

Connecticut In Brief

Democrats name Stolberg speaker

HARTFORD — State House Democrats have unanimously selected Irving J. Stolberg of New Haven to serve as speaker of the House and narrowly chose Robert F. Frankel of Stratford as majority leader for 1987 and 1988. The Democrats took control of the General Assembly as a result of last week's elections. They will control the House, 92-59, and the Senate, 25-11, in the session that begins Jan. 7. Stolberg was unopposed for the speaker's job during the voting Wednesday night. Frankel had been in a three-way fight for the majority leader's spot — a fight that became a two-way battle when Richard J. Balducci of Newington dropped out Wednesday afternoon. Frankel was the winner over Ronald L. Smoko of Hamden, 45-42. Stolberg, who served as speaker in 1983 and 1984 when the Democrats were in the majority, has been minority leader for the past two years. He was first elected to the House in 1970 and has been re-elected every two years since.

Worker pleads innocent to abduction

NEW HAVEN — A hospital volunteer who told police she wanted to make her boyfriend believe she bore his child has pleaded innocent in Superior Court to charges of abducting a day-old baby boy from Yale-New Haven Hospital. Maureen Mead, 27, of Branford was arrested four hours after the baby was reported missing on Oct. 29. Police stopped the car in which she was riding with her boyfriend and found the infant inside. Mead, who entered her plea Wednesday, is charged with kidnapping and risk of injury to a child. According to police affidavits filed in court, Mead said she took the baby because she had suffered a miscarriage two weeks earlier and wanted to make her boyfriend believe she had his child. She didn't tell him about the miscarriage, "fearing he would leave her," the affidavit said. Mead told police she became a volunteer at the hospital after her miscarriage and convinced her boyfriend that the baby she took was her own, the affidavit said.

2nd trial for robbery suspect starts

WATERBURY — The second murder trial of Lawrence J. Pelletier, charged in the bloody 1979 robbery of a Parulot depot here, began with the rejection of six prospective jurors and will resume Nov. 24 with a hearing on a defense request to move the trial. Defense attorney Eugene Riccio has said that adverse pretrial publicity would prevent his client from getting a fair trial in Waterbury, where Pelletier lives. Jury selection began in Waterbury Superior Court Wednesday. The trial was halted until Judge Bernard D. Gaffney hears the motion for a change of venue. Riccio and Assistant State's Attorney Walter J. Scanlon said jury selection could take up to a month. Pelletier and co-defendant Donald Coakley, 34, of Wallingford, were each convicted in 1982 of three counts of felony murder in the \$1.8 million robbery. Three guards were killed. The murder convictions were thrown out by the state Supreme Court in 1984 on the grounds of that the prosecuting attorney's closing remarks improperly introduced prejudicial evidence. Coakley's second trial in Waterbury Superior Court ended abruptly Monday in a mistrial after a juror failed to show up and other jurors apparently deliberated without her.

City woman arrested in fraud

NEW HAVEN — A city woman has been charged with falsely obtaining more than \$39,000 in public assistance and food stamps over nearly seven years with the aid of her sister. State police said Katherine Austin, 39, is accused of falsely obtaining \$39,433.90 in public assistance and food stamps from September 1976 to February 1983 in the name of her sister, Thomasa Austin, who resides in West Virginia. Katherine Austin was charged Wednesday with two counts of first-degree larceny and one count each of first-degree forgery and criminal impersonation, state police said. Another sister, 31-year-old Linda Austin Pender of West Haven, was also arrested Wednesday and charged with aiding and abetting, police said.

Judiciary panel approves judges

HARTFORD — The General Assembly's Judiciary Committee has unanimously approved the nominations of three men to serve as Superior Court judges. They are former state Sen. Myron R. Ballen of Fairfield, a Republican; Richard J. Stanley of Essex, a Democrat; and Robert F. Stengel of Rocky Hill, a Democrat. They will serve on an interim basis until the full General Assembly acts on their nominations sometime after the 1987 session convenes in January.

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Head of special revenue resigns

By Judd Everhart
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — The votes that put Gov. William A. O'Neill back into office last week were tallied before the executive director of the Division on Special Revenue, A.W. Oppenheimer, submitted his letter of resignation and, administration sources say, asked not to be reappointed. O'Neill had said before Election Day that he would request pro forma letters of resignation from all his commissioners and other appointees if he was re-elected. He said he planned to accept some of them, but wouldn't elaborate.

Oppenheimer submitted his letter the day after the election and before O'Neill even sent out the request to all appointees. Oppenheimer, who has run the state's legalized gambling operations since Dec. 31, 1980, refuses to discuss his letter or his plans and officials in the governor's office wouldn't comment on Wednesday. "Mr. Oppenheimer does not want to comment on any speculation concerning his resignation, or on what he would do or wouldn't do, or could do or couldn't do should the governor decide to accept it," said Special Revenue spokesman William K. Seymour. There was widespread speculation that Oppenheimer was leaving to take a job with American Totalisator, the company that handles the state's off-track betting operations. In partnership with the state, but Oppenheimer denies that, according to Seymour. O'Neill aide Jon Sandberg said the requests for resignation letters were going out this week and the letters are due Nov. 24. The letters will be released then, he said, Sandberg, in refusing a request to see Oppenheimer's letter, said the governor "doesn't want to release them one by one."

Seymour noted that a law that takes effect Jan. 7 bars executive branch employees from taking jobs with companies doing business with their agencies for a year after the employee leaves state service. "He believes in the spirit of that law," Seymour said of Oppenheimer. Mitchell W. Pearlman, executive director of the state Freedom of Information Commission, said Oppenheimer's letter would likely have to be made public unless the release of its contents would constitute an invasion of privacy. "I don't see how this kind of letter would fall into that category, but I haven't seen it," Pearlman said.

Moser says plan would help Coventry

By Jacqueline Bennett
Herald Correspondent

COVENTRY — Moser Farms wants to expand its Bread and Milk Street plant, a project that involves rezoning some of its property so it can add personnel offices. "Please take into account that last year Moser paid the town \$26,000 in property tax and that will likely increase if you approve this plan," Vernon Attorney Joseph Capozzella, who represents Moser Farms, told the Planning and Zoning Commission at a hearing this week. Capozzella presented a plan by the dairy company to convert 6.39 acres of land west of Bread and

Milk Street and immediately north of Route 31 from a residential to a commercial zone. The change would allow Moser to convert an existing house on that property into an office for about 15 people, including some who would be transferred from Moser's Ellington plant, he said. Capozzella said Moser bought the house from residents who had complained about noise from the nearby dairy plant. The office plan was an "afterthought," Capozzella said, adding that he thought the zone change would offer a workable transition between the light industrial zone where the plant stands and the residences on Bread and Milk Street. He noted that the noise from the Moser plant makes it desirable for residential uses. At Monday's hearing, the PZC agreed to consider the proposal. But commission Chairman Ray Joesten warned members that if the land's zoning were changed, further commercial building would be possible, including retail stores, business or professional offices, theaters, hotels, and restaurants. And some neighbors of the Moser plant spoke against the plans. Paul Kingsbury said the traffic from office workers and sales people would add to the existing noise from the plant and Moser's trucks, and would make it even more difficult than it already is to enter Route 31. Kathy Muraski of Cedar Swamp

Board considers school realignment

By Jacqueline Bennett
Herald Correspondent

About 700 students would be affected by the plan. Chester said the only drawback would be that children from the same family might be attending two different schools. But he said he believes they would adapt. Busing would not be a problem, he said. Chester also has suggested construction of a new wing at Coventry Grammar School as a way to address growth anticipated in coming years. The realignment plan will be discussed by the Parent Teacher Organization at meetings at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 18 at Coventry Grammar School and 7:30 p.m. Nov. 25 at Robertson, and by school staff members Dec. 3 at Coventry High School. On Jan. 14 at 7:30 p.m., a public hearing will be held at Coventry High School. Chester hopes the school board will make a decision on the plan before January. "Ultimately the board will make the decision," he said, "but we want input from the public at the hearing."

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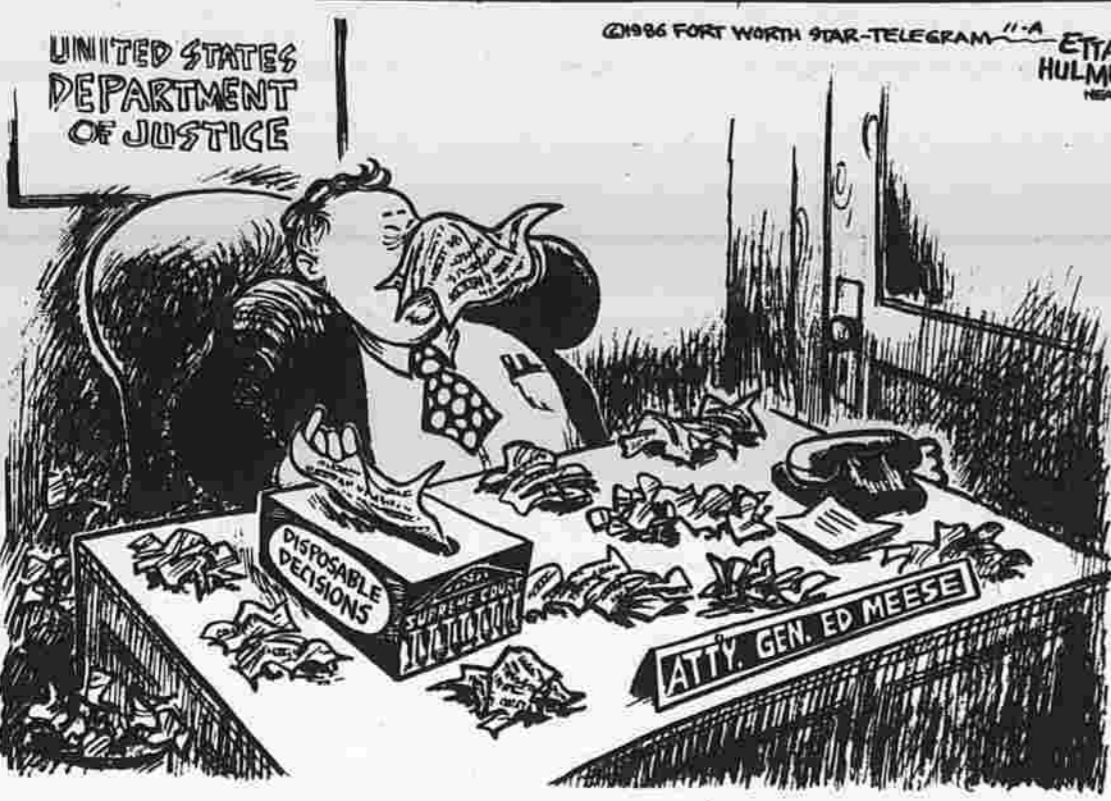
Restoration a good sign

The news that the engineering firm of Fuss and O'Neill is planning to turn the former Cheney Brothers main office building into its headquarters is a welcome sign that public effort to restore Manchester's historic district has begun to encourage independent private investment in the area.

In the process of making major renovations to the building, the partners in the engineering firm plan to restore it as nearly as possible to its appearance when it served as the showpiece for the textile dynasty that developed the Cheney mill area and so much of what surrounds it.

The purchasers are embarking on the job with no involvement on the part of the town, but they were undoubtedly influenced by the fact that the town has undertaken public improvements in the Cheney Historic District and entered into agreements with private developers that have made it possible to convert mill buildings into residences. That has helped turn what would otherwise have deteriorated into an eyesore and an economic liability into what will be a vibrant community in the not-too-distant future.

Since the Cheney office building on Hartford Road was abandoned by Manchester Community College two years ago, the possibility has existed that it might fall into insensitive hands. It is reassuring to know that it will be put to a use that fits the neighborhood well, and still more so to reflect on what the project indicates for the future of the neighborhood.



Open Forum

Development at what price?

To the Editor:

I'm concerned about the proposed Buckland mall development; not just the \$22 million cost burden but the significant social, economic and environmental impact upon our community.

This mall development will:

1. Create toxic vehicle emissions 555 times the allowable federal standard.
2. Create transient service demands for water, waste treatment and safety equal to 10,000 new residents.
3. Require water and waste treatment needs exceeding existing and as yet unconstructed capacity.
4. Encourage continued dumping of heavy traffic onto local residential streets.
5. Expose taxpayers to additional subsidies for other developers to build in our town.
6. Impose continuing service, maintenance and debt servicing on future decades of local property owners.

Of course, we should encourage development, but not on the pocketbooks of the individual homeowner... the same people whose property values, quality of life and safety will be impacted negatively. Manchester's combined property, water-waste and fire taxes are among the highest in Connecticut today and are programmed to escalate in the future.

I'm concerned about the town administration's disinclination.

1. The Buckland mall is not essential to encourage development along I-94. This area will be developed by Buckland mall or no mall.

Save water

Given the weather over the past several days, many Manchester residents no doubt find it hard to believe the town is facing a water shortage.

But a few rainy days can't make up for months of dryness, and everyone should recognize the need for conservation. Officials have warned that the town's reservoirs are far lower than they should be in the wake of a parched October and a summer when the rains were less than normal.

Until the danger has passed, shorter showers, leak repairs and more economical use of the sink are all in order.

Even if townspeople voluntarily save water, mandatory restrictions may be in store within a few months. Water could cost more, and limitations on washing cars or watering lawns may be imposed.

On the other hand, a bit of conservation and more rain may give the problem a chance to abate. One is to be encouraged, the other hoped for.

Meanwhile, Manchester can take limited comfort in having company. In Greenwich, the rainfall has been 6.7 inches short of normal this year, and the Board of Selectmen has called for the elimination of all "non-essential" water uses.

How adventurous ventures raise money

STAMFORD — The Connecticut Venture Group's cocktail party looked like any other. But my first chat told me it was different.

"My company has come up with a new formulation for chocolate that reduces calories by one-quarter to one-half," said Bob Benson, of the International Marketing Group. "I'm here to get \$300,000 to \$500,000 to start marketing it. I think we can get sales of \$1.3 million in the first year, \$3 million in the second and earn a \$650,000 profit."

My next conversation was with John Doherty, a patent attorney. "I've gotten a lot of trademark work and patent work here. This is called networking," he said as he slid past me to talk to business prospects.

But the original intention of the venture group — or venture club, as it is more informally known — "was to have a better say with the Connecticut Legislature," said Kenneth Rind, of Oxford Venture Corp., one of its founders.

Another founder, Bob Gustavson, of Argos Management, recalls that when the nation's oldest venture capital club began meeting in 1974, the only people who gathered for a cocktail and lunch were venture capitalists, those rare financiers who gamble by investing in new firms.

"BUT WE BEGAN having a lot of accountants, lawyers, head hunters and entrepreneurs coming. So when I was president in 1980, we organized it in an official way," he explained. "The meetings were on the first Monday of the month, from noon to 2 p.m. We established a format of speakers and a 'Five Minute Forum' in which people could exchange information on deals or what they were trying to finance. And we developed a newsletter."

The "Five Minute Forum" took half an hour as a cordless microphone was handed from table to table and potential deal makers stood to pitch.

"I have an opportunity in a retail fuel oil distribution, which we are seeking to acquire for \$4.5 million," said an ex-Exxon man.



Northern Perspective
Michael J. McManus

Another rose to tell of a "leveraged buyout of a small manufacturer with \$1.5 million in sales," in which most of the funds had been raised.

Bob Benson reported: "We set out to build a better chocolate. The trend is for light foods for a diet-conscious public. And yet ours is as good or better than the higher quality chocolates. I'm at table #1."

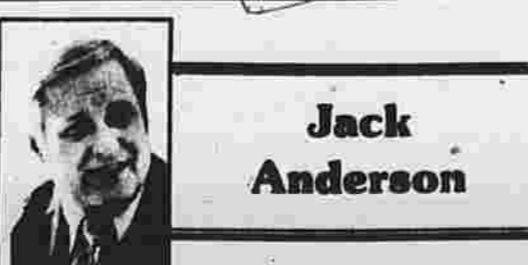
Bob Stillars, a deep-voiced man with 30 years in advertising, said: "I am trying to raise a half-million for a new business magazine for Connecticut. Similar magazines exist in states that don't begin to have the economic climate that Connecticut offers. I'm at table #8."

RIGHT AFTER LUNCH, a prospect came over and Stillars pulled out his prospectus and slick samples of what he had in mind: "Florida Trend," "Georgia Trend," "Arizona Trend," and "Virginia Trend."

Perhaps a dozen of those who spoke were simply out of work, or, as the euphemism goes, were "between opportunities."

But plugging people into vacancies is as important as matching money with entrepreneurial opportunities.

Elliot Iaban felt "kind of queasy" the first time he talked at the venture club about his invention called "Safety Twist," which makes it easier to



Ambassador wants to live like a prince

WASHINGTON — While State Department officials were begging Congress for money to beef up security at terrorist-threatened posts — and closing others to save money — the American ambassador in Trinidad was picking out crystal chandeliers for his official residence and proposing a tennis court and costly renovation of his swimming pool.

All told, Ambassador Sheldon Kryz wanted an estimated \$150,000 worth of improvements for his digs in Port-of-Spain, the Caribbean capital of Trinidad and Tobago. At the same time, the department was preparing to close consulates in Bremen, West Germany; Rotterdam, Netherlands; Salvador da Bahia, Brazil; Seville, Spain; Trieste, Italy; and Winnipeg, Canada, to save money.

The State Department's pleas for additional security funds were only partly met: Congress cut \$138 million from the department's salaries and expenses budget, and \$887 million from the proposed outlays for security.

WORD OF THE BUDGETARY CRISIS

apparently traveled by banana boat to the southernmost U.S. outpost in the Caribbean, but information on the ambassador's luxurious refurbishing plans was sent to Washington in cables and official order requisition forms, some of which have been obtained by our associate Stewart Harris. Here are some pages from the ambassador's team book:

- Construction of a tennis court and paving of the ambassadorial parking lot: \$40,000.
- Re-tilling, scraping and repainting of the swimming pool: \$7,000.
- Installation of central air conditioning for the residence: \$20,130. Cables explained that the residence's existing window units repeatedly break down.
- Renovation of the master bedroom and bathroom and another bathroom: \$20,000. The cables were quite terse: "There is only one person at a time," one cable noted.
- Remodeling guest bedroom and bathroom, repairing or replacing plumbing and electrical fixtures: \$10,000.

In a telephone interview, Kryz told us that some improvements to the 29-year-old residence were approved long before he took over in August 1985 — which was also, of course, before the current fiscal crisis. The ambassador said much of the furniture is 15 years old, and the floors are covered with "a cacophony of carpets." The only request that could be considered extravagant, according to Kryz, was a \$2,500 chandelier for the dining room.

IN ONE CABLE to Foggy Bottom, the ambassador said a tennis court would improve the "post's morale and provide a healthful outlet" for embassy employees. Private tennis clubs are expensive and have standards of athletic prowess that not all embassy staffers can meet, the cable explained, adding: "There is only one public court; however, it is located in a high-crime area."

The Foreign Building Office approved the ambassador's tennis court "in principle," but officials said that funding for all embassy tennis courts was put on hold after the budget cuts. The department authorized only \$17,000 for the Port-of-Spain residence's furnishings, \$5,000 for new gutters and a new roof and \$57,000 for the air conditioning and bathroom work.

Not included in the refurbishing outlay were the piano flown down to the islands and the armor-plated Opel Senator car shipped from Europe for \$20,430. Officials defended the expenditures, particularly the repairs to the residence, which they said had deteriorated badly from constant exposure to the sea air. They also pointed out that the renovations were ordered to coincide with security work on the embassy compound to avoid tearing it up twice.

Beer bust

Lt. Col. B.S. Baer, an Army finance officer, may have picked up the \$742.94 tab for beer and chips provided to GIs on maneuvers in West Germany four years ago, because his office mistakenly OK'd the expenditure from the wrong account. The Army has asked the comptroller general to let Baer off the hook since the error was made by one of the colonel's clerks. But the civilian comptroller says they can't clear Baer until they have conclusive evidence that he didn't see the disbursement document himself. The Army is working on this. The beer, incidentally, was American, even though the maneuvers were in the heart of German beer country.



Right season, wrong sign
Mailboxes along Autumn Road in Hillsboro, N.H., show signs of an early snow in late fall after the season's first snow fell on southern New Hampshire this week.

Bitterness remains at hospital

WATERBURY (AP) — Lingering bitterness from a four-month strike has left Waterbury Hospital with a nursing shortage, fueling a backlog of elective surgery cases and limiting the number of critical care beds that are available, officials said.

Five weeks after the strike was settled at the state's fifth-largest hospital, about two-thirds of the institution's workers have returned to work and 11 percent of the nurses have quit their jobs.

"There were some nurses who went back there, felt they couldn't respect the people they were working with, and left," said Barbara Larson, secretary-treasurer of Connecticut Health Care Associates, District 1199.

The union represented more than 500 nurses who walked out June 2 after failing to reach agreement with the hospital on a new contract. The strike followed a walkout by service and maintenance workers, who settled on a new contract before the nurses but refused to cross their picket lines.

During the strike, the issue of job security overshadowed pay and benefits as the hospital began hiring replacement workers and guaranteed them jobs at the expense of strikers.

A spokesman for the New England Health Care Employees, District 1199, which represents the hospital blue-collar workers, said that 350 of its 525 members who struck the hospital have returned to work.

All of the hospital's services, from the emergency room to one-day surgery, are functioning, a hospital spokesman said Monday.

"For the most part it's been very good (since the strike) and people have put the strike behind them and are back to their commitment to quality patient care," administrator Michael A. O'Brien said.

But, he said, "like with any post-strike situation there have been instances of stress."

While the hospital began to offer all services shortly after the strike ended Oct. 4, a shortage of nurses has hampered efforts to return to full capacity.

Of the 483 registered and licensed practical nurses called back to work, 82 have quit, union and hospital officials say.

At the present rate, the annual turnover rate for nurses would be about 120 percent compared with the state average of about 30 percent a year, Ms. Larson said.

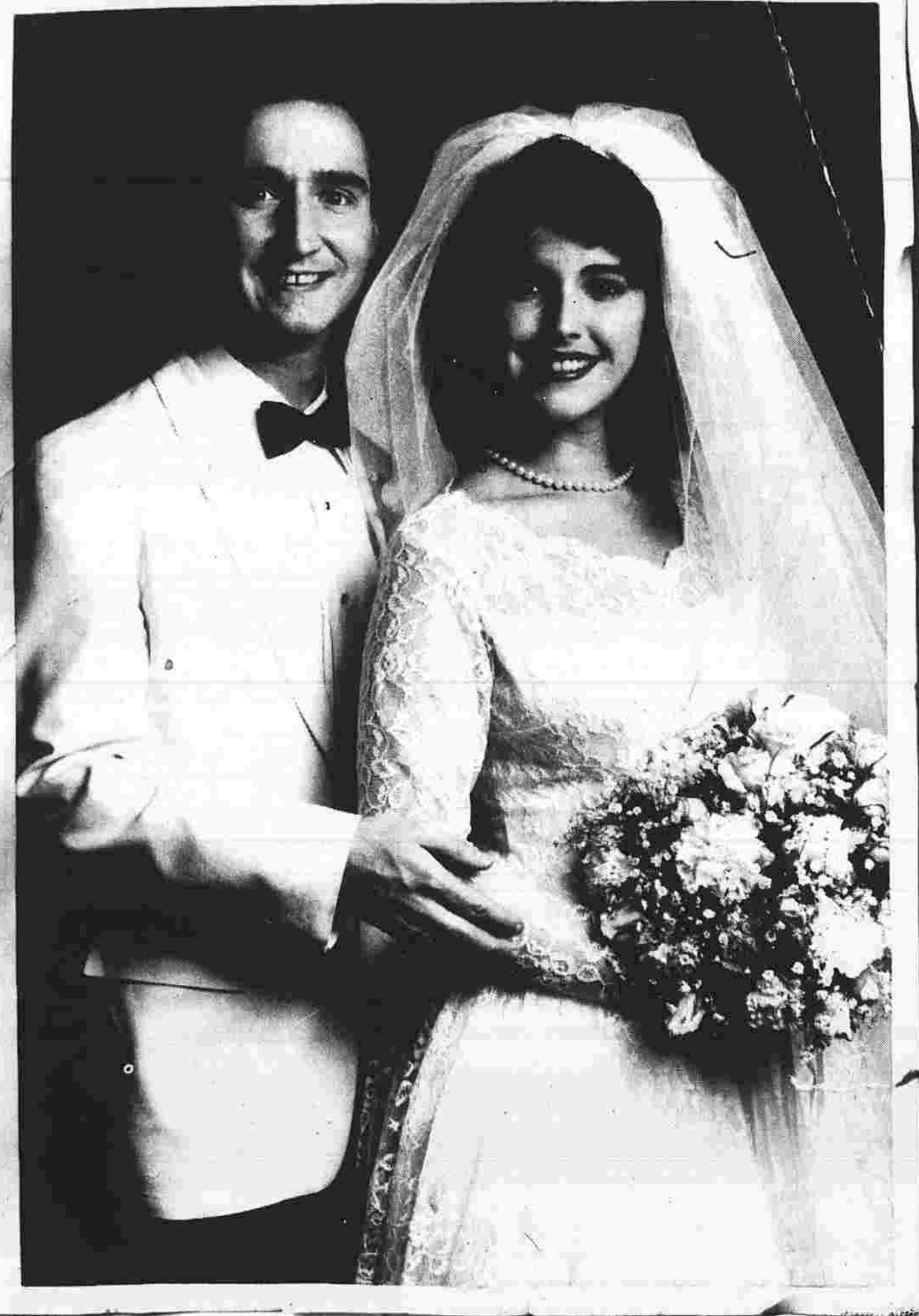
Early this week, the 305-bed hospital had 253 beds filled, a drop of 29 percent from 320 in-patients before the strike, O'Brien said. Officials blamed the vacancy rate on the shortage of nurses.

"It certainly is disturbing," O'Brien said of the high turnover among nurses. "In some ways it's a reflection of the strike and some nurses just found other employment during the strike."

The nurses have left key positions in the emergency room, intensive care unit and maternity areas, O'Brien said.

Although he stressed that patient care has not been compromised by the shortage, he confirmed reports that the hospital had to divert two ambulances to another facility shortly after the strike because of a lack of open beds.

"I found him in the Yellow Pages."



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Prevention focus of events planned for state AIDS week

New Haven starting Nov. 22. Next Thursday, Rep. Bruce Morrison, D-Conn., will hold a congressional hearing on AIDS in New Haven.

AIDS Prevention Week is a way to try to inform health professionals as well as people particularly at risk for contracting AIDS, who include intravenous drug users and homosexual men, Sabella said.

People must learn to tailor their lifestyles to protect themselves and their sexual partners from the deadly disease, said Alvin Novick, a Yale professor of biology and chairman of the New Haven Mayor's Task Force on AIDS.

Sabella said Wednesday in a telephone interview from Hartford that the events also will include memorial services for victims of AIDS and a 24-hour prayer vigil in

Ex-ambulance official sentenced

NEW LONDON (AP) — The former treasurer of an ambulance association embezzled more than \$66,000 from the group to pay medical bills for his dying grandson, his lawyer told a judge.

"This man has lost his home, he's lost his reputation, he's lost his standing in the community and he's lost his clean criminal record," said Paul Guernsey, attorney for Ronald B. Dixon. "This man has suffered. He will continue to suffer."

Superior Court Judge Joseph J. Purtil on Wednesday sentenced Dixon, who was treasurer of the Waterford Ambulance Association, to a five-year suspended sentence and three years' probation.

Dixon's stepson, Edwin Perry, died in 1981 after a three-year battle with cancer.

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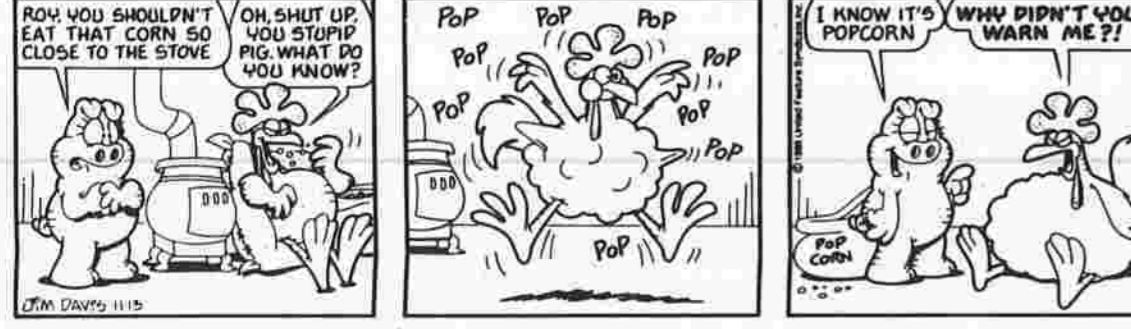
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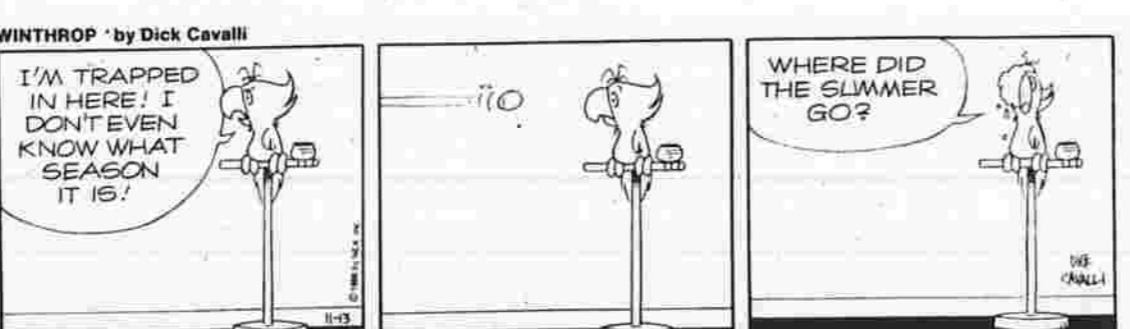
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Puzzles

ACROSS, DOWN, and Answer to Previous Puzzle crossword puzzle grid.

Astrograph

Your Birthday Nov. 14, 1986. Speculative enterprises could be especially appealing to you in the year ahead...

Bridge

The right card of the right suit. NORTH 11-13-46. WEST 742, EAST 495. Vulnerable: Both Dealer: South.

U.S./World In Brief Pentagon to limit access to data

WASHINGTON — Pentagon officials say they will take steps to limit access to unclassified government and business computer data banks as part of a Reagan administration effort to make it more difficult for hostile governments to acquire technical and economic information.

Warrants issued in ship sinking

REYKJAVIK, Iceland — Iceland said Wednesday it had issued arrest warrants through Interpol for an American and a Briton suspected in the sabotage of Iceland's whaling industry.

Leading Aquino supporter murdered

MANILA, Philippines — A leading leftist supporter of President Corason Aquino was found shot and stabbed to death today, hours after his followers announced he had disappeared and blamed supporters of Defense Minister Juan Ponce Enrile.

Jets avert air crash

ATLANTA (AP) — Federal officials investigating a "near-midair collision" of two commercial jets say air traffic controllers scrambled without success to communicate with the pilots after a microphone failure.

Chemical disaster spurs reform

Nov. 1 when firefighters doused a blaze at a Sandoz chemical plant warehouse near Basel. A 25-mile-long slick drifted down the 820-mile Rhine toward the North Sea, killing an estimated 500,000 fish and eels, harming other aquatic life and endangering drinking water.

South Africa denies sabotage

South African hillside about 200 yards from the border with Mozambique, killing 34 people. Machel, 53, had led Mozambique's since its independence from Portugal in 1975.

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Fire chief wants to expand Manchester paramedic unit

Manchester has not had a problem recruiting and retaining paramedics to serve in the Town Fire Department, Fire Chief John Rivoso said Wednesday.

There are 10 paramedics and Rivoso said he would like to raise the number to 12. The increase would be made without any increase in the total number of firefighters, he said.

The East Hartford Fire Department, which is facing a shortage of paramedics, is seeking union approval to put three department supervisors — former paramedics — back on active paramedic duty. The union is willing to permit the transfers temporarily, but wants assurance something will be done to recruit new paramedics for permanent duty.

Rivoso said Manchester has not had similar recruiting problems. He said one of the department's 10 paramedics wants to leave, but a replacement for him is already in training.

Immigration rate means changes

WASHINGTON (AP) — High immigration rates pose the possibility that a century from now the European whites who have dominated the nation will slip to minority status, a private population group reports.

Low birth rates among the current population, coupled with immigration estimated at 1 million annually — legal and illegal — could result in Hispanics, blacks and Asians constituting more than half the population by the year 2080, the new report speculates.

"The nation must once again redefine itself," reports the study. "Immigration to the U.S., 'The Unfinished Story,' published by the private, non-profit Population Reference Bureau.

Major population changes are not unheard of in American history, a land where American Indians were succeeded by Northern European whites and black slaves. At the turn of this century Italians, Greeks, Poles and others from the south and east of Europe flooded in, vastly changing the complexion of the nation.

Today the flow stems largely from Asia and Latin America, the study notes.

"One thing is clear: The nation's ethnic composition is again changing dramatically. This is an opportunity and a challenge."

"If illegal immigration remains high and annual immigration averages 1 million, the non-Hispanic white population would drop to just under 50 percent in 2080," the new study said.

The report was written by Leon F. Bouvier, a population researcher and former vice president of the Population Reference Bureau, and Robert W. Gardner, a research associate.

At current high immigration rates, the non-Hispanic whites could shrink to 49.8 percent of the population by the year 2080 — becoming "the largest minority in a nation without any ethnic majority population."

Obituaries

Doris McDowell

Doris (Austin) McDowell, 85, of 19 Edgerton St., died today at a local convalescent home. She was the wife of the late John A. McDowell.

She was born in Scarva, County Down, Northern Ireland, on Jan. 25, 1901 and came to Manchester in 1921. She was a member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

She is survived by two sons, William J. McDowell of Black Point, Niantic, and Austin McDowell of East Hampton; a daughter, Ruth McQueeney of Windsor; 12 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

A private funeral will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Burial will be in the East Cemetery. There are no calling hours.

Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., is in charge of arrangements. Memorial donations may be made to St. Mary's Episcopal Church Book of Remembrance, 41 Park St., or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Manchester Board of Education for 17 years. He had previously worked at Gammons Hoaglund of Manchester.

He was a member of the North United Methodist Church, a member of Manchester Lodge of Masons 73, and served for 14 years as an adviser to the John Mather Chapter of DeMolay.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two sons, Frederick W. Hanson Jr. of South Windsor, and William E. Hanson of Manchester; one brother, Herbert Hanson of Manchester; three sisters, Louise Smith, Ruth Field and Edith Fawcett, all of Manchester; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and four step-grandchildren; and eight great-step-grandchildren.

The funeral will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., with burial in the East Cemetery. Calling hours are Friday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. A Masonic service will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the North United Methodist Church, 300 Parker St.

Alma Quesnel

Alma (Juneau) Quesnel, 80, formerly of Waterbury, died Wednesday morning at the Mary Elizabeth Convalescent Home in Mystic after a long illness. She was the widow of Damase R. Quesnel, and the mother of J. Bernard Quesnel of Manchester.

Besides her son, she is survived by two other sons, Henry G. Quesnel of Bethlehem, and Roger G. Quesnel of Stonington; one daughter, Mrs. Joseph (Lorraine) Bolus of Wayland, Mass.; three sisters, Regina Poudrier of Oakville, Florence Caron and Rose Philibert, both in Canada; 12 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 12:30 p.m. Friday at St. John's Church, Main Street, Watertown. Burial will be in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Watertown. There are no calling hours.

Hickox-Mitchell Funeral Home, 195 Main St., Watertown, is in charge of arrangements.

Frederick W. Hanson

Frederick W. Hanson Sr., 82, of 56 C House Drive, died Wednesday night at Manchester Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of Ruth (Whaley) Hanson.

He was born in East Hartford Aug. 22, 1904, and had been a lifelong Manchester resident. Before he retired, he worked at the

Olavine Thompson

Olavine (Hand) Thompson of Ocean, Calif., widow of John Thompson, died Oct. 17 in California. She was a former Manchester resident.

She is survived by two daugh-

ters, Olavine Birchfield of North Hollywood, Calif., and Doreen King in England; two sisters, Lillian McKendree and Leone Roberts, both in Florida; and two grandchildren.

FOCUS

Wedding bells Well, sort of ...



The "bride" and "groom" share pieces of the wedding cake.

Sherry Veal, 17, and Mike Bidwell, 15, ponder their wedding vows as the Rev. Paul Kroll reads the wedding service Sunday at South United Methodist Church. The

kids belong to the church's Christian Youth Fellowship. The exercise teaches them the many serious issues they'll face if they choose to marry.



Christian Youth Fellowship members at South United Methodist Church held a mock wedding on Sunday. Herald photographer David Rocha caught some wedding moments, including Mike Bidwell, at right, taking the garter from the "bride," Sherry Veal.



Sherry and Mike kneel before the Rev. Kroll, who reads the bridal service.



The Rev. Paul Kroll of South United Methodist Church presides at a mock wedding.

Paying tribute to a tower of stubborn strength



My Side Nancy Pappas

It seems strange not to be prowling through card stores this week, shopping for the absolutely perfect, flowery birthday card. It feels odd not to have a long-distance telephone call to make, wishing a cheerful "happy birthday" to a tiny white-haired lady in Philadelphia.

without the rest of her family, when she was just a teen-ager. Her willingness to remain on her own path, regardless of where conventional wisdom would have led her, has served as an example for her granddaughters. When I was in college, I enjoyed a particularly bold example of this.

AT THE END of the week in Binghamton, we awarded her the "Grandmother of Arts" degree with a special citation for bravery in the face of bombastic professors. Matted in faded purple construction paper, encased in a dime store frame, the honorary degree hung in Grammy's elegant dining room, beneath a crystal chandelier, for the next 12 years. It was one of those things we had to cart away in the spring.



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Xerox spends for education

based Xerox. "The private sector can't lie back and merely point the finger at Washington to solve our nation's competitiveness problem," Baldrige said. "This new Xerox learning institute is a fine example that industry is beginning to meet these competitive challenges."

Suspect brought from Arizona

A local man was extradited from Arizona today to face larceny and other charges after he failed to appear in court in August, police said today.

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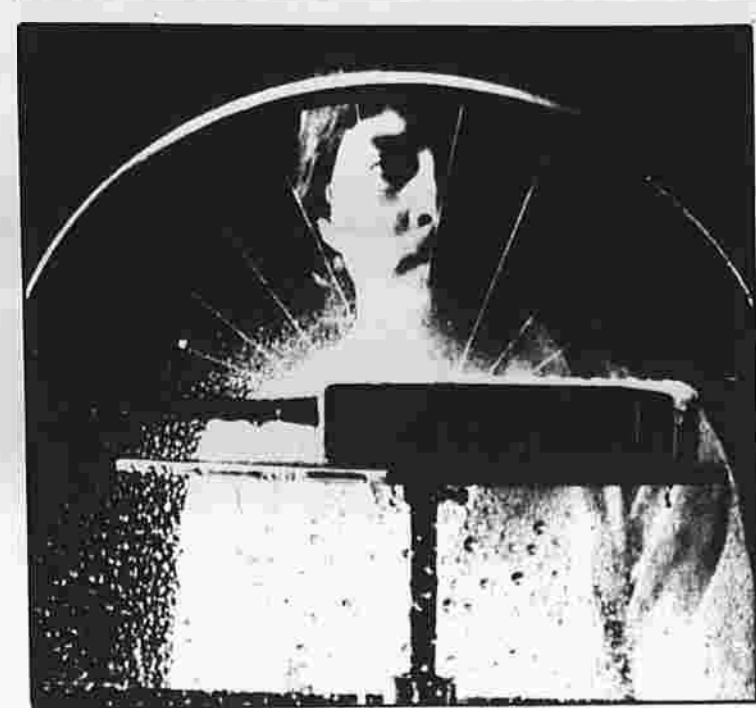
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BUSINESS



Minors account offers control

QUESTION: My late husband and I started putting money away for our son's education shortly after he was born. I have urged our son and his wife to do the same thing for my only grand- son, I might as well talk to a wall. They don't save a dime. My daughter-in-law spends money like a drunken sailor. It is clear I will have to pay the child's college costs.

Investors' Guide

William A. Doyle

I thought about opening a gift to minors account, with my son as custodian. But I am sure my daughter-in-law would get her hands on that money and squander it. She is "the boss" in "her" house.

ANSWER: You can open a gift to minors account, with yourself as custodian. That way, you'll have control of the account until the boy reaches the age of majority, which varies from 18 to 21 from state to state.

So, even if you file tax returns for your grandson, you'll have to look to your parents' tax rate. From the tone of your letter, your daughter-in-law might not like to do too kindly to the thought of divulging that information, unless you spell out the reason. There's an alternative. You can buy Series EE, U.S. Savings Bonds, as gifts for the tyke. Those bonds accumulate interest on which income tax payments can be deferred - and no returns need to be filed - until the bonds reach maturity or are redeemed.

Tough test Engineer Ken Humble aims water jets at a Motorola portable cellular telephone at the company's accelerated life testing laboratory in Schaumburg, Ill. Though not designed to operate in such a rough environment, Motorola subjects equipment to tests that simulate years of abuse in just a few months.

States to test re-employment program

WASHINGTON - A successful Canadian program for helping workers find new jobs after, or even before, they get caught by plant closings and mass layoffs will be tested next year in six states.

Low, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Ohio and Vermont each will get \$20,000 under grants approved Wednesday by the Labor Department to foster re-employment labor-management committees at two companies in each state anticipating large layoffs in 1987.

Responding to mounting criticism that the Reagan administration is doing too little too late to help the nearly 2 million workers displaced annually by layoffs and plant closings, Labor Secretary William Brock agreed earlier this year to take a close look at a heralded Canadian worker re-employment program.

The congressional Office of Technology Assessment said in a report in September that it usually takes three to five months for the Labor Department to get job training and placement aid to displaced workers after a layoff is announced.

Because most employers provide less than two weeks notice of layoffs or plant closings - and many give none - the government aid is seldom timely or effective, the OTA report said.

THE TRIAL EXPERIMENTS in the six states will be modeled on the two-decade-old Canadian Industrial Adjustment Service, a small government agency with a record of finding new jobs - usually within a year or less - for the displaced workers displaced by plant closings.

As in Canada, the government will pay half the costs of establishing and operating the labor-management committees with the participating companies expected to pick up the other half.

Business In Brief

Florist agrees to drop name 'Bloomingdale's' for his shop after being threatened with a lawsuit for trademark infringement by Bloomingdale's department store.

Myers said he was surprised to get the complaint a year after opening his store. The name was penned after his attorney remarked that the store's lease was so long that it seemed more like a document for Bloomingdale's.

GROTON - Ten Electric Boat shipyard employees have filed suit against four machine-tool manufacturers, charging that shoddy equipment damaged nerves and blood vessels in their hands.

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Raymark losses put at \$1.7 million

TRUMBULL - Raytech Corp. has reported that its Raymark subsidiary lost \$1.7 million in the third quarter this year as well as a \$1.1 million loss for the same period a year ago. The loss this year was equal to 56 cents per share and last year's third-quarter loss amounted to \$5.25 per share.

Armstrong loses \$37.6 million

NEW HAVEN - The Armstrong Rubber Co. has reported a net loss of \$37.6 million for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, despite record sales during the period. The company's net loss came on sales of \$800.1 million, which was \$32.3 million more than 1985 sales. The loss in net income was due to a major restructuring program, the company said in a statement Wednesday.

CE subsidiary to shut down

BLOOMFIELD, N.J. - The Lumms Crest subsidiary of Stamford, Conn.-based Combustion Engineering Inc. will close its operation here and lay off about 600 employees beginning next month, the company says.

New tax laws may curb overbuilding

NEW YORK - Based on vacancy figures for office buildings, now at almost unprecedented highs, the recently enacted tax bill calls for a cut in half during the next 10 years if sanity is to be restored to the market.

Mental immobility slows fast starters

NEW YORK (AP) - Why is it that so few fast starters in the corporate world - workers age 35 or younger making roughly \$100,000 a year - manage to sustain the same growth rate as they become older?

disorder, with vacancy rates in some areas already at 25 percent. If the slowdown doesn't develop as expected, Birch foresees rates of 35 percent to 40 percent.

THE STUDY, co-sponsored by the MIT Center for Real Estate Development and Arthur Andersen & Co., suggests that big-market areas of the Northeast might continue to sustain fairly strong building paces and not face huge vacancies.

AMONG THE BIGGEST markets, the anticipated absorption rate will fall sharply thereafter, with Philadelphia, Atlanta and Boston in the 60 percent category, and Tampa-St. Petersburg in Florida at an even 50 percent.

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SALES SECRETARY advertisement for a full-time position at a busy regional sales manager and staff.

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