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Friday, March 13, 1987

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Weiss set to recommend housing-code inspector

By George Layne Herald Reporter

Town Manager Robert B. Weiss said Thursday he will probably recommend that the town hire a housing code inspector...

time, he said that would free up other town workers to conduct housing inspections...

No increase sought for water and sewer

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limited systematic inspections of targeted areas. Chief Building Inspector Russell L. Davidson said Thursday there is no word of knowing or estimating how many apartments meet health and safety codes...

complaint basis, Davidson said it is difficult to keep up with the work with the staff he has...

appoint a committee to investigate the need for a fair rent commission. Republican Minority Leader William J. Dianna said he still supports hiring a housing inspector...

Prices climb a mere .1% in February

By Tom Roub The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Wholesale prices inched up just 0.1 percent last month, with moderate increases in gasoline and heating oil costs partially offset by lower food prices...

same period. Last year's extraordinary inflation performance was powered by the collapse of oil prices...



The Rev. Joseph Milton leads pallbearers carrying the body of Bernice B. Martin, 88, who was murdered Sunday. Martin was buried Thursday at Rose Hill Memorial Park in Rocky Hill.

Murder victim's friends say goodbye

By Andrew Yurkovsky Herald Reporter

ROCKY HILL - Snow fell on Rose Hill Memorial Park as 88-year-old Bernice B. Martin was buried Thursday afternoon...

"We're here to pay tribute to Bernice Martin - mother, grandmother, neighbor and friend..."

stenographer's pad. The poem, titled "Thanks from Mayfair," seemed an appropriate choice for the service...

said he hoped Martin's poetry would be put together for the enjoyment of residents at Mayfair Gardens...

TODAY'S HERALD

Gaming bill advances

After a stormy meeting of the General Assembly's Public Safety Committee, a bill extending the state's moratorium on new gambling facilities for another five years is closer to becoming law...

Suits dismissed

Dismissing lawsuits that struck "at the core" of independent contractor's authority, a judge says Walsh can forge ahead with his investigation of the Iran-Contra affair...

Legal dispute stalls disclosure hearing

HARTFORD - A dispute over what standards to use in deciding whether to release transcripts of a grand jury probe into municipal corruption in Enfield has made public...

Mostly cloudy

The Connecticut forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies this evening. After midnight, it will gradually become partly cloudy...

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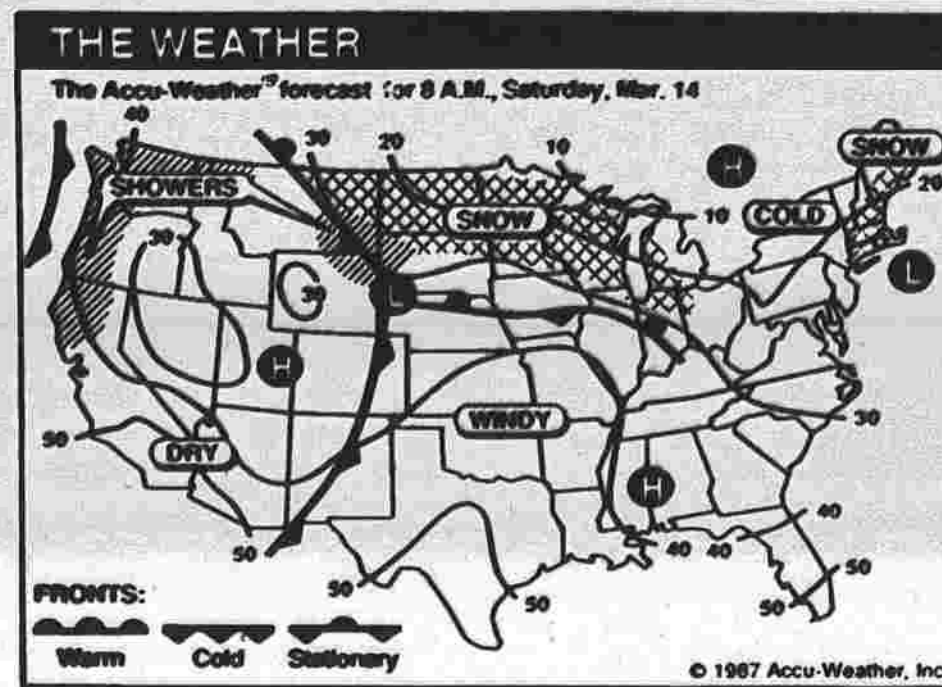
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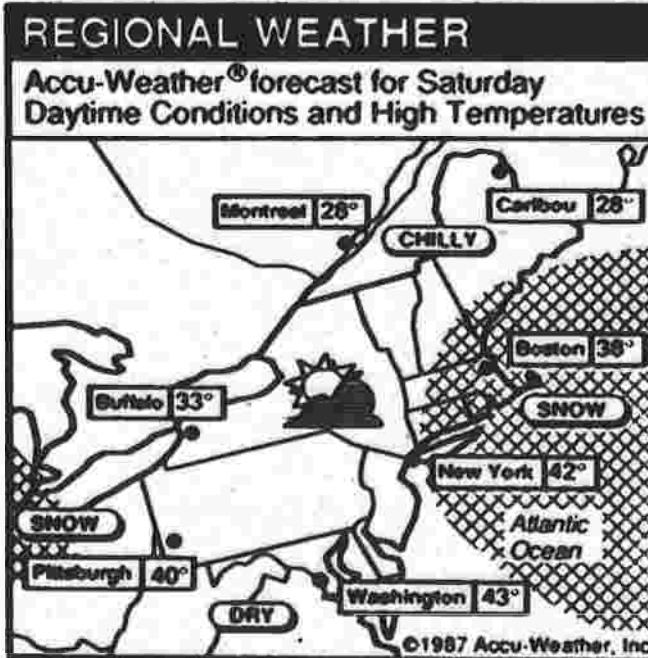
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WEATHER



The Accu-Weather forecast for Saturday predicts showers for the northern Pacific coast and northern Rockies and snow from the northern Plains to the upper Great Lakes.



Connecticut weather

Central, eastern interior, southwest interior: Tonight, mostly cloudy with light rain. Gradually becoming partly cloudy after midnight. Low 20 to 25. Saturday, mostly sunny. High around 40.

West coast, east coast: Tonight, mostly cloudy with light rain. Gradually becoming partly cloudy after midnight. Low 25 to 30. Saturday, mostly sunny. High near 40.

Northeast hills: Tonight, clearing. Low 15 to 20. Saturday, mostly sunny. High 30 to 40.

Coastal forecast

Long Island Sound to Watch III, R.I., and Westport Point:
Wind north today increasing to 15 to 20 knots by this afternoon. North 20 to 25 knots tonight and Saturday.
Sea 2 to 3 feet today and 3 to 4 feet tonight and Saturday.
Visibility improving to around 5 miles.
Chance of flurries this afternoon. Becoming partly cloudy tonight. Fair Saturday.

Across the nation

A late-winter storm prompted gale warnings today as it moved west after dropping light snow on the mid-Atlantic Coast, while snow fell in the mountains of California and Oregon.

Snow tapered off overnight across New Jersey, southeastern New York and southern New England. Accumulations of 1 to 2 inches were common.

Gale warnings were posted along the coasts of Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina as the weak storm system moved northeastward.

Rain, with snow in higher elevations, fell over much of the West.

Showers were scattered from the northern and central Pacific Coast to northern Nevada and western Idaho.

Travelers' advisories for 2 to 4 inches of snow were posted for elevations above 4,000 feet in California's Shasta and Sierra Nevada mountain ranges and the southern Cascade and Sierran mountains of Oregon.

Scattered showers dampened the middle and upper Mississippi Valley. Light snow dusted southeastern Wisconsin.

Fair skies prevailed from Arizona and southern Utah to northwestern Florida and the southern and central Appalachians.

FOODS

It's Friday the 13th
Perhaps Friday the 13th is even unlucky for black cats, whose bad reputations probably come from the belief that they are really witches in disguise. Much older, however, is the notion that black cats bring good luck. Thousands of years ago, many people believed it was a GOOD omen for a black cat to cross a person's path at the start of a journey. Egyptians believed that the goddess Bast had the head of a cat. They mummified dead cats and buried them in cat cemeteries.

DO YOU KNOW — What breed of cat has no tail?
THURSDAY'S ANSWER — Light travels approximately 186,000 miles per second.

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Almanac

Today is Friday, March 13, the 72nd day of 1987. There are 253 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On March 13, 1862, "Uncle Sam" made his debut as a cartoon character in the New York "Lantern."

On this date:
In 1639, Harvard University was named for clergyman John Harvard.

In 1781, the planet Uranus was discovered by Sir William Herschel.

In 1884, Standard Time was adopted throughout the United States.

In 1901, Benjamin Harrison, the 23rd president, died in Indianapolis.

In 1906, American suffragist Susan B. Anthony died.

In 1925, a law went into effect in Tennessee prohibiting the teaching of evolution.

In 1928, more than 400 people died when the San Francisco Valley in California was inundated with water after the St. Francis Dam burst.

In 1933, banks in the U.S. began to re-open after a "holiday" declared by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In 1938, famed aviator Clarence S. Darrow died.

In 1959, Apollo IX splashed down, ending a mission that included the successful testing of the lunar module.

In 1965, funeral services were held in Moscow for the late Soviet leader, Konstantin U. Chernenko.

Ten years ago: The Soviet newspaper "Pravda" warned that President Jimmy Carter's outspokenness on human rights could damage the atmosphere for arms control talks.

Five years ago: Orlando Jose Tarcendillas Espinosa, the Nicaraguan youth who embarrassed

U.S. officials by recanting before reporters his story of Soviet and Cuban interference in El Salvador, was turned over to the Nicaraguan Embassy in Washington.

One year ago: The new government of the Philippines opened up the presidential palace to the public, who got to see the opulence which had surrounded deposed President Ferdinand Marcos and his wife, Imelda.

Today's Birthdays: Band-leader Sammy Kaye is 74. Opera singer Rosalind Elias is 56. Singer-songwriter Neil Sedaka is 48. Actress Deborah Raffin is 56.

Thought for Today: "We fear things in proportion to our ignorance of them." — Livy, Roman historian (64 or 59 B.C.-A.D. 17)

Today's quotes
"Beyond question, it's the worst tragedy to ever befall the Detroit Fire Department." — Mayor Coleman Young, after three firefighters died battling a suspected arson blaze that destroyed a warehouse and a paper products company.

"Colorful and sometimes even controversial, he cared deeply about his players, his team and his school." — President Reagan, in a statement issued by the White House, after the death of former Ohio State University football Coach Woody Hayes.

No hikes for water and sewer

By Alex Girrell
Associate Editor

No increases in rates for water or sewer will be recommended by the Manchester administration for the budget year that starts July 1, but rate increases can be expected the following year, Town Manager Robert Weiss said at a news conference this morning.

His water and sewer budget recommendation will be discussed by the Board of Directors at a workshop March 15.

Weiss is recommending a 1987-88 budget of \$6,270,000, an increase of 6.1 percent over the current budget, and a sewer budget of \$2,311,750, an increase of 7.8 percent over the current budget.

No rate hike will be needed, largely because of surpluses built up in the funds in the several years since the last increase.

The budget recommendation calls for adding personnel to both the water and sewer divisions, to permit in-house engineering of improvements to the systems and work on those improvements in the field.

Three persons would be added to the payroll and would work on both water and sewer projects. They would include a design engineer, a draftsman, and an environmental technician.

Two crewmen would be added to the water staff.

Weiss said that the additions would make it possible to make improvements, such as the elimination of dead ends in water lines, less expensively and more quickly.

The environmental technician, he said, would permit the town to monitor industrial pre-treatment of wastewater and to check more completely for cross-connections. The cross-connection checks are now made by the manager of the sanitary landfill.

Weiss said that state mandates on landfill operations make it necessary for the landfill manager to spend full time on that job. He said the town will benefit from having a full-time landfill manager because the landfill is a valuable asset.

He said more emphasis is necessary on recycling materials and on preventing "leachate" from using the landfill.

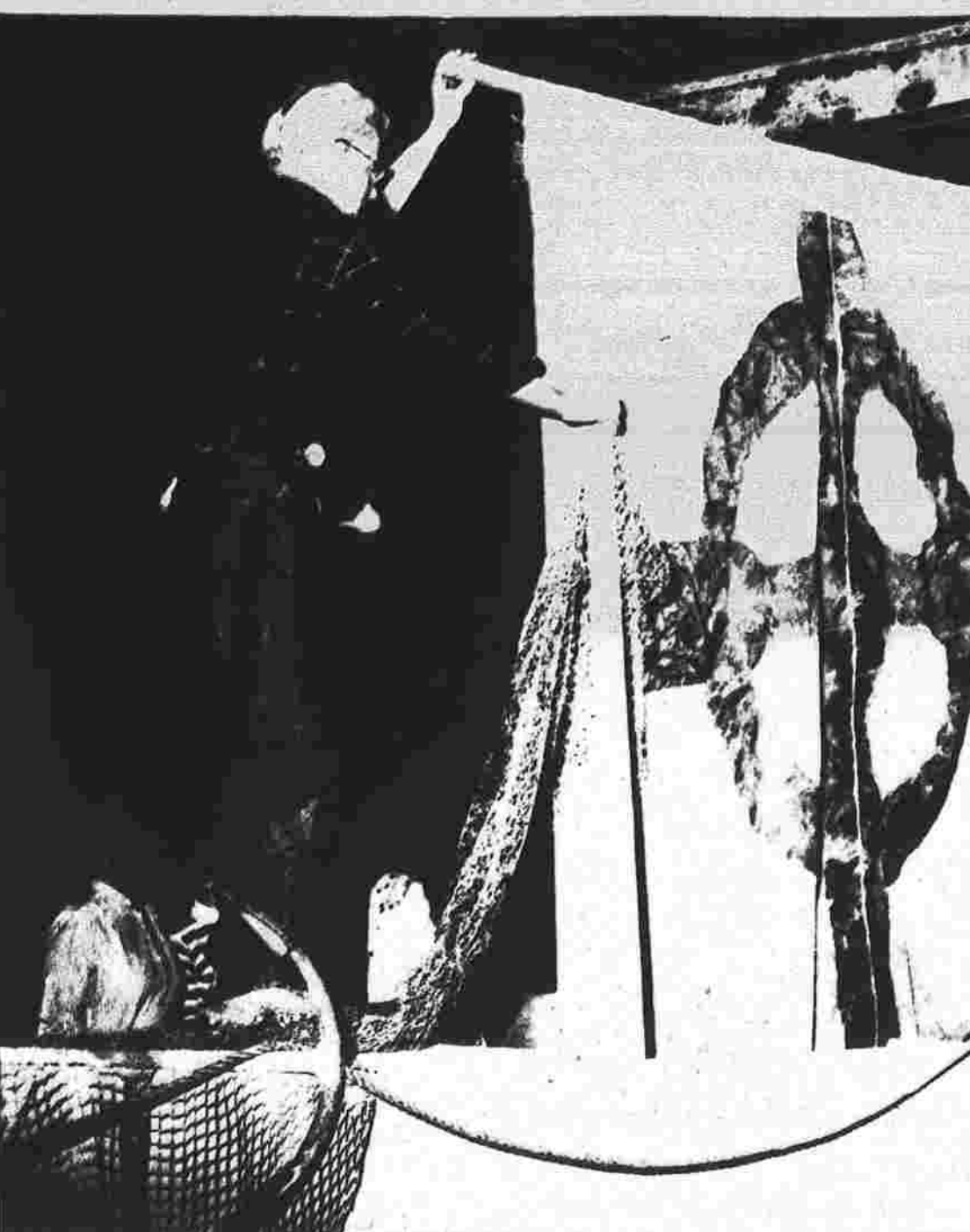
Robert Young, water and sewer superintendent, said that because of the technical work being checked out by the state and the technician could report problems to the state.

Cross-connections are situations in which there is a potential for sucking polluting liquids into the drinking water supply.

Capital improvements in the water budget include elimination of more dead-end lines and further replacement of water meter.

Also included are rehabilitation of a well on Progress Drive; renovation of the Lyell Street pumping station; automation of valves that shift distribution among zones, particularly when large amounts of water are used for firefighting; and replacing and cleaning lines.

Sewer capital improvements include replacing lines in Spring Street, equipment for changing the radio frequency of the water and sewer divisions, and completion of the computer-control system at the sewage treatment plant.



Sean Byrne, chairman of Manchester's St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, Thursday raises the sail on a boat the group has built for a parade float. The boat is a replica of the one St. Brendan is said to have sailed from Ireland to America about 600 A.D. The annual parade will be held Saturday morning in Hartford.

St. Patrick parade committee puts St. Brendan at the helm

By George Loyne
Herold Reporter

Saturday morning Irish Americans from Manchester and the Hartford area will gather in Hartford for a parade to honor St. Patrick, the patron saint of the country located some 3,000 miles across the Atlantic.

For Manchester's Irish, though, St. Brendan will be the focal point of the celebration. While not as well known as St. Patrick, the saint — and not Christopher Columbus — is the Irish contingent's patron.

And to prove their point, they have built a replica of the boat he used to cross the Atlantic.

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He originally planned to have a Celtic cross, but another committee member, John Foley, favored a boat. So they compromised and decided a month ago to build the ship with sails decorated with Celtic crosses.

However, as John Sullivan, the Democratic State Central Committee chairman, told it Thursday, they switched jobs. Pointing to Foley, he said, "He's making the Celtic cross and he (Byrne) is making the boat."

Asked if they actually believe St. Brendan discovered America, those gathered responded, "Oh, definitely." To make their case, they showed a story from a 1977 issue of National Geographic in which a man made a replica of the curragh and successfully duplicated the trip.

The man, Timothy Severin, made his voyage with four others in 1976. "These devoted Irishmen proved beyond a doubt that Irish monks could have sailed their leather boats to the New World before the Norsemen and long before Columbus," reads a flyer the committee had printed up for the parade.

In all, 12 towns are scheduled to participate. Manchester's delegation will be fifth in order, led by its marshal, local businessman Timothy Moriarty. Also scheduled to participate are Mayor Barbara B. Weinberg, Manchester state Rep. James R. McCannagh and John W. Thompson, and town directors Peter F. DiRossi and Stephen T. Cassano.

Also joining in are members of the Eighth Utilities District fire department, the Manchester High School band, the East Catholic marching unit, the Bolton Volunteers and the Manchester Police Color Guard.

Independence Day group votes 'yes'

By Alex Girrell
Associate Editor

The committee that has planned the townwide Independence Day observance for the past three years decided Thursday to hold it again this year, but to press for more help from the community.

Committee members considered, but rejected, the idea of dropping the celebration or cutting back on the number of events because it cannot get enough volunteers to help.

The committee held a two-hour discussion in the coffee room of the Municipal Building, much of it centered on the question of whether the committee has taken on too big a job for itself.

Members agreed they need more help from volunteers for several jobs, but mostly for collecting donations during the celebration on the campus of Manchester Community College.

But most of the 11 committee members present also agreed that since they started the observance, they are obliged to continue it.

The upshot of the discussion is that the observance will be held July 3, a Friday, with July 5 as a temporary financial event that was held last year will be completed.

Those events include a fireworks display, a chicken barbecue, children's activities and a pop concert by the Governor's Foot Guard Band, sale of T-shirts and flags, stands for the they would continue to take part in the celebration in any case.

Carroll Johnson Brundrett, a committee member and a member of the Ambassador and civic organizations to send representatives in the hope of getting more volunteers for the same group of people agreed to bring two other people

will be to help to the meeting.

The discussion about lack of willing help echoed similar talk last year and the year before when the group made unsuccessful attempts to get others in the community to share the work involved in the celebration.

Emily Nelson, a committee member, said that since 29,000 people attended last year, it is obvious that there are enough people who remain in town over the holiday to assist.

James Fogarty, a committee member and a town director, said town crews, on the payroll, should be used to clean up the grounds after the event. Last year that chore fell to a few committee members and friends.

Fogarty said Richard Carter, treasurer of the committee, would also like to turn the budgeting control over to the town, partly to simplify the bill-paying.

Fogarty also suggested holding a lottery in advance of the event to provide funds and ease the burden of seeking contributions at the site.

The committee decided to continue to look for another permanent sponsor for the event or to seek temporary financial help.

Nathan Agostinelli, chairman of the committee, said he would like to see the committee remain intact for one more year and then turn the event over to a permanent sponsor.

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science in the high school. Two of those positions, he said, result from the recently negotiated teachers' contract.

"I really see that as an improvement to the school system," Packman said.

He also proposed increasing part-time positions in art, physical education and speech.

The budget would allocate \$20,000 for an extra elementary bus needed because of overcrowding. Next year, school officials hope to have a single pickup system instead of two bus runs.

In addition, Packman said, he proposed spending \$18,425 to install a portable classroom at the high school. School board members have picked two companies they'd like to do the installation, and will provide specific costs and other building details in April.

Other major budget items include an allocation of \$14,000 for a special education van, \$12,000 for curriculum improvements to texts and workbooks, and \$13,000 for energy-conservation measures such as reducing window areas in portions of the elementary school and replacing fixtures and bulbs.

The budget also calls for an estimated \$60,000 to cover the rising cost of special education and \$44,900 for updating business education equipment with computers. About 10 percent of this total, Packman said, will be reimbursed by a state vocational grant.

A \$4,140 continuing education program for adults, which included funding for a high school diploma program and arts and crafts courses, was cut to \$3,000.

The Board of Finance will meet March 23 with the Board of Education to review the budget. Packman said, before town recommendations are made.

Bolton board OKs 11.7% budget hike

By John Mitchell
Herold Reporter

BOLTON — School spending would increase 11.7 percent, or nearly \$262,000, under the 1987-88 budget proposal unanimously approved by the Board of Education Thursday.

Under the spending plan, proposed by Superintendent Richard Packman, 65 percent of the increase would be allocated for salaries. The rest of the increase would help fund, among other items, an increase in staff positions, installation of a portable classroom, and an additional bus.

"I think we're doing a lot to improve the school system and to maintain what we have," Packman said.

The spending plan totals \$2,732,821, a 9.81 percent increase over the 1986-87 budget. Packman said the amount does not include total funding as a result of the state Education Enhancement Act, approved last May by the General Assembly to help attract and train more teachers.

The proposal is lower than originally anticipated because of an expected increase in the number of freshmen entering Bolton High School from the Willington school system. The budget proposed by Packman in January had called for a 14.5 percent increase. Calculations from the first budget proposal were based on an enrollment of 1,100 students from Willington. The \$289,717 which has been estimated in tuition from that town now program and up to 15 additional students.

In the spending plan, Packman called for three full-time teachers at the grade-school level, and three teaching positions in the areas of social studies, English, math and

PEOPLE

No other skills

Johnny Carson says he's glad NBC signed him to a new multi-year contract because he probably couldn't get another job.

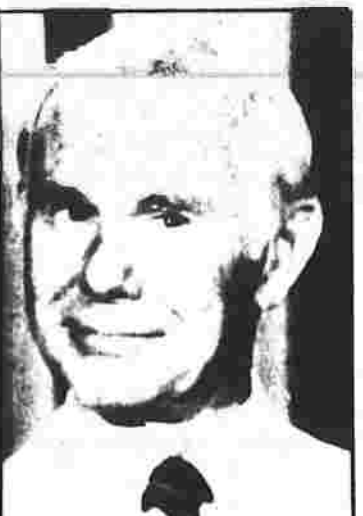
The agreement means the talk-show host will celebrate his 25th anniversary with "The Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson" this fall.

The network would not reveal details of the contract, which was announced Thursday and replaces one expiring in September. Carson's annual income is reported to be about \$18 million, according to divorce papers filed last year by his third wife, Jeana Carson.

Carson said he was grateful to Brandon Tartkoff, NBC entertainment president, "for continuing my long-term relationship with NBC, as I have no other marketable skills in today's job market."



NEAL ANDERSON gets Piccolo award



JOHNNY CARSON signs new contract

Michener's gift

Author James A. Michener has donated \$500,000 to a small liberal arts college where he spent much of the past two years researching and writing a novel about Alaska.

Sheldon Jackson College in Sitka, Alaska, will invest the gift, with the income used for student scholarships and library books, school president Michael Kaelte said Thursday.

"To host the Micheners the better part of two years was a gift in itself to the institution," Kaelte said. "The monetary gift is really an extraordinary addition."

Michener and his wife, Mari, finished their research last summer but have returned to Sitka since then for visits.

The Alaska novel has been sent to the publisher and is awaiting release, Kaelte said. The Micheners are in Florida to work on a book set in the Caribbean.

Anderson award

Neal Anderson, the Chicago Bears' 1986 first-round draft choice from Florida, has won the annual Brian Piccolo Award, a team spokesman said.

Anderson, 22, is the 17th recipient of the award, given to the first-year Bears player who best exemplifies the off-field qualities for which Piccolo was known — courage, loyalty, teamwork, dedication and sense of humor, spokesman Jim Carr said Thursday.

Anderson was chosen in voting by the team's veteran players, Carr said. The running back will receive a trophy on June 15 at the annual cancer research golf tournament at Indian Lakes Resort in Blountingdale, Carr said.

Piccolo, a running back, was in his fourth season with the Bears when it was discovered he had cancer. He died on June 18, 1970. His story was the subject of the movie, "Brian's Song."

Privacy upheld

The nation's largest magazine has been ordered to stop reporting on the private lives of the children of Princess Irene, a sister of Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands, a court official said.

Irene's four children claimed in a civil lawsuit last month that the popular Prive magazine had "systematically and repeatedly" intruded into their personal lives.

Their attorney charged that a Feb. 7 article on the oldest of the four, 17-year-old Carlos, violated a 1981 agreement between the magazine and Princess Irene.

That agreement said Prive reporters would not follow the children unless noteworthy "public events" occurred that involved them, the court was told.

The Amsterdam District Court said Thursday the article on Carlos violated the agreement and set a \$25,000 penalty for any future violations.

CAMBRIDGE REPORTS

Public Opinion Highlights

Health Insurance

Q: Do you have health insurance?

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Not insured 14%

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Gambling moratorium advances amid controversy

By Judd Everhart
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — After a stormy meeting of the General Assembly's Public Safety Committee, a bill extending the state's moratorium on new gambling facilities for another five years is closer to becoming law.

The committee approved the measure Thursday, sending it to the Finance Committee.

Rep. Eugene A. Migliaro, R-Wolcott, claimed an amendment to the bill violated the moratorium because it permits the construction of an off-track betting tele-theater in Windsor Locks and the upgrading — with such amenities as

As he went on, Rep. John D. Morandusky, D-Stratford Springs, shook his head and made a gesture of exasperation with his hand.

"If you don't like what I'm saying, there's the door, buddy!" Migliaro, former chairman of the committee, shouted down the table.

"You're not the chairman anymore!" Morandusky shot back, adding he doubted any minds were going to be changed.

"Gentlemen, please," said Sen. Marie A. Herbst, D-Vernon, committee co-chairman, who a few minutes earlier had had her own vociferous discussion with Migliaro.

He said the bill probably should

never have included the word moratorium anyway, because Connecticut's legalized gambling has gradually been eroded since the moratorium was first imposed in 1979.

"Of this year's bill, also said, 'No one ever said it wasn't going to expand gambling in Connecticut.'

"That's my point," Migliaro said. "There is some expansion, yes."

D-Norwalk, the other co-chairman: "We're not expanding gambling... we're giving the gaming division some flexibility to enhance existing facilities."

Later however, he conceded: "There is some expansion, yes."

There have been complaints in some communities that OTB par-

facilities: "We don't view this as an expansion." The division, he said, is simply trying to improve what is already authorized.

The bill reduces from 20 to 18 the maximum number of OTB facilities permitted in the state. It also requires the division to make annual reports to the General Assembly on OTB improvements.

The bill permits the construction of facilities approved in local referendums before Dec. 31, 1986, which the Windsor Locks facility was.

Paul D. Bernata, legislative liaison for the Division of Special Services, which oversees state-run gambling, said of the plans for Windsor Locks and other OTB

Panel OKs extended phone ban

HARTFORD (AP) — The Legislature's Energy and Public Utilities Committee has voted overwhelmingly to endorse legislation that would extend the ban on competition in long-distance telephone calls until July 1987.

The bill, supported by state utility regulators, would allow limited competition in long-distance telephone service by such companies as MCI, U.S. Sprint and American Telephone & Telegraph.

Southern New England Telephone Co. has long enjoyed a virtual monopoly on long-distance telephone service. Over the past several years, the legislature has continued the moratorium on intrastate competition because of fear that, while potentially lowering intrastate long distance rates, it could force SNET to end the subsidy it uses to keep local rates low.

The measure endorsed Thursday would allow competition in:

- Resale of telephone lines or services purchased or leased from a telephone company. A competitor could use a WATS long distance line from SNET. It would not sell it to a group of small companies that could not afford their own.
- Sale of private lines to companies that want to connect offices in different cities.
- And provision of coin-operated telephones in public places or semi-public locations such as restaurants.



John Papandrea, nominated by Gov. William A. O'Neill to be Connecticut's housing commissioner, tells a legislative committee Thursday that he's proud to be the governor's friend.

Housing nominee tells panel he is no flunky for O'Neill

By Judd Everhart
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — John F. Papandrea, Gov. William A. O'Neill's choice for housing commissioner, says he is a long-time friend of the governor, but cannot be called a crony or a flunky.

"Frankly, I enjoy being called Governor O'Neill's friend," Papandrea told the General Assembly's Executive and Legislative Nominations Committee, which is considering his nomination.

"I recall, as I think any red-blooded American would recall, at being referred to as a crony. I am not Governor O'Neill's crony," Papandrea said Thursday.

The cronyism charge has been leveled by some Republicans, who say Papandrea, a Democrat who served in the legislature with the governor for 20 years ago, was only nominated because the two are old friends.

They say that Papandrea, a lawyer, real estate developer and head of gambling regulation in the state Division of Special Revenue, has no background in the area of housing.

Papandrea acknowledged his lack of housing expertise at Thursday's hearing, but said he has a record of being a good administrator and is confident he could run the Housing Department well.

"Cronies are people that are taken care of politically, regardless

Suspected wife-killer waives hearing

DANBURY (AP) — A man charged with killing his wife and putting her body through a wood chipper said concern for his children, not his wish to prevent disclosure of possibly gruesome evidence, prompted him to waive a probable cause hearing, his attorney said.

After three days of testimony, Richard Crafts, 42, waived his right to continue the hearing, which would have determined whether there was adequate evidence to try him on charges he murdered his wife Helle Crafts. The waiver guarantees that the case will go to trial.

J. Daniel Sagarin, Crafts' attorney, announced his client's desire to waive the hearing after testimony from one witness in Superior Court Thursday.

Sagarin said that to continue with the hearing would only delay his client's trial. He denied that he wanted to end the hearing to prevent any disclosure of evidence gathered by state police detectives who investigated the alleged killing

and dismemberment of Helle Crafts by her husband.

"THERE IS NO further usefulness to the probable cause hearing from the defense point of view," Sagarin said. "Mrs. Crafts is very anxious to get on with this trial so she can get back with his kids and clear himself."

Sagarin said that Crafts suffers from colon cancer and was in tremendous pain during Tuesday's court proceedings.

Judge Howard J. Moraghan ordered that Crafts, a part-time police officer and an Eastern Airlines Pilot, continue to hold on \$750,000 bond pending an arraignment on March 19, and Sagarin speculated that a trial might begin in June or July.

Prior to Crafts' waiver of the hearing, Joseph Hines, a highway department worker, testified he was called in at midnight on Nov. 19 to plow snow that had fallen in Salisbury. He said while plowing River Road, he came upon a U-Haul van mullin a wood chipper parked

by the side of the road.

Hines said he had a difficult time getting around the van and wood chipper, and that a man dressed in a light-colored rain suit motioned him around them.

Hines said he could not see the man's face, but described him as being of average height and build. He said that when he returned to the area at around 4 a.m., the van and wood chipper had been moved down the road and there was a pile of wood chips where he had first seen the van.

"I CONSIDERED it an unusual circumstance," Hines said. "I thought to myself, 'If I needed wood chips that badly, I would just have gone out and bought a load.'"

Mrs. Crafts, 39, was last seen Nov. 18 when she was dropped off at a friend's house. She was an airline stewardess for Pan American World Airways.

On Wednesday, the nanny to the Crafts family, Dawn Marie Thomas, testified that Crafts made her and his three children leave a

family's house in Newtown at dawn on Nov. 19, the day after Mrs. Crafts disappeared.

Hines said he told them the electricity was out, but she said she wasn't as cold when awakened at 6 a.m. as she would have been had that been true.

Thomas testified that Richard and Helle Crafts had argued for about three hours around mid-November, and that Mrs. Crafts was upset later and said the couple was seeking a divorce.

She said Crafts tried to make up with his wife after the fight by being "lovey-dovey" to Mrs. Crafts, but that Mrs. Crafts refused his attempt.

Thomas also testified that following Mrs. Crafts' disappearance, she noticed a large black spot, the size of a basketball, on the carpet of the Crafts' bedroom. She said Crafts told her the spot was kerosene, but that a kerosene heater in the house was not used.

Sometime after she mentioned the stain to Crafts, the rug in the bedroom were torn out.

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Connecticut In Brief

Tax receipt rise slows in January
HARTFORD — Sales tax revenues that were on the rise experienced a drop in January because of new federal tax laws, a state budget official said.

In December, sales tax receipts were 27 percent higher than in December 1986, as consumers rushed to buy cars and other big-ticket items before the deduction for sales tax payments on federal tax returns was taken off the books Jan. 1.

In January, the increase was only 7.5 percent over January of 1986. Officials had expected an 11 percent increase, according to Edward C. Balda, chief of economic and revenue forecasting for the governor's budget office.

"We expected a sharp drop, but if anything, it was even more drastic than we anticipated," Balda said Thursday.

"This provides clear evidence that the Tax Reform Act of 1986 caused a significant change in consumer behavior. The question now is how much more change there will be in the rest of this fiscal year and for the next several years."

State seeks to dismantle charities
HARTFORD — The state is seeking to dissolve two charities that gave less than 5 percent of money raised to charity and spent the rest on solicitation and management costs, Attorney General Joseph I. Lieberman said.

The suit, filed in Rockville Superior Court in Vernon, names Hands Across New England Inc., Connecticut Elderly Inc. and George Thornton of Storrs, who runs both charities.

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Van accident closes part of I-95
GUILFORD — An early morning accident involving a van carrying radioactive medical supplies shut down a section of Interstate-95 for about three hours today, state police said.

The van overturned in the eastbound lanes near exit 88 at about 2:50 a.m. and was not righted until nearly 6 a.m., according to state police.

The driver of the vehicle, whose name was not released, was taken to Yale-New Haven hospital where he was reported in satisfactory condition this morning, according to hospital spokesman Tom Urz.

Urz said seven other people, including emergency medical technicians, ambulance crew members and a Guilford police officer, were examined for radioactive contamination. They were released after no contamination was found.

Troopers face surprise inspections
HARTFORD — As part of a campaign to improve police performance, state police will begin making unannounced inspections of troopers in New York in the early 1990s.

She attended Yale University to become a teacher and police officer.

Bedini helped the local Girl Scouts build a nature trail in Wickham Park in the 1960s and then spent her teaching years in geology. A group of her former students and scouting leaders met Thursday to honor her.

"There were so many unhappy women when I was small,"

'Lemon law' may win OK, some say

HARTFORD (AP) — Lawmakers say this could well be the year Connecticut joins a half-dozen other states in enacting a "Lemon Law" to protect used-car buyers.

The measure won easy endorsement by the legislature's General Law Committee on Thursday, despite concerns it doesn't go far enough.

"This is a very important consumer bill," Rep. John J. Woodcock III, D-South Windsor, one of the bill's sponsors, said in opposition to Republican efforts to delay action on the bill.

"Cars worth a tortured history in the General Assembly," Woodcock said. "I think it's important to the people of this state that we have a vote."

Proposals to require warranties on used cars have come before the

General Assembly five times since 1981. The proposals only made it out of committee twice: in 1982 and 1983, when they were killed on the floor.

Woodcock said this year's bill, approved Thursday on a 15-4 vote, stands a good chance of becoming law because it's been endorsed by the House Democratic caucus.

The bill, which must win approval from two other committees before it gets to the House floor, requires dealers to provide warranties on used cars worth at least \$3,000 and less than 7 years old.

Cars worth between \$3,000 and \$5,000 would be under warranty for 30 days or 1,500 miles, which ever came first. Cars worth more than \$5,000 would be covered for 90 days or 3,000 miles.

A dealer who fails to repair a

problem that develops during the warranty period within a reasonable amount of time can be required to take the car back and give the customer his money back or another car.

Used-car buyers can also agree to waive the warranty on a particular part, on the theory that a dealer and buyer might agree on a lower price if they both know there's a problem.

Rep. Richard Torpey, D-East Hartford, expressed concern the measure would provide warranties on used cars worth at least \$3,000 and less than 7 years old.

"It could get to the point if you're going to go out and buy an automobile, you'd better bring a lawyer," Torpey said.

The committee deleted a provision to allow customers to back out of a deal and get their money back

State Girl Scout pioneer recalls ridicule

MELBOURNE, Fla. (AP) — Her friends and neighbors thought Elizabeth Bedini was foolish to start a Girl Scout troop in rural Connecticut in 1908.

"The boys were too busy with their own things to be interested in me," she recalled. "I was ridiculed for the wealthy, they thought."

Nevertheless, the 90-year-old nursing home resident recalled, "I knew everybody needed it and they just didn't know they needed it."

Bedini has been a Girl Scout promoter ever since. She believes those early days of scouting were critical to the organization that celebrates its 75th anniversary this week.

She set up her first troop in Moodus, Conn., while teaching in a one-room schoolhouse. After the Depression took away her job, she began traveling throughout the state promoting the program and helping set up other troops.

"The important thing about

scouting is that it teaches a life of joy — not being a grump — but to enjoy life and teach girls how beautiful life is," said Bedini.

"That was my reason for getting involved with Girl Scouts."

The program, started by Juliette Gordon Low of Savannah, Ga., on March 12, 1908, teaches girls how to build self-esteem, make decisions and set goals.

Bedini, who moved to Melbourne and her husband in the early 1960s, always has been a crusader for

Independent counsel gets go-ahead

By Larry Margolis
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Dismissing lawsuits that struck "at the core" of independent counsel Lawrence E. Walsh's authority, a judge says Walsh can forge ahead with his investigation of the Iran-Contra affair and the man who tried to stop the probe: Oliver L. North.

U.S. District Judge Barrington D. Parker's rejection of two North lawsuits Thursday cleared one potential obstacle for Walsh, but still left him racing to develop a possible criminal case before North and other key figures are granted congressional immunity.

Walsh's investigation of the Iran-Contra affair, which overrode state-run gambling, said of the plans for Windsor Locks and other OTB

investigation in a criminal investigation.

Parker said North's challenge "strikes at the core of Walsh's authority to conduct a criminal investigation and raises issues of 'grave constitutional importance.'"

North, a fired National Security Council aide, is the central figure in the investigation of arms sales to Iran and possible diversion of payments to the Nicaraguan Contras. His lawyer, Robert Simon, declined comment on a possible appeal.

Walsh, commenting on the ruling, said, "We welcome the prompt determination of the court that the investigation of independent counsel continue without interruption or disruption."

Meanwhile, a similar challenge to Walsh's authority by lobbyist Michael K. Deaver, a former aide to President Reagan, remained alive Thursday.

Courts details of the Iran-Contra scheme in the days after its disclosure. Wallison, who is leaving his post today, said in the

Suspicious blaze claims 3 firefighters

By Geoffrey Hayes
The Associated Press

DETROIT — A blaze that began in an abandoned building and took the lives of three firefighters is a sign of Detroit's decline, the mayor said in describing the tragedy as the worst in the fire department's history.

The five-alarm fire, which began about 3 p.m. Thursday, destroyed the warehouse and a paper products company next door, which made up a city block.

A lieutenant and a trial firefighter, who was to receive his badge on March 22, died of smoke inhalation after a roof in the paper supply building collapsed on them about 6 p.m. Another lieutenant died after an explosion rocked the three-story warehouse.

More than 120 firefighters with 30 pieces of equipment worked on the blaze as falling rubble from the warehouse building squashed cars parked nearby, and utility poles

were toppled.

The buildings were in a light industrial area about five miles from downtown Detroit where many businesses and homes have been boarded up or torn down.

Two men were questioned today said in describing the tragedy as the worst in the fire department's history.

The fire was believed to have been started by homeless people trying to keep warm. The warehouse was abandoned by the Motor City Wiping Cloth Co., said Deputy Fire Chief Earl Sanders.

"We do have sufficient evidence to classify this fire as an arson fire," said Donald Robertson, a chief in the Fire Department's fire marshal division.

"We've had a lot of problems with fires in these vacant buildings," said Carl Daniele, owner of Continental Paper & Supply Co. "Vagrants get into them and start fires to keep warm. None of them have been serious."

At least 10 firefighters were injured in the fire. The westbound side of Interstate 95 was closed for about 2 1/2 hours during the evening rush hour to serve as a temporary landing pad for medical

Sweden ends trade with South Africa

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Sweden on Thursday ordered an end to all trade with South Africa in one of the harshest acts of reprisal by an industrialized nation against apartheid.

Foreign Minister Sten Andersson said the Swedish government hoped the decision will influence the United Nations to recommend binding sanctions.

He told The Associated Press that when Sweden banned new investments in South Africa in 1979, "the people said that would make no difference, have no effect... but in fact many countries followed us."

laws and compensation issues would have immediate action in those fields "very complicated."

The ban departed from Sweden's traditional policy of neutrality and of imposing only those sanctions recommended by the U.N. Security Council.

The government said it was a "unique" decision, taken in frustration over the situation in South Africa and U.N. failure to impose mandatory international sanctions to force South Africa's government to end apartheid.

The United States and Britain on Feb. 20 vetoed a Security Council

Loitering ban ruled illegal

NEW YORK (AP) — A person may stay in public transportation areas without being arrested for loitering, a state appeals court has ruled.

The ruling late Wednesday has implications for homeless people who often seek shelter by the hundreds from cold and wet weather in bus and train stations.

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ual suspected of loitering to give a "satisfactory explanation" about why he is in the area, a violation of the Fifth Amendment's guarantee against self-incrimination, the judges said.

Richard Neufeld of the Legal Aid Society, the agency which filed the case, said there had been selective enforcement of the statute.

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An unidentified woman and her child wait this week for an Ecuadorian Air Force plane to take them to Quito. Residents of the remote area of eastern Ecuador struck by last week's earthquake are seeking help as food supplies diminish.

Death toll in quake could climb to 2,000

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — A senior provincial official estimates that the death toll in last week's earthquakes could climb as high as 2,000, based on an aerial inspection which he said showed entire villages wiped out by torrents of mud and water.

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The firefighters who died of smoke inhalation were identified as Lt. David Lau and Trial Firefighter Larry McDonald. Lt. Paul Schneck, 46, a 25-year veteran of the department, died of head and neck injuries after falling after the warehouse blast, said Detroit Southwest Hospital spokeswoman Rose David.

Five firefighters were treated in Detroit Receiving Hospital and released, said emergency room supervisor Garnet Robertson. Three others were admitted, and two were held for observation. She would not reveal the identity of the three injured.

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He said officials may never know the final death toll from the earthquakes, the worst catastrophe to strike this small Andean nation this century.

The 10 earthquakes struck last Thursday and Friday along the nation's 2-mile-high Andean spine, affecting an area from the Colombian border to Riobamba, 95 miles south of Quito.

The tremors spawned avalanches of mud and rocks that destroyed homes and villages, swallowed up entire villages in remote Amazon forest regions.

Prefect Jorge Gonzalez, chief administrator of Napo Province, said at a news conference Thursday that 2,000 people were killed, 5,000 disappeared and another 50,000 were left homeless by the series of very strong earthquakes that hit this Andean nation a week ago.

The International Red Cross has said 300 people were killed and 4,000 are missing. The national government has not released an official death toll. It says 75,000 people have been driven from their homes.

Gonzalez said the hardest hit region was a 400-square-mile area surrounding the volcano El Reventador, 40 miles northeast of Quito. The region is home to about 100,000 people.

"There are homes buried or submerged in water, there are bodies in the mud and the rivers contaminated with oil," said Gonzalez, a member of the opposition

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Big changes but same goal

Several hundred Girl Scouts ignored the snowfall and stood in a huge circle in Manchester's Center Park on Thursday. They recited the Scout promise and sang, "Clap together, sing together, because we're 75 today."

Across the nation, about 2.9 million members of the Girl Scout movement gathered in similar circles, celebrating the 75th anniversary of the date in 1912 when Juliette Gordon Low founded the first Scout troop for girls in the U.S.

In Manchester and Bolton, there are 738 Girl Scouts, both children and adults. It is hard to think of another organization in the area which has as many members.

Scouting has changed enormously since the days when Juliette Low taught girls to work on their homemaking and camping skills. Today's girls are just as likely to be earning badges in computer careers and space travel as they are to be brushing up on their sewing.

But today's purpose remains the same — to give girls the chance to develop into confident and responsible young women.

The motto for the continuing anniversary celebration is "tradition with a future." The Scouts deserve applause and best wishes that they'll carry their traditions well into the future.

Here's hoping that today's Brownies will be tomorrow's adult leaders, giving other girls the chance to sample the fun and friendship which are so much a part of this fine organization.

Help is needed

The Independence Day Committee has vowed to go ahead with plans for this year's Fourth of July celebration, after some initial hesitation about the lack of volunteers.

The event has grown in popularity since the committee got the fireworks display back onto Manchester's calendar four years ago.

Last year, an estimated 20,000 people showed up to see the display, picnicking on the grounds of Manchester Community College as they watched the display.

The volunteer problem should not be taken lightly. There simply are not enough volunteers willing to tackle the hundreds of details before the event. Nor are there enough people who are willing to work the day of the holiday.

Calls for volunteers in the past have not been successful. Most people have ignored the committee's pleas.

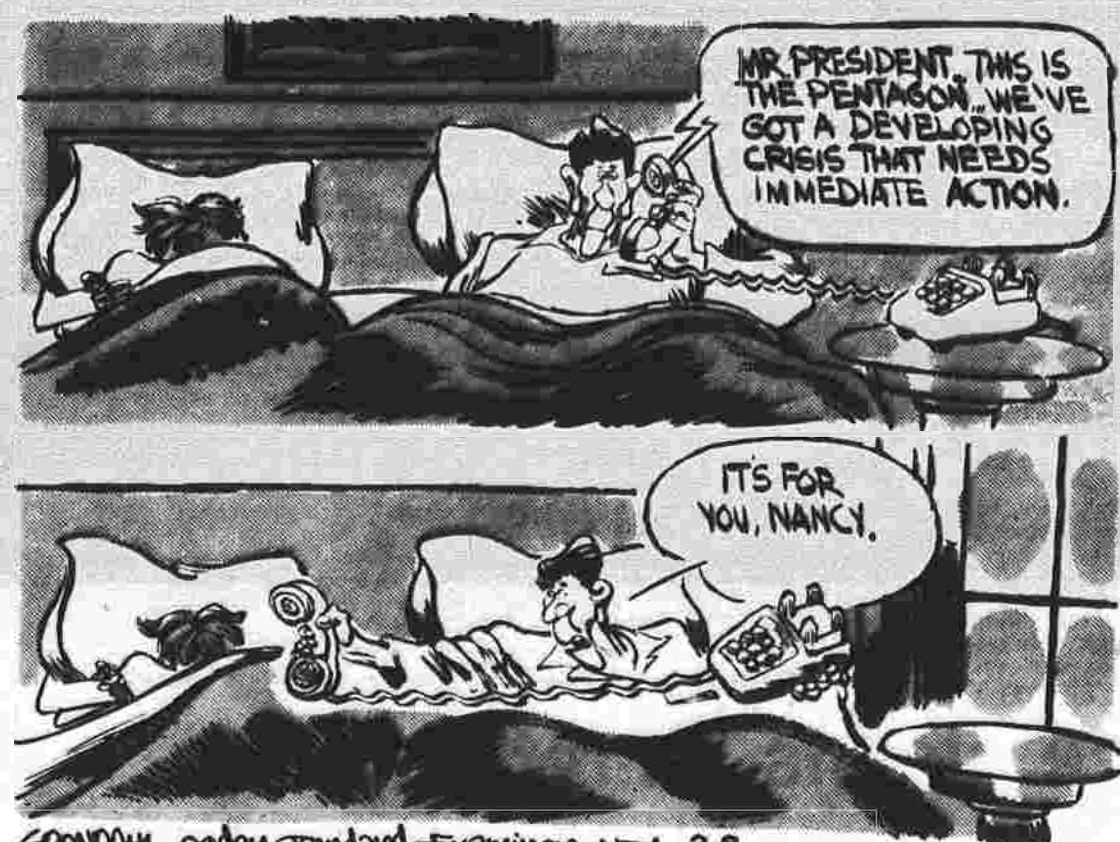
Surely, in that crowd of 20,000, there are a dozen or so people who would be willing to work on the project. The Independence Day Committee needs help and deserves it.

Tom Berry

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"You want paternally leave AGAIN?"



Washington Today

Dismay from a deep friend

By Barry Schweld

WASHINGTON — Apprehensions from Israel's backers that Secretary of State George P. Shultz would impose unreasonable pressures on Jerusalem melted away soon after the former Bechtel executive became secretary of state.

He did not demand the kind of concessions that were sought during the Carter administration. U.S. strategic ties to Israel were strengthened. The onetime economics professor even helped straighten out the ravaging inflation that threatened Israel perhaps as much as Arab enemies.

So it was with a special poignance that Shultz, describing himself as a "deep friend," registered his disappointment this week over Israeli spying on the United States. Almost simultaneously with his statement to a House appropriations subcommittee, the Israeli Cabinet reversed its hands-off policy and appointed a panel to look more closely into the Jonathan Jay Pollard spy affair.

SHULTZ, AN EX-MARINE whose patriotism is easily aroused, said Israel had cooperated with U.S. investigators only "to a degree." He denounced as unwarranted the promotion of two Israelis accused of playing prominent roles in the delivery of thousands of top-secret U.S. documents.

Although Shultz cautioned against upsetting the "fundamental" U.S.-Israeli relationship, he said of the spy operation: "There is no way to hide the distress we feel about it."

Pollard, a former U.S. Navy intelligence analyst and a Jew, may have been influenced by devotion to Israel in participating in the scheme to provide Jerusalem with U.S. material on Arab defenses.

William Safire, The New York Times columnist, suggested this week that the Israelis who recruited him "dealt a terrible blow to the security of Israel by jeopardizing its relationship with its superpower ally."

Safire also wrote: "Jewish Americans feel doubly betrayed. Most of us are offended first as Americans at the spectacle of having our foreign aid dollars used to buy U.S. secrets. We are betrayed again by the easy exploitation of Mr. Pollard's Zionism by Israeli spymasters."

THE POLLARD CASE is expected to be discussed next week when about 65 American Jewish leaders travel to Israel to meet with some of the nation's government officials, including Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres.

Richard Cohen, spokesman for the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, an umbrella organization for most U.S. Jewish groups, said Thursday the trip had been scheduled for some time and was not being made in specific reaction to the Pollard affair.

But, he said, "I think they will express concern at signs of U.S. disquiet about Israel because of the Pollard case."

Hymen J. Bookbinder, special Washington representative of the American Jewish Committee, said today that although the trip has been long planned, the Pollard affair has given it new urgency.

AMERICAN JEWS, speaking as patriots, are in a particularly good position to drive home to Israelis the seriousness of the case, said Bookbinder, a member of the delegation.

"The Pollard situation was itself a disturbing development even though we know allied countries try to get intelligence from one another," he said.

... The initial statement (by Israel) that it was a rogue operation was a comforting one when it was first stated ... but in time we realized that Israelis of some consequence must have known of some parts of it ... So we were troubled."

American aid to Israel surpasses assistance to any other country. It is now running at \$3 billion a year. Budget trimmer in Congress may take a closer look, although Shultz is trying to keep the aid flow constant.

"I think it is very disheartening to find that Israel has been spying on the United States," Shultz said. "I am deeply distressed about the spying on the United States by an American's plight with Treasury officials and Banking Committee members, according to sources directly involved. The majority stockholder of the S&L, Thomas M. Gaubert, and his family have contributed generously to Wright's political campaigns and other Democratic funds, according to Federal Election Commission records."

"NO DOUBT that Thomas Gaubert has been a supporter of Jim Wright," his attorney, Abbe Lowell, told us.

But Lowell added that Wright had been "sticking his neck out" for other S&Ls as well. The attorney charged that the federal examiners were "stingy responsible for any problem at Independent American and are trying to cover their tracks." He accused the Home Loan Bank Board of being "arbitrary and capricious" in forcing S&Ls to write down the value of energy and real-estate loans on their books.

The confidential report we've seen quotes a 1984 report which says that "management and the board of directors of IA Savings had engaged in three major areas of regulatory violations and unsafe and unsound practices: Misclassification of investments as loans; non-conforming appraisals on commercial real-estate projects and conflict-of-interest transactions."

Following allegations of improprieties, Gaubert signed an agreement with the PSJIC in December 1984, which removed him from all management decisions concerning Independent American. Gaubert agreed he "would physically remove himself from all IA Savings or subsidiary offices." He was permitted to retain his stock in the S&L.

THE HOME LOAN Bank Board also cites criticism of the S&L's operation by a private consulting firm hired by Independent American. The consultants concluded that the S&L was "in precarious financial condition" and faulted it for "inadequate internal controls and fraudulent activities engaged in by senior management ... excessive loans to individual borrowers, ineffective senior management (and) excessive compensation to executive management."

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The secretary is awaiting the results from the IG investigation," said Cmdr. Mark Neubart, a spokesman for Lehman. "No decisions will be made until he's had a chance to review those findings."

The CH-53E is the largest and most expensive helicopter used by U.S. military forces, capable of carrying up to 55 troops or a cargo of 32,000 pounds.

The aircraft is made by the Stratford, Conn.-based Sikorsky Aircraft division of the United Technologies Corp. of Hartford, Conn.



Management practices led to S&L woes

WASHINGTON — Unsound management and regulatory violations by officers of the Independent American Savings Association of Irving, Texas, appear to have left the "hopelessly insolvent," according to a confidential report recently dispatched to Capitol Hill by the Federal Home Loan Bank Board.

Yet the savings and loan association, like many others that are effectively broke, is still open for business. The main reason is that the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corp. can't afford to shut the thrifts down and make good on all the deposits of \$100,000 or less it has guaranteed. The insurance fund currently has about \$1 billion left to stand behind nearly 9,000 billion in deposits nationwide.

Treasury officials have House Speaker Jim Wright, D-Texas. He believes the feds are being too hard on his state's beleaguered S&Ls, which were struck with huge amounts of bad energy loans by the sudden collapse of world oil prices. Wright has made no secret of his determination to sit on the recapitalization bill until he gets ironclad assurances that the money won't be used to close down Texas thrifts.

INDEPENDENT American's own year-end figures show how precarious its position is. Depending on the accounting method used, its negative net worth was as much as \$64 million on Dec. 31, and its operating losses have been running between \$8 million and \$10 million a month.

The 28-page confidential report by the Home Loan Bank Board was requested by the House Banking Committee; our associate Michael Binstein reviewed a copy. It notes that a team of federal bank examiners investigated Independent American's 47 branches throughout Texas, and says: "The report generated by this examination revealed numerous regulatory violations and unsafe or unsound practices engaged in by management and the board of directors during 1984 and 1985 sufficient to render the institution hopelessly insolvent."

Wright has repeatedly discussed Independent American's plight with Treasury officials and Banking Committee members, according to sources directly involved. The majority stockholder of the S&L, Thomas M. Gaubert, and his family have contributed generously to Wright's political campaigns and other Democratic funds, according to Federal Election Commission records.

SHULTZ had in mind both the strong U.S. relationship with Israel, and the frustration of both countries, and the frustrating U.S. quest for peace negotiations between Israel and its Arab neighbors.

"The possibilities of peace in the Middle East are important to us," Shultz said. "And we need to keep involved and keep working at it and not allow our deep distress to divert us from seeing where the fundamental interests are."

Barry Schweld has covered U.S. diplomacy in the Middle East for The Associated Press since 1973.

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Galaxy called biggest

By Warren E. Leary
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Astronomers say a long-overlooked galaxy drifting in the void between the Milky Way and the Andromeda constellation is one of the largest objects in the universe.

Markarian 348, an isolated, average-looking collection of stars and gas that astronomers have glanced at for 20 years, now appears to be the largest known galaxy, a report published today in the Journal Science says.

Using a powerful radio telescope to peer past clouds of gas and the glare of background starlight, scientists say they found the galaxy to be a giant spiral of stars swollen with a massive hydrogen cloud to 13 times the size of the Milky Way.

The galaxy, located 300 million light-years from Earth, is an oddly shaped mass of stars and gases which puts out many times the energy of a normal galaxy and a brightness 100 billion times that of the sun, the scientists said.

Astronomers said Markarian 348 is 1.3 million light-years in diameter. This is a giant compared with the Milky Way, in which the Earth's solar system is located. The Milky Way measures about 100,000 light-years in diameter and contains billions of stars.

A light-year is the distance light travels in a vacuum at 186,000 miles per second in a year's time — about 5.9 trillion miles.

Dr. Susan M. Simkin, professor of astronomy at Michigan State University, made the discovery with Dr. Hong-Jun Su of Nanjing, China, formerly a visiting scientist at Michigan State, and Dr. Jacques van Gorkom and John Hibbard of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory at Socorro, N.M.

The galaxy appears to have at least one, and possibly two, long spiraling arms which are tightly wound near the center and branch out at regular angles.

More interesting than the galaxy's size, the scientists report, is the action of the great cloud of hydrogen that surrounds it. The gas cloud appears to be moving in a tidal fashion under the gravitational influence of a smaller, nearby galaxy, they said.

The galaxy may be so large because of the tidal interaction with the smaller companion. Simkin said in a telephone interview Thursday.

Gravily pulled by the small galaxy appears to make the gas undulate around the core of Markarian 348, much as the moon causes tides in the Earth's oceans, she said. The gas gains momentum from the orbital motion of the smaller galaxy, causing it to spread out.

Scientists have long speculated on the existence of tidal effects on the cause of spiraling movement in galaxies, but it has never before been observed in detail, Simkin said.

Markarian 348 is the largest isolated galaxy seen outside of collections of galaxies known as galactic clusters, and one of the largest objects in the known universe, according to the National Science Foundation, which sponsored the work.

The galaxy has been known to optical astronomers for more than 20 years, but was thought to be about the size of the Milky Way, an average-sized galaxy, the foundation said.

However, the recent observations, using the massive Very Large Array radio telescope in New Mexico to penetrate intervening light and gas, disclosed its hidden properties.

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Howard Baker is no more than a nanny

Given his feeble analytical capacity, Ronald Reagan's fight to hold on to his grand vizir, Donald Regan, must have been instinctual. If he were a student of history, which he is not, he would have known exactly why he was struggling so hard to keep this irritating, vainglorious man at his side. For history shows that the way to emasculate the king is to take his advisers and ministers away from him and make him accept those selected by others.

This was the means taken by the House of Commons to strip the power from the robes of the kings of England. Their right to choose their own first or prime minister was taken from them. The office of president of the United States, which bears a resemblance to the British monarchy at about the time of George I, is turned into something of an empty shell when the man holding it loses the power to select his own closest collaborators.

IT WAS HERE that Nancy Reagan, a woman of no mean political ability, apparently miscalculated. Her dislike of her husband's chief of staff seems to have led her to cooperate with the forces out to strip President Reagan of effective power. By siding with the people in Congress demanding that Regan, a man blessed with the overweening self-confidence of the truly stupid, be thrown out a window, she has assisted in a coup de theatre which ends the Reagan administration.

What we have now is a regency and Howard Baker, the new chief of staff, is the regent. From now on, he will be Ronald Reagan's nanny, his guardian, alert active and watchful so that old goofus can go back to a life of reviewing troops, laying wreaths on tombs and giving his vacuous speeches about America being number one.



Nicholas Von Hoffman

The coup that has installed Baker as the regent looks as though it was unintended, something nobody exactly meant to have happen.

EVER SINCE IT became clear that the crackpots Regan had working for him in the White House basement had led him into doing things Congress had specifically forbidden him to do, there had been trouble on Capitol Hill. In Washington, the two most enduring political parties aren't the Republicans and the Democrats, but the Congressional Party and the Presidential Party. The Congressional Party was immediately alarmed on realizing its word had been defied by presidential zealots.

In Congress there was an immediate coalescing to preserve and assert the institution's power. Republicans led the way. While Democrats sang a background chorus of agreement, it was the Republican heavy hitters, especially the Senate Republicans, who decided they were going to get Donald Regan out of there.

yet one more mistake. He created the Tower Commission, which has been all right but he did not put ex-Senator John Tower and ex-Senator Edmund Muskie on it. The resulting report was a document which will be recognized in tone, form and attitude by anybody who has read any congressional investigative reports.

THE TOWER REPORT is archetypically what Congress always thinks about — how the executive branch has handled itself. This time, though, the report is particularly damning because it was written before it was written. Regan had sanctioned himself defenseless and opened the door to a congressional regency. In the hours of confusion after the report's release, the Congressional Party followed up its first victory by, in effect, installing its own man in the White House. Howard Baker lived most of his adult life in Congress; he is a man of Congress, a professional politician, a true Washingtonian, the epitome of the practical man of public affairs working in accordance with institutional tradition and customary power sharing.

Nevertheless, his arrival at the White House as regent, nanny and seeing eye dog for the Camp David Kid gives the Congressional Party a purchase in the executive branch that it has sought before but never quite attained. They tried to get out under President Andrew Johnson and almost impeached him when he refused to submit to congressional rule. Under Jerry Ford they got their guy in as the president himself, but this is our first experiment with a congressionally sponsored regency. For the students of our institutions and political processes, it's going to be fascinating; others may not find it quite as much fun.

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U.S./World In Brief

Soviets to try Chernobyl suspects

MOSCOW — The head of the Soviet Union's atomic energy commission said today that those responsible for last year's nuclear accident at Chernobyl will soon go on trial in the Ukrainian capital of Kiev.

Andriy Petyroyants, chairman of the State Committee for the Utilization of Atomic Energy, told reporters at a briefing that he had no details of who will be tried, on what charges or when the proceedings will begin.

"Soon there will be a trial of those responsible for the Chernobyl accident," Petyroyants said. "All I can say is that it will be soon and it will be in Kiev."

At least a half-dozen senior plant officials were fired after the April 26 accident that killed at least 31 people and exposed hundreds to dangerous levels of radiation. But Petyroyants declined to say whether any of those removed were among the employees to be prosecuted.

Canada changes war-crimes laws

OTTAWA — The government announced it would change its laws to allow prosecution of people charged with Nazi war crimes following publication of a report recommending that urgent action be taken against 20 people accused of World War II atrocities.

Justice Minister Ray Hnatyshyn told Parliament on Thursday the government would propose legislation to change the Criminal Code to permit the prosecution of people on charges of war crimes they allegedly committed elsewhere.

He did not say when the government would submit the proposed bill, but the legislation is expected to pass easily in Parliament, where Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's Conservative Party has a large majority.

AIDS drugs may cause harm

WASHINGTON — Two drugs which separately may be beneficial in treating AIDS show noticeably less effectiveness and may even harm patients when used together, scientists say.

Researchers at Boston's Massachusetts General Hospital and elsewhere said Thursday they tested the drugs AZT and ribavirin in several different human cell cultures and found they antagonized one another.

"It is conceivable that this mechanism happens in people as well," Dr. Markus W. Vogt said in a telephone interview. "This should be tested in animals before trying the combination in humans."

The researchers cautioned that desperate patients with the fatal disease who obtain the experimental drugs illegally may harm themselves if they mix the two.

"I am afraid that both AZT and ribavirin are or will be available on the black market, particularly in large cities on the East and West Coasts," said Dr. Martin S. Hirsch, head of AIDS research at the hospital.

Soviets say U.S. violated accords

MOSCOW — The United States has openly and covertly violated superpower accords on nuclear weapons tests, the Communist Party daily Pravda said today in an apparent response to U.S. accusations of Soviet cheating.

The Soviet Union staged its second nuclear test in two weeks Thursday after the Kremlin abandoned a 18-month halt in its testing program that the United States had refused to join.

Two days earlier in Washington, President Reagan submitted a report to Congress accusing the Soviets of violating superpower treaties on testing nuclear arms.

Reagan's report, among other things, accused the Soviets of "regularly permitting the release of nuclear debris into the atmosphere" during their nuclear tests.

Judge clears way for spy's book

SYDNEY, Australia — A judge today cleared the way for publication of memoirs written by a retired British intelligence agent, saying the relations may be embarrassing to the British government but would not harm Britain's national security.

Judge Philip Powell of New South Wales Supreme Court dismissed Britain's attempt to block retired agent Peter Wright's book "Spycatcher," and gave the British government 20 days to appeal.

Powell also ordered the British government to pay the legal costs incurred by Wright and his publisher, Heinemann Aust. Britain said it will consider appealing the ruling.

Britain had sought an injunction to bar Heinemann from printing the book by Wright, a former officer in its MI-5 counterintelligence agency, maintaining its national interests would be harmed if the book were published.

Wright, 71, whose MI-5 job was tracking down traitors, retired in 1976 and lives in Tasmania.

CIA analyst gets smaller workload

WASHINGTON — Charles Allen, the CIA analyst who apparently was the first to detect the possibility that Iranian arms payments were diverted to the Contra rebels, has been given a reduced workload, intelligence community sources say.

Allen, who had served for some time as a deputy to Duane Clarridge at the CIA's counterterrorism center, as well as being a national intelligence officer for terrorism, is leaving the deputy's post, the sources said Thursday. The sources said the purpose was to give him a more manageable workload.

CIA spokesman George Lauder said, "We never talk about the movements of national intelligence officers." But he added, "Allen has not been disciplined. There is no reason to discipline him. If there were any change, it would not be because of any wrongdoing or suspicion of wrongdoing."

On Oct. 1 last year, Allen alerted his superiors to the possibility that payments from the sale of arms to Iran, being managed by National Security Council aide Oliver L. North, were being diverted to the Nicaraguan Contras by middlemen whom North was using in both the Iranian deal and a separate Contra-support operation.

Ferry struck wall, paper claims

LONDON — The Times of London said today new evidence suggests a British ferry struck the harbor wall at the Belgian port of Zeebrugge before it capsized a week ago, killing 134 people.

The newspaper said the propellers of the Heros of Free Enterprise were damaged when the ferry hit the harbor wall, forcing the vessel into an 180-degree turn.

Officials of the British ferry company Townsend Thoresen said today they had no new information about the possible cause of the March 6 accident. Most of the 543 passengers and crew were British.

12 die when fire sweeps ship

RAVENNA, Italy — Fire swept an Italian ship undergoing repairs near this Adriatic port today, killing at least 12 workers, police said.

Initial reports said two other workers might have been trapped on the burning ship, the Elisabetta Montanari, a 2,693-ton liquefied gas carrier built in 1969. The vessel was at the CMT shipyard in Porto San Vitale.

The fire was brought under control less than two hours after it began, police said, and rescue workers were searching for possible survivors.

U.S. offers new plan

By Tim Ahern
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Reagan administration is offering the Soviets a new inspection plan as part of the effort to eliminate medium-range nuclear missiles from Europe, while also appealing to U.S. critics for more time to negotiate arms reductions.

The U.S. plan was presented Thursday to the Soviet Union in Geneva, where the two sides are trying to work out a treaty. The Soviets already have accepted the principal of on-site inspection to help verify compliance, which is the major stumbling block to an agreement.

The proposed pact would require dismantling, over the next five years, of 288 U.S. weapons based in West Germany, Great Britain, Belgium, the Netherlands and Italy, along with the 283 Soviet weapons targeted on Western Europe.

The latest U.S. verification proposal has been met with a confirmation by on-site inspectors of missiles deployed, followed by inspectors catching the missiles being destroyed.

The final stage would be stationing U.S. inspectors in Asia where they would check the 160 mid-range Soviet missiles as they are moved there, with the Soviets given the same right to check on U.S. weapons which would possibly be put in Alaska.

State Department spokesman Charles Redman said he was making the details public because there is "a great deal of interest in this question" and because the inspectors would be checking on the two sides' positions.

On Capitol Hill, Richard Perle, a major administration figure on nuclear policy, told a House Foreign Affairs subcommittee the next "six to eight months are critical" in the effort to work out arms reduction treaties.

Perle, who announced his resignation later Thursday as an assistant secretary of defense, urged Democrats who control both the House and Senate not to force administration figures on such continued compliance with the SALT II arms treaty, which he argued would tie the hands of U.S. negotiators in Geneva.

The same plea came from Kenneth Adelman, director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, as he testified at the hearing.

"It is ironic that those in the House and Senate who are most critical of us for not doing more are those who, in my mind, are the biggest threat to a good agreement," said Adelman, challenging those who would legislate a SALT II program that the Soviets hadn't even won at the bargaining table.

Adelman and Perle restated the administration's position that the Soviets have violated past arms control treaties, a view which has been disputed by some Democrats.

Arms official plans to quit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Richard N. Perle, the Pentagon arms control policy program director, said today he would resign his post as the assistant defense secretary for international security policy this spring after "an orderly transition in my office."

"I came to the conclusion that there's never a good moment (to leave); there's never a moment at which all of the issues in which one is interested in are resolved, but I think the direction of the administration on the issue is pretty clearly set," Perle said at a Pentagon briefing.

Perle said he had been asked by Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger to continue as a part-time advisor and would do so, but intended to pursue the life of a novelist by writing a book about Washington's bureaucracy and the way it works.

He has reportedly been offered an advance in the range of \$250,000 to \$300,000 for such a novel.

Weinberger said he accepted Perle's resignation with "profound regret."

Perle's departure will strip the administration of an unabashed hardliner whose views on the Soviet Union have frequently been embraced by Reagan.

A protégé of the late Sen. Henry M. Jackson, D-Wash., the 45-year-old Perle is credited even by detractors for his sharp intellect and an unusually savvy understanding of how to wield influence within the bureaucracy.

He used his appointment in 1981 to a third-level post within the Pentagon to carve out a key role on arms control issues, frequently to the consternation of the State Department.

"I've not tried to do everything," Perle said.



Students at Bergenfield High School four teen-agers who at one time read stories in the local paper on Thursday about the apparent suicides of

Town grapples with suicides

BERGENFIELD, N.J. (AP) — Shock and grief over the deaths of four teen-agers who made a suicide pact are giving way to anger and fear, as residents of this small town look for explanations and wonder whether tragedy will strike again.

The anger surfaced Thursday night at Bergenfield High School as about 350 people gathered to question a panel of mental health professionals, community leaders and educators about the carbon monoxide poisonings of the four youths.

The teen-agers, who had attended the high school, died early Wednesday morning after locking themselves in an idling car in an apartment complex garage, authorities said.

Bergen County Prosecutor Larry McClure said authorities were awaiting the results of tests to know whether alcohol or drugs were involved.

Separate funerals were planned today and Saturday for the four victims, despite their having signed a suicide note saying they wanted a joint wake and wished to be buried together.

The four — Thomas Rizzo, 19, Thomas Olson, 19, and sisters Lisa Burress, 17, and Cheryl Burress, 18 — did not explain in the note why they killed themselves, McClure said.

Some attending Thursday night's public meeting said the school system must bear at least part of the blame, for creating an "oppressive" atmosphere the victims could not handle.

Experts advise quick action

NEW YORK (AP) — When teen-agers kill themselves, as four did in a suicide pact in New Jersey this week, communities must act quickly to prevent guilt and despair from provoking more suicides, experts say.

"The bodies of the four teen-agers who made a suicide pact were found Wednesday morning in Bergenfield, N.J. They had let a car run in a closed garage."

Illinois deaths called suicide

ALSTIP, Ill. (AP) — Two teen-age girls described as best friends were found dead after apparent suicides in a garage thick with auto exhaust, police said today.

The bodies of Nancy Grannan, 19, and Karen Logan, 17, were found Thursday inside Grannan's vehicle, which was parked in a garage attached to the Logan home in this Chicago suburb, said Alstip Police Dispatcher Tim Furnacek.

The incident occurred one day after the bodies of four teen-agers who made a suicide pact were found in Bergenfield, N.J. They also died after letting a car run in a closed garage.

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BUSINESS

Market swings can affect funds

QUESTION: I am an experienced investor in stocks and bonds, but I have only recently made my first investment in a mutual fund — specifically a fund holding corporate and government agency bonds.

Investors' Guide

William A. Doyle

Having watched both the market prices of bonds and interest rates since 1985, I feel I know how much bond prices will move relative to interest rate changes. However, I have no such historical reference for bond mutual funds.

In the event of a sharp rise in interest rates, which I believe is coming, will the per-share price of bond mutual funds drop with the same degree and speed as individual bonds? Or would the percentage price change be less erratic?

ANSWER: In the best of all worlds, the bond fund's per-share price change would mirror interest rates. Why? Because the fund's managers should sell large

amounts of long-term bonds from the fund's investment portfolio and increase the fund's "cash position."

That means investing the fund's assets in U.S. Treasury bills and other short-term money market instruments. Because they are due to mature at face value soon, the market prices of short-term debt securities show only minor reaction to interest rate changes. The market prices of long-term bonds, of course, react sharply to interest rate changes.

Again, in the best of all worlds, the fund's managers should make these changes in the fund's investment portfolio before interest rates head up or in the early stages of an interest rate advance.

Business In Brief

Hearst acquires Houston paper

HOUSTON — The Hearst Corp. is making the biggest newspaper purchase in its 100-year history with a \$400 million acquisition of the Houston Chronicle, the largest daily newspaper in Texas.

"We're very, very confident in your management and you," Hearst President Frank Bennack Jr. told the newspaper staff after the sale was announced Thursday. "You will continue to operate very much as you do now," he said.

The Houston Endowment Inc., a non-profit corporation that owned the newspaper, had to sell it by 1989 because of a tax law change requiring tax-exempt foundations to divest themselves of control of operating companies.

"We're disappointed it had to happen, but you go on," Richard J.V. Johnson, who will remain Chronicle president and publisher, said at a Thursday night news conference.

He described Hearst's proposal as the best offer received and said he was pleased with the sale. Hearst has been in the newspaper business for 100 years, since Randolph Hearst became proprietor of the San Francisco Examiner in 1887.

Business sales plummet in January

WASHINGTON — Business sales plunged 4.5 percent in January, the biggest decline on record, while business inventories went up 0.9 percent, the largest gain in more than seven years, the government reported today.

The combination of plunging sales and rising inventories served to emphasize how weak the economy was in January. However, initial reports on February activity show a rebound.

The Commerce Department said the 0.9 percent increase in inventories pushed total inventories held on shelves and backlogs to a seasonally adjusted \$592.20 billion in January after a big 0.6 percent decline in December.

The January increase, the largest since a 1.7 percent rise in July 1979, was led by a 1.3 percent jump in inventories held by retailers and an identical increase in inventories held at the wholesale level. Inventories of manufacturers rose 0.5 percent.

Dollar mixed in European trading

LONDON — The dollar was mixed in active European trading early today. Gold bullion held steady at around \$409.25.

Currency traders said the market was still unsettled by rumors that the U.S. Federal Reserve intervened Wednesday on behalf of the West German mark.

A dealer at a Frankfurt bank said both the U.S. and West German central banks had asked for quotes in the market earlier in the week, but he said neither traded. The Federal Reserve would not comment.

Market attention today also was focused on the British pound, which rose briefly Thursday to \$1.60. Traders said sterling came off its high levels due to reports that the Bank of England had intervened.

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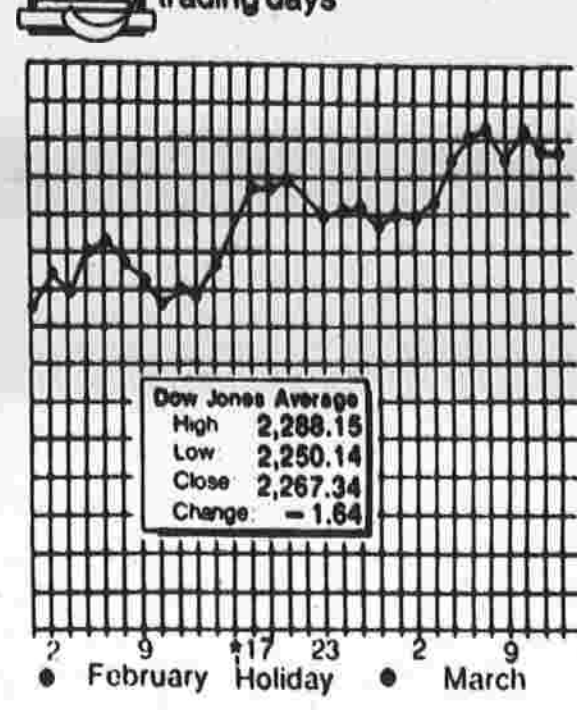
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Remember that a mutual fund's per-share price is calculated at least once a day by adding the value of all the fund's assets, subtracting any liabilities and dividing by the number of shares outstanding — or by the value of the fund's assets.

When almost all of a fund's assets are bonds and bond prices fall, the fund's per-share value naturally drops by the same percentage.

QUESTION: Approximately half of our investment income is from bond mutual funds. I know that the

definition depends on whether the taxpayer's involvement constitutes "material participation," which also involves a definition that may need state law.

NEW YORK — In a tax and finance world that demands precisely honed definitions, some broad and blunt interpretations of laws and regulations are creating enormous uncertainty and insecurity.

In real estate investing it might be the distinction between "passive" and "active," as in passively investing in a real estate mutual fund and actively collecting rental and managing a small rental property.

The distinction is vital; it can, in fact, mean the difference between facing an additional payment or a refund for having paid too much tax. Active investors reap benefits that passive investors do not.

Generally, says Arthur Anderson & Co., the accounting firm, the

Power-smart leaders thrive on trouble

NEW YORK (AP) — After listening to President Reagan's televised address last week, Prof. Eugene Jennings reached this conclusion: "He has the smarts. He's always at his best when he's on the ropes. He did it again."

To Jennings, who has studied leadership back to the early civilizations and has written prolifically about it, "smarts" has the specific meaning of "being able to survive on your own terms."

There are different kinds of smarts. Athletes have smarts, and politicians, too. Academics have intellectual smarts, and kids from the slums might have street smarts. But whatever the smarts, they are best used on your own turf.

The youngster with street smarts might find himself lost in the suburbs, and the kid from the slums might not handle himself well in the city. And so it is with businessmen in Washington and academics in business.

He said Reagan's use of protraction, of patience until he could reassert power, showed his confidence.

two oil companies, Texaco Inc. and Pennco Oil Co., each claiming to have a legitimate, legal, binding agreement to buy Getty Oil.

The disagreement is far more than a misunderstanding of definitions and terminology between oil companies and their lawyers. It is a matter of dispute between interpretations of state law as well, and might have to be decided by the Supreme Court.

Has the English language failed? Is it the lawyers? Is it the internal confusion of the Congress that is at fault? Is it all of them or none?

Unfortunately, the fog has descended over these questions as well; you can find many additional questions as answers. Little is agreed upon except this: The mess isn't economically productive — unless you and others have your own particular definition of that too.

Jennings, who made these further observations:

SMART PLAYERS of the power game never astute critics. They give or grant just enough veracity to critics' arguments for them to feel they proved their point. But smart players never give so much as to weaken their leadership.

They never apologize to critics. They never allow the criticism to become personalized. They never use names in speaking of critics. And they don't take the critics' criticisms personally, because to do so would reveal they are more concerned about themselves than about their leadership.

They don't comment beyond the critic's report. They don't offer additional explanations that might give critics material to criticize further.

The smart players don't talk about the specifics or objectives of their "new" leadership, but make only passing references. They speak of values, not objectives.

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Polly's Pointers

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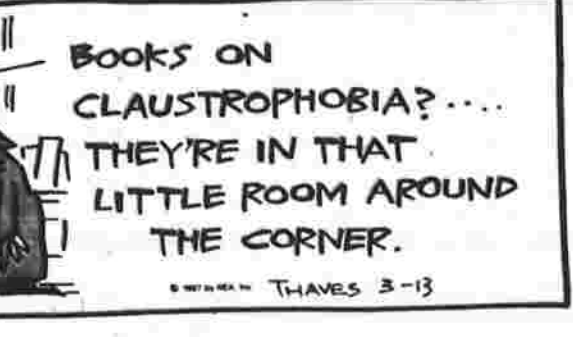
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Obituaries

Anna Palcar

Anna (Munch) Palcar of Hartford died Wednesday at St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center. She was the wife of John S. Palcar and the mother of Caroline of Manchester.

Besides her husband and daughter, she is survived by two other children, Adam and Wanda; a sister, Sue Hazzard of New Britain; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be Saturday at 9:15 at the Taber-Meade Hills Chapel, 360 Maple Ave., Hartford, followed by a mass of Christian burial in St. Cyril & Methodius Church at 10 a.m. Burial will be in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Southington. Calling hours are today from 7 to 9 p.m.

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

Florence C. Terwilliger

Florence C. Terwilliger, 88, of Windsor, died Wednesday at a local convalescent home. She was the widow of Dorothy Coe of Manchester.

She also is survived by another niece, Cornelia Caldwell, and a nephew, Charles Baumes, both of Suffield.

The funeral, with burial in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, South Bethlehem, N.Y., will be at the convenience of the family. There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to the First Church in Albany, North Pearl and Clinton Squares, Albany, N.Y. 12210. The Nicholson & Carmon Funeral Home, Suffield, is in charge of arrangements.

An obituary in Thursday's Herald contained incorrect information.

Alida Gloms

Alida (Pigur) Gloms, 89, of 82 School St., died Thursday at Manchester Memorial Hospital. She was the widow of Andrejs Bikerneka and the wife of Edgars Gloms.

She was born in Latvia Feb. 18, 1898, and she had been a resident of Manchester since the 1950s. She was a member of the American Latvian Lutheran Church.

Besides her husband, she is survived by a son, Uldis Bikerneka of Bethel; a sister, Emma Peris of St. Catherine's, Ontario, Canada; and a grandson, Eric Bikerneka of Norwood, Mass.

The funeral will be Saturday at noon at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St. Burial will be in East Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Uldis Bikerneka, Janis Galina, Janis Kruminis, Richards Kruminis, Stanislavs Kvielis, and Harris Turkis. There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Latvian Lutheran Church, 21 Garden St., Manchester.

Harvard College

Harvard College was founded in 1638.

ST. JUDE NOVENA

MAY THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS BE ADORED, GLORIFIED, LOVED AND PRESERVED THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, NOW AND FOREVER. SACRED HEART OF JESUS, PRAY FOR US. SAINT JUDE, WORKER OF MIRACLES, PRAY FOR US. SAINT JUDE, HELPER OF THE HELPLESS, PRAY FOR US. SAY THIS PRAYER 9 TIMES A DAY, BY THE 9TH DAY YOUR PRAYER WILL BE ANSWERED. SAY IT FOR 9 DAYS. IT HAS NEVER BEEN KNOWN TO FAIL. PUBLICATION MUST BE PROMISED. THANK YOU ST. JUDE. J.T.K.

THANKSGIVING NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

O holy St. Jude, Apostle and martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near to us as Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need. To you I have recourse from the depths of my heart and humbly beg of you to grant me such great power to come to my assistance. Help me by your present and urgent petition. In return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be loved.

Say three "Our Fathers, Three Hail Marys and Glorious Mysteries" must be promised. ST. JUDE pray for us and all who invoke your aid. Amen. This novena has never been known to fail. I have had my request granted. J.T.K.

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Bolton board OKs a shortened school calendar

By John Mitchell
Herald Reporter

BOLTON — Two options for the 1987-88 school calendar, one with a full February vacation and longer school year and the other with abbreviated time off incorporating two holidays, made a decision by the Board of Education that much more difficult.

In the end, the board, meeting Thursday, unanimously approved the shortened calendar, which will allow students to get off earlier in June.

At issue was whether or not classes should end earlier, or finish later with a longer break in the middle of the year.

According to John Marino, president of the Bolton Education Association, the teachers' union, 75 percent of the educational staff opted for a full week off in February.

In a letter to the board, which met in the Center School Library, Marino said that a full vacation, scheduled on the calendar from Feb. 12 to 19, would save on heating costs in the schools. If the board couldn't adopt that long a school year, he asked in the letter that they consider adding an additional day off to the alternate calendar. On that schedule, school would be out from Feb. 12 to 15. Classes would end June 13, four days earlier than the other.

Earlier in the evening, a lone audience member had spoken in favor of the full February vacation. Sonja Kirk, a Bolton resident and school social worker in East Hartford, requested that the Bolton board be more coordinated with other towns in the area "so my vacation coincides with my daughter's vacation."

Kirk also noted that a coordinated calendar would relieve a lot of scheduling problems.

The trend in other towns, School Superintendent Richard Packman said, was not to go with a longer vacation.

The two school principals, who had attended the meeting to deal with other matters, were split on the issue.

"I'm for getting out earlier in June," said Joseph Fleming, principal at Bolton High School. He said in the rainy days before graduation, "there's not a lot going on educationally, no matter what you want to do."

However, Anne Rash, principal of the elementary and center schools, opted for a whole week off in February. She said this year, around the time of Washington and Lincoln's birthdays, there is a higher amount of absenteeism.

The three board members present agreed that getting out earlier would be more advantageous.

"I've always been in favor of a shorter year," said board member Michael Parsons.

Board member Louis N. Cloutier Jr. suggested expanding the vacation one extra day, as per the teacher's request.

"Leave it the way it is," said board member Barry Stenras. Also at the meeting, board members learned from Packman that a code-violation plan on the high school media center, which had been submitted to the state for approval, could present a time crunch because of the number of weeks that must pass before the state can get it.

The plans call for an addition to the south side of the school, measuring 62 by 48 feet. The addition would accommodate the present library collection as well as curricula for study and computer use.

It has already been about four weeks since the plans were submitted, he said.

If construction doesn't begin by June 16, Packman said, the town will lose 60 percent of the funding on the \$492,000 project that the state Department of Education had agreed to pay.

Man charged after assault

A Manchester man was arrested Thursday morning, hours after a 16-year-old Manchester girl was abducted and sexually assaulted at gunpoint behind the Groot's service center on East Middle Turnpike.

Gregory Fairbanks, 23, of 13 Milford Road, was charged with third-degree sexual assault with a firearm, first-degree kidnapping and first-degree robbery. He was arrested about 9:30 a.m. after the victim identified a mugshot of the suspect.

At about 10:30 Wednesday night, a man entered the service station and pulled a gun on the girl when she hit the station was closed. He told her to empty change from the register into a plastic bag and several cartons of cigarettes into another bag, according to a police report.

Police said the man then forced the girl to accompany him to the rear of the station, where he tried to rape her. He later threatened to kill the girl if she reported the incident to police, police said.

Thursday morning, police recovered two handguns and a knife, as well as a bag of cigarettes, at Fairbanks' home.

Fairbanks was held on \$100,000 cash bond and was to be arraigned this morning in Manchester Superior Court.

Two men were arrested Wednesday when they were observed in a car apparently snorting cocaine, police said.

Gary K. Warren, 23, of Vernon, and John R. Leonowicz, 26, of 45 High St., Manchester, were charged with possession of cocaine and drug paraphernalia. The two were apparently snorting cocaine in a car parked at 330 Broad St., police said. A rolled \$20 bill and a cassette tape with suspected cocaine residue were seized from the vehicle, police said.

Phillips said if TRC is selected, the company said Thursday it would design the specifications for the removal by April 15. The firm would also help the town go out to bid in May and have the work completed by June.

Phillips declined to say how much money TRC has offered to do the work for.

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Dispute stalls Ellis case,

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The PZC approved First Hartford's zone change, with Boudah "actively" participating in the deliberations and voting for the change, the affidavits allege.

Boudah and Seader did not reveal to the commission that they were negotiating with each other to sell another tract, according to the affidavits.

Police said Ellis, who also owns the Journal Inquirer, approved the sale to Boudah of the 6.8 acres. Boudah later sold most of the land and realized a profit of about \$45,000, the affidavits said.

Boudah, also charged in the investigation, has pleaded innocent.

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Town may have a firm for asbestos removal

Asbestos could be removed from Manchester High School and four elementary schools by Aug. 30 if a plan presented Thursday by an East Hartford firm is accepted by the town, Building Committee Chairman Paul Phillips said today.

Phillips said the town hopes to sign a contract next week with TRC Advanced Analytics Inc. of East Hartford. The firm was one of two that submitted bids to oversee the asbestos-removal project, he said.

The other firm was Applied Thermodynamics Associates Inc. of Eastford. However, Phillips said that firm did not have the facilities and expertise that TRC has, and probably will not be chosen.

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Center Stage

Nancy Pappas

Looking for a way to introduce your youngsters to both ballet and opera in a completely painless fashion? This weekend's extravaganza is a production of "Hansel and Gretel."

Created as a cooperative venture of the Hartford Ballet, the Connecticut Opera and the Hartford Symphony Orchestra, gives you just such an opportunity. It's part traditional Brothers Grimm fairy tale and part Steven Spielberg-style monsters and special effects.

Michael Uthoff, artistic director of the Hartford Ballet, has put choreography to the "Hansel and Gretel" operatic score that Engelbert Humperdinck wrote in the late 1800s. Singers and orchestra perform the entire work, in English, from a hiding place behind the set. It is the ballet dancers who portray all of the action for the audience.

The dances performed by Hansel, Gretel and their parents are relatively traditional. Judith Gosnell and Victoria Vaslett alternate in the role of Gretel, and Gregory Evans and Ted Hersey share the part of Hansel. All four are well-known to fans of the Hartford Ballet.

But she tones down her "high fashion" appearance for the second act. As the proprietor of the little candy house in the woods, she goes in more for domesticity. She removes her excessively long nose and fingers, and dons a ruffled mob cap and an apron to cover the red jewels across the bosom.

THE EXUBERANT dances choreographed for the witch — performed by Roland Roux and Ken Kerpe — give her the best opportunity for pairing melodies with melodies. When the marvelous mezzo-soprano voice of Sondra Kelly lets go with an evil laugh, the witch tilts back her head and laughs, too. When the music calls for Kelly to sing in an exultant tone, Uthoff's choreography has the witch hopping about, or prouetting across the stage, with tremendous glee.

Strangely enough, this careful pairing of choreography and vocal music has not been accomplished with the other characters. For example, it is difficult to see any link at all between the children's words and their movements. The problem is exaggerated by the fact that the women singing the children's roles — New York City Opera mezzo-soprano Susanne Marsee and Connecticut soprano Karli Gilbertson have very similar voices. The result is that conversions between the brother and sister sound more like a monologue.

THE WITCHER'S NO mistaking the emotions these musical segments are meant to portray — whether it's joy or fright. And the fantastic act designed by Clarke Dunham echoes the tone of each scene.

The opening is cheerful and pleasant, as the characters dance before a large open house built in a Victorian style. But for frightening scenes, the stage darkens and three enormous and menacing trees, with hideous faces hidden in the folds of their bark, move about onstage.

"Hansel and Gretel" will be at Bushnell Memorial Hall tonight and Saturday at 8, and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$7 to \$27. Call 246-6887 for reservations.

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"Hansel and Gretel" has been resurrected, re-engineered for use on the stage at Bushnell Memorial Hall, and is likely to become a regular part of the Hartford Ballet and Connecticut Opera company's repertoire. It's worth seeing, whether you're a child who loves fairy tales, or an adult who loves fantasy.

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Cleveland State off to good start in NIT play

By Ken Rousopori
The Associated Press

One team that was snubbed by the NCAA and another that was almost snubbed by the National Invitation Tournament are both making it hard for others to ignore them.

Cleveland State, ignored by the NCAA playoff selection committee, got off to an auspicious start in the NIT with a 92-73 victory over Tennessee-Chattanooga Thursday night.

In another first-round game, Stephen F. Austin — which squeezed into the tournament at the last minute only because Louisville decided to stay home — defeated James Madison 79-63.

"I still don't understand why we were overlooked by the NCAA selection committee," Cleveland State Coach Kevin Mackey said. "We advanced to the final 16 last season and won 24 games this year. You would think that would be enough for a bid."

"Right now, we're just happy there's one tournament around that still wants us. We're going to give everything we've got to go to New York and win the NIT."

In other action in the far-flung tournament Thursday night, it was La Salle vs. Villanova 84, Florida State 107, Rhode Island 92, Arkansas-Little Rock 42, Baylor 41, Illinois State 79, Akron 72 and Vanderbilt 74, Jacksonville 72.

First-round play will conclude tonight with Arkansas State at Arkansas, Seton Hall at Niagara, Mississippi at Southern Mississippi; St. Peter's at St. Louis; Oregon State at New Mexico and Fullerton State at California.

James Madison ended its season at 29-18

By Ken Rousopori
The Associated Press

James Madison ended its season at 29-18, went past the century mark in scoring.

Rhode Island, which finished the season with a 20-16 record, was led by Atlantic 10 Freshman of the Year Kenny Green, who finished the night with 26 points and 15 rebounds, both game highs.

Arkansas-Little Rock 42, Baylor 41; James Davis made two free throws after time had expired to beat Arkansas-Little Rock over Baylor.

Darryl Middleton had put Baylor on top 41-40 when he made one of two free throws with 24 seconds remaining. But Down was fouled as time ran out and calmly hit the free throws that won it for the Trojans.

Illinois State 79, Akron 72; Tony Hoffield scored 23 points to lead Illinois State over Akron. Hoffield scored 15 of his points in the second half to help Illinois stem an Akron comeback.

Rhode Island's leading scorer this season with an average of 19.9 points per game, finished his collegiate basketball career as the school's high scorer with 24 points.

Host Illinois State improved its record to 18-12. Akron, this season's Ohio Valley Conference runner-up, closed its season at 21-9.

Vanderbilt 74, Jacksonville 72; Barry Booker keyed an 18-4 Vanderbilt run at the start of the second half with three 3-point baskets and the Commodores held on to beat Jacksonville.

The victory assured Vanderbilt, which finished ninth in the Southeastern Conference, a winning season with a 17-13 record, including the No. 1 team in the Sun Belt Conference, ended its season at 21-11.

Pats gain in tourney

By Ken Rousopori
The Associated Press

ILLINOIS — It might not have been one of Coventry High's better efforts early on, but the top-ranked Patriots gained ground in the second round game Thursday night at Killebrew High.

The unbeaten Patriots, 23-0, will face Suffield High (17-7), a 60-49 winner over East Windsor, Saturday night at 7:30 at Hall High in West Hartford.

Coventry led after every turn, 16-8, 30-18 and 44-36. "We couldn't let them get away from us," said Coach Ron Badaubeber. "They had a big rebounding edge (in the first half) but we kept them in the game. If they shot better from the foul line, it would have been closer."

Coventry, led by Jason Garick's 14 rebounds, evened it up in that department in the second half. Sophomore guard Jack Ayer led the Patriots with 21 points, including a pair of 3-pointers.

The loss sends Wheeler home with an 11-11 mark. Badaubeber said his club was happy to perform better the next round.

"The kids realize it. They agreed that if they play like this (the next round), we could be in a lot of trouble."



Ranger goalie Bob Froese is on the ice but he makes the save with a high-flying stick against the Flyers Thursday night in Philadelphia. Froese beat his ex-teammates, 6-1.

Froese making ex-mates pay for deal to Rangers

By Ken Rousopori
The Associated Press

Bob Froese couldn't make the Philadelphia Flyers this season — but he's sure making them feel sorry they traded him.

The New York Rangers goaltender turned in another sharp performance against his former team Thursday night, beating them for the second time in two tries this year in a 6-1 NHL victory.

"We really hurt ourselves tonight with our failure to score on the power play, but you've got to give Froese credit for that," Flyers Coach Mike Keenan said. "He stood up for us."

The Flyers traded Froese, a second-team NHL All-Star last season to the Rangers earlier this season for journeyman defenseman Kjell Samuelsson over rookie goalie Ron Hextall turned in an impressive performance in training camp and was given the starting job. However, Hextall was anything but impressive Thursday night as the Rangers scored twice on him in the first period on five goals against the Patrick Division leader.

In other NHL games, it was Pittsburgh 6, Quebec 3 and Boston 6, St. Louis 4.

Froese insisted he had no hard feelings because of the trade.

"I never felt vindictive against my team," Froese said. "I was happy to go to a team that wanted me, one that appreciated my minutes on Thursday."

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personality and go-getting skills."

Tommy Sandstrom and Don Maloney scored two goals each for the Rangers and Marcel Dionne scored his first goal since coming to New York in a trade earlier this week from Los Angeles. The goal was the 29th of the season for Dionne, who scored the fifth penalty in the 20-year history of the Penguins to get 50 goals when he hit the empty net with 1:09 left. Lemieux scored another empty-net goal with 32 seconds left, giving him his 51 goals in only 53 games.

The Nordiques remained tied for fourth place in the Adams Division with Buffalo. The win put Pittsburgh within one point of fourth-place Washington in the Patrick Division.

Bruno 6, Blues 4

Ray Bourque scored twice in the first 10 minutes and assisted on another first-period goal as Boston defeated St. Louis to stop the Blues' seven-game unbeaten streak.

The Bruins built a 3-1 lead before St. Louis scored three goals in a 29-second late-inning comeback and early in the third.

Boston had won just one of its first 10 games. The Bruins had four victories and three ties in its last seven games.

"I don't think we've gotten into situations where we've got to score four or five goals. That's why we're not used to it," Bourque said, explaining why the Bruins lost most of their games.

"We sat back for the second half of the game," he added. "Every time we had a shot, we seemed to go into a shell."

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SCOREBOARD

Hockey

NHL standings

Team	W	L	T	Pts
Washington Capitals	27	10	3	57
Pittsburgh Penguins	27	10	3	57
Philadelphia Flyers	27	10	3	57
Montreal Canadiens	27	10	3	57
St. Louis Blues	27	10	3	57
Quebec Nordiques	27	10	3	57
Calgary Flames	27	10	3	57
Edmonton Oilers	27	10	3	57
Los Angeles Kings	27	10	3	57
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Basketball

NBA standings

Conference	Team	W	L	Pct.
Eastern	Boston Celtics	32	10	.762
	Philadelphia 76ers	28	14	.667
	Washington Wizards	27	15	.643
	New York Knicks	27	15	.643
	Charlotte Hornets	27	15	.643
Western	Los Angeles Lakers	32	10	.762
	Portland Trail Blazers	28	14	.667
	Phoenix Suns	27	15	.643
	San Antonio Spurs	27	15	.643
	Utah Jazz	27	15	.643

Golf

Bay Hill Classic scores

Player	Score
Greg Norman	273
Tommy Mackenzie	274
Gregory Szelig	275
John Cook	276
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Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.
Oakland Athletics	27	10	.730
Toronto Blue Jays	27	10	.730
Seattle Mariners	27	10	.730
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NCAA Tournament playoffs

First Round

Game	Score
Illinois State vs. Akron	79-72
Arkansas-Little Rock vs. Baylor	42-41
Florida State vs. Villanova	84-74
Rhode Island vs. Connecticut	107-92

Transactions

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES

Player	From	To
Frank Tanana	Phillies	Tigers
Greg Gandy	Phillies	Tigers
Tom Nieto	Phillies	Tigers

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Lance Parrish catches on with the Phillies

By The Associated Press

The Philadelphia Phillies apparently have solved their catching problem.

In an 8 1/2-hour negotiating session Thursday that took the place of a scheduled arbitration hearing, the Phillies and the Major League Baseball Players' Association reached an agreement that allows free-agent catcher Lance Parrish to join the team today.

Phillies President Bill Giles said that Parrish agreed to a one-year contract worth \$500,000, plus a bonus of \$100,000 if he does not experience any problem from a chronic back ailment and other incentives.

The Phillies and the union had disagreed over a clause that would have prevented Parrish from suing baseball for alleged collusion in the slow signing of major free agents.

Giles said the agreement released the Phillies from any liability relating to the negotiations. He said the union was satisfied that it was protected by the wording, which was not disclosed.

Parrish, who played nine seasons with the Detroit Tigers and made the American League All-Star team six times, batted .257 with 22 homers and 82 RBIs last year. He was one of eight major free agents who turned down offers from their former clubs last January. Andre Dawson has signed with the Chicago Cubs.

Don Fehr, executive director of the MLBPA, said of the agreement: "Nothing that transpired could be subject to an interpretation that could in any manner keep the union from enforcing the basic agreement and protecting the players. Both interests have been protected."

Parrish said he was "very happy to be a member of the Philadelphia Phillies. I feel that I can help this club win (the NL East) division. I'll miss my teammates at Detroit, but I had to do what was best for Lance Parrish. I realize there are those concerned about my back condition (his 1986 season ended with a back injury) and I hope that will never be a problem."

Parrish became a free agent after the 1985 season and asked the Tigers for a \$1.8 million contract. Detroit offered \$1.2 million. Negotiations broke off with Parrish saying he would never play for Detroit again.

The Phillies could have used Parrish on Thursday. They lost for

Spring Training

minutes on Thursday.

"I think I've softened the situation a little bit," Gorman said. "There's no animosity. We'll talk again tomorrow (Friday)."

The situation in Houston, Hendricks said. "The thing is we're back talking. Now let's see what happens. I don't want to give out anything until we have a final agreement. I don't know what will come of it."

Earlier, Fehr said that "if Lou Gorman and the Red Sox really want to be fair, let them go to arbitration. They don't have to arbitrate. They can just accept the offer. I don't know what will come of it."

"We have no right to change the rules in the basic agreement, no more than they do," Gorman said. "He'll have the right to go to arbitration next year, and the next four or five years after that."

The Red Sox got strong pitching from Calvin Schiraldi, who turned out to be a disappointment in a 3-2 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates. Filling in for the second time, Schiraldi, normally a reliever, had a double and two strikeouts.

Mel Hall had a solo home run and two singles as the Indians won a 1-hit attack to beat the California

Orser skates off with the world title

By Joe Kay
The Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Even in victory, Canadian skater Brian Orser couldn't avoid misfortune. But this time, he could laugh it off.

Orser, a perennial runner-up, won his first gold medal in the World Figure Skating Championships on Thursday by edging friend and nemesis Brian Boitano of the United States and injured Soviet skater Alexander Fadeev.

Boitano, the defending champion, embraced Orser on the awards stand and then cheered a laugh when officials brought the wrong medals for the ceremony.

"Brian looked at me and said, 'Wouldn't you know it, the year I do it...'" Boitano said.

Moments later, as the Canadian anthem echoed in Riverfront Coliseum, a star welled in Orser's left eye and slowly slid to his chin as he realized he'd joined a triumvirate of world champions. Boitano and Orser had come claimed the last three gold medals in the World Championships.

Orser, 25, was second in the last



Canada's Brian Orser leaps during his winning performance Thursday night in the World Figure Skating Championships in Cincinnati. Orser came from behind to claim the championship.

Little help puts Brad Faxon in front

By Bob Faxon
The Associated Press

Of course, Faxon made his own contribution, compiling a no-ogey 5-under-par 66 before afternoon winds kicked up over Arnold Park's Bay Hill Club.

"It was a pretty good break because there wasn't that much wind," Faxon said. "I was in now in his fourth season on the PGA Tour."

Perhaps the biggest break, however, occurred as Faxon was heading to the first tee.

"He said, 'You've got 15 clubs in your bag,'" Faxon said. "I said, 'I've got a 3-wood, a 5-wood, a 7-wood, a 9-wood, a 1-iron, a 3-iron, a 5-iron, a 7-iron, a 9-iron, a putter, a sand wedge, a pitching wedge, a 1/2 iron, a 3/4 iron, a 5/8 iron, a 7/8 iron, a 9/8 iron, a 11/8 iron, a 13/8 iron, a 15/8 iron, a 17/8 iron, a 19/8 iron, a 21/8 iron, a 23/8 iron, a 25/8 iron, a 27/8 iron, a 29/8 iron, a 31/8 iron, a 33/8 iron, a 35/8 iron, a 37/8 iron, a 39/8 iron, a 41/8 iron, a 43/8 iron, a 45/8 iron, a 47/8 iron, a 49/8 iron, a 51/8 iron, a 53/8 iron, a 55/8 iron, a 57/8 iron, a 59/8 iron, a 61/8 iron, a 63/8 iron, a 65/8 iron, a 67/8 iron, a 69/8 iron, a 71/8 iron, a 73/8 iron, a 75/8 iron, a 77/8 iron, a 79/8 iron, a 81/8 iron, a 83/8 iron, a 85/8 iron, a 87/8 iron, a 89/8 iron, a 91/8 iron, a 93/8 iron, a 95/8 iron, a 97/8 iron, a 99/8 iron, a 101/8 iron, a 103/8 iron, a 105/8 iron, a 107/8 iron, a 109/8 iron, a 111/8 iron, a 113/8 iron, a 115/8 iron, a 117/8 iron, a 119/8 iron, a 121/8 iron, a 123/8 iron, a 125/8 iron, a 127/8 iron, a 129/8 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Town of Andover
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The Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Andover, Connecticut, will hold a public hearing in the Town Office Building, Wednesday, March 18, 1987 at 7:30 P.M. to hear the following application calling for a relief from the Zoning Laws of the Town of Andover, Connecticut:
#22 - Dana Austin - requesting relief from Section 11.2, Zoning Regulations. Side yard setback of 10 feet needed; has 10 feet, needs 20 feet. Front yard setback of 27 feet needed; has 20 feet to center of road, needs 60 feet. Lot located at 230 Lake Road, Andover.

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