



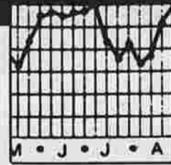
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## Bolton man shoots family, kills himself

By Herald Staff

**BOLTON** — A man shot and injured his wife and daughter early this morning before killing himself with his gun after a quarrel with his wife at their home on High Meadow Road, state police said today.

Victor K. Schmidt, 41, of 10 High Meadow Road, was pronounced dead at the scene. Police said he shot himself with a .45-caliber handgun after firing at least four rounds at his wife and daughter.

They refused to say where the fatal bullet hit him.

Diane Schmidt, 38, who suffered injuries to her abdomen, was listed in stable condition this morning at Manchester Memorial Hospital following surgery, hospital spokesman Andrew Beck said. Their daughter, Erica, 16, who also underwent surgery for an abdominal injury at MMH, was listed in satisfactory condition, he said. The wife was wounded three times and the daughter once, Beck said.

A son, Victor Schmidt Jr., 8, was in the home during the shooting but escaped injury, police said.

Neighbors said the Schmidts had another daughter, Lisa, who did not live with her parents, but police could not confirm those reports. Victor attends Bolton Elementary School and Erica is a student at Bolton High School. School Superintendent Richard Packman said this morning.

Police gave conflicting accounts on when the shooting took place, but most reports said it occurred at about 1:30 a.m. Hospital spokesman Beck said the wife and daughter were rushed into the emergency room at about 2:20 this morning.

State police received the report of the shooting from a phone in the Schmidts' home, but no information was available on who made the call, police Sgt. Daniel Lewis said. Lewis said Diane Schmidt returned home Sunday after being away for a week.

Lewis said the couple had a history of marital problems, but he was unable to say whether police had responded to disputes at the

home in the past. Tax records show that the family has lived at 10 High Meadow Road since 1972.

At the house this morning, state police combed the yard looking for evidence while detectives spoke with Diane Schmidt's parents and a neighbor who was close to the family.

State police Sgt. Jonathan Schweitzer said they found "nothing significant" in the yard, but declined to specify what was found.

From outside the small white Cape Cod, a decorated Christmas tree could be seen through the living room window, while a green wreath hung on the door. In the mailbox lay an untouched newspaper. The family dog, Bear, sat alone inside his dog house in the back yard.

In the distance one could hear car engines warming up as neighbors prepared to go to work. Others stood on their driveways watching the activity at the house.

"We're shocked, as anybody else would be," said one neighbor as he took his garbage out. "It's crazy. What can you say?"

Neighbors described the neighborhood as quiet and expressed sorrow for the family.

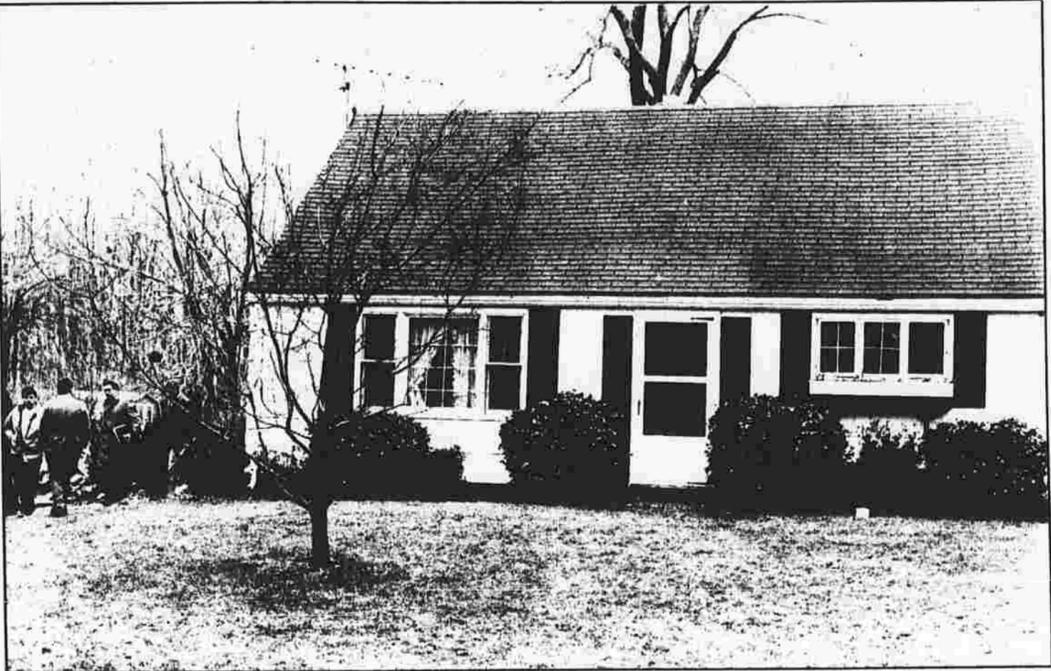
Across the street at 11 Sunset Lane, James and Mabel Grimes stood quietly watching.

"I feel sorry, it's a very bad situation," James Grimes said. Mabel Grimes described it as "awful."

James Grimes said Victor Schmidt had been very sick for the past few months and was taking medication for emphysema. Schmidt was about 6 foot 2 inches, according to Grimes, and was a former drill instructor for the U.S. Marines.

"As a drill instructor he'd probably scare the pants off anybody," Grimes said.

A spokeswoman at Bernie's TV Appliance Store in Bloomfield said Diane Schmidt was a salesperson there. Neighbors said that Victor Schmidt was employed by an area tobacco company.



State police stand in the yard at 10 High Meadow Road in Bolton this morning after looking for clues as to why Victor K. Schmidt killed himself after shooting and injuring his wife, Diane, and 16-year-old daughter, Erica.

Herald photo by Pinto

## EPA rule may control acid rain

By Guy Dorst  
The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** — The Environmental Protection Agency, in considering a new air pollution standard to protect asthmatics, may be opening the way for a back-door program to control acid rain, say industry and government experts.

The new hourly standard would be aimed at controlling short bursts — five minutes to 10 minutes — of sulfur dioxide from smokestacks. Current standards are based on averages over longer periods — three hours, a day and a year.

Sulphur dioxide, converted in the atmosphere to sulphuric acid and other compounds, contributes to acid rain, which environmentalists say kills aquatic and plant life.

In high concentrations in the air, sulfur dioxide can make breathing

more difficult. Asthmatics are hit first, particularly those that exercise outside.

Agency studies suggest that the rule change would benefit only 6 to 11 percent of asthmatics, who constitute about 4 percent of the population.

Many environmentalists say that the law clearly requires a new standard, to protect even that small number of people, while electric power company officials say the rule change could cost their industry up to \$5 billion.

Officials at the environmental agency, speaking privately, say they are reluctant to force what amounts to an acid rain control program on the utilities, in trying to reach another goal, when Congress has explicitly declined to act against acid rain.

Agency officials say that Con-

gress has not come to grips with the fact that the long overdue decision could cost enormous sums. "We're going to have to do something. We're driven by the science," said one high official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

In addition to electric generating plants, some factories, particularly smelters and paper mills, could be affected.

Robert Beck, a lobbyist for the Edison Electric Institute in charge of environmental questions, estimated that the rule could cost utilities \$5 billion a year.

Beck expressed frustration in trying to alert Congress to what is at stake for his industry: "Every time we try to raise the issue with members, they say: 'Leave it to EPA — get out of here.'"

A key congressional aide on air pollution questions said he had not

looked into the issue and he did not believe any other aides or members had.

Edison, according to Beck, believes the agency has the flexibility to decide that no new standard is necessary. "We already protect 85 percent" of the target group, he said.

That position is not popular with environmentalists.

David Doniger, a lawyer for the Natural Resources Defense Council, argued that congressional committee reports make it clear that the Clean Air Act is intended to protect asthmatics in the "normal course of daily activity." He said that includes even asthmatics who must take medication to exercise in the first place.

EPA is not supposed to consider

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## Pay increases aim to bring quality into state government

By Judd Everhart  
The Associated Press

**HARTFORD** — Connecticut's elected state officials will ring in the new year with some hefty pay raises approved in 1986 by the General Assembly after receiving recommendations that qualified people should be encouraged to seek and retain public office.

Gov. William A. O'Neill's salary will jump by 20 percent from \$65,000 to \$78,000. Lt. Gov. Joseph J. Fauliso is in line for a 37.5 percent

raise from \$40,000 to \$55,000. State senators will earn \$19,700, up from \$16,500 while state representatives will see their paychecks increase from \$16,500 to \$18,700.

Every four years, the bipartisan Commission on Compensation of Elected State Officials and Judges recommends pay raises for constitutional officers, the governor, attorney general and the like.

Recommendations must be approved by the General Assembly and signed into law by the gover-

nor. The new salaries will remain in effect through 1990.

The last raises occurred in 1983.

The state constitution stipulates that raises take effect after the elections, so that those who vote on them and sign them into law must first win re-election to cash in.

The only top elected official not in office at the time the salaries were approved — excluding legislators — was Treasurer-elect Francisco L. Borges.

In his report to the legislature this

year, the commission stated that better compensation would "help attract people from all walks of life to the service of the state of Connecticut and, having attracted them, to retain them."

"Great public servants often draw from their private careers the experience, the wisdom and the understanding of people's lives, needs and aspirations that superior state service requires. The commission believes that the state must not ask its servants to sacrifice advancement in those careers

without fair recompense."

The commission found that nine commissioners and one deputy commissioner, all of whom report to the governor, earned more than the governor. The highest salary was \$79,739.

About 250 other state employees received more than the governor; the most one earned was \$119,000.

The commission had recommended an \$85,000 salary for the governor. The legislature settled on \$78,000.

Other raises taking effect Jan. 7, the day the governor is inaugurated and all officials elected in November officially take office: attorney general, \$60,000, up from \$50,000; and treasurer, secretary of the state, and comptroller, \$50,000, up from \$35,000.

Legislative leaders earn slightly higher salaries than members of the House and Senate. At the top will be the Senate president pro tempore, who will get \$25,500, and the House speaker, who will earn \$24,500.

### TODAY'S HERALD

**Partly sunny**

Partly sunny today with a high around 40. Partly cloudy tonight with a low of 26 to 28. Mostly cloudy Tuesday with a high around 40. The outlook for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day is variable cloudiness with a chance of flurries New Year's Eve. Low in the 20s and a high of 35 to 40. Details on page 2.

**Emigres return**

Fifty Soviet emigres headed home today after unhappy years in the United States, and some said they are looking forward to reunions with their families despite an uncertain future back in the U.S.S.R. Story on page 7.

## Suit seeks return of Marcos' wealth

**MANILA, Philippines (AP)** — The government today filed its first lawsuit to regain part of the billions in "hidden wealth" it says deposed President Ferdinand E. Marcos amassed during his 20 years in power.

The Presidential Commission on Good Government asked the Sandiganbayan, a special anti-corruption court, to grant the government title to four buildings in New York City and a Long Island estate it claimed Marcos secretly owns.

The suit also asks that Marcos, his wife Imelda and 19 other defendants pay \$500 million in damages as an example "to those who are unfaithful to the duties of their trust."

It accused Marcos and his co-defendants of "misappropriation of public funds, bribery, blackmail, embezzlement, acts of corruption, betrayal of public trust, brazen abuse of power and the plunder of the nation's wealth."

The Manhattan properties were identified as the Crown Building on Fifth Avenue, the Herald Center on the Avenue of the Americas, a 71-story building at 40 Wall St. and an office building at 200 Madison Ave. Also named was the Lindemere Estate on New York's Long Island.

Commission Chairman Jovito Salonga said government will ask New York authorities to enforce the judgment if it wins its suit.

Last month, U.S. federal

appeals court upheld a lower court order blocking sale or transfer of the properties pending the outcome of Philippine government claims. The court ruled that a decision on whether the properties were obtained illegally must be taken by Philippine courts.

The government of President Corazon Aquino, Marcos' successor, estimates Marcos and his associates may have diverted up to \$10 billion in government funds, kickbacks and the like during his two decades in office.

Salonga said most of this money was believed stashed away in Switzerland and that legal action would be undertaken there, too.

Marcos was driven into exile in

Hawaii last February by a military-civilian uprising that swept Mrs. Aquino into office.

Besides Marcos and his wife, the suit names 10 other people and nine New York-based corporations as defendants. It says they helped Marcos obtain the properties.

Defendants include brothers Joseph and Ralph Bernstein and their New York Land Co., and Bienvenido Tantoco, the former Philippine ambassador to the Vatican, and his wife Gliceria, Filipino citizens who live in Italy.

Tantoco was convicted in Italy of illegal possession of weapons Sept. 26 and sentenced to three years in prison, but remains free pending appeal.

**Human Rights 1?**

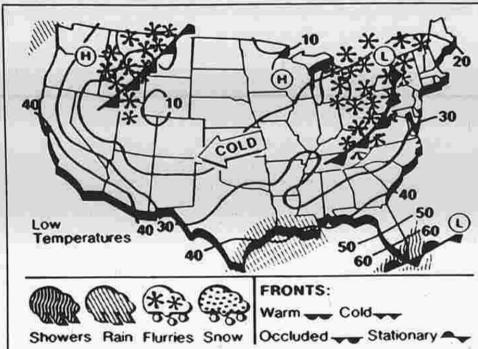
A guidebook that will help Connecticut high school and junior high school teachers prepare classes on the murders of Jews in Nazi Germany and the slaughter of millions in Cambodia will be published next month by the state Department of Education. Story on page 4.

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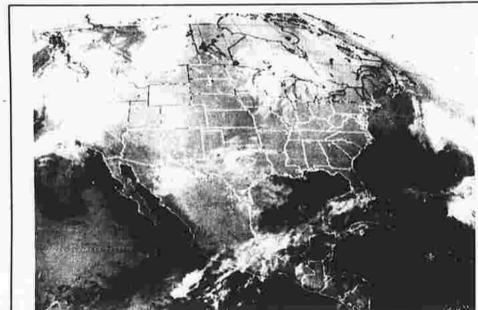
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# WEATHER



**NATIONAL FORECAST** — Snow flurries are forecast Tuesday for the northern Rockies and from the Ohio Valley to the Great Lakes and western New England. Rain is forecast for the western Gulf and showers for southern Florida.



**MORNING WEATHER** — Weather satellite photo taken at 4 a.m. shows dense frontal clouds stretching from northern California to the Pacific Northwest. A low-pressure system is bringing clouds and light snow to the upper Midwest and central Great Lakes. Clouds cover Texas and the western Gulf of Mexico with a few showers remaining over southern Florida.

# PEOPLE

## Best dressed

President Reagan, Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, and a third Boss rocker Bruce Springsteen — are among the world's 10 best-dressed men of 1986, according to the Fashion Foundation of America.

Reagan and Gorbachev "both have come through negotiations unruffled clotheswise," John Tudor, chairman of the organization of custom tailors and designers, said in a statement Sunday.

The late Cary Grant, who was previously on the organization's list, was given a special place in its Hall of Fashion Fame. Selections for the top 10 list are based on individual style, taste, budget and occupation.

Rounding out the list are New York Gov. Mario Cuomo; England's Prince Andrew; Postmaster General Preston R. Tisch; entertainer Ed McMahon; Warner Wolf of WCBS-TV; Jack Amsterdam, president of Leviton Mfg. Co.; and Bruno Selimaj of Ristorante Bruno in New York City.



**MIKHAIL GORBACHEV** ... among best dressed



**BILL COSBY** ... in telenovela

The seventh annual variety show raised nearly \$10.2 million during its broadcast late Saturday, he said.

Others among the 50 celebrities who appeared during the six-hour phone-in drive were George Burns, Bob Hope and Charlton Heston.

"Our future in many ways depends on what happens with the youth of today," Rawls said Saturday. "If we can't get them on the right road today, we're going to look for trouble up the road."

"Thirty-five to 40 percent of our black politicians of today come from these black schools," the telenovela was carried in 56 cities, Shaw said, with some

cities adding their own presentations.

**On the move**

Disc jockey Tom Joyner, whose fast footwork carries him between jobs in two cities more than 900 miles apart, will have to really move when he adds a national weekly radio show to his itinerary.

Joyner, who since October 1985 has been doing the 2 to 6 p.m. show at Chicago's WGCI-FM and the 5:30 to 9:30 a.m. spot at KKDA-FM in Dallas, signed with CBS Radio to do a weekly, three-hour show, "On the Move," which is to make its debut late

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## Connecticut forecast

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**West Coastal and East Coastal:** Mostly sunny today with highs 40 to 45. Light west winds. Partly cloudy tonight with lows 25 to 30. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph. Mostly cloudy Tuesday with highs 40 to 45. The outlook for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day is for variable cloudiness with a chance of flurries New Year's Eve. Lows 25 to 30. Highs around 40.

**Northwest Hills:** Partly sunny today with highs 35 to 40. Light west winds. Partly cloudy tonight with lows around 20. Light southwest winds. Mostly cloudy Tuesday with highs 35 to 40. Outlook for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day is variable cloudiness with a chance of flurries New Year's Eve. Lows in the 20s. Highs in the mid 30s.

## Coastal forecast

**Long Island Sound to Watch Hill, R.I., and Montauk Point:** Winds northwest 10 knots or less becoming variable this afternoon into Tuesday morning. Winds northeast 10 to 15 knots Tuesday afternoon. Seas 1 foot or less into Tuesday and 1 to 2 feet later Tuesday. Visibility locally 3 to 5 miles in some haze early today and again early Tuesday.

## Across the nation

Fog sharply limited visibility today in the Southeast and the southern Plains, while rain and freezing rain accompanied by strong winds fell in the Pacific Northwest.

Travelers advisories for dense fog were issued for northern Georgia, Alabama, western Florida Panhandle, extreme northwest Arkansas and much of Oklahoma. Visibility was less than a quarter-mile in much of the region. Zero visibility was reported at Birmingham, Ala., and Atlanta.

The fog delayed flights at Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport by as much as five hours on Sunday.

Dense fog also developed over parts of the central Plateau and a travelers advisory was in effect over northeast Nevada.

Rain fell across the northern Pacific Coast with freezing rain and snow falling over parts of the northern Plateau. Gale warnings were issued along the Washington and Oregon coasts.

Rainshowers were scattered today over south Texas and southeast Florida.

Heavier rainfall during the six hours ending at 1 a.m. EST included a half-inch in Portland and Astoria, Ore., and a quarter-inch in Salem, Ore.

Temperatures around the nation at 2 a.m. EST ranged from 6 degrees below zero at Yellowstone Park, Wyo., to 69 degrees at Key West, Fla.

# FOCUS



**"Y" Not?**

On this day in 1851, the first American chapter of the Young Men's Christian Association opened in Boston. The YMCA began in England, where George Williams, a young London clerk, and his friends met for prayer and Bible-study classes. In 1844, they decided to form the YMCA to help spread Christianity. The organization grew rapidly. Today there are more than 100 million members in 85 nations. The United States alone has more than eight million members.

**DO YOU KNOW** — Are women now allowed to become members of YMCAs?

**FRIDAY'S ANSWER** — The Fourth Amendment protects Americans against unreasonable police searches.

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## Almanac

Today is Monday, Dec. 29, the 363rd day of 1986. There are two days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: In 1890, the Wounded Knee massacre took place in South Dakota. More than 200 Sioux Indians were killed by U.S. troops sent to disarm them. About 30 of the soldiers were slain.

On this date: In 1790, Archbishop Thomas A. Becket was murdered in Canterbury Cathedral in England.

In 1813, the British burned Buffalo, N.Y., during the War of 1812.

In 1837, Canadian militiamen destroyed the Caroline, a U.S. steamboat docked at Buffalo, N.Y.

In 1851, the first American Young Men's Christian Association was organized in Boston.

In 1913, the first movie serial premiered in Chicago. "The Adventures of Kathlyn."

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In 1940, during World War II, Germany began dropping incendiary bombs on London.

In 1975, a bomb exploded in the main terminal of New York's LaGuardia Airport, killing 11 people and injuring several dozen others.

Today's birthdays: Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley is 69. Actress Viveca Lindfors is 66. Actor Ed Flanders is 52. Actress Inga Swenson is 52. Actress Mary Tyler Moore is 49. Actor Jon Voight is 48.

## On the Light Side

**Seven-week mule trip gives new perspective**

**TOMALES, Calif. (AP)** — Jody Foss says she and Sam Brannen got a different perspective on the West Coast, seeing it at 3 1/2 mph from the backs of mules.

Foss, 28, and Brannen, 26, spent seven weeks this fall on their 600-mile mule trip from Klamath Falls, Ore., to their hometown of Tomales, 40 miles north of San Francisco.

"The mules are my vehicle," Foss, who has taken mule trips for 10 years and plans to write a book about them, said recently. "You're seeing the world at 3 1/2 mph, which is a different perspective."

"It's not like, 'Harry, stop the car. This is a great photograph.' Every time you come around the corner, it's a different world."

The couple had a few adventures, including getting dragged 15 feet in the dark by a spooked mule that smelled a bear and inadvertently bedding down next to an encampment of drunken hobos in a park. They also found that their mode of transportation evoked an emotional response in some back-country old-timers.

"These old guys just came out of the blue," Foss said. "The mules were a link to their memories. It was kind of sad because the people wanted to saddle up and go with us."

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# Morning in dump is for the birds

Audubon enthusiasts catch sight of 61 varieties in annual count

By George Layno Herald Reporter

Jennie Leggett of Manchester stood Saturday amidst stinking piles of rubbish in the town's Olcott Street landfill. Occasionally, she would point and say "look" or "look over there."

It wasn't garbage that brought her to the dump, but the thousands of birds that feed there. She and two other Manchester women had come with their high-powered binoculars, heavy winter coats, gloves, hats, scarfs and enthusiasm to participate in the National Audubon Society's annual Christmas bird count.

In all, some 40 people joined in the daylong affair at 35 different sites throughout Manchester and the eastern part of East Hartford. A total of 61 different birds were spotted, ranging from a young bald eagle to a loon and some great blue herons, according to William Altmann, head of the society's local chapter.

"I went very well," Altmann said this morning. While the Manchester count was two short of the record set last year, he said a record 93 different species were spotted in the Hartford area.

**AT THE LANDFILL**, Leggett and her two companions — Caroline Becker and Carol Eddy — were hoping to spot the white-winged gull and Iceland gull. They did not seem to be having much luck, since flocks of gulls gliding above refused to land or fly close enough to be identified.

But a couple hundred yards from them, on a huge pile of orange-brown leaves, sat thousands of small black starlings. The entire flock would periodically swell into the air and roll like a wave after being stirred by a hawk.

"I bet there's 10,000 Starlings," Eddy said.

"This is what I like to see — how they interact with each other," Leggett said. She pointed out three crows that were scaring away a hawk flying closely over it, in what is known as "devilry."

If the hawk managed to get above the crows, he could grab hold of the bird with his strong claws.

"You see, it's little treasures like that when you're bird watching," she said.

The three women said there seemed to be fewer birds and less of a variety than last year, when a bald eagle was spotted and thousands of gulls were easily identified.

"We haven't been getting much at all," Eddy said at one point. "Frankly, I'm disappointed."

Despite her disappointment, Eddy said she enjoys birdwatching in part because no two times are alike.

"Every day it's different, so it's exciting," she said.

**FOR LEGGITT**, who has been watching and tracking birds for the past 34 years in 49 different states, the flight and beauty of the birds — especially the hawks — are the reward. "It's a complete awareness you just don't get anywhere else as an artist," she said.

When she began birdwatching, Leggett said, she thinks she was the only one doing so in Manchester. The ranks have since grown, in part because of her efforts. She helped train both Eddy and Becker how to watch birds.

In addition to having a pair of binoculars, Leggett said a bird book and recordings of bird calls helped her learn her hobby. "You study, you constantly study," she explained.

Keys to identifying birds are color, call and style of flight.

The large-scale development that has occurred over the years in the region has destroyed many of the birds' habitats, Leggett said. She noted that a marsh situated between Interstate 84 and the landfill used to be a pond that attracted a large number of birds.

The dump itself has now become a habitat, and Leggett said the birds have found ways to survive. "It's surprising how they acclimate," she said.

Part of the joy is just watching how the birds interact with each other, Leggett said. She pointed out three crows that were scaring away a hawk flying closely over it, in what is known as "devilry."

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Birdwatchers Jennie Leggett, left, Carol Eddy, center, and Caroline Becker, right, look through their binoculars Saturday at the Manchester landfill. The three were taking part in the National Audubon Society's annual Christmas bird count. In Manchester, a Bald Eagle was spotted at the dump, as was a rare Iceland Gull. At right, hundreds of gulls circle in the sky above the landfill before coming down to feed.

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# Owl prowls can mean tricky night

Birdwatching can be a risky pastime, according to William Altmann of Glastonbury, head of the local chapter of the National Audubon Society.

"I hope I don't get arrested some night," said Altmann, who came close to being nabbed by police one evening while on the prowl for owls.

When hunting down owls, Altmann said, he will drive in his car slowly up and down streets, periodically stopping and turning off his engine in order to listen for the birds. The activity can seem suspicious, and he was once stopped by police.

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### Protest fire

A protester burns a photo of Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev Sunday in Boston during the Afghanistan Freedom Rally at Faneuil Hall. The rally was held in protest of the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan, which is now in its eighth year.

## Fallout from nuclear tests called no cause for alarm

NEW HAVEN (AP) — A researcher on the effects of nuclear fallout warns that people should not become alarmed over recently declassified information that radioactive clouds floated over New Haven from Nevada test sites in the 1950s. The New Haven Register reported in Sunday's editions that radioactive clouds passed New Haven in February, October and November 1951; February, May and June 1955; and August and September 1957. The records also show fallout from tests settled on the city in April and May 1953. The Register reported. Meteorological data on the tests were declassified by the federal Nuclear Energy Administration at the request of Richard L. Miller, a Houston-based industrial hygienist formerly employed by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Miller published a book entitled "Under the Cloud—The Decades of Nuclear Testing" based on what he found in the federal documents. The Defense Nuclear Agency

refused comment on the book. But agency personnel told the Register that the agency, at Miller's request, reviewed the book for accuracy before it was published and made no major corrections. Belton A. Burrows, a Boston University medical researcher studying the effects of fallout on military personnel, said effects of the radiation should be studied, but are not cause for panic. He said the intersection of several cloud tracks over New Haven would not necessarily produce a hot spot. "Fallout is related to weather conditions. I suspect there has been a lot more fallout in northern New England than in southern New England," Burrows said. It has been difficult to assess the effects on military veterans who were in the shadows of mushroom clouds during tests because of all the other environmental and chemical causes of cancer, Burrows said. The effects of fallout transported across the country are even more

subtle, he said. Forty atomic bombs, ranging from tiny "fizzles" to a colossal 61-kiloton blast, were detonated from steel towers in the Nevada desert between 1953 and 1962. The tests pumped thousands of tons of radioactive debris into the atmosphere. Scientists are not sure how much fallout Connecticut received. The worst depositions of fallout occurred when high-altitude thunderstorms washed through underlying clouds of debris, Miller said. One such cloud passed over New Haven on April 27, 1953, two days after a test of a 43-kiloton bomb. Federal monitors recorded radiation rates at \$30,000 atomic disintegrations per minute per square foot per day. The measurement revealed the number of radioactive atoms disintegrating, but told nothing of the type or intensity of radiation. Much of the fallout is presumably still present. The half-life of strontium-90 is 30 years.

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substantially. In fact, a section of the poll that measured personal satisfaction produced a rating higher than a year ago, and only slightly lower than the level measured in July. On the national economy, most people expect little change during the next year. Forty-nine percent of those polled said they believed the economy would remain the same, 24 percent said it would get better, and 23 percent said it would get worse. On national matters, 65 percent of those questioned said they were more or less satisfied with the way things are going in the country today, while 13 percent said they were very satisfied and 21 percent said they were not at all satisfied. The poll also showed a substantial difference in outlook between men and women.

## Poll finds Connecticut residents have diminished hopes

Optimism about the country's future among Connecticut residents and President Reagan's approval rating are at their lowest levels in three years, a survey found. The Hartford Courant/Institute for Social Inquiry conducted Poll found in its year-end survey of "Gross National Spirit" that the overall rating of 1,338 was the lowest since April 1983, when it was 1,578.

The lowest level measured since the poll began in June 1981 was 1,220, registered in December 1982. The Courant reported in Saturday's edition. The high point of 1,484 was reached in December 1983. The poll, conducted by the University of Connecticut's Institute for Social Inquiry, was designed to measure fluctuations in outlook or spirit over time. Five hundred randomly selected residents were asked the same questions in six areas at six-month intervals.

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## Husband is charged in clever attack

WOODBRIDGE (AP) — A woman remained in critical condition and her husband faced an attempted murder charge after he allegedly hacked her so severely with a meat cleaver that she had to be identified by her jewelry, authorities said. Alfonso DeSanto, 38, was arrested on a fugitive-from-justice warrant after he drove his car down an embankment and struck a tree near a state park in East Islip, N.Y., about 9:45 a.m. Saturday, said Sgt. Edward McGuire of the New York State Park Police in Babylon, N.Y. Authorities discovered DeSanto was wanted by Woodbridge police on charges of first-degree assault and attempted murder when they

did a license check. Lawrence said. He was being held under police guard in lieu of \$750,000 bail in a New York hospital, police said. Meanwhile, Carol DeSanto, 42, remained in critical condition at Yale-New Haven Hospital two days after a passing motorist found her lying by the road in front of the couple's Tudor-style home, police said. Her husband was in fair condition Sunday at Southside Hospital in Bay Shore, N.Y., Lawrence said. A nursing supervisor who would give her name refused to release information about DeSanto's condition or confirm that he had been admitted to the hospital. New York State Park Police Lt. Richard O'Donnell said when DeSanto would be arraigned in First

District Court of Suffolk County depended on his condition. The couple had no children, according to neighbors. The New Haven metropolitan directory lists DeSanto as an employee of A/E/T/V Services in West Haven. A neighbor said he was a partner in the shop, but his association with the business was not confirmed. Carol DeSanto, a Sunday school teacher, works for an Ansonia insurance company, the New Haven Register reported. "We are absolutely shocked," said Elsie Sanford, who lives next door to the DeSantos. She called it the most violent incident in the 15 years she has lived in the community of 8,700, where the mean income is just under \$45,000.

chest and abdomen that relatives had to identify her by the wedding ring and gold bracelet she was wearing. "At this point we believe a meat cleaver was used as one of the weapons," Phipps said. Police are investigating whether other weapons were also used, he said. Her husband was in fair condition Sunday at Southside Hospital in Bay Shore, N.Y., Lawrence said. A nursing supervisor who would give her name refused to release information about DeSanto's condition or confirm that he had been admitted to the hospital. New York State Park Police Lt. Richard O'Donnell said when DeSanto would be arraigned in First

## Yale drinkers won't face penalties

NEW HAVEN (AP) — The dean of Yale College, where an undergraduate died earlier this year as a result of excessive drinking, has assured students that no disciplinary action will be taken if they seek medical assistance for alcohol abuse or help their friends do so. Dean Sidney Altman said in a recent letter to Yale's 5,100 undergraduates that he was "disturbed to

learn that apparently some students are under the mistaken impression that routine university police reports or emergency medical situations arising from the use of alcohol will lead to disciplinary action." Accompanying Altman's letter was a fact sheet on alcohol and intoxication, including the advice

not to put someone to bed who is acutely intoxicated. Instead, the letter advises, call campus police or take the person to an emergency room. Edward McGuire III, 19, of Falmouth, Mass., in effect, "drank himself to death" in October, the state medical examiner's office determined.

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## CRRA pushes for answers, holds off on dump purchase

By The Associated Press

The Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority has postponed its \$2.5 million purchase of a Bloomfield dump while it reviews a former authority member's failure to disclose his financial interest in the property. In a statement issued Friday, CRRA Chairman James J. Shugrue and President Marian Chertow said the agency will review "all of the facts that have recently emerged regarding the propriety of the transaction" before the full authority considers the matter Jan. 20. No decision on the deal will be made until then, they said.

The CRRA announced Monday that it would buy the 26.4-acre former CRRA Vice Chairman Milton Levine and his partnership for \$2.5 million. The Hartford Courant reported Thursday that Levine failed to disclose on three financial statements required by state law that he had a 20 percent interest in the land partnership while on the authority. Past and current members of the CRRA said they had no idea Levine had an interest in a landfill and felt they should have been told. Levine, who served on the

authority from 1978 to 1985, obtained his interest in the Bloomfield site while he was chairman of the CRRA's procurement committee. In that position, he was responsible for buying dumps for the authority and devising a purchasing strategy for the Mid-Connecticut garbage-to-energy plant. The CRRA planned to use the Bloomfield site as a bulky waste landfill for the 33 towns participating in the Mid-Connecticut project. Land records show that in October 1985 Levine and his Landfill Associates Limited Partnership paid \$10,000 for the two parcels. Levine's interest in the land started at least as far back as 1981, when the Bloomfield Zoning Board of Appeals approved his request for a dump permit. Under the state ethics law, state officials, including CRRA directors, each year must file disclosure forms indicating financial interests and any partnerships. Levine listed himself in a state permit application in June 1983 as having a 20 percent interest in Bluehill Landfill Inc., but he did not disclose that affiliation on his 1982, 1983 or 1984 forms. Levine, who is in Florida, has been unavailable for comment. Levine was appointed to the

CRRA in 1978 and renominated in March 1985 by Gov. William A. O'Neill for another five-year term. Levine withdrew from consideration for a second term without explanation. John D. Eaton, executive director and general counsel of the State Ethics Commission, said Friday he will refer the matter to staff lawyer Alan Folsky, who will determine if a complaint should be made to the full seven-member ethics panel. The panel has the option of filing an official up to \$1,000 and referring the matter to the chief state attorney's office for prosecution if a violation is found to be willful, Eaton said. The maximum penalty for a willful violation, he said, is another \$1,000 and up to a year in a jail. Shugrue and Chertow also said they have decided to hire a second appraiser to review the deal for the landfill dump. The authority, Chertow has said, already had an appraiser and an auditor review the property and concluded it was worth \$2.5 million. Chertow said she has asked the authority's general counsel to review all existing land acquisition policies and procedures.



### Beam us up

Skiers in Sunapee, N.H., enjoy the short lift lines and good slope conditions at one of two state-owned ski areas on Sunday. Area ski operators are hoping for a strong holiday week rather than a repeat of the 1982 season, when a lack of snow closed many resorts.

## Connecticut In Brief

### Holiday traffic in state claims one

At least one person died and 37 were injured in automobile accidents over the holiday weekend in Connecticut, authorities said. State police said there were a total of 226 motor vehicle accidents and 1,741 arrests on Connecticut highways between 6 p.m. Wednesday and midnight Sunday. Of those arrested, 1,261 were charged with speeding and 47 were accused of drunken driving, police said. Halsey Mann, 75, of Southington died early Christmas morning after the car he was driving was struck by a pickup truck on Route 66 in Southington, police said.

### Woman submits new state song

HARTFORD — Edna Levy has been in the state song business since the 1950s, when Connecticut couldn't find anything more appropriate than "Boola Boola," the Yale fight song, with which to hail its governors. Now it seems the West Hartford woman has a winner — a new set of lyrics to the current state song, "Yankee Doodle." Levy sent her lyrics to Gov. William A. O'Neill earlier this year, along with a tape-recorded rendition, as a 250th birthday gift to the state. O'Neill — a big "Yankee Doodle" fan himself — has authorized to have the new words sung after the official version at his inaugural ball Jan. 7. Jon L. Sandberg, an O'Neill aide, said the governor does not plan to ask the legislature to adopt the new words as part of the state song. For Levy, next month's performance will be the culmination of more than three decades of setting the magic of the Nutmeg State to song. It will not be her first success, however.

### Workers injured in roof collapse

SOUTHINGTON — A construction worker was released from the hospital on Sunday, two days after a roof section of a motel under construction collapsed, injuring him and four others. William Stewartsen, 44, of Niantic suffered a dislocated shoulder in Friday's mishap and was held two days in Bradley Memorial Hospital & Health Center, nursing officials said. Four others were treated and released. The accident occurred about 7:30 a.m. Friday when the five workers, all employed by Conservation Construction of Niantic, were installing support columns at the Comfort Inn. Police said the men fell from the roof of the three-story building to the third floor.

### Gunmen rob Wallingford bank

WALLINGFORD — Police continue to seek two men who took an undetermined amount of cash during an armed robbery of a local branch of the American National Bank over the weekend. No customers were in the bank when the two men walked in shortly before 9:30 a.m. Saturday and demanded cash from a teller, police said. At least one of the men was carrying a gun, police said, adding that one wore a ski mask and the other covered his face with a pillow case or rag. No shots were fired and no one was injured in the incident, police said, adding that the two fled in a late-model brown van.

### Stop leads to drug, gun charges

DANBURY — A Danbury man was scheduled to be arraigned in Superior Court today on drug and weapons charges after state troopers who pulled him over for speeding found a loaded .357-caliber Magnum and \$150,000 worth of cocaine in his car, authorities said. Cesar Delosantos, 27, was held in lieu of \$150,000 bail following his arrest Saturday, state police said. He was charged with cocaine possession, possession with intent to sell, and carrying a weapon in a motor vehicle, state police said. Delosantos was driving eastbound on Interstate 84 when he was stopped near Exit 2 about 10 p.m. Friday as part of a Christmas holiday crackdown on speeders, state police Sgt. Daniel Lewis said.

### Judge recommends worker's firing

HARTFORD — A federal judge has recommended that a former Hartford City Council member be fired from his state job for deliberately violating a federal law limiting political activity by public employees. The state attorney general's office, however, is backing Wayne H. Camilleri in the constitutional showdown between state and federal law. Under a 1978 Connecticut law, he cannot be punished for seeking political office, Associate Attorney General Susan T. Pearlman said Friday. Camilleri, 54, a supervisor in the state Department of Human Resources, lost his re-election bid last year for the Hartford City Council. Edward J. Reidy, chief administrative law judge, ruled that Camilleri had been forbidden from running for office because his state job involves federally funded programs.

## A year of clout, theater and change

Economy was strong in '86, but Connecticut faced many challenges

By The Associated Press

Democrats demonstrated their clout, truckers struck fear in the hearts of motorists and the courts served as theaters for many of Connecticut's top stories in 1986. The state's chief medical examiner was tossed out of office for allowing her dogs into autopsy rooms, two former governors died, Yale got a new president, Connecticut staked a claim for the world's first flight and two state poets laureate were named.

The state's economy, meanwhile, remained robust as the rate of unemployment hovered around 4 percent and the state government ran up a \$350 million surplus. Businesses responded with acquisitions and layoffs, while workers answered with strikes at two leading companies. Society also dealt with the problems of international terrorism, drugs, AIDS and teacher salaries.

Led by Gov. William A. O'Neill and Sen. Christopher Dodd, Democrats rolled to impressive victories in the November general election. In the process, Democrats regained control of the General Assembly and dashed the dreams of Connecticut's first woman Republican gubernatorial candidate. State Rep. Julie D. Belaga of Waterbury was elected to the GOP endorsement at the party's convention, but earned the right to face O'Neill by winning the primary.

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lost a disputed delegate election in Waterbury. Moffett won the Waterbury delegate vote on the machine vote, but lost the election when absentee ballots were counted. A recount confirmed the governor's 49-vote victory. After allegations of wrongdoing were uncovered, Moffett challenged the outcome in state Supreme Court and lost. He eventually took a job as a news anchor on WTVT-TV in West Hartford. Meanwhile, state investigators arrested 10 people in Waterbury on absentee ballot abuse charges. Workers from both the O'Neill and Moffett campaigns were arrested. The investigation continues.

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### Beetles imported to save red pines

NEW HAVEN — A local entomologist has imported and released his second batch of Japanese bugs to battle the insects that are slowly killing Connecticut's red pine trees. Mark McClure, a scientist with the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, released thousands of ladybird beetles after they were imported about two weeks ago. He hopes the beetles will attack red pine scales, pin-head sized pests that suck the life out of red pines. McClure said the beetles won't stop the devastation of red pines, but they may slow the destruction.

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## U.S. should respond to testing halt

Despite the fact that the United States is on the verge of losing a significant opportunity for arms control, the Reagan administration appears content to sit idly by.

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev announced Dec. 18 that the moratorium on nuclear weapons testing to which his country has adhered since August 1985 will be ended early next year unless the United States joins in banning tests.

But the longstanding potential of the Soviet approach continues to fall on deaf ears in Washington. Just last month, a White House spokesman said of the Soviet moratorium: "That's their business."

Such statements are a poor excuse for foreign policy. At the very least, the Reagan administration should counter the proposal in an effort to begin a negotiating process that could lead to a permanent halt in nuclear weapons testing.

If anything, an offer to negotiate a test ban would be a sign that the United States is prepared to take the next step and seek a broader accord. The lack of any viable response sends the opposite message.

While the Soviets are obviously not acting out of idealism, the mere fact that they unilaterally ceased weapons testing represents a rare show of flexibility.

President Reagan's answer has been that verification of a test ban is impossible and that such an agreement could put the U.S. in a dangerous position should Moscow cheat. But that argument is of questionable merit, since administration officials have admitted that verification is not the point and that the United States is content with testing nuclear arms and building more.

Even if verification were the prime concern, new technology has made it easier to detect cheating. American seismologists have placed monitoring devices at Soviet test sites that could detect a significant nuclear explosion, and the Russians have hinted at a willingness to negotiate other means of verification, including on-site inspections.

Whatever else is happening between the superpowers, a test ban should be given a chance. Unless such proposals are answered credibly, the arms race will only continue to spiral, and the U.S. will be indicating that curbing nuclear arsenals is not high on its list of priorities.

Jim Parsons



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## Soviets walk a fine line as Iran and Iraq fight

By Borry Schweld

WASHINGTON — The six-year war between Iran and Iraq is intensifying as 1986 draws to a close, posing risks for the United States and possibly even greater ones for the Soviet Union.

Iran's latest offensive is bound to rattle President Saddam Hussein's government in Baghdad, which is exactly what Tehran intends with its relentless assaults.

Iranian offensives are generally exaggerated and rumored well in advance, as a way of unsettling the Baathists, and usually result in the seizure of bits and pieces of Iraqi territory.

Iran's long-range objective is to bring down Hussein, U.S. supported overtures by Iraq for negotiations are brushed aside by Tehran because a settlement that leaves Hussein in charge in Baghdad would be unacceptable to the Khomeini regime.

The antipathy between the two countries, which threatens Western oil supplies from the Persian Gulf, predates the fundamentalist revolution that swept Iran in the late 1970s and the pro-American Shah from the Peacock throne.

Iraq's invasion of Iran in September 1980, based on a misguided notion that the cleric would be unable to respond despite a massive edge in manpower, produced a yearning for revenge.

U.S. STRATEGY, since the ill-fated attempt to cajole the Iranians toward moderation with seven sizeable shipments of American weapons, is to promote an

arms embargo against Tehran while looking the other way as weapons stream into Iraq from France, the Soviet Union and much of the Arab world.

In a burst of public relations hubris, the State Department a couple of weeks ago advertised the interception of a small shipment bound for Iran from South Korea. Actually, the United States has little influence over China, Syria, Libya, Czechoslovakia and Iran's other principal suppliers.

U.S. policy is directed toward negotiations, but so long as the Soviet Union is denounced by Tehran as "the other Satan," the State Department is alarmed only when it appears that Iran may roll over the Iraqis or move against the oil-rich sheikdoms in the Gulf.

If Iraq is defeated, Iran might be emboldened to threaten Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and other oil-producing states upon which the industrialized West depends for petroleum.

But what about Soviet interests?

MARK N. KATZ, a Russian studies research associate at the Woodrow Wilson International Center here, sees a potentially greater threat to Moscow in the Iran-Iraq war.

If a pro-Iranian Islamic fundamentalist government is installed in Baghdad, the Soviets will lose Iraq as a long-standing ally. Also, Khomeini might decide the pro-Moscow government in Syria, whose allies in Lebanon are in conflict with Iranian-backed factions, also must be replaced.

Katz, writing in the magazine Middle East Insight, raises the prospect of Iran deciding to increase its support for rebels in Afghanistan who are fighting Soviet troops and of spreading the

person of the president. She had always been protective, but became almost doting. She began giving him suggestions to improve his image (stay away from military related events, for one thing), and she insisted on budgeting his accessibility.

Then Mrs. Reagan became a virtual caretaker when the president had the cancer surgery. And she keeps many of the keys to his door to this day. White House spokesmen say she has a full hand in his scheduling, his public appearances, and therefore in the conduct of his regular responsibilities.

Critics say the woman also tries to influence her husband regarding the people in his command. And that is what's led to the report of the recent argument. She has allegedly talked the president into getting rid of various assistants, and is now pushing hard on one more, Chief of Staff Donald Regan.

WHITE HOUSE SOURCES say Mrs. Reagan thinks that Regan is primarily culpable for the Iranian controversy. They add that the president, on the other hand, does not want to be pressured. The rumor is that he told her to drop the subject, and, when she didn't, he exploded profanely in front of witnesses.

The witnesses remain anonymous, to be sure, as do the critical sources for this article. Mrs. Reagan may or may not have been rebuked by the president, but the complainants believe that she will continue to be his closest adviser and it would be imprudent to irritate the powerful woman.

That does not mean she will necessarily retain all of her muscle. At least the critics hope not. They say that if the president's rebuke prompts a public discussion of her role in the government, Nancy Reagan may yet prove to be one of the casualties of the current interpellation in this town.

Critics say she started by increasing her hold on

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Jack Anderson

## Hussein eludes assassins, one after another

WASHINGTON — Jordan's diminutive monarch, King Hussein, has survived more than a half-century — despite the worst intentions of over a dozen assassins.

"I've always been a fatalist," the king explained in a recent interview with Dale Van Atta. "I've believed that, right or wrong, one has to do one's best at any given moment, and that when life is ended by the will of God, that's what happens."

Then, using "one" to replace the royal "we" in a masterpiece of understatement, Hussein added: "One has been through a lot."

Hussein's first narrow escape was bloody and traumatic — and could easily have convinced "one" that he led a charmed life. It occurred on July 20, 1951. Hussein, then 15, was standing beside his beloved grandfather, King Abdullah, at the Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem when an assassin opened fire at close range.

Abdullah was killed with a bullet to the head, and as the assassin and the royal bodyguards exchanged fire, Hussein, though unarmed, ran toward his grandfather's killer. The boy was struck by a bullet, but legend has it that the slug bounced off a medal on the uniform that Abdullah had insisted Hussein wear that day.

WAS THAT REALLY the way it happened? Van Atta asked.

"Yes," replied Hussein. "There was a medal, and (the bullet) actually glanced off it." Hussein began carrying a pistol the next day.

In 1957 Hussein drove alone to the Zerka army base to put down an officer's rebellion. He drove into the minefields' midst and dared them to shoot. Some of them did — he said he could "feel the heat" of bullets whizzing past him — but most were too ashamed.

On another occasion, he succeeded by a similar confrontation — but with a daring twist. He demanded that all 700 rebellious officers approach him, salute and pledge their allegiance to him. The procession took 90 minutes.

And yet, Katz writes, if the Iranians manage to defeat the Iraqis, Khomeini or his successor is not likely to be grateful to the Soviet Union for the military assistance Iran received via Moscow's allies. "Instead," the Wilson Center scholar says, "Iranians are going to remember that Saddam Hussein received arms directly from the USSR, which made the task of defeating Iraq much more difficult."

Helping both sides may benefit Moscow in the short run. But while the Soviets hope to gain influence in both Iran and Iraq, over the long run, Katz says, "there is also a great risk that Soviet arms will help Iran defeat Iraq and the USSR will end up with little influence in either."

"I didn't use it, consequently," Hussein added sardonically.

Equally bizarre was the tragic case of the royal cats.

"I have always had cats around," the king said. "My grandfather, Abdullah, loved them. And one day I saw that the cat population (on the palace grounds) was getting a little smaller. I wondered about it. And it turned out that someone had been trying some poisons, unfortunately, on the cats."

An assistant cook soon confessed that he had been recruited by a cousin in Damascus and was to be paid a large sum if he poisoned Hussein. But he didn't know the proper dose, so he experimented on the palace cats. Seven were found dead on a single day, six the next. The king himself came upon three dead cats while strolling on the palace grounds.

Characteristically, the king turned an enemy into a friend by pardoning the would-be assassin and setting him free.

SBA slapped down Charles Heatherly, acting head of the Small Business Administration, was admonished recently by the comptroller general because his agency prepared and distributed to the news media "suggested editorials" that supported the Reagan administration's position on elimination of the agency. "The editorials," prepared by SBA for publication as the ostensible editorial position of the recipient newspapers, are misleading as to their origin and reasonably constitute 'propaganda' within the common understanding of that term." The comptroller's general wrote. Federal agencies are forbidden to distribute "publicity and propaganda."

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Soviet emigrants who no longer want to live in the United States gather Sunday at the Aeroflot counter at Kennedy Airport in New York. Soviet officials called the emigrant group the largest ever to return to the U.S.S.R. at one time.

## Shamir cleared in killing of hijackers

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — The Justice Ministry has cleared Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and other government leaders of responsibility in the killings of two Palestinian hijackers and a subsequent cover-up, news reports said today.

The finding means that no Israeli official will be prosecuted in the affair that had rocked Israel's internal security agency, Shin Bet, and cast a shadow over Shamir's political future.

The ministry completed its investigation last week, but refused to comment pending authorization by Attorney General Yosef Harish to publish the findings.

"I cannot comment on the contents of the report, which was delivered to me personally," Shamir told Israeli army radio. "I hope it will be published in the coming days and it will become clear that what I said several months ago was correct and truthful."

At issue are the deaths of two Palestinians who hijacked a bus to the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip in 1984. Separate commissions of inquiry conducted in 1985 by the army, Defense Ministry and Shin Bet said the two men were beaten to death while in custody, but did not say who was responsible.

Last May, however, three senior Shin Bet officers alleged that the agency's chief, Avraham Shalom, ordered the prisoners be killed, and the subsequent cover-up was authorized by the political leadership.

Shamir was prime minister at the time of the killings and had overall responsibility for Shin Bet. He repeatedly has refused to comment on Shalom's allegations, saying only that the truth would eventually clear him of wrongdoing.

"We are deeply satisfied," Shamir said Dan Meridor told the army radio. "Today we know that Shamir knew in his heart that he was completely clean of any wrongdoing."

But Maj. Gen. Meir Zorea, who headed one of the commissions of inquiry, criticized the Justice Ministry for failing to recommend any action or allot blame.

He told Israeli radio the case was "probably one of the biggest scandals this country has known."

The Justice Ministry's 65-page report said Shalom's version of the events was "weak, inconsistent and not reasonable," Israeli radio reported.

Shalom reportedly told investigators he had general authorization from Shamir to kill hijackers in hostage-taking situations and that he had informed the prime minister of the killings and cover-up at the time they occurred.

The ministry said Shamir's version was consistent with what was reported by testimony by Shimon Peres, then head of the parliamentary opposition; Moshe Arens, then the defense minister; former Fi-

nance Minister Yitzhak Mordechai; and several Shin Bet agents, the reports said.

The investigation showed that Shalom initially tried to implicate Arens by saying the Shin Bet chief acted upon Arens' order. Shalom later said this incident was a "misunderstanding," Israeli radio said.

Shalom and 10 other Shin Bet agents were granted pardons in June by President Chaim Herzog. Shalom and three of his top aides since have left Shin Bet.

The scandal broke in May after lower level Shin Bet officers accused Shalom of ordering the killings. The officers also accused Shalom of covering up and fabricating evidence before the three commissions of inquiry in order to frame a senior army commander at the scene. The army officer later was cleared.

Other predictions for next year: Inflation, which this year is expected to rise just 1.3 percent, the lowest annual rate in 22 years, is likely to pick up next year to nearly 4 percent, roughly the pace that prevailed before the plunge in world oil prices.

Unemployment, which has been stuck at 7 percent for the past three months, will rise in early 1987 before edging down modestly to 6.9 percent by the end of next year as the economy picks up steam.

The budget deficit, which hit a record \$220.7 billion this year, will decline only slightly to around \$195 billion in 1987. This estimate, contained in a recent survey by the National Association of Business Economists, is substantially above the administration's expectation of a \$170 billion deficit for the fiscal year which ends next September.

The Fed cut the discount rate, which now stands at 5.5 percent, to 5 percent in late 1986. The Fed's easy money policies helped push a variety of interest rates to their lowest levels of the decade. Fixed-rate mortgages are currently averaging 9.3 percent, down from 12 percent in early 1987 as a result of Fed actions.

Other predictions for next year: The 3.2 percent administration estimate is substantially lower than the 4.2 percent predicted last August but still higher than what is being predicted by most private economists.

A survey of 50 economists by Blue Chip Economic Indicators, a financial newsletter, predicted an average of 2.5 percent economic growth for 1987, down a full percentage point from the economists' June consensus of 3.5 percent for next year. The estimates ranged from a predicted recession by two economists to a robust 4.3 percent growth by the most optimistic forecaster.

S. Jay Levy, head of Levy Economic Forecasters of Chappaqua, N.Y., put the probability of a recession next year at 2 to 1 and speculated that it could be a lengthy one, given the current slack in industrial production and widespread unemployment in offices, apartments and hotels.

But many analysts predicted that the Federal Reserve Board will step in early next year to avert a recession with another cut in the discount rate, the interest it charges to make bank loans. This

## Tearful Soviets leave for home

By Brian Friedman The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Fifty Soviet emigrants headed home after unhappy years in the United States, and some said they are looking forward to reunions with their families despite an uncertain future back in the U.S.S.R.

Many interviewed before they boarded an Aeroflot jetliner late Sunday night said they don't know where they will work or whether they will be accepted by old friends and neighbors after their years in the West.

The Aeroflot desk at Kennedy International Airport was mobbed by tearful Russians who were bundled up in heavy fur coats and hats and hugged friends and family as they bade them goodbye. Some carried VCRs, portable stereos and other electronics gear.

Soviet officials said it was the biggest group of emigrants to return to the Soviet Union from the United States, and the regularly scheduled weekly flight to Moscow was delayed more than five hours so a larger jet could be flown in.

"I felt guilty for leaving" the Soviet Union 8 1/2 years ago, said Taras Kordonsky, who is returning to his wife, Ludmilla, and 16-year-old son, Timofei.

He said he was prepared for harsh treatment from some who may resent his initial departure and return, but added: "The Russian people can forgive."

Alexander Cherkasets, who left a good position in a travel agency in the Soviet Union to work as a limousine driver in New York, said he hoped he could get his old job back.

"It's hard to imagine what I will do," he said. "The Soviet authorities here said we should not have any problems with the authorities there."

For many, the journey back behind the Iron Curtain will mean a reunion with a child, spouse or parent they have not seen in years. Others were never happy with life in the United States — particularly New York City, where many of those returning Sunday lived after their emigration — or became steadily disillusioned with it.

"America for Americans, Russia for Russians," said Vladimir Troshinsky, who lived here for eight years and worked as an auto mechanic and taxi driver but really wants to be a chemical engineer.

"My mother is waiting for me. My son is waiting for me. My wife is waiting for me," said Kordonsky, a 38-year-old musician who was toting his guitar and a fender bass that would be a gift for his son, said he was unhappy almost immediately after arriving in the United States.

"There was the alienation, the feeling I don't belong, the anxiety and the homesickness," he said. "Irina Galetsky, who was returning to Leningrad with her husband, Yuri, and three children after nine years in the West, said that although she made some good American friends, "Everybody thinks I am a Soviet spy, and I am not a Soviet spy."

It was the third group repatriation in as many months. In October and November, Soviet officials announced the return of 17 other emigrants.

Some of the returnees had applied several times for permission to be turned down, said Alexei Zhvakin, the vice consul at the Soviet Embassy in Washington who was in New York to handle the paperwork.

Some returning Sunday said they got an immediate OK when they applied in recent months.

Soviet spokesman Igor B. Bulav said last month that about 1,000 emigrants in the United States have applied to return.

The strain of Sunday night's departure was evident as the time grew near for the flight to depart. One Russian-speaking visitor without a ticket had to be removed from the boarding area when he got into an argument with a man who was returning.

As the boarding continued, Vladimir Glushkov, who was scheduled to return to a small town near Odessa with his parents, wife and two children, suffered a seizure. A paramedic said the stress of the evening may have been too much for the 40-year-old Glushkov, and there was an unexpected tearful farewell as Glushkov's parents got on the plane and left the rest of the family behind to care for him. Hours earlier, Glushkov spoke longingly of being reunited with relatives in Russia and said "Everybody should be together."

Cherkasets, 37, drew a crowd of reporters when he arrived for the flight because he had once been singled out in a Newsweek magazine article on immigrants to America. He has spoken of the crime, greed and poverty he saw as a taxi driver in New York City and was invited to visit North Dakota by a newspaper columnist to see what the rest of the country was like.

He told reporters he could not easily explain why he was going home, and said that even some close friends who threw him a farewell party last week couldn't understand his decision or make him change his mind.

Cherkasets then fled the TV lights and reporters, hurried down the corridor and said, "It is difficult to emigrate twice."

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Alexander Cherkasets, who left a good position in a travel agency in the Soviet Union to work as a limousine driver in New York, said he hoped he could get his old job back.

"It's hard to imagine what I will do," he said. "The Soviet authorities here said we should not have any problems with the authorities there."

For many, the journey back behind the Iron Curtain will mean a reunion with a child, spouse or parent they have not seen in years. Others were never happy with life in the United States — particularly New York City, where many of those returning Sunday lived after their emigration — or became steadily disillusioned with it.

"America for Americans, Russia for Russians," said Vladimir Troshinsky, who lived here for eight years and worked as an auto mechanic and taxi driver but really wants to be a chemical engineer.

"My mother is waiting for me. My son is waiting for me. My wife is waiting for me," said Kordonsky, a 38-year-old musician who was toting his guitar and a fender bass that would be a gift for his son, said he was unhappy almost immediately after arriving in the United States.

"There was the alienation, the feeling I don't belong, the anxiety and the homesickness," he said. "Irina Galetsky, who was returning to Leningrad with her husband, Yuri, and three children after nine years in the West, said that although she made some good American friends, "Everybody thinks I am a Soviet spy, and I am not a Soviet spy."

It was the third group repatriation in as many months. In October and November, Soviet officials announced the return of 17 other emigrants.

Some of the returnees had applied several times for permission to be turned down, said Alexei Zhvakin, the vice consul at the Soviet Embassy in Washington who was in New York to handle the paperwork.

Some returning Sunday said they got an immediate OK when they applied in recent months.

Soviet spokesman Igor B. Bulav said last month that about 1,000 emigrants in the United States have applied to return.

The strain of Sunday night's departure was evident as the time grew near for the flight to depart. One Russian-speaking visitor without a ticket had to be removed from the boarding area when he got into an argument with a man who was returning.

As the boarding continued, Vladimir Glushkov, who was scheduled to return to a small town near Odessa with his parents, wife and two children, suffered a seizure. A paramedic said the stress of the evening may have been too much for the 40-year-old Glushkov, and there was an unexpected tearful farewell as Glushkov's parents got on the plane and left the rest of the family behind to care for him. Hours earlier, Glushkov spoke longingly of being reunited with relatives in Russia and said "Everybody should be together."

Cherkasets, 37, drew a crowd of reporters when he arrived for the flight because he had once been singled out in a Newsweek magazine article on immigrants to America. He has spoken of the crime, greed and poverty he saw as a taxi driver in New York City and was invited to visit North Dakota by a newspaper columnist to see what the rest of the country was like.

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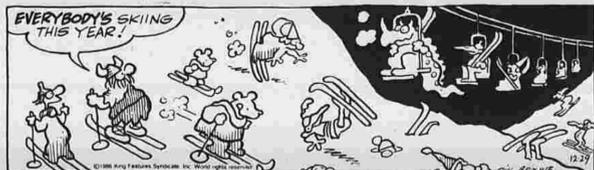
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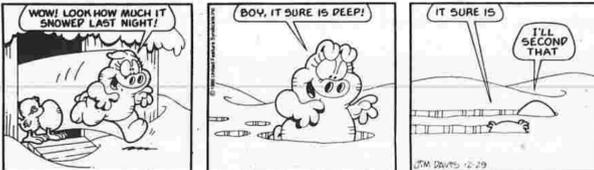
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Astrograph

Your Birthday

Dec. 30, 1986
You'll have greater opportunities in the year ahead to operate in a freer and more independent manner.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Something for which you're hoping has splendid chances of becoming a reality at this time. Don't lose faith in yourself or in others who are making major changes.

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Bridge

Bridge game information including North-South scores, vulnerable status, and a hand diagram.

U.S./World In Brief

Iowa Democrats say they want Hart

DES MOINES, Iowa — More than a year before Iowa's first-in-the-election precinct caucuses, U.S. Sen. Gary Hart is the clear Democratic frontrunner, according to a new Iowa Poll.

South Africa imposes school curbs

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — The government today issued new restrictions for black schools in an effort to prevent further student boycotts, disruptions and teaching of alternative education classes.

Iceland opens probe into sinking

REYKJAVIK, Iceland — A maritime court has begun hearing testimony in an effort to determine why a cargo ship crashed into a rock marked by a lighthouse and sank, killing all 12 men aboard.

NASA engineer makes shuttle video

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. — A NASA engineer who says the space shuttle program "should be remembered for its achievements, not its tragedy" — the Challenger disaster — has decided to complete a music video about the program.

India, Pakistan consider no-war pact

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Top officials of India and Pakistan said Sunday they had made progress in negotiations on a proposed no-war pact and a pledge not to attack each other's nuclear installations.

Death boosts toll in Berlin crash

BERLIN — An East German man died Sunday of injuries received in the Dec. 12 crash of a Soviet jetliner in East Berlin, raising the death toll from the accident to 72, the official news agency ADN reported.

Thousands seek embassy jobs

LOS ANGELES — Thousands of Americans have answered help-wanted ads for the U.S. Embassy in Moscow since the Soviet support staff was withdrawn, and officials say they're nearly finished reviewing the applicants.

Sakharov: 'Star Wars' vulnerable

NEW YORK — Soviet dissident Andrei Sakharov, the father of the Soviet hydrogen bomb, says construction of "Star Wars" is possible but, its effects could be counteracted with the world investment that its creation would take.

Visit by Koch spurs protests

NEW YORK (AP) — Churchgoers in the neighborhood where a black man died after being chased by white youths jeered the mayor, who had likened the death to a lynching, but a black congregation welcomed his pleas for racial harmony.

Shouts of "Go home," "Resign" and "You have no right here" met Mayor Edward I. Koch as he arrived Sunday at Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church in Howard Beach, Queens.

The mayor visited the two churches in the wake of the Dec. 20 death of Michael Griffith, 23, a black man who was struck by a car as he fled a group of white youths police said had attacked him and

Chinese students defy ban on marches

greater personal freedom and a faster pace of democratic reform in at least nine cities this month.

PEKING — Thousands of students today marched through snow-packed streets from Peking's teachers college to Peking University and Qinghua University, all located in the same district in northwest Peking.

The Peking Evening News, however, said only 200 to 300 students participated. It said the march was unauthorized and that the police would be held legally responsible.

The demonstration, the first in Peking in six days, came as the People's Daily, China's leading newspaper, issued a warning against those who spurn the Communist Party and the socialist system in their advocacy of democracy.

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Cities see need for tax hike

WASHINGTON (AP) — A survey of city government officials released today has found that more than one-third of those polled believe they cannot maintain current services without raising taxes.

Thirty-six percent of officials surveyed in 30 cities and counties by the National League of Cities said that without higher taxes, they cannot maintain services in the coming year. Fewer than half, 47 percent, said they will be able to maintain existing services at current tax levels.

The budget cuts made in Washington will bring tax increases or service cutbacks in many communities — and it will hurt the most in places where the needs are greatest," said Alan Beals, executive director of the League.

Much of the pressure for higher local taxes stems from the congressional decision to stop sharing federal revenues with local governments, he said.

The survey found 37 percent of the city officials said they had to raise taxes in the last year, and 57 percent raised fees and other charges. Thirty-four percent expect to raise taxes in the coming year. Fewer than half, 47 percent, said they will be able to maintain existing services at current tax levels.

The league poll card on the organization's annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas, in early December, said city officials were highly critical of the Reagan administration and Congress in the handling of the federal budget deficit and municipal problems.

The league asked city officials to prepare a report card on the administration and Congress in dealing with national and city problems, and more than 75 percent leave poor or inferior — D and F — grades.

Alps resort blast kills seven

GARMISCH — Firefighters combated a fire that followed an explosion at the well-known luxury hotel Riessersee in the Bavarian Alps near Garmisch-Partenkirchen, West Germany, on Saturday. Police say at least seven people were killed and about 16 injured. The explosion probably came from a natural gas pipe inside the hotel.

Vagrant burns to death

BOSTON (AP) — The death of a homeless man whose clothes caught fire in his makeshift shelter graphically illustrates the growing problem of homelessness in American cities, says Mayor Raymond L. Flynn, who new the victim.

John Griffin, 55, known in the South Boston neighborhood as "Duke," was a Navy veteran and welfare recipient who walked the beach along Dorchester Bay for the past 2 1/2 years, according to Flynn and Police Superintendent Paul Evans.

On Saturday night he crawled under a cement staircase behind a city bathhouse and covered the opening with planks. Evans said it was unclear whether Griffin built a fire to keep warm in his 33 degree weather, or if it was a cigarette that ignited his clothes.

Edward Koch calls for harmony

"You condemned us," one man shouted.

But Koch was greeted with applause and "amen's" by black churchgoers at Morningstar Missionary Baptist Church in St. Albans, Queens.

"He made a lot of good points," Cebeal Fells, a member of the congregation, said after the service.

The mayor visited the two churches in the wake of the Dec. 20 death of Michael Griffith, 23, a black man who was struck by a car as he fled a group of white youths police said had attacked him and

Authorities said their investigation had corroborated earlier information that the driver of the car, Dominick Blum, was not involved in the gang attack. The New York Times reported today. Investigators interviewed people who saw or were with Blum, and administered a lie-detector test to one companion.

Three youths have been charged with Griffith's murder, and a court appearance was scheduled today. But a lawyer for one of the black victims has said his client will not cooperate with prosecutors unless Blum is charged.



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Travelers wait in line to check flights Sunday at Atlanta's Hartsfield International Airport. Flights were delayed because of heavy fog in the area during the busy holiday weekend.

# Fog keeps travelers in a holding pattern

By Greg Freeman  
The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Fog shrouded Atlanta's busy international airport for a second day today, delaying flights and stranding thousands of passengers heading home after the Christmas weekend. Delays of up to five hours Sunday at Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport snarled airline traffic throughout the Southeast.

"We have the same fog, the same delays," airport spokesman John Braden said today.

Forecasters predicted today's fog would lift by noon, but Braden said the delays could last all day. "Yesterday it was midnight before they (the delays) were cleared away, and it probably will be today as well."

Virtually all of Sunday's 2,000-plus flights to and from Hartsfield were delayed, said operations supervisor David Martin.

That caused a chain reaction as postponement of Atlanta-bound flights affected an estimated 70,000 travelers, officials estimated. Delta Air Lines spokesman Bill Jackson said fewer passengers would be affected today because Sunday's flights were fuller, although less than half of Delta's flights were getting through this morning.

Jackson estimated that hundreds of Delta passengers spent the night in hotels after their flights were canceled. "We did everything we could to get people out late last night, but we did have some holdovers," he said.

"I have seen fog and delays in 1986 but so far this year I have not seen fog so thick as it was early today (Sunday) or as many aircraft backed up and waiting on a gate to unload," Martin said.

Landings and takeoffs were suspended for 2 1/2 hours Sunday morning, and again late that night.

"We were just about through with our push when the fog closed in again just after 11 p.m.," Delta Air Lines spokesman Bill Berry said.

"It's frustrating, but I can understand what the airlines are going through," he said. "I'm waiting on my wife to arrive from Northampton (Mass.), and they can't tell me if she's in a holding pattern, in Northampton or arriving at some gate."

Berry said Delta decided to run behind schedule Sunday rather than cancel flights "because they all were booked so full. We wouldn't have been able to get the passengers out."

"Some flights were two hours late. Some were three hours late. Some were on time," he said.

"I feel like I was born in a plane," said Jim Smallwood of Norton, Va., trying to fly to Los Angeles. "I've been sitting in a plane for seven hours from Knoxville to Atlanta, and I'm supposed to go to L.A. for the Rose Bowl. I've been sitting in my luggage is."

More than 120 flights were delayed between 7 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. said Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Jack Barker.

"Rather than having planes circling over Atlanta, the airlines went into flow control. That means that Atlanta-bound traffic waited in other airports until cleared for landing in Atlanta," Barker said.

Flights already en route to Atlanta were sent to other airports in the Southeast to wait for the fog to lift.

"We have had about 75 percent of our flights delayed," Berry said, adding that flights unaffected by fog involved new planes such as Lockheed L-1011s and Boeing 767s and 777s equipped with instruments to let them land and take off in fog.

Eastern Airlines reported backups and said most flights were held up for 30 minutes to two hours.

The airport had predicted more than 700,000 passengers would pass through it over the Christmas holidays.

# SPORTS Playoff victory rekindles the Jets' spirits

By Barry Winer  
The Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The slow death of a five-week losing streak has been forgotten, or at least placed in the distant past.

For the New York Jets, all it took was one victory to rekindle their spirits and make them feel like a genuine championship contender.

"It's a credit to us, facing all this adversity and coming through with a win," Walker said. "You have to forget about the past, although you try to learn from it."

What Jets Coach Joe Walton and defensive coordinator Bud Carson learned from the immediate past was that change was in order.

Walton replaced slumping Ken O'Brien at quarterback with nine-year veteran Pat Ryan, a steady backup who led the Jets to a victory over New England and a 13-lead in a win over Denver this year. Carson opted for a more aggressive defense.

Those moves worked sensationally. Ryan threw for three touch-

downs, got the wide receivers more involved in the offense than in any game during the slide, and even ran for 24 yards on a fourth-and-6 quarterback draw in the first period. Two plays later, Freeman McNeil got the first of his two scores and the Jets were ahead to stay.

"His style of play and what he can do pumped us up," tight end Mickey Shuler said of Ryan. "He got the tempo up for what was to be expected of each guy."

"It was a big play. They had just scored and we had to get back and get some points. He inspired us with that run," Ryan said.

That's exactly what Walton had in mind when he switched to Ryan, and what running backs coach Bobby Hammond had in mind when he installed the quarterback draw into the offense this week.

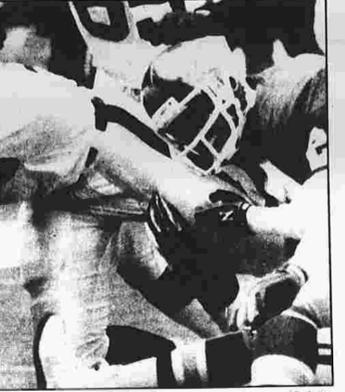
"He put in all these quarterback runs," Ryan said. "That he must think I'm still at Tennessee running the wishbone."

Ryan said he was tight before the game but relaxed "once I got into it."

"Early in the week, I didn't feel any pressure," Ryan said. "But then all I read in the papers made me sound like the last hope."

Ryan completed 16 of 23 passes for 133 yards and hit McNeil on a 1-yard TD flare pass. All-Toon with an 11-yard score and Billy Grieco, who made his first pro reception, for a 6-yard touchdown.

"We played the rest of football we need to play the rest of the playoffs," Ryan said. "That goes for the defense too. While the attack was stumbling



Jets' quarterback Pat Ryan (10) is brought down by Kansas City's J.C. Pearson (7) not before he gained 24 yards on a quarterback draw in the first period Sunday at Giants' Stadium. Ryan threw for 17 TDs in the Jets' 35-15 win in the AFC wild card playoff game.

previous wild-card outings (in 1981 and 1985) and hadn't won a home playoff game since 1968, when the Jets went on to win the Super Bowl.

In November, the Jets were 10-1 and looked like they were going to their second Super Bowl. Now they are considered a rank outsider. But Sunday's victory restored their confidence.

"We're in a positive frame of mind," McNeil said.

# Texas Air swallows People Express

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Shareholders of financially troubled People Express Inc. today approved a \$115 million merger with Texas Air Corp., People Express founder and chairman Donald Burr announced.

The vote by shareholders, about a third of whom are employees, was the final hurdle in Texas Air's bid to take control of the pioneering cut-rate airline.

Most of the holders of People Express' approximately 27 million outstanding shares voted on the merger deal by mail, said company spokesman Russell Marchetta.

The approval makes Houston-based Texas Air by far the nation's largest airline company, and means the end of People Express, which will be absorbed into one of Texas Air's carriers, airline officials have said.

"The deal was good," Burr said after the vote at the company's offices here. "It's good for everybody."

Burr would not say which of Texas Air's carriers would absorb People Express or when such a move would occur.

In November, 83.3 percent of the holders of the company's public debt securities had agreed to accept interest rate cuts, a key condition to the merger.

People Express had warned repeatedly that it would go bankrupt if the deal was not approved. Texas Air already has loaned the company \$40 million to keep the airline operating.

People Express lost \$245.4 million in the first nine months of 1986, or a little less than \$1 million a day, according to the airline's third-quarter earnings report.

Shareholders saw their stocks plummet from a high of \$11.25 in the first quarter this year, to \$2.75 last week.

About a third of People Express shareholders also are employees of the carrier, giving them a double stake in the outcome of the vote, airline officials noted.

# Obituaries

## Helen O. Brissette; R.N. worked at MMH

Helen O. Brissette of 34 Liberty St., a registered nurse on the emergency room staff of Manchester Memorial Hospital since 1958, died Saturday at the hospital. She was 65.

She was one of the first nurses in Connecticut to participate in the study of sudden infant death syndrome and one of the first to help establish a community outreach program for chronic alcoholics.

Born Aug. 10, 1921, she had lived in Framingham, Mass., and in Manchester for 10 years. She was a 1940 graduate of the Worcester City Hospital School of Nursing. She served in the U.S. Navy from 1942 to 1945 and was discharged as a full lieutenant from the Medical Corps in 1945.

She worked for three years as supervisor of nursing at the Institute of Living in Hartford. At Manchester Memorial Hospital she was involved with crisis intervention and was instrumental in staffing the emergency auxiliary unit, PrompCare. She worked for the state and with local communities for the treatment and prevention of communicable diseases.

She was a communicant of St. Bridget Church.

She is survived by a son, Jeffrey P. Brissette of Manchester; four daughters, Mariella Lugnbuhl of Tolland, Marcia B. Smith of Woodbury, Minn., Martina Johnson of Manchester and Margarita Julie Brissette of Hartford; her mother, Mary (Connors) Olszewski of Saxtonville, Mass.; two brothers, John Olszewski and Bernard Olszewski, both of Framingham, Mass.; three sisters, Sophie Ferragamo and Ronnie Morse, both of Framingham, Mass., and Mary Moffitt of Castro Valley, Calif.; and seven grandchildren.

The funeral will be Tuesday at 9:15 a.m. from the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., followed by a mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. in St. Stephen's Cemetery, Framingham, Mass. Calling hours are today from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to the Building Fund of Manchester Memorial Hospital, 71 Hayes St.

## Vincent "Bee" Klonoski

Vincent "Bee" Klonoski, 74, of Westfield, Mass., formerly of Simsbury, husband of Freda (Young) Klonoski, and the late Victoria (Polna) Klonoski, died Thursday at Noble Hospital, Westfield, Mass. He was the brother of Stella Columbe of Manchester.

Besides his wife and sister, he also is survived by three sons, Vincent J. Klonoski of East Granby, John A. Klonoski of Riverside, R.I., and Thomas P. Klonoski of Willington; four brothers, Joseph Klonoski and John Klonoski, both of Simsbury, Edward Klonoski of Bristol, and Alex Klonoski of West Springfield, Mass.; two other sisters, Sophia LaDoucerre of Newton and Frances Morrison of East Windsor; five grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

The funeral was Saturday from the Vincent Funeral Home, Simsbury, followed by a mass of Christian burial at St. Mary's Church, Simsbury. Burial was in St. Bernard's Cemetery, Tariffville.

## Harry E. Lindgren

Harry E. Lindgren, 78, of South Windsor, died Sunday at a Manchester convalescent home. His wife, Ruth Donna (Hue) Lindgren, died in 1966.

He was born in Worcester, Mass., April 26, 1908, and became a resident of the Manchester-Hartford-South Windsor area for more than 30 years. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army. Before he retired, he was an instructor at the Pratt & Whitney school. After retirement, he was active in senior citizen activities and served as a member and past president of the South Windsor Council on Aging. He was also active in South Windsor Little League.

He is survived by a stepson, Donald P. Martineau of Bethesda, Md.; one sister, Edith Lindgren of Worcester, Mass.; two grandchildren, a great-granddaughter; and several nieces.

The funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., with burial in the Wapping Cemetery, South Windsor. Calling hours are Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 310 Collins St., Hartford, or to the American Kidney Fund, 720 Wisconsin Blvd., Bethesda, Md.

## Charles A. Strickland

Charles A. Strickland, 76, of 333 Francis St., died today at Manchester Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of the late Ann (Wodal) Strickland.

He was born in Coventry Jan. 15, 1910, and had lived in the Manchester and Andover area most of his life. Before he retired, he was employed in the floor covering department of the Keith Furniture Co., Manchester, where he worked for more than 40 years. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

He is survived by three brothers, Clarence Strickland in New Hampshire, Ralph Strickland of Bolton, and Roy Strickland of Manchester; a sister, Barbara Strickland of Manchester; and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services in East Cemetery will be at the convenience of the family. There are no calling hours. The Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., is in charge of arrangements.

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

## Aurelio DeDominicis

Aurelio (Harold) DeDominicis, 83, of Hartford, died Friday at Hartford Hospital. He was the husband of Rose (Polce) DeDominicis and the father of Dominic DeDominicis of Manchester.

He also is survived by three other sons, Anthony DeDominicis and Frank DeDominicis, both of East Hartford, and Richard DeDominicis of Hartford; two daughters, Josephine Lacierra and Carol Mottola, both of Hartford; two brothers, Edward DeDominicis and Quinto DeDominicis, both in Italy; 16 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral was today at the DeEspeo-Wethersfield Chapel, Wethersfield, followed by a mass of Christian burial at St. Augustine's Church, Hartford.

## Helen I. Reynolds

Helen I. Reynolds, 64, of Jensen Beach, Fla., and Willimantic, died Friday at the Stuart Convalescent Center, Stuart, Fla., after a brief illness. She was a former Coventry resident.

She worked as a physical education instructor in the Hartford school system until her retirement. She was an active golfer, and was a member of the Connecticut Women's Golf Association and the New England Women's Golf Association. She was also a member of the UConn Alumni Association and the American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 52 Coventry-Manfield.

She is survived by an uncle, Chester Andrews of Wethersfield; two aunts, Elizabeth (Reynolds) Rychling of Coventry and Marion (Reynolds) Litvichyk of West Willington; and several cousins.

The funeral will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Potkin Funeral Home, 456 Jackson St., Willimantic, with burial in the New Willimantic Cemetery, Willimantic.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hospice of Martin County, Florida, 925 Lincoln Ave., Stuart, Fla. 34987, or to the American Legion Auxiliary Memorial Scholarship Fund, care of the Alcyn Murphy Treasurer, P.O. Box 266, Rocky Hill 06067.

## Joseph R. Lupacchino

Joseph R. Lupacchino, 68, of 102 Clinton St., died today at St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center, Hartford. He was the husband of Mary (Salato) Lupacchino.

Born in Manchester, he was a lifelong resident. Before he retired, he worked as a manager at Burnside Drug in East Hartford. He was a veteran of the Army Air Corps, serving in World War II. He was a member of the Army and Navy Club, and a former member of the Italian-American Society.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two sons, Joseph R. Lupacchino Jr. of Glastonbury, and Ralph R. Lupacchino of Manchester; a daughter, Ann L. Mulazzi of East Hartford; two brothers, Rocco Lupacchino and Nuzzio Lupacchino, both of Manchester; a sister, Frances Gagnon of Manchester; and six grandchildren.

The funeral will be Wednesday at 8:15 a.m. at the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St., followed by a mass of Christian burial at 9 a.m. at St. James Church. Burial with full military honors will be in St. James Cemetery. Calling hours are Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association or to the American Lung Association.

## In Memoriam

In loving memory of Russell Corcoran  
Gone but not forgotten  
We all miss you.  
With Love,  
Mother and Family

## Ann Gallo

Ann (DiNeno) Gallo, 66, of Hallandale, Fla., formerly of East

# Asthma rule may control acid rain

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costs in deciding on health-based standards, and Doniger argues that the agency "ought to carry out the law. If it happens to coincide with what the environment, that's just a coincidence."

EPA's analysts are recommending a one-hour standard for sulphur dioxide in the range of 2 parts per million to 0.5 p.p.m. By comparison, the current 24-hour standard is 0.14 p.p.m.

Beck said a one-hour standard of 0.8 p.p.m would require no substantial change from current practice; a 0.25 p.p.m limit would require the short-term burners to reduce the pollutant from smokstack gases every year in order to reduce the short-term bursts.

"It's equivalent to an acid rain bill," he said.

Air pollution standards are supposed to be affirmed or changed every five years, but EPA consistently runs behind schedule. The current review of sulfur dioxide began in 1978. In 1982 the staff recommended a short-term standard and this was reaffirmed this year. The Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee, a panel of outside scientists, endorsed the recommendation in October.

An analysis of the environmental impact of the standard, up to 10 to 15 percent of the sensitive population in the vicinity of major sources could be exposed one year to levels of sulfur dioxide at or above 0.5 parts per million for five minutes while at elevated ventilation," that is, while jogging.

The range of one-hour standards analyzed, 0.25 to 0.5 p.p.m, provides increased protection against asthma, limiting their fraction of asthmatics exposed to less than 4 percent," the analysis continued.

At these concentrations, the restricted breathing disappears after a few hours, the analysis said. Edison argues that this might not be the type of adverse health effect the law is aimed at avoiding.

# U.S., Iran open talks

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — Iranian and U.S. negotiators met today at the newly guarded Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal to work out terms for return of \$500 million in assets, plus interest, to Iran.

Iran said it might intercede on behalf of American hostages in Lebanon if it gets back all its U.S.-held assets.

Negotiators from the Iranian Central Bank, the New York Federal Reserve Bank and the two governments met at 2 p.m.

The \$500 million represents Iran's overpayment into a \$3.67 billion fund held by the New York Federal Reserve for repayment of syndicated bank loans to Iran.

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# Redskins move past fumble-prone Rams

By David Ginsburg  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Washington Redskins have moved closer to a possible Super Bowl berth by using an old tactic, the takeaway.

The "mistakes killed us," Los Angeles guard Dennis Harrah said. Washington took advantage of six Los Angeles turnovers Sunday to register a 19-7 victory over the Rams in the first round of the NFC playoffs. Using four field goals by Atkinson, who was signed two weeks ago, the Redskins earned a shot at the defending champion Chicago Bears in Saturday's NFC semifinal game.

When Washington takes more than it gives away, the Redskins are virtually unbeatable. Since 1982, the Redskins are 47-1 in games in which they finish with a positive turnover ratio, and only 7-14 when the ratio is negative.

The Rams' Eric Dickerson rushed for 158 yards, but Washington made good use of the All-Pro running back's three fumbles. The Redskins converted the first into Atkinson's first field goal, and stopped a possible Los Angeles scoring drive in the second quarter by recovering another Dickerson fumble at the Redskin 9-yard line.

"The turnovers were decisive," Redskins Coach John Robinson said.

# Lemieux helps Canadiens snap the Whalers' streak

MONTREAL — He didn't play Friday night in Hartford because of a weight problem but Montreal's Claude Lemieux threw his Stanley Cup championship team back to work to lead the defending Stanley Cup champion Canadiens to a 6-2 victory over the Hartford Whalers Saturday night at the Forum.

Montreal and Hartford had played to a 1-1 tie the previous night in Hartford.

The loss was the Whalers' worst since a 6-2 defeat in Toronto Oct. 30 and snapped a six-game unbeaten streak. Montreal pulled into a tie for first place with the Whalers in the Adams Division with the victory, each team possessing 42 points.

Lemieux, who eliminated Hartford from the playoffs last season with a dramatic overtime goal with the seventh game of the division finals, was scratched due to a Friday weight-in forewarned by Montreal coach Jean Perron. Lemieux said he dropped six pounds in 24 hours.

"I don't want to talk about this as a personal victory," Lemieux said after Saturday's game. "I feel I have repaid my dues to the team — I paid for the sacrifice I did not make earlier in the week."

Montreal (18-14-6) took a 3-1 lead after the first period on goals by Mats Naslund, Stephane Richer, and Lemieux. Both Whaler goals in the game were scored by John Anderson. After another Lemieux score in the second, Bob Gainey and Kjell Dahlin added third-period goals for the Canadiens.

"It wasn't one of our better games, that's for sure," Whaler goalie Steve Weeks said, who had a personal seven-game unbeaten streak broken. One of Hartford's major problems is on the power play where it is 1-for-22 going back to the third period of a 6-5 victory Dec. 18 in Boston. "All power plays run hot and cold," said Whaler coach Jack Evans.

# Eagles get by Indians

By Jim Tierney  
Herald Sports Writer

58-55. Saturday in the first round of the fifth annual Manchester Rotary Club Basketball Classic at the Eagles' Nest.

It was East's first win of the season placing its record at 1-2 and, ironically, was its first victory since defeating the Indians in the first round of the same tournament a year ago, 54-51, in overtime.

# UConn five not at full strength

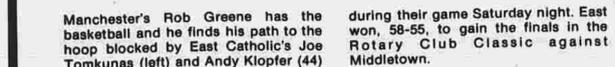
HARTFORD — Heading into tonight's ninth annual Connecticut Mutual Classic, the University of Connecticut basketball team will be at a loss.

Two players, starting freshman point guard Tatis and reserve forward James Spradling, suffered ankle ligament damage during UConn's Friday night practice and Husky coach Jim Calhoun said both players are expected to be sidelined 10 days to three weeks.

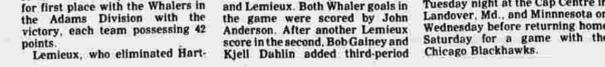
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Manchester's Rob Greene has the basketball and he finds his path to the hoop blocked by East Catholic's Joe Tomkunus (left) and Andy Klopfer (44) during the game Saturday night. East won, 58-55, to gain the finals in the Rotary Club Classic against Middletown.



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Polse is something coaches can't teach their players — especially when that player is only a sophomore. East Catholic sophomore Scott Alturi exhibited the poise of a senior when he converted three of four foul shots — his only points in the second half — in the last 22 seconds to lift the Eagles past crosstown rival Manchester High.

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TOWN OF MANCHESTER LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 6, 1987 at 7:30 P.M. in the Hearing Room, Lincoln Center, 44 Main Street, Manchester, CT to hear and consider the following petitions:

LEGAL NOTICE: The Department of Public Utility Control announced a public hearing, pursuant to Sections 16-11 and 16-13 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, to be held at its office, One Central Park Plaza, New Britain, Connecticut, on Tuesday, December 30, 1986 at 10:00 a.m., concerning proposed amendments to the rules and regulations of the Connecticut Public Utility Control Board.

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Hawks to a one-point victory in the Connecticut Mutual Classic. The Huskies will play a consolation game against Lehigh tonight, while Hartford will take on Texas A&M in the finals. Story on page 12.

Discover 1986 Ins and Outs

By Judd Everhart The Associated Press

O'Neil seeks tax reduction, bond revisions

HARTFORD - Gov. William A. O'Neil said today he would ask the General Assembly to adjust Connecticut's capital gains tax in 1987 so the state does not reap a potential \$200 million windfall under the new federal tax law taking effect on Thursday.

Without change, O'Neil said the state could get an additional \$200 million a year, since the state capital gains tax is tied to the federal capital gains tax.

Trust takes title to Risley Reservoir

By Alex Girelli George Lyons Manchester Herald

Exxon joins exodus of U.S. firms from South Africa

NEW YORK (AP) - Exxon Corp. today announced it has sold its interest in its South African affiliate, joining the exodus of U.S. companies from the troubled country.

Lack of greetings marks superpower chill

By John-Thor Dahlberg The Associated Press

Tense toss

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