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Thursday, March 13, 1986 25 Cents

Spanish voters rebuff Communists

MADRID, Spain (UPI) — Spaniards voted overwhelmingly to remain in NATO, dealing a stinging defeat to the Communists and leaving the Socialist government of Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez triumphant.

Soviets extend moratorium on nuclear tests

The Soviet Union will continue its unilateral moratorium on nuclear testing until the United States conducts a test of its own, Kremlin leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev said in a statement released today.

Kuehl takes town GOP's top position

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Both mall developers see victory

Now, with most of the paper work done, the developers could be entering the home stretch of the battle.

Nicaragua not on envoy's itinerary

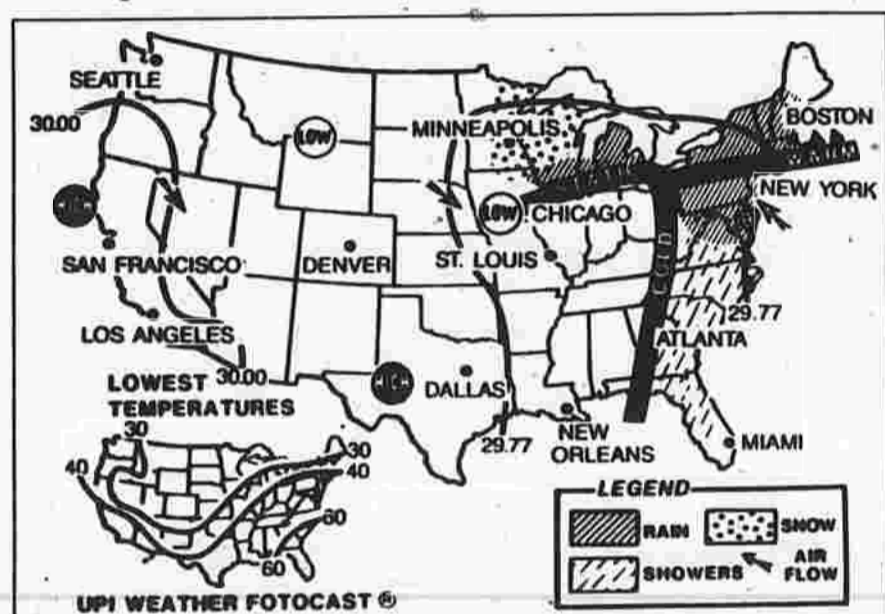
SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (UPI) — U.S. special envoy Philip Habib said he will travel to several Central American nations — but not Nicaragua — in a search for a "rational" just solution to the civil war ravaging the region.

WEATHER



The drip won't leave us

Today: Occasional rain and drizzle with highs 35 to 40. Tonight: Foggy with occasional rain and temperatures rising to 45 or 50. Friday: Mostly cloudy and mild with a 40 percent chance of showers and highs in the 50s. Drawing by Christina Durdek, 9, of 122 Chestnut St., a fourth-grader at Saint James School.



National forecast

During early Friday, showers and thunderstorms are forecast for most of the Atlantic Coast States. Snow is forecast for parts of the Upper Mississippi Valley and the Upper Great Lakes, with rain predicted for the Great Lakes, the Upper Ohio Valley and the North Atlantic Coast. Snow is also possible in the Northern Plains and the Central Intermountain Region. Elsewhere the weather will be fair.

PEOPLE

Artists fight racism

Pete Seeger, Gil Scott-Heron and folk singer Holly Near plan to appear during a 10-hour concert in Nashville, Tenn. April 12 to raise money to fight apartheid in South Africa, officials say. More than a dozen groups are expected to perform during the concert, and proceeds will go to South African Bishop Desmond Tutu's scholarship and refugee funds, to the Washington-based anti-apartheid lobby TransAfrica, and to the Afro-American Cultural Alliance here, said organizer Asahid Himons. Himons, a member of a local reggae-blues fusion band, African Dreamland, began organizing the concert last November. Scott-Heron, who wrote the protest song "Johannesburg," is waiting to sign a contract, said his agent, Bruce Nichols.

Mercury fights drugs

Former Miami Dolphins running back Eugene "Mercury" Morris, who spent three years in prison on a cocaine conviction,

Andy on the prowl

Prince Andrew and Sarah Ferguson,



A group of day school youngsters appear to be having fun as they march down Boylston Street in Boston Tuesday during rainy and windy weather. The teacher's better judgment prevailed eventually, and the group took shelter in a nearby church.

Judith's light dress

The star of television's "Who's the Boss" says she was so overweight as a young acting student, "I wore a yellow dress and looked like a canary." Judith Light, interviewed in the April issue of McCall's magazine, adds, "We are talking about serious overeating. I'm talking about a box of cookies, then a chocolate pudding, then a half gallon of ice cream." Light, who weighed as much as 160 pounds while appearing in the soap opera "One Life to Live," says she ate to relieve tension while studying at Carnegie Tech's School of Acting in New York. Now a slim size four, Light says, "I wanted success and was afraid of success, so I'd go home and eat."

Collins builds dynasty

"I grew up in an era when a job was something you did to pass time until you got married," says "Dynasty" actress Joan Collins, named Woman of the Year by the California Federation of Business and Professional Women. "I'm very happy to learn that has changed today and there are women at the forefront of every profession." Asked what kind of businesswoman her character Alexis would make, Collins says, "She'd be a very efficient and stylishly dedicated. Alexis prefers not to be bothered with questions about her ability. Anyone who would ask obviously hasn't seen the bottom line of her credit sheet."

Today's forecast

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Occasional rain and drizzle today. Highs 35 to 40. Tonight foggy with occasional rain. Temperatures rising into the 40s. Friday mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Highs in the 50s. Maine: Snow spreading southwest to northeast this afternoon changing to rain southwest portion. Highs in the 30s. Snow north and rain southwest coastal sections with mixed snow, sleet and freezing rain elsewhere. Lows in the 20s north to mid 30s south. Snow likely north and occasional rain or snow likely elsewhere Friday. Highs in the 30s north to mid 40s south. New Hampshire: Light snow by afternoon, changing to rain central and southern sections but may accumulate 1 to 3 inches in the mountains and north before mixing with sleet and freezing rain. Highs in the 30s. Mixed precipitation changing to rain north and mountains and rain elsewhere tonight with steady or slowly rising temperatures. Rain likely Friday. Highs in the 40s. Vermont: Snow quickly changing to rain south today but continuing north until changing to freezing rain towards evening. Accumulation around an inch south with up to 3 inches north. Occasional rain south, freezing rain changing to rain north tonight. Temperatures in the 30s and low 40s. Friday milder with rain likely north and a chance of rain south. Highs in the mid 40s to mid 50s.

Extended outlook

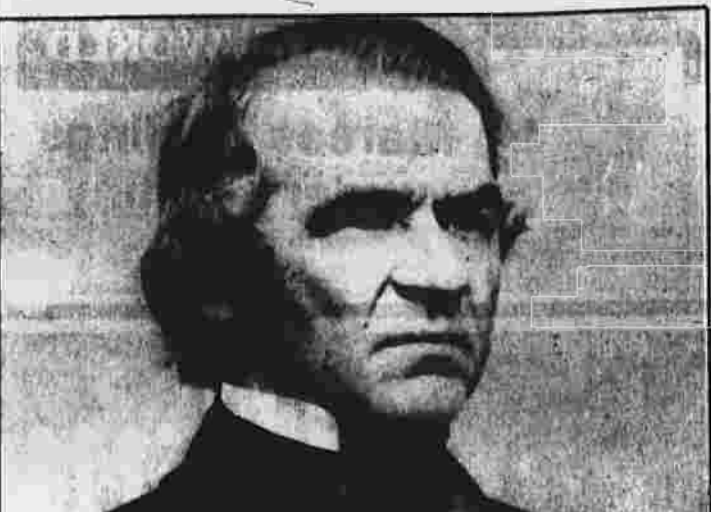
Extended outlook for New England Saturday through Monday. Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island: Chance of showers Saturday, Fair Sunday and Monday. Overnight lows in the 30s and low 40s Saturday, cooling gradually to the upper 20s and 30s Monday. Daytime highs in the 50s Saturday, cooling gradually to the 40s Monday. Vermont: Mild with a chance of showers over the weekend. Dry Monday. Highs in the 40s. Lows in the 30s. Maine: Chance of rain near the coast rain or freezing rain central freezing rain or snow north Saturday, clearing Sunday. Fair Monday. Lows in the mid 20s to mid 30s Saturday dropping into the teens and lower 20s by Monday. Highs in the upper 30s north to near 50 south Saturday cooling to between 30 and 40 by Monday. New Hampshire: Chance of rain south and rain or mixed precipitation north Saturday. Clearing Sunday. Clouding up Monday, a chance of rain or snow south. Lows in the upper 20s and 30s Saturday dropping to the teens and lower 20s Monday. Highs in the upper 30s north to near 50 south Saturday cooling to the 30s and lower 40s Monday.

Across the nation

Showers and thunderstorms will extend from the Ohio Valley through the Tennessee Valley, Alabama, Georgia and northern Florida as well as from the Virginia and Maryland mountains through parts of the Carolinas. Snow will prevail over northern New England, changing to rain across New York state, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Rain will also be widespread from lower Michigan to southeast Kansas.

Lottery

Connecticut daily Wednesday: 228
Play Four: 0595
Other numbers drawn Wednesday in New England:
Tri-state daily: 088, 439
Rhode Island daily: 4681
Rhode Island weekly: 279, 2152



In 1968, the U.S. Senate began impeachment proceedings against President Andrew Johnson on charges of "high crime and misdemeanors." He was acquitted — by one vote.

Today in history

1781, the distant planet Uranus was discovered by British astronomer William Herschel. In 1855, Spanish artist Juan Gris in 1887; publisher Walter Annenberg in 1908 (age 78); CIA Director William Casey and band leader Sammy Kaye in 1913 (both age 73), and actress Deborah Raffin in 1963 (age 33).

Almanac

Today is Thursday, March 13, the 72nd day of 1968 with 293 to follow. The moon is moving toward its first quarter. The morning stars are Mars, Jupiter and Saturn. The evening stars are Mercury and Venus. Those born on this date are under the sign of Pisces. The English chemist Joseph Priestly, the discoverer of oxygen, in 1733; Spanish artist Juan Gris in 1887; publisher Walter Annenberg in 1908 (age 78); CIA Director



Government support for down-out citizens is not new, nor is it only the province of wealthy industrialized societies. The Sumerians had a welfare program that provided food to families of farmers during drought and crop failure. Unemployed workers in Sumer also received welfare. As far back as 2100 B.C., Egyptians gave mandatory allotments of seed to farmers who had suffered a bad season. Egyptian rulers also took pity on palace beggars.

DO YOU KNOW — Who is the current Secretary of Health and Human Services? **WEDNESDAY'S ANSWER —** A brownie is the figure representing young girl scouts.

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Confidence prevails in mall race despite lawsuits

The developers also need traffic permits from the state Traffic Commission. Homart has already applied for a permit and has said he will have an advantage should it receive the permit first. Bronson and Hutensky has not yet applied. "I don't know why they are dragging their feet," Charlie H. May, vice president of Homart, said Friday. Homart claims its advantage could come in the way the Traffic Commission makes its decision on the permit. When applying, a developer must include a traffic study with an analysis of the impact of the development on traffic in the area. "If we issue a permit to one," said William W. Stoeckert, executive director of the Traffic Commission, "and the other applicant..."

Republican Town Committee backs Bozzuto in straw poll

Ballot toward the close of a Republican Town Committee meeting in the hearing room of Lincoln Center. Republican gubernatorial candidate Richard Bozzuto of Watertown won the widest support in a straw vote of Republican Town Committee members Wednesday night that will determine how Manchester's delegates are apportioned to the four GOP candidates seeking the nomination. Bozzuto got 38 votes to 17 for Gerald Labriola of Nauvucket and 12 for Julie Belaga of Westport. Romeo Petroni of Ridgfield got no votes. Mathematically, that works out to nine Manchester delegates for Bozzuto, four for Labriola and three for Belaga. Newly elected Republican Town Chairman Chairman Diana Kuehl said after the vote that while it is not binding, she hopes delegates will vote for their designated candidates at least on the first ballot at the party's state convention July 25 and 26. The poll was taken by paper

GOP picks Kuehl for top spot

Continued from page 1. The committees on which they want to serve. He listed the committees and left one sheet for people to sign up for ad hoc committees to do temporary jobs. He said copies of minutes of each meeting will be sent to each committee member as required by party bylaws. Thus no committee member will have a reason to say he does not know what is going on because he missed a meeting, he said. He called the straw vote on delegates the first step in forming a "united and harmonious town committee for winning elections this year and next year, and every year after that." Earlier, in an acceptance speech, Kuehl said: "My main target is to win the election in 1967. Even as we work toward that goal we will be helping ourselves in the 1968 election." In 1965, Manchester Republicans won only those seats guaranteed them under the state's minority representation laws. They held three seats on the Board of Directors of the Democrats' six. Kuehl called for an effort to swell the ranks of Republican voters this year of the same strength as the party puts forth in a presidential election year. Leaders of the 12 voting district committees are important, Kuehl said, because "policy decisions are made there and verified above." "District leaders are the boss," he said. And he said the district committees are responsible for all the Republicans in the district. Smith, who did not seek re-election as chairman, told the committee he does not plan to

what it before it at the time. By law, he said, the commission must act on an application within 120 days. The three-member commission can stop that time limit only to ask for additional traffic information — not to wait for another developer to file his application, Stoeckert said. "We're not in a position to pick and choose," he said. "We have to deal with the facts we know, not with what may be coming." The commission has about 70 days left to act on Homart's application. Free said that the key is not in the traffic permit, but rather in six lawsuits that have been filed against plans for both malls. A group of South Windsor residents has filed a lawsuit against the Planning and Zoning Commission in their town, in

connection with a zone change granted the Winchester developers. That case will be heard in Hartford Superior Court March 25. THE OTHER FIVE suits have been filed in connection with the Winchester PZC. Four of those were brought by the developers of the South Windsor planning department. They are also seeking a special exception from Manchester planning officials because they want to build on more than four acres and put in more than 60 parking spaces. Homart needs to submit a subdivision plan for its site because Manchester zoning regulations require a number of residential units around the shopping center. If the case against the South Windsor PZC goes against the residents, Bronson and Hutensky will file their final site plan with the South Windsor planning department. They are also seeking a special exception from Manchester planning officials because they want to build on more than four acres and put in more than 60 parking spaces. Homart needs to submit a subdivision plan for its site because Manchester zoning regulations require a number of residential units around the shopping center. Hutensky admitted that a law-

Rail plan clears hurdle

The proposed Rockville Railroad clears a major hurdle Wednesday, a public hearing was held on the bill by the committee. The bill would establish the Rockville Railroad. The bill would also establish the commuter rail service between Manchester and Hartford. If that proves successful, Simmons said he will try to extend operations into the southern part of Manchester, Rockville and Willimantic. A track between the North End of Manchester and Hartford is currently used by Conrail for freight service. Simmons would have to negotiate with Conrail to use the 10-mile stretch. There is no track between Manchester and Columbia. Service between those two points ended in the early 1970s, and the track was torn up by the state and sold for scrap in 1975. However, the state does own

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By John F. Kirch Herald Reporter

A nurse's aide at the Crestfield-Fenwood nursing home who was fired last week for job because she violated the company's rules and not because she supported the union that represents workers at the home, an attorney representing the owners said Tuesday.

Home's attorney denies union charges

Crestfield-Fenwood regulations prohibit employees from soliciting members for any cause, Scheer said. Union officials have filed charges against the owners — Manchester attorneys Roland Castelman and Josiah Lesser, and Vernon social worker Howard (Dickstein) — with the National Labor Relations Board in connection with the firing of Chesky. Chesky said management told her that she was fired for her union talk.

Town Director Stephen Cassano addresses the Older Adults Association of Manchester Community College Wednesday, where he painted a bleak picture for elderly people.

He told them that cuts in the federal budget will have a direct effect on them, especially on health care programs.

Cassano paints grim picture for elderly

"The problem is local problems are not local," Cassano said, referring to such issues as waste-water treatment and transportation. He said the Dial-a-Ride program that serves senior citizens will probably be affected by federal cuts, for instance. A decrease in federal revenue sharing will burden the town with costs previously covered, such as capital expenditures. Part of a \$46,000 capital expense item in the proposed budget is a request for two new police cruisers.

Coventry proposal calls for raising taxes and spending

By Jacqueline Bennett Herald Correspondent

COVENTRY — Town Manager Harold Hodge presented a proposed budget of \$9.6 million for fiscal 1986-87 to the Town Council Wednesday night. The proposal, which calls for a 2.9 percent increase in property taxes and a 25 percent increase in government spending, met with sharp criticism from council members.

Batterson, Walsh are parties' picks

By George Lavne Herald Reporter

COVENTRY — Gregg Batterson has been chosen to serve another two-year term as head of the Republican Town Committee, and the wife of outgoing Democratic Town Chairman Robert "Skip" Walsh will succeed her husband as party leader. The GOP executive committee remained unchanged in serving as delegates to the Democratic town caucus on March 25 to represent Coventry party members at each convention, with final selections coming at an April 1 caucus.

NASA lets county in on probe

Examiner's office to monitor check of Challenger remains

By Howard Benedict The Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — NASA and the Air Force will permit representatives of the county medical examiner's office to be present when remains of shuttle Challenger's astronauts are examined, the office said today.

Marcos millions located

By Howard Benedict The Associated Press

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — A government commission created to recover wealth allegedly plundered from the Philippines by Ferdinand E. Marcos has discovered a \$80 million Swiss bank account held by the ousted ruler, a commission official said today.

Televised Soviet launch puts two men in space

By Howard Benedict The Associated Press

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Union launched two cosmonauts into space today, the first manned space shot since the space shuttle Challenger exploded Jan. 28, killing all seven astronauts aboard.

"Medicare and Medicaid are going to have to make lots of cuts in order to stay intact," one woman asked. "I just hope I can stay healthy," said Gardner Dresser of Gilstonbury, a retired employee of Hamilton Standard.

Water at Bolton schools is safe, tests show

BOLTON — Students at Bolton Central and Elementary schools can again drink water from the buildings' water fountains because tests found that the water is free of coliform bacteria and is safe to drink, a routine sampling of the water in February discovered unsafe levels of the bacteria, prompting School Superintendent Richard Packman to cancel classes for a day. Students and staff members have been provided with bottled drinking water since Feb. 20.

Scholarship forms available

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OPINION

Equal work deserves equal pay

Opponents of forming a fund to bring the salaries of the state's female employees in line with those of their male counterparts offer a weak excuse for rejection of the legislation that would set the process in motion.

Both Rep. Francis O'Neill, R-Gulfport, and Rep. Otto Neumann, R-Granby, say the price tag of \$40 million over four years is too steep for the state. Other lawmakers will no doubt agree and be equally wrong.

The measure would establish a fund big enough to make up the difference between what the state pays women and what it pays men for doing equivalent work. The double standard that results from such disparity is an insult to diligent employees and demands correction.

Fortunately, the Labor Committee, which O'Neill co-chairs, bucked his leadership and approved the measure Tuesday by a 10-4 vote. Under the proposal, money would be distributed from the fund through collective bargaining to relieve the inequity in pay scales.

The measure now goes to the Appropriations Committee, where it faces an uncertain future.

Without question, the spending panel and the entire Legislature should support the measure. It would correct a pay imbalance that has existed for too long and demonstrate the state's commitment to equal opportunity.

Connecticut, which regulates numerous areas of private industry, cannot viably demand fairness from employers until it gets its own house in order.

A 1979 study of state job classifications found that the greater the proportion of women in the particular job, the lower the pay and the greater the disparity between what women earn and what men were paid.

Another survey of all 26,000 job classifications is not expected to be completed until January 1987.

But without legislative action, can anyone honestly expect a change in the situation?

The bill establishing the fund received support from members of the state's congressional delegation at a news conference earlier this week. Congresswomen Nancy Johnson and Barbara Kennelly and Senators Christopher Dodd and Lowell Weicker all joined to urge adoption of the bill.

"Now's the time to prepare to provide funding so that we can have basic pay equity in this state," Kennelly said. "If not now, when? If not when the coffers are healthy, when can you provide for something like this?"

Her words ring true.

Now is the time to eliminate sex-based wage discrimination and make a good-faith gesture to capable, valuable employees. Any lawmaker who fails to understand that should be taught a lesson at the polls.

Letters policy
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Democrats taste DiRosa's independence

As a Democrat, town Director Peter DiRosa last week displayed the same kind of independence—or stubbornness, depending on one's point of view—that got him into trouble with his colleagues when he was a Republican.

DiRosa, who was accused when he led the Republican minority on the Board of Directors of siding too often with the Democratic majority, cast his vote at a March 4 meeting with the three Republican directors against a resolution that would have called on Congress to continue the federal revenue sharing program after September, when it is scheduled to expire.

DiRosa's vote was decisive. The resolution needed five votes for passage; the fact that Majority Leader Stephen Penny was absent and the Republicans opposed the measure meant the Democrats needed DiRosa's vote to succeed.

When DiRosa left the GOP in the spring of 1985 and returned to the Democratic Party, which had been his political home once before, the Democrats had no trouble welcoming him. They must have known when they placed him on the ticket in November that they were getting someone who would not automatically conform to every party position.

But Deputy Mayor DiRosa's vote at the meeting came as a disappointment to Mayor Barbara Weisberg and to Director Stephen Casano, both of whom have been trying to save the federal revenue sharing program from becoming a victim of federal efforts to cut the budget.



Open Forum

IOH says thanks for Civitan gift

To the Editor:

I wish to thank the Herald for the recognition given to Manchester Civitan's generous gift of \$500 to help the Instructors of the Handicapped build their pool. The teenagers of this organization who spend their Sunday afternoons teaching handicapped people to swim have been working very hard for many years to raise money for a specially designed and equipped pool to aid them in their teaching. This has been a tremendous undertaking for these young people and now that their goal is finally in sight, they have gone to the community for assistance in reaching it. The IOH extends its gratitude to the Civitan Club for this generous and timely gift.

Ed Adams
Adult Adviser
Instructors of the Handicapped

Senior citizens need lots of help

To the Editor:

This is an open letter to Connecticut legislators: It seems that it's your duty to help the senior citizens in Connecticut. They really need a lot of help in paying for doctor bills, drug prescriptions and also taxes, which have gotten out of hand. The elderly are getting older every day and have to pay the same prices as someone making the big money. There are a lot of people in this state in poverty who need a lot of help. You let the bridges and roads deteriorate. So, please don't let this happen to the elderly. Are you waiting for all of us to die before something is done? All of you will be old some day; so let's have some action now. About spending 11 million dollars for another marker plate; I'm sorry, but the elderly can't eat that. So, please don't let the elderly down and make them go over the hill to the poor farm.



Manchester Spotlight
Alex Girelli

A message delivered
Members of the Board of Directors obviously made it clear to Town Manager Robert Weiss before they met March 4 that they were not ready to add two full-time inspectors to the Building Division until they were in a position to consider the move in connection with the budget for the



'Gambler' wins backing from official

WASHINGTON — Richard Armitage, assistant defense secretary for international security affairs, has drawn mixed reviews for his high-profile activities lately. He was blamed for the confusion over the POW-MIA issue, but then got high marks for his part in the successful outcome of the Philippines crisis.

The White House is now reportedly concerned about Armitage's acknowledged friendship with a woman who has been implicated in illegal organized gambling operations in the Washington suburb of Arlington, Va. She is a Vietnamese refugee, Nguyen Thi O'Rourke, and she has pleaded guilty to conducting an illegal gambling operation.

We first reported the story two months ago, after the President's Commission on Organized Crime questioned Armitage about his relationship with O'Rourke. The commission grew concerned after learning that Armitage had written a letter, on official Defense Department stationery, urging the Arlington County Court to "show mercy" to O'Rourke.

Armitage told the commission and us that he had been a friend of O'Rourke's since his service in Vietnam and had seen her on numerous occasions in this country. But he denied knowing of her alleged involvement in organized crime.

Our associates Donald Goldberg and Corky Johnson have now learned that O'Rourke has been linked by law enforcement officials to Raj Kumar Bansal, described in police records as a major gambler and loan shark heavily involved in organized crime. He was recently arrested on gambling charges in Virginia. In an interview, Bansal denied any involvement in gambling, and said he didn't know why he had been arrested. He said O'Rourke is a friend of his, but that they have had no business dealings.

A report on file in the Arlington court, referring to a 1983 organized crime report from next-door Alexandria, Va., states: "Bansal was a major gambling figure who was tied to the organization of Michael A. Larusso, also known as Mario A. Scarfoni; James Corbit Ballard; Roger W. Simkins Jr.; Herbie Cole, (and) Richard A. McCaleb, all known and convicted gambling and organized crime figures."

According to the report, Bansal recently assumed operation of a Washington, D.C., adult movie house from Cole, who is described as "into gambling and narcotics" and who is now serving time for tax evasion.

The REPORT filed with the court quotes law enforcement officials as saying that "Bansal was the person who was over the Nguyen Thi O'Rourke gambling operation." O'Rourke, given immunity to testify before the president's crime commission, stated in secret testimony that she phoned Bansal at his office two or three times a day. In police records, she is quoted as saying, "As the money got more and more, I couldn't cover the bets, so I passed the bets to the bigger people in Washington."

While O'Rourke was awaiting trial on the gambling charges, according to police records, she and a friend were stopped by police as they were leaving a high-stakes gambling operation in Silver Spring, Md. Her friend had allegedly fired a machine gun during a dispute moments before. Police sought to revoke O'Rourke's bond after that incident.

Three months later, on June 6, 1985, Armitage wrote to the Arlington court on O'Rourke's behalf, describing her as "a successful businesswoman (with) a reputation for fairness and honesty." Referring to her arrest, the Pentagon official wrote: "I believe that this experience has chastened her, clearly embarrassed her and certainly has left her with a better appreciation of our own law and norms."

Armitage told us he had been asked by O'Rourke's attorney to write the letter, and said he hadn't seen the woman since he wrote it. Neither O'Rourke nor her attorney could be reached for comment.

Eye on the Pentagon
Defense Department regulations supposedly forbid a company hired to appraise a future weapons program from bidding on any resulting production contracts. This is to prevent an obvious conflict of interest. But the Union of Concerned Scientists believes the rules have been suspended for the Strategic Defense Initiative (Star Wars). None of the contracts for major studies now under way contain the conflict-of-interest safeguard of the program. This could be part of a White House plan to spread money around and ensure that all the major defense contractors have a stake in killing opposition to Star Wars.

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U.S./World In Brief

Police arrest Palme suspect

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Police have arrested a man on suspicion of complicity in the murder of Prime Minister Olof Palme, a Stockholm police official said today.

After Sweden's new agency reported a man was being held, Stockholm police spokesman Lef Halberg said, "I can confirm that after following up various tips, we had reason to arrest a man on suspicion of complicity in the murder."

He was brought in last night at 8:25 p.m. and booked for interrogation," Halberg said. "The arrest was made for further investigation of the man's possible part in the murder."

House plans vote on budget

WASHINGTON — Democratic leaders decided to subject President Reagan's budget to an almost certain defeat in the House today — a move Republicans charged was a political exercise designed simply to embarrass the president.

In the Senate, budget leaders were moving in a bipartisan way to fashion an alternative to Reagan's budget, but on the House side the political sniping continued.

Senate sources said they were nearing agreement on a budget that would grant a very small increase in funds for the Pentagon and include about \$15 billion in new revenue. Reagan wants more than an 8 percent hike for the military and no general tax increases in fiscal 1987.

House Democratic leaders took the unusual step of scheduling a full House vote on Reagan's budget before it was considered by the House Budget Committee and planned four hours of debate on the document that is almost all but considered dead.

Meese backs gun measure

WASHINGTON — Attorney General Edwin Meese, under fire from law enforcement for supporting easing gun laws, has told a House committee he feels comfortable with a compromise gun bill on its way to the House floor.

Meese has angered law enforcement organizations because he has supported another gun bill — backed by the National Rifle Association — that would allow the interstate sale of handguns as well as rifles and shotguns.

On Tuesday, the Judiciary Committee unanimously approved the compromise bill, which would require that police be notified about all handgun sales so they can check the background of the purchaser. It would permit interstate sales of rifles and shotguns but tighten other gun regulations.

The committee deleted a proposal to impose a 15-day waiting period before handgun sales could be made — a proposal likely to reemerge next week when the compromise faces a tough fight on the House floor.

Panel tackles tax overhaul

WASHINGTON — The chairman of the Senate Finance Committee is unveiling a far-reaching plan for overhauling the federal income tax — a proposal that would be paid for in part by regular increases in taxes on gasoline, cigarettes and alcoholic beverages.

The proposal by Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., which was still undergoing revision late Wednesday, would reduce the income taxes of most Americans and raise the burden on corporations.

Similar to a plan recommended last year by President Reagan and to one passed by the House in December, it would produce the biggest change in the tax system in more than 30 years.

Coupon fraud ring cracked

WOODLAND GARDENS

MIAMI (UPI) — Postal inspectors issued discount coupons for a non-existent roach spray to trap 93 grocers, newspaper distributors and other suspected participants in a \$186 million coupon redemption fraud ring.

The undercover investigation — "Operation Clip" — broke up a multistate ring that took in \$1 million a week by redeeming coupons for products that were never purchased, Mark Grey, Miami's top postal inspector, said Wednesday.

The suspects obtained large numbers of coupons from independent newspaper distributors and printing warehouses and set up a "regular cottage industry" of people to clip and sort coupons in their homes, Grey said.

They then mailed them to legitimate coupon clearinghouses, according to Grey, who said the suspects collected refunds from manufacturers for discounts they supposedly gave customers who purchased the products.

The fact of the matter is, the consumers never even handled the coupons," Grey said. "Simply stated, for the past several years between 700 and 800 retail grocery merchants, acting in concert, defrauded the grocery industry of more than \$186 million."

Investigators have identified 250 members of the ring nationwide, he said. Warrants were issued charging 93 people — 69 people in Florida, 15 in South Carolina, and eight in Charleston, S.C. — with fraud, conspiracy and other racketeering-related offenses. On Wednesday, 51 were arrested in Florida, four in South Carolina and 13 in California.

Indictments and additional charges are expected to be filed in those states as well as New York, said postal inspector R.W. Willoughby.

Postal inspectors set up "Operation Clip" 16 months ago when a clearinghouse official reported he had been offered a 50-percent kickback if he would cooperate in a coupon fraud scheme.

Undercover agents infiltrated the ring, gathered evidence, then set up the sting with the cooperation of Lee's Marketing, a coupon clearinghouse in Mount Prospect, Ill.

The agents printed 25-cent-off coupons for a non-existent roach spray, which they named "Broach," inserted the coupons into south Florida newspapers and arranged for Lee's Marketing to redeem them.

Industry sources have estimated some coupon out-of-every-the-redemption is redeemed fraudulently. In 1985, American companies distributed 180 billion coupons and paid \$2.24 billion in refunds and handling fees for the 6.5 billion that were redeemed, postal statistics showed.

Henry Goodson, manager of corporate security for Proctor & Gamble, said manufacturers are aware of the risks involved in issuing coupons.

"But we're still in it," he said. "Obviously they haven't found a better way to advertise a product."

Catherine Howard, the fifth queen of King Henry VIII, was executed in 1542.

Both sides of Contra issue step up lobbying campaigns

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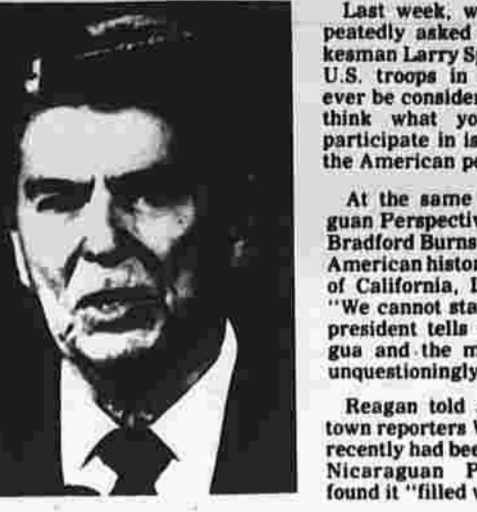
WASHINGTON — "Muammar Khadafi has plans for America," says the television announcer as a picture of the Libyan dictator flashes on the screen. "He sits on our doorstep — supplying arms and terrorist experts to the communists in Nicaragua."

The lead editorial in a slick paper magazine says, "Our responsibility as U.S. citizens is to challenge President Reagan's distorted logic and stop the vicious war being fought in our name. ... Every day, more Nicaraguans are murdered by the U.S.-armed Contras."

Reagan calls the commercial, part of a \$2 million television blitz sponsored by the National Endowment for the Preservation of Liberty, "a vital link in the effort to forge a democratic outcome in Nicaragua."

He calls the magazine, Nicaragua Perspectives, published by the Nicaraguan Information Center in Berkeley, Calif., "pure propaganda" put out by a "great disinformation network."

No matter what you call them, the television ads and the magazine article are significant elements in the battle over Reagan's proposed \$100 million package of aid to Contra guerrillas fighting



PRESIDENT REAGAN
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Nicaragua's leftist Sandinista government.

House and Senate votes on Reagan's aid request are expected next week after the president addresses the nation in a speech Sunday.

In the meantime, journalists covering the debate are catching criticism from both sides.

"It is a propaganda thing against the Contras and against us and in favor of them (the Sandinistas)," he said, adding that a "prominent university professor had written a lead article in this particular issue, and if that is what he tells his students, God help them, because it was pure propaganda."

The president prefaced his remarks by saying, "There is a great disinformation network that is at work throughout our country."

Reagan told a group of out-of-town reporters Wednesday that he recently had been handed a copy of Nicaragua Perspectives and found it "filled with propaganda."

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Obituaries

Beatrice S. Allen, 61, of Storrs, died Tuesday at her home, 331 West... She was born in Hartford, July 19, 1924... She moved to Storrs three years ago...

Florence Spaulding

Florence (Housmann) Spaulding, 66, of 91 Hamlin St., died Wednesday night at Hartford Hospital...

Paul J. Dodge

Paul J. Dodge, 73, of 14 Sycamore Lane, died Wednesday at Manchester Memorial Hospital... He was the husband of Annabelle (McCarthy) Dodge...

John J. Trivigno

John J. Trivigno, 88, of East Hartford, died today at an area convalescent home... He was born in Castelmezzano, Italy...

Olga E. Osipuk, 65, of East Hartford, died Wednesday at a convalescent home... She was the wife of Philip Duncon of Manchester...

Officials confiscate records in Vernon fire investigation

VERNON (UPI) — Records involving alleged building code violations were seized today in connection with an investigation into the cause of a fire which killed a 7-year-old girl, authorities said...

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Retailers paint oil firms as villains

Staff and Wire Reports
A gasoline retailers group says action by the major oil companies are the reason prices at the pump have remained relatively high at a time when crude oil prices have fallen sharply...

Manchester In Brief

- Voter sessions set
Pet program postponed
High-speed chase leads to charges
Elderly couple dies in blaze

Highway opponents seek DOT injunction

A request will be filed by Monday in U.S. District Court for an injunction that would stop the state from taking routes and property in the path of the proposed Route 6 expressway before the road receives final approval...

High-speed chase leads to charges

A Hamlin Street man was arrested Wednesday after leading police on a chase through town streets which he bumped a police cruiser and traveled at speeds up to 70 miles an hour...

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Elderly couple dies in blaze

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SPORTS

As NCAA Tournament begins

Interesting matchups dot opening night

By Ian Love United Press International
With little-known teams from Mississippi Valley State, Marietta, Drexel and North Carolina A&T expected to make opening-round exits from the NCAA Tournament today, the road to the Final Four still begins with some interesting matchups...

MEM'S BASKETBALL NCAA FINAL FOUR. Tournament bracket showing matchups from Round 1 to the Final Four. Includes regional groupings: EAST, WEST, SOUTHEAST, MIDWEST.

Stagmania' makes reappearance at Fairfield

By Kenneth R. Bazinet United Press International
FAIRFIELD — Dean William Schimpf remembers a decade ago when major college basketball in New England meant Providence College, Boston College, Holy Cross and Fairfield University.

NIT roundup

There was no way Providence coach Rick Pitino could lose. Pitino took credit for 'two victories' on Wednesday night - a 72-61 decision by his Friar team in the National Invitation Tournament and the fine showing by his former team, Boston University.

Friars' Pitino guides present team over his former club

In a single opening-round game Tuesday night, Providence Christian defeated Montana 76-69. Ernie Bates scored a career-high 18 points and Billy Donovan 14 to lead Providence. Pitino singled out Matt Palazzi, who came off the bench to score 10 points.

Williams headed for Ohio State?

COLUMBUS, Ohio (UPI) — State job have been abundant since Miller was fired last Feb. 3. Miller will stay with the Buckeyes through the season's stint in the National Invitation Tournament and then leave to take over as head coach at Northern Iowa.

Whalers in action

HARTFORD — The rejuvenated Hartford Whalers continue their playoff stretch run tonight at 7:35 by hosting the New York Islanders at the Civic Center. The Whalers, winners of four of their last five games, were idle Thursday but fell farther behind their Adams Division chief rivals...

field face four of the nation's strongest.

At Greensboro, Mississippi Valley State, 29-10, meets No. 1 Duke in the East Regional. The Delta Devils have no starter over 6-7.

They may be No. 1, but that's what puts them for. We'll give it our best and whatever happens, happens. Mississippi Valley coach Lafayette Stribling said, Marietta from Poughkeepsie, N.Y., meets No. 6 Georgia Tech at Baton Rouge, La. Sunday, 19-11, features players from the Netherlands, France, Gaudeloupe, Hungary and Yugoslavia...

In the West Regional at Ogden, Utah, No. 7 Louisville, The Dragons, 19-11, won 14 of their last 15. Louisville is scoring with Billy Thompson reaching his potential and Milt Wagner full recovered from last season's broken foot.

In the Midwest Regional at Dayton, No. 2 Kansas plays North Carolina A&T, The Aggies, 22-7 and winner of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Tournament, Wake Forest. The tournament also opens with some grim prospects as four of the weakest schools in the 64-team field face four of the nation's strongest.

Other opponents today: East Regional at Greensboro (Old Dominion-West Virginia, Virginia-Seton Hall, Georgetown-Southeastern Regional at Baton Rouge (Memphis State-Baylor, Purdue-Louisiana State), Midwest Regional at Dayton (Jacksonville-Temple, Georgetown-Texas Tech), West Regional at Ogden (Alabama-Birmingham-Missouri, North Carolina-Utah).

sharpshooting 6-foot-3 forward Tony George, who topped the team by averaging 20.7 points per game. George received some help from Pat Verina, a 6-5 forward who led in rebounding with an 8.2 average while scoring 15.3 points per game.

'We had a lot of confidence this season,' said George, a senior who was highly recruited while at East Orange High School in New Jersey. 'I think we've been practicing harder now than we were during the season,' he said. 'They (Illinois) have got some great outside players and we're just going to try to collapse on them,' George said. 'We're going to make them take the outside shot, hopefully.'

Fairfield has prepared for Illinois' 6-foot-4 Ken Norman, who averaged 19.2 points per game and has previous tournament experience. Buonagura said.

Buonagura, who coached the team to a 12-3 record in games decided by five points or less this season, said a close game late in the second half may be the best way to keep a win over the highly favored Illini. 'I think we've been practicing harder now than we were during the season,' he said. 'They (Illinois) have got some great outside players and we're just going to try to collapse on them,' George said. 'We're going to make them take the outside shot, hopefully.'

SW Missouri went ahead for good at 37 on a basket by Garland with 14:40 remaining. The Bears assumed their biggest lead, 32-24, with 4:25 left and led the victory by connecting on seven consecutive free throws in the final 28 seconds.

Also scoring in double figures for the Mid-Continent Conference team were Phil Schlegel with 12 points, Chris Ward with 11 and Greg Bell with 10. Charles Smith scored 15 points and pulled down seven rebounds for the Panthers. 15-11 McNeese St. 86-75. Jerome Batiste scored 24 points and pulled down 12 rebounds and Kenny Jermison contributed 21 as McNeese State claimed its 21st consecutive homecourt victory with a triumph over Dayton. Their combined efforts overshadowed a fine night by Dayton's Damon Goodwin, who scored 31 points.

McNeese, 15-9 at home this season, built a 38-2 halftime lead and extended that to 81-60 with 1:50 left in the game. Dayton, a Midwest Independent, then managed a 15-5 spurt, but it fell far short. Winston Garland scored 15 points and had eight steals to lead Southwest Missouri State over Pittsburg.

A big factor was McNeese's 33-for-53 field goal shooting.

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Sports In Brief

Triathlon applications are available
Applications for the third annual Silk City Triathlon, scheduled for Sunday, July 20, are now available at The Bike Shop on Spruce Street or the Manchester Rec Department. The triathlon consists of a 1-mile swim, 17.7-mile bike ride and 6.5 mile run. It will begin at Globe Hollow and end at Martin School on Dartmouth Road. The race is limited to the first 125 entrants. The entry fee is \$10, payable to the Silk City Triathlon.

KoC to honor Tall Cedars group
The 33rd Knights of Columbus Irish Sports Night, scheduled Monday night at 7 at the KoC Home, will honor a group rather than an individual or individuals this year. Honored guests this year will be the Tall Cedars of Lebanon for their many years of service in running the Manchester Road Race on Thanksgiving Day. The traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner will be served. Amby Burfoot, nine-time winner of the Manchester Road Race and presently the East Coast editor of Runner's World, will be guest speaker. Tickets for the event are \$7 apiece and may be obtained by calling the KoC Home at 646-9044.

Little League tryouts this weekend
The three Manchester Little League divisions — American, National and International — will conduct tryout sessions this Saturday and Sunday at three sites. The schedule is: American League at Wadwell School — Saturday and Sunday — ages 11-12 9-11 a.m.; ages 9-10 1-3 p.m. National League at Buckley School — Saturday and Sunday — age 12 9-10 a.m.; age 11 10-11-30 a.m.; age 10 1-2 15 p.m. Saturday — age 9 10-11-30 a.m.; age 8 1-2 15 p.m. Saturday and Sunday — age 7 10-11-30 a.m. Practice for 9 year olds will only be Saturday unless it rains. International League at Verplanck Field — Saturday — ages 11-12 10 a.m.-noon; age 10 noon-2 p.m.; Sunday — age 9 1-4 p.m. Further sign-ups will be accepted at the three fields. A birth certificate is required at the time of registration and either a parent or guardian must accompany the youngster. There is a registration fee of either \$10 per person or \$15 per family.

Explorers holding Dandley benefit tilt
EAST HARTFORD — The East Hartford Explorers will be sponsoring a Bernie Dandley Memorial Scholarship Game on Sunday, March 23, at the East Hartford High gym. The Harlem Magicians, led by Marquis Haynes, will oppose the East Hartford High faculty at 7 p.m. Tickets for the game are available at several locations in East Hartford, including Frank's Willow Inn, Donato's Drive-In and from members of the sponsoring East Hartford High student council.

Two Huskies honored by Big East
STORRS — Two members of the University of Connecticut men's basketball team received post-season honors from the Big East Conference. It's been announced. Eric Kalliel, who was declared academically ineligible with eight games left in the season, nevertheless received second-team honors. And Phil Gamble, a 6-4 guard, was named to the Big East All-Freshman Team. Gamble averaged 10.7 points per game.

UConn hosts indoor soccer tourney
STORRS — The 16th annual UConn/Metropolitan Life Indoor Soccer Classic will feature a 32-team field and will be played Saturday and Sunday, March 22 and 23, on the UConn campus in Storrs. The field will include four past champions, including four-time champ UConn "Red" team.

Martha Nowobilski at Aquinas
NEW BRITAIN — Manchester resident Martha Nowobilski recently completed her third season as St. Thomas Aquinas girls' basketball junior varsity coach. Her team recently completed a 15-3 season. She is the wife of Tallwood Country Club golf professional John Nowobilski.

Softball umpire clinic offered
The Manchester Rec Department is offering a clinic on the next two Wednesdays (March 19 and 26) for anyone interested in becoming an Amateur Softball Association umpire. The clinics, conducted by ASA umpire Ray Composed, will be each evening from 6 to 8 at the Mahoney Rec Center. The ASA softball umpires' exam will be given following a clinic review on March 26. For pre-registration and further information, contact the Rec Department at 647-3084.

Jordan to be in uniform Saturday
SKOKIE, Ill. — Michael Jordan, sidelined since late October with a foot injury, was given permission to play again by three doctors and will be in uniform for the Chicago Bulls Saturday, the team announced. Jerry Reinsdorf, general manager Jerry Kneise and Jordan had a telephone conference with team doctor John Hefner and doctors in Eugene, Ore., and Cleveland late Wednesday night. They then held a post-midnight news conference at Reinsdorf's business office in Skokie to announce Jordan would be allowed to play Saturday against Milwaukee.

Local Pontiac Salespeople attain exclusive membership
The Pontiac Master Sales Guild, a Pontiac Division Sales recognition program honoring Pontiac's top salespeople, has announced that 11 local salespeople have achieved Pontiac Master Sales Guild status for 1985. William Lockwood, General Sales Mgr.; William Batsle, Used Car Sales Mgr.; Clifford Newhall, Sales Mgr.; Brian Conroy, Henry Darno, Edward Doucette, Stephen Gaspar, Joseph Kitchens, Ronald Miller, Betty Paris, and Robert Szymonowski of Lynch Motors, Inc., 500 W. Center St., Manchester, attained the exclusive status of Guild membership by placing in the top 20 percent from among all Pontiac salespeople nationwide in 1985. Pontiac Division's Tim Maloney, Zone Manager will honor this year's Guild members at its annual Reception Bonquet later this year. Sales goals for Guild membership are set by Pontiac Division and the General Motors Corporation.

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Spring training roundup

'Oil Can,' Bosox dispute ailment

By United Press International
Dennis "Oil Can" Boyd has hepatitis. Or he doesn't, depending on whose information you want to believe. The Boston right-hander, who left training camp to undergo medical tests in Boston for weight loss and a possible liver problem, says he has hepatitis. The pitcher's agent says it's just a virus. The Boston Red Sox say it's neither, that there's "nothing at all wrong with him, period."

Boyd told a Boston-area newspaper Tuesday he had been diagnosed as having viral, non-contagious hepatitis. But agent Dennis Coleman said Wednesday his client only has "some type of virus." Red Sox general manager Lou Gorman dismissed both.

"Nothing, zero, there's nothing wrong with him at all," Gorman said during Wednesday's game against the Detroit Tigers. "I have no idea why he lost weight. But he had any kind of hepatitis, he wouldn't be coming back here."

"Dr. (Arthur) Pappas said there's nothing wrong with him at all. In fact, there's been an improvement on the liver," Gorman said. "Dr. Pappas' exact words were that every possible test has been done for every possible problem and there's nothing at all wrong with him, period," he said. Boyd, who reportedly has gained five pounds back, is out of the hospital and is due at Red Sox spring training headquarters Friday or Saturday.

In the game at Winter Haven, Fla., Bill Buckner tripped in one run and scored another on a passed ball in the first inning to lead the Red Sox to a 3-2 victory over a Detroit Tigers' split squad. The victory was the third straight for the Red Sox after three straight

season-opening losses. The remainder of the Tiger squad, including manager Sparky Anderson, was in Clearwater playing the Philadelphia Phillies. Coach Billy Consolo ran the club



"Oil Can" Boyd says he has hepatitis. His agent says it is a little virus. The Red Sox say it is nothing. Boyd was scheduled to return to the Red Sox camp in Winter Haven, Fla., today.

Thon working way back from beaming

By Fred McNamee United Press International
KISSIMMEE, Fla. — The pitch from Mike Torrez still sends a shudder through the bones of many of the Houston Astros' players. "That, you missed nearly all of the 1984 season because of the injury, came back to play 84 games last year and hit a respectable .251. However, manager Bob Lillis, realizing that Thon might have some trouble conquering the fear of being hit again, was careful to use him mostly against left-handed pitching. This year new manager Hal Lanier would like to play Thon every day if he can get it done. He'll be a big part of our bullpen. He fits right into the mold of the bullpen I want because of his aggressive play."

"I'm going to try him against everyone," said Lanier. "I hate platooning, especially at the short stop position because I feel to have a better defense you've got to have your whole infield in there."

Martina rings up another win, despite phone call

DALLAS (UPI) — A phone call nearly ousted top-seeded Martina Navratilova from the \$250,000 Virginia Slims of Dallas on Tuesday. Navratilova, Fort Worth, Texas, moved to the fourth round with a 6-4, 6-7 (5-7), 6-1 triumph Wednesday over Barbara Potter, but not before a scare.

With Navratilova serving and trailing 2-1 in the second set, a phone call from her father, Bill Navratilova, stopped play, but umpire Leon Lipp ordered her to continue. Navratilova, her attention diverted, made three unforced errors in a row to lose the game, her only break in the match. She also lost the next six points and set before pulling herself together to take the final set 6-1. At Lipp's order to resume play, Navratilova shook her fist at him and the umpire gave her an official warning for abuse of an official. "Last night, they waited for someone to pick it up," Navratilova said of similar situation Tuesday. "Today, that wasn't the case. All I asked for is consistency. It made me unhappy. I lost my concentration. Other than that, I played pretty well."

Tournament director Leslie DeHay said the telephone would be disconnected. Navratilova's constant pursuer, Chris Evert Lloyd, moved to the third round with a 6-2, 6-0 rout of Terry Phelps, Larchmont, N.Y. Evert Lloyd said the Virginia Slims year, lasting from March to October, should be changed to follow the calendar year. In the current system players collect points to determine how they rank in Virginia Slims tournaments.

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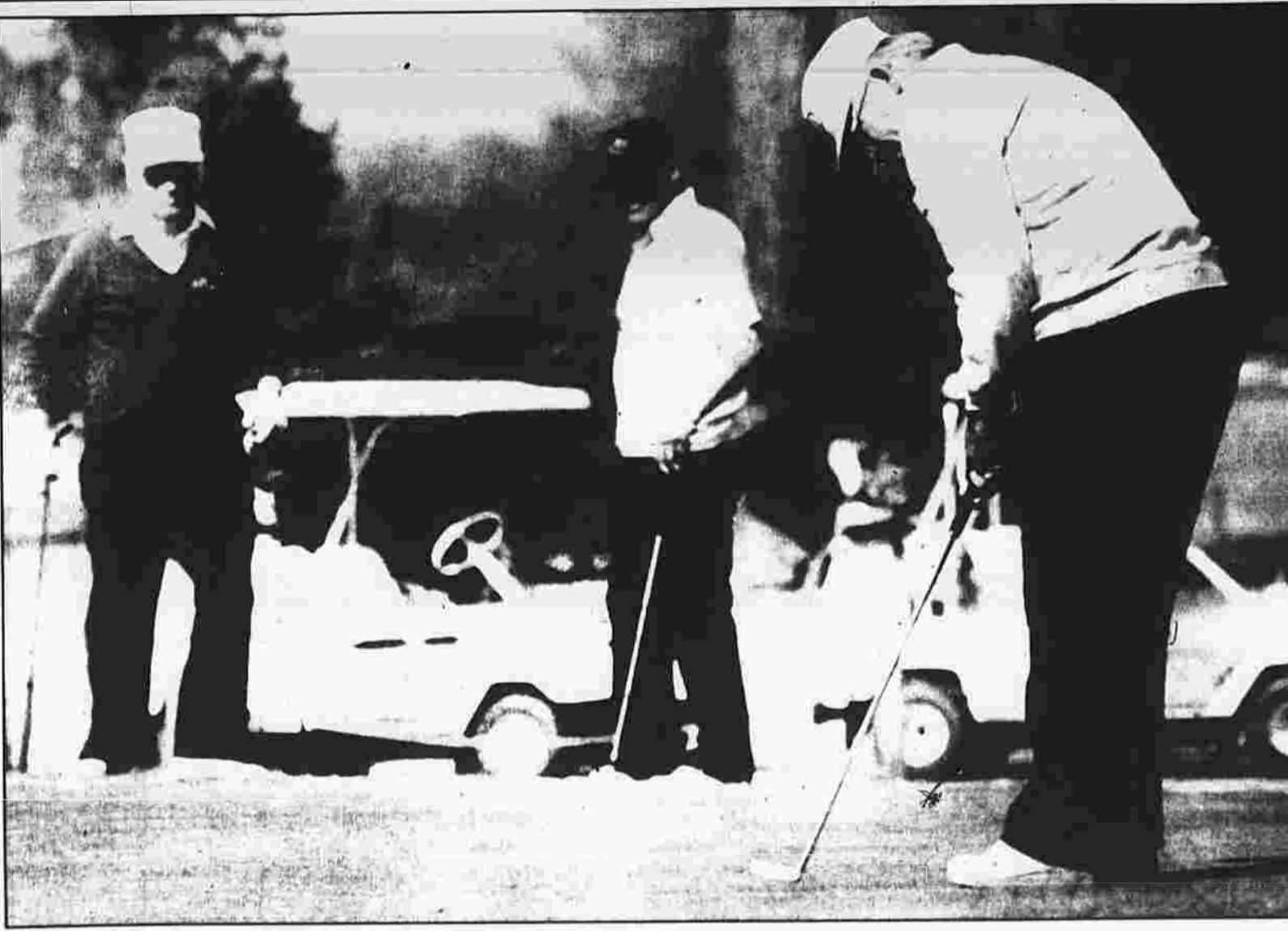
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Are the old selfish?

The political clout of our elders is causing a generational conflict

By Patricia Bond United Press International
The prevailing image of the elderly, until very recently, was of feeble, helpless and often poor men and women, in need of help to survive the storms of old age. But a new life has moved in, portraying senior citizens as active, fairly healthy and wealthy consumers. In more extreme views, they are seen as living off the poor youth of America and borrowing heavily from future generations.

Older Americans, sometimes regarded as underprivileged, are enjoying better health than their younger counterparts.

Do a very good job of keeping the Congress informed. Last year, there was some talk about a Social Security COLA (cost of living adjustment) freeze. We paid for a consulting firm to answer the question, "what it would mean to senior citizens?" We found it would put one-half million people under the poverty line. We educate the government," Rother said. Lawmakers agree the group does its homework.

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The clout also comes from voting patterns. The highest percentage of voters is the over-65 age group. That makes people sit up and take notice. Other age brackets have more people, but they don't vote," Jones said.

HEWITT BELIEVES recognition of a powerful elderly voting bloc dates from 1981, when President Reagan proposed cuts in the Social Security program, which was sliding into a major deficit. (The Republicans) were politically bludgeoned and consequently lost a bunch of seats (in 1982). It could have been the recession that was the cause, but at the same time there was an effort by the Democrats to turn older Americans against the Republicans," Hewitt said.

Even though the general population is aging, the general poverty rate has fallen to its lowest point since World War II. The elderly are not the poorest of the poor.

"We are visible. We speak out, but we are as much for young people as for older people. You have to be concerned with younger people too," she said. "I think any organized group has a certain amount of influence. I wouldn't say that senior citizens dominate the decision-making.

THE LOBBYING EFFORTS have paid off. The poverty rate among the elderly, at 14.1 percent, has fallen to a full percentage point less than that of the country as a whole, while the general poverty rate was,

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Stockbroker David Morse of Portland, Maine, looks proudly at what is said to be America's oldest wooden weather vane. Thefts of weather vanes have become epidemic in recent years.

Thieves prey on weather vanes

By Ken Franckling United Press International
BOXBORO, Mass. — Weather vanes that for 100 years or more have shown New England farmers which way the wind blows are no match for roving thieves who scale barns with mountain climbing gear.

As soon as the thieves tried to market it, they realized it was too hot and contacted me for the reward. I had a secret backwoods rendezvous with them near Manchester, N.H."

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That vane was worth \$25,000 when it was stolen, and is now worth about \$35,000, Kimball said. Court action is pending against a suspect in the theft.

New Hampshire State Trooper Guy Kimball has investigated more than 500 weather vane thefts since 1979. He has recovered only 10. "The weather vane is a part of New England heritage that is

Kimball said there was a decline in weather vane thefts while the trio was in jail. "Then, there was an onslaught of weather vane thefts. I was called by a man who wanted to buy it," Pennington said.



Crafty women

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Rose Fournier, left, and Mazie Hughes fair on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. look over some of the items which will be for sale at the Spencer Village crafts

Penicillin test ready for market

FARMINGTON (UPI) — A modification to a standard skin test shows 91 percent of people diagnosed as being allergic to penicillin can actually take the drug safely, a University of Connecticut researcher says.

The new test was made possible by the discovery of a method of producing a substance which is needed to confirm the allergy in some patients, said Dr. Louis Mendelson, an associate clinical professor of pediatrics at the UConn Health Center.

Without being able to obtain the substance, called "minor determinant mixture," doctors were forced to assume an allergy in some patients and prescribe more expensive alternatives to penicillin, Mendelson said Wednesday.

"A reliable penicillin allergy test has been available since the late 1960s," Mendelson said. "The problem was a penicillin minor determinant mixture was not readily available."

The problem was solved by Charlotte Ressler, a chemist and professor of pharmacology at the UConn Health Center in Farmington, who developed a way to stabilize and preserve the minor determinant mixture, Mendelson said.

Once the minor determinant mixture was preserved through a freeze-drying procedure it was used in a combined test with penicillin and penicilloyl polysylline, the two substances now used by doctors testing for the allergy.

Mendelson said. The new test was administered to nearly 900 patients between the ages of four months and 20 years old, and fewer than 8 percent had a reaction to the antibiotic, Mendelson said.

"Basically these are all people that were told they were allergic to penicillin," Mendelson said. "I knew the majority of these people weren't allergic to penicillin. I just had to prove it."

About 20 percent of those who showed a reaction to the new test were allergic to the minor determinant mixture, which means they would have been mistakenly listed as non-allergic if the new procedure was not used, he said.

"With her product we were able to test safely and reliably," Mendelson said while the process is ready for mass production, it is not currently being marketed.

"We're hoping to get some people to manufacture it," he said. "We can store it in the freezer in our office and just use it when we need it," he said. "But I think it should be done as a routine procedure."

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Elderly wield political clout

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But clearly they have influence," Congressman Jones said.

THE STANDARD of living for the elderly has greatly improved from 20 years ago. Census figures show about 28 percent of the elderly in poverty in 1966.

"There is contention when statistics show budget cuts affecting the young and statistics on poverty show a huge decrease in poverty for the elderly," Jones said. "When Social Security came into existence, the most poverty-stricken was the retiree," Jones said.

"As a result of Social Security, the least poverty-stricken now are the elderly. Now the emphasis is on the children. The question is, 'Is there a lack of balance? How do you deal with the limited resources?'" Jones asks.

Critics of the Social Security program, among them Hewitt, say the social insurance system may be working too well.

In 1984, 1.8 million (10 percent) of Social Security recipients reported taxable earnings of more than \$25,000 a year. That total is after an average 46 percent tax discount for the elderly.

"These income figures disguise a standard of living that is much, much higher," according to

ADVERTISERS SEEMED to be the first to spot the new affluence of the 55-plus group. Modern Maturity, an AARP publication, paints a considerably different picture of the elderly for their advertisers, with generous discretionary income.

The average household of the 65-74 age group makes \$18,230, with average financial assets of \$65,340. Eighty percent have paid off their homes. In the 75-plus age group, the average income is \$12,547, with assets of \$37,000. Only five percent still hold mortgage debt.

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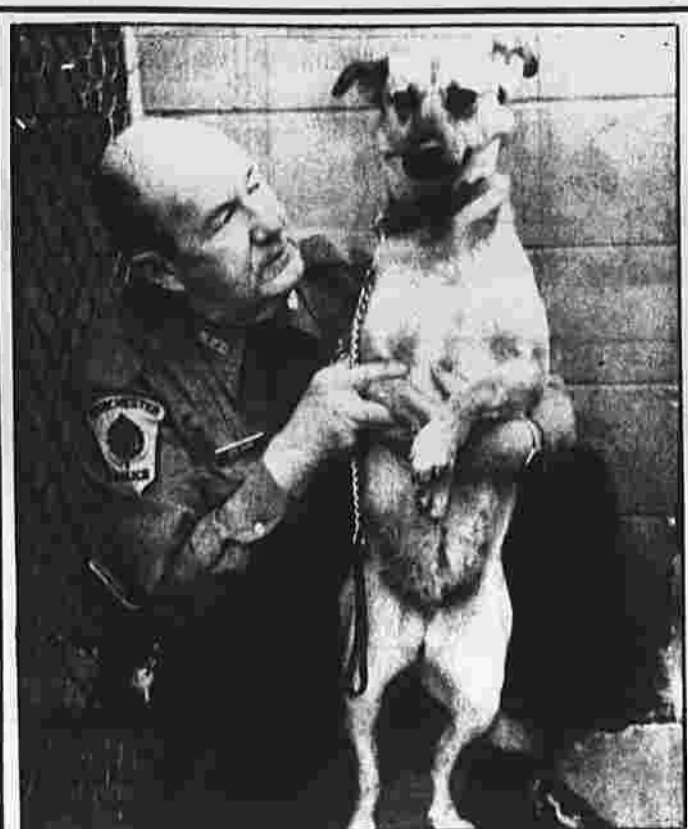
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RICHARD RAND AND COLLEEN ...hoping for the luck of the Irish

Adopt a Pet Colleen hopes for luck

By Barbara Richmond Special to the Herald

This week's featured pet may not have any Irish in her, but in honor of St. Patrick's Day, we're calling her Colleen.

Colleen is a mixed breed, tuff-colored female, about 1 year old. She was picked up on Gardner Street on Feb. 22 and is badly in need of a good home.

Last week's featured pet, Perky, a sweet little terrier cross male, has been adopted by a Scott Drive family.

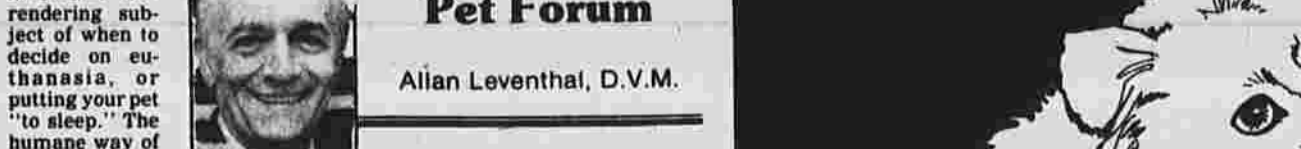
The dog pound is located near the town refuse area off Olcott Street. Rand is at the pound weekdays from noon to 1 p.m. and can also be reached by calling the pound, 643-6642 or the police department, 646-4555.

Someone can also be contacted at the pound by calling either of those numbers from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday. There is a \$5 fee for adopting a dog and the new owner must have the dog licensed. Rand is continuing his campaign of checking the town for unlicensed dogs.

There were a few new dogs at the pound this week. There's a very large mixed breed with a

Time may be the best therapy

In past columns, I've dealt with the heart-rending subject of when to decide on euthanasia, or putting your pet "to sleep." The humane way of doing so plus your options...



Pet Forum Allan Leventhal, D.V.M.

feelings, accept your companion's death and begin to resolve the situation. Grieving is a personal thing and some take longer than others to come to terms with the four phases. By understanding that these are normal reactions, you can more easily cope with your feelings and help other family members face theirs.

Often friends or family do not realize how important your buddy was or the depth of your grief. Be honest with them (and yourself) about your feelings, talking about them helps. Farwells are always difficult.

Some families want to spend a last night with their pets or say a special goodbye. Others prefer to remember the pet when he or she was healthy. Farwells are always difficult.

Grieving pet owners often undergo similar stages of emotion as those who are grieving for a human being. Often, the loss is more devastating than expected.

WHEN PET LOSS is unexpected because of an auto accident, a fatal illness or condition such as an inoperable tumor or lethal poisoning, there is little time to prepare and the emotional shock is more severe.

Companion animals can become such an integral part of our lives, governing and influencing so many daily activities that their absence becomes family members whose routines are interrupted in our schedules. Saying goodbye changes all that. Our lives are often empty or unfulfilled after the loss.

The times immediately and soon afterward are the most difficult. Facing the loss may be very difficult. It is natural to feel bereaved. Understanding the grieving process enables you to better manage the sorrow.

Not everyone grieves alike but usually there are four general symptoms.

The first may be to deny that your beloved pet is fatally ill or injured when you first learn of it. After the fact, you deny that he or she is actually gone.

Anger may follow denial. Sometimes this is directed toward people you normally love and respect, and even to your veterinarian. Or you may blame yourself for what has transpired, whether you are guilty or not.

WHAT FOLLOWS next is usually grief and depression. This is when the loss sinks in. Now you must come to terms with your



I thank him for the happy years. I let her stay down here with me. And for her love and loyalty. When the time has come for me to go, And join her there, this much I know. I shall not fear the transient dark. For she will greet me with her bark.

And if I may add: 2-15-72, "Tanaya" Leventhal, 11-10-85. Allan Leventhal is a Bolton veterinarian. Do you have a question you'd like to see answered in this column? Write to Pet Forum, P.O. Box 591, Manchester Herald, Manchester, Conn., 06060.

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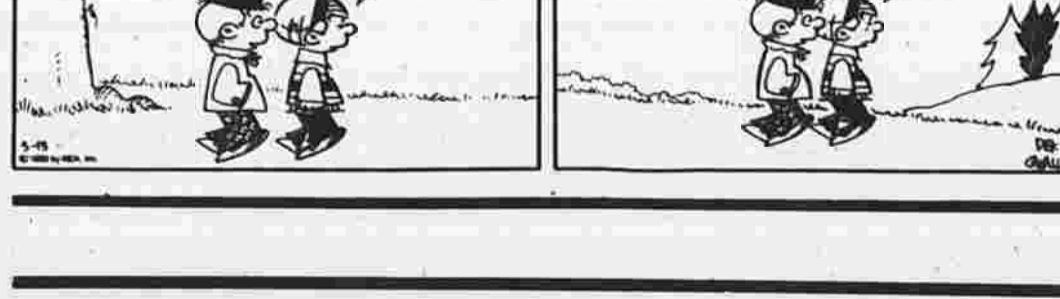
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March 14, 1986

A bolder and more adventurous you will emerge in the year ahead. Your daring will inspire you to successfully explore facets of life you previously considered.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You're gifted with a marvelous imagination, but you must be careful today not to use it against yourself. Stop worrying about things that may never happen. Trying to patch up a romance? The Matchmaker set can help you understand what it might take to make the relationship work. Mail 52 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, Box 1846, Cincinnati, OH 45201.

ANES (March 21-April 19) Today, you might be hard pressed by an old obligation you've been ignoring. Try to clear it up once and for all.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Important one-to-one relationships must be handled today with all the tact and skill you can muster. Do nothing that might create ill will.

GEARS (May 21-June 20) Today, you're likely to have enough problems handling your own responsibilities without assuming the burdens of others. Don't get in over your head.

CANCER (June 21-July 23) Resist temptations to plunge into speculative ventures today. It isn't likely that your efforts for nothing will come your way.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 23) The pressure pot could be boiling in your household today, so don't contribute to a potential splinter by introducing volatile issues.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you have strong opinions pertaining to certain issues today, it's best you keep your thoughts to yourself. Don't say things that could antagonize others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Where your finances and possessions are concerned, be extra security-conscious today. Additionally, don't deal with people with questionable reputations.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Oppositions to your personal interests could be rather strong today. But be careful that you don't vent your rage on innocent bystanders.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) The larger problems you have to contend with today are apt to be of your own making. Try not to be your own worst enemy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It may be wise today to avoid gatherings where you might not feel too friendly toward the people involved. Stick with pals you really like.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You could have rather strong tendencies today to try to assert your authority over others. That won't real well with the targets of your directives.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each word in the cipher stands for another. Today's code: 1, 2, 4, 5, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

BY CONNIE WENNER

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION: Money is only a means to an end, I say toss some of the bucks to the clowns in the valley. —Jonathan Winters.

Thursday TV

- 6:00PM** (1) Eyewitness News
(2) Diffrent Strokes
(3) Action News
(4) Hart to Hart
(5) Gimme a Break
(6) Knot's Landing
(7) NewsCenter
(8) News
(9) Reporter 41
(10) MacNeil-Lehrer Newshour
- 6:30PM** (1) NBC Nightly News
(2) Nightly Business Report
(3) ABC News
(4) Noticelene SIN
(5) Baseball and Sox
(6) Showbiz Today
(7) Disney's Adventures of Oz and Harriet
(8) ESPN NCAA Tournament Today
(9) [USA] Comedy Experiment: Michael Davis - Life of the Party
(10) CBS News
(11) The Company
(12) NBC Nightly News
(13) \$100,000 Pyramid
(14) Jefferies
(15) Carson's Comedy Classics
(16) M*A*S*H
(17) Wheel of Fortune
(18) MacNeil-Lehrer Newshour
(19) Newlywed Game
(20) Crystal
(21) Nightly Business Report
(22) One Day at a Time
(23) [USA] Mondayline
(24) [DIS] MOVIE: "King Solomon's Mines" An exotic African chief leads a group of adventurers straight to the diamond mines they're seeking. Paul Robeson, Cedric Belfrage. 1937.
(25) [ESPN] College Basketball Tournament: NCAA First Round
(26) [USA] WWL Wild World of Animals
(27) 7:30PM (3) PM Magazine
(1) Wheel of Fortune
(2) Exhibition Baseball: Chicago White Sox vs. New York Mets
(3) Independent News
(4) Best of Saturday Night
(5) Barney Miller
(6) Jeopardy
(7) New Newlywed Game
(8) Benson
(9) World of Animals
(10) Archie Barker's Place
(11) CNN Crosfire
(12) [USA] Radio
(13) [DIS] MOVIE: "On Stage at the Wolf Trap: The Golden Boy" Bandstand Frank Avalon, Fabian, and Bobby Hydell perform together on stage for the first time. (72 min.)
(14) PM Magazine
(15) Ripley's Believe It or Not! (CC) Walk through a Mexican museum dedicated to the dead, witness an operation that reconnected a young girl's severed leg, and observe a mechanical hand which operates like a human limb. (60 min.)
(16) [MOVIE: "The Towering Inferno" Part 2 of 2 Rescue teams try to save some party-goers who are trapped on the 13th floor of a burning skyscraper. Steve McQueen, Paul Newman, Faye Dunaway. 1974.
(17) [McMillan and Witte: Aftermath
(18) Hogan's Heroes
(19) The Cosby Show (CC) The Huxtable family friend gets off and Char for help when he realizes he daughter has a drug problem in Stereo.
(20) Pinar, Paul and Mary
(21) [MOVIE: "Laura" A detective falls in love with a murdered woman's portrait. Tenny, Dana Andrews, Clifton Webb. 1944.
(22) Janna His
(23) [MOVIE: "Miss AB-American Beauty" The life of an 18-year-old beauty queen changes drastically after she meets the girl. Dana Lee, Curtis LeMay, David Dux. 1962
(24) [CNN] Prime News
(25) [HBO] Phil Collins: No Jacket Required Phil Collins performs hits from his No Jacket Required album before a sold-out audience. (80 min.)
(26) [ITMC] MOVIE: "The V.I.P.'s" A cross-section of travelers wait overnight in a posh airport lounge for a long-delayed flight. Elizabeth Taylor, Richard Burton, Maggie Smith. 1963.
(27) [USA] MOVIE: "Animal Crackers" The Marx Brothers wreak havoc when a family throws a party for them. Marx Brothers.
(28) Janna His
(29) [MOVIE: "The Untouchables"
(30) [MOVIE: "Skin Money" A television reporter investigates a series of suspicious fires which force several small salvage companies to sell out cheaply. Jackie Cooper, Tom Bosley, George Gobel. 1984.
(31) Maude
(32) Charlie's Angels
(33) PELLICULA: "Cuchillo"
(34) [ESPN] Speedweek
(35) [HBO] MOVIE: "The Final Terror" A group of outdoorsmen hold evil. Daryl Hannah, Rachel Ward. 1983. Rated R
(36) [USA] Edge of Night
(37) Break the Bank
(38) Dr. Gene Scott
(39) [ESPN] Sportsweek
(40) [USA] Edge of Night
(41) 1:00AM (3) Get Smart
(1) Headline Chasers
(2) Joe Franklin Show
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MARTIN VAN TREUREN ... in MCC concert

BETSY JOSLYN ... singer

Broadway comes to MCC

Center Stage
M. Renee Taylor

Superior showmanship supported variable vocal efforts, when a handful of Broadway babies came to Manchester Community College. Over two dozen tunes from as many hit shows were offered Monday night in a benefit cabaret concert.

For this show we waited ten minutes in line outside the locked doors at the Lowe Building. We did get to sit down before 8 p.m. Still, our wait was thirty-five minutes late. If the management can't begin on time they should admit it in consideration of their patrons.

Once inside we were greeted by tables with checkered cloths and flowering plants that transformed the Program Center into a nightclub. The concept proved a popular one. For one night it gave area adults a much needed alternative to television and country and rock bars. Hopefully it will be repeated.

Men and women of the Glastonbury Fine Arts Commission hosted this affair. They circulated continuously, refilling everyone's punch and popcorn. Cheese, crackers, tea and coffee were also free and available throughout the concert.

Director of Encore Productions, Betty Spalla provided a fast-paced sampling of up and down beat numbers. She combined torch songs by the two ladies with chorus line and comedic routines that included

On piano, Spalla hammered out chordal and melodic accompaniment to the singers. His own solos were self-conscious, indulgent vocal episodes. A past resident of Glastonbury, he has worked with college theatre in Manchester and Storrs.

Betsy Joslyn and Christina Saffran easily outshone Matthew Ashford and Martin Van Treuren as singers. All were better actors than singers, with abundant enthusiasm.

Joslyn's sultry alto torch songs highlighted the evening. With restrained emotion she sensitively styled "Music Makes Me Dance" (Funny Girl), "In Buddy's Eyes" (Folies) and "Time Heals Everything" (Mack and Mabel - Jerry's Girls). Her excellent comedic timing was a show stopper as she portrayed the victim of post nasal drip and love in "Adele's Lament" (Guys and Dolls).

Currently the lead in "Singing," Saffran made a powerful soprano effort. With good head resonance, her penetrating voice effortlessly floated into the higher register. "Hit Me With a Hot Note" (Sophisticated Lady), "Art is Calling for Me" (The Enchantress), "Our Story Goes On" (Baby), and "Tell Me On Sunday" (Song and Dance) were enjoyable but needed less urgency in places.

Martin Van Treuren, also from "Singing," was an exuberant, smiling foil in duets. His solo work, his penetrating voice delivered in a recitative style that compensated for a limited baritone range.

Mild mannered Matthew Ashford must have been billed as "guest star" because of his role as Cagney McLeary in the soap "Search for Tomorrow." It certainly wasn't for his voice which ranged from C to D. He was most palatable playing to the ladies in the audience in "When I'm Not Near the Girl I Love."

The high kicking finale was the best chorus effort. It was a rousing combination of "There's No Business Like Show Business" (Annie Get Your Gun) and "Give My Regards to Broadway" (Little Johnny Jones). Drummer Thad Wheeler, a Hart graduate, finally got to let loose a little here. He looked pretty bored most of the night, softly brushing the skins.

M. Renee Taylor is music critic of the Manchester Herald.

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Getting rid of a loser

By James Jacoby

Normally you'd be right to think that West might have been taking some psychobolic potions to open the bidding with three spades, except for the fact that East-West had 30 on the board. In that situation at rubber bridge, an unusual opening can be constanmated. It's still wrong, but we can view it with some slight compassion. South certainly had no problem. He made his automatic bid of four hearts, which ended the auction.

The deal is interesting because it highlights an unusual declarer strategy that does not come along every time you sort your cards. I'm referring to transferring your loser. After playing two high spades, West notes his partner's high-low and naturally

er feels the absolute necessity of winning this trick, he will try trumping with dummy's nine of hearts, hoping the heart 10 is with West. East will of course win the trump 10, and later the defenders will score the setting trick in clubs.

How much easier it is if declarer simply discards one of dummy's small clubs on the third spade. That will be three tricks for the defenders, but now there is no way for them to take a fourth trick. When declarer gets the lead, he will draw trumps in two rounds and later trump his small club with dummy's nine of hearts.

Glacier

The Jacobshavn glacier on the west coast of Greenland is one of the largest in the Western Hemisphere, and the world's fastest. It flows at a rate of more than 100 yards a day and "calves" giant icebergs as often as every five minutes.

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Advice

An education in the shower is too advanced for toddler

DEAR ABBY: I am truly frightened that someone might report my daughter as being bus-band to the authorities, but I cannot get them to listen.



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Some where they got the idea that if they exposed their daughter to nudity in the home, she would not have any sexual hangups when she got older. So my daughter and her husband have let their baby shower with them and her mother. "Amy" is now 2 1/2 and she's aware that her father's body is different from hers and her mother's. The mother in the paper, as my husband says I should stay out of it, but my daughter said he should let Amy look at (and even touch) him, no nudity would be too big deal.

natural. Questions should be answered verbally, but touching should not be permitted. Children should be taught to allow no one to touch their private parts, and they should not be encouraged to touch the private parts of others.

DEAR WORRIED GRANDMA: Children raised in societies where nudity is an accepted part of their culture may have fewer hang-ups about sex, but I think your daughter has carried that theory too far. A child's curiosity about the differences in male and female anatomy is

DEAR ABBY: I was glad to see the letter in print from the lady whose husband had severe headaches caused by the heavily perfumed envelope their department store bill came in.

Tips for homemade paste

DEAR POLLY: When we were kids, we used to make scap-pures out of paper mache, but I'm a 70-year-old member what the solution was that we dipped the paper strips into before applying them to the form. Do you have a recipe?



Pointers

Polly Fisher

This rare disease often affects legs

DEAR DR. GOTT: Would you please tell me a few facts about Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease? What causes it, how does it progress and what is the eventual result? I'm in my 56th year.



Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

DEAR READER: Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease is a progressive inherited disorder that causes breakdown of the nerves supplying the lower legs. As the nerves begin to malfunction, muscle atrophy (wasting) can result, producing foot drop and other signs of muscle disorder.

DEAR POLLY: When painting, you don't want paint splattering on hardware, doorknobs, windowpanes or anywhere else it shouldn't be. Prevent this by covering all adjacent areas with a thin film of petroleum jelly. Then, if you accidentally get paint on these fixtures, use a paper napkin to clean it off easily.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I went into the hospital with a broken bone in the spine. Two or three days later, I got pneumonia. Shortly thereafter, I had a stroke in the left artery of the neck. Only my speech was impaired. I've never had high blood pressure, and my cholesterol and potassium levels were fine. Why would this happen?

DEAR READER: No one knows precisely what causes strokes. The most likely cause is that tiny blood clots form on the insides of arteries, break off and get carried to smaller arteries in the brain, where they lodge and cause blockage. Some experts believe that, at times of stress and disease, certain patients develop a greater tendency to form clots. The fact that you were probably bedridden in the hospital may explain why you were at greater risk. Because patients with major fractures of the hips or lower extremities require prolonged bed rest (and have a higher incidence of clots), many orthopedic surgeons routinely give low doses of anticoagu-

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About Town

VFW has corned beef, dancing

The Veterans of Foreign Wars will have a St. Patrick's night Saturday at the post home, 608 E. Center St. A corned beef and cabbage dinner will be served from 7 to 9 p.m. Irish step dancers will entertain and there will be dancing after dinner. The cost is \$7.50 a person. Tickets can be purchased at the post home. For more information, call 646-9018.

Center Bridge Club lists results

The Center Bridge Club results for its duplicate bridge championship game on Feb. 28 and the overall standings in pairs for the top six, in parentheses, are: North-South: Scott Howell and Jane Kullen, first; (2) Marcia Ryan and Jim Baker, second; (3) Don and Virginia Weeks, third; (4) Dorothy and Tony Atyanan, fifth; (6).

Club's board meets Monday

The executive board of the Women's Club of Manchester will meet Monday at 8 p.m. at the home of May Anderson, 45 S. Farms Drive. Bea Bagley will be a hostess.

Coastlight auditions for shows

Coastlight Dinner Theater in East Windsor will hold auditions by appointment between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. March 22 and between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. March 23. Boys from 10 to 14 are needed for dancing roles in "Camelot," to be presented in the spring. Singing roles are available for both boys and girls 8 to 12 for "The King and I," which will be presented in the fall. Candidates should bring their own music and be prepared to read for the roles.

Reserve for Maryland trip

Tour coordinators Janet Phillips, 648-0524, and Ruth Lloyd, 648-6527, are accepting reservations for the May 16 to 19 trip to Maryland sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons, Manchester Green Chapter 2399. The \$50 deposit is due March 26 and the balance of the cost of \$275, April 16. The bus will leave the Community Baptist Church parking lot May 16 at 7 a.m. The trip will include the eastern shore of Maryland on the Chesapeake Bay.

Polish fair set for Saturday

St. John the Baptist Polish National Catholic Church at 23 Golway St. will hold its annual Easter food and craft fair Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Polish imports, bread, pierogi and wooden eggs will be featured.

Thoughts

God will not expect any sudden, miraculous transformation in you, unless He chooses to achieve this by His divine power. He knows what is in each individual human soul. He asks only that you seek your fulfillment wisely, with whatever legitimate means you have to give up your effort because of discouragement or disgust, basic drives and acquired habits, stick with your intellectual insights and moral good intentions, continue your effort to achieve an intelligent, supernatural self-possession. By now, you are so accustomed to your personal anxiety that it often influences you without your slightest awareness of it. When you cannot give any intelligible reason for being tired, depressed, tense, restless, bored, irritable or the like, you could be feeling the effects of unconscious anxiety within you. Be realistic, do what you can and respect your own limitations. Rev. Philip A. Sheridan, St. Bridge Church, Manchester, CT

Town troop leader has Mexico visit

Who wouldn't jump at the chance to go on a trip to Mexico? Linda Carlson read an article in "Leader," the official Girl Scout magazine, seeking applicants for an International Opportunity for adults, she applied. One year later, she was accepted as one of the two women to represent the United States at the 1986 Juliette Low seminar held at Our Cabana in Mexico.



Girl Scout Roundup

Lois Gary

Carlson, leader of Cadet Troop 610, is a special education teacher at East Hartford High School. She lives at 21 Bremon Road.

At the seminar, there were 46 women from countries such as Uganda, Japan, Australia, Malaysia and Lebanon. They were divided into patrols and shared household chores. The three chief languages spoken were English, French and Spanish.

The entire group focused on topics such as leadership, human rights and world peace. Linda enjoyed her visit.

"I had a great time and met new friends from all over the world. I feel I developed more of an understanding of life in other countries and taught them about life in America," says Linda.

Linda spent 13 days in Mexico, and toured Cuernavaca, where Our Cabana is located, Pezotlan and Taxco, Mexico's silver center.

The Gold Leadership Award is the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. Many desire it, a special

Mud wrestling off limits here

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (UPI) — An Indian tribe's protest that mud wrestlers were groping around in dirt from ancient burial grounds made a college fraternity reluctantly decide against pitching more mud tournaments in the sacred shrine.

"It's a religious issue for the Indian — a spiritual issue," said Rosemary Cambra of the Mu-Weekma tribe, which picketed at the University of Santa Clara this week.

Lois Gary is a member of Senior Troop 2. If you have Girl Scout news which you would like to see included in this column, send it to Girl Scout Roundup, P.O. Box 591, Manchester Herald, Manchester, Conn.



Linda R. Carlson of 21 Bremon Road looks over some of the souvenirs she gathered during her visit last summer to Our Cabana, the Girl Scout center in Mexico.

New genetic test spots danger of heart disease

BOSTON (UPI) — Researchers said today they have found a strong relationship between a genetic mutation and coronary artery disease that could be used to test people for susceptibility to heart attacks.

The abnormality in the genes that could become part of a battery of tests that would be given commonly as an early-warning sign for heart disease.

Coronary artery disease, which afflicts about 30 percent of the population and causes some 500,000 deaths annually, is the nation's leading killer.

"This is a starting point for what is going to be a new way of diagnosis," said Dr. Jose M. Ordovas, who helped develop the test at Tufts University in Boston

Troop 27 holds awards dinner

Boy Scout Troop 27 sponsored by St. Mary's Episcopal Church recently held a Court of Honor at its annual dinner at the Army and Navy Club. In addition to several advancement awards, national certificates of honor were presented to David Kuczek and to Scoutmaster Charles Rose. The Eagle award was presented to Senior Patrol Leader Chuck Rose.

Chuck Rose, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rose of 117 Cooper St., has been a member of Troop 27 for five years. He has served the troop as scribe, patrol leader, instruction and senior patrol leader. He has also earned the Bluenose Award, the Paul Bunyan Award and the World Crest. He is a brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow, the Scouting service fraternity.

Rose, a junior at Manchester High School, is a member of both the track and cross-country teams. As a track team member at Bennett Junior High School, he set the current school record in the steeplechase. In 1985 Rose worked as Dining Hall manager at Lake of the Arrow, Travis Hollyfield, Charles Mertens, John Rakoczy, Brian Smaglis

First Aid — Rick Moore Forestry — Michael Yarnot Geology — Michael Yarnot Hiking — Tom Chlupsa, Dave Kuczek, Tom Rose, Mark Smith Home Repairs — Ray Minor, Mark Smith Indian Lore — Tom Chlupsa, Henry Minor Latherwork — Charles Rose Mammals — Charles Rose Music — Tom Chlupsa, Eric Christensen Nature — Michael Yarnot Printing — Henry Minor Public Health — Mark Yarnot Rifle and Shotgun — Jerry DeCelles, Ray Minor Safety — Matt Barrera Soil and Water Conservation — Michael Yarnot Sports — Jerry DeCelles Swimming — Eric Christensen Wilderness Survival — Michael Yarnot

The following Scouts advanced in rank: To Scout — Luke Bittner, Travis Hollyfield To Tenderfoot — Joe Berube, Mike Brennan, Tony Krysiwicz To Second Class — Josh Beaulieu, Todd Lamson, Rick Madore, Charles Mertens, Brian Smaglis To First Class — Eric Christensen To Star — Eric Christensen, Jerry DeCelles To Life — Tom Chlupsa, Todd Rose To Bronze Palm — Henry Minor

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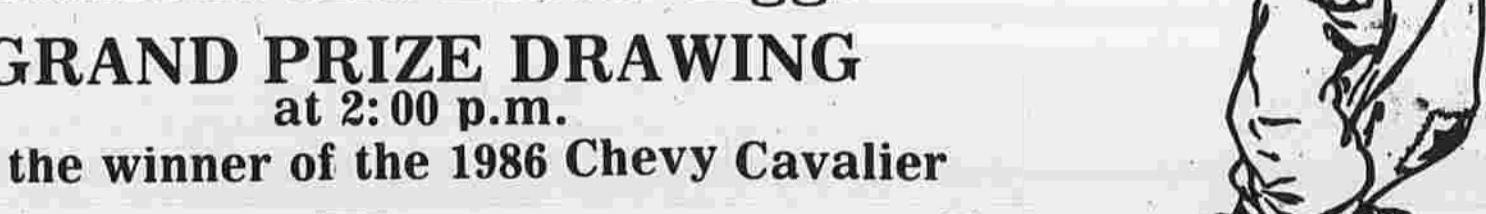
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Connecticut In Brief

State reconsiders Goldfarb case

HARTFORD — The state has decided to renew its bid to reopen the ethical misconduct case against Hartford attorney Alexander A. Goldfarb. Seymour N. Weinstein, the chief state prosecutor, dropped an Appellate Court appeal last month to reopen the case. But following criticism of that action, Weinstein has filed another motion to reopen the case. The move was opposed Wednesday by Goldfarb's attorney, Joseph F. Skelley Jr., who contends that an appeal cannot be reopened once it is withdrawn. He said he is preparing a brief objecting to the motion. Goldfarb was cleared of misconduct by Superior Court Judge Norris L. O'Neill in July. A complaint against him had led several areas of unethical conduct in the handling of Ethel F. Donoghue's multimillion-dollar estate.

Clown case charges dropped

BRIDGEPORT — A bizarre court case involving a hired clown and a pie-in-the-face graduation prank may finally be over with the dismissal of criminal charges against a Fairfield attorney, prosecutors say. Superior Court Judge Richard Damiani dropped felony charges of bribery and witness-tampering Tuesday against James Diorio, a former public defender. Prosecutor Scott Murphy of the chief state attorney's office said Wednesday he asked for the dismissal in part because a jury already had found Diorio's wife and co-defendant, Mary, innocent of felony charges in the case. The Diorio were accused of hiring "Tickles the Clown" to hurl a pie in the face of a junior high school senior in Fairfield during their daughter's graduation ceremonies in June 1984. Prosecutors claimed the prank was staged because the Diorios wanted revenge against the school official for disciplining their daughter during a class field trip.

Judge House joins probe of examiner

HARTFORD (UPI) — A retired chief justice of the state Supreme Court will join four medical examiners looking into complaints about the chief state medical examiner's office, officials say. Charles S. House, a Manchester resident who headed the state court system for seven years, agreed Wednesday to join the investigation after suggestions that the panel should have a citizen member, officials said. The four medical examiners and House are scheduled to meet for the first time Monday to begin the review of the office's operations and investigation of allegations against Chief State Medical Examiner Dr. Catherine A. Galvin. Galvin is on leave taking vacation time during the investigation into charges she allowed pet dogs to be present during autopsies and that the dogs lapped up blood and tissue samples from corpses. The Commission on Medical Investigations voted last week to conduct the probe of the office and to name four prominent medical examiners to do the investigation. The commission's chairman, state Health Services Commissioner Dr. Douglas S. Lloyd, said the panel was enlarged after a suggestion from Gov. William A. O'Neill's legal counsel and discussions by commission members. "We are very pleased to have obtained assistance from a man who is known for his integrity and humanity," Lloyd said in announcing that House had agreed to serve on the panel. House, a Manchester resident, became a Superior Court judge in 1953 and was appointed to the Supreme Court in 1981 until his retirement in 1978. The others on the panel are Drs. William Eckert of Wichita, Kansas; Ali Z. Harneli of Wilmington, Del.; Leslie Lukash of Nassau County, N.Y.; and Eleanor McQuillen of Burlington, Vt. At least two employees in the chief state medical examiner's office have told state officials that dogs owned by Galvin were present in operating rooms when autopsies were performed. Galvin has admitted she allowed the dogs in the room but said they did nothing more than sit in a corner. Galvin and Deputy Chief State Medical Examiner Dr. H. Wayne Carver also have been accused of performing autopsies on animals that were stored in the same cooler as human cadavers. The medical examiner's office is the state's chief facility for performing autopsies. About 1,300 autopsies are expected to be done this year under the supervision of the Farmington office.

Utilities planning 12 nuclear plants

NEW YORK (AP) — The nation's utilities plan to place 12 nuclear plants in operation during 1986, according to Energy User News. The energy-oriented journal says that locations include two in New York and one each in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Louisiana, Michigan, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio and Pennsylvania. Diablo Canyon 2 in California will be the second in that state.

Landlord pleads innocent

WATERBURY — The father of two children who died in a fire Feb. 10 has pleaded innocent to charges he failed to install smoke detectors in his three-family house and illegally used a kerosene space heater. Dumert Elezovski, 32, asked for a jury trial on the charges at Housing Court on Wednesday, and Judge William Ramsey scheduled pretrial motions in the case for April 9. The house was gutted in a pre-dawn fire that killed Elezovski's 5-year-old daughter Susie and 1-year-old daughter Normina. Elezovski, his wife and son escaped the blaze.

Man dies in motel fire

WETHERSFIELD — An unidentified man was killed when a fire broke out in his motel room on the Berlin Turnpike, Wethersfield fire officials said. The fire occurred about 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in one room of the Town House Motor Inn, officials said. It took about 20 minutes to extinguish the blaze. Officials had not determined the cause of the fire, which is still under investigation.

Bhopal leak discussed

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. — Union Carbide Corp. scientists have shed some light on how methyl isocyanate killed hundreds of people when the gas leaked from a company plant in Bhopal, India. Tests indicate that the gas damages respiratory tissues which break away and blocks air passageways, researchers said Wednesday at a meeting sponsored by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences. The stopped-up airways hinder breathing which causes a decrease of oxygen in the bloodstream and an increase in carbon dioxide and lactic acid. The combination can be fatal, scientists said. On Dec. 3, 1984, the methyl isocyanate leak at the Union Carbide pesticide factory in central India killed at least 1,700 people, although some reports put the death toll at 2,500. The gas also injured more than 100,000 and displaced nearly 100,000 in the world's most deadly chemical disaster.

Aid, water plans face vote

Environment Committee mulls state's options

HARTFORD (AP) — The Environment Committee prepared for a vote today on a Republican plan for aid to cities and towns to build and repair water treatment and sewer facilities. The proposal competes with one outlined by Democratic Gov. William A. O'Neill in January and offered as a bill after the session began February. Both plans call for creation of low-interest revolving loans to replace the present grant program from which the federal government is withdrawing in coming years. O'Neill would let communities borrow up to 100 percent of the cost of clean water projects and repay over 20 years at 3 percent interest. The other plan, offered by Sen. Eric Benson, R-Fairfield, Environment Committee co-chairman, would grant communities half the cost of separating their waste water and storm sewer systems, and loan the balance at 2 percent interest payable over 21 years. Other types of clean-water projects could be 20 percent financed by the state with the rest available on loan from a revolving fund. Meanwhile Wednesday, a vote by the state Senate on whether George Brodigan will continue to be a Superior Court judge was delayed a week. Last week, the Judiciary Committee voted not to recommend Brodigan, who has been criticized for asking lawyers to write letters in his favor. Brodigan got low ratings in a survey of lawyers conducted by House Republicans. The judges had berated them on petty matters of sartorial neatness. Brodigan has been on the bench since October when he was appointed by O'Neill. Rep. Richard Tulisano, D-Rocky Hill, said Wednesday the Republican poll was inherently weak because it was sent only to members of the Connecticut Bar Association and therefore missed the thousands of attorneys who don't belong to the association. Public defenders also did not receive the poll questionnaire, further weakening the sample, he said. Tulisano also said less than 20 percent of the lawyers polled responded. "Furthermore, there was no system for checking survey results to ensure that they weren't loaded by people from one firm," he said. Also Wednesday, the Transportation Committee approved a bill requiring all new school buses purchased by cities and towns to be equipped with anchors for seat belts. It would be left up to the municipalities to decide whether they wanted seat belts installed. The bill was sponsored by Rep. Philip F. Wilber, R-Fairfield, said the anchors cannot be installed after the buses have been manufactured. "Even though the buses will cost more" because of the anchors, said Rep. Norma Gyle, R-New Fairfield. "I think it's a safer bus."

Meanwhile, architects said reinforcing bars were left out of the ceiling of a tunnel being built between the new legislative office building and the state Capitol but workers installed the bars at the last minute. "We were lucky," architect John W. Juros, of the architectural firm Russell Gibson Von Dohlen, told the Legislative Management Committee on Tuesday. He said that the bars had been left out of the drawings inadvertently and workers had begun pouring the concrete ceiling when the omission was discovered. The tunnel will link up with the new legislative office building under construction adjacent to the overcrowded 107-year-old state Capitol.

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Colt bargaining session ends quickly

HARTFORD — Contract talks between Colt Firearms Division and the union for 1,100 striking workers have broken down again with the company wanting the walkout may become moot because of replacement hirings. The first bargaining session in more than a month ended after only a few minutes Wednesday when Colt refused to budge on the offer it made shortly after the nearly seven-week strike broke. Federal mediator Thomas Carroll said. The company said afterward it had 436 replacement workers, including 110 former union members, and it may not need any of the strikers to resume full production at its Hartford and West Hartford plants. "If the situation continues long enough, we will conceivably have enough workers" without reaching a settlement, said Richard S. Reibeling, vice president for personnel at Colt. The union members at Colt, manufacturer of the M-16 rifle used by the U.S. military, went on strike Jan. 24 after working without a contract since April 1985. "Unfortunately we're no closer today than we were when we entered negotiations 12 months ago. It doesn't appear things are going to change in the near future," Carroll said. Phil Wheeler, president of Local 378 of the United Auto Workers, accused Colt of refusing to make even a minor concession to get the talks moving. "The company continues to make statements that they'll be there with an open mind. It was quite obvious they did not come with an open mind nor did they come with proposals," he said. The company is offering a three-year contract with no wage increase in the first year and 4 percent increases in each of the two following years. The union asked for 8 percent raises in all three years, but has reduced that offer by one-half percent each of the first two years. After the Wednesday session, union officials met with representatives of several other national unions whose members work at other Colt divisions, Wheeler said. The unions, including the International Association of Machinists, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, the United Steelworkers Union, and the Teamsters, offered to take up collections among members to help the strikers, Wheeler said. The UAW has a nearly \$700 million strike fund, but benefits for Colt strikers are limited to health insurance and a \$100-per-week stipend, Wheeler said. Wheeler criticized Colt officials for not moving from the contract offer they initially made a year ago. Reibeling called the union offer "the same kind of unrealistic proposal that they've been making all along." The newly hired replacement workers have been guaranteed permanent jobs, said Reibeling, declining to say how long it would take before the jobs left by union members are completely filled.

Sikorsky copters grounded

HARTFORD (AP) — The Army has ordered its entire fleet of Sikorsky Black Hawk helicopters grounded after a crash in Alabama killed three Army pilots on Tuesday. "The Army said Wednesday that the grounding" was a precautionary measure, and there was no immediate cause of the crash that killed the three Army pilots stationed at Fort Rucker. "We want to find out exactly what caused the accident," said Army spokesman Lt. Col. David Burpee. The Army's 680 Black Hawks are made by Sikorsky Aircraft, a Stratford-based division of United Technologies Corp. A spokesman for Sikorsky, James Venturillo, said the company had no knowledge about the cause of the crash. Tuesday's crash occurred after the \$3.4 billion Black Hawk fleet had already been grounded once. The 1985 grounding was lifted after an intensive investigation showed that a spindle had cracked in mid-air last April 8. Tuesday's crash occurred after the grounding of its 70 Apache attack helicopters, built by McDonnell Douglas Corp.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
REMA A. DUNN, late of Manchester, deceased. The Hon. Donald F. Auchter, Acting Judge, of the Superior Court of Probate, District of Manchester, District of the State of New Hampshire, has appointed MARY LOU TAYLOR, of Manchester, New Hampshire, as the executrix of the last will and testament of the said REMA A. DUNN. All claims against the estate of the said REMA A. DUNN must be presented to the said MARY LOU TAYLOR on or before June 13, 1986, or be barred by law provided. MARY LOU TAYLOR, 643-2711.

NOTICE OF HEARING
ESTATE OF JOHN P. MURPHY, DECEASED. ALEXA JOHN PETER MURPHY, RECEASER. Pursuant to an order of Hon. Donald F. Auchter, Acting Judge, dated March 7, 1986 a hearing will be held on application praying for the appointment of the said ALEXA JOHN PETER MURPHY as executor of the last will and testament of the said JOHN P. MURPHY. The hearing will be held at 11:30 A.M. on March 13, 1986, at the Court of Probate, District of Manchester, District of the State of New Hampshire, Room 201, 100 North Main Street, Manchester, New Hampshire. MARY LOU TAYLOR, Clerk.

INVITATION TO BID
Notice is hereby given that the Eight Utilities District will receive sealed bids in the office of the Eight Utilities District, 200 P.A. on May 12, 1986, for Package Insurance Coverage for 1986-87 of which time bids will be publicly opened, read and recorded. Specifications and bid forms may be secured at the District offices. Fire Department, 200 P.A. Street, Manchester, Connecticut. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. THOMAS E. LANDERS, JR., INSURANCE COMMISSIONER, EIGHT UTILITIES DISTRICT, 071-02.

LEGAL NOTICE
PET BURIAL SERVICE, INC. MANCHESTER, CONNECTICUT. NOTICE OF FINAL DECISION ON APPLICATION FOR A POINT SOURCE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATING PERMIT. The Air Compliance Unit, of the Department of Environmental Protection hereby gives notice of the final decision on the application by M&S Engineering & Inc. of 8 Broad Brook for a permit to construct and operate an incinerator of Pet Burial Services, Inc. 640 North Main Street in Manchester. The Department has decided to grant the permit. The decision may be examined in the Office of the Assistant Director, Enforcement Section, State Office Building, 185 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut 06106. 026-03.

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Oil, food prices decline sharply

By Tom Roum
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Collapsing world oil prices helped push down wholesale prices in February by 1.6 percent, the largest monthly decline since the government began keeping track of the figures in 1947, the Labor Department reported today.

The drop in the Producer Price Index followed a 0.7 percent decline in January, after it had climbed sharply in the last three months of 1985.

The decline was largely due to plummeting prices for gasoline and other petroleum products. However, food prices also showed sharp declines.

Lotteries leave some with houses

By Alex Girelli
Associate Editor

Natives and long-term residents of Manchester won most of the rights to buy low-sponsored "starter" houses on Love Lane in lotteries Thursday night.

More than 100 people crowded into the hearing room of Lincoln Center and spilled out into the hallway for the lotteries, which accounted for seven of the 14 houses in a seven-acre subdivision. The lotteries were conducted by Visions Unlimited of Tolland, which is building the houses under a contract with the town.

The winners were James and Christine Gabriel of Rachel Road, Laurie Dunlop of Union Street, Barry and Rita Hayes of Bidwell Street, Edward and Deborah Smith of Rachel Road, Mark and Doreen Anderson of Hyde Street, Carl Ogren of Strant Street, and Wayne and Eugenie Coulombe of Hazel Street.

The Gabriels have lived in Manchester for nine years and have four children.

Dunlop said he grew up in Manchester, moved away and recently moved back to town.

The Hayeses are lifelong Manchester residents.

The Smiths are both Manchester natives, while Eugenie Coulombe said she and her husband have lived in town seven years.

Ogren and the Andersons were not present at the drawing Thursday night and could not be contacted this morning.

The Manchester Board of Directors promoted the housing project as a means of providing affordable housing for first-time Manchester house buyers who fit certain income limits. The town will hold a sleeping second mortgage on the land upon which the houses stand, lowering the initial cost to buyers.

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Creative career

Flora Maher, a student at Creative School of Hairdressing in Manchester, applies makeup to Diane Ashton, a Bennet Junior High School student, as demonstration on a career in cosmetology. The career exploration program was one on several topics for all ninth-grade students at Bennet this week. Maher assisted Geraldine Prentiss, dean of the hairdressing school, for the program.

Herald photo by Sheawen

Queens political boss kills himself

By Mariene Alg
The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Donald Manes, who survived a suicide attempt then resigned as Queens borough president when he was linked to the city's largest corruption scandal in 15 years, ended his life with a knife wound to the heart.

Manes, 52, died Thursday night, little more than an hour after an ambulance was called to his home, where he was found lying on the kitchen floor with a stab wound to the chest, said Police Commissioner Benjamin Ward.

He had been the highest elected official of the borough of Queens, whose population of nearly 2 million is larger than all but three U.S. cities.

Manes had returned with his wife from his sister's home and had just called his psychiatrist when his daughter saw him reach into a kitchen drawer. Ward said. He stabbed himself with a 12-inch knife.

said deputy commissioner Alice T. McGillion. The knife was pulled out by Manes' wife, Mariene, Ward said.

Lou Cafiero, spokesman for the Emergency Medical Service, said Manes "had one stab wound to the chest, which entered his heart. He was in traumatic arrest - he had no vital signs."

He was pronounced dead at Booth Memorial Hospital at 11 p.m., Miss McGillion said.

Mayor Edward I. Koch, a close friend and political ally of Manes who later called the borough president a crook, said in a statement Thursday night, "This is an enormous tragedy and under these circumstances, and after death, we should also remember the good things Donald Manes did."

The New York City native was first elected to the City Council in 1965 at age 31. He became the youngest borough president in Queens history in 1971, and consolidated his power in 1974 by becoming Queens Democratic Party chairman.

Known as "The King of Queens," Manes seemingly was at the height of his power when, on Jan. 10, police stopped his car, which was weaving on a highway in Queens, and found him bleeding profusely from wounds in his wrist and ankle.

At first Manes told police he had been kidnapped and attacked. On Jan. 21 he admitted that his wounds had been self-inflicted.

Shortly after Manes' first suicide attempt, longtime friend Geoffrey C. Lindauer, deputy director of the city's Parking Violations Bureau, was charged with taking a \$5,000 bribe from the president of a company hired by the bureau to collect overdue parking fines.

Within a week, the head of another collection company doing business with the bureau, Michael Dowd, told authorities he paid bribes to Mr. Lindauer on instructions from Manes.

O'Neill hasn't decided on GOP primary stay

HARTFORD (AP) - The O'Neill administration put off a decision today on whether to seek a delay in the effective date of a court ruling allowing the Connecticut Republican Party to open its primaries to unaffiliated voters.

"We're going to have a decision sometime next week," said Attorney General Joseph J. Lieberman after a half-hour meeting this morning with Gov. William O'Neill.

At issue is a suit pending U.S. before the U.S. Supreme Court, originally filed by Connecticut Republicans seeking to hold open

The high court refused this month to grant an early hearing of the case and that refusal could pave the way for open GOP primaries this year, since the case now can't be heard at least until October, a month after the primaries.

The right of the Republican Party to open its primaries has been upheld by two federal courts.

The O'Neill administration is now considering seeking a stay in the circuit court's ruling, which, if granted, would prevent open primaries until the Supreme Court decides the case.

Manchester gets ready for St. Patrick's victory

"Fifty-five degrees and smiling" was the forecast offered this morning by the leader of the Manchester group that will march in Saturday's Greater Hartford St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Chairman Sean Byrne said he is looking forward to seeing Manchester capture the prize for the best participation by a large town, as it has several times in the past 14 years.

Manchester's group of local bands, color guards, fire departments and town and state officials will step off at 11 a.m. from the state Capitol. The town marchers will be fourth in the parade, which includes 11 other area towns.

The Iona College Pipe Band from New Rochelle, N.Y., will live up the Manchester contingent, Byrne said. The band will follow the marchers from the Manchester Police Department.

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Sewer bill rejected
A proposal by state Sen. Carl Zinsner, R-Manchester, that would provide Manchester with a 50 percent grant and a 50 percent loan for improvements to its sewerage treatment plant has apparently been rejected by the Legislature's Environment Committee. Story on page 8.

Rain and more rain
It'll be rainy and foggy tonight, with possible thunderstorms Saturday morning will bring more rain, but the precipitation should end by the afternoon. Details on page 2.