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## Court: Death penalty can't be mandatory

By James H. Rubin  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court ruled today that states may not impose mandatory death penalties for prison inmates who commit murder while already serving life sentences without possibility of parole.

The justices, by a 6-3 vote, struck down Nevada's mandatory death penalty law, ruling it inflicts "cruel and unusual punishment" in violation of the Constitution.

The court thus refused to carve out an exception to its general prohibition against mandatory death sentences.

Justice Harry A. Blackmun, writing for the court, said such mandatory sentences preclude any consideration of whether there are mitigating circumstances that weigh against the death penalty. "The fact that a life-term inmate is convicted of murder does not reflect whether any circumstance existed at the time of the murder that may have lessened his responsibility for his acts even though it could not stand as a legal defense to the murder charge," Blackmun said.

"The level of criminal responsibility of a person convicted of murder may vary according to the extent of that individual's participation in the crime," he added. The court acted in the case of Raymond Wallace Shuman, who was convicted in 1958 of murdering Vernon Stallard in Yerington, Nev. He was sentenced to life in prison without possibility of parole.

In 1973, Shuman doused fellow Nevada State Prison inmate Ruben

Bejarno with lighter fluid and set him ablaze. Bejarno died three days later from the burns he suffered.

Shuman in 1975 was convicted of murder in Bejarno's death and received a mandatory death sentence. The sentence was upheld by the Nevada Supreme Court. But a federal trial judge in 1983 ruled that the mandatory death sentence is invalid.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the judge's ruling last year.

Law enforcement authorities argued that only the certainty of the death penalty would deter murders in prison — of inmates as well as guards — by those who already had no chance of regaining their freedom.

The Supreme Court previously said that states must give judges and juries the discretion to weigh mitigating and aggravating factors in deciding whether to impose the death penalty or life in prison.

The court ruled in 1977 that mandatory death sentences may not be imposed for the first-degree murder of a police officer.

In a dissenting opinion today, Justice Byron R. White said inmates serving life sentences without possibility of parole have "no constitutional right to persuade the sentencer to impose essentially no punishment at all for taking the life of another, whether guard or inmate."

He was joined by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and Justice Antonin Scalia.

The case is *Sumner vs. Shuman*, 86-246.



Herald photo by Pinto

Whoa, there!

Ken Wood's horse-drawn trolley makes a stop at the Strawberry Fest on Hartford Road Saturday. The trolley, which offered free trips for four hours, was one of the

most popular parts of the festival. Story and more pictures on page 3.

## Caprilands tough for fire marshal

By Jacqueline Bennett  
Herald Correspondent

COVENTRY — Blocked exits and overcrowding contributed to the deaths of 492 people, many of them Connecticut residents, in the 1942 fire at the Coconut Grove nightclub in Boston.

Two years later, a fire destroyed the main tent of the Ringling Bros. Barnum & Bailey Circus in Hartford and 162 people died, including many children.

These and similar disasters led to the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code.

In Coventry, enforcement of that code is the responsibility of Fire Marshal Richard Cooper, and in recent days, Cooper has come under scrutiny for his efforts to see that Caprilands, a nationally recognized herb farm on Silver Street, complies with that code.

"It's been tough," Cooper said in an interview at his home on Alice Drive Sunday morning. "The phone has been ringing off the hook."

Cooper, 47, is a native of Coventry and works in construction. He has been involved in firefighting for 30 years. He is a member of the Connecticut State Fire Chiefs Association, the Fire Marshals Association and the National Fire Protection Association.

Cooper is a certified fire official of the state and has taught fire training courses. In addition to his duties as the town's appointed fire marshal, which he has been since 1985, he is chief of the North Coventry Volunteer Fire Department.

He and his wife, Andrea, have been married for 20 years and have one daughter, Brooke, who graduated from eighth grade this year.

"I don't care about myself, I'm an adult. I can handle this. But our daughter has been getting remarks from the kids and teachers at school," Cooper's wife said as she stepped into the family's basement recreation room to bring her husband some coffee.

The room is filled with firefighting memorabilia, such as a miniature fire box alarm and ceramics of horse-drawn fire engines.

"People say, take the phone off the hook — but, my husband is the chief and the fire marshal, he has responsibilities to the community," she said.

"I'm not a hard-nosed guy. I'm just trying to make the places in town come within compliance of the code," Cooper said. "It's not like I haven't put a lot of time and effort

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## Fred Astaire, 88, dies of pneumonia

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Fred Astaire, whose debonair elegance and flowing, graceful style made him the most acclaimed dancer in movie history, died today of pneumonia. He was 88.

He died at Century City Hospital, said spokesman Stan Otake.

"I never thought a funny-looking guy like me would be suitable for pictures," Astaire once said, and a studio executive once dismissed him with the curt words: "Can't act... can't sing... balding... can dance a little." His only Oscar, in 1949, was honorary.

But he enchanted movie-goers for generations, dancing with firecrackers, coat racks and beautiful women from Ginger Rogers to Cyd Charisse with an ease that made ballet stars envious.

Ballet choreographer George Balanchine called him "the greatest dancer in the world." Ballet star Mikhail Baryshnikov praised his "perfect form," and songwriter Irving Berlin said, "I'd rather have Fred Astaire sing my songs than

anyone else." For his part, the lean hooper from the Midwest who was famous for white tie and tails but hated formal attire was likely to credit producers or his sister — his first dancing partner — with his success.

"I'm not trying to be modest, but I never thought about myself as No. 1," he told *The New York Times* when he turned 80. "I'm cold-blooded about dancing. I wanted to make it good, then make it better."

"I never cared for my singing voice," he said, and he added that there was no secret to his style — "Just practice, sweat, rehearsal and worry."

He was born Frederic Austerlitz in Omaha, Neb., on May 10, 1899, 18 months after his sister Adele. Their father was a beer salesman, and their mother had ambitions for her two children. She enrolled them in dancing school and took them to New York for professional training in 1906. Soon the youngsters were touring vaudeville under their new name, Astaire.



ADELMA SIMMONS OF CAPRILANDS  
... "we're a special case"



FIRE MARSHAL RICHARD COOPER  
... "not a hard-nosed guy"

## On Sunday, business as usual

By Jacqueline Bennett  
Herald Correspondent

COVENTRY — On Sunday afternoon, Adelma Grenier Simmons conducted business as usual.

A group of about 40 listened as she conducted a lecture. In the lecture building, there were seven benches, a couch, 16 chairs, and a stool, plus some benches near the front entrance.

A narrow path between some chairs led to an emergency exit door that would not open. Dried herbs hung from the open beam rafters.

An emergency screen door exit in the adjacent gift shop was locked with three bolts.

After the lecture, Simmons led the group to her garden, then to the main house for a luncheon.

"You'll have to go around to the front door because the side doors are locked," Simmons said. Later, she said she was unaware that any emergency exits were locked.

She chatted with visitors, some of whom had words of sympathy.

"We were fine for all these years," she said to one visitor about the town fire marshal's efforts to

make Caprilands comply with fire safety codes. "He was just made inspector. He's just trying to make a name for himself," she said about Fire Marshal Richard Cooper.

Fear that the authenticity of the 18th century buildings and atmosphere of the farm will be compromised are at the root of Simmons' opposition to making changes, she said.

She does not want to widen doorways or change the direction that doors swing. However, she said Sunday, she is searching for a contractor to look over her place.

According to the fire marshal, some modifications might not be needed if Simmons would agree to have fewer people.

"I won't take fewer people," she said. She estimated that 20 fewer people could cost her as much as \$300 a day. She declined to disclose her annual income.

Simmons acknowledged the lack of ramps for wheelchairs.

"They come here all the time. We put them in the front rooms. They can get up the steps," said Simmons.

With luncheon about to be served, the group entered the house.

Dried plants and pine cones lined the beamed ceilings. Both emergency exits were obstructed by fans. One was locked. Only the top of the fire extinguisher in the back dining room was visible behind a vase of flowers.

But guests did not seem concerned for their safety. Richard and Elizabeth Gruber of Hartford agreed that visitors enter an old building with the understanding that they're taking a risk.

"If there's a fire, you just move the fan," said Wilton Wiggins, one of a group of four visitors from New York.

However, they conceded that Simmons would be liable in case of fire.

"It's like any other commercial business," said George Lukacs of New York.

"If that's the case, then she should have to follow the code and have sprinklers, fire alarms, and proper exits," said Douglas Lee, another New Yorker.

As far as Simmons is concerned, she should not have to do that.

"I think we're a special case," she said.

### TODAY'S HERALD

#### Know your limits

Connecticut Light and Power Co. wants electricity customers to learn their limits. The utility is proposing a year-long experiment in which it would momentarily cut off power to residential customers who exceed their electricity quotas for any half-hour period. Story on page 4.

#### Budget votes due

Congressional Democrats are ready to pass their version of \$1 trillion federal budget this week, intensifying a long-standing fight with President Reagan over new taxes. Story on page 5.

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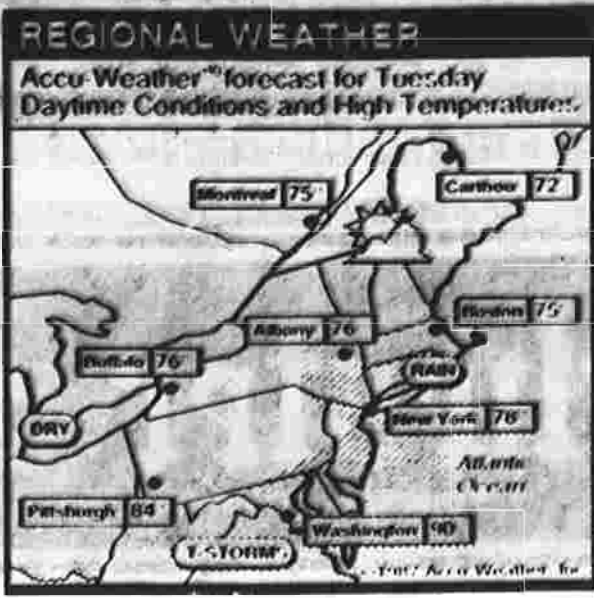
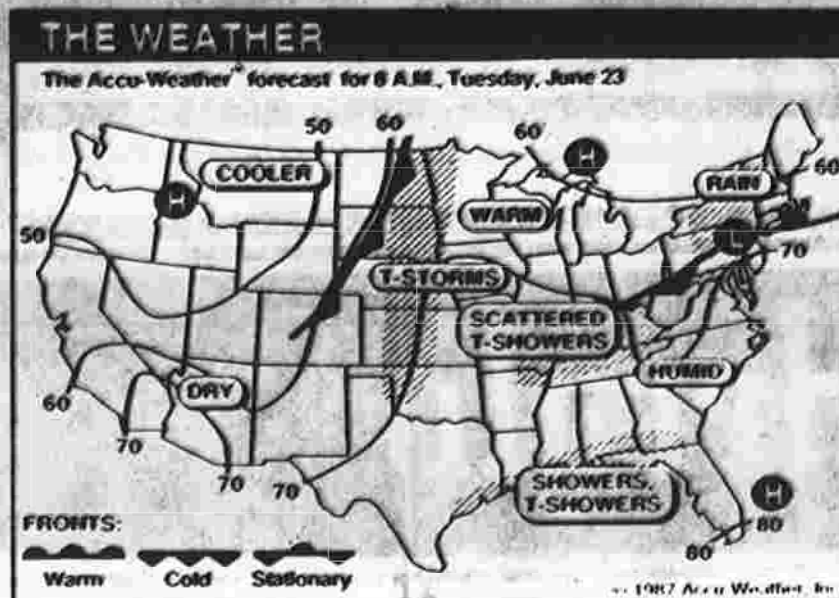
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#### Rain moves in

The nice weather we had last week is gone for now. Tonight and Tuesday, rain likely. Possibly a thunderstorm with heavy rain. Details on page 2.

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## Rain in the Southwest moves into Ohio area

Thunderstorms rumbled across west Texas early today and developed along a stationary front that scattered heavy rain across the northern Ohio Valley and Great Lakes region.

Showers and thunderstorms also were widely scattered from the Mississippi Valley to the southern Atlantic Coast, and showers were developing along a cold front from southwest Montana to central Nevada.

Today's forecast called for showers and thunderstorms scattered along the eastern half of the Gulf Coast, from the Great Lakes through the middle Mississippi Valley, the lower Ohio Valley and the Tennessee Valley, and through the middle and southern Atlantic Coast Region to northern Florida; and rain scattered from western Washington into Nevada.

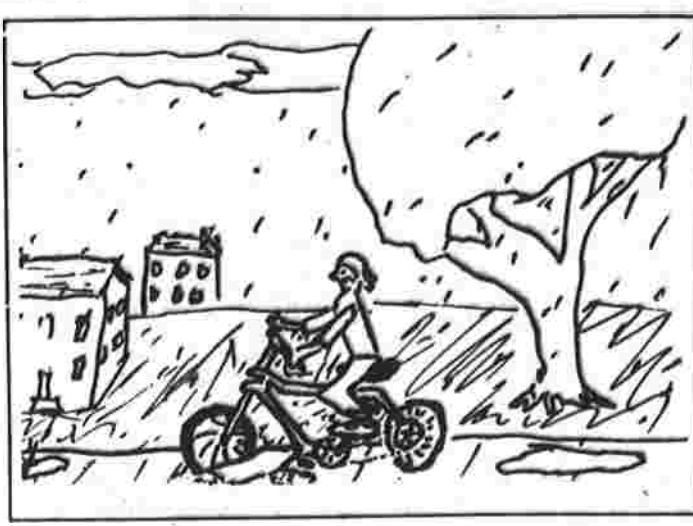
Highs should be in the 60s to 70s along the Pacific Coast and across the northern Rockies; the 70s in the Great Lakes region and New England; 90s to 100 or higher from southwest Texas to the desert Southwest; and 80s to 90s across most of the rest of the nation.

Temperatures around the nation at 3 a.m. EDT ranged from 41 degrees at Seston Summit, Ore., to 77 at Phoenix, Ariz.

**Improve chances of trees' survival**

CROSSETT, Ark. (AP) — Although they're often able to endure adverse weather and soil conditions, most young trees have a better chance for survival when carefully selected and planted during early spring.

Mild weather conditions are less likely to injure the fragile root systems of newly planted trees, according to Georgia-Pacific Corp.



Today's weather picture is by Sean Fletcher, 9, of Henry Street, a student at Bowers School.

## CONNECTICUT WEATHER

Northwest Hills, Central, Eastern Interior, Southwestern Interior: The nice weather we had last week is gone for now. Tonight and Tuesday, rain likely. Possibly a thunderstorm with heavy rain. Low around 65. High around 70. Chances of rain 70 percent.

West Coastal, East Coastal: Tonight and Tuesday, rain likely. Possibly a thunderstorm with heavy rain. Low around 65. High 65 to 70.

## FOCUS

**Heat Wave**

The dog days of summer are upon us. You may think that Death Valley is the hottest place on Earth. But in 1922, at Azziyah, Libya, recorded an incredible 136.4 degrees Fahrenheit in the shade. Not surprisingly, the lowest temperature ever recorded, -128.6 degrees, was in Antarctica. If you dislike such extremes, try Saipan, one of the Mariana Islands. Between 1927 and 1935, temperatures there ranged from a low of 67.3 degrees to a high of 88.5.

**DO YOU KNOW** — What is the name of the metric system's temperature scale?

**FRIDAY'S ANSWER** — The Alaska pipeline runs from Prudhoe Bay to Valdez.

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## Almanac

**June 22, 1987**

Today is the 173rd day of 1987 and the second day of summer.

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1937, Joe Louis won the world heavyweight boxing title by knocking out Jim Braddock.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Erich Maria Remarque (1898); Anne Morrow Lindbergh (1906); Katherine Dunham (1910); Bill Blass (1922); Meryl Streep (1949).

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "Good communication is as stimulating as black coffee, and just as hard to sleep after." — Anne Morrow Lindbergh.

**TODAY'S TRIVIA ANSWERS:** (a) Meryl Streep won the Best Actress Oscar for "Sophie's Choice"; (b) "Sophie's Choice"; (c) "Kramer vs. Kramer".

## Astrograph

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Before getting yourself involved in a new arrangement today, step back and study it to see if it fits into your present schedule.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** You may have to contend with a critical situation today. Analyze it carefully before making a decision that you're fully aware of all its ramifications.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** This is a good day to discuss with co-workers a matter that displeases you. Through a meeting of the minds a resolution can be found.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** This should be a pleasurable day for you because you'll be in gregarious mood. Others will enjoy being in your presence as much as you'll enjoy being in theirs.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Reassess your prime asset today. If necessary, you'll have the ingenuity to alter a situation that's headed up a blind alley.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** If you want to talk to someone, don't wait for him to get in touch. Pick up the phone and make the contact yourself.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** Try to do some of your time today to put your paperwork in order. Also, re-evaluate your budget to see if you can get more mileage from your dollars.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** You'll operate at peak efficiency today if you have several challenges to keep you busy. Bouncing from one thing to another shouldn't bother you a bit.

## PEOPLE

### Won't talk much

Former U.S. Rep. Millcent Fenwick says she's cutting back on speaking engagements as she enjoys retirement, but continues to smoke a pipe even though "it's a dirty, stupid habit."

"I can't count on myself to turn up, therefore I don't take dates or commitments," said the 77-year-old Republican, who served four terms in Congress.

Ms. Fenwick, who inspired the eccentric Doonesbury cartoon character Lacey Davenport, said she continues to smoke a pipe in the privacy of her 50-room mansion.

"It's a dirty, stupid habit," she said in an interview published Sunday by the Newark "Star-Ledger." "If I ever felt that anyone had been influenced to start smoking on account of me, I would feel very, very badly."

Her congressional career ended in 1982 when she lost a Senate bid against Democrat Frank Lautenberg, who currently holds the seat. She spent the next 3 1/2 years in Rome as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.



MILLICENT FENWICK ... enjoying retirement

U.S. Rep. Barney Frank, one of two openly avowed homosexual congressmen, says his sexual preference is irrelevant to his politics and of little concern to most of his constituents.

"Hardly anyone is interested in the sex life of a boring, middle-aged politician," Frank said Sunday after delivering a commencement speech at Northeastern University.

Frank, D-Mass., said he's encountered less criticism than he expected since he made headlines last month by revealing his homosexuality.

"As long as a person is kind, loving and caring, not much else matters," he told the 4,033 graduates at Boston Garden.

The other openly homosexual congressman is Gerry Studds, also a Massachusetts Democrat.

JOE NAMATH ... master of ceremonies

### Getting excited

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### The big list

President and Nancy Reagan head a list of the nation's 10 best-mannered celebrities compiled by an etiquette expert in Champaign, Ill.

"People adore the well-mannered and are less tolerant of those who are rude and abusive," said Marjabelle Young Stevens, who released her third annual top-10 list this weekend.

The others are Sophia Casey, widow of the late CIA director William Casey; actor Vincent Price; Princess Yasmin Aga Khan, daughter of the late actress Rita Hayworth; F. Boone Pickens, the Texas oilman; actress Patty Duke; Pat Buckley, wife of author and columnist William F. Buckley Jr.; John F. Kennedy Jr., son of the late President; and actress Lisa Minelli.

Mrs. Stewart polled a panel of 28 journalists, television crew members, make-up artists, chauffeurs and maître d's who frequently have contact with famous people. The keys are not only how they behave in public but also how they treat those around them in private, she said.

## Current Quotations

"I believe that God will overrule all this monkey business and will recover this ministry." — The Rev. Jerry Falwell, as Jim Bakker said for the first time that he wants to regain control of the ministry he handed over to Falwell amid a sex scandal.

"We share at least temporarily an interest in the region, an interest in preventing an Iranian victory in the Gulf War." — Undersecretary of State Michael H. Armacost, saying the United States and the Soviet Union are joining forces on a peace plan to end the Iran-Iraq war.

## Lottery

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## Trolleys a big hit at festival

By Nancy Pappas Herald Reporter

The street strains of "Home, Where My Love" played by the Senior Citizens' Band competed with a loudspeaker blaring a slightly distorted version of "Blood, Sweat and Tears' "Spinning Wheels" when Donna and Alan Watson and an assortment of nieces, nephews and neighbors crowded into the back seat of Ken Wood's horse-drawn trolley on Saturday.

The trolley, which had just pulled into the driveway of the Pusey & O'Neil Engineering building on Hartford Road, was just one feature of a daylong festival in the Cheney Historic District.

Saturday marked the fifth year that the Manchester Kiwanis Club has served up shortcake to benefit the Lutz Children's Museum.

Passengers gulped down their last few bites of shortcake so they could catch a ride on the free trolley. "I really think this is a tremendous day, a lot of fun," said Donna Watson, a first-grade teacher at Wadell School.

Others who crowded into the seats agreed. "But I don't want to get off," wailed 5-year-old Derek Fournier. "I want to ride this some more."

**PERSUADING FOLKS** to get off the horse-drawn trolley so they could catch a ride on the free trolley. "I really think this is a tremendous day, a lot of fun," said Donna Watson, a first-grade teacher at Wadell School.

"I guess that's one thing we're going to have to live with," said Ingrid Frazee, who headed the museum's involvement with the festival.

The "problem" of popularity was also experienced by the Connecticut Firemen's Historical Society, where the Fire Safety Theater on Wheels ran at capacity for most of the day. Every 15 minutes, the doors swung open and a new crowd stepped inside for an animated show in air-conditioned comfort.

The show, which included computer-animated characters such as Woody the Owl and Smokey Bear, taught children about fire safety.

In the course of the show, villains such as singing matches were introduced to children. A talking smoke detector was lowered from the ceiling. "That voice sounds like a Go-Bot," said one little boy in the darkened theater.

**THE KIWANIS** lent 500 to 600 portions of shortcake on Saturday, said chairman Roger Somerville. Last week, he had estimated that 1,000 to 1,500 portions would probably be moved.

"Generally, the day was successful in that it was steady all day," Somerville said. However, he said that Steven Ling, director of the Lutz Children's Museum, had the task of disposing of more leftover strawberries than usual.

Ling said today that slightly more than 200 pounds of strawberries will be donated to either the Samaritan Shelter for the homeless or a local convalescent home. Both Ling and Somerville cited the heat and the large number of activities available in Manchester this weekend, as reasons for the diminished crowds of shortcake lovers.



Herald photo by Pinto



## Local park evacuated

Wickham Park was evacuated Friday afternoon for about two hours after a despondent Manchester man walked into a wooded area with a BB gun after a conversation with his psychiatric counselor, police said.

Jerry Case, 23, of 12 Chester St., turned himself into police from a home in East Hartford at about 2:15 p.m., police spokesman Gary J. Wood said.

Case was taken to Manchester Memorial Hospital for observation after he showed police officers where he had dropped the rifle, Wood said.

Police have not brought any charges against Case. Wood said Case would be charged with breach of peace if he is released from hospital custody.

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Fifteen to 20 officers from Man-

## Two clubs eye town's rifle range

By George Lovin Herald Reporter

Two private groups that have been shooting it out for the chance to manage the town of Manchester's public shooting range might work together so that the facility, which has been closed for more than a year for repairs, can reopen.

The Metropolitan Shooters Inc. of Windsor, which is comprised of shooting teams from throughout the Hartford area, is to meet tonight with Wilderness Sports Inc. of East Hartford, which has proposed that the two organizations stop competing to manage the Nike site range.

Edward W. Tylor, a corporate officer with Wilderness Sports, said this morning the group made its offer last week to Metropolitan Shooters. Under the plan, Metropolitan Shooters would be given preference on when the club can use the range.

The two organizations submitted the only bids last month to manage and help renovate the rifle range. If Metropolitan Shooters agrees, Tylor said his group hopes to submit a final proposal to the town by week's end. According to Wilderness Sports' first offer, the group wants to have the range renovated by Dec. 1.

Tylor said both groups want to have the range open as soon as possible because there is a large demand for a range.

Citing statistics compiled by the National Rifle Association, Tylor said that 75 percent of all American homes have a gun.

In addition, he said, many people with guns do not want to pay what he said is the high cost of belonging to a private club. He noted that Manchester's facility is unique because it is the only municipal shooting range in the state.

The range was closed in February 1984 because of safety and building code violations. A plan to have the town pay an estimated \$1 million to renovate the facility was rejected by the town Board of Directors last fall because Recreation Director Scott Sprague said it was unlikely the cost would be recovered through user fees.

That prompted the town to solicit offers from private clubs that would operate the range on a non-profit basis, which is required if town property is going to be used by a private group.

The main obstacle is financial, Sprague explained today. He said the town does not want to accept one through paying part of the renovation cost or doing some other work.

Robert Dennis, president of Metropolitan Shooters, and Tylor both said their groups would contribute toward renovations costs, but have not settled on a final amount.

In their original proposal, Metropolitan Shooters shows them operating the range at a deficit of nearly \$5,000 in the first year. That amount would be made up from club members.

Tylor said his organization has more financial resources to manage the range, although they were willing "to work for nothing for the first year or two" in order to open the range.

Both groups proposed charging Manchester residents less to use the facility and preference in the hours in which they can use it.

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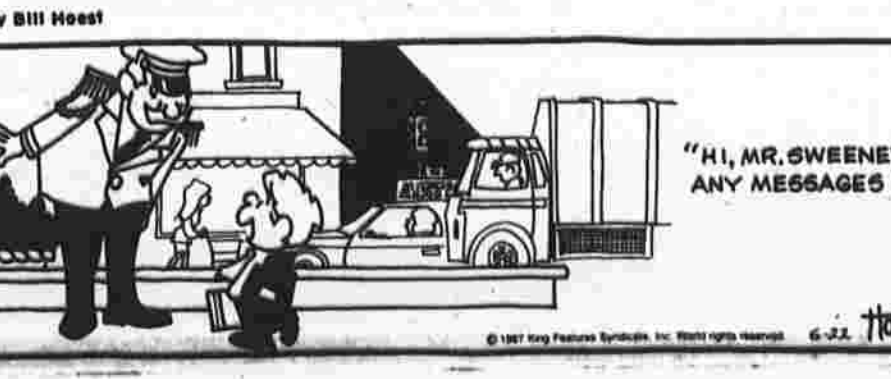
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## Comics Sampler

In this space, samples of new comics will be printed from time to time. Our aim is to get reader reaction to new comics, or to old comics that we are thinking about dropping. Send your comments to: Features Editor, Manchester Herald, P.O. Box 591, Manchester, 06040.



WHAT A GUY by Bill Hoest





Thumbs up

AP photo

Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., is greeted by the crowds outside Don Bosco Church in Panama City, Panama, with chants of "Democracy, Democracy." Dodd, the chairman of the Senate subcommittee on western hemisphere affairs, is on a fact-finding visit related to recent riots and violence in Panama.

### Connecticut In Brief

#### 119 arrested after cockfight

SHELTON — Two pigs were roasting in pits and a crowd surrounded a sawdust-covered area where a cockfight was going on when police raided a Shelton barn and arrested 119 people. Shelton and state police officers confiscated approximately \$53,000 in cash, an undetermined amount of cocaine and 74 roosters during the Sunday afternoon raid, authorities said. The crowd included seven children, police said. "It was very orderly," Shelton Police Chief Peter Siraco said of the raid. "For the first five minutes, they were running all around the lot, but we had them pretty well surrounded." Most of those arrested were charged with cruelty to animals and were released on written promises to appear in court or on bonds of between \$50 and \$100, police said. Several people were charged with possession of cocaine. All but one man were released on bonds of between \$500 and \$1,000. Several of those arrested were from New York and Massachusetts.

#### Perry to run for Hartford mayor

HARTFORD — State Rep. Carrie Saxon Perry has confirmed that she will seek to become the city's first black woman elected mayor. The 56-year-old Democrat said Friday that she will formally announce her candidacy this week. Mayor Thurman L. Milner, the first black popularly elected mayor of a New England city, created a wide-open race for mayor earlier this month by announcing that he would not seek a fourth two-year term. His decision came just six weeks before the local nominating convention.

#### Arrested men get accelerated rehab

WINSTED — Two men arrested after a friend was critically injured in a fireworks accident at a race track over Memorial Day weekend have been granted accelerated rehabilitation. Mark Howell, 17, and Richard Glynn, 20, both of Stowe, Mass., were granted the special probation for first-time offenders last week after members of the victim's family said they didn't want the men prosecuted, according to a clerk at Winsted Superior Court.

#### 9-year-old drowns in pool

BLOOMFIELD — The body of a Hartford boy has been recovered from a swimming pool in a Bloomfield condominium complex, police said. The body of John V. Jefferson, 9, was found early Sunday beneath 10 feet of water in the pool, police said. They said he was the victim of an accidental drowning. Authorities said friends reported last seeing the boy swimming in the pool about 8:30 p.m. Saturday, but the body wasn't visible from the surface. Police were called around midnight and the body was recovered at 12:30 a.m. Sunday.

#### Author to write book on murder

NEWTOWN — Thriller author Arthur Herzog plans to write a book about the murder of a Danish-born stewardess whose husband is accused of killing her then disposing of her body with a wood chipper. Helle Crafts, 36, of Newtown was last seen last Nov. 18. Her husband, Eastern Airlines pilot Richard Crafts, was arrested in January and charged with her slaying. A pre-trial hearing is scheduled for next month in Danbury Superior Court. Herzog, who has a contract with Holt publishers of New York City, will be assisted by Keith Mayo of New Milford, a private detective who was hired by Mrs. Crafts to assist in her divorce proceedings and who later helped crack the case.

#### Firm charged with unfair trade

HARTFORD — A Milford-based company that sells campers with the right to stay at affiliated campgrounds for reduced prices under a "time-sharing" arrangement has been charged with violating Connecticut's Unfair Trade Practices Act. The state Department of Consumer Protection charged Friday that Resort Camplands International Inc. and two of its affiliated campgrounds failed to return deposits on canceled contracts, failed to give customers promised promotional prices and failed to disclose all requirements for the promotions. The two campgrounds named in the complaint were Tretopps camping club in Kent and Stateline camping club in Killington.

#### Lieberman to review recording rules

HARTFORD — Rules that would allow the chairman of the state Psychiatric Security Review Board to order the news media to stop recording or filming someone taking part in board hearings will be reviewed by the attorney general's office. The board's executive director, Martha E. Lewis, said the rules were prompted by news media coverage of proceedings on John Franklin, who was found innocent by reason of insanity in the 1976 stabbing death of Leonard Plannery of South Windsor.

## CL&P wants us to learn our limits

### Utility applies for energy usage reduction experiment

NEW HAVEN (AP) — Connecticut Light and Power Co. wants electricity customers to learn their limits. The utility is proposing a year-long experiment in which it would automatically cut off power to residential customers who exceed their electricity quotas for any half-hour period. CL&P's goal would be to reduce the electricity it is required to hold in reserve by getting customers to "subscribe" to maximum amounts, ranging from 2.5 to 12 kilowatt hours, per half hour. Under the program, a buzzer would sound in a home where residents are exceeding their quota and, moments later, power would be shut off for two minutes before it starts up again. The program, which is opposed by the state consumer counsel, needs approval from the state Department of Public Utility Control. A decision is expected by July 1. If the program is approved, CL&P plans to call about 2,500 of its customers in order to recruit about 600. The program would start Sept. 1. "Nobody's going to have to have their (quotas) if they don't want to," said Edwin Overcast, CL&P director of rates. "They have had this kind of service in France for years, and they don't even have any (statutory) warnings," he said. However, CL&P customers who

choose to take part would not be allowed to cancel once a special device is installed on their meters. CL&P projects it could save \$18.2 million by the end of the century and that customers who heat with electricity could save \$30 to \$50 a month under such a program. Electrical customers would still be able to use as much power as they want over a month, but might be unable to use certain appliances at the same time without going over their limits. "Tonight when you come home, instead of cutting on everything at once, you'd cut on the air conditioner, let it cool off the place and then start fixing dinner. You get used to doing things sequentially," Overcast said. The 600 participants would be divided into test and control groups and only 200 would participate fully in the experiment. Others would not have power blocked or would not have bills adjusted, company officials said. Southern California Edison, the only other company in the United States to try a similar program, says it has been successful and has asked state regulators to expand it. In its experiment, more restrictive controls were installed in 1,000 homes in 1981 and 1982 and in another 2,000 homes in 1983 in order to limit midday usage of air conditioning. The limits were in effect only during certain afternoon hours.

## Senator: Education budget won't pass

HARTFORD (AP) — The co-chairman of the legislature's Education Committee predicts the education commissioner's proposed \$1.1 billion budget for the 1988-89 fiscal year has little chance of being adopted. Committee Chairman Gerald N. Tirozzi is prepared to submit his proposed budget, representing a 26 percent increase over spending in the fiscal year that will start July 1, to the State Board of Education this week. Tirozzi said the unprecedented increase is needed to continue a program of improving the quality of education, including increases in teacher salaries. "Across this country and across this state, people want better education," Tirozzi said. "We have

overall budget for presentation to the General Assembly next February. "This is not a budget that breaks a lot of new ground, but it tries to emphasize what we have been doing," Tirozzi said. The proposal would allow the state to continue relieving local school districts of some education costs. Connecticut once ranked near the bottom in proportion of state support for public schools, but moved up to 27th in a 1985-86 survey by the National Education Association. A decade ago, the state paid 30 percent of local school costs compared to the 47 percent it would pay under Tirozzi's proposed budget for 1988-89. "Connecticut has spent at least the last decade trying to catch up with the rest of the country, and that's expensive," Sullivan said. Much of Tirozzi's proposed increase stems from costs of last year's teacher-salary law, from special education costs and from large increases in state aid designed to close the spending gap between the richest and poorest school districts. Implementing the Education Enhancement Act, which sets a \$20,000 minimum teacher salary in most districts, accounts for \$167.4 million. That's a 43 percent increase over the \$116.5 million in the 1987-88 budget.

## Students' tuition to be paid

HARTFORD (AP) — A college education is no longer a luxury in Hartford and Philadelphia, thanks to the generosity of two Hartford couples. On Friday, Alan Ritter and Ellen Silverstein told 37 sixth graders at Hartford's Wind School that they get to college, their tuition will be paid in full. Meanwhile in Philadelphia, George and Diane Weiss offered to pay tuition for the 127 six-graders graduating from the Belmont Elementary School, a predominantly black school.

Ritter and Silverstein said they want to help alleviate some of that. "The problems are acute in Hartford," Ritter said. Ritter, 50, who teaches political theory at Trinity College and the University of Connecticut Law School, and Silverstein, 48, who teaches labor law at UConn Law School, announced their I Have A Dream Program-Hartford during an end-of-year ceremony. The program is based on one started by a New York millionaire six years ago. The couple said they have a \$250,000 annuity to pay for the students' college tuitions, but are committed to providing more money if that is necessary. The money came from an inheritance, they said. "We want to widen their horizons and give them the resources they need to reach their goals," Ritter said. "It has a continuity that we're tracing a group for six years." The impulse for George Weiss to make a similar gift in Philadelphia is almost 25 years old, stemming from a Christmas party held at Weiss' college fraternity for 13 South Philadelphia children. Weiss, a 1983 alumnus of the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School, has had a close touch with all of them, and they all graduated from high school. The Weisses, both 44, said they'll pay for two- or four-year colleges, or technical training schools. To ensure that the gift works, Weiss is establishing a long-term private telephone line enabling the recipients to call him at his office for counseling and advice. While the tearful Belmont School audience gave a standing ovation, Mrs. Weiss threw a ball toward the class, saying, "I'm tossing this ball to you. You have the chance to take it and run with it — it's up to you."

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## U.S./World In Brief

### Superpowers unite on Mideast plan

WASHINGTON — The United States and the Soviet Union are joining forces on a peace plan to end the 6½-year-old Iran-Iraq war and prevent a trillion-dollar budget this week, intensifying a long-standing fight with President Reagan over new taxes. "We're working in the Security Council to engage the Russians and the other permanent members in a call for a cease-fire and return to boundaries, exchange of prisoners, other arrangements, backed by mandatory sanctions," Aramouni said in an interview on CBS-TV's "Face the Nation" program.

### Contra hearings to continue

WASHINGTON — The Iran-contra hearings resume this week as lawyers for fired White House aide Oliver L. North battle with congressional investigators over terms of his testimony before the committee. The hearings, which re-open Tuesday following a two-week recess, are scheduled to focus on the secret sale of U.S. arms to Iran, which North directed from his position as an aide to the National Security Council. One of the witnesses scheduled to testify, former CIA general counsel Stanley Sporkin, wrote the original finding for President Reagan's signature which enabled the NSC to undertake the covert operation to Iran. That approach developed into a deal to sell arms in exchange for promises to free U.S. hostages held in Lebanon.

### Difficult moments not remembered

PARIS — The captain of a four-man crew who re-created the 1936 round-the-world flight by Howard Hughes and cut 2 1/2 hours off the billionaire's record was so happy he couldn't even recall the flight's minor problems. Champs-Élysées and crowds cheered when the 1985-vintage, twin-prop plane landed at 10 a.m. Sunday under cloudy skies at Le Bourget airfield north of Paris after an 86-hour, 48-minute flight. The aviators took off Wednesday from the field hosting the biennial Paris Air Show and arrived on the show's 11th and final day. "I've forgotten the difficult moments," said Patrick Fourticy, the plane's captain. Fourticy said he spent two years searching for an airplane of the same model as Hughes' craft for the re-creation. He finally found such a plane in Miami, where it was being used to transport chickens, he said. "I discovered a new world," Henri Pescorolo, the co-pilot and navigator, said Sunday. "Finishing the flight was a great moment."

### Reagan calls doctrine unconstitutional

WASHINGTON — President Reagan's veto of legislation to write the fairness doctrine into law sets up a protracted fight with Congress, both sides agree. Reagan said the 58-year-old rule, which authorized the Federal Communications Commission to police the editorial fairness of radio and television broadcasters, is unconstitutional. In vetoing the legislation over the weekend, the president, once a sportscaster with radio station WHO in Des Moines, Iowa, accepted the arguments of broadcasters who protested that the rule compromised their First Amendment rights. "The doctrine was aimed at ensuring that broadcasters present both sides of controversial issues and air divergent points of view. But a federal appeals court last fall held that the fairness doctrine was not a law and that it could be repealed by the FCC. What Reagan vetoed was a bill that would have codified the fairness doctrine, putting the rule into the lawbook and stripping from federal regulators any opportunity to kill it."

### Indians go on war path in Canada

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Haida Indians are paddling a war canoe 600 miles up Canada's Pacific coast in a bid to stop loggers from working in their ancestral homeland, regarded by conservationists as one of North America's natural treasures. "Go forward with your heads held high," Miles Richardson, leader of the 10,000-member Haida nation, told the 20 paddlers as they began their three-week odyssey Sunday at Vancouver's False Creek. The Haida, supported by environmentalists, are locked in conflict with the British Columbia government over the future of Canada's continental shelf below Alaska. Premier William Vander Klip, a Dutch immigrant, last week turned down a federal government offer of \$80 million to create a national park reserve at the southern end of the mountainous islands, a region known as South Moresby.

## Democrats ready to pass tax hike

### Budget votes highlight a busy agenda for Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional Democrats are ready to pass the Kowalick matter on Tuesday, and might recommend delaying the plan or putting a time limit on it — a compromise that falls short of outright rejection. The House also is slated to take its budget vote Tuesday and send the package to the Senate, where Majority Leader Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., says it will be pushed to the head of a line of legislation passed by the three-week GOP filibuster. There also was talk of trying to put one or both houses on record as concerned about Reagan's policy of reflagging Kuwait oil tankers. Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., chairman of the House Armed Services

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## S. Korean leader to meet opposition

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — In a major turnabout, President Chun Doo-hwan has agreed to meet with the political opposition to try to end fierce anti-government protests, a top official said today. The official said the president also promised to consider the release of political detainees. Kim Tae-woo, chairman of the governing Democratic Justice Party, said after a meeting with the president that he had agreed to meet with Kim Young-sam, head of the Reunification Democratic Party. The government had previously ruled out concessions with the opposition. Roh said Chun made the decision today after "frank talks." "I recommended it is desirable that the president meet political and opposition leaders to work out settlements," Roh told reporters after talks at Blue House, the presidential mansion. The Reunification Democratic Party had no immediate comment on the government statement. The United States has pressed for a resumption of talks between the government and opposition groups. Chun met with Roh after anti-government riots broke out for the 12th straight day. Riot police firing tear gas charged crowds in Seoul and the southern city of Pusan Sunday, and seized hundreds of people.



Riot police dance after they were set aflame from bottle bombs thrown by Yonsai University students in today's anti-government protests in Seoul, South Korea.

## Syrian chief vows to free hostages

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Syria's military intelligence chief in Lebanon was quoted today as vowing to free kidnapped American journalist Charles Glass and the son of Lebanon's defense minister "at all costs." "I am here in Beirut to free them," Brig. Gen. Ghazi Kenaan was quoted as saying by the state-run Beirut Radio. "The problem will be resolved at all costs and I believe that will be accomplished soon." But the Christian-controlled Voice of Lebanon radio said that the kidnappers were demanding a guarantee that West Germany would not extradite Mohammed Ali Hamadi to the United States. Hamadi, a Lebanese, is accused of hijacking a TWA jet to Beirut in 1985 and killing a U.S. Navy diver.

The broadcast said the Hamadi guarantee was the kidnappers' main condition. But Lebanese police and sources close to the Syrian command in west Beirut denied that such a demand had been made. Hamadi, who was arrested at the Frankfurt airport on Jan. 13, is wanted in the United States on charges of murder and air piracy. West Germany has not announced its decision on the extradition, but the newspaper Die Welt of Bonn quoted unidentified sources today as saying the government had decided not to grant the U.S. extradition request. "Two West Germans were kidnapped in Beirut in January by Muslims who have demanded

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# OPINION

## Special act must change

The historic opportunity to resolve long-standing disagreements between the town of Manchester and Eighth District voters seems to have run up against an unsurmountable obstacle.

With all but the most nitty-gritty details ironed out by negotiators for the two governments, a basic disagreement arose at the last negotiating session. It clearly threatens to sabotage the entire effort.

At various points in the talks, as suggestions were made for exchanges of responsibility and jurisdiction for fire protection and sewer service, and for exchanges of assets between the two governments, one of the frequent Eighth District responses to town proposals was "It won't fly."

The implication was that no matter how logical a proposition might seem, it would have to be counted out because it would be politically unacceptable to Eighth District voters. Since the voters themselves are the district legislators, any plan those voters could not accept would be doomed.

In the absence of any kind of formal canvass of the Eighth District voters, one has to assume the district leaders are tuned in to the sentiments of their constituents and that they do know what will and what will not fly.

The negotiators for the town government have a job which is easier in some respects but which places a heavier responsibility on them. If they succeed in reaching an agreement, they have to persuade only their colleagues on the Board of Directors that it is sound. The directors then have to answer to the town voters, including those who live in the Town Fire District, for the decision they will have made.

From the outset of the negotiations it has been assumed that any agreement over which government would have jurisdiction for fire protection in what would be a final decision, to be changed only by mutual consent of the two governments.

In order to achieve that goal the district would have to agree to change the provisions of the special act of the state Legislature that gives residents in much of the northern part of town the right to petition the Eighth District for inclusion in its boundaries without respect for the wishes of residents outside the Eighth District.

At the last negotiating session, the Eighth District negotiators backed away from any commitment to modify that act, creating serious doubt about the possibility of any agreement.

If the voters of the Town Fire District are forced to relinquish their firehouse in Buckland and then plan facilities to provide fire protection in an area that could be changed without their consent, they would probably express their displeasure at the polls at their first opportunity.

When the negotiators meet again Thursday, the town negotiators should tell their Eighth District counterparts, "It won't fly."

By Peter Fuscias

Despite the host of bills that were introduced during the session, the Connecticut Legislature this year failed to take any significant action to deal with the growing threat of AIDS.

This fatal disease is rapidly spreading throughout the population with no immediate cure in sight. Even hopes of discovering a vaccine slip further from reach as new strains of the disease turn up. And yet the Democrat-controlled General Assembly chose to look the other way, precluding the problem does not exist.

Once again, it seems apparent that prevention is the best cure. Every effort must be made to stop the needless deaths that result from AIDS by stopping its transmission among low-risk groups as well as high.

There are several fronts on which the AIDS threat can and should be approached. Unfortunately, the Legislature chose not to. Introduced in committee were a number of bills designed to identify and educate potential carriers of the AIDS virus. None made it onto the floor of the House for a vote.

THE ONLY MEASURE that did pass are steps to deal with the problem after it has become one, or to duplicate efforts of other agencies nationwide in studying the virus. While both are laudable goals, prevention is still being ignored.

The General Assembly did allocate half a million dollars for education and treatment programs for AIDS patients and their families. Also passed was funding for a pilot program to assist homeless persons with AIDS. On the last day of the session, lawmakers approved \$4.25 million in AIDS funding, but a closer look at the appropriation reveals little in the way of concrete action.

Two million of that total goes toward the creation of two endowed chairs at the University of Connecticut for research into AIDS. This seems like a complete waste of time and money. Why, when a number of major research facilities across the country are heavily involved in AIDS research, do we have to get into the act? Billions of dollars are being spent in this area by the federal government. What can we possibly add? There is a crying need to educate the public about the dangers of this disease and provide more facilities for testing and treatment. Connecticut, however,

seems to be spending more money for people to study the ailment than in helping the public avoid getting it.

AN ADDITIONAL \$250,000 of the \$4.25 million is earmarked for mailing out the Surgeon General's report on AIDS — a step in the right direction. And the remaining two million is loosely allocated to municipalities, hospitals, colleges and "other individuals" for the study or treatment of AIDS. Who knows what will be done with these funds.

Given all of the information presented to the Legislature on AIDS as a public health threat, lawmakers made a pitifully small imprint on the fight against it in Connecticut. The issue is not going to go away, and these bills will be back before the Legislature again next year.

One of the most effective ways of pinpointing people with AIDS would be to require blood tests for anyone applying for a marriage license. Not only would this alert the affected carrier, who may not be aware of his or her condition, but also the future spouse. The proper precautions could then be taken to avoid the birth of a child with AIDS. President Reagan recently came out in support of this idea on a nationwide basis.

Besides education, testing is the only real weapon we have right now in the fight against AIDS. It is therefore imperative that we use it to the fullest extent possible.

TO ENCOURAGE SUCH TESTING, I proposed a bill requiring the state health department to expand regional testing sites. Any and all testing would be done on an anonymous basis. The bill died in committee.

Another of my initiatives would have mandated AIDS tests for inmates in state correctional institutions who prepare food that is consumed by others in the institution. With the high incidence of AIDS in state prisons, this move would offer greater protection to both inmates and staff. The bill died in committee.

President Reagan went one step further in this regard, ordering AIDS testing for all federal prison inmates.

Testing should also be required for people accused of sexual offenses. In this way, carriers of the disease could be identified, and the innocent victims of the assault notified of a possible health threat.

Prostitution is yet one more activity that promotes the spread of AIDS, and the penalties should be made harsher when an affected person knowingly puts another at risk. I proposed that a mandatory minimum prison term be imposed on either a prostitute or patron of a prostitute who engaged in the offense knowing that he or she suffered from the fatal disease. This bill also died in committee.

THE SPREAD OF AIDS among health-care workers is a growing area of concern. Currently, when a patient checks into a hospital, a routine examination for communicable disease is done. AIDS testing should be required as part of the procedure. Given the high risk of contracting the disease faced by surgeons and other staff, every effort should be made to reduce the chances of that happening. Hospital personnel are continuously exposed to blood and bodily discharges. Besides the normal precautions, additional steps can be taken when the patient is a known AIDS sufferer.

The higher incidence of the AIDS virus among heterosexuals is being linked by intravenous drug users who share contaminated needles and pass the disease around. Here, again, is a perfect opportunity to take action: In an attempt to break this deadly chain, proposed legislation to lift the restrictions on the sale of hypodermic needles. I do not believe arguments that such a move would encourage drug addiction. Making needles available will not make more people into drug addicts. It will make more people into alcoholics. Providing sterile hypodermics would simply eliminate the risk of getting AIDS.

THE 1987 GENERAL ASSEMBLY, under the leadership of the Democrats, chose to sit back and do nothing to protect Connecticut citizens from the deadly AIDS virus. How can they justify this failure to make bold initiatives where needed? How many more lives must be lost before my colleagues across the aisle take their blinkers off and face the problem head on?

Peter Fuscias, a Republican, represents the 15th Assembly District, which includes Andover, Bolton, Hebron, Marlborough and part of Manchester.



## Jack Anderson

## Nuclear war was at hand in fall of '80

WASHINGTON — The suppressed story can now be told of a showdown in the Persian Gulf in the autumn of 1980 when the two superpowers maneuvered dangerously near the edge of war.

Now a new military confrontation is developing in the same place. Lest the lessons of 1980 be lost, here is the chilling story:

After the failed attempt in April 1980 to rescue American hostages from Iran, then-President Jimmy Carter began preparations for a second rescue mission. His national security adviser, Zbigniew Brzezinski, wanted a larger, punitive military assault.

In the strictest secrecy, intense preparations for a rescue raid began at training camps from Florida to California. Some elements of this scattered force began training under the code name "Positive Leap 80."

The same code name had been given to a military exercise that had been conducted a few weeks earlier. This was intended to mislead the Soviets into thinking all references to "Positive Leap 80" had to do with nothing more than a training exercise.

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## Open Forum

### Herald crucifies the country club

To the Editor:

Crucifying the country club: Is this what the Herald reporters do best? Back-to-back front-page articles on June 15 and 16 were repetitive and one-sided, to say the least.

Starting-time discrimination at the country club is a fallacy. A lottery system is used and no favoritism is shown, member or non-member. Anyone can put in for a time, and times are drawn in public, not behind closed doors. Anyone may be present for the drawing.

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### Speed limit laws are unreasonable

To the Editor:

I absolutely hate that feeling of helplessness, living within a system of laws and politics that even with my privilege to vote it seems too overwhelmingly impossible to be heard in the hope of changing something for the better.

R. Scott Campbell  
Columbia

So often, I have seen people trapped by circumstances where the "letter of the law" does not provide justice in the "spirit of the law." Yet, legislators keep passing finite laws which restrict more and more of the freedoms we as Americans, are blessed with. These laws are then bestowed on the court system which can't even seem to wipe its own nose.

The issue that finally struck a nerve for me was the unreasonable enforcement of unreasonable speed limits. The key word here is "unreasonable."

I challenge anyone (and especially anyone who drives over 15,000 miles per year) to spend one day in their travels to follow every posted speed limit precisely as posted. Never mind road conditions, traffic conditions or any other related factor. Many of these posted speed limits are going to drive you nuts.

Yet, state and local police are (for the lack of more important things to do) having a field day issuing tickets in record numbers based on these posted speed limits.

Before I go on, let me clarify something. I know motor vehicle laws are required for the safety and common good of all citizens. I firmly believe bad driving habits and serious offenders need to be punished. As I said, the key word is "unreasonable."

First of all, many posted speed limits need to be reviewed and changed. Consideration should be given especially to areas where speed limits are from 25 miles per hour to 45 miles per hour. Many of these low-end speed limits do not make sense given their locations.

Furthermore, in select sections of interstate highways, speed limits should be raised to 65 miles per hour.

Secondly, and more importantly, police enforcement needs to be more reasonable. If speed limits are to be a guideline for safety, then enforcement of the law should provide more consideration to specific circumstances. For example, the use of written warnings or minimum fine citations might be implemented. This might provide more fairness to motorists while allowing officers the ability to properly enforce major offenders. It might help reduce court cases and allow the courts to deal with more urgent matters.

For those of you who share my frustration and feel that you have no power to improve "the system," I say, "Don't. Make note of areas where posted speed limits might be improved, add your comments about motor vehicle law enforcement and unreasonable enforcement policies. Don't try to fight the system... try to improve it."

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A NERVOUS JIMMY CARTER asked the Defense Intelligence Agency to "study and report on possible Soviet military reactions to various scenarios in which the United States forces have invaded Iran."

Back came a warning that the U.S. action would likely lead to a nuclear confrontation. Somewhere enroute to the president's desk, the nuclear reference was mysteriously removed from the DIA's secret response. But what remained was sobering enough: Carter was told that the Soviets could be expected to retaliate with a major air and ground assault.

Then came the day that Carter backed down. The Soviet threat convinced him to abandon his October adventure. He called it off, the tensions cooled, and the hostages eventually were freed.

Postscript: The evidence cited in this account, including classified documents, backs up the column we wrote August 1980, written that Carter was preparing for an October action in Iran. "The ostensible purpose," we wrote, "is to rescue the hostages, but the operation would also exact military retribution."

The White House issued a scathing denial. "The allegation made by Jack Anderson is absolutely false," declared the White House. A major book, researched and written by John Barron, a former intelligence specialist, now a Washington editor for Reader's Digest, also confirms our story.

### Deregulation blues

Has federal deregulation of the nation's airline industry made it more dangerous to fly? Congressional investigators are looking into charges that the airlines, frantically trying to trim costs under the lash of ever-sharper competition, may have been cutting corners on passenger safety.

One thing is certain: Deregulation has created chaos at the nation's airports by slashing fares, increasing passenger loads and creating wholesale delays. Passengers know it, too. The Transportation Department has received 43 percent more consumer complaints in the first three months of this year than during the first quarter of 1986, and with good reason: The number of flight delays has steadily increased since 1985.

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## Old fogey, experts skeptical about Baby Boom campaign

By Jonathan Wolman  
The Associated Press

### News Analysis

WASHINGTON — The appeal of a "Baby Boomer" presidential campaign is awfully strong among the Democratic candidates who hope to turn their youth advantage in 1988. But it's a prompting skepticism from an old fogey named Bob Dole and some experts who study voting trends.

Dole, the Senate GOP leader from Kansas, is invoking a law of demographics that says no group as big as the 76-million-member Baby Boom generation is going to differ from the population at large.

A sexagenarian, like most of his fellow Republicans, he's praying that Boomers, born 1946 to 1964, don't jell as an interest group and go off an masse, marching to the drum of a different and younger candidate.

If the boomers ever were to vote as a bloc, well, it would be a Big Blue.

"The so-called Baby Boom generation is by far the largest single generation this nation has ever seen," says Sen. Albert Gore of Tennessee, "and this election marks the first time that all its members are of voting age."

BY ELECTION DAY 1988, just over 40 percent of the 18-odd million Americans old enough to vote will be 45 or younger — born just before or during the post-War baby boom.

It may not be good news for the Republican sexagenarians: former Nevada Sen. Paul Laxalt, 66, Dole, 64, and Vice President George Bush and former Secretary of State Alexander Haig, both 63. Pierre Dupont III, the former governor of Delaware, seems like a spring chicken at 52. Rep. Jack Kemp of New York is 51.

In contrast, the Democrats are fielding a youth brigade led by Gore (at 39, he's an honest-to-goodness boomer), 44-year-old Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware and 45-year-old Rev. Jesse Jackson. Rep. Richard Gephardt, 46, and Missouri Gov. Warren E. Hearnes, 47, are also Democrats.

The Democratic senior candidates are Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis at 53 and Illinois Sen. Paul Simon at 58. In the third-state competition, Duke, 51, Dupont, 66 and former Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt (49 this week) are also Democrats.

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DOLE WAS ASKED recently whether it makes him nervous, being the second oldest man in the field.

"I don't know that it makes any difference," he responded. "I'm not certain that the key to this election is the age of the candidate." He told reporters at a Newport News, Va., news conference that he thinks voters under 45 are interested in the same issues as older voters: drug abuse, AIDS and the environment, along with the more traditional issues of war and peace, prosperity and Social Security.

The people at National Election

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## Democrats plot new strategies

ATLANTA (AP) — Democrats trying to recover from their 1984 trouncing in the strategy for March's "Super Tuesday" primary, while presidential hopefuls scrambled to line up Gary Hart's supporters.

The Democratic Leadership Council is trying to unite the party in time for March 8 when at least 20 states, including most of the South, hold primaries. The council's two-day meeting was scheduled to end today.

The importance of the March 8 primaries has been heightened since Hart, a former senator from Colorado, withdrew from the race in May, said former Virginia Gov. Charles Robb, who heads the council.

The question of what Hart's backers will do has been much discussed at the meeting, often privately.

One Hart national co-chairman, Don Mills, speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, said Sunday night that that decision probably won't come until early September.

"We're realizing we don't know that much about some of the candidates," said Mills, who has been leading an effort to keep much of the Southeastern Hart organization intact. "We've been doing more listening than talking."

"We have to make sure we make the right decision for the party," he said. "The possibilities are wide open."

The heads of the Hart organization from 11 states attended the conference.

Some members of Hart's national staff now work in the campaign of Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis, while Will Cheek, formerly Hart's Tennessee coordinator, is working for Sen. Albert Gore, D-Tenn.

One member of the Hart group who spoke on condition of anonymity said some are leaning toward Robb, who has shown little public interest in a candidacy, and for Georgia Sen. Sam Nunn. If Robb doesn't run, both Robb and Nunn are attending.

Robb said, "It is the world's worst-kept secret that I have been trying to get Senator Nunn to join the race, but not yet."

He said he thinks Nunn should wait until the last minute to declare Nunn has not ruled out running.

In Nunn doesn't run, would Robb?

"Let's not address that one quite yet," he said.



HUBERT HUMPHREY III  
... "you're darn tootin'"

## Humphrey's son aims for Senate

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Much as his father did nearly 40 years ago, Hubert H. Humphrey III is taking aim at a U.S. Senate seat long held by Independent-Republicans.

A Humphrey candidacy is expected to trigger a debate over whether he is capitalizing on his famous name.

"I think his name is the reason he is viewed as being strong here in the state and nationally," said former Independent-Republican state Chairman Leon Olstad. "It's not because of his abilities."

Although not as ebullient as his father, supporters say "Bub" Humphrey, whose favorite expression is "you're darn tootin'," has much of the same charisma.

"He's very much like his dad when you listen to him speak," said Harold Windstad, 58, a farmer and longtime campaigner for former Vice President Humphrey, the Democrat who lost the presidency to Richard Nixon in 1968.

The elder Humphrey, who helped engineer the merger of the state

Democratic and Farmer-Labor parties in 1944, four years later became the first DFLer elected to the U.S. Senate.

Humphrey's election broke the Republican hold on both Senate seats and led to 30 years of DFL control of the seats. That ended in 1978, after Humphrey died in office and Republicans won back both seats that fall.

Of Humphrey's three sons, the 44-year-old namesake is the only one to seek elective office and has been carefully groomed for a U.S. Senate race in 1988 against Republican incumbent David Durenberger.

Humphrey has won two races for state attorney general by large margins after a relatively quiet 10-year tenure in the state Senate.

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C'MON, WE'LL TERRIFY THEM TOGETHER!

WELL, B.S., I THINK YOU THINK? ROTTEN

SEE, I TOLD YOU IT WAS NO GOOD!!

**ON THE FASTTRACK** *by Bill Holtz*

DO MEAN, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO SEE THE "HALL OF PRESIDENTS" DOWN AT DISNEY WORLD? YOU COME!

IT'S THOSE ROBBERS, THEY GAVE ME THE "HALL OF PRESIDENTS" DOWN AT DISNEY WORLD? YOU COME!

MEAN, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO SEE THE "HALL OF PRESIDENTS" DOWN AT DISNEY WORLD? YOU COME!

THEY'RE JUST GIFF, MECHANICAL HUMANOID, DOING THE SAME GUPID TRICKS OVER AND OVER!

THEY'RE REMINDING HER OF WORK!

**Bridge**

**Taking precautions**  
By James Jacoby

Since South was using standard bidding, his three-diamond jump raise was forcing. The North hand was best suited for no-trump, but the spade holding of 10-8-4-3 contained an uncertain stopper. So the three-spade cuebid by North showed a partial stop and asked South to bid the no-trump game with J-2, Q-x or anything better.

When the jack of spades was led, South mentally congratulated himself on his fine bidding to get to the right contract. East played the encouraging six of spades at trick one, and declarer won the queen. He then played to the heart king to take a diamond finesse. When West turned up with the diamond king and another spade, the defenders took five tricks to set the contract. Of course it was unlikely that East did not hold the diamond king, but declarer did not play with proper caution.

Since there is only a 50-50 chance that the finesse in diamonds will be successful, South should take precautions in case the diamond king is with West. He assumes a five-card suit for East's one-spade overall. If he allows the jack of spades to hold the trick, the defenders can continue the suit, but the 10 in dummy may be an eventual stopper. Declarer can then play diamonds at his leisure, not caring whether West holds the king, since West will not have another spade to lead to his partner.

*Available by James Jacoby and his father, the late Oswald Jacoby, is now available at bookstores. It is "Jacoby on Card Games," published by Pharos Books.*

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Vulnerable North-South  
Dealer: North

West	East	South
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Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ J

**Polly's Pointers**

**Will pepper plant ever bear fruit?**  
By Polly Fisher

DEAR POLLY — How can I get my ornamental pepper to bear fruit? — SANDY

DEAR SANDY — Ornamental peppers do well in good sun with moderate night temperatures (50 to 60 degrees). Keep the soil evenly moist and fertilize liberally once a month to encourage fruiting.

Unfortunately, once the pepper fruits it is near the end of its life cycle. The plant will never again bear fruit.

I'm sending you a copy of my newsletter, "Hints for Healthy Houseplants," which offers care instructions for 88 of the most popular houseplants, formulas for making your own potting soil and gelatin plant food and tips on watering, potting, growing plant babies and pest control. Others would like a copy of this issue should send \$1 for each copy to POLLY'S POINTERS, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 93863, Cleveland, OH 44193-8663. Be sure to include the title. — POLLY

DEAR POLLY — You don't need expensive tile cleaners to remove dirt and soap scum from ceramic bathroom tile. Plain rubbing alcohol works beautifully. Just pour a little on a plastic scrubbing pad and gently scrub the tile. Rinse and it will shine like new. The alcohol cuts through the worst build-up and is inexpensive. Just remember to keep the room well ventilated so you don't inhale fumes. Also, keep the alcohol out of the reach of children! — BELLE

DEAR POLLY — Here's help for anyone who's having trouble getting a lipstick plant to bloom. My plant grew for a year into beautiful vines, but with no blooms. I found out the vines should be trimmed to no longer than 12 inches to encourage blooming. Use plant food and wait a while after trimming; then the plant will bloom profusely. — AL

Father, I'll send you a Polly Pointer (if I see your favorite Pointer, Foeve or Problem in her column. Write POLLY'S POINTERS in care of this newspaper.

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**THE GRIZZLEWS** *by Bill Bohrer*

MY BODY IS A TEMPLE...

BUT MY APPETITE IS AN ATHEIST...

MUNCH MUNCH MUNCH CHOMP CHOMP

**CAPTAIN EASY** *by Crooks & Castles*

WHAAA

WHISS!

WHOP!

WHOOA!

WHENWWW

**ARLO AND JANIS** *by Jimmy Johnson*

ARLO WHY DO YOU LOVE ME?

OH, I DON'T KNOW...

WE LIKE THE SAME MOVIES, I GUESS!

AND YOUR SENSE OF HUMOR! THERE'S ALWAYS YOUR SENSE OF HUMOR!

**ALLEY OOP** *by Dave Graue*

I'M COMIN' SHIRLEY! HANG ONTO HIM!

ATTA GIRL! NOW YEAN TURN 'IM LOOSE!

THERE! I THINK THAT OUGHTA START THINGS HUMMING AROUND HERE!

WITH THE AID OF SHIRLEY THE GIANT SOLDIER ALLEY AND AQUANA CATCH UP WITH MYRZA AND HER CAPTIVES.

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**THE BORN LOSER** *by Art Sansom*

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# BUSINESS



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## Pilot Pen to open new Trumbull plant

By Linda Stowell  
The Associated Press

TRUMBULL — The president of Pilot Pen of America considers its opening next month of a new manufacturing and distribution center in Trumbull a stroke against protectionism.

Pilot Pen, which had been importing ball point pens manufactured by its Japanese parent company, will make its most popular pen, a ball-point model called BP-5, in its new \$8.5 million facility.

The company sells about 5 million BP-5 pens each month, according to Ronald G. Shaw, president of Pilot Pen of America. Eventually the company hopes to manufacture all of the products it sells in this country at the new plant.

"The whole significance in this is to say that protectionism doesn't work," Shaw said. "If those who are in favor of protectionism had been allowed to (stop Pilot from importing), we would have been out of business."

"We would not have been able to import, which is what allows us to garner a market share that now necessitates a manufacturing center here," Shaw said.

Shaw said the decision to move manufacturing to the United States was made even before changes in currency exchange rates made the idea practical.

"We wanted to be in charge of our own destiny," he said. "To make them here we immediately eliminate the shipping expense from Japan, and we eliminate the customs duty."

The largest pen company in Japan, Pilot Pen was started in 1981 and the Trumbull subsidiary opened in 1984. Shaw, a former comedian, joined Pilot in Trumbull in 1985 after 16 years at Bic Corp. in Milford, a U.S. subsidiary of the French consumer products giant Bic Inc.

## Gas prices to go up at pump this summer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Gasoline prices may climb throughout the summer even though moderating wholesale price increases slowed hikes at the retail level during the last two weeks, an analyst said.

The average pump price for all grades rose about one-third of a cent per gallon during the period, said Trilby Lundberg, president of the bi-weekly Lundberg Survey and publisher of an oil industry newsletter.

By comparison, prices rose an average 1.15 cent a gallon between May 23 and June 3, and 97 cent a gallon in the two weeks before that.

But prices could rise sharply in the coming weeks if more vacationers take to the roads and boost demand. Ms. Lundberg said Sunday.

On Friday, the nationwide average price for all grades of gasoline, including taxes, was 90.12 cents a gallon.

That was up 0.38 cent per gallon since June 5.

"There has been a bit of a slowdown in wholesale price increases, but this is only June 19," Ms. Lundberg said. "We could easily see further price increases this summer."

At self-service pumps, motorists paid an average of 91.46 cents a gallon for regular unleaded, \$1.0469 for premium unleaded and \$1.74 cents for regular lead.

Full-service prices were \$1.1768 for regular unleaded, \$1.3749 for premium unleaded and \$1.1399 for regular lead.

The average price Friday was up 2.63 cents a gallon from the year before, but 24.50 cents a gallon less than in June 1985.

Gas station operators in increasing numbers are depending on convenience stores to bring profits.

## U.S. dollar moves up; gold down in trading

LONDON (AP) — The dollar rose against all major foreign currencies except the Canadian dollar in early European trading today. Gold prices dropped.

European currency traders said the dollar was boosted by a generally bullish market and by dealers exchanging their British pounds for dollars.

Dealers in Rome said trading was expected to be calm and uneventful for the next few days.

In Tokyo, where trading ends before Europe's business day begins, the dollar rose to a 10-week high, closing at 143.30 yen from Friday's 144.46. Later, in London, it was quoted higher at 145.45 yen.

Other dollar rates at mid-morning, compared with late Friday's rates:

- 1.8320 West German marks, up from 1.8200
- 1.3245 Swiss francs, up from 1.3185
- 6.1185 French francs, up from 6.1025
- 2.0651 Dutch guilders, up from 2.0500
- 1.234.50 Italian lire, up from 1,321.50

## Lacking interest in savings bonds

**QUESTION:** Last August, I exchanged my Series E, U.S. Savings Bonds, which had a 10 1/2% redemption value of \$4,500, for Series HH bonds. I received nine \$500 HH bonds, dated Aug. 27, 1986.

From reading your column, I know that HH bonds are supposed to pay interest semi-annually. More than six months have passed and I haven't received an interest check. Whom should I contact about this and when should I receive interest?

**ANSWER:** Write to Bureau of the Public Debt, 206 Third Street, Parkersburg, W. Va. 26101-2223. Explain your problem. Ask the bureau to find out what happened and send you the missing check or a replacement check.

You should have received your first HH interest check February 1. The Aug. 27, 1987, printed on your bonds is the issuing agent's dating stamp. The issue date of every U.S. Savings Bond is the first day of the month in which the bond was issued. You'll find that noted on each of your bonds, just above the issuing agent's dating stamp.

Because the issue date for your HH bonds is Aug. 1, 1986, you should receive interest checks every February 1 and August 1 for the bonds' 10-year scheduled maturity.

You'll probably collect interest past that time. "Extended maturities" were granted to old H bonds, the predecessors of HHs, stretching their lives to as long as 30 years. It's likely the same thing will be done for HHs.

Your HHs pay 7.5 percent annual interest. So, on \$4,500 face value of bonds, your semi-annual interest on each will be in the amount of \$168.75.

**QUESTION:** I have approximately \$22,000 face value of Series E, U.S. Savings Bonds, in various denominations, some dating back about 25 years. I want to exchange them for HH bonds, in order to collect semi-annual interest.

My bank advised me to contact a federal agency to obtain a chart enabling me to know exactly when to make the exchange, so as to obtain maximum interest on each bond. However, the bank was unable to direct me to the specific agency. Can you?

**ANSWER:** You want a sheet headed: "Schedule of Interest Dates for U.S. Savings Bonds, Series E and EE." It's available from Bureau of the Public Debt, 206 Third Street, Parkersburg, W. Va., 26106-1528. Copies are supplied to banks and other Savings Bond agents. Your bank should be able to provide one for you.

By studying that sheet, you'll learn the months in which interest is added to the value of each of your bonds. The idea is to exchange your Es for HHs in the months in which the Es increase in value — or to redeem the Es for cash in the appropriate month rate.

Caution! Do not exchange or redeem your Es until at least next November or the month following November in which your bonds are credited with their next semi-annual interest accrual.

By looking around then, all your bonds will receive the variable "Market-based" interest rate which will have been in effect for five years.

That market-based for the five years will be 8.68 percent. If you redeem before November of the following month in which interest accrual is due, you will get your E bonds' guaranteed rate. Depending on when E bonds were issued, the guaranteed rate is anywhere from 6 percent to 8.9 percent.

Your E bonds have a redemption or exchange value — purchase price plus accrued interest — way in excess of their \$22,000 face value. It will be worth your while to delay making the exchange for HHs until your Es are eligible for the 8.68 percent market-based rate.

## High school graduates sought by EB

GROTON (AP) — Recruiters from Electric Boat, a leading employer in Connecticut and Rhode Island, are trying to explain the benefits of a job with a future to high school graduates dazzled by the golden arches.

Thomas Sotir, vice president for human resources at the division of General Dynamics Corp., said the submarine builder is recruiting in the fall to educate parents, shop teachers and guidance counselors about what it has to offer.

Jo Alexopoulos, director of guidance at Ledyard High School, said she was glad to see EB recruiters. "It is a much better situation for kids now than a few years ago," she said. "Most of them have options. We're more used to college representatives coming, and it's great to have people out recruiting students who are bound immediately for the world of work."

EB is stressing that students may find its \$4.80 starting wage slightly lower than what many retail and service industries are offering, but it maintains that its career opportunities are better.

An entry-level worker at EB can earn \$6.54 per hour within nine months, and can be a first-class tradesman earning more than \$12 per hour in less than six years.

Workers also can apply for apprenticeship programs through which they move up the pay scales more quickly and can get further academic training while learning specialized skills.

"We still have great needs for people, although our overall level of employment is stable," Sotir said.

## Hotels try to acquire Allegis

CHICAGO (AP) — Two of the nation's largest hotel chains are working together in an attempt to take over the beleaguered Allegis Corp. travel conglomerate, a business journal reported today.

Representatives of the Marriott Corp. and the Pritsker family, owners of the Hyatt Corp., have discussed a possible deal with investment bankers whose clients are interested in Allegis, according to Grant's Chicago Business.

According to the journal's sources, who were not identified, the Pritsker interests would acquire Allegis' Westin and Hilton International hotel properties and sell off its United Airlines and Hertz units to finance the deal.

The hotel units would sell at a lower price than if the units were partitioned, as Allegis is now contemplating. But any bid by the two chains would have to top the payout to shareholders of an asset auction when Chicago-based Allegis is broken up, the journal said.

In addition to the talks with investment bankers, Marriott officials have queried two of the three major unions representing United Airlines about the possibility of a buyout, the journal said.

Moreover, Pritsker representatives continue to hold meetings with the United branch of the Air Line Pilots Association, Crain's said.

"There are at least two hotel parties trying to line up a deal," said John Peterpaul, vice president of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, which represents one-third of United's 61,000 employees.

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# Halliday easily sets a record

By Jim Tierney  
Herald Sports Writer

For Bloomfield's Celeste Halliday, the Women's Open 800 meters in the Saturday 12th Annual Manchester Community College New England Relays at Manchester High School, may as well have had just one entrant.

Halliday, who just completed her sophomore year at Villanova University and is an All-American in the 800, literally ran away with the event in the Relays and established a meet record of 2:07.85. Halliday was named the outstanding performer in the Women's Open Division.

"I knew when the gun went off, I had to get out," the 20-year-old Halliday said. "It's really hard to run alone and knowing you're going to run alone is even harder. It (the race) took a lot out of me mentally. It's really hard for me to come here and not do well."

Halliday, a 1985 graduate of Bloomfield High School who also holds the Relays' record for the high school division in the event at 2:16.2, went through the first quarter mile in 52 seconds and held a substantial lead.

Second place in the race was timed in 2:29 which illustrates how easily Halliday conquered her adversaries. Halliday's fluid and seemingly effortless stride showed why she is an All-American. Halliday, whose personal best for the 800 is 2:08.12, placed fifth in the 800 final at the NCAA Division I Championships two weeks ago in Baton Rouge, La. Her next major race is this week in San Jose, Calif., in the TAC (The Athletics Congress) National Championships.

"I wanted to run pretty decent and make myself feel a little confident going into the TAC meet," she said. "It's going to be hard. I'm not going to kid myself. I have to let the real, real good people roll me through."

This past year, Halliday was a member of two world record-setting relay teams at Villanova — the 4 X 800 (where she was the anchor leg) and the distance medley. She is the only Connecticut athlete to be part of a world record team.

in track and field.

The expected dust between four-time Olympic gold medalist in the discus, Al Oerter, and Manchester High phenom Bryan Brophy, never materialized due to a back spasm suffered by Oerter which caused him to withdraw from the event.

Brophy, the No. 1 high school discus thrower in the United States, was the high school division in the discus and placed fourth in the Open division. Brophy, too, wasn't at his best due to a deep muscle pull which forced him out of the TAC Junior National. Discus throw last week in Tucson, Ariz. He threw from a standing position. "A full spin bothers me so I just took some standing throws," Brophy said. "It bothers me but I wanted to compete today."

"I have a lower back spasm and rather than yank something and have it take me a month and a half to get together, I'll be ready next weekend," the 26-year-old Oerter said. "I tried to warm up. Three hours in a car doesn't help back spasms," said of his ride from his home in West Islip, Long Island.

Oerter shattered the Relays' discus record a year ago with a total of 204 feet, 7 inches. Oerter, who carried the United States flag during the opening ceremonies in Mexico City at the 1968 Summer Olympics, has fervent hopes of making the U.S. team in 1988.

"I just started throwing," Oerter said. "My attitude is back. I feel like training and I am training. Probably 215-216 (feet) would make one of the top three (Olympic spots). It's a good shot. Now that there's drug testing, all of those 230-240-foot throwers have disappeared."

Experience and youth were contrasted in Oerter and Halliday and Brophy. Four Olympic gold medals at four different Olympics is unparalleled and he is shooting for a fifth.

Brophy, who will graduate from Manchester High tonight and attend George Mason University in Fairfax, Va., and Halliday are the 4 X 800 (where she was the anchor leg) and the distance medley. She is the only Connecticut athlete to be part of a world record team.



Mike Seimond, in the colors of the Silk City Striders, leads a pack during the running of the 1500-meter race walk Saturday at the MCC New England Relays. Seimond won the men's division.

## MCC Relay records fall by the wayside

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form because if you don't you can be disqualified."

Tennysen Mulndi, a University of Rhode Island graduate who won last year's mile run, took top honors in the 1600-meter run with a record clocking of 3:56.86. He led Ed Sparkowski across the finish line with Manchester natives Steve Gates and Tim DeVale third and fourth in 4:03.56 and 4:05.83, respectively. Doug Powell set a record in the 400-meter run with a time of 47.96.

John Ward became an eight-time champion in the men's open javelin

with a toss of 216 feet, 4 inches, almost 12 feet better than his closest competitor. Two former champions, Kymn Orr from 1984 and Joe Patrone from '85, went at it in the men's open high jump with Orr coming out the winner at 7-foot, 4-inch. Patrone, who holds the meet record at 7-foot, 6 inches, was second at 6-foot, 10 inches. The national 56-pound weight throw championship went to Edward McCabe with a toss of the heavy ball of 39-foot 3/8 inches.

RELAY NOTES: John Jenkins, manning the turbine, noted the paid crowd was 785 with another 50 or so admitted on free passes.

The top three finishers, if registered with the TAC, earned berths to the Junior Olympic Regional Meet in Portland, Maine, this Friday through Sunday. Brian



CELESTE HALLIDAY ... 800 record setter



ELLIOT QUOW ... 200-meter winner



Tennysen Mulndi (885) leads the pack during the running of the 1600-meter run. Mulndi won the event with a record-setting time of 3:56.86.



Stephanie Fish (right), of Glastonbury, passes the baton to Becky Barton, of Varnon, during the running of the 400-meter relay in the Junior Relays Saturday morning at the Wigren Track.



Joseph Patrone tries to get over the bar in the high jump. Patrone cleared 6 feet, 10 inches to take second place in the event.



Maryanne Torralas, of Clinton, the national record holder in every distance in the race walk, took her specialty on Saturday at the MCC New England Relays with a record-setting performance of 6:33.26, easily shattering the previous mark which she held.

# Simpson holds off past champs for Open title

By Eric Prowitt  
The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Scott Simpson was surrounded by guys with green jackets, Masters champions all.

But when the 67th U.S. Open ended Sunday, the 31-year-old California golfer had his first major golf title. His closing round of 2-under-par 68 on the Olympic Club's Laker Course was his first one-stroke victory over Tom Watson, the two-time Masters winner.

Spain's Seve Ballesteros, another man who has twice won the traditional green jacket presented to Masters champions, finished five strokes behind Simpson in third.

"I'm actually surprised I won it, to tell the truth," Simpson said. "Watson was disappointed but not surprised at the outcome."

"Scott Simpson is a very fine golfer. He's proven he can come from behind and that he can win on tough golf courses. Does it surprise me? No," Watson said.

Simpson made three consecutive birdies starting at the 14th hole, going ahead to stay with his 15-foot putt for a 4 on the 109-yard 16th. He saved a par at No. 17 by coming out of bunker and making a long putt, then parred the 18th to complete the tournament with a 3-and-1 total of 277.

Watson had three bogeys on the first five holes but no more in his round, but fell back with bogeys at the 12th and 13th and finished with a 71 for his total of 282.

Ballesteros battled to within one stroke of the lead midway through Sunday's round, but fell back with bogeys at the 12th and 13th and finished with a 71 for his total of 282.

At one point there was a four-way

tie for first involving Simpson and three Masters winners — Watson, Ben Crenshaw and current champ

"I've had a good consistent course and made some money, but I've got a little less recognition than some of the other guys. That's been fine with me," Simpson said. "Maybe I'll get more recognition now."

Misses, Crenshaw and Langer finished at 282 in a five-way tie with Seve Ballesteros and Curtis Strange for fourth place.

Keith Clearwater, who matched the course record with a 64 on Saturday, fell from second place to a 3rd finish by shooting a 79.

Defending Open champ Ray Floyd had a 73 for a 290 finish. Jack Nicklaus, who had 71 for a 291, and British Open champ Greg Norman went 77 for 292. On the last three Open holes, Norman went triple bogey-double bogey-birdie.

Simpson's highest round was an opening 71, followed by 68, 70 and 68.

"The strength of my game is consistency," Simpson said.

He said his father, a good amateur golfer from San Diego who has guided the Olympic course many times, told him the course "was made for me."

Simpson concluded, "It's made for me. I play well, and I was fortunate enough to play well this week."

"Today was probably the best putting round I've ever had," Watson said. "I didn't keep from making mistakes with the putter."



Scott Simpson waves to the crowd after finishing the 18th hole at the Olympic Club in San Francisco Sunday after winning the U.S. Open golf title with a 3-under-par total for the tournament.

## 'Team Watson' knew he was far from finished

By Steve Wilstein  
The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — "Team Watson" — Tom, his wife, Linda, and his mentor, Byron Nelson — had heard enough of the idea that Tom might be finished.

Even the kind words offered at the U.S. Open, at Tom's end of three years of frustration, sounded too sweet and sticky.

"Everybody keeps saying they're glad he's back," Linda said Sunday after Tom finished a stroke behind U.S. Open champion Scott Simpson. "He was never away."

Wearing large sunglasses and blending into the gallery, Linda Watson, the 37-year-old ex-wife of a husband around the course as she had all week.

When she talked about his game, she used the pronoun "we," as in "consistency has been missing and that's what we have been working for."

She said that despite speculation that he had lost some of his intensity and desire to win, he had been working hard to overcome a slump.

"He's wanted to win more than anyone's wanted him to win," she said Sunday. "I've seen Tom struggle from 1977 to 1980 and again in 1984. Watson came up only a few inches short of sending the Open into a golf playoff."

Watson said after leading through three rounds that he had done enough to erase any self-doubts about his ability to play again in the front ranks of golf.

After going to the well and coming up dry on Sunday in a round he had called perhaps the most

important of his career, he thirsted for more.

"I have nothing to be ashamed about, but I am disappointed I didn't win," he said. "I have to win to prove that I'm back. I have to win in Hartford this week. He was going to pass up the tournament but he said Sunday he will go there after hosting a charity party at home in Kansas City, Mo."

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His curving, 45-foot putt on the 18th hole stopped breathtakingly close to the cup and kept him from tying Simpson at 277.

A couple of other putts, though less dramatic were even closer. He bogeyed the first hole when he

just for a one-week blast from the past.

"It has been a hard three years, but I know that sooner or later it would come to an end," his wife said, casting her vote for a real comeback. "He's just too good a player for it not to happen."

The Watsons haven't exactly starved the past few years, with Tom winning \$26,776 on the tour in 1985 and \$273,338 last year when he finished in the top 10 nine times. His \$170,000 net brings his 1987 winnings to \$170,000.

"Right now I have a strange feeling," his wife said. "I feel like Jack Nicklaus did 10 years ago. They said he was all done."

Nicklaus, now 47, recovered from the over-the-hill stories to win the U.S. Open and PGA Championship in 1980, a couple of other tournaments and the Masters last year.

Watson's Open performance gave him a big boost, he said, and now "the afterthoughts just have to turn on."

The question, though, is whether Watson's comeback is for real, or

## UNLV's Gilliam should go quickly after Robinson in the NBA draft

By Bill Barnard  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Armon Gilliam has come a long way, from junior varsity scrub in high school to potential No. 2 pick in the first round of the NBA draft.

"I was the seventh man on the 10-man junior varsity," Gilliam said of the start of his basketball career at Bethel Park High School just outside Pittsburgh. "At the time I was better in football, but I really loved basketball and stuck with it."

The 6-foot-9 Gilliam stuck with basketball so closely that he was in line to go quickly in today's draft once Navy's David Robinson is taken No. 1 by the San Antonio Spurs.

Phoenix had the first pick after the Spurs, and Suns General Manager Jerry Colangelo said Gilliam and Dennis Hopson of Ohio State were the only two players invited back to Phoenix for a follow-up interview.

"He's strong as a bull, has a soft touch for a big man and is a leader — the prototype power forward," Colangelo said.

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"Phoenix is very interested in me, but we have to wait and see what happens," Gilliam said by telephone from Las Vegas. "My interview with them went well. I would love to go to Phoenix. It would be good for them because they need help at power forward."

The Suns have been torn by scandal in recent months. Three of their players were indicted on drug charges, others were named by a grand jury as being aware of drug transactions and the team's career scoring leader, Walter Davis, went into drug rehabilitation for a second time.

On Sunday night, the Suns sent second-year forward Ed Pinckney and a second-round draft pick in 1988 to the Sacramento Kings for swingman Eddie Johnson. Earlier

"His body typifies the power forward in this league," SuperSonics President Bob Whitlitt said. "Even with that big body he has good ability and is flat-out a good person."

Gilliam averaged 23.2 points and 9.3 rebounds as a senior for UNLV, leading a team that was ranked No. 1 in the nation for most of the season.

"I believe I can rebound and score in the NBA, but if I went to Phoenix, my No. 1 priority would be rebounding because that's what they need," Gilliam said. "I feel great about my future. I worked hard the last few years, but I never dreamed in high school that I'd be an NBA player."

Others expected to join Robinson, Gilliam and Hopson as high draft choices were 6-11 Olden Polynice of Virginia, who played last season in Italy; 7-0 Chris Welp of Washington; 6-3 Kenny Smith of North Carolina; 6-10 Horace Grant of Clemson; 6-9 Dallas Comegys of DePaul; 6-7 Reggie Williams of Georgetown; 6-9 Derrick McKey of Alabama; 6-8 Ken Norman of Illinois and 6-3 Mark Jackson of St. John's.

injury in the third round in 1984 is the "favorite not only with the British bookmakers but also with the other players."

"Boris will be very confident because he has won here twice," Lendl said. "As soon as he sets foot on grass, his whole world lights up."

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Navy's David Robinson, grabbing one of his 25 rebounds against Fairfield in a game in May, will be the No. 1 pick overall in today's NBA draft that will be conducted in New York City.

## Wimbledon's 101st championships are set to begin today

By Andrew Warshaw  
The Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England — Wimbledon's grass signifies only one thing for Boris Becker and Martina Navratilova — success.

Becker has lifted the men's trophy the past two years while Navratilova has won the women's title the past five years.

When the 101st All-England championships began today, Becker was favored to become only the seventh man, and the third in modern times, to win three successive singles titles in the world's most prestigious tournament.

Navratilova, however, lost by a hair after a winless year and a growing confidence crisis.

"I'm not confident now, when will I be?" Becker said after completing his Wimbledon preparation by winning the Queens Club championships last week.

Navratilova, like all her leading

rivals for the women's title, has until Tuesday, traditionally known as "Ladies Day," to think about her first-round opponent, Claudia Porhac of West Germany.

Some women seeds were on the first-day program, including No. 7 Gabriela Sabatini, No. 8 Manuela Maleeva, No. 11 Lori McNeil and No. 12 Catarina Lindqvist.

But if the attention on Monday focused on the red-haired Becker, for the second successive year the 19-year-old West German had the honor of playing the first match of the tournament on Centre Court. This time against Karl Novacek of Czechoslovakia.

After Becker, Australia's Pat Cash, the No. 11 seed, faced Marcel Frenschmann of the United States.

Today's schedule also included Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia, the top-ranked men's player, but the No. 2 tournament seed, against Romania's Christian Saccau.

Third-seeded Mats Wilander and No. 4 Stefan Edberg, both of Sweden, and Americans Tim Mayotte and Brad Gilbert, seeded 10th and 12th, respectively, also were in action.

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