m. at its headquarters at 20 Hartford Road. The Red Cross is seeking nurses, senior citizens, clerical workers and others to train to man shelters during times of crisis and to assist displaced victims.

MCC registers for classes

Manchester Community College is taking registrations of non-credit continuing education courses in Room 1131, Lowe Building. The times for registration are: Monday through Thursday from 1:30 to 7 p.m. until Jan. 22, with exceptions. The office will be closed holidays and will close at 4:30 p.m. from Dec. 23 to Jan. 2. For more information, call the Community Services Registration office, 647-8242.

Morrison will teach bombs

Richard Morrison, son of Mrs. Gertrude Morrison of 185E. Middle Turnpike, and the late Roland C. Morrison, will teach a course on nuclear bombs Monday through Thursday from 1:30 to 7 p.m. in January. The course will include the technical side of making a nuclear bomb. The course will be called, "Introduction to Nuclear Weapons." While the course will not be political, Morrison said he is concerned about the arms race between the United States and the Soviet Union. The course will explore the effect of one-megaton bomb dropped in the state.

Service Notes

Coakley reports for duty

U.S. Marine Pfc. Lee M. Coakley, son of Sandra L. Coakley of 629 E. Middle Turnpike, recently reported for duty with the 3rd Marine Division on Okinawa. Coakley, a 1984 Howell Cheney Regional Technical School graduate, joined the Marine Corps in October 1984.

Air Force promotes Mankowski

Joseph A. Mankowski, son of Josephine A. Mankowski of 174F Oakland Terrace, has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of senior airman. He is a radio communication analyst, specialist in England with the 6950th Electronic Security Group.

Berwick completes basic

U.S. Army National Guard Pvt. Todd E. Berwick, son of Thomas and Edna Berwick of Coventry, has completed basic training at Fort Sill, Okla. He is a 1982 graduate of Coventry High School.

Schimmel finishes course

U.S. Army National Guard Private David F. Schimmel, son of Warren R. and Florence D. Schimmel of Andover, has completed an airplane repair course at the U.S. Army Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Va.

Benolt trains in Great Lakes

U.S. Navy Seaman Recruit Kyle P. Benolt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Benolt of 611 Dunn Road, Coventry, has completed training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. He joined the Navy in July.

Scientific community probes mysteries of aging

By Gayle Young
United Press International

NEW YORK — She is so old she must pull herself onto a New York City public bus with both hands and shuffle slowly toward a seat hurriedly vacated by a man in a business suit.

She will only reveal her first name — Angelina — because she is embarrassed to talk publicly about her advanced age. She will only admit to being in her early 80's. "I used to dance," she says.

"No, no, this" And she moves her trembling hands in front of her in a vague recollection of the Charleston.

She remembers the dance from 50 years ago, but she can no longer perform the steps, and it has only been in the last decade that scientists have tried to discover the reason why.

"For most everyone, the manifestations of aging are obvious — hair turns gray, skin dries and wrinkles, bones become fragile, hearing and sight dim, vital organs become prone to disease.

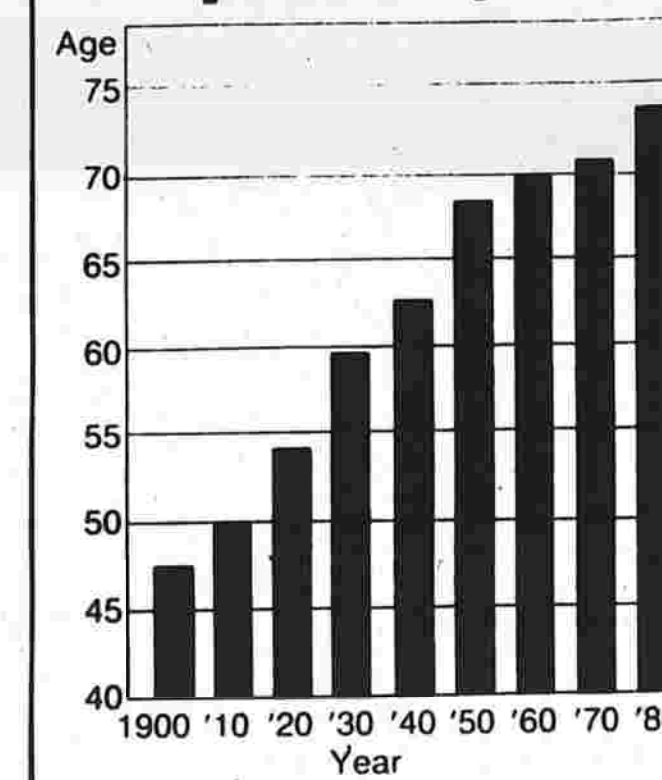
But the scientific community is delving much deeper than the obvious. Researchers want to discover the biological mechanisms that characterize the aging process and trigger the body's decline. So far, they have raised far more questions than they have answered.

"The science of gerontology today is about where chemistry was in the Middle Ages," said Leonard Hayflick, the 57-year-old acknowledged father of gerontological research and director of the University of Florida's Center for Gerontological Studies in Gainesville.

"We suffered from avoidance for years — no one wanted to study aging because it's too depressing. Realistically speaking, this science has only been seriously studied by a respectable number of people for five to eight years."

Scientists know the aging process begins sometime in the third decade of life and continues more or less steadily until death. While the average American lifespan has

Average Life Expectancy



Source: National Center for Health Statistics UPI

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upt up into the 70's, most researchers say the human body has an upper limit of 110 years.

FOR CENTURIES, the aging body was viewed in the same light as an old coat: something that simply wore out after years of use. Just as cuffs fray, color fades and seams give way, so do veins stiffen

from blood pumped 4,000 times every hour, strands of hair turn brittle from repeated combings and lungs lose elasticity from pumping oxygen hundreds of thousands of times a day. This theory was universally accepted until the 1950's when Hayflick — working on a cancer experiment — began colonizing fibroblast cells from connective tissues of the human body in a laboratory dish. He noted the cells died after a certain period of time, no matter how carefully he nurtured them.

Births

Haberera, Jennifer Lynn, daughter of Brenda (Chasse) and Eric M. Haberern Jr. of 10 Carpenter Road, Bolton, was born Dec. 2 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roland Chase of 180 New Bolton Road. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eric Haberern of Cedar Swamp Road, Coventry. The baby has a sister, Jaclyn, 2.

Philbrick, Krystal Lee, daughter of Robert E. and Sharon L. (Driver) Philbrick of 13 Russell St., was born Dec. 2 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Driver Sr. of Morristown, Tenn. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Russell Philbrick of Manchester. The baby has two brothers, Rick and Ron, both 11, and a sister, Amber, 8.

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times, then died. The serendipitous finding proved human cells do not continue to procreate steadily during an entire lifetime. They slow their rate of division and eventually stop, say scientists.

More recent experiments have shown cells from different parts of the body age in different ways. Some, like the fibroblast cells, stop reproducing and die. Others lose their functions, grow larger and become less resilient and impervious to chemical stimulants.

Scientists now know aging occurs when cells become old, making the organs they comprise become old and eventually resulting in the body growing old. But what, scientists asked, triggers the whole process?

They are still asking. "Ask any gerontologist that question and you'll get a different answer each time," says George L. Maddox, chair of the Duke University Council on Aging Human Development. Entering his 30th year, the Council's good idea how the nation's old age centers.

"Many theories have been popping up in the last couple years — it's hard to keep track of them," he said. "All we really know is that cells are programmed to be finite. We don't for sure why or how."

Most theories are followed at the National Institute on Aging in Bethesda, Md. Part of the National Institutes of Health, the Institute was created a decade ago in response to strenuous lobbying on Capitol Hill by scientists and the medical community.

Most see the NIA, with its \$143 million annual budget, as proof positive that gerontological research has finally stepped out of the shadow of geriatrics — the study of the care and social problems of the elderly — and into the forefront of modern research. The NIA's Gerontological Research Center is a medical, institutional building on a barren hill in an industrial section of Baltimore. In a classroom size office, George S. Roth, head of the Molecular Physiology and Genetics Section, can explain most of the current theories as to why human cells deteriorate — but neither he nor the institute are willing to endorse any of them.

One of the first theories formed after Hayflick's discovery was that the DNA holding the genetic code the cell uses to reproduce wears away or becomes subject to errors. Eventually it is no longer viable and the cell stops reproducing. "But we can't prove it because after Hayflick's discovery was that the DNA holding the genetic code the cell uses to reproduce wears away or becomes subject to errors. Eventually it is no longer viable and the cell stops reproducing."

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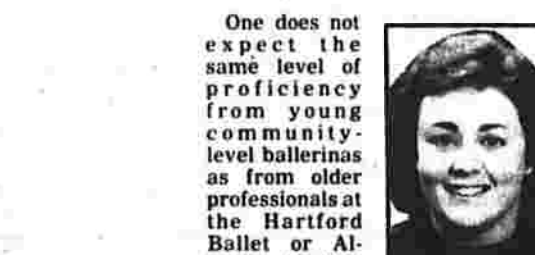
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Center Stage Renee Taylor

'Nutcracker' soured the holiday cheer

One does not expect the same level of proficiency from young community-level ballerinas as from older professionals at the Hartford Ballet or Albano Ballet companies. Still, Manchester's Connecticut Concert Ballet production of "The Nutcracker" relies a little too heavily on the loyalty of its local audience.

I viewed the company's seventh annual presentation of Tchaikovsky's children's ballet Dec. 14 on the second weekend of its performance. Even with that extra time for improvement, Joyce Karpjic's production was marked by disorganized stage management. Insufficiently rehearsed ensembles of all age levels frequently just went through the motions. Soloists were often stiff and poorly balanced.

A steady stream of restless, disappointed parents and children gradually reduced the opening two-thirds house to one-half by the beginning of the second act. You don't have to be a professional critic to recognize good and bad dancing, and too often dance groups forget this. "The Nutcracker" is widely

performed because of its popularity but also because it allows for considerable variation among companies in cast size, set design and choreography style. These features can be tailored to the budget limitations and the number and skill of the dancers and their choreographers.

IF TECHNICAL difficulty is reduced for young dancers, missing virtuosity can be supplanted by an emphasis on enthusiasm in acting and dancing. There should at least be an orderly progression of entrances and scenes.

Karpjic and her rehearsal director, Sheila Fucci, should be more aware of the importance of dramatic timing. Fallen mice still littering the stage were slowly dragged off after the half-hearted chaotic battle, at the same time as the young and adult pairs clumsily switched Clara and Prince roles. The Madame Ginger divertisse-

ment soppily entered, with children spilling out of the half-raised skirts from their hesitant appearance on stage. Once assembled before us, the children were obviously looking for cues for each step, before being abruptly herded into the skirt again.

Usually just standing around, Cigdem Tarkinturk's young Clara and Cameron Rae's young Prince were twice unceremoniously dropped by Arthur Simpson into a large sleigh. It overpowered toddler reindeer with unintended comic results when they tried to pull it before the following corps.

SIMONES PROVIDED competent support to Anita Karpjic's wooden Snow Queen through her arabesques and turns. She performed before a corps that slowly slid through sparse, simplistic choreography with little zest.

Simoes had earlier partnered well with Monica Mason's adult Clara. Later he returned as a confident cavalier in the finale. His consistently good support was an important asset to the show.

As the Sugar Plum Fair, Monica Mason continued in the confident, well-balanced and expressive manner seen earlier. However, she performed some demanding choreography by Karpjic a bit too leisurely.

Though she improved somewhat, Anita was still wooden, this time in pointwork, when she appeared as a Butterfly soloist. In this divertissement the pointwork corps gave little support.

Other ethnic groups were uneven as well. The Spanish dancers lost their balance and the Arabian dance was draggy, not hypnotic. The Chinese corps did some cute paraded twirling but not much dancing. The trepach was a fast paced pas de deux that lost momentum.

The corps was at its best in the Waltz of the Flowers. Here they capably performed arabesques and turns behind Andrea Rae's stiff and poorly balanced Dew drop.

Other than adult guest soloists, Elizabeth Dunn proved the most accomplished student dancer. Of her many featured roles she was best as the brittle soldier doll of the Prologue, with well executed pirouettes.

Recorded music, sets and costumes were OK. Manchester dance patrons are growing in their sophistication. They deserve a serious effort from the ballet they support with their dollars. With Karpjic's and her ballet master Brian Adams' background in dance, surely they have a right to expect it.

Renee Taylor is music and dance critic of the Manchester Herald.

Alabama Shakespeare festival boosts Southeast's pride

By Frederick A. Winship
United Press International

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — A boom in community and regional theater has thundered across the United States since World War II, spawning more than 500 professional, non-profit companies, but the Southeastern states have been the least affected.

That is beginning to change with the opening of the Carolyn Blount Theater near Montgomery, the largest recipient of state and city funds in the history of American regional theater.

The \$21.5 million facility — actually a complex of two theaters and a huge support wing — will be used for the performance of Shakespeare's works and other classics and is the Southeast's only year-round professional, classical repertory theater.

It's a little like having a Shakespeare festival in your own backyard," said Carolyn Blount as she looked across the lawn of her suburban estate to the new theater named for her by her industrialist husband, former U.S. Postmaster General Winston M. Blount.

Blount built the theater for the Alabama Shakespeare Festival as a gift to his native Alabama and city nation. The festival was based in Anniston, Ala., until it moved to the state capitol this year to open its 18th season at the Blount Theater Dec. 13-14 with performances of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" on

the Festival Stage and Tennessee Williams' "The Glass Menagerie" on the Octagon stage.

AS ONE MEMBER of the audience was overheard telling another on opening night weekend, "We're going to have to put ourselves in a whole new dimension with this theater. It's quite a change after watching TV all the time."

This remark underscored the phenomenal development which the Blount Theater represents in an under-theatered area. Hugh Southern, who represented the National Endowment for the Arts at the opening, described the Alabama Shakespeare Festival as "a world-class theater festival,"

adding, "It is a remarkable thing to have happened here, or anywhere."

His sense of amazement was echoed by another visitor, Dennis Flower, founder of Great Britain's Royal Shakespeare Company. Flower said the Blount theater was in his opinion "the finest theater complex setting anywhere, any time — and I think I've seen most of them."

The festival has its own 42-member repertory company that has previously performed in Anniston in the summer and toured 10 Southern states in a year. Martin L. Platt, founder and artistic director, said the festival budgeted at \$4.5 million through next August, a dramatic increase over its Anniston budget of \$750,000 last season.

THE SEASON IS already more than 70 percent subscribed by theatergoers from Alabama and adjoining states, and ticket sales are expected to provide 51 percent of the budget. The remainder will be made up by state and city funding, corporate support, and individual gifts. Platt said the state has given a \$750,000 initial grant and the city \$300,000.

"My wife is the Shakespeare expert. I just built the theater," said Platt, reserved "Red" Blount over a breakfast of ham, grits and scrambled eggs. The festival's Georgian mansion, "Wynfield," on the 200-acre estate that accommo-

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Advice

Checkout policy is relative problem

DEAR ABBY: This letter seeks your advice about a problem that is probably familiar to many of your readers. The supermarket where I am employed has a policy that forbids customers from purchasing items that will be rung up at the register operated by a relative.

Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

that prevails at your place of employment was established for a valid reason. Everyone involved — employees and their relatives — should realize this, and accept it without feeling offended or resentful.

Swollen jaw needs specialist's care

DEAR DR. GOTT: In 1977, I got a kick from a machine in the cotton mill. My jaw felt like a knife going up and down. I went to a nerve doctor, who put me in the hospital and de-

Dr. Gott
Peter Gott, M.D.

to doctors to do nothing for old people?
DEAR READER: Federal policies seem more and more to disregard patient care in favor of cost-effectiveness.

Thoughts

At this time of the year our thoughts focus on Christmas. In particular, Jesus and Mary. But let's not forget Joseph. Can we imagine how Joseph must have felt knowing he was a husband, a bread winner so-to-speak, and a father-to-be (albeit step-father) and yet could not provide a proper place for his wife to spend the night?

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For help with a stepfamily problem, and the locations of the chapters near you, write to: The Stepfamily Association of America Inc., 20 Allegheny Ave., Baltimore, Md. 21204. Please include a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope.

DEAR ABBY: I am upset and disgusted by a recent experience and hope you can tell me how to cope with the hurt.
I am the mother of three daughters, ages 4, 2, and 6 weeks old. The youngest was just christened in the Catholic Church, as were her two sisters when they were 6 weeks old. All three wore the same christening dress, which was given to me by my husband's mother by a subsequent marriage.

DEAR HEARTBROKEN: Dee should not have repossessed the dress without informing you. And since she gave you the dress without making it clear that she wanted it back, you had every right to assume it was yours to keep.
(Getting married? Send for Abby's new, updated, expanded booklet, "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send your name and address clearly printed with a check or money order for \$2.50 and a long, stamped (39 cents) self-addressed envelope to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 38923, Hollywood, Calif. 90038.)

Cinema

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Cinema City — 101 Dalmatians (G) Fri 7:30, 9:15; Sat and Sun 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:45, 11:15. — The Rocky Horror Picture Show (R) Fri 7:30, 9:45; Sat and Sun 2:45, 7:30, 9:45. — The Color Purple (PG-13) Fri 7:30, 9:45; Sat and Sun 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:45, 11:15. — The Official Story (R) Fri 7:30, 9:45; Sat and Sun 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:45, 11:15. — The Untouchables (G) Fri 7:30, 9:45; Sat and Sun 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:45, 11:15. — The Untouchables (G) Fri 7:30, 9:45; Sat and Sun 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:45, 11:15. — The Untouchables (G) Fri 7:30, 9:45; Sat and Sun 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:45, 11:15.

Affirmative action gets grade A at med school

BOSTON (UPI) — When the federal government established affirmative action programs during the early 1970s, it did so with several social goals in mind.
The primary objective was to increase the proportion of minority students in U.S. medical schools from 2.8 percent to 12 percent by 1976. On this it fell short. By 1976, the proportion of blacks, Hispanics, American Indians and Asians in American medical schools was 8.2 percent, and it has not increased substantially since.

They also found minority doctors served significantly larger proportions of poor people than did their non-minority counterparts.
And finally, the federal government had also sought to increase the number of doctors in certain areas of the country where there were shortages. The study found minority doctors are more likely to practice in these federally designated manpower shortage areas.

The survey found that young minority doctors are more likely than their white counterparts to choose specialties that were in federal government need. A larger proportion of people, such as family medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics-gynecology and internal medicine.
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The great phone elections feature a confusing ballot

QUESTION: What is "equal access," what does it mean to you and why bring up the subject now?



Sylvia Porter

ANSWER: "Equal access" means that all long-distance phone companies — MCI, Sprint, AT&T and so on — have equal access through the local phone company to you and your long-distance dollars.

QUESTION: What if you don't choose?
ANSWER: If you don't make the selection on your own, you will be assigned to a long-distance company at random.

QUESTION: You've already received a ballot from your phone company plus a stack of mail from the long-distance companies, which includes cards for you to send in if you choose that company. Which item should you return?

ANSWER: Use the ballot from your local phone company to indicate your choice, advises Samuel Simon, executive director of Telecommunications Research and Action Center (TRAC) in Washington, D.C.

QUESTION: How do you know if your telephone exchange already has equal access?
ANSWER: Ask a service representative of your local phone company and expect to be treated with courtesy and understanding. The service representatives are being warned to handle us, the customers, with care.

QUESTION: What happens if you ignore the whole disruption? Won't you just be assigned to AT&T?
ANSWER: No. Moreover, in some exchanges, rebalancing is under way, or soon will be, for

Church hosts bloodmobile

The American Red Cross held a community bloodmobile at the Second Congregational Church in Manchester recently.
Twenty-one pints were collected. Three people reached a gallon increment.

Other donors included: Fifteen-gallon Donor: Earl Doggart.
Two-gallon donor: Alice M. Strickland.
One-gallon donor: Laurelae Learned.

Blood donors: Joel Denton, John A. Fortey, John T. Fortes, Kathleen K. King, Sonia M. Kitz, John D. LaBelle, Robert W. Lane, Glenn Mirin, Jacqueline Mirin, David C. Meyer, Nancy L. O'Halloran, Randall D. Peck, Shirley Peterson, Anne G. Strong, Joseph A. Tambrell, Joseph H. Tully, Virginia A. Walter.

customers who didn't choose to switch to another long-distance phone company and who remained with AT&T when their exchange converted to equal access.

QUESTION: What if you decide to switch later?
ANSWER: You will pay about \$5 to do that. If you are assigned to a long-distance company, though, you have six months to switch for free from the date your exchange switches to equal access.

QUESTION: Do all the long-distance companies offer directory assistance? What about international calls?
ANSWER: Most of the large ones offer assistance. Just dial 1 — area code — 555-1212. Charges per request vary. You always can get long-distance information through AT&T. Similarly, several of the large companies provide international service, but if yours does not, or not to the countries you want, more murky questions. Following are others.

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QUESTION: How do you choose among the competitors?
ANSWER: You may save if you switch from AT&T — but that's to be checked out. Consult TRAC's pamphlet, "Long-Distance Options," available for \$1 (TRAC, P.O. Box 12038, Washington, D.C. 20005). Include a self-addressed stamped business-size envelope.



Rehearsing Vivaldi
Janet Rataic, left, and Jennifer Joy rehearse the "Gloria" by Vivaldi. They and Laura Nadeau will be soloists at "Viva Vivaldi," a Christmas concert sponsored by Unitarian Universalist Society-East, 153 W. Vernon St., Sunday at 3 p.m. Also featured will be a full chorus, harpsichord, cello, flute and piccolo trumpet.

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Answer to Previous Puzzle. Dec. 21, 1985. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It will take the edge off of your good time today if you neglect your diet. Get responsibility out of the way early, then go have a ball. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker set initially reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, Box 1846, Cincinnati, OH 45201. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If anyone is entitled to have a good time today, it's you. But don't take this as your cue to overindulge. Know when to call it a night. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today you might feel compelled to make some improvements around the house, but don't undertake a major renovation you could lose interest before it's completed. PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) In friendly conversations with pals today, try not to introduce volatile topics. Religion or politics could lead to heated debates. ARIES (March 21-April 19) You'll be remarkably good at managing your personal affairs today, but you might not be as adept at handling things for others. Be careful about your investments. TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Confidential family matters should not be discussed in front of outsiders today by either you or your mate. Talk only when others start. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Profitable results are possible today, but you must handle business matters with extreme care. Don't demand too much or give away more than is necessary. CANCER (June 21-July 22) As a social gathering with friends today, don't try to be the center of attention. You'll be more effective if you're a bit laid back. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It will be a mistake if you take things for granted today where an important issue is at stake. Indifference could cost you victory. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Weigh your every word before speaking today. Unintentionally blurt out something others will find offensive. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It's best today that you make do with what you have and not borrow anything from others, especially money. Hard feelings could result if you don't repay promptly. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Show your mate the same consideration and attention you show friends today. If he or she neglects it could lead to harsh words.

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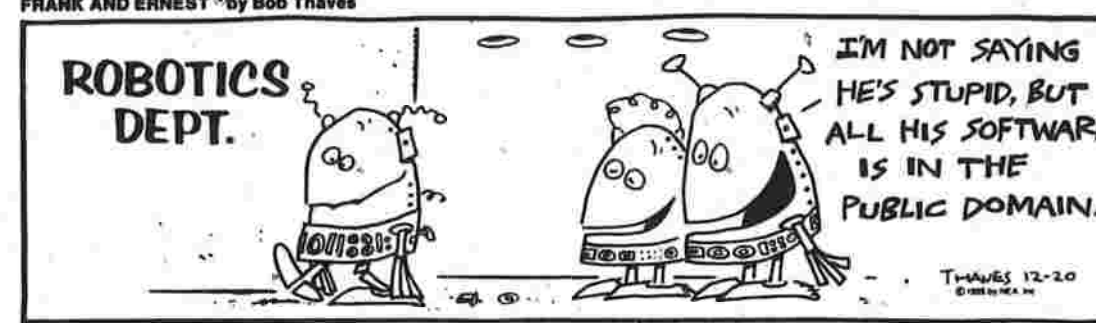
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Bridge

A little goes a long way. By James Jacoby. It's always a bit exciting to describe a deal where a slam makes with meager high-card strength in the combined hands. Today we see a slam easily by making with 11 high-card points facing only 13, and three of the 13 - the club king - are not needed. Some may take exception to the cue-bid of four spades by North. After all, there may be hands where even five hearts might be in jeopardy. However, North expected his opponents to sacrifice at four spades since they were not needed. Since he intended to bid five hearts if that happened, it seemed right to let his partner know he had first-round control of spades and slam interest. East kept his finger in the pie by bidding five spades, but South was not deterred. Bolstered by the diamond strength he had not really shown, he carried on to six hearts. There might have been a problem if either defender was void of hearts, but such was not the case. The surprise on this deal was that West did not bid six spades. Against perfect defense, he would have given up 900, but that would have been a good bit better than the 1430 that North-South scored. Sutable toys UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. (AP) - Except where safety is a concern, parents should not let the manufacturers' suggested age range limit their choice of toys, says Dr. James E. Johnson, assistant professor of education in Pennsylvania State University's College of Education. "At times, toy manufacturers underestimate children's abilities and will suggest an older age, so the toy is well within the ability of the child," he explains.

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Kennedy decision changes shape of presidential race

By Ruth Youngblood
United Press International

BOSTON — Sen. Edward M. Kennedy stunned the political world by announcing he will not seek the Democratic nomination for the White House in 1988 although "this decision means that I may never be president."



EDWARD M. KENNEDY
... "maybe never"

In relinquishing the presidential mantle held by one brother and sought by another, the five-term Massachusetts Democrat said, "I have decided that the best way to advance the values you and I share — peace on earth, economic growth at home, and compassion for all Americans — is to be a United States senator, and not a candidate for president."

Kennedy's announcement Thursday night removed one of the major Democratic frontrunners for the White House and boosted the aspirations of two other leading contenders, Sen. Gary Hart of Colorado and Gov. Mario Cuomo of New York.

In a taped television announcement broadcast on two Boston television stations, Kennedy, sitting in front of a Christmas tree, said he will seek a sixth Senate term and would elaborate on his decision at a 10:30 a.m. EST news conference today.

"THE THING that matters most, the greatest difference we can make, is to speak out, to stand

aside complacency and the appeals to narrow interest — to care about one another, even the least among us."

The announcement ended vast speculation that Kennedy would run again for the White House — speculation spurred by everything from his trip to South Africa last year to a diet that has trimmed his weight in recent months.

"I know that this decision means that I may never be president. But the pursuit of the presidency is not my life — public service is," Kennedy said.

"I will run for re-election to the Senate."

There has been talk of Kennedy as a presidential prospect since he was elected to the Senate in 1962. But he lost his only run for the nation's top office to Jimmy Carter in a bitter Democratic primary fight in 1980.

The 53-year-old senator said he talked about his decision with his children, Kara, Teddy and Patrick and other members of the family.

Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., who ran for the nomination in 1984, said: "I think it's a great Christmas present for Gary Hart and Mario Cuomo, the two most likely nominees."

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Dodd cites family fear

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The Connecticut Democrat, who is one of Kennedy's closest friends in the Senate, said Thursday that he and Kennedy had talked earlier this week about Kennedy's plans.

Kennedy also briefed Dodd Thursday afternoon, prior to his televised announcement that he was not entering the 1988 race for the White House.

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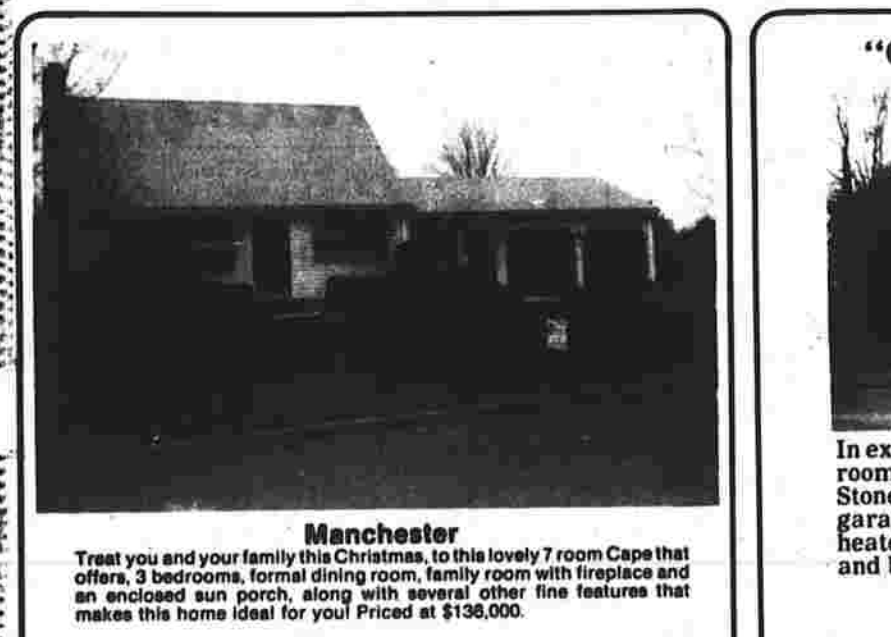


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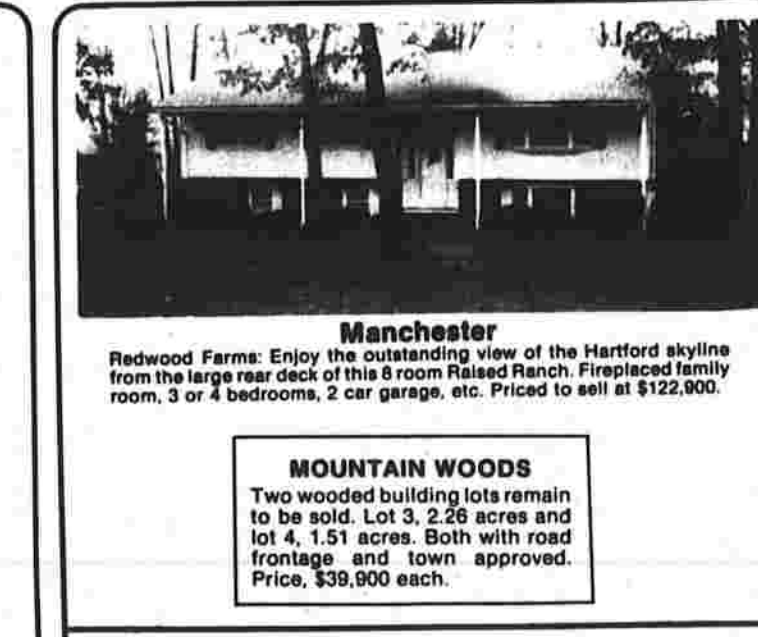


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U.S./World In Brief

Shultz blasts polygraph test plans

WASHINGTON — An open split is apparent in the administration over the detector tests, with Secretary of State George Shultz saying he would quit if his honesty were questioned.

Shultz, his voice thickened with emotion, told reporters who asked about his views on the detector tests, "The minute in this government I am told that I'm not trusted is the day that I leave." He then turned and left the room.

Shultz was expected to meet with Reagan today, but the time of the meeting was not available.

White House spokesman Larry Speakes said Thursday Cabinet officers are among those who might be asked to take the tests. A White House official declined to comment on Shultz's statement, saying, "We're going to have his words and explanation stand on its own."

Artificial heart patient 'very weak'

MINNEAPOLIS — Mary Lund, the world's first female artificial heart patient, was able to open her eyes and move her limbs on command after receiving her small-scale Jarvik-7, but remained "very, very weak," doctors said.

Lund, 40, of Kensington, Minn., who suffers from a rare viral infection that rapidly damaged her heart, was in critical but stable condition late Thursday at Abbott Northwestern Hospital. She underwent internal bleeding surgery and a second operation to check for internal bleeding earlier Thursday.

Lund rested comfortably during the night without experiencing any bleeding, and her kidney function was improving, a hospital report said. A spokesman early today said the next update on her condition would be given at a news conference at 10 a.m. EST.

Lund was the world's 12th artificial heart patient and the eighth to receive the Jarvik-7. Two of five who had permanent implants are alive in Louisville, Ky., although both have suffered strokes — a risk posed by the device.

Serial bomber linked to 11 attacks

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — A serial bomber who killed his first victim last week has been linked to 10 other attacks that injured 19 people around the nation since 1978 at several universities and aboard an airliner.

Authorities expressed fear that the bomber, who they speculate may be a disgruntled employee or someone who lost his job to a computer, could strike again soon.

Federal and local officials Thursday warned the public against touching suspicious objects, especially mailed packages from unfamiliar parties.

An analysis of bomb fragments from the blast that killed a Sacramento businessman at RenTech Computer Rentals last week linked the explosive to 10 other bombs during the past seven years. Eight of the explosions caused injuries to 19 people.

Mortar barrage rocks Irish town

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — A mortar attack on the police station damaged about 100 homes in the small market town of Castlederg and forced some 250 families to flee but no one was seriously hurt.

The attack on Castlederg — in County Tyrone near the border with the Irish Republic — occurred about 7 p.m.

Widespread damage was reported but only six people, including a policeman, were hurt. A police spokesman described the injuries as minor.

The attack came without warning. No one claimed responsibility but the outlawed Irish Republican Army was the prime suspect. It has launched numerous attacks on police stations with homemade mortar launchers.

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Reports say Contras trade in drugs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nicaraguan rebels operating in northern Costa Rica have engaged in cocaine smuggling, using some of the profits to finance their war against Nicaragua's leftist government, according to U.S. investigators and American volunteers who work with the rebels.

The smuggling activity has involved retreating planes at clandestine airstrips and sometimes helping transport cocaine to other Costa Rican points for shipment to the United States. U.S. law enforcement officials said.

The officials, who refused to be identified by name, said the smuggling involves individuals from the largest of the U.S.-backed Contra groups — the Nicaraguan Democratic Force (FDN) and the Revolutionary Democratic Alliance (ARDE) — as well as a splinter group known as M-3.

A leader of M-3, Sebastian Gonzalez Mendiolola, was indicted in Costa Rica for cocaine trafficking a year ago. No other Contra leaders have been charged.

FDN spokesman Bosco Matamoros denied any drug involvement by his group. He said FDN provided support for Contra troops in Costa Rica, but never conducted any operations in that country.

LEVY SANCHEZ, a Miami-based spokesman for ARDE leader Eden Pastora, said ARDE has "never been involved in any drug trafficking."

A new National Intelligence Estimate, a secret CIA-prepared analysis on narcotics trafficking,

alleges that one of ARDE's top commanders used cocaine profits this year to buy a \$250,000 arms shipment and a helicopter, according to a U.S. government official in Washington.

President Reagan this year accused the leftist government of Nicaragua of "exporting drugs to poison our youth" after a Nicaraguan government employee, Federico Vaughan, was indicted by a federal grand jury in Miami.

A spokesman for the Drug Enforcement Administration said DEA investigators are still not sure if Sandinista leaders were involved.

Costa Rica, located south of Nicaragua, is a short flight from the drug-producing areas of Colombia.

Contra leaders claim a combined force of about 20,000 men, with most fighters based in Honduras. The Costa Rican-based rebels — several thousand at most — are less organized than those in Honduras and very poorly financed.

Associated Press reporters interviewed officials from the Drug Enforcement Administration, Customs Service, FBI and Costa Rica's Public Security Ministry, as well as rebels and Americans who work with them. The sources, both inside government and out, spoke only on condition that they not be identified by name.

FIVE AMERICAN REBEL supporters said they were willing to talk about the drug smuggling because they feared illegal activi-

ties would ultimately discredit the war effort. Several of the volunteers said they supplied information about the smuggling to U.S. investigators.

Three U.S. officials who monitor drug traffic from Colombia through Central America to the United States said they began receiving reports about Contra involvement in cocaine shipments in 1984, about the time Congress cut off CIA funding to the Contras.

Each official said he considered the reports "reliable."

The American rebel backers said the Cuban-American drug traffickers were members of the 2506 Brigade, an anti-Castro group that participated in the 1961 Bay of Pigs attack on Cuba.

One American rebel backer with close ties to the Cuban-American smugglers described an operation that works this way: the cocaine is unloaded from planes at rebel airstrips and is taken to an Atlantic coast port where it is concealed on shrimp boats that are later unloaded in the Miami area.

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Stock prices mixed

NEW YORK (UPI) — Prices opened mixed today in active trading of New York Stock Exchange issues.

The Dow Jones Industrial average, which rose 1.49 to 1543.92 Thursday, was up 1.49 to 1543.41 shortly after the market opened.

Declines led advances 345-322 among the 1,067 issues crossing the New York Stock Exchange tape.

Early turnover amounted to about 5,098,000 shares.

Also on the economic front, a new study by a consumer group claims the Honda Civic and the Ford LTD Crown Victoria are among the best 1986 cars, while the Chevrolet Sprint and Cadillac's DeVille and Fleetwood fall into the worst category, a new study by a consumer group says.

The study made public Thursday also said Chrysler products had the most models in the "best categories."

The evaluation was based on government tests and private data.



Samuel J. Heyman, chairman and chief executive officer of GAF, appears in New Haven in a file photograph. On Thursday, a federal judge ruled that a suit seeking to block GAF's bid to take over Union Carbide will be heard in Connecticut, and not New York.

GAF motion falls

Carbide suit stays in state

By Lydo Phillips
United Press International

NEW HAVEN — A federal judge ruled that a lawsuit filed by Union Carbide Corp. to block GAF's hostile takeover of the giant chemical company will be heard in Connecticut, not New York.

U.S. District Judge Jose A. Cabranes denied a GAF motion to dismiss or transfer the Carbide suit Thursday after hearing arguments from both sides, saying there was "little factual overlap" with a GAF suit against Carbide filed in New York.

Carbide attorney Francis J. McNamara Jr. Thursday said GAF's takeover bid seeks "to take control of and dismember Union Carbide Corp."

"We should not be deprived of the forum of our choice in the state in which we live and work," McNamara said.

GAF's New York attorney Carey Ramos argued the two cases were "in essence one big ball of wax."

"New York and New Haven are only 78 miles apart and are linked by air, rail and highway," Cabranes said after handing down the ruling and continuing the hearings to Jan. 2 in New Haven.

U.S. District Court Judge Milton Pollack also Thursday heard arguments in New York in a complaint filed Monday by GAF against Carbide. GAF is charging the Danbury-based chemical and consumer products giant with using illegal means to block the \$4.3 billion takeover bid.

WARREN ANDERSON, Carbide's chief executive officer, Thursday defended his company's attempt to block the takeover by GAF and the chemical company's "poison parachute" plan.

Anderson, called as a hostile witness by GAF's attorney, Arthur Liman, appeared at the hearing for a preliminary injunction to block Carbide's "project outline," a defense against the hostile takeover bid by the smaller firm.

GAF, based in Wayne, N.J., made an all-cash \$88-a-share tender offer for 48 million shares of Carbide's outstanding common stock Dec. 10.

Carbide's board of directors responded by voting Dec. 15 to repurchase up to 47.1 million shares, or 70 percent of the company's outstanding common stock at \$85 a share in cash and securities.

GAF said in New York it would honor what Anderson called "junk bonds" used to raise funds to purchase Carbide by selling off Carbide assets after acquiring the firm.

The New York hearing was expected to last several days.

Carbide has filed documents with the Securities and Exchange Commission indicating it is considering other defensive actions against GAF, including a possible friendly merger with another company or sale of some of its larger assets.

Carbide has offered its five top executives at least \$8.75 million in special compensation — so-called golden parachutes — in the event of an unfriendly takeover.

Carbide's suit claims the GAF offer is "grossly inadequate and unfair."

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Congress quits without accord on deficit cut

By Steven Komorow
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A tired and frustrated Congress adjourned for the year Friday after failing in a long battle to pass a \$74 billion deficit-reduction bill, center-piece of its 1985 budget-cutting effort.

In a final day of maneuvering, with many lawmakers already on their way home, the Senate refused for the second and third times in two days to pass the House version of the massive package of spending cuts and taxes. The House had removed from the package a new tax to pay for the "Superfund" toxic waste cleanup program.

The 35-29 and 35-30 votes killed the bill until next year.

The Senate then approved, on a voice vote, a separate House-passed bill to temporarily extend some expiring tax provisions, including the 18-cent-a-pack tax on cigarettes, until next March. It was the last measure needed before adjournment.

Senate leaders telephoned President Reagan at Camp David to notify him Congress was leaving.

"Mr. President, we're here, we're finished, we wanted to check and see if you had any further work you wanted us to do," said Majority Leader Robert Dole, R-Kan., who said the president indicated he did not.

They exchanged holiday greetings, and the leaders returned to the Senate chamber where the gavel fell for the last time at 6:28 p.m. The House followed suit, adjourning at 6:40 p.m. Congress returns on Jan. 21.

Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., said the Senate would return to conference with the House in January to revise the budget bill, which the White House said would have been vetoed without changes.

"This is not being sent back to die as far as this senator is concerned," he said.

But he drew sharp criticism from Democrats and Republicans, who said Congress needed to act this year to cut the huge federal deficit.

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Waite says proposals 'fair'

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Church of England envoy Terry Waite appealed to radical Moslem kidnappers Friday to let their American captives go home for Christmas. It was his third visit to Beirut in a long quest for the hostages' freedom.

Waite said after arriving from London that he has "just and fair proposals" for the captors. He was flanked by gunmen of the Shiite Moslem militia Amal, who took him from the airport to the Summerland hotel in Moslem west Beirut.

"I remain optimistic," he said. "I believe the situation still is very complicated."

"The fact that I'm here at Christmas is partly coincidental," Waite said, "but I would hope that the significance of this religious festival, which is a time of peace on Earth and goodwill towards men, would not be lost here in this country."

Waite represents Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runcie, to whom four kidnapped Americans wrote last month requesting intervention. Two other missing Americans did not sign

the letters. Waite began his mission Nov. 13.

The hostage negotiator, a bearded 46-year-old layman who stands 6-foot-7, told his armed escorts that he did not want to stay at the hotel and must get to his west Beirut hideaway to make contact with the kidnappers.

He said that, after meetings with American officials in the United States and other parties in Geneva he did not identify, he had prepared "proposals which I believe to be just and fair and based on fair principles. I believe that if those principles are adhered to we can make further progress."

He did not elaborate.

The Americans are believed held by Islamic Jihad, or Islamic Holy War, a fundamentalist Shiite group loyal to Iran. It demands the release of 17 comrades convicted in Kuwait of bombing the U.S. and French embassies in December 1983.

Islamic Jihad also holds four Frenchmen, and other factions hold a British journalist and an Italian businessman.

Stores prepare for rush

By Susan Vaughn
Herald Reporter

Residents of the Manchester area who have put off their Christmas shopping until the last minute will have plenty of opportunity to fill the area under their trees this weekend.

Many stores plan to extend their hours each night through Monday, with some staying open as late as 11 p.m.

And despite the late date, most shoppers should find what they are looking for. Stores contacted Friday night reported that they were still well-stocked for the final Christmas rush.

"We expect absolute bedlam if the snow doesn't keep them away," said Nancy Russell, manager of the D & L clothing store in the Manchester Parkade. Russell said that D & L's buyers have been bringing in numerous items this week for the last-minute rush.

D & L will be open until 11 p.m. on Sunday "for the first time in history," Russell said. She said a company-wide decision will keep all D & L stores open longer on Sunday because it is so close to Christmas. The store will also be open until 9:30 p.m. today and Monday.

Leo Marquis, merchandise manager at K-Mart on Spencer Street, said that shopping was heavy on Friday night and he expected it to continue until Christmas.

"At least we're hoping it will be (heavy)," he said.

K-Mart will continue the extended hours it has had since Thanksgiving, staying open until 10 p.m. today and Monday and 9 p.m. on Sunday.

People shopping for VCRs and microwave ovens might have a little difficulty getting the brand they want, said Fred Gondok Jr., manager of the new Tokyo Shapiro store on Broad Street.

As of Friday, Gondok reported that his store was out of some brands of VCRs and said he expected microwaves to be gone by the end of the weekend, with no shipments expected before Christmas.

Tokyo Shapiro will stay open today and Monday until 11 p.m. and Sunday until 8 p.m.

Both Wegman, a sales manager at Sears in the Parkade, said that business was beginning to pick up again on Friday after a slower week. But she said that business in general this holiday season has not been as brisk as in previous years.

"People are doing a lot of comparative shopping," she said.

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Manchester's homeless get shelter, MACC says

By George Loynd
Herald Reporter

While an advocacy group has charged that the state's shelters for homeless people have failed to help all those seeking warm beds, no one is being turned away from Manchester's shelter, the executive director of the Manchester Area Conference of Churches said Friday.

"We've never turned people away," said Nancy Carr, executive director of the church group that operates a shelter for homeless people at 466 Main St. "I can't

conceive that we'd ever turn people away."

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chester shelter will not take referrals from other towns. "If they show up at the door, we'll take them in."

According to the homeless coalition's report, a Hartford shelter turned away some 3,500 people during a 12-month period. It charged the practice is being repeated at other shelters in the state.

"Consequently, large numbers of homeless people are at risk of freezing to death this winter in one of the most affluent states in the country," the report said.

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While Carr said the shelter can handle the people from Manchester, it has also had to help homeless people from other towns that either have no shelter or have run out of space at their shelters.

"There's not enough shelters," Carr said. "We have neighbors who need to get their act together."

Homeless people from other towns can stay at Manchester's shelter for only five consecutive days before they are referred to agencies in their home town, Carr said.

"They're really in a bind," she said, adding that while the Man-

Long hours take their toll

Editor's note: This is one of a series of vignettes prepared by the Manchester Area Conference of Churches, which is seeking to provide Manchester and Bolton residents with Christmas gifts, food and clothing.

She works from 4 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. so she can be home with the little ones, aged 5 and 2.

During her husband's long layoff, her meager salary was all they had to live on and although he has been called back to work, the bills have piled up. So she continues to work the second shift, getting by on five hours of sleep a night on some nights.

On her creative day she works from 8 a.m. until one the next

morning — a 17-hour shift. A year ago, she and her husband welcomed his young troubled teenage child to their family, knowing in advance that their Christmas would be different, both emotionally and financially. They don't regret the decision, but she's tired and the tiredness and worry show in her face.

She's still able to deal gently with the children because they are her first priority.

She shopped at tag sales for warm clothing for the children, but she hasn't been able to find warm waterproof boots for the little ones. She still needs mattresses and blankets.

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Bhopal disaster blamed on plant

NEW DELHI, India (UPI) — A report submitted to the Indian Parliament Friday blamed fault plant design and insufficient safety precautions for the Bhopal gas leak disaster that killed at least 1,700 people.

The authors of the report also rejected claims that the Dec. 3, 1984, gas leak at the Union Carbide pesticide plant could have been the result of sabotage, as the company has suggested.

"The view of sabotage is obviously an afterthought," said a press release accompanying the Report on Scientific Studies on the Factors Related to the Bhopal Toxic Gas Leakage.

The leak from a faulty valve at the plant lasted for three hours and discharged about 40 tons of deadly methyl isocyanate gas. Official estimates say 1,700 people were killed and 100,000 injured. Unofficial estimates range higher.

Most of the dead were children and elderly people living in

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