

BUSINESS

Investment proves to be mediocre

QUESTION: In March 1979, I purchased 648 shares of a mutual fund with an 8.5 percent commission "load." Since March 1981, I sent in \$800 each month to buy additional shares. I have reinvested all dividends and capital gains distributions to buy still more shares.

I didn't mind paying a load on each monthly purchase, because the fund appeared to be doing well for a number of years. However, that does not seem to have been the case for the past two years.

My initial and monthly investments amount to \$20.81. My reinvested dividends and capital gains of \$15,130 bring the total amount I have invested to \$41,841. The value of the 3,407 shares I presently own is \$52,574.

Might I find a no-load fund with a better record of investment performance?



Investors' Guide

William A. Doyle

ANSWER: It's easy to locate many mutual funds — both load and no-load — with better performances. A charitable description of the track record you cite is "less than mediocre."

One reason for the lackluster performance is that the commission load took \$8.50 out of every \$100 you paid in early on. That left only \$91.50 to be invested. The value of the fund's shares had to rise almost 9.3 percent, before you broke even.

However, there has been no commission bite on your reinvested dividends and capital gains distributions. Mutual funds charging an initial 8.5 percent load are prohibited from taking another load on reinvested dividends. All funds allow capital gains distributions to be reinvested, without a load.

And, after your initial and monthly investments totaled a certain amount, the load charge on subsequent monthly investments eased somewhat.

Funds with 8.5 percent loads on initial investments are required to levy lower loads on cumulative purchases. Typically, the load declines to 7.75 percent at \$10,000, to 6.25 percent at \$25,000 and becomes lower for larger amounts.

Even though you haven't been socked for a full 8.5 percent load on recent monthly purchases, your numbers show you haven't held a top-notch investment.

QUESTION: I redeemed a \$50,000 bank certificate of deposit that matured five months ago and put the money into a mutual fund holding U.S. government securities. I also elected to reinvest the dividends, which are paid monthly, and capital gains distributions, which are paid annually.

I have been thinking about changing the reinvestment part and have the fund send me the dividends by check monthly, so that I can put that money into CDs. Then, I wouldn't have all my investment eggs in one basket.

Would this be a good move?

ANSWER: We are considering investing in mutual funds. What kind of risk would we have that we do not have with our bank accounts and CDs?

ANSWER: Except for money market mutual funds, whose shares values normally do not change and have virtually no risk, the risk with all other types of mutual funds is that their share values can fall — reducing the value of investors' holdings.

Mutual fund share values can also rise. Most have done so, rather dramatically, in recent months. Over the long haul, the majority of mutual funds have been excellent investments — better than bank accounts and CDs. Nonetheless, they always carry some risk.

Doyle welcomes written questions, but he can provide answers only through the column.

Bearing workers await colleagues' move

NEW BRITAIN (UPI) — About 1,150 workers at two Fairair Bearing plants have approved a new contract ending a three-month strike, but remained off the job because of a separate walkout by other union members.

Members of United Auto Workers Local 133 voted Monday 444-268 to accept the three-year pact and disband picket lines in New Britain and Newton.

UAW leaders were waiting for the outcome of negotiations between Fairair and 68 striking workers represented by the Machinists union before recommending UAW members return to their jobs, a spokesman said.

"It is unlikely that everybody will be back by the end of the week," said

George Fazzina, shop chairman of Local 133 and a UAW negotiator.

Fazzina said no UAW members had crossed Machinists union picket lines. The last walkout at Fairair occurred six years ago and lasted for 22 weeks.

The company was expected to start calling UAW workers back on a priority basis, but Fazzina would not say if those workers would return if the Machinists strike was not settled.

Union leaders agreed to present the company offer in a split vote, Fazzina said. The offer was made during marathon weekend bargaining sessions between Local 133 and Fairair, a division of the Torrington Co.

The new pact contains no general

raise and offers a 65-cent cost-of-living increase over three years, union leaders said. Dental and health insurance will be provided, along with vision care for the first year, Fazzina said.

"Other than that, there is not much to brag about," he said. "It's probably the worst contract that I ever negotiated. I'm sick about it, but there is nothing I can do."

The union agreed to present the offer to the membership because a proposed pact includes "substantial changes in the company's position," said Henry F. Murray, an international representative with the UAW.

The strike began at the two Fairair

plants Sept. 27 when previous contracts with the two unions expired. The dispute has centered on a company plan to require workers to pay part of their insurance premiums.

The strikers receive \$100 a week in strike benefits and although they are feeling the strain of the walkout, workers at a UAW hall in New Britain said Saturday they are willing to remain off the job if necessary.

"We have stayed out three months and we could stay out longer," said striking worker John R. Brown. "Everybody's hurting so we can't go back for a loss. There is no Christmas. There was no Thanksgiving and there may be no New Year's."

Business In Brief

Bank sells shares

Nathan O. Agostinelli, president of Manchester State Bank, announced today the recent sale of 25,000 shares of Manchester State Bank stock. The bank's Board of Directors recently authorized the issuance.

"The demand for our stock was so great that we were actually oversubscribed in two weeks," Agostinelli said. "The reason for the issuance was because of our rapid growth during the past few years. This issue will strengthen Manchester State Bank's capital position and our ability to continue to grow." The stock sold for \$30 a share.

Manchester State Bank had assets as of Oct. 30 of \$84 million, with earnings of approximately \$3.50 per share for the 10-month period. "Our growth and earnings have far exceeded our projections and expectations," Agostinelli said.

SBM promotes Gaumond

Elaine F. Gaumond of Andover has been promoted to officer's assistant at the Savings Bank of Manchester. Gaumond is currently the manager of SBM's main office drive-in at Farnell Place in Manchester and will continue to serve in this capacity as well.

Gaumond joined SBM in 1978 as a teller. She was appointed assistant manager of the drive-in bank in 1981. Her additional responsibilities as an officer's assistant will be in the areas of payroll and operations.

Gaumond is a 1971 graduate of Middlesex Community College with an associate's degree in accounting.

McCue tabs Harrison

NEW BRITAIN — The McCue Mortgage Co. has appointed Richard M. Harrison, Jr. of East Hartford as loan representative to service the East Hartford and Manchester areas.

Before coming to McCue, Harrison was a sales representative for Communication Concepts Inc., a Guilford distributor of satellite dishes.

He is a graduate of the University of Connecticut, where he majored in political science. He attended East Windsor High School.

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Beirut rivals ready to sign peace accord

By David Zenon
United Press International

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Lebanon's three most powerful Muslim and Christian militias agreed on how to end 10 years of civil war, and "barring surprises" the accord could be signed before the end of the year, state-owned Beirut radio said today.

One of the Christian negotiators, who declined to be identified, confirmed the report. "We face no more problems," he said.

The breakthrough, after weeks of bickering and procrastination, came in a crucial round of talks in Damascus Wednesday between representatives of the Christian Lebanese Forces and militias belonging to the Muslim Shiite Amal and the Druze Progressive Socialist Party, Beirut radio said.

The three delegations returned to Beirut for separate meetings with their leaders today.

"The agreement is here, and barring surprises, the accord could be signed before the end of the year," Beirut radio said.

The Modern Voice of the Nation said Lebanese Forces chief Elie Hobeika, Amal chief and Justice Minister Nabih Beirri and Druze militia leader and Tourism Minister Walid Jumblatt will travel to Damascus within 48 hours to sign the Syrian-backed accord.

Details of the accord were not officially disclosed, but various militia sources said the deal involved agreement on a string of political reforms for Lebanon, engulfed in civil war since 1975.



Town firefighter Tom Raimondo receives oxygen in the driveway of a house on Hackmatack Street during a fire this morning. Later in the morning, he was being treated for smoke inhalation at Manchester Memorial Hospital.

spokeswoman said Raimondo was not in serious condition and would probably be released during the day.

Smoke sends firefighter to MMH

By John F. Kirch
Herald Reporter

A town firefighter was injured this morning while battling a fire that started in the basement of a house on Hackmatack Street.

Firefighter Tom Raimondo was laid out on the driveway in front of the house with an oxygen mask pressed to his face just after coming out of the smoke-filled house at 396 Hackmatack St. at about 9 a.m. Shortly thereafter, Raimondo was rushed to Manchester Memorial Hospital, where a spokesman said at the time he was being treated for smoke inhalation.

The spokesman said he would probably be released today.

No other injuries were reported in the fire.

James FitzPatrick, a building inspector, said scorched wires in the basement recreation room were the principal cause of the blaze. The house was fit for occupancy, he said.

A fire department spokesman said the areas above suffered smoke damage.

At the scene, smoke poured from the windows of the house as town firefighters battled freezing temperatures to get at the blaze.

Firefighters were called to the scene at Hackmatack Street and Primer Road in southern Manchester at 8:48 a.m. and reported they had the fire under control at 9:10. Capt. Jack Hughes of the

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requesting a tow or a jump for their battery is about usual for a winter day. If the cold weather continues, though, Hornish said there will probably be more people seeking assistance.

However, Hornish said there have been less calls than a few years ago. "If we had this cold weather a couple of years ago, we would have been swamped," he said.

Hornish attributed today's lower totals to improved automobiles and better maintenance.

The number of requests for home

"I just saw a fire," she said. "I tried to put it out with water. That wouldn't do it. I tried to blanket it out, then I opened the windows and got the kids out."

Obst has lived in the house since September with her husband, Henry, and two children, Alexander, 5, and Enrico, 4 months.

Obst said she was not sure how the fire started. She said she saw a foam rubber cushion on a couch on fire when she got into the basement.

"I'm not even cold," she said. "The adrenaline is flowing." She told a neighbor that before the fire was discovered, she knew "something wasn't right," and went down in the basement to check.

Families in Natal flee tribal fighting

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Fierce fighting between thousands of Zulu and Pondo tribesmen killed 53 people in Natal province, police said today, and scores of families were reported fleeing the area.

At one point in the three days of clashes, police reported, about 2,000 Zulus battled 3,000 Pondos, with both sides using sticks, clubs, hatchets and occasionally homemade handguns and store-bought shotguns.

In other developments, Winnie Mandela planned her third visit in as many days today to see her husband, Nelson, who is jailed in Cape Town's Pollsmoor Prison.

After spending 40 minutes with Mandela on Christmas Day, Mrs. Mandela complained that the government was harassing the founder of the armed wing of the African National Congress guer-

Cold snap keeps some workers busy

By George Lovino
Herald Reporter

While many people continued their holiday vacations today, auto mechanics and oil company workers were busy responding to calls for help prompted by the extreme cold.

While some service stations and oil companies reported today that the number of calls for help have been higher than usual during the past few days when temperatures dropped into the teens, other workers reported business was about usual for the winter.

"It has picked up," said Butch

Baby boomers 'charge' into debt

HARTFORD (UPI) — Every year, the married, middle-aged, middle-class family with a college degree, one child and one car, a mortgage, a credit card and a television set is a common sight. It's also a common sight in the credit card industry.

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Consumer spending, federal deficit up

By The Associated Press

Commerce Department reports indicating that growth in consumer spending outpaced an increase in personal income during November could mean the economy will continue its slow growth through early 1986, according to analysts.

The government reported Monday that Americans' personal income grew 0.8 percent in November, the biggest gain since a 0.9 percent April increase. The Commerce Department also said that consumer spending rose 0.9 percent in November, rebounding from a 1.4 percent plunge the previous month.

The spending rebound was attributed by some analysts to the fact that spending had dropped so steeply in October following the expiration of cut-rate financing and other buying incentives offered by the nation's major automakers.

Despite the income gain, a

continued low savings rate and record amounts of consumer debt could mean continued sluggishness in the U.S. economy over the next few months, some analysts said.

"We still have problems. People are still deep in debt and the savings rate is quite low," said Sandra Shaber, consumer economist for Chase Econometrics.

Stock prices dropped because of the economic news and year-end profit taking. The Dow Jones Industrial Average of 30 stocks fell 14.22 points to 1,528.70 in its first double-digit drop since Dec. 2.

But analysts said a downturn had been expected as a "breather" in light of the Dow's torrid

three-month climb of more than 200 points to record heights.

Separately, the Treasury Department reported the federal budget deficit in November was \$33.39 billion, a 23 percent surge from October.

The biggest programs were defense, social programs and interest payments on the national debt.

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Holiday help
The Christmas spirit prevailed in Manchester Wednesday as volunteers gave up part of their holiday to help the less fortunate. One church held a dinner, while others joined together to provide food, gifts and necessities. Elderly Outreach volunteers distributed meals to shut-in Manchester residents. Story on page 3.

Weather forecast
Becoming cloudy with a chance of flurries tonight. Low 5 to 15. On Friday, variable cloudiness with a chance of flurries. High 25 to 35. Details on page 2.

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Laws guard grizzly

Critic raps U.S. effort

By S.J. Guffey
The Associated Press

DENVER — Weighing up to 800 pounds and stretching up to 9 feet tall, grizzly bears got more than most when protection was handed out. In the wild, grizzlies fear no other animal, and in the human world their survival is guarded by law.

But today, as the great bears slumber through the winter, debate has flared anew whether a 17-year campaign to save the grizzlies and increase their numbers is working.

When the effort began in 1968, the grizzly population was flourishing in Canada but had dwindled in the lower 48 states. Just a few hundred remained of the thousands that had roamed the American West 150 years ago.

Most of the survivors were clustered in and around two Western national parks — Glacier in northern Montana and Yellowstone, which straddles Wyoming, Montana and Idaho.

Because few other animals are as evocative of the West as the mammoth, silver-tipped grizzly, people became concerned when they learned the grizzly was in trouble. The question now is whether the effort to save bears has helped or hurt them.

In the January issue of Outside magazine, Alton Chase of Livingston, Mont., accuses the National Park Service of systematically destroying the grizzlies of Yellowstone National Park through the management program adopted in 1968.

His 18,000 words are two chapters from "Playing God in Yellowstone: The Destruction of America's First National Park," a book to be published in April.

Two years ago, Chase — former chairman of the philosophy department at Macalester College in Minnesota and holder of degrees from Harvard, Oxford and Princeton — made environmental headlines with similar charges in Atlantic Monthly.

"The official and conventional wisdom is that the grizzly is declining because of development around the park and because of increased visitation into the park," Chase said in a telephone interview from his Montana home.

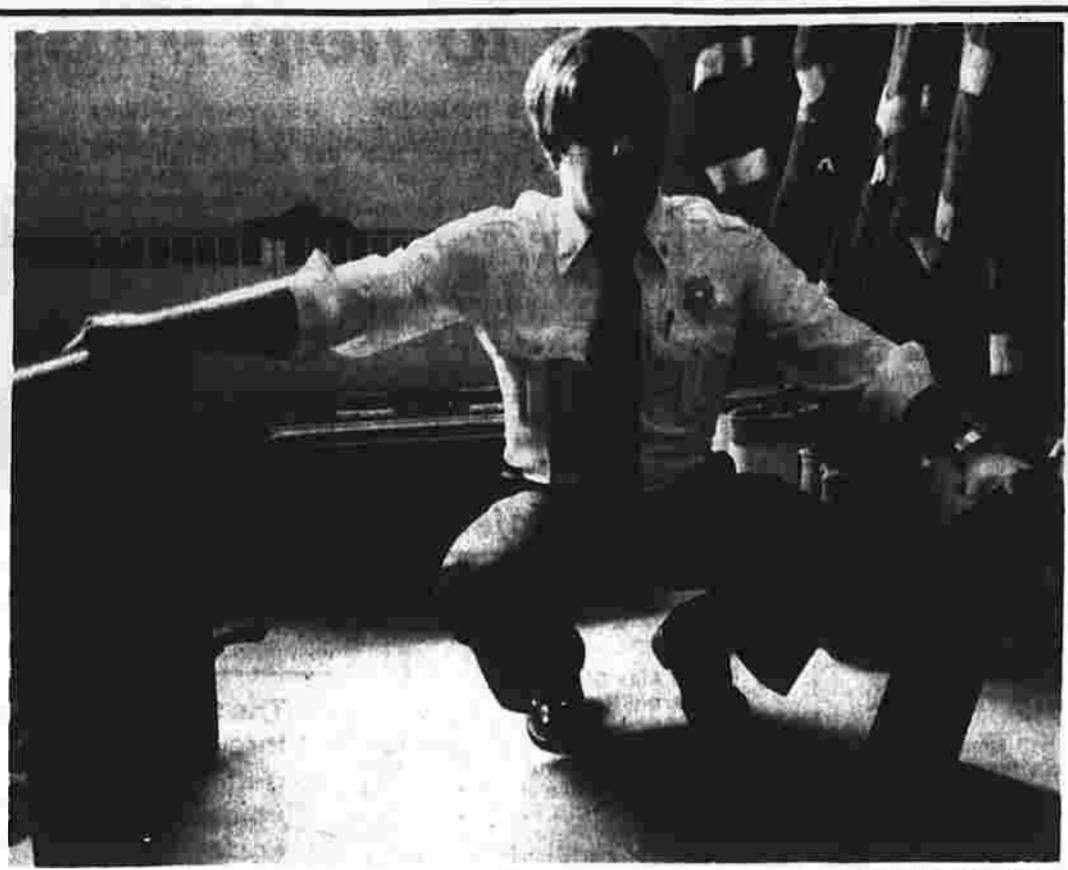
"I'm suggesting something very different," Chase said. "Today, the biggest killer of grizzlies is management."

To back his charge, Chase cites the deaths of 525 grizzlies in and around Yellowstone since 1968. He says too many of those deaths were at the hands of rangers — by shooting when a bear invaded a campsite, by overhunting, and by park management insistence that dumps be closed and human garbage eliminated from the grizzly's diet.

"These are stiff allegations, especially since William Motiloff said saving the grizzly was a major priority almost as soon as he took over as National Park Service chief last summer."

Galen Buterbaugh, regional director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Denver and until a few weeks ago chairman of the 2-year-old federal-state Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee, disagrees with Chase.

"We've reduced the mortality on the bears," Buterbaugh said. "I would say they're holding their own. At this point in time, that's about as optimistic as we can be."



Herald photo by Terquino

Air power

Capt. Jack Hughes of the Town Fire Department, above, displays two of five new high-pressure air bags recently purchased from the Shipman Co. of Waterford. The bags, which can lift between 10 and 34 tons about 5 or 6 inches when inflated, are used to help raise vehicles that have rolled over. At right, Russ Swanson of the Shipman Co. demonstrates some of the new bags. Hughes said Manchester is one of the first towns in the area to use the bags.



Herald photo by Bashaw

State celebrates gray Christmas

By United Press International

Light snow brightened an otherwise gray Christmas in Connecticut as state residents celebrated the holiday with church services and reminders to help out the needy.

Under dense morning fog and light afternoon snow, volunteers delivered meals and gifts to needy families and elderly people who were spending the day alone Wednesday.

At least two slayings and two traffic deaths marred the holiday period in Connecticut, and state police put extra troopers on duty to catch drunken drivers and speeders.

Churches around the state were packed with worshippers, including a good number of people who attended services only on holidays such as Christmas or Easter.

"It's hard to peg, but we can expect probably one-third more people going to mass at Christmas," said the Rev. Thomas J. Lynch, chancellor of the Catholic Archdiocese of Hartford.

Lynch said even people with a "kind of spiritual malaise" attend Christmas services, and although it makes him sad to see them drift away from church the rest of the year "we really aren't worried about the Nielsen ratings."

Gov. William A. O'Neill, in his annual holiday message, urged state residents to "give thanks for the bounty which is ours and will recompense ourselves to sharing that bounty with the truly needy who are our neighbors."

In Violence marred the holiday in New Haven where one man was stabbed to death after an argu-

ment and in Hartford where another man was shot to death in a bar.

Raymond E. Joyner, 32, was pronounced dead at the Hospital of St. Raphael after police found him lying on the ground on Dixwell Avenue in New Haven suffering from stab wounds to the chest shortly after 2 a.m.

Joyner's girlfriend, Cledyth Darden, 28, surrendered to detectives later in the day and was charged with murder in the stabbing, police said.

In Hartford, police are seeking a suspect in the slaying of Matthew Atkins, 18, of Hartford, who was shot to death shortly after 10 p.m. Tuesday at the El Flamboyant Cafe on Park Street.

Atkins died in Hartford Hospital of gunshot wounds, one to the upper arm and one in the back, police said.

At least two people had died in traffic accidents on state roadways since the holiday travel period began Monday night and a state woman was killed in a car crash in neighboring New York.

Williamina Asensio, 78, of Southbury died in a two-car collision about 11 p.m. Tuesday on the Saw Mill River Parkway in Bedford, N.Y. Her husband, Jose, 78, driver of the car, was hospitalized in serious condition.

In Hartford, Joseph Serbawicz, 58, of Hartford was killed about 8:20 p.m. Christmas Eve when he was struck by a van while walking near an intersection.

Mark L. Jalkanen, 20, of Voluntown died Tuesday after the truck he was driving went off Route 49 in Voluntown about 5:30 a.m. and struck a stone wall and a utility pole, state police said.

Poinsettias get bad rap

STORRS (AP) — The director of the Poison Control Center at the University of Connecticut believes that poinsettias have an undeserved reputation for being poisonous.

Dennis Crean said it simply isn't true. And to prove it, he promises to eat a leaf or two of the traditional Christmas plant, if it will help clear up the poinsettia's reputation.

"Like other poison centers across the country, we are working hard to take away the bad rap that poinsettias have had all these years," said Crean.

In fact, he says that other traditional Christmas plants — Jerusalem cherries, holly and mistletoe — are far more dangerous than poinsettias.

Children should be kept away from these plants, he said. The bright Jerusalem cherries, holly berries and the creamy mistletoe berries attract little children, who are most likely to eat these poisonous plants.

But Crean, 31, remembers that his Connecticut grandmother scared him away from the bright red poinsettia, instead.

"Her theory was that if you touched your skin to the tiny barb at the end of the plant it can kill you," he remembers of those Christmas trees in Waterbury.

Opponent of deer hunt ends fast

LEBANON (AP) — Tom Helmer's sparse Christmas dinner consisted of a single orange — but for him, it was a feast.

Helmer, 37, of Lebanon, has been literally starving since Thanksgiving to protest deer hunting on 12 square acres of land Yale University owns in Ashford.

The diet of water and a little orange juice has shed 33 pounds from his frame. The fast ran from Thanksgiving to Christmas to coincide with the start and end of the deer hunt. He ate the orange at

sun-down on Christmas Day.

"All things considered, I'm amazed at how durable the body is," he said Wednesday, the 28th and final day of his fast. "I thought I wouldn't be able to talk right now."

"At first, I was extremely hungry, but by day six, the hunger pangs went away. The last week has been very hard, he said. "I'm physically very weak."

The fast, he said, was a non-violent protest "to prevent Yale's action from being swept under the carpet." Helmer said he's gotten

no reaction from Yale officials concerning the fast, but he hadn't expected a response.

"Fasting at first seems rather odd, but it has a tradition behind it that is thousands of years old," he said.

This year is the second in a row that Yale has made the land available for the deer hunt. University officials have said that the animals are overpopulating and the hunt is necessary to keep the

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Prop found at crash site

CONCORD, Calif. (UPI) — Investigators today still did not know why a light plane piloted by a veteran flyer crashed into a crowded shopping mall, saying the discovery of the craft's missing propeller had failed to reveal the cause.

Local officials said the crash also had forced them to reconsider whether they should allow commercial jets to serve Buchanan Field, the nearby airport where the pilot, James M. Graham, 67, had tried to land in heavy fog.

Security guards Wednesday found the 3-foot propeller that had been missing from the two-engine Beechcraft Baron since it crashed into the Sunvalley Mall Monday night, killing four people and injuring 70 others.

Investigators had speculated the propeller might have spun loose, causing the plane to go out of control and hit the mall, ripping a 50-foot hole in the roof and sending flaming fuel, tar and debris onto Christmas shoppers below.

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Seat belt law the right thing

When Connecticut's mandatory seat belt law goes into effect on Wednesday, it is sure to be met with a great deal of grumbling.

As things stand, an estimated 85 percent of all drivers don't buckle up when they are on the road. Many are prepared to argue that what they do inside their own vehicles is a personal matter and should not be regulated by law.

But even if safety arguments are set aside for the moment, there is ample evidence that the actions of those who don't use seat belts have had, and will continue to have, a very real financial impact on all drivers. Seat belt laws are an appropriate way to address the problem.

In 1984, U.S. Transportation Secretary Elizabeth Dole ordered a gradual phase-in of passive restraint systems — automatic seat belts or air bags — in new cars. By Sept. 1, 1989, every new car will have to be equipped with such a system unless it states that contain at least two-thirds of the country's population have mandatory seat belt laws in force.

Air bags have proven expensive, costing more than \$75 each as far back as 1982. In addition, they are less than adequate in providing protection in all but head-on collisions, according to a report prepared by the American Council on Science and Health.

Passive seat belts — which usually consist of door-mounted shoulder belts that automatically fasten around the driver and front-seat passenger — cost about \$100 to install and have presented a number of drawbacks, including an increased chance that occupants of a car will be ejected if the doors are forced open in a collision.

Manually operated seat belts, on the other hand, cost about \$60 to install and have proven effective in protecting occupants in all types of crashes, according to the council. They are clearly the best alternative of the three.

If more Americans start buckling up, drivers may well see some relief in their insurance bills as well as a decline in the number of fatalities and serious injuries stemming from accidents.

In Massachusetts, where a seat belt law will also take effect at the beginning of the new year, an advisory insurance board has recommended that the price of the average auto policy be cut 2.4 percent because of the law.

Underlying all these arguments for increasing the use of seat belts, of course, is the safety factor. Motorists who believe they are better off being thrown from a vehicle in a crash or who think they can brace themselves to avoid a windshield are fooling themselves.

And fatal accidents do not always occur at high speeds on highways many miles from home, as many people believe. The American Council on Science and Health reports that unbelted motorists have been killed at parking-lot speeds.

Of late, highway safety has come under increasing scrutiny from the public and police, with stepped-up efforts to remove drunken drivers from the road and increased enforcement of speed limits. The time has come for motorists to take a look at their own driving habits to see what they can do to reduce the grisly death and injury toll on the nation's roads each year.

The National Safety Council estimates that if motorists wore seat belts regularly, 12,800 lives a year would be saved and the number of injuries would be substantially reduced.

It will take only a few seconds to comply with Connecticut's new law — less than the time it takes to start or warm up a car. For everyone's sake, buckle up.



Washington Window

Defense establishment ready for chemical weapons push

By Elliot Brenner
United Press International

WASHINGTON — The United States has not built chemical weapons since 1969 and cannot start until next fall, but the Pentagon has chafed up a major win by cracking the Capitol Hill opposition to them.

It is likely to be only a matter of time — barring any quick agreement with the Soviets on a chemical arms treaty — before assembly work can begin on chemical weapons.

The opponents can claim a small victory; the money approved this year was largely locked up until a long list of requirements are met. But that is a long way from the absolute refusal of the House between 1982 and 1984 to accept the idea in any form.

While the Republican-controlled Senate approved money to modernize the stockpiles each year, the House balked. And the House position prevailed in conference committees.

This year the House backed off a bit, and Pentagon backers were quick to press their advantage, even though they did not get immediate production.

Even one of the principal opponents — who vows to try again in the spring with the next Pentagon budget to scuttle the entire proposition — concedes the dam has been breached.

REP. JOHN PORTER, R-Ill., said, "With this (catchall spending) bill, the foot is in the door and the historic commitment the U.S. made in not producing these terrible weapons years ago will be broken."

Specifically, the new Pentagon spending bill provides \$125 million of the \$163.5 million the administration wanted to do early work on a new generation of chemical weapons.

The new weapons are termed "binary" munitions because they contain two chambers, each with a largely harmless chemical. The two mix and become dangerous when the shell is fired or bomb is dropped.

Of that \$125 million, \$98.3 million is for production facilities to build the "biggie" bomb, a weapon that has been put on hold. Work on the plant can go on, but the bomb itself cannot be built. That raises the possibility of the argument later that "because we've built the plant, we shouldn't let it go to waste."

In the meantime, Congress told the Pentagon and General Accounting Office to write specific performance specifications for the bomb and provided \$6 million for testing to see if the problem-plagued weapon can be made to work better.

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155 mm artillery shell, some \$21.7 million for assembly has been provided, but there is long list of restrictions on use of the money and none can be spent before Oct. 1. And there can be no final assembly work before Oct. 1, 1987.

The administration has argued that restoring production, in addition to providing more modern and safer weapons, is needed to prod the Soviet Union to agree to a treaty governing chemical weapons.

"What we're trying to do is give the Soviets an opportunity to come to the table, and give us a safe weapons system if it does come to that point," said Rep. Bill Chappell, D-Fla., who pushed for the system during House debate.

Barring that agreement, with its foot already in the door, the Pentagon is likely in the coming years to pry the opening wide enough to get almost all it wants.

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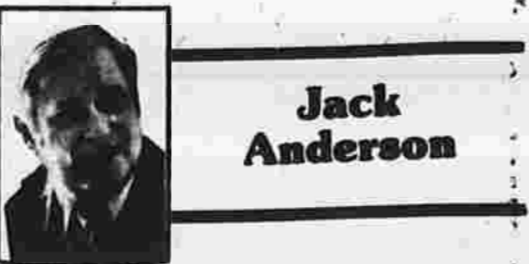
Are the oil sheiks really this hard up? Kuwait apparently would rather collect insurance on its hijacked airliner than collect the plane itself at the Tehran airport. The airliner was seized by Iranian-backed terrorists last December, and two Americans were murdered before Iranian police stormed the plane after a week on the ground.

Initially, the Kuwaitis were hot to get the airliner back, and Iran stalled. But now the Iranians, in line with a new policy of trying to appear reasonable, have asked the Kuwaitis to please come and remove the plane, which is gathering dust on the Tehran tarmac. It's Kuwait that's stalling.

Worth the investment

Officials of the National Conservative Political Action Committee have an idea for an investment, but didn't want to throw their money around liberally. So they asked the Federal Election Commission for guidance: If NCPAC took out a \$100,000 life insurance policy on its 34-year-old chairman, Terry Dolan, and collected; could the money be spent on political contributions and administrative expenses? The commission replied that the committee PAC could use the proceeds any way it wanted to. "There would have been no point in the policy if we couldn't do anything with the money," explained NCPAC attorney J. Curtis Herge.

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Program helps prepare youth for the future

WASHINGTON — President Reagan brought a pair of binoculars with him to Geneva last month, hoping for a Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev could view the world's future through them.

The peaceful conquest of space can begin now, Reagan suggested, by bringing together our future space explorers. They will inherit the 21st century, which should be a fabulous age of exploration, with distant planets within reach. The president's hope is that Soviet and American youngsters should lead the world into a new era of discovery, achievement and prosperity.

Reagan established the Young Astronaut program as a catalyst to prepare America's youth for the 21st century, to train them in the technologies of tomorrow. Whether they become astronauts or accountants, scientists or poets, they will need to understand the computers, lasers and robots that will soon become everyday equipment.

ONE OF THE Young Astronaut Council's first moves, with the president's blessing, was to establish contact with the Young Cosmonauts. "Our Young Astronauts want to be friends with your Young Cosmonauts," the council proposed. "They would like to exchange visits, to learn from one another, to share dreams."

Back came a letter from the Young Cosmonauts, signed by Sergey Trofimov and Nikolay Kubyshkin. "We are for cooperation in space," the letter declared. "We would like space to remain forever peaceful so that children could lift up their eyes to the heavens without fear."

As the next step, President Reagan proposed at the Geneva summit meeting that Young Astronauts and Young Cosmonauts exchange visits. The Young Astronauts have also been encouraged to write letters to Young Cosmonauts in an attempt to open a dialogue by mail.

THE PRESIDENT, meanwhile, has founded Young Astronauts International in response to the requests from around the world to participate in the program. Inquiries have been received from 32 foreign countries, and Young Astronaut chapters already have been formed in 18 countries.

The president has encouraged elementary and secondary schools to form Young Astronaut chapters and participate in the studies that will lead to the exploration and settlement of other worlds. The idea is to make schoolwork less forbidding by dramatizing that it is the key to the universe beyond.

A presidential letter to 75,000 schools has already brought more than 53,000 responses. Although the program has been operational less than a year, hundreds of thousands of Young Astronauts have already signed up. Children between the ages of 6 and 16 can become Young Astronauts by writing to the Young Astronaut Council, 1211 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

Pontiff, in holiday message, raps human rights violations

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Pope John Paul II delivered his annual Christmas greeting to the world in 51 languages, the most ever used by a pontiff, and again proclaimed the mystery of Christ's birth.

The pontiff, dressed in shining gold and white vestments, celebrated a solemn high mass in St. Peter's Basilica Christmas Day, then delivered his traditional "Urbi et Orbi" message to the city and the world from the main balcony of the largest church in the world.

"A blessed Christmas in the peace of Jesus Christ, the savior of the world," the pope said in his English greeting.

John Paul spoke mostly of the Christmas mystery — the birth of Jesus Christ, but he also raised current concerns about human rights violations, oppression and starvation.

"The pope said he was 'defensive' in an armed world, but that he wished to proclaim again the Christmas mystery in the 'signs and needs of our time.'"

"He spoke of the defenseless in the midst of a world that is armed and too often defeated by the temptation of arrogant power and oppression," the pope said referring to himself in the third person.

IN THE U.S. on Christmas Day, a 19-year-old woman who popped

out of a birthbom box to surprise her mother after 18 years of separation and a 9-year-old mentally retarded girl who was found by her father after seven years were two "Christmas miracles."

Thousands of families sat down for turkey and trimmings across the nation, as the spirit of giving prompted donations of food, gifts and money to the less fortunate.

Meanwhile, a 60-inch snowpack brought shivers to Michigan's lower slopes and temperatures in the 80s lured sun-bathers to California beaches Wednesday.

In Florence, Wis., Dorothy Austin sprang from a giant, gift-wrapped box on Wednesday in her nursing home where her mother, Marjorie Newton, lives. "She austed me out" humorously, "then she hugged me and cried," Mrs. Austin said.

Mrs. Newton's husband got custody of the then 9-month-old Dorothy in a divorce, and the recently married Mrs. Austin, of Taft, Calif., had been unable to locate her white baby for three weeks. She turned 19 last week.

The surprise was the work of Mrs. Austin's sister, Cathey "Pops" Adams, 24, of West Salem, Wis. "I have worked on this for years, and now I've pulled it off," Mrs. Adams-Trembley said.

In Chesapeake, Va., a 9-year-old child who had lived in a series of foster homes was reunited with her father she hadn't seen since she was 2.

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U.S./World In Brief

Foundation foresees prof shortage

NEW YORK — The Ford Foundation plans to spend \$4.75 million on higher education grants to stem a predicted shortage of up to 500,000 professors beginning in the 1990s.

The foundation announced Wednesday it will divide the money among successful bidders from 29 colleges invited to propose ways of preventing the pool of professors from shrinking in the next decade, when many current teachers will retire.

Peter W. Stanley, officer in charge of the Foundation's Education and Culture Program, said the colleges will be asked to suggest methods of improving undergraduate curricula and motivating middle-aged tenured faculty members.

The expected drought of professors is in contrast with the current glut of tenured teachers, a situation that has led to a shortage of openings, Stanley said.

Federal accounting practices faulted

WASHINGTON — Three years after Congress ordered widespread reforms, the government still is losing billions of dollars through poor accounting practices and weak internal controls, according to federal watchdogs.

The major problems so far remain largely unchanged. "The General Accounting Office said in a 71-page report on how federal agencies are living up to the 1982 Financial Integrity Act intended to curb fraud, waste and abuse.

The investigators said serious internal control problems continue in a wide range of areas, including weapons procurement, Social Security and the collection of education, small business and other government loans.

"Widespread and often long-standing weaknesses and breakdowns in agency internal control continue to cost the nation billions of dollars," Comptroller General Charles A. Bowsher said. "The weaknesses also have made outright fraud more feasible."

While most agencies have found problems with their accounting systems, their reports to Congress and the White House often do not mention them and thus do not provide an "accurate, clear assessment" of their overall status, the GAO said in the 71-page report released Wednesday.

Single parents losing ground

WASHINGTON — The economic well-being of families with children has worsened dramatically since 1973, in part because of the increase in single parents — usually women, a new study shows.

According to the report by the congressional Joint Economic Committee, families with children are regarded as its social, political and economic future. This information is very disturbing," said Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., the chairman of the panel.

The study, which was released Wednesday, gave no simple explanation for the decline. But it said the increasing number of families headed by one parent — usually a woman — contributed to the decline.

Single parents headed 24.7 percent of all families in 1984, up from 18.4 percent in 1973, the study said. It found that families with single female heads had a mean income last year of \$13,257, less than 40 percent of the \$34,379 average income for two-parent families.

Story says Moscow courts Israel

NEW YORK — A Soviet diplomat told an American Jewish leader's aide he believes Moscow will restore diplomatic relations with Israel in February and dramatically increase the number of Jews allowed to leave the Soviet Union for Israel, it was reported today.

Rabbi Marvin Hier, dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles, told The New York Times that the Soviet diplomat, whom he did not identify, initiated the Washington luncheon meeting.

Hier said the diplomat told the rabbi's aide he "thinks" there will be full diplomatic relations between Israel and the Soviet Union in February — before that month's Communist Party congress. He also said more Jews would be granted exit visas.

Hier said the Israeli Embassy in Washington was informed of the conversation, but officials there adopted a wait-and-see attitude.

The Israelis said the Soviet diplomat, who is officially listed as one of many first secretaries in the embassy, is a known KGB agent who has specialized in Jewish affairs. The Israelis speculated the diplomat would not have talked to the Jewish leader unless the KGB had been informed, Hier said.



"I'm just trying to help you QUIT!"

Eddy has what it takes to battle Dodd

Roger Eddy usually gets right to the point when he's talking about the political opposition, and that is a trait the Republicans hope to encourage if he challenges Chris Dodd in next year's U.S. Senate race in Connecticut.

When state Rep. Julie Belaga of Westport introduced him, for example, as chairman of her campaign for governor last month, Eddy had this to say about O'Neill, the potential target:

"O'Neill only looks good when you compare him with a national disaster," he said.

But when he broke the story last week that Eddy was U.S. Sen. Lowell Weicker's choice to run against Democratic Sen. Dodd, he also noted how Republicans intend to stress the contrast in personalities that campaign would offer.

Eddy says he won't have a final decision on running until next month.

The GOP will do all it can to point Dodd as a jet-set, fun loving youngster in the Senate, constantly in motion around the country in pursuit of a place on the national Democratic ticket and not so hot as a legislator from Connecticut.

If that is playing loosely with the senator's image, it will apparently be all right with the GOP as long as differences with their man stick in voters' minds.



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not serious about his job or inadequate in doing it.

In Roger Eddy, the GOP would be coming up with Mr. Total Republican with the party record to prove it. He has been a state representative and senator, a member of the GOP statewide policy committee, its treasurer and now its national committee man.

He is also an old soldier. In World War II, Eddy was an infantry captain, discharged as a major, who was a company commander through heavy combat in Italy. He won the Silver Star twice and the Bronze Star once. The Silver Star is awarded for gallantry in action.

A Yale graduate, Eddy has a lot of stories about Gerald Ford when the former president was an assistant football coach in those years at the New Haven campus. Eddy lives on his farm in Newington, where he raises, among other things, the best-tasting strawberries on the East Coast. When he isn't milking cows or doing other chores, he writes books — some best-sellers — and invents

DODD, AT 41, would have to plead guilty to being young. Eddy is 65. Dodd is something of a liberal who enjoys life, and despite his squirming over occasional strawberries on the East Coast, political goals, he does enjoy his party's national platform. It would be a bum rap, though, to say he's

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Obituaries

Rose Fredman

Rose (Freeman) Fredman, 88, formerly of Bush Hill Road, widow of Louis Fredman, died Tuesday at Riverside Health Center, East Hartford.

She was born in England and had lived in Manchester for 15 years. She is survived by a son, Maurice R. Fredman of Chicago; a daughter, Mrs. David (Myra) Scott of Manchester; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held today in the Beth Hillel Cemetery, South Windsor, with Rabbi Steven Chaitin officiating. A memorial service will be observed at the home of her daughter, 573 Bush Hill Road, through Sunday evening. Hebrew Funeral Home, 995 Farmington Ave., West Hartford, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial donations may be made to the Riverside Health Care Center's Recreation Center, 745 Main St., East Hartford, 06108.

Angelena J. Delizia

The funeral for Angelena J. Delizia, formerly of Bluefield Drive, who died Monday, will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., with a mass of Christian burial at 9:30 a.m. at the Church of the Assumption, 210 W. Main St., in St. Michael's Cemetery, Springfield, Mass. Calling hours are Friday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, 533 Cottage Grove Road, Bloomfield, or to the Manchester Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Vincas Gulbins

Vincas Gulbins, 76, of 791 Main St., died Wednesday at Manchester Memorial Hospital. He was born in Lithuania, and lived in Manchester many years. Before he retired, he worked for the town of Manchester's cemetery department.

He is survived by his former wife, Natalija (Kaunas) Gulbins of Manchester; two daughters, C. Peter Gulbins of Manchester and Vytautas Gulbins of Broad Brook; three daughters, Nijole Bushnell of Bolton and Donna Gulbins-Slaughter of Dorchester, Mass.; and Christine Gulbins of Millard, one sister in Lithuania; and seven grandchildren.

The funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St. Burial will be in the East Cemetery. Calling hours are Friday from 7 to 9 p.m.

John J. Jaslowski

John J. Jaslowski, 79, of 25 Litchfield St., died Tuesday in Manchester after a long illness. He was the husband of Mary (Sarsfield) Jaslowski. The couple had celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary this year.

He was born in East Hartford and had lived there for many years. He was employed by Hamilton Standard for 38 years before he retired in 1972. He was a member of Hamilton Retirees Club and was active in tap and ballroom dancing, performing for many charity events. He also danced with the Manchester Senior Citizens, performing in hospitals and convalescent homes. He was also a member of the American Association of Retired Persons, Northeast Chapter 604, a member of the AARP Bowling League and active in the Church of the Assumption.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Kathryn J. Lasowski of East Hartford and Ileana M. Fritz of Manchester; a sister, Mrs. Frank Little of Glastonbury; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be Friday at 9:15 a.m. at the John Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St., with a mass at 10 a.m. in the Church of the Assumption. Burial will be in St. James Cemetery. Calling hours are today from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to the Church of the Assumption or the American Heart Association.

Barbara Smacchelli

Barbara M. Alderman Smacchelli, 70, of 101 Summer St., died Tuesday at Hartford Hospital after a short illness. She was the wife of Arthur J. Smacchelli.

She was a lifelong resident of Manchester. She was president of the Church of the Assumption Ladies Guild and a member of the Ladies of Columbus.

Besides her husband, she leaves a son, Daniel J. Smacchelli of South Windsor; two daughters, Mrs. Raymond (Barbara) (Delrene) Demers of Manchester and Mrs. Robert (Diane) Harrison of Sudbury, Mass.; her mother, Irene King of Manchester; six grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

The funeral will be in the Church of the Assumption Friday at 1 p.m. Burial will be in St. James Cemetery. Calling hours are today from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St.

Memorial donations may be made to the Church of the Assumption Memorial Fund.

Christine Way

Christine M. (Spera) Way, 60, of 32 Hollister St., died Monday at home.

She was born in Hartford, where she lived most of her life. She moved to Manchester 10 years ago. She was a bookkeeper for the Sheetmetal Workers Local 40 of Hartford for 13 years. She was president of the O.P.E.U., Local 376 of Hartford.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Dion (Christine) Paul of Manchester and Candace Way of College Park, Md.; two sons, Leonard S. Way and Andrew D. Way, both of Hartford; five sisters, Mrs. Joseph (Mary) Giordano of Windsor, Mrs. Edward (Lucy) Kitchen of Fort Pierce, Fla.; Mrs. Dominick (Connie) Cantali of Newton, Mrs. Sherwood (Carmela) Ferris of Westerville, Ohio, and Gloria Schofield of Denver, Colo.; three brothers, Theodore J. Spera of Westfield, Vincent J. Spera of Hartford, and Antonio J. Spera of Cromwell; and two grandchildren.

The funeral will be Saturday at 11 a.m. at the O'Leary Wetherfield Chapel, 277 Folly Brook Blvd., Westfield, with a mass of Christian burial at 9 a.m. in St. Patrick and St. Anthony Church, Hartford. Burial will be in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. Calling hours are Friday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Martin V. Thone

Martin V. Thone, 75, of 25 Chester Drive, died Thursday at Manchester Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of Margaret B. (Haugh) Thone. He also was the husband of the late Eleanor (Ketchum) Thone.

He was born in Hartford, Dec. 3, 1910, and had been a Manchester resident for the last 13 years, since moving from Hartford. Before his retirement in 1976, he had been employed by Jacob Manufacturing Co., West Hartford, where he had been a union representative. He was a parishioner of the Church of the Assumption.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, Martin V. Thone Jr. of Plainville; four nieces, Samuel J. Haugh of Bolton, John B. Haugh of Bolton, Gerald B. Haugh of Jarboville, and Thomas B. Haugh of Ellington; four stepdaughters, Mrs. Sherwood (Julie) Frost of West Hartford, Mrs. Gary (Margaret) Steel of Meriden, Nancy Haugh and Mary Haugh, both of Manchester; two brothers, Joseph Thone of Windsor and Francis Thone in Massachusetts; two sisters, Aline Mitchell of Hartford; and a grandson.

A mass of Christian burial will be Friday at 11 a.m. at the Church of the Assumption. Burial will be at the convenience of the family. Calling hours are today from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St. Memorial donations may be made to the Dialysis Unit of Rockville General Hospital, 31 Union St., Rockville, 06066.

Frank Pisowolski

Frank Pisowolski of East Hartford died Monday at his home. He was a brother of Stanley Galimuzer of Manchester.

He also is survived by a son, John Pisowolski of Canterbury; two daughters, Dawn Podzielski of Norwich and Robin Tisowolski of Versailles; another brother, Bernard Pisawski of San Diego, Calif.; and a sister, Helen Arnold of Virginia Beach, Va.

The funeral will be Friday at 9 a.m. from Labanski Funeral Home, 107 Boswell Ave., Norwich, with a mass of Christian burial at 9 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church, Norwichtown. Burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery, Norwich. Calling hours are tonight from 7 to 9 p.m.

Robert T.L. Beckwith, last Lincoln descendant

SALUDA, Va. (UPI) — Robert Todd Lincoln Beckwith, the last direct descendant of President Abraham Lincoln, died after a lengthy illness at a nursing home Tuesday. The great-grandson of the Civil War president was 81.

Beckwith is survived by his third wife, Margaret. He had no children.

Easy living carries price

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they say it's credit."

Baby boomers, she said, often don't want to put the good life on hold until their income catches up to their expectations. "One of the messages is gratification now. They want the right clothes, the nice car."

Also, Ms. Tuttle blames family values for the debt problem.

"If you come from a family that had a profound sense that debt is bad, you're less likely to get in debt." People born during the Depression, she said, were taught at an early age not to buy on credit. Her service sees very few people in their sixties, she said.

The number of debtors Ms. Tuttle's service handles has been steadily increasing. This year, she said, the service has seen a 118 percent increase over last year.

Cold snap spurs calls

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heating oil has picked up in the past two days, as have complaints about how oil burners are working, according to Mark Beebe of Boland Bros. Inc.

Many of the calls turn out to be false alarms, he said.

"A lot of people are not used to the cold weather, and they complain that the boiler is not working fast enough," Beebe said.

He said Boland Bros. has eight crews on duty, and many have been working long hours during the past few days.

However, Gordon Lassow of Ellsworth and Lassow Inc. said that while the cold weather has meant more inconveniences, it has not meant more work for the Oakland Street heating oil company.

"It's a normal winter day," Lassow said this morning. "We expect it to be rougher in the winter, and we plan ahead."

The weather does make pumping oil a little more difficult, though.

Developer mulls site switch as plaza plans fall through

A West Hartford-based development company that had planned to build a 90,000-square-foot shopping center on Tolland Turnpike said today it would consider building a center in another part of town after the original plans were scrapped.

But officials of the Konover Development Co., which had proposed to build the Talcottville Plaza at 103-155 Tolland Turnpike, said it was unlikely they would build a shopping center in Manchester in the near future because they do not have a major tenant to fill the space.

Vice President John Larson said Konover would not undertake a new project unless it found a major tenant.

Konover recently scrapped plans to build Talcottville Plaza, which would have been built on 15 acres north of the intersection of Tolland Turnpike and Parker Street, after the state Department of Transportation requested that the developer make a number of public improvements to the site. The developer had already reached agreement with the town to widen Tolland Turnpike and place a culvert under Route 83 to help with drainage in the area, but Larson said Konover did not have the

money to make the improvements the state wanted.

Larson said that a second reason for canceling the plans was that the developer's major tenant decided not to open a store there. He would not say who the tenant was, but officials of Waldbaum's Food Mart closed a supermarket at the Manchester Parkade in March and announced they would open a 50,000-square-foot "superstore" at Talcottville Plaza.

"We think that it was and is a very good site," Larson said. "It's a fine location, we were just unable to do something with it. It's one of those things."

Larson said the plans were scrapped sometime in September or October, shortly after the anchor tenant pulled out of the project. The developers, who had an option to buy the land on Tolland Turnpike, did not think it was right to hold up the owner from selling to somebody else. Larson said they would consider buying the land again later under different circumstances.

The developers received approval to build the plaza from the Planning and Zoning Commission in September.

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Giants proud of year, want more in playoffs

By Dove Roffo United Press International

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — When the New York Giants made the playoffs in 1981, they were just happy to be there after a 17-year absence. Last year, they still were not sure they belonged — perhaps because they needed lots of help from other teams in the final weekend to qualify.

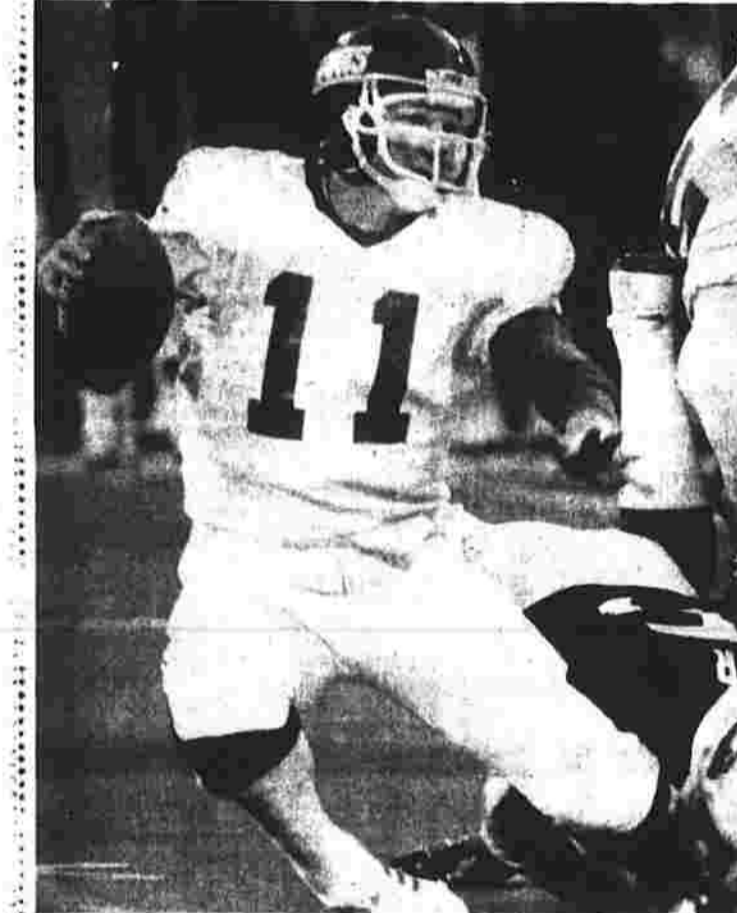
The 1985 Giants are proud of their season and believe they have as much right as anybody to be in the playoffs. They are not about to back down Sunday from the San Francisco 49ers, the team who eliminated the Giants in their last two post-season appearances.

"You never know how long you're going to have to wait for another chance," Giants coach Bill Parcells said. "I've got some key veteran players who have waited 10 years for their chance, guys like Harry Carson, George Martin, Rob Carpenter, Don Hasselbeck, Brad Benson, Gordon King ... you just these guys want to wait until next year?"

Carson, for one, is tired of waiting for next year. The inside linebacker has spent 10 seasons with the Giants, most of them losing ones. He's not sure how many more he has left.

"I have no future," Carson said. "You can't hold anything back. Last year we had the ability to do the job and we didn't. This year we go back for another opportunity."

Carson wrote a message on the blackboard in the Giants' locker room before Saturday's 28-18 playoff-clinching victory over



Phil Simms (11) has a good day for the Giants to have a shot against San Francisco in the NFC wild card game on Sunday at Giants Stadium.

Pittsburgh. The message told the players to remember the long, hot days of training camp, how hard the club has worked to get this far, and that it was now or never.

Other veterans spoke to the club before the game. Hasselbeck, who played in a Super Bowl with the Raiders and made two playoff appearances with New England before joining the Giants this season, reminded the players they might never get this far again.

Martin, the Giants' pass-rushing specialist, didn't expect to be here this time. At the end of the 1983 season, Martin made up his mind to retire and become a businessman in California. He reconsidered after Parcells asked him to come back.

"I figured 10 years was enough," said Martin, who has been with the Giants since 1975. "It was 10 years of fatality, by and large, 10 years without grabbing that brass ring."

"Since we were making strides, I decided to give it another shot or two. I had a heart-to-heart talk with Bill Parcells and he asked me to come back, least of all for my playing ability, at least to get me back into the playoffs with four 100-yard games in 10 appearances. He led the team in rushing last year with 785 yards but slumped to 201 this year. Carpenter did finish strong, though, bursting for a 49-yard run — his longest as a Giant — against Pittsburgh."

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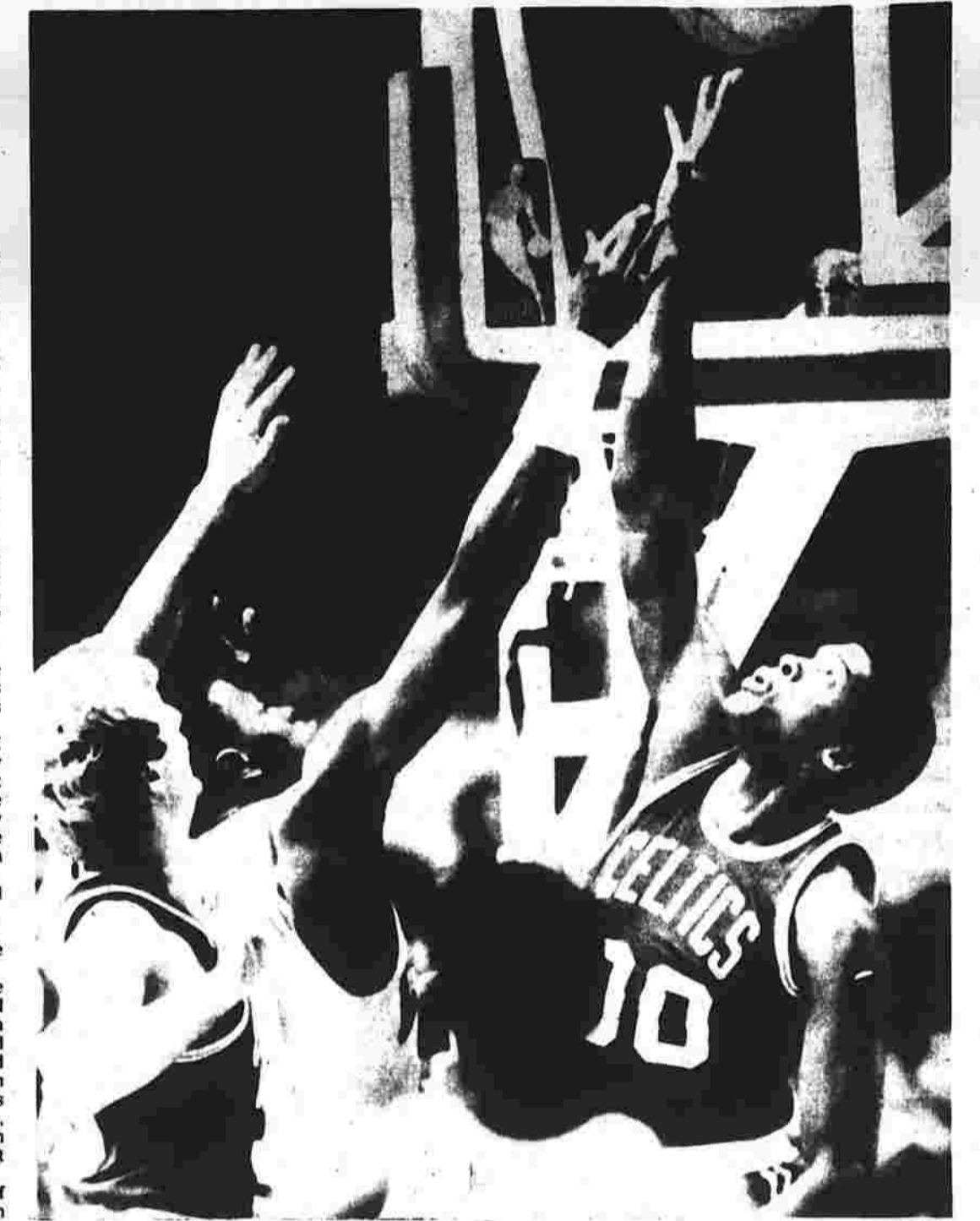
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The Giants will give their fans a chance to view a home playoff game for the first time since the 1962 NFL title game.

"Giving our fans a home game is a two-way gift," Martin said. "They say that being the home team is a three-point edge, but with Giants' fans I'd say it's more than that."



New York's Patrick Ewing (left) shoots over Boston's Robert Parish in first quarter action on Christmas Day. Looking on at the left is Boston's Larry Bird.

NBA roundup

Ewing is not satisfied despite Knicks' miracle

NEW YORK — It's difficult to satisfy a perfectionist, and Patrick Ewing wasn't satisfied.

"I didn't have that good a game," said the New York Knicks' rookie center. "I only showed up toward the end."

Ewing, the celebrated No. 1 pick of last year's draft, scored 18 of his 32 points in the fourth quarter Wednesday as the Knicks overcame a 25-point deficit to defeat the Boston Celtics 113-104 in double overtime in a nationally televised National Basketball Association game.

In the other NBA game Wednesday, Portland trimmed the Los Angeles Clippers 121-107.

"Patrick put on one of the greatest quarter-and-a-halfs of basketball since I've been here in New York," Knicks Coach Hubie Brown said. "He made it look so easy, catching the ball, putting it up and in. It was staggering."

After going scoreless for the first 5:21 of the second half, Ewing converted a twisting, breakaway layup that pulled the Knicks to 71-63 at 8:39 of the fourth quarter. Over a 3:15 stretch, he pumped in 12 consecutive New York points as the Knicks rallied within 86-84. Rory Sparrow, who scored 22 points, sank two free throws with 34 seconds left to send the game into overtime.

"He played like a man possessed," New York reserve forward Ernie Grunfeld said of Ewing. "But, after a while, I think we were all possessed."

New York was spurred by the hometown crowd of 17,480.

"In my four years here, this is by far the greatest comeback," Knicks coach Hubie Brown said. "The soul of Madison Square Garden backed a very young team, and turned the moment in our favor."

McHale topped the Celtics with 29 points.

Blazers 121, Clippers 107

Kiki Vandeweghe scored 28 points to lead Portland over Los Angeles in the Trail Blazers' annual Christmas Day home game.

Portland rolled out a balanced scoring attack, with six players in double figures. The Blazers outscored the Clippers 29-7 to open the second quarter, took a 71-55 halftime lead and were never threatened.

Marques Johnson scored 21 points for Los Angeles.

Renowned Sixers PA man Zinkoff dies Christmas Day

PHILADELPHIA (UPI) — David Zinkoff, the diminutive public address announcer for the Philadelphia 76ers whose unique style was copied at stadiums and arenas nationwide, died Christmas Day of heart failure. He was 78.

Zinkoff, whose 50-year career as a PA announcer was the longest in professional basketball, covered his last game Nov. 13.

"Here was this little guy with no athletic ability whatsoever, yet when the history of sports is written in our city his name will be right up there with the (Wilt) Chamberlains, the (Julius) Erving and the (Bobby) Clarkes," said Pat Williams, the 76ers general manager.

Team spokesman Harvey Pollack said Zinkoff was sick during the Nov. 13 game and went into the hospital the following day. He underwent open heart surgery on Dec. 20.

Zinkoff, known as "The Zink," announced for the Philadelphia Warriors from 1946 to 1962, and in 1963 he began announcing for the 76ers.

He is best remembered for his unusual alliterative style, calling out "a Dipper dunk," for example, after a dunk by Wilt Chamberlain, whose nickname was "Dipper."

When announcing the name of 76ers guard Wally Jones following a basket, Zinkoff would lead say, "By Golly, it's Wally."

He also was known for elongating words and names, introducing Julius Erving as "Julius Ervrrrrring" and announcing the two-minute warning as "twooooo minutes to be played."

"He's been employed all around the country," Pollack said, "but nobody did it like he did."

Before announcing for the Philadelphia 76ers, Zinkoff announced for the Philadelphia Spans, the South Philadelphia Hebrew Association team that was affiliated with the American Basketball League in the 1930s.

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Kelley's fate decided today

STORRS (UPI) — Earl Kelley, a Connecticut basketball star found guilty of violating student conduct rules, was to learn today at 1:30 p.m. if he will be allowed to continue to play for the Huskies.

University dean of students Frank Ardolino will decide what, if any, disciplinary action will be taken against Kelley as a result of the alleged abduction of another student earlier this year.

Kelley was found guilty of violating the student conduct code on charges of threatening, harassment, and abduction in connection with an April 4 incident on UConn's main campus at Storrs.

The finding that Kelley and two other students violated the conduct code was announced Tuesday after more than eight hours of testimony was given to Ardolino.

Kelley has been the leading scorer for the Huskies in each of his four years at Storrs. Kelley could be suspended or expelled from school, banned

College basketball roundup

Tournament play in full swing

By Dick Joyce
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Iona Coach Pat Kennedy says he'd be unhappy if it was a veteran 3-4 team he was leading into tonight's opening round of the 34th Holiday Festival basketball tournament.

"But we're young and have played some of the best teams in the country," Kennedy said, "so there's no cause to be disappointed."

The Gaels take on St. Bonaventure, 5-2, while defending champion and 11th-ranked St. John's, 10-1, faces James Madison, 2-4, in the Madison Square Garden doubleheader.

The championship game will be played Saturday afternoon, preceded by the third place game.

Iona is led by 6-foot-9 Bob Coleman, a 19-point scorer, and sophomore guard Richie Simmonds, 11.1 points.

St. Bonaventure of the Atlantic 10 Conference is led by 6-8 Barry Mungar, a 19-point scorer, and 6-2 point guard Elmer Anderson.

The Bonnies have lost to Missouri and are coming off a 19-point loss to No. 4 Syracuse — the closest any team has come to the unbeaten Orange this season.

St. John's, despite losing three starters from last season's NCAA Final Four team, will be going for their ninth straight win this season against James Madison.

The Redmen, led by 6-8 junior Walter Berry, are seeking their eighth title in the Festival, which is sponsored by the Eastern College Athletic Conference.

The only ranked team to play on Christmas was No. 12 Nevada-Las Vegas, which was upended by North Carolina State 80-73 in Honolulu.

Chris Washburn, a 6-11 sophomore center, leads six Wolfpack double-figure scorers with 17

action in its Holiday Classic against Ball State while No. 14 Alabama-Birmingham takes on Texas Christian. In the Orange Bowl at Miami, Brown plays Miami while Manhattan takes on North Carolina.

In the BMA Classic at Kansas City, Mo., Arizona State opposes Wichita State and No. 6 Kansas plays Louisiana Tech; in the All-College Tournament at Oklahoma City, Cincinnati opposes eighth-ranked Oklahoma and Oklahoma State gets Southern Methodist; the Cotton States Classic at Atlanta features No. 20 DePaul against Navy and No. 7 Georgia Tech against Texas; the Holiday Bowl at San Diego features Fresno State against No. 10 Memphis State and North Carolina-Charlotte against San Diego State; and the Hoopster Classic at Indianapolis has Idaho against No. 17 Indiana and Mississippi State against San Jose State.

Fiercy Mike Ditka mellows with age

By Randy Minkoff
United Press International

CHICAGO — Winning has a way of mellowing even the most volatile of spirits.

So it would seem to be the case with Chicago's Mike Ditka, whose name seldom comes without the epithet "fiercy." "temperamental," "strong-willed" or "erratic."

But it would be unfair to say the 1985 Chicago Bears' success has been the only reason that Ditka seems to have undergone some type of transformation. He is known to win as badly as anyone and still seems capable of slugging it out with a filling cabinet, as he did after a game in 1983.

Ditka, himself, seems to have come up with a pretty good self-analysis.

"I learned that you can't let things get to you personally," Ditka explains. "When I first came into the league as a head coach, I did take it personally. But you can't let every disappointment or defeat affect you that way."

After losing a 38-24 Monday night stunner to Miami on Dec. 2, Ditka said, "Nobody's invincible. Nobody's perfect. We're going to bounce back. It will be good for us."

Patience, as much as anything else, has led to a more calm demeanor in the fourth-year Bears' coach. When he came into the league as a head coach back in 1982 after a stint with Tom Landry and the Dallas Cowboys, he was anxious. Anxious to turn around a team that had been among the lower echelon of the NFL.

He wanted to restore the Bears to the level that he remembered as a player in the early 1960s under George "Papa Bear" Halas.

The only trouble was that he didn't have the personnel — or the patience — to do it overnight. He watched a players' strike slow his recovery plan and saw some players who "weren't willing to pay the sacrifice," as he put it, stand in his way.

Ditka wasn't about to give up. He solidified his power base with the death of Halas and the resignation of general manager Jim Finks. He had a direct say in the type of players he wanted drafted and made it clear that people who did not like his style would be welcome to leave, but others converted.

Some did, others converted, some still grumble. But winning is winning and most praise Ditka's ways.

"I think we have our differences," says Bears' quarterback Jim McMahon. "But there's no doubt on this team that people respect the man. He's willing to listen to other's ideas."

He may not always take the others' suggestions now but at least he is willing to listen, something that may not have been part of the Ditka persona four years ago.

"Mike's determination to win rubs off on everyone," says linebacker Mike Singletary, a Ditka favorite. "He doesn't expect anything out of you that he isn't willing to give himself."

Young battle old in Sun Bowl match

By Richard Luno
United Press International

EL PASO, Texas — Arizona coach Larry Smith envies a classic battle in the 52nd Sun Bowl between Wildcats freshman nose-guard Lee Brunell and Georgia's senior All America center Peter Anderson.

"It's the quality veteran...the great player against the young upstart," Smith said. "It will be a fight. It will be quite a challenge."

The matchup will epitomize the encounter between No. 20 Arizona and Georgia.

The Wildcats, coming off their best season in 10 years at 8-3, will be making only their fifth post-season appearance. They will face tradition-rich Georgia in the nationally televised game starting at 12:30 p.m. EST Saturday.

The Wildcats are also coming off a two-year NCAA probation that prohibited them from post-season or television appearances. They have never won a bowl game.

Georgia, 7-3-1 on the other hand, is 11-11-2 in bowl games and qualified for post-season play for the last five years.

Georgia Coach Vince Dooley claims the lack of bowl appearances will work to the Wildcats' advantage.

"I think they certainly have the incentive," Dooley said. "They have not been on TV and they have not been to a bowl game. All those things are firsts for them and we realize that."

Smith said the Sun Bowl is a reward for the Wildcats.

"I've said it before, the shroud has been lifted and the 'year' probation is over and this is just more than a turning point for us. We want to do something with this



10) conference. We're used to seeing more passing and now we're playing a run-oriented offense.

Arizona has relied on its passing game and the play of junior quarterback Alfred Jenkins, who threw for 1,777 yards and seven touchdowns. He threw for 2,302 yards as a sophomore, but this season threw seven less interceptions and improved his completion percentage.

Jenkins only veteran receiver has been Jon Horton, who struggled early, but finished with

Becker needs help in the Davis Cup

By Mark Burton
United Press International

MUNICH, West Germany — With West Germany's loss in the doubles proving to be decisive in this year's Davis Cup final, the team will have to find a top-class partner for Boris Becker on the singles side, and Becker failed to carry the doubles with Andreas Maurer.

The 18-year-old Wimbledon champion must look to win in future. Against any strong opponent — all Sweden's players are in the world's top 12 — West German chances currently depend on Becker producing his best form in both singles, and Westphal playing the match of his life, serving his way to an upset.

In doubles, teamwork and familiarity are essential. Certainly if Maurer had a bigger serve, the Becker-Maurer partnership would work better. But he has not, and his service game was always under attack Saturday.

The Sweden team, substituting for the first choice of Edberg and Anders Jarryd, who was ill, were able to co-ordinate their attacks and direct them at poor Maurer. With Becker receiving in the left court, the Swedes typically served wide to his backhand, and then peppered Maurer with shots until he surrendered.

The Becker-Maurer pairing looked an unhappy one. But

Nebraska finds sunshine

By United Press International

PHOENIX — The University of Nebraska football team celebrated Christmas by practicing for next week's Fiesta Bowl in the sunshine of the Southwest.

The Cornhuskers wasted no time in escaping the snows of the Midwest, arriving in Phoenix on Wednesday morning. They also wasted no time in hitting the practice field, as coach Tom Osborne scheduled an afternoon scrimmage.

He also hinted there may be some changes in the starting lineup.

"One of the reasons we're scrimmaging is that the starting lineup could be affected," Osborne said. "It might make one or two changes, but not anything drastic."

The last time Nebraska played in the Fiesta Bowl was 1975, when the Cornhuskers lost 17-14 to Arizona State. However, Osborne said he did not believe that game should

SCORERS DROPPED

ANAHEIM, Calif. (UPI) — California Angels first baseman Daryl Scott, who underwent treatment for a substance abuse problem last spring, Wednesday was dropped from the 40-man roster, team general manager Mike Scioscia said.

Once considered one of the more promising players in the Angels' organization, Scotters was hampered by knee and back injuries throughout his career. He batted .286 in a limited role last season.

FOCUS / Family



Virginia Barker of West Middle Turnpike shows off the Christmas tree Head Start children gave her during a party Friday. She used her overtime pay from Scan-Optics to buy presents for the children. She bought footwear for seven.

Job is her Christmas present

By Margaret Hovden
Herold Reporter

Tears came to Virginia Barker's eyes when she saw the Christmas tree Head Start children had decorated for her Friday.

It was the first time she had seen the children. The children knew her, though. She was the lady who had given them coloring books and crayons. She'd also bought shoes and boots for some who needed them.

She bought the gifts and the boots with overtime pay she'd earned at Scan-Optics in Manchester's Industrial Park.

"This is my Christmas," she said during her lunch-hour visit Friday, the last day before school vacation. "I'd just like to bring them all home with me," she added, after talking with several children.

Barker, who lives on West Middle Turnpike, individually wrapped the gifts in funny papers. In all, she gave presents to 100 Head Start children.

What was the reason for such generosity?

LAST SUMMER, while walking all over Manchester searching for a job, sometimes in worn shoes, she made herself a promise to buy needy children shoes or boots after she found a job.

She has bought seven pairs since she started her present job at Scan-Optics on Sept. 3.

She's known other kinds of hard times besides unemployment.

More than 25 years ago, she lost her children. Her

Pet Forum
Allan Leventhal, D.V.M.

Pint-sized vets made patients cry, chuckle

Over the last 34 years there have been many changes in veterinary medicine. Miracle drugs, modern diagnostic equipment and greatly improved treatment and surgical techniques are some of the changes. There have also been more subtle changes. Because of financial factors, hospital construction and the atmosphere inside them, I suppose these changes have been for the better.

Today clients enter a modern veterinary hospital with a large waiting room. They are greeted by a neat, often-uniformed receptionist and then ushered into their appointed air-conditioned exam room. The room serves as an anteroom to the modern treatment room, surgery, laboratory and wards.

In 1953 our clients entered the tiny waiting room of our first hospital, which was a converted two-horse-stall barn. The room had a five-person capacity — two could sit and three could stand.

If it was any busier, clients waited in their cars. The exam room served also as the surgery, lab and treatment area depending on what time of day it was. It also contained the "central heating unit" — a pot-bellied stove. A small ward and run completed the unit but it worked.

I WORRE many hats then, depending whether it was a call that needed pulling to be born, a cat "wanting" to be spayed or a dog with toenails too long. Because of financial factors, my wife acted as receptionist, surgical assistant, telephone answerer and surgical assistant. She performed all this with a small baby on her arm and a 2-year-old wrapped around her legs. Somehow, this isn't seen as much anymore but it sure did keep a family together.

Children are rarely seen in today's modern hospital and perhaps they shouldn't be but ours were everywhere.

Practicing in our back yard for 12 years enabled me to spend time with the family munchkins while working. They sat in the waiting room, when we finally enlarged it, with their pets (cat, dog and goat) and discussed animal ailments with the captured clientele. Our daughter sometimes over did it a bit by diagnosing and offering prognosis.

One day, I asked a weeping lady why she was sobbing. She told me that my 4-year-old had told her that her cat had a terminal condition. It took considerable persuasion to convince her it wasn't so. After that, I had to limit the little hero's role to public relations, not including medical opinions. Today, where can you get second opinions in just on office visit?

THE THREE KIDS liked to climb up on the hospital roof and greet clients from there. I wondered why people came in smiling or shaking their heads. In summer the kids hawked lemonade from a stand just outside the waiting room.

Our female child would demonstrate her surgical technique to clients by doing a "syrian." She'd open the abdomen of a stuffed animal, pull out a previously inserted smaller toy animal and then sew up the "incision."

Or she would give a water injection to a "sick" stuffed animal — usually directly into the eyeball. I found this out by questioning why clients were coming into the exam room either laughing or holding a hand over an eye with a painful facial expression.

Your neighbors' views

What was the best — and worst — happening for you in '85?



Al Bjedewicz: "I wish I could say that something good happened, but really it didn't. The worst thing about the year was I had two major operations. I guess you might say, the best thing was that I lived through it all."

Deve Mize: "The best thing about this year was that I met a girl that I love very much... The worst thing is that my car has been driving for a year long." His car is 14 years "young."

Carol Muddox: "The greatest thing was, I got through it. And really, I guess, nothing really bad happened."

Karl Henderson: "The best thing that happened this year was getting to go to Purdue University in Indiana, for a Lutheran church gathering. I was away about a week last summer... The worst thing was that the hurricane, Hurricane Bob, hit Virginia while I was there for the Boy Scout jamboree. It shut down a lot of the activities."

Christmas Arego: "It was a year of disasters, so I don't know how to respond to that question... Best of all is just being alive and well and having my health in my age bracket. I don't wish to respond to what the worst thing of the year was."

Carolyn Allen: "The best thing was I bought a piece of lake property in Lebanon. The worst thing was, "My dad died this year."

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Clothes can show the assertive personality of job hunter

Achieving an appropriate professional image is crucial to business success because it conveys everyone's opinion of others based upon one's total appearance. People tend to rely more on what they see than on what they hear to determine which people have similar backgrounds. Experts say that 85% of what one believes about another is based upon observation and interpretation of wardrobe and body language — the non-verbal signals.

Your clothing and your mannerisms telegraph your economic class, your educational level, and your social position to the world. Because first impressions are long lasting it's important to consistently project who you are. If your image is focused, you are telling others that you are also focused, and therefore more interesting, trustworthy, and admirable than someone who pays less attention to appearance. To be focused you must understand both components of non-verbal communication — wardrobe and body language.

Wardrobe encompasses much more than clothing. Accessories, hair care, skin care, makeup, and specific grooming techniques are included in this category. Put together correctly, they will enhance your professional appearance. Others will describe you as businesslike, efficient, intelligent, and



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Sandi Hastings

competent, with a sense of style. On the other hand, an inappropriate wardrobe suggests someone who is frivolous, apologetic, and lacking in confidence. The latter image is one you would have to work hard to overcome, in business, so pay attention to detail.

BODY LANGUAGE is the other important component of your visual presentation. This includes the way you walk into a room, how you shake hands, and how you establish eye contact. You relay a lot of information about yourself through your personal mannerisms, such as nail-biting, hair-twisting and lip-chewing. Successful business people have learned

how to control their own negative mannerisms and have learned how to read the mannerisms of others. They are also familiar with the importance of space considerations and proper positioning techniques. Whether or not you consider yourself a salesman you are, because the first thing that is said is you. As a businessperson, your product and company are secondary. Appearance is the major determining factor for success. You either get the job or don't, close the sale or don't, based to a great degree on your professional appearance.

For example, personnel directors participating in a recent study indicated they make the decision to hire someone within the first 30 seconds of an interview. They look for reasons to eliminate potential employees, especially in periods of high employment. They look for visual clues to give an indication of a candidate's abilities and qualifications, while searching for signals to tell them who is poorly prepared, has the wrong attitude, or has the wrong background.

WHEN APPLYING for a higher position, a person who dresses as though he or she already has the position has an edge over the individual who dresses for the level he or she is currently at. A crisp, professional appearance stamps you as someone with

upward mobility. A college graduate seeking employment should dress as though he already has a position in her chosen field. This dress will generally increase her starting salary by eight to 30 percent.

Last, a woman who wears spike heels to an interview won't be asked about her graduate degree, and a man who wears a green plaid jacket will not be asked to return for a second interview. A prospective employer would likely eliminate the above candidates because of their appearance. The employer assumes, rightly or wrongly, that someone who doesn't dress professionally is not qualified for the position.

Given the evidence that appearance greatly impacts professional success everyone should develop a fine-tuned professional image. Although it's not necessarily fair, employers seek individuals who visually fit their corporate identity. Qualifications are important, but research indicates that the person with the best professional image will initially have the edge in today's competitive workplace.

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Pint-sized vets 'assisted'

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In today's veterinary hospital you have to be content with looking at pictures on the wall, reading brochures or looking at photos — no live entertainment.

Today our large animal vets travel to farms with a technician assistant. My "helper" was our son until he was 5 years old, when he announced he'd learned all he could from me and therefore would stay home. His sister gleefully replaced him.

They'd play with the farmers' children, the little calves and cats and dogs. Sometimes they would just sit on a bale of hay or bag of grain and watch me deliver a foal, tube a cow or do dental exams. The expedients kept them out of mischief, their mother's hair and gave us great togetherness.

THIS PUPPIE getting Caesarian puppies and kittens in the hospital gave our kids a natural insight into reproduction. The kids were usually underfoot, observing, asking questions, learning about life, health and even death.

When the time came for me to explain the facts of life to our son, he assured me that from our work and discussions, he knew all about it —

much to my relief. And, except for some minor species differences, I guess he did.

Our daughter's grasp of the subject was also firm. She took her cat to second-grade Show and Tell one day and announced her puzzled fellow pupils that kitty was in "heat" and would soon be bred. That night her teacher called to report that a sex education course was being offered in grade 2. Before my wife could congratulate her on her progressiveness, the teacher revealed it was being taught by our daughter. Today it's all structured in books and films and taught by adults. Progress, I suppose.

One day when we returned from an outing to find the two children playing alone, we were puzzled as to where their baby sitter was. They happily pointed her out, locked in a large dog's snout, their mother's hair and gave us great togetherness.

So, when you next walk into your favorite veterinary hospital and wonder if the building, its inhabitants and practitioners of veterinary medicine were always just so, be assured, it was different. Perhaps, even a bit better in some ways.

Allan Leventhal is a Bolton veterinarian.

Adopt a pet

Holiday a happy one at pound

By Barbara Richmond
Special to the Herald

If all of the nice dogs that have been adopted at the town's dog pound during the past year could talk, we're sure they would wish their new owners a very happy 1986.

As the new year approaches,

thanks to all of these dog lovers. Dog Warden Richard Hand said this week's only resident at the pound, was to be adopted by a young man from Vernon.

The young man came in and paid adoption fees on Peppi early this week. He said he was going to take the dog home in time to give it his girlfriend for Christmas.

The little black and white mixed breed female, found on Park Street earlier this month, was adopted last week by a Bretton Road family.

Rand is at the pound weekdays from noon to 5 p.m. He can also be reached by calling the pound, 643-6642 or by calling the police department, 646-4555.

Births

Kurtz, Ashley Victoria, daughter of Eric P. and Sandra (York) Kurtz of 71A Sycamore Lane, was born Dec. 21 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth York of Kittery, Maine. The paternal grandfather is Oscar Kurtz of Manchester.

Neff, Lisa Marie, daughter of David A. and Frances (Tierney) Neff of 72 Oak St., was born Dec. 5 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Neff of Bristol. The paternal grandmother is Dorothy Tierney of Hartford. The baby has a brother, Henry Coleman, 7.

O'Kane, Heather Lindsey, daughter of Kevin H. and Kim (Chapdelaine) O'Kane of 16 Kinsdale St., was born Dec. 4 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Norma Fowler of 207 Center St. and George Chapdelaine Sr. of Westfield, Mass. The paternal grandparents are Helen O'Kane of East Hartford and Norman O'Kane, New Britain.

Godsey, Michael Benjamin, son of James D. and Renee (Kelsey) Godsey of 94 Hawthorne St., was born Dec. 11 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eugene D. Kelsey of 80 Meadow Lane. The paternal grandmother is Marlene D. Godsey of Victoria, Texas. The baby has a sister, Kelly Christine, 2.

Camera, Kenneth D. Jr., son of Kenneth D. and Donna L. (Fréchette) Camera of 126 Knolwood Road, was born Dec. 10 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leo Fréchette of Webersfield. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John D.

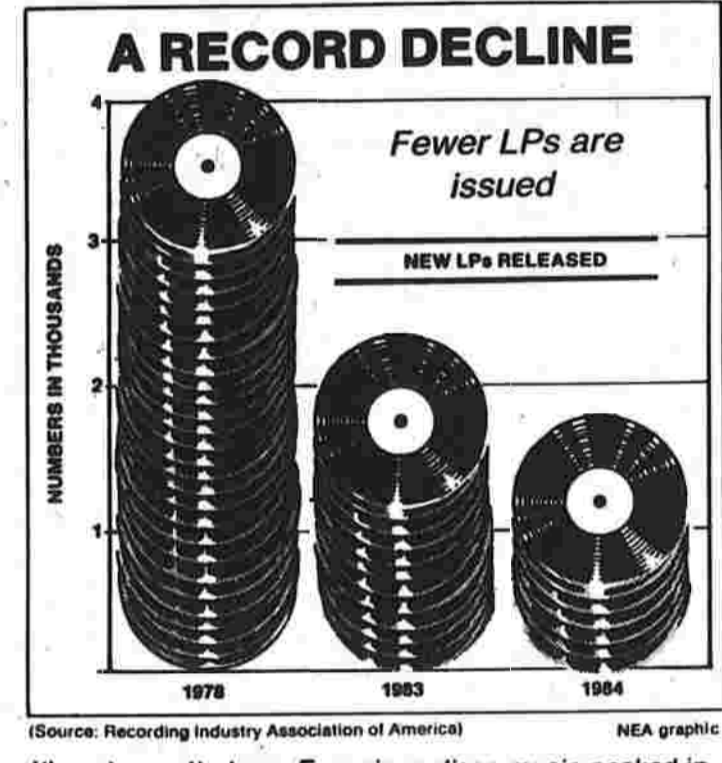
Rizzuti, Michael Joseph, son of Michael John and Sandra Ingrid (Blomberg) Rizzuti of Coventry, was born Dec. 7 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Anne L. Blomberg of Coventry and Eric M. Blomberg of South Windsor. The paternal grandfather is Robert Rizzuti of Pensacola, Fla.

Leach, Matthew Robert, son of Raymond J. and Catherine (Gordon) Leach of 94 Bolton Branch Road, Coventry, was born Dec. 10 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gordon of Glastonbury. The paternal grandmother is Frances B. Leach of 58A Chestnut St. The baby has a sister, Megan Elizabeth, 2½.

Gowen, Sarah Marie, daughter of Richard B. and Gretchen (Van

Why Gowen of 14 Westview Drive, Bolton, was born Dec. 14 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Van Why of Winsted. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gowen of Slaters Hill. The baby has a brother, Peter, 4.

Kesling, Christopher Paul, son of Paul J. and Rita M. (Rodriguez) Kesling of Long Hill Road, Andover, was born Dec. 12 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Rene Rodriguez of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kesling of Millerton, Pa.



It's not a pretty tune. Ever since disco music peaked in 1978, the number of major-label record albums issued each year has dropped. In 1984, about 1,700 were released. The high cost of music-video promos is a factor.

Cinema

HARTFORD — *Ron 1, 4, 6* — *Enemy Mine* (PG-13) 2, 4:15, 7:30, 9:40. — *The Official Story* (R) 1:15, 4:30, 7:45, 9:30. — *101 Dalmatians* (G) 1:15, 3, 4:30, 6:30, 8:10. — *Dim Sum* (PG) 9:50.

EAST HARTFORD — *Redeemed* (PG) — *Back to the Future* (PG) 7:30. — *She's Gotta Have It* (PG) 9:30. — *The Color Purple* (PG-13) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:10. — *Out of Africa* (PG) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:10. — *Chorus Line*: *The Movie* (PG-13) 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30, 10:30. — *Spies Like Us* (R) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30, 11:45. — *Clue* (PG) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30. — *101 Dalmatians* (G) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30, 10:10, 12:15.

MANCHESTER — *Theaters East* — *Back to the Future* (PG) 7:30, 9:30. — *Jagged Edge* (R) 2, 4:15, 7:15, 9:30, 7:15, 9:15. — *One Magic Christmas* (G) 1:15, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30.

MAANSFIELD — *Trans-Lux College Tyme* — *Clue* (PG) 7, 9. — *Dance With a Stranger* 7, 9.

VERNON — *Clue* 1, 3 — *Back to the Future* (PG) 1:30, 4, 7, 9:15. — *One Magic Christmas* (G) 1:15, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30.

WEST HARTFORD — *Clue* 1, 3 — *Back to the Future* (PG) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30. — *Jagged Edge* (R) 7, 9:20.

WILLIAMANTIC — *Jillian Moore Cinema* — *Sales Like Us* (PG) 7:30, 9:15. — *Back to the Future* (PG) 1:30, 3:10, 7:10, 9:10. — *Out of Africa* (PG) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:10. — *The Jewel of the Nile* (PG) 1:30, 3:15, 7:15, 9:15. — *Young Sherlock Holmes* (PG-13) 1:30, 3:30, 7:30, 9:30. — *Some Like It Hot*: *The Movie* (PG) 1:30, 3:15, 7:15, 9:15. — *101 Dalmatians* (G) 1:15, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30.

WINDSOR — *Pizza* — *Back to the Future* (PG) 2, 7:15, 9:30.

Thoughts

Whew! It's over! No, it isn't. Oh, the last-minute shopping surge is now a memory...the midnight services are over...the presents have all been unwrapped...and the Christmas dinner leftovers are tucked away in the refrigerator.

But don't get fooled into thinking that December 25 — Christmas

Christmas should be viewed this way. It should be forward-looking...future-oriented! Now that our souls have been renewed and refreshed by the inspiration of carols and the telling of the story of Christ's birth, we should feel energized and equipped to go out and spread God's good news and love to others! Let today be a day to rejoice in all that this season has given to you, and rededicate yourself in the calling you have as a mature person of God!

Charles H. Ericson, Pastor
Bolton Congregational Church, 107

'Eye' matches paint

NEWBURGH, N.Y. (AP) — A "color eye" that can detect remarkably small variations in color, being used by major paint manufacturers to match colors precisely, according to a manufacturer of optical sensors.

Machbeth Co. says matching paint correctly is critical to certain industries. Because business machine manufacturers, for example, assemble products from parts supplied by different vendors, variations in the paint used for each part would be obvious in the finished product.

Social Security

Stepfather won't alter benefits for children

QUESTION: My children get Social Security benefits on their father's record. He died four years ago. I plan to remarry, and my new husband wants to adopt the children. Will that have any effect on their benefits?

ANSWER: No. However, you must notify Social Security of any change in your children's names, the date of the adoption decree, and the adopting parent's name and address.

QUESTION: I'm supposed to get physical therapy, but I'm not well enough to travel to a hospital. Will Medicare pay for it if I receive the therapy at home?

ANSWER: As long as you are confined to your home and a doctor determines that you require physical therapy, Medicare may help pay the expense of care provided by a participating home health agency. For more information, call any Social Security office.

QUESTION: My brother is almost blind and doesn't have much money. Can he qualify for SSI?

ANSWER: A person whose vision is no better than 20/200 or who has a limited visual field of 20 degrees or less with the best corrective eye glasses is considered blind for SSI purposes. However, even if a person's visual impairment is not severe enough to meet this definition of blindness, he or she still might qualify for SSI payments as a disabled person. Your brother may be eligible for SSI, depending on his financial resources. For more information,

College Notes

Dean Barde steps down

Dr. Robert E. Barde, Manchester Community College's dean of academic affairs, has decided to leave the administration and return to the classroom as a teacher next fall. He has been a dean at the college since July 1980. He will teach in the school's business division.

The dean served in the U.S. Marine Corps for 24 years after his 1942 enlistment.

He taught map reading, aerial photograph interpretation at the Marine Corps Education Center in Quantico, Va. He also taught the history of warfare, principles of amphibious warfare, leadership and naval justice at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y.

He worked as an administrator at Marietta (Ohio) College and at Mohawk Valley Community College in Utica, N.Y., after his retirement from the Marine Corps and before he came to the local college.

Menus

Senior citizens

The following meals will be served at Mayfair Gardens and Westhill Gardens the week of Dec. 30 through Jan. 3 to Manchester residents who are 60 or older:

Monday: Beef continental, rice, Mexican corn, wheat bread, mixed fruit.

Tuesday: Pot roast with vegetable gravy, parried potatoes, yellow and green beans, dinner roll, fresh fruit.

Wednesday: New Year's Day.

Thursday: Sweet and sour pork, buttered noodles, buttered carrots, wheat bread, applesauce.

Friday: Vegetable beef soup, ravioli with Italian sauce, Italian green beans, Italian bread, sliced pears.

Meals on Wheels

The following meals are to be served to Meals on Wheels clients the week of Dec. 30 through Jan. 3. The hot noon meal is listed first, and the cool evening meal, second.

Monday: Beef stew on a biscuit, beans, salad, applesauce. Cold turkey sandwich, orange, milk.

Tuesday: Beef roulards, rice pilaf, squash, salad, cake. Ham sandwich, fresh fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Chicken a la king, cauliflower, green beans, salad, pudding. Bologna and cheese sandwich, fruit cocktail, milk.

Thursday: Pot roast with gravy, baked potato, succini, salad, pudding. Egg salad sandwich, peaches, milk.

Friday: Baked haddock wrapped with newburg sauce, shredded potatoes, carrots, salad, cookies. Cold roast beef sandwich, canned apricots, milk.

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He enjoys bowling, dancing and spectator sports.

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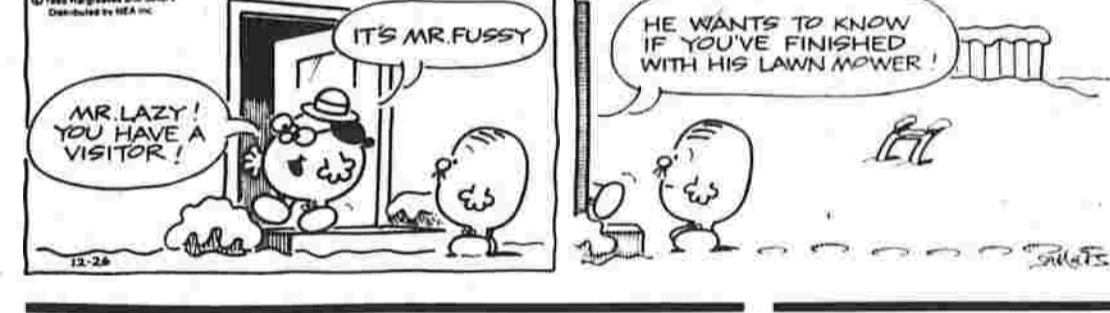
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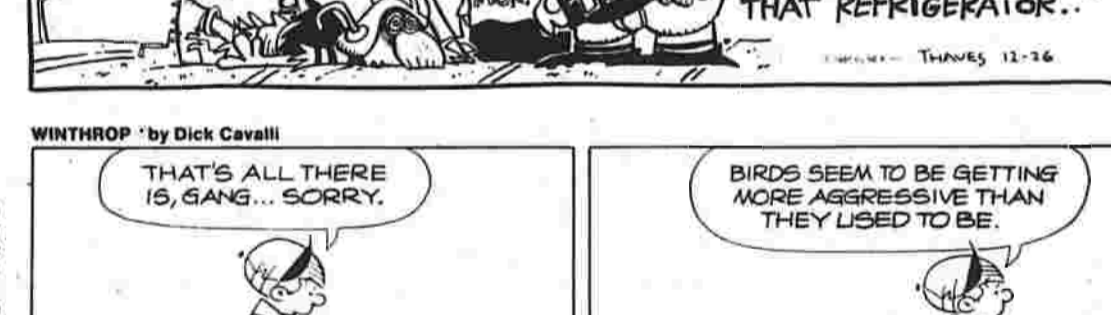
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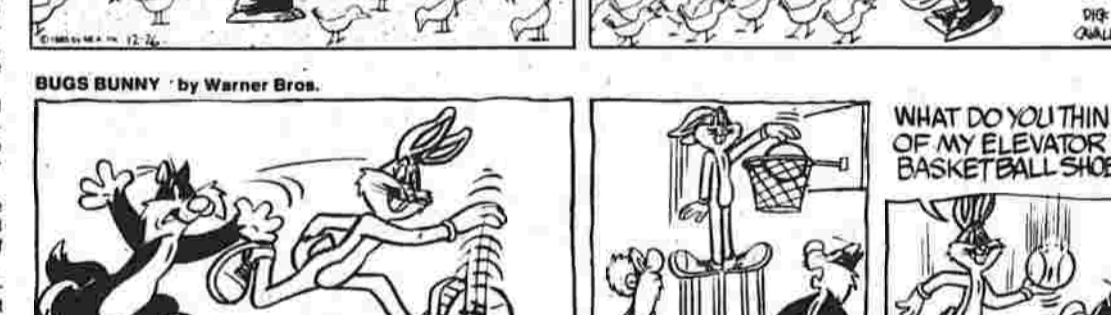
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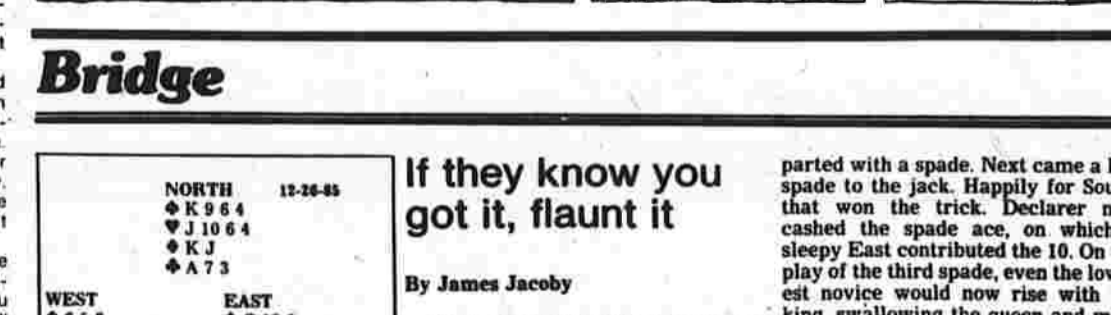
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BRIDGE

Bridge section containing a hand diagram and text about playing cards, including a 'North-South' hand and a 'West' hand.

Advice

Newlyweds need the cash, but Abby thinks it's brash

DEAR ABBY: "Can't Decide" was annoyed with her newlywed daughter for requesting cash instead of a Christmas gift. The newlyweds admitted that they were in debt and could use the money to pay off some of their obligations.

DEAR ABBY: Re the item from "Upset in Elk River, Minn." and her "problem" with the principal removing the bathroom compartment doors. I say she has no beef!

DEAR ABBY: Please don't think I've lost my mind, but I have fallen in love with a voice I hear quite frequently on the telephone. She is a telephone operator for a place with which I do business.

DEAR ABBY: I need help with a problem. My 16-year-old daughter refuses to eat. She is losing weight!

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 64, obese, diabetic, arthritic, have gallstones and take Feldene, Diabinese, Chien and Cytomol. Because of the gallstones, I can't eat cabbage and related foods.

DEAR READER: A neurosurgeur who is familiar with your friend's husband's case is the only person who can (and should) provide the information you seek.

DEAR POLLY: You're a gourmet cook and you're looking for a new product, such as Linguine with Yogurt Cheese, Grilled Yogurt Chicken, Herbed Yogurt Cheese and Frozen Yogurt. Others who would like this issue should send \$1 for each copy to Polly's Pointers.

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- 6:00PM (3) (3) (3) News
(1) Diffrent Strokes
(2) Action News
(3) Hart to Hart
(4) Carson's Comedy Classics
(5) Gimma a Break
(6) NewsCenter
(7) Doctor Who
(8) White Shadow
(9) Reporter 41
(10) MacMillan Vortex NewsHour
(11) Good Times
(12) [ESPN] Mazda SportsLook
(13) [TM] Movie: "The Bostonians"
(14) [USA] USA Cartoon Express
(15) Old Couple
(16) Too Close for Comfort
(17) NBC Nightly News
(18) Nightly Business Report
(19) NBC News
(20) Noticeme-SM
(21) One Day at a Time
(22) [CN] Showbiz Today
(23) [CN] Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet
(24) [CN] CBS News
(25) The Company
(26) ABC News
(27) \$100,000 Pyramid
(28) Jefferies
(29) [CN] 20/20 (CC)
(30) M*A*S*H
(31) Wheel of Fortune
(32) MacNeil-Lehrer NewsHour
(33) Price is Right
(34) On Schedule
(35) Newlywed Game
(36) Loco Amor
(37) Nightly Business Report
(38) Diff'rent Strokes
(39) [CN] Moneysline
(40) [DIS] Movie: "Spirit of the Wind"
(41) [CN] SportsCenter
(42) [HBO] Inside the NFL
(43) [CN] 20/20 (CC)
(44) [CN] Moneysline
(45) [DIS] Movie: "The Stone Boy"
(46) [CN] SportsCenter
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Puzzles

Puzzles section containing crossword puzzles with clues and answers. Includes 'Across', 'Down', and 'Answer to Previous Puzzle'.

Astrograph

Your Birthday Dec. 27, 1985. Over the past year, you have acquired a number of loyal supporters. In the year ahead, they will be working behind the scenes on your behalf to better your lot in life. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You're now in a cycle where you are apt to baffle...

Dietitian may have answer

DEAR DR. GOTT: My friend's husband has developed a brain tumor and the doctor suggests immediate surgery to remove it. He also said that his left side will be paralyzed. I'd like to know the difference between a brain tumor and a brain hemorrhage?

DEAR READER: Perhaps. But it is quite drastic: even the most severely handicapped emphysema patient can usually be helped by supplemental oxygen delivered by a machine (or tank) through a tube each so oxygen goes right into the lungs. Would this help a person who is in the final stages of the disease?

Yogurt cheese good to eat

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Keep eye on these guys About Town

LOS ANGELES (AP) — If Don Johnson, Eric Dickerson and Bruce Willis feel like they're being watched, they are. They and seven others are the "Most Watchable Men in the World" for 1985 in the 10th annual Man Watchers Inc. poll released today.

"This year's list is unusual in that politics and business are not represented," said Man Watchers president Susy Mallory. "We named President Reagan to last year's list but, aside from the president, our members have not found many watchable men in public office."

"Let that be a lesson to the politicians for 1988."

"This year's list includes men from sports, entertainment and the news media. Once again, our members have come up with someone who will appeal to every woman. Each one of these men clearly possesses that magnetic 'star quality' which draws women to them," Ms. Mallory said in a statement.

Here are the ten, with comments from Man Watcher members:

- Actor-dancer Mikhail Baryshnikov: "He is wonderful to watch, as he combines the most beautiful elements of dance with the power and strength of an athlete."
- Los Angeles Rams football player Eric Dickerson: "He's got a smile which lights up a room, and his football shows how gutsy he really is."
- "Dynasty" star John Forsythe: "He gets better looking every year. It's amazing how well he weathers all the tragedies which strike his TV family each week."

- Talk show host Merv Griffin: "The All-American boy-next-door, Merv is such a good listener that he makes every guest feel at home. He's intelligent, sensitive, cute and funny."
- Los Angeles Lakers basketball player Kareem Abdul-Jabbar: "At 7-feet-2, he has to be one of the most watchable men ever. He's cool, calm and collected."

- ABC news anchor Peter Jennings: "He is wonderful not only for what he reports the news, but how he gets involved in it, as well. He's super-smart, and great to look at, too."
- "Miami Vice" star Johnson: "There's a new look to today's hunks, and he is the reason. His clothes, his manner and his attitude all add up to Florida's No. 1 attraction."

- Actor Rob Lowe, star of "St. Elmo's Fire": "He keeps the girls' hearts pounding every time he shows up on the big screen."
- Actor-model Jack Scalia of TV's "Hollywood Beat": "He's tall, dark and handsome. He's got a lot more than the women in Hollywood if they knew he would be roaming the streets."
- "Moonlighting" co-star Willis: "Where have they been hiding this hunk? He's James Dean, Humphrey Bogart and Cary Grant all rolled up into one, and he's hot."

MHS '86 plans reunion

Manchester High School Class of 1966 is making plans for its 20th reunion. Members of the class may contact Ann Moreau Brodin, 649-3915, Mary Frankens-burg, Thelma, 647-1232, or Cathy Noonan, evenings only, 646-7829. The committee is seeking current addresses.

Concordia holds bloodmobile

The American Red Cross, Connecticut Valley East Branch, will hold a bloodmobile on Dec. 30 from noon to 5 p.m. at Concordia Lutheran Church, 40 Pitkin St. Call 643-3111 for an appointment. Walk-ins will be welcome. Child care will be provided.

Women learn construction

Manchester Community College and the Hartford Chapter of the National Association of Women in Construction will sponsor a course, Introduction to Construction, starting Jan. 27 and running for 12 weeks at the college. The cost of \$65 includes the textbook. For more information and registration forms, call the college at 647-6242.

Blood pressure screened

Medi Mart Drug Store, 263 W. Middle Turnpike, will hold a free blood pressure screening on Jan. 2 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Constitutional dispute spurs cross displays in Greenwich

GREENWICH (AP) — A judge's decision blocking the display of a cross atop a local firehouse has stirred a peaceful protest in this town, with many residents putting up crosses on telephone poles, in their yards or tied to flagpoles.

Three residents, contending that there was a violation, filed a lawsuit last December to have the cross removed from the volunteer firehouse in the Cos Cob section of town.

"I talked about all over," said Florence Verka, who put up a cross in the front yard of her Tremont Street home. "This is quite the conversation piece."

Verka, whose husband is a retired volunteer firefighter, and many of her neighbors living within a few miles of the firehouse believe the cross' placement atop the firehouse did not violate the constitutional separation of church and state.

"A firehouse is not a valid point for arguing the separation of church and state," said Mark Palmer, who put a cross on a chain link fence in his Meadow Drive home in Cos Cob.

"I look at it that it's an expression of good will," Palmer said of the cross. Christmas often looked upon as a secular holiday and is a time when people wish peace and good will upon each other, he said.

Palmer's grandfather, 91-year-old Milo Palmer, said the cross on the firehouse had not harmed anyone in the three or four decades it has been displayed.

"It's been here for all these years," said the elder Palmer, a fire company member for more than 50 years. "Nobody ever said anything about it."

Town workers removed a white cross that was nailed to a telephone pole at the intersection of Stanwick and Hill roads in Cos Cob last week but another cross was found on a pole at the intersection of Ridge Road and Tremont Street.

White crosses can be found on Taylor Drive, Sinawoy Road, Grove Street, Strickland Road, Pleasant Lane, Valley Wood Road and Loughlin Avenue.

"All of a sudden, everyone wants to make a big stink about it," said Louis Andrighetti, whose son, Robert, placed a cross on the front lawn of his Suburban Avenue home.

George Carlucci said he and his mother talked about the decision for a few days and then decided to put a cross on the roof of their Tremont Street home.

"For one thing, that's what we believe in," Carlucci said. "It means to us that it's our religion and no one can make us take it (the cross) down."

Joseph Keating, owner of the Showboat Inn attached a 15-foot cross on the flagpole in front of his restaurant yesterday afternoon and said he didn't believe he would lose customers because of the display.

"I can't see anything wrong with the cross," he said. The judge's decision, he added, takes away from the volunteers' celebration of the holiday.

"I know they can't stop me because I own the place and that's that," he said.



Professor John Eulenberg of Michigan State University's Artificial Language Laboratory programs, a portable computer capable of "speaking" in Hebrew at his East Lansing, Mich., home. Eulenberg and his colleagues have designed various machines that allow speechless people to speak with them.

Researcher helps voiceless to speak

By Dennis Ploff United Press International

EAST LANSING, Mich. — What accidents, war, birth defects, disease or mistakes have taken away a tightly knit group of researchers wants to give back, using machines to batter down the barriers to communication.

In their world of high-technology marvels, John Eulenberg and his colleagues at Michigan State University's Artificial Language Laboratory have given voice to hundreds of victims of nature's or man's tragedies.

In Pittsburgh, a young man sings and chants at his bar mitzvah, enjoying fully his passage into manhood in the ancient Jewish tradition.

In Wisconsin, a four-year-old boy chats with his mother and then settles in front of the television set, selecting his favorite program.

In Kalamazoo, Mich., a promising young attorney shares a little conversation with his youngsters and dreams of somehow resuming his practice.

For those people, the everyday acts of living might not have been possible without starting new advances in computer and voice technology.

With the twitch of an eyebrow or perhaps the nudge of a barely controlled thumb, they are speaking, learning and sharing in society.

Eulenberg's laboratory has developed portable, computer-based machines that can be programmed by people with little control over their muscles and almost no ability to speak. The result links people and machine in a way that makes communication possible.

human function," Eulenberg said. "As far as the other advances, I see a mind-to-speech link as the ultimate goal."

He said when humans communicate normally, their brain, nerves and muscles "perform the miracle of transforming thought into speech." When that is not possible, "what we are trying to do is restore that pathway from thought to speech," Eulenberg said.

"To be truly efficient, we should be working at a level much closer to the bioelectric signals which underlie the speech process, so rather than entering things in the keyboard or through various mechanical techniques, the mechanical aid of the future would be a device perhaps drawing upon brain waves."

Eulenberg's quest has intensely personal roots. His father introduced him to a young man who was blind, and the pair became close friends.

"He taught me Braille and I taught him Swahili," recalled Eulenberg, who speaks a dozen languages, possesses a doctorate in linguistics and holds six assistant professorships at MSU.

Working together at an electronics firm, the men's conversations also turned to the use of technology to help the handicapped.

But in the year of Eulenberg's father's death, the friend died also, of the same disease that had taken his sight.

AS EULENBERG LATER witnessed the dawning of new devices at costs making them feasible for individuals, "I dedicated myself to bringing this technology to a form that would make it possible for people to overcome these handicaps."

He is frustrated at the expense, much of it for labor, of customizing the technology to fit the needs of diverse people. It can cost \$100,000 and more for such systems.

The language laboratory is financed through grants and donations. Work for individuals may sometimes be paid for through settlements of medical malpractice suits.

Through the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication, which Eulenberg helped found, knowledge of the technology is shared with researchers from two dozen countries. The lab also publishes the principal magazine in the field.

Eulenberg said there are times when the technology cannot be stretched far enough.

"Sometimes I have to say something that occurs, I utter a silent prayer to hasten the day that it will be possible to help such a person," he said.

FOR EXAMPLE, the Pittsburgh youngster programs into his computer biblical readings, chants and commentaries. What comes out is a normal-sounding voice of a young boy coming of age.

In the past, Eulenberg — an ambitious, driven man whose own father died of a neurological disorder that robbed him of the ability to speak — had gained notoriety with machine aids that allowed people to speak in a monotone, robot-like voice.

The new era of Eulenberg's research has given people technology that reproduce typical voices of adults, children and even Hebrew and Arabic tonal inflections. But the future does not stop there.

"I see both miniaturization and advances in applying artificial intelligence, embodying knowledge about language and the world into computers that will make the communication aid much more of a true prosthesis in restoring

Clinic gets state grant

HARTFORD (AP) — A busy North Hartford health clinic got a financial reprieve this week, delivered in person by Gov. William A. O'Neill.

O'Neill took the Community Health Services clinic a check for \$90,000. The money is a state grant, to keep it open into 1986. The city of Hartford has also contributed \$11,000.

The clinic, which provides medical care for thousands of low-income residents, has had periodic financial problems since it was opened 15 years ago by Dr. Evans H. Daniel Jr.

Daniel termed the check, "A pretty good Christmas present."

The clinic has an annual operating budget of \$2 million, but Daniels estimates it was \$150,000 in debt for 1985. In addition to the state and city grants, he hopes to raise another \$50,000 to stay open.

He founded the clinic to serve the North End, when he was virtually the only doctor available in the neighborhood. In 1970, he had only two part-time doctors to help him. Today, it employs six doctors full-time, as well as two dentists and a full support staff.

It is the third largest provider of ambulatory care, after the clinics at Hartford Hospital and St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center.

Humorist Stephen Leacock died in 1944.

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Five minutes of counseling only a telephone call away

NORTH HAVEN (AP) — Want free psychological help, no questions asked? Pick up the telephone and call Dr. George Witt's voice-activated computer for five minutes of advice on any of eight mental health problems.

"The vast majority of problems to living are not due to problems in the brain, but to problems with children, husbands and wives," says Witt, a clinical psychologist who feels many people avoid seeking help because of a continuing stigma against mental illness.

As a result, he says, problems can get worse until the result may be a marital breakup, withdrawal from society, or even suicide.

Much better, Witt feels, would be to bring psychologist and patient together over the phone and allow the patient to remain anonymous, avoiding the feeling of vulnerability sometimes encountered when mentioning a problem to another person.

Witt had a system designed to his specifications by an electronics engineer and a computer specialist. The result is ITMS, or Interactive Telephone Message System.

The system does not offer continuing psychotherapy, but serves as an ice-breaker by providing basic information about eight types of problems. It outlines some causes and symptoms, and offers suggestions about how they can be treated.

"You've reached the psychology information line of Dr. George Witt," Witt's recorded voice says. "You may now listen to any one of eight mental health tapes. Give the command 'Play this tape' after you hear the title of the tape you want played."

Callers then hear a list of titles — marital problems, anxiety, depression, fears and phobias, alcoholism, managing stress, obesity and weight control, and problems with children and adolescents.

At the end of a four-to-five-minute tape, a caller may leave a name and phone number and Witt will call them with more information.

In the tape on depression, Witt says that a depressed mood is a predominant sign but not always present, so people should be aware of other symptoms, too. These can include poor or increased appetite, persistent irritability, difficulty in sleeping or sleeping excessively, loss of interest or pleasure in normal activities, guilt or feelings of self-reproach, difficulty in concentrating and recurring thoughts of suicide or self-destructive behavior.

Severe or prolonged depression requires treatment because of the risk of suicide, Witt says.

As a psychologist, Witt cannot prescribe medication but can refer patients to psychiatrists for that purpose. But Witt says many people he sees don't suffer from the kinds of brain chemistry changes that require medication.

Legal discipline kept under wraps

HARTFORD (AP) — Statistics compiled by the Statewide Grievance Committee show that the disciplining of judges and lawyers is kept behind doors.

Despite efforts by state legislators to make Connecticut's judges and lawyers more ethically accountable, statistics show that the public's complaints against them rarely result in discipline or even become public record.

The report states that most complaints are checked out secretly and resolved confidentially so the public never hears about the results.

Additionally, complainants can't appeal what they think is light discipline of a lawyer or judge although a judge can appeal to the state Supreme Court.

Of 134 complaints of ethical misconduct filed against Connecticut Superior Court judges in the past four years, only one resulted in public punishment — 111 were thrown out because the State Judicial Review Council said they were frivolous or not under the council's jurisdiction.

Complaints have reached 9,500 practicing lawyers. In the past three years, 2,159 complaints against lawyers have been brought by the public, and 44 have led to court-ordered punishment, the report said.

State Rep. Christopher Shays, a Stamford republican who has led efforts to reform judicial discipline, said, "It just shows you how far we have to go."

But John D. LaBelle Sr., the Manchester lawyer who is the Judicial Review Council's executive director, said confidentiality is necessary so the review system has integrity.

"If you're going to make complaints against judges public, you're going to tar the entire bench by complaints that are frivolous," he said.

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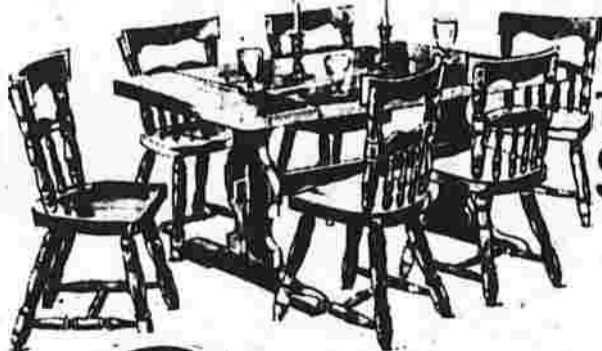


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Business In Brief

Westledge promotes Higgins
AVON — Lois Rosebach, senior vice president and general manager of Westledge Associates Realtors, announces the appointment of Cynthia Tucker Higgins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. Tucker of Manchester, as relocation director.

This announcement reflects the ongoing expansion of Westledge's Relocation Division as both a profit center and a source of an ever increasing array of relocation services.

As relocation director, Higgins will play an active role in corporate calling, while overseeing and directing all areas of Westledge's comprehensive relocation program.

A 1980 graduate of Eastern Connecticut State University, Higgins holds a bachelor's degree in economics. In June 1985, she received an MBA from the Hartford Graduate Center, an affiliate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. In 1980 she was awarded The Wall Street Journal Award representing outstanding scholastic achievement in the field of economics and business.

Higgins lives in Glastonbury with her husband, Mark.

McMahon joins center
Nancy Carney McMahon, audiologist, has joined The Ear, Nose and Throat Group of Manchester and Rockville.

A graduate of the University of Connecticut, she received her bachelor's degree in communication science and her master's degree in audiology. McMahon will provide hearing health-related services, including the fitting and dispensing of hearing aids.

Bellflore joins bar
Alice Ann Bellflore of Manchester has been admitted to the Connecticut Bar.

She is also a member of the New York Bar and is currently a teaching fellow at the Western New England College School of Law in Springfield, Mass. Bellflore is a 1978 graduate of East Catholic High School, a graduate of the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass., and the Albany Law School, Union University, in Albany, N.Y.

Bellflore lives at 98 Adams St. with her husband, Timothy Sherry. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bellflore of 40 Forest St.

Miller appointed manager
Ernestine J. Miller has been appointed manager of distributor sales for the Composite Materials Division of Lydall Inc. of Manchester.

Most recently a sales representative for the Composite Materials Division, Miller will develop, maintain and manage a nationwide network of independent distributors of Lydall's specialty packaging products.

A 12-year employee of Lydall, Miller is a graduate of Manchester Community College. She is a resident of Vernon.

Lydall Inc. is a \$109 million manufacturer of products for industry which include specialty fiber materials and engineered elastomer and fiber components.

Quiet trading on Wall Street
NEW YORK — Prices opened narrowly mixed Thursday in quiet post-Christmas trading of New York Stock Exchange issues.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell 9.83 to 1819.15 Tuesday, recovered 1.62 to 1820.17 initially.

Declines, however, led advances 307-285 among 850 issues crossing the New York Stock Exchange tape in the first ten minutes of trading.

Early turnover was light.

Analysts looked for continued lackluster markets as many in the financial community extended the mid-week holiday. They looked, too, for continued emphasis on selling from investors trading with an eye to tax returns.

Observers said Tuesday's decline largely reflected selling by individual investors taking advantage of the first day they could establish profits that could be reported either on 1985 tax returns or postponed for inclusion with 1986 income.

Institutions, which fueled the recent rally, are considered unlikely to be active in the market through year-end. Stock purchases to show on the books at year-end had to be made by Monday since it takes five days for transactions to settle; therefore there is little upside stimulus.

IRAs, Keoghs are required reading

QUESTION: I run my own little business and have both a Keogh self-employed retirement plan and an individual retirement account. Into which I put the maximum amounts annually. I was delighted to read in your column that "new rules" will allow me to put off making withdrawals from my Keogh and IRA until April 1 following the year in which I reach age 70½. That will keep my retirement funds tax sheltered longer.

My delight turned to dismay, when my accountant said you're crazy. He states I have to start Keogh and IRA withdrawals no later than Dec. 31 of the year in which I become 70½. He also disputes some of the other things you have written about Keoghs and IRAs.

However, he has been wrong before.

I'm very confused about this whole subject. Where can I get straight information about Keoghs and IRAs?



Investor's Guide

William A. Doyle

ANSWER: For openers, the statement in the previous column was correct. The new withdrawal rules apply to Keogh and IRA participants who turn 70½ in 1985 or later. The mailing shows there is much confusion about withdrawal provisions and the multitudinous other rules governing IRAs and Keogh plans. So many questions on these complicated aspects keep coming in that it is impossible to answer them all in this column.

So, arrangements have been made to provide readers with the best, easy-to-understand literature I have seen on this subject.

Readers can obtain copies of booklets, "IRA Owner's Guide" and "An Updated Guide to Keoghs" by writing to Fields Investments, 82 Devonshire Street, Mail Zone 1-38D, Boston, Mass. 02109. Mark your envelope "Attention Retirement Guides."

By using that rather complicated address, you'll be assured you won't end up on a mailing list and, as always the case with letters to this column, your name and address will be kept confidential.

QUESTION: I like the new arrangement through which people with individual retirement accounts and Keogh plans can recalculate the amount they must withdraw each year after passing age 70½, based on the participant's life expectancy or the joint life expectancy of the participant and his or her beneficiary.

As you have pointed out, by doing this, a person will not outlive his or her IRA and/or Keogh plan. But where can I find a table listing the minimum amounts that must be withdrawn each year in order to satisfy the Internal Revenue Service? I have asked at the mutual fund where I have my IRA and at the bank where my husband has his IRA and Keogh. No help!

ANSWER: You'll find the full set of individual and

joint life expectancy tables on which to base those withdrawals in IRS Publication 575, "Pension and Annuity Income." Get a copy from your local IRS office.

Many IRA and Keogh plan sponsors do the minimum withdrawal calculations automatically or upon request. Others, such as the mutual fund and bank you queried, don't and you have that chore up to IRA and Keogh participants.

Do your arithmetic carefully and make sure you withdraw at least the minimum amounts required. If you under withdraw, the reversion will hit you with tax equal to 50 percent of the amount you should have taken out.

QUESTION: I became 70½ in 1985. I know I will have to withdraw a fraction of the money in my individual retirement account by April 1, 1986. Should I figure how much I must withdraw, based on how much I have in the IRA at that time?

ANSWER: No. The annual minimum withdrawal from an IRA or Keogh plan must be calculated on the balance on the account as of Jan. 1 of the year in which the participant reaches age 70½, based on the participant's life expectancy or the joint life expectancy of you and your IRA beneficiary and you'll know how much you have to take out of the account no later than next April 1.

Then, each subsequent year, do the calculation again, based on your revised life expectancy or the joint life expectancy.

Doyle welcomes written questions, but he can provide answers only through the column.

IRS sends season's greetings

WASHINGTON (AP) — Along with bills and late Christmas cards, Americans can look forward in the next few days to receiving their annual greeting from the Internal Revenue Service.

About 87 million 1985 income tax forms and instructions were mailed to begin flowing into the mails today with the IRS hoping that all taxpayers will have received their forms by Jan. 10.

Despite all the talk this year about a total overhaul of the income tax code, the 1985 forms will look very much like versions in past years.

While the House earlier this month passed a proposal making the most extensive changes in the tax code in 40 years, the measure faces an uncertain future next year in the Senate. Regardless of what happens, the changes will not affect the 1985 returns.

The IRS always mails the forms right

after the Christmas mailing rush in order to give early-bird filers a chance to complete the returns and get their refunds long before the April 15 deadline.

That is the hope anyway. Last year was a disaster for the IRS. Foulups with a new computer system resulted in millions of taxpayers waiting for months to get their refunds.

But where can I find a table listing the minimum amounts that must be withdrawn each year in order to satisfy the Internal Revenue Service? I have asked at the mutual fund where I have my IRA and at the bank where my husband has his IRA and Keogh. No help!

ANSWER: You'll find the full set of individual and

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Tax reform skews planning

By Donald W. Gollogher United Press International

NEW YORK — Don't wait until the last minute. And make sure you keep abreast of potential changes in the tax law so you can make informed decisions on the proper tax strategy to adopt.

Remember Treasury? Then Treasury II.

Acclaimed, attacked, amended. Or how about the "FAIR" tax plan sponsored by Sen. Dan Bradley, D-N.J., and Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo. Or even better the "FAST" or "Fair and Simple" tax plan developed by Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y., and Sen. Robert Kastner, R-Wis.

Fair, fast, and faded.

How's your year-end plan going? What proposal is your strategy based on?

and the acceleration of deductions. "I don't think anybody should be betting on certain provisions getting through," O'Connell said. But a "reasonable gamble can be made that tax reform will be enacted that will include marginal tax rate reductions."

With that in mind, O'Connell advises taxpayers to postpone income into the year when tax rates will be lower and accelerate deductions into the year when rates are at their peak.

Under the Ways and Means committee proposal there would be individual rates — 15, 25, 33 and 38 percent — replacing the current 14 rates that range from 11 percent to 50 percent.

O'Connell said it appears the proposed tax rate reductions will be fully phased in until 1987, so taxpayers who are concerned about the income arrangement should act before the end of this year to take advantage of potentially lower rates in 1987.

"Arrangements to defer income have to be set up before income is earned and that is generally before services are provided," O'Connell said, adding that such arrangements between employee and employer should be in writing.

O'Connell said he is incumbent upon anyone who is thinking about a deferred income arrangement to carefully plan their budget to ensure liquidity.

Thirty-one states and the District of Columbia impose a sales tax of 5 percent or more, with Connecticut ranking the highest. Five states have no sales tax.

State awaits cuts
HARTFORD (AP) — Connecticut's budget officials are trying to decide where federal budget cuts will hit the state.

Anthony W. Milano, secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, said the state will work with the National Association of State Budget Officers to translate into dollars the impact of the federal budget-balancing law that is expected to cut federal funding to Connecticut later this budget year.

Accelerating deductions
should be part of an individual's normal tax planning strategy. In light of the individual rates in the technique has been taken on added significance.

If someone is contemplating the purchase of a big-ticket item — an automobile, for example — "go ahead and buy it" before the end of the year to get the sales tax deduction, said Janice M. Johnson, a member of the national tax office for Seidman & Seidman.

Deductions for charitable contributions also can be accelerated.

"But you must make the contribution now," said Johnson. "You can't just make a pledge, you must make the payment."

And if you do not have the cash to make the payment, Johnson said, you can use your credit card to get the payment on record in the current year.

An example of a charitable contribution deduction is offered by Irv Braunstein, head of tax advisory services for W.H. Newbold's Son & Co.

If you are in a 50 percent tax bracket, and make a \$1,000 contribution before the end of this year, the government will in effect give you \$500 back. But if your rate were reduced next year to 40 percent, you would only receive a \$400 benefit for the same contribution.

Contributions to IRA and Keogh plans are provided a special tax deduction, but there is a major difference in how one takes advantage of these contributions.

Johnson points out that contributions to an IRA may be deductible in 1985 even though the actual contribution does not have to be made until April 15, 1986.

But for the self-employed who open Keogh plans, which have higher contribution levels, Johnson said the plan must be established before the end of the year, even though contributions are not required until the date of the return.

Laws aid consumers

By Renee Heines United Press International

SAN ANTONIO — A tiny Texas firm did ease into this year's lists of fast-growing companies, boosted by the public's steadily rising acceptance of the generic medicines flooding the nation's drugstores.

"Our industry had been increasing in growth about 8 percent a year, but it's now estimated business has increased 25 percent because of the market demand," said George Fields, president of Texas Drug Hope Inc.

The San Antonio pharmaceutical firm has seen its sales climb 511 percent from 1980 (\$785,000) to 1984 (\$4.8 million).

That growth gave the 8-year-old, 34-employee company a spot on Inc. Magazine's 1985 list of the 500 fastest-growing privately-owned firms in the country.

Fields credited the firm's success to last year's passage of laws speeding

licensing of generic versions of drugs, the loss of patent rights by many of the top-selling brands, a growing public knowledge of the savings to be had and new government restrictions in welfare regulations making generic drugs in many instances the customer's only choice.

"The generic version of drug products usually runs from 40 to 60 percent less," Fields said.

"This has been an education process over the years. When we started in business, it was a problem to some degree. People thought they were inferior because the costs were so much different."

"The pharmacist has been able to convince the consumer to take the generic. There's been a lot of publicity. The public as a whole has been informed these products are available generically," he said.

Fields' company buys generic products as they become available, marketing the products to retail pharmacies, hospitals, nursing homes and physicians in Texas and the states bordering it.

The public's growing familiarity with the drugs has been matched by the growing availability of these no-name medicines, boosted by the expiration of the 17-year patent rights of many of the top name-brand drugs.

"Of the top 200 drug products, we've had approximately 120 come off a patent in the last two years," he said.

"We are a middle distributor. We are not a manufacturer. But most of the manufacturers have seen the increased growth way above the 20-25 percent mark," he said.

The silver lining to this gold mine has been the changing federal regulations that have made generic drugs more available to welfare recipients, putting maximum allowable costs on them based, in Texas, on a median price for a list of brand-name and generic drugs.

"What it does is mandates use of generic because of the pricing structure. The brand company price may be \$100, but our price to pharmacists is \$40. The median is, say, \$50," Fields said, making it impossible for the pharmacist to dispense the brand-name product and be reimbursed.

"In the state of Texas, 35 to 40 percent of prescriptions filled is for welfare recipients. The national average is probably close to that. That has created a market for us automatically," Fields said.

"As times get harder, the median income families who have children or parents or who are people on maintenance drugs are being conscious of the costs themselves. They are looking to save money any way they can," he said.

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Auto consultant sees brave new world for industry

By Peter S. Hovav
The Associated Press

NORWALK — In 15 years, American automobiles will consist of interchangeable modules that easily can be swapped or bolted together to form nearly any kind of vehicle a customer desires, according to a consultant to U.S. automakers.

Showrooms of the future won't be filled with cars, he says. Instead, they'll contain computer-driven simulators in which buyers will be able to "drive" under a variety of conditions, test a wide array of options and, when satisfied, punch in their choices.

An order will be electronically shipped to Detroit and the car will be delivered several weeks later.

That scenario is described by Ronald C. Pellman, a self-described "certified car nut" who until last month was chairman of The New Directions Group Inc., a Norwalk-based consultant that has worked on more than 15 projects for Ford Motor Co.

Pellman, dissatisfied with the "new direction New Directions was headed in" as it tended more toward venture capital and less toward consulting, recently left the company.

He took a job with Gifford Pinchot III, author of the popular book, "Intrapreneuring," at Pinchot's New Haven management consulting firm, Pinchot & Co., where Pellman plans to continue with automotive consulting.

Pellman's partings with New Directions was not smooth. Although he still speaks highly of the company, he left with no money—despite having founded New Directions using his home as collateral—and only a 12 percent interest in a Norwalk electronics firm New Directions recently helped start.

He was forced to take an equity loan on the house to carry him between jobs.

"Those are the risks," he said in a recent interview.

A MECHANICAL engineer and race-car driver, Pellman spent five years in the automotive industry at an electric company and, later, to

a consulting firm. He was one of five partners in the original New Directions. Another of the partners was Pinchot.

At Ford, Pellman was principal engineer for the company's advanced vehicle concepts department and, as a consultant, one of his last jobs at New Directions was working with Ford on design approaches for the year 2000, the carmaker's 100th anniversary.

The modular cars, he said, will contain components — front and rear axle assemblies, dashboards, seating and cargo areas — that will be replaced, not repaired, when they break.

If a motorist wants to alter his

vehicle, all that will need to be done is buy or rent a substitute module. "You've got to have a two-wheel-drive car and you want to take a vacation in the mountains?" Pellman asked. "Bring it in Friday morning. It'll be four-wheel-drive by afternoon. You want a longer wheelbase? Put a spacer in it."

Pellman warned, however, that before U.S. automakers can reach that level of sophistication they will have to improve their structures and strategies, particularly as they relate to employee creativity.

"There are too many organizational blocks between getting technology from the design table to

Automakers should shorten design cycles and pay more attention to the entire car, not just their substructures; should make better efforts to understand their markets; should be more forgiving of mistakes and allow their creative workforces the freedom to fail once in a while, he said.

His departure from Ford was out of frustration that "mistakes weren't tolerated," he said.

"The only way I know how not to make mistakes is not to take any risks. When you get into a culture where mistakes are not tolerated, you're in a culture that doesn't progress very quickly."

PELLMAN CRITICIZED De-

partment for being too vertically integrated with each department producing a specific item without considering its relationship to other components in a vehicle.

"One (canister) would have done," he said, but each design team was afraid to make the performance of its system reliant on someone else's system.

"The industry has to take a systems approach," Pellman said. "You need people who are intimate with the product, not with its subfunctions. There aren't many guys around who understand the

product front to back and who can marry that knowledge with the needs of the marketplace.

While these changes are taking place, Pellman said, they are not happening quickly enough "to keep American carmakers even with others that are taking advantage of new technologies and management strategies."

As a consultant, he said, it's his job "to push those changes through, to shorten the time frame."

"The world is still looking for the evangelist with the answer, to say, 'Do it this way,'" Pellman said. "That's why this is such a hard message to sell. At the level I'm at, there is no solution like that. It's all done with people."

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Housing strategy mullied

By Alex Grell
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Democratic town Director Peter DiRosa said today he is optimistic that the town can build housing for elderly people on North Elm Street, despite the fact that an architect's cost estimate for the project came in higher than expected.

"It appears we can go forward," said DiRosa, who is trying to determine what methods are available to finance construction of the 24 apartments planned on town-owned land.

DiRosa said that while planning for the financing is at an early stage, he is optimistic that the units can be built and rented out at an affordable rate. But he said the rate would probably exceed the \$72 per month contemplated earlier this year.

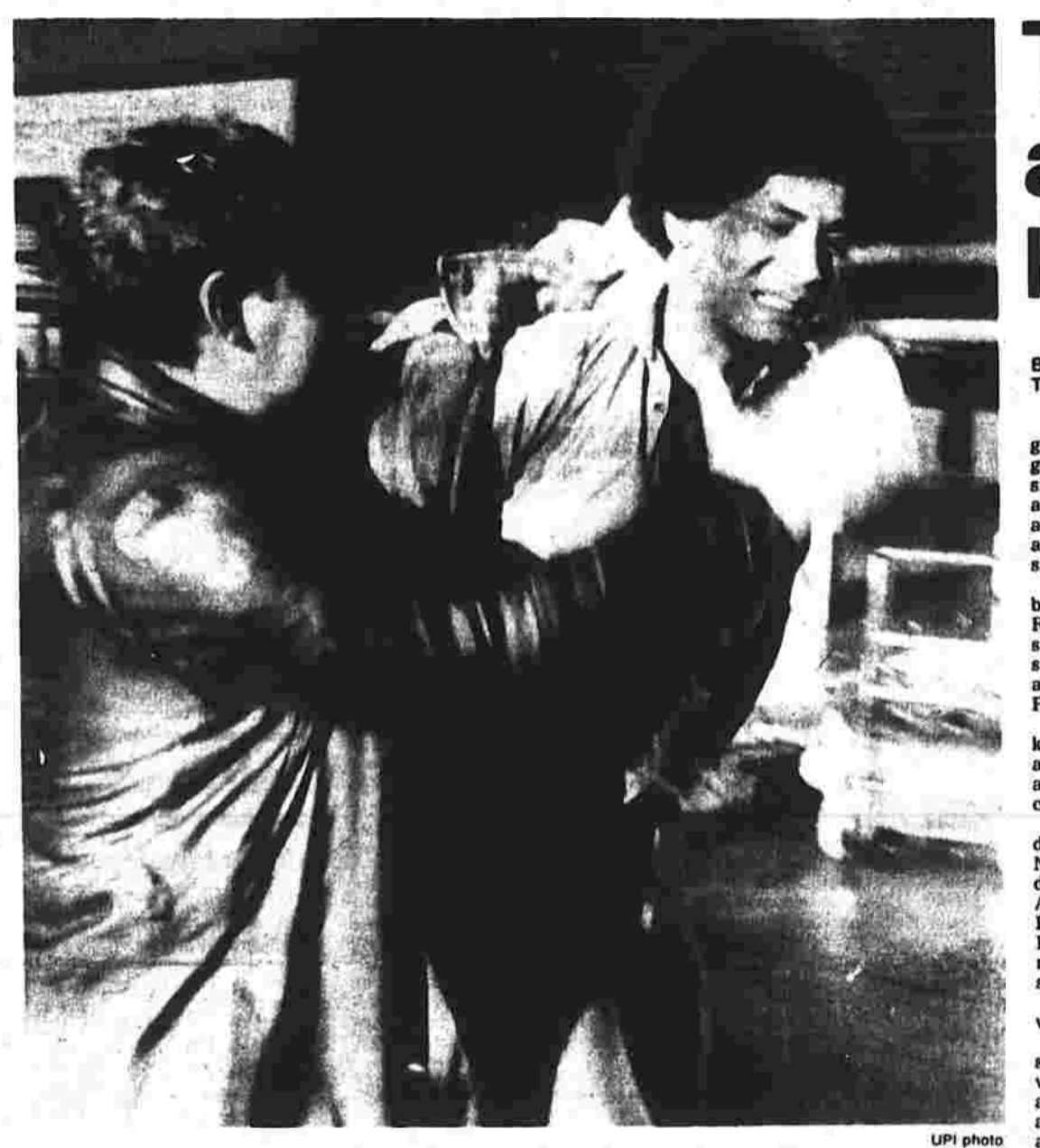
The Board of Directors abandoned plans to ask voters to approve a \$750,000 bond issue for project in the Nov. 5 election after Alan Lamson, the architect who drew preliminary plans for the housing, estimated the cost of building the housing at \$1,257,000. A committee that studied the project earlier had estimated the cost at \$824,000.

DiRosa said today that he expects the town to be able to decide by late spring or early summer whether to proceed with the project.

DiRosa said it appears that even if the town decides not to subsidize the rents, it will be possible to build the units and keep rents within reason.

The 1.8-acre site on North Elm Street where the units would be built was given to the town as a bequest with the stipulation that it be used for housing for elderly people by 1988.

The town could also use the land for a park if it exhausted all possibilities for elderly housing under the terms of the bequest. But it is not allowed to leave the land open, Probate Judge William FitzGerald has said.



Terror attacks at two airports leave 16 dead

By Samuel Koo
The Associated Press

ROME — Terrorists threw hand grenades and fired submachine guns at holiday travelers in simultaneous attacks on Israel's airline El Al at Rome and Vienna airports today, killing 16 people and wounding up to 100, authorities said.

Although El Al was a target in both instances, witnesses at Rome's Leonardo da Vinci Airport said the terrorists, jumping and screaming, fired indiscriminately at passengers checking in TWA, Pan American and El Al.

In all, eight terrorists were known to be involved at Rome and at Vienna's Schwechat Airport, and all were reported killed or captured.

Among those killed at Leonardo da Vinci was an American girl, Natasha Simpson, the 11-year-old daughter of Victor Simpson, The Associated Press news editor in Rome. Also killed were Gen. Domingo Mirande, the Mexican military attaché in Rome, and his secretary, Geneva Jaime.

Simpson and his son, Michael, were hospitalized with injuries. An Italian Interior Ministry spokesman said five terrorists were involved in the Rome attack and that 13 people were killed and about 60 injured. Italian news agencies said the casualty count in Vienna might reach 77.

Three terrorists were involved in the attack at Austria, police there said, and all fled in a commandeered car, but one was shot dead and the two others were captured. The casualty count in Vienna was three dead, up to 40 wounded.

A spokesman for the Israeli foreign minister said in Jerusalem that "the early indication we have points an accusing finger to the PLO," but both the Palestine Liberation Organization office in Rome and a PLO spokesman in Vienna condemned the attacks.

John Paul called the Rome incident a "vicious attack" and said "I express my strongest condemnation for this act of blood."

In Washington, the Reagan administration condemned the attack and expressed hope the perpetrators would be caught and punished.

"We deplore it and hope the criminals are apprehended and punished," White House spokesman Larry Speakes told reporters.



Two Terrorist Attacks On El Al Israel Airlines. Terrorists launched nearly simultaneous attacks in the evening areas of Rome's Leonardo da Vinci Airport and Vienna's Schwechat Airport.

shooting "seemed to go on forever," she said. Flights accepting passengers' baggage at the time of the attacks were TWA 841 to New York, Pan Am 111 to New York and El Al 386 to Tel Aviv.

Some witnesses said the shooting, involving airport security forces, lasted two or three minutes or more. The attack coincided with one against Austria, police there said. The attacks came after Dutch police reported an Interpol warning that a civilian airport might be a terrorist target during the Christmas holidays.

Italy's Interior Ministry spokesman, who refused to be identified, said he was unaware of any Interpol warning. Airport security already was stepped up following a July bombing at Leonardo da Vinci that injured 12 people.

The spokesman said among the dead at Rome were three presumed terrorists who he said "were Middle East types," nine civilians and another man who he presume is an Israeli security agent.

The ministry spokesman said two terrorists were under arrest in Rome, both of them wounded and one in serious condition. Witnesses said one terrorist was seized as he tried to crawl away on a floor covered with blood, shattered glass and bullet-riddled luggage.

"The ministry spokesman and witnesses said the terrorists hid masks partially covering their faces and were dressed in blue jeans and jackets.

ANNA LISA DEL GRAND, a 22-year-old Italian, told AP that she saw three men open fire as she

Recovery questions still loom

NEW YORK (AP) — Here is a true-false test whose answers may be surprising and edifying.

Statement: Adjustable rate mortgages, which generally carry lower initial interest rates, are much more popular than fixed-rate mortgages, which initially carry higher interest rates.

Answer: False. A survey of closings during September and October, conducted by the National Association of Realtors, found a substantially larger percentage of first mortgages used fixed rather than adjustable rates.

It also found that the trend to fixed rates was becoming even more pronounced. By its calculations, the percentage of loans using fixed rates rose to 74 in October from 68 in July.

At the same time, the percentage of adjustable rate mortgages used as first mortgages dropped from 25 percent to 26 percent, the lowest since April 1983.

The Realtors didn't say so, but it seems reasonable to conclude from the results that many homebuyers think that interest rates have declined to acceptable levels — but that they aren't likely to stay there.

Statement: The number of jobs added to the economy since the last recession has averaged an extraordinary 2 million a year.

Answer: False. In the 36 months following the big recession of 1981-1982 the economy has gained between 8.8 million and 19.1 million jobs, which brings the average closer to 3 million.

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Discovery at Yale

NEW HAVEN (AP) — Yale University biologists hope they can learn more about cell growth in humans following their discovery of a gene that guides protein building in fruit flies, the university announced.

The discovery could lead to insights into mechanisms underlying abnormal cell growth in humans, such as cancer, said Spyros Artavanis-Tsakonas, associate professor of biology at Yale on Thursday.

The fruit-fly gene produces a developmentally important protein with striking similarities to a substance known as Epidermal Growth Factor, or EGF, found in humans and mice. Artavanis-Tsakonas said.

EGF in humans and mice is composed of small protein molecules, or peptides, that stimulate cell growth and cell differentiation, much like hormones. Artavanis-Tsakonas said in a statement.

Scientists remain uncertain about how the process works, but studying the protein in fruit flies may provide answers, he said. "Discovery of an EGF-like protein in a relatively simple organism such as the fruit fly has two important implications," Artavanis-Tsakonas said.

"First, it indicates that EGF must be an essential genetic building block because it has been carried almost intact from a common ancestor through eons of evolution into higher life forms. "But more important, we now have numerous avenues of research open to us to discover more about EGF and how it influences cell growth, thanks to the fruit fly's tremendous experimental assets."

Artavanis-Tsakonas presented his findings last week at the Pasteur Institute in Paris and is publishing results of his studies in the Dec. 30 issue of Cell magazine.

The case in maintaining the insect is a harmless species of fruit fly that has interested biologists for decades, Artavanis-Tsakonas said. The ease in maintaining the insect system par excellence to study inheritance," he said.

Fruit flies aid gene research

Genetic mutations can be introduced easily into the fruit fly through radiation exposure, while its distinct genetic banding patterns enable scientists to easily locate specific genes on chromosomes segments. Artavanis-Tsakonas said.

Chromosomes are made of genes, the basic chemical building blocks of life. Artavanis-Tsakonas said he and his research team have focused for four years on the "Notch" gene, which determines which cells in the developing fly embryo become nervous-system cells and which become epidermal, or skin, cells.

Damaging the Notch gene can cause a cell destined to become skin tissue to become neural tissue, he said. "Notch genes produce a protein that we believe adheres to the membrane surface of a cell and somehow mediates cell-to-cell communication," he said. "We believe this communication is important in controlling cell differentiation in the embryo."

The Notch gene is a chain of roughly 2,700 amino acids. Part of its sequence is much like EGF protein found in humans and mice, Yale reported.

The similarity "may enable us for the first time to map out logical series of experiments that may one day tell us what triggers certain cells to follow a normal or abnormal pathway during development," Artavanis-Tsakonas said.

The research team includes graduate students Kristi A. Wharton, Kristin M. Johnson and Tian Xu. Artavanis-Tsakonas said they hope to isolate the EGF-like protein by finding an antibody to which it will adhere and then produce it in large quantities for experiments. The team's research was financed by the National Institutes of Health.

Society is counting on a bird's-eye view

More than 40 avian enthusiasts will be up bright and early Saturday morning for the annual North American winter-bird count. The bird count is an annual tradition in which birders throughout North America — from Nome, Alaska, to the Panama Canal zone, McGrath said.

Manchester is among eight towns within a 15-mile radius of the Old Statehouse in Hartford involved in the count, said Todd McGrath of Manchester, coordinator of the local count. The bird count will be conducted Saturday by Audubon societies throughout North America — from Nome, Alaska, to the Panama Canal zone, McGrath said.

Cold air coming in from Canada is expected to produce some unusual bird sightings, McGrath said. Early reports indicate Manchester bird watchers may see the all-white Iceland gull, pine siskin and possibly bluebirds, he said.

Manchester is a good place for bird watching and usually comes in first or second each year in the number of sightings in the area, with 50 different kinds of birds recorded in town last year, he said. Some of the best bird watching spots inside the town limits on Cicest Street, Wickham Park and a grove of trees at the end of Lanphigh Drive. Some unusual northern sea gulls usually appear at the inn here, McGrath said.

Anyone who wants to participate in the bird count should contact McGrath at 688-8227 for details and maps. A basic familiarity with local birds is helpful, but enthusiasm is the main prerequisite, McGrath said.

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