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Navy chases Iranians away from convoy

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — U.S. Navy helicopters and two warships today chased off an Iranian gunboat that came too close to a convoy escorting the mine-damaged supertanker Bridgeton in the Strait of Hormuz, shipping sources said.

The incident was the first significant confrontation between the U.S. and Iranian navies since the United States began July 20 escorting 11 Kuwaiti tankers reflagged with the Stars and Stripes to protect them from Iranian attacks. Iran accuses Kuwait of supporting Iraq in the 7-year Iran-Iraq war.

The interception in the narrow Strait of Hormuz, gateway to the Persian Gulf, came as a new convoy of three Kuwaiti tankers flying the American flag was reported heading into the gulf escorted by U.S. warships.

Three other tankers that had sailed from Kuwait with the Bridgeton on Saturday were believed to be catching up with the supertanker as it steamed through the Strait of Hormuz past Iranian anti-ship missile emplacements on the way out of the gulf.

The shipping sources said the helicopter carrier Guadalcanal and the frigate Hawes intercepted an Iranian gunboat that came too close to the Bridgeton convoy and forced it to move away. The Navy has ordered ships to stay one mile away from the convoys.

The Guadalcanal scrambled one or more helicopter gunships to shadow the gunboat, said the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The outbound convoy with the Bridgeton was escorted by the U.S. destroyer Kidd and the frigates Hawes and Klakring from Kuwait. The frigate Crommelin joined the group after the Bridgeton entered the Strait of Hormuz at 8 a.m.

In Washington, Pentagon sources said two small dhows, traditional wooden sailboats that ferry cargo

in the gulf, came too close to the convoy.

The sources said the ships were told to stay away. When they didn't alter course, flares were fired and the dhows then heeded the warning and left, the sources said.

It was not known if the Pentagon and shipping sources were describing the same incident.

The shipping sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, based their reports on ship sightings and radio contacts.

They gave The Associated Press this account of the exchange between the U.S. and Iranian vessels:

The Crommelin: "Iranian naval warship, this is U.S. Warship 37. I am at the head of a column of three ships transiting the Arabian Gulf. Request your intentions Sir."

Iranian gunboat: "We're operating in international waters and we have no actions."

The Crommelin: "Roger. Thank you Sir. Have a good day."

Iranian gunboat: "And you have a good day."

The sources didn't know whether this exchange took place before the Guadalcanal scrambled the helicopters.

It was not known which warships were with the three tankers in the inbound convoy and what its exact position was.

Three more reflagged tankers were at Kuwait's main oil terminal at Al-Ahmadi loading crude oil for the return trip down the gulf as the Bridgeton and the three others were sailing out.

That means 10 of the 11 reflagged tankers were in gulf waters at one time. The gas products tanker Gas Prince is the only one that has so far been escorted to Kuwait, loaded, and escorted out of the gulf. It is now heading for Japan.

"The inbound convoy is escorted by about three warships, and the outbound convoy is escorted by about four or five warships," a Dubai-based shipping executive said.

"This means that the U.S. Navy will be practically monopolizing the strait for a number of hours."

U.S. Rep. Stephen Solarz, D-N.Y., said Saturday that Kuwait would charter two American tankers, the New York and the Massachusetts, to add to its fleet under U.S. protection.

The arrival of the inbound convoy, the sixth one-way convoy to be given U.S. flags, surprised the shipping executives. The Navy has been trying to camouflage the convoy movements to minimize the risk of Iranian strikes.

The 10-unit U.S. Middle East Force provides escort for the convoys as they shuttle along a 550-mile path between Kuwait and the Strait of Hormuz.

Iran has deployed Chinese-made Silkworm missiles on its side of the water channel, which is the only gateway to the oil-rich gulf.

Iranian Revolutionary Guards have been accused of planting mines in the waterway.

The Bridgeton, the world's sixth-largest supertanker, was damaged by a mine July 24 as it sailed toward Kuwait, past Iran's Farsi Island, one of the Revolutionary Guards' main bases.

Indian, could be sentenced to life in prison.

William Kunstler, one of Lonetree's two civilian lawyers, touched on themes repeated throughout the court-martial in remarks prepared for delivery to the jurors who convicted Lonetree and will decide his sentence.

"The whole world knows that Clayton Lonetree is merely a pawn in the great scheme of things," Kunstler said. "He bears on his thin shoulders the criminal negligence of the Department of State, the lies



Herald photo by Tucker

Artist at work

Dan Nichols of Manchester works on a painting of the South United Methodist Church at Main Street and Hartford Road on Friday. He plans to include the

painting in an exhibit of his works at the public library in Woodbury from mid-September to mid-October.

Reagan still wants a summit, but no meeting in September

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) — President Reagan's invitation to Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev for a summit meeting on U.S. soil still stands, but there is no basis for a newspaper report that the two leaders will meet in Washington in September, the State Department says.

Department spokeswoman Nancy Beck denied the report of an impending meeting, which appeared in Sunday's editions of the Los Angeles Times, as Reagan rested at his ranch north of Santa Barbara on the 11th day of a 25-day California stay.

Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady I. Gerasimov, asked today whether a U.S. visit was planned by Gorbachev, also denied the newspaper report: "We have no such news. This is not true."

The president and first lady

Nancy Reagan will interrupt their ranch vacation Tuesday and spend the rest of the week in Los Angeles. Reagan plans a foreign policy speech, billed as a major address on East-West relations, in Los Angeles on Wednesday.

The Times report, attributed to an official the newspaper did not name, said the Soviet Union had informed the United States that Gorbachev planned to visit New York in late September to attend the U.N. General Assembly meeting and then meet with Reagan in Washington.

Officials in Santa Barbara said they knew nothing of any such plans.

Ms. Beck, speaking in Washington, said, "There is no basis for the story in today's Los Angeles Times. There are no discussions or current plans for a summit between Presi-

dent Reagan and General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev in connection with the U.N. General Assembly meeting."

"When he was in Geneva, the president invited the general secretary to the United States and that invitation still stands," Ms. Beck said.

Gorbachev agreed in principle at his first meeting with Reagan in November 1985 to visit the president in the United States, but never has formally accepted the president's invitation.

Secretary of State George P. Shultz and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze have agreed to meet Sept. 15-17 in Washington in a session which administration officials have said could pave the way for a pre-thanking superpower summit in the nation's capital.

Pole fire blacks out thousands

More than 4,000 Northeast Utilities customers in Manchester and Bolton lost their power this morning after a utility pole caught on fire on Keeney Street, according to Jose Chavez, community relations manager for Northeast Utilities.

The company is unsure how the fire started this morning, he said. The fire, which started at 9:43 a.m., shut off power to 4,280 customers in the two towns. Customers in southeast Manchester and around Bolton Center Road in Bolton were affected by the outage.

"We don't know why it caught on fire," Chavez said.

Chavez said the company hoped to have most of its customers back on line by noon. He said the company had been switching the power back on to most of its customers throughout the morning.

Defense lawyer says Lonetree just a pawn

QUANTICO, Va. (AP) — Marine Sgt. Clayton Lonetree was only a pawn in a scheme that involved greater excesses by the government, his lawyer said today as Lonetree awaited sentencing on espionage charges.

The sentencing hearing opened in the same tiny Quantico Marine Corps Base courtroom where Lonetree was convicted Friday on 13 charges, but almost immediately the proceedings went into recess so documents could be photocopied.

Lonetree, a 25-year-old American

of the CIA, the brutal excesses of the Naval Investigative Service and now, through your verdicts, the self-protective myopia of the Marine Corps."

"Now, gentlemen, punish him as you will, and try to sleep soundly tonight and all the nights to come. You may find it extremely difficult to do," Kunstler said.

Earlier, Lonetree's lawyers said they think they have a better chance getting his conviction overturned than gaining leniency when he is sentenced for passing secrets

to his Soviet lover.

As in the month-long trial, which was punctuated by frequent government censorship, the defense planned to call no witnesses during the sentencing hearing, said defense attorney Michael Stuhff.

"If this conviction does stand, it is time for us to surrender and say the Soviet Union has won, there is no difference between their system and ours," Stuhff said.

Lonetree, of St. Paul, Minn., was the first Marine to stand court-martial for espionage. Authorities

alleged he gave the KGB, the Soviet secret police, identities of CIA agents and floor plans to the U.S. embassies in Moscow and Vienna, where he worked as a guard.

Prosecutors charged him with passing secrets to the Soviets after falling in love with a Soviet translator, Violetta Sanni.

Lonetree's lawyers said he gave away nothing of value.

Stuhff and Kunstler said late Sunday they had not added up the entire maximum sentence Lonetree could receive.

Escape worries elderly

By Bruce Matzkin
Herald Reporter

Residents of Mayfair Gardens, the housing complex for the elderly where an 88-year-old woman was strangled in March, today expressed concern over the weekend escape of the man considered a suspect in the case.

"We all got frightened. Last night we took extra precautions, and we didn't go out for walks like we normally do," said one woman. Residents asked that their names not be used.

Frederick R. Merrill, 40, formerly of Tolland, was waiting trial at the Connecticut Correctional Institution in Somers on several charges stemming from the beating and sexual assault in March of a South Windsor woman.

Merrill was discovered missing from his cell Sunday morning during a 7 a.m. bed check. State and Somers police, corrections officers and police dogs searched for him Sunday. The National Guard has provided a helicopter to aid in the search.

Last March, Merrill was questioned in connection with the murder of Bernice Martin, who lived at Mayfair Gardens.

Gary Wood, a spokesman for the Manchester Police Department, said today that Merrill is still a suspect in the Martin murder.

The mood at Mayfair Gardens this morning was one of fear.

"I hope he's not around here," said a woman at Mayfair Gardens. "Last night I really locked up."

Another woman, who has moved into Mayfair Gardens since the murder, said she was surprised when she heard on the news that the escaped prisoner may have had something to do with a murder there.

"It's kind of scary," she said. "I said to myself I had better really lock the doors."

"We are all very frightened," said another woman. "We don't leave our houses to play cards any more at night."

Other residents did not know Merrill was a suspect in the Martin murder. But they said they, too, are afraid now that they know.

"We are on edge," said a woman. "I looked to see if you had a mustache," she said, referring to the photo she saw of Merrill on the television news.

Another woman said, "I didn't know he was connected with the murder here, but if he is the man, I wish they would catch him."

Merrill has a history of prison escapes dating back to 1967, when he escaped from a prison farm in Enfield. In 1968, he used a gun that was hidden in a peanut butter jar given to him by his mother. Gladys Merrill, 80, was sentenced to two years in prison for her role in that escape.

TODAY

Back to school

Three hemophilic brothers carrying the AIDS virus braved death threats and a boycott to return to class today under a court order as police patrolled their elementary school in Florida. Story on page 10.

Clear and cool

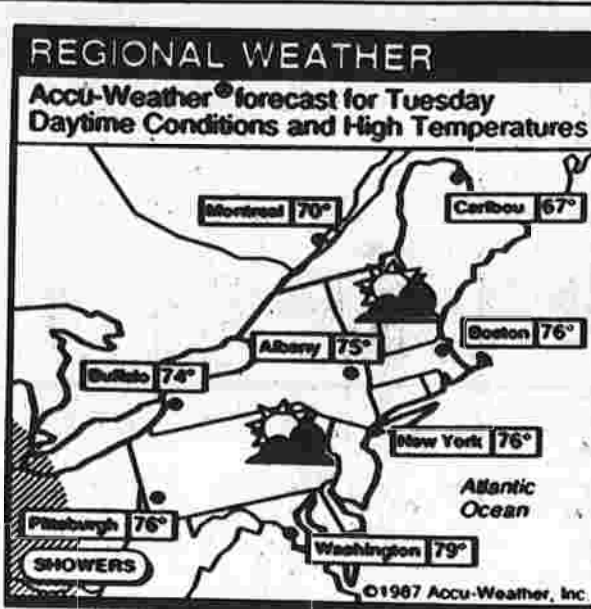
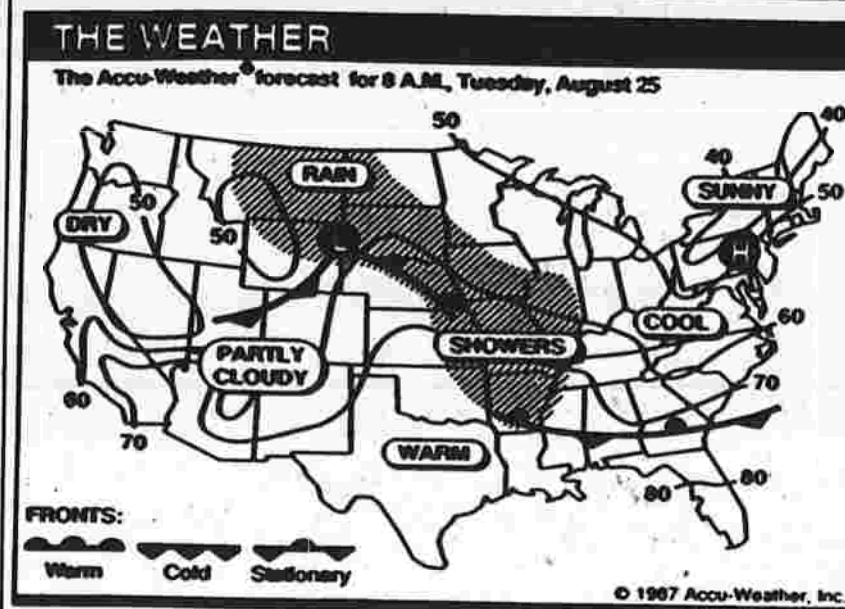
Clear and cool tonight with low around 50. Sunny Tuesday with high in the 70s.

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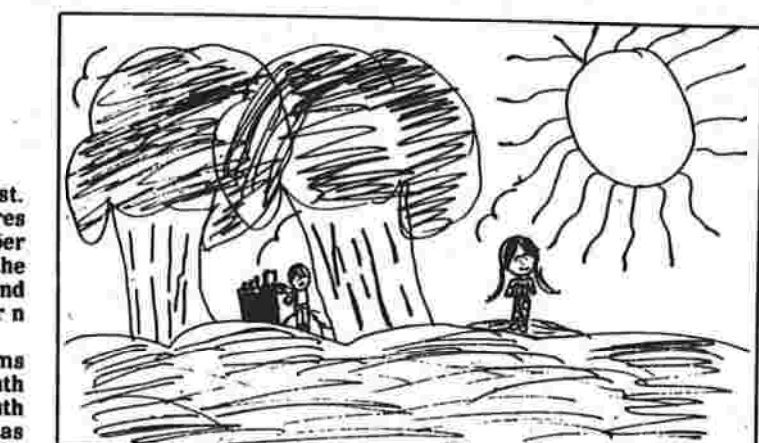
High pressure draws cool air to Northeast

By The Associated Press

Temperatures chilled the Northeast and were in the 30s in Minnesota early today, while rain was scattered from the South to the Southwest.

Rain also fell the Rockies and central Plains.

A high pressure centered over Iowa and Minnesota drew cold air from Canada into the Northeast.



Today's weather picture was drawn by Shannon Boochino, 11, who lives on Hollister Street and attends Robertson School.

Weather Trivia

What month has the greatest frequency of hurricanes?

Answer: MAY

What month has the fewest hurricanes?

Answer: FEBRUARY

CONNECTICUT WEATHER

Central, Eastern Interior, Southwest Interior: Tonight, clear and cool. Low in the lower 50s in urban areas, 40s elsewhere. Tuesday, sunny. High in the 70s.

West Coastal, East Coastal: Tonight, clear. Low in the 50s. Tuesday, sunny. High in the mid 70s.

Northwest Hills: Tonight, clear and cool. Low 40 to 45. Tuesday, sunny. High 70 to 75.

Long Island Sound to Watch Hill, R.I., and Montauk Point: Wind becoming west 10 to 15 knots this afternoon and about 10 knots tonight. Tuesday west winds 10 to 15 knots. Seas 1 to 3 feet today, 1 to 2 feet tonight and Tuesday. Fair weather through Tuesday.

FOCUS



Tall, Tough and Tenacious

Trees are the tallest living things on Earth. The tallest tree of all is the California redwood. Redwoods reach heights of over 360 feet — more than 60 times the height of an average man. Many redwood trees alive today are centuries old. The secret of their survival over the years is in their bark. On older redwoods, the bark is 12 inches thick. Its fissured surface makes it extremely resistant to fire. The wood also resists decay, disease, and insects.

DO YOU KNOW — Are redwoods deciduous trees? **FRIDAY'S ANSWER —** Alexander Dubcek was head of the Czech Communist Party in August of 1968.

Almanac

Aug. 24, 1987

Today is the 236th day of 1987 and the 65th day of summer.

TODAY'S MOON: New moon.

TODAY'S TRIVIA: Which man helped to bring about the abolition of slavery in Britain? (a) Max Beerbohm (b) William Wilberforce (c) Malcolm Cowley

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: William Wilberforce (1759); Max Beerbohm (1872); Malcolm Cowley (1898); Jorge Luis Borges (1899)

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1814, British troops invaded Washington, D.C.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "We have stopped believing in progress. What progress that is!" — Jorge Luis Borges.

TODAY'S TRIVIA ANSWERS: (a) William Wilberforce helped to bring about the abolition of slavery in Britain. (b) Max Beerbohm. (c) Malcolm Cowley.

Astrograph

Your Birthday

Tuesday, Aug. 25, 1987

In the year ahead, there will be obstacles on your path to success that will prove to be character builders. They'll be the little things that you don't run into, which will lead you to victory.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Urinary ailments could easily push your patience beyond its limits today. Deal with them firmly, but not with too heavy a hand. Know where to look for romance.

Aries (March 21-April 19) Don't ask someone else to do something for you today that you dislike doing yourself.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) It could prove unwise to poke your nose in where it doesn't belong today. Don't let your curiosity create unnecessary complications.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) It will be difficult to maintain harmony on the home front today if either you or your mate bring up old issues that always fosters disagreements.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) Mental tasks could cause you problems today. Be sure to give others your full attention, free from any outside influences.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) This is not a particularly good day to go shopping. You may pay more for something than it's worth, or buy things that you'll never use.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be a good listener today, and don't jump to conclusions. Otherwise, you may get mad at someone for saying something where there was no ill-will intended.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Avoid a friend of yours who is always willing to share what you have, but never shares in your success.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) You'll do well today, as long as you don't run into serious opposition. Should the going get tough, you may start looking for an easy way out.

Current Quotations

"On the politic, diplomatic side we are going full bore at the United Nations, in the Security Council, to get a comprehensive cease-fire." — Richard W. Murphy, assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs, discussing the Persian Gulf, where the United States is escorting Kuwait oil tankers.

"I pray that God will forgive all those involved in this matter. I personally do not hold any animosity towards anyone though." — Sterling Rault, an accountant executed early today in Louisiana's electric chair for the rape and murder of his secretary.

Lottery

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Manfredi proceeding to be open

HARTFORD (AP) — A judge has denied a motion to close the courtroom while attorneys for former cardiologist convicted of killing his wife cross-examine a psychiatrist who recently interviewed the couple's three sons.

Superior Court Judge Thomas Corrigan said Friday that he couldn't find any legal basis to grant the request of the attorney for the three sons of Russell F. Manfredi and Hartford Assistant State's Attorney Herbert G. Appleton.

Manfredi, who is free on a \$250,000 appeal bond, is seeking to lift a condition of that bond that prohibits any contact with the children. The three boys are living in Pennsylvania with the sister of their mother, Catherine Billings Manfredi.

The psychiatrist, James C. Black, testified last month that in his opinion, the children should have no contact with their father.

Kathleen B. Martin, attorney for the boys, had argued that public disclosure of Black's interviews with the boys would impair their ability to testify at any future proceeding.

Mrs. Manfredi died on March 8, 1985 after her husband beat her then dumped her body out a second-story window in their West Hartford home.

Manfredi was convicted of first-degree manslaughter last November.

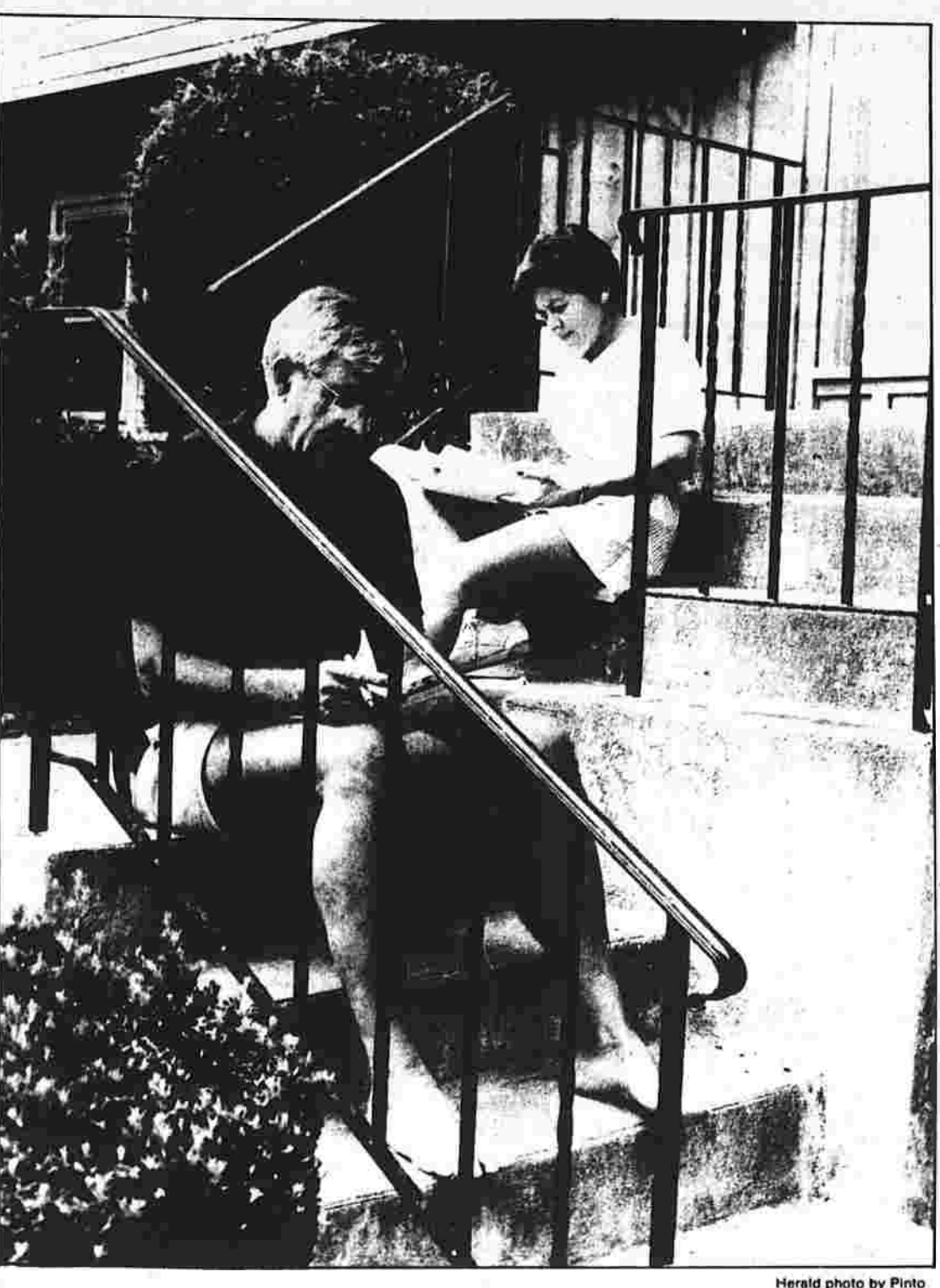
The defense claimed that Manfredi was a gentle person pushed to an aberrant act, presenting evidence that the couple had domestic troubles.

In another development, one of the jurors who convicted Manfredi has written to the judge saying she thinks the punishment was too harsh. Manfredi was sentenced to 20 years in prison.

Neither the juror's name nor the letter has been made public.

Manfredi lives weekends with his father in Carbondale, Pa., and works during the week as an administrator of a hospital in Paterson, N.J. He lost his medical license as a result of his conviction.

Also on Friday, Manfredi's trial attorneys filed a motion with the state Appellate Court asking for an extension of time to file arguments in support of the appeal.



Paul and Melody Ryan of 35 Pilgrim Lane read on their front stoop Sunday. The Ryans were sitting on their front porch to enjoy the beautiful sunny weather and to escape a swarm of yellow jackets that invaded their back yard. This year's unusually warm spring produced an abundance of stinging insects, local exterminators say.

Student smoking faces likely ban by school board

The Manchester Board of Education will consider a total ban on student smoking at its meeting tonight, said Dr. James P. Kennedy, school superintendent.

According to Kennedy, the board will consider a proposal that will bring the school system into compliance with a new state statute that bans the sale of smoking materials to teen-agers under 18. The new state law takes effect Oct. 1. State law now bans tobacco sales to teens under 18.

"Under the (new) statute, about the only thing you can do is steal them or pick them off a tree," Kennedy said.

The Manchester school system now allows high school students to smoke in designated areas outside, but bans smoking inside Manchester High School.

Under the proposed policy, faculty members and visitors would still be allowed to smoke in designated areas during certain times, he said.

Kennedy said he does not expect non-smoking faculty members to be upset by the proposed policy.

"Even though the faculty is allowed to smoke, the policy is drafted from the point of view of the non-smoker," Kennedy said.

Since the Board of Education will only be complying with the new state law, Kennedy said he does not expect any reprisals from students.

"I hope we don't," he said. "I haven't heard of any (and) I don't expect any because that's the law."

In other action, the board will formally transfer approximately \$4,000 in federal and state money to school district "wash out" accounts, he said.

The funds are earmarked for programs such as special education and for the visually impaired. He said the board will "have no flexibility" in the spending of the special funds, since federal and state law mandates that they be spent only for the programs they were destined.

The board will meet at 7:30 tonight at its offices at 45 N. School St.

Cops hunt for baby's mom

BERLIN (AP) — Police say they are searching for the mother of a day-old baby boy abandoned on the steps of a local church.

The baby was taken to New Britain General Hospital where he was in good condition in the special care nursery, hospital spokesman Joseph Crowley said.

Nurses named him John Matthew Newborn after the two emergency medical technicians who brought him in, Crowley said.

Police Officer Richard Aiello said the infant, wrapped in towels, was found by the Rev. Frederick Raap at 8:30 a.m. as he was opening the church's back door.

Crowley said the infant was being monitored "very closely" because of a high red blood cell count, and that his prognosis is excellent.

Doctors estimated the 18-inch-long, 4-pound, 12-ounce baby was born about four weeks premature.

Manchester In Brief

Homeowners can review assessment

Manchester homeowners can review the town assessor's data on their properties, said J. Richard Vincent, town assessor.

Residents who will receive the assessor's data this week live north of Spencer Street, west of a line from Love Lane to Adams Street, to the Rockanum River to the Hartford Railroad, also north and west of the railroad, north of the eastern end of I-94 and east of Ferguson Road, Ludlow Road, Dale Road, Greenwood Drive, Vernon Street and Vernon Street West.

Homeowners are asked to review the listings for accuracy. If an error is found, it should be noted and returned to the assessor's office. No return is necessary if the data is accurate.

Voter registration sessions slated

The Registrars of Voters will hold three voter registration sessions this week:

- Thursday — 6 to 9 p.m. at the Savings Bank of Manchester's Main Street office; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Marshall's mini-mall at the Parkade
- Friday — 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. outside the Super Stop & Shop at the Parkade. If it rains, sign-up will be moved inside Marshall's mini-mall.

Rent commission study panel meets

The fair rent commission study panel will meet Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Lincoln Center hearing room.

MCC to hold roads workshop

Manchester Community College will host a roads and bridges workshop on Sept. 4, according to the state Department of Transportation.

The workshop will be held in conjunction with the department's undertaking a statewide study of local roads and bridges.

Local officials will be advised of what roads and bridges will be reviewed first at the Sept. 4 workshop.

PEOPLE

He doesn't care

FULTON, N.Y. (AP) — Tiny Tim, star Esther Rolle took part in a family reunion during the weekend on an island in the Detroit River along with members of hundreds of other black families.

The Midwest Black Family Reunion Celebration, sponsored by the National Council of Negro Women and several local businesses, was the third of four such festivals this year. Others were in Atlanta and Los Angeles. The fourth is scheduled for Washington, D.C., Sept. 12-13.

"I am a part of a big family and to see this family of ours return to its roots is good for my soul," said Ms. Rolle.



TINY TIM makes first movie



ESTHER ROLLE weekend at island

ca's 10 most beautiful women as selected by a magazine, says she never had a date in high school.

The Top 10 list were published Sunday in September's issue of Harper's Bazaar.

"I was hideous until I turned 13," Ms. Bonet said. "And even though my looks improved, I didn't go out on one date in high school."

Another selection by the magazine was CBS' "60 Minutes" correspondent Diane Sawyer, 41, who said she takes a minimal approach to makeup: "If I can't get it on in a minute and 30 seconds, you're not going to see it."

Other "most beautifuls" were actresses Candice Bergen, 40; Anjelica Huston, 35; Marlee Matlin, 29; Michelle Pfeiffer, "in her early 20s"; and MacDowell, 29; Sean Young, 27; Virginia Madsen, 25; and model Christy Turlington, 18.

Collins' chapel

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Matrimony for "Dynasty" television star Joan Collins may be ending wretchedly, but it has brought added fame to the chapel where she took the vows two years ago.

The Little White Chapel has a sign outside proclaiming that the queen of prime-time television soap-operas was married inside.

No mention is made of her betrothed, Swedish rock star Peter Holm, who is locked in a bitter divorce battle with Collins. Chapel owner Charlotte Richards Sturgeon still waxes poetic when she recalls the wedding day. "They were both very emotional," she said recently. "I was to the point of tears shed."

Dateless teen-ager

NEW YORK (AP) — Teen-ager Lisa Bonet, one of Ameri-

Family reunion

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Heart and brain

NEW YORK (AP) — Dr. Robert Jarvik, inventor of the

Comics Sampler

ON THE FASTTRACK by Bill Holbrook

SO WENDY IS GOING TO WRITE THE LOVE LETTERS TO YOUR WEDDING?

YEP! I'M REAL EXCITED ABOUT IT!

HER EMOTIONS ARE FINALLY GOING TO COME POURING OUT!

IN THIS TASK, SHE CAN'T POSSIBLY AVOID EXPRESSING HER TRUE FEELINGS!

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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.



Dry months spell disaster for farmers

NEW LONDON (AP) — Some of the driest weather in 30 years has ruined crops of wheat and corn and threatened livestock whose feed may contain potentially dangerous levels of nitrate heightened by the lack of rainfall, agriculture officials said.

Joyce Meader, dairy and livestock agent for the University of Connecticut's Cooperative Extension Service in Brooklyn, said Friday she is sending bulletins to dairy farmers across the state.

Although she had not yet tested any of the feed, she said it is likely to contain high concentrations of nitrate because of the dry conditions — particularly in New London County.

Normal rainfall washes away much of the nitrate, a salt found in fertilizers, she explained. But rainfall has been far below normal.

Forecasters with the National Weather Service reported Friday that since June 1, just over 3.5 inches of rain has fallen in the region, down from a normal precipitation level of about 9 inches — making this summer one of the driest in three decades.

Dairy farmers have been particularly hard hit since the drought has hampered growth of corn and hay.

"From what I've seen, New London County is definitely the worst county in the state," Ms. Meader, who visited six farms in the region on Thursday, told The Day newspaper of New London in an interview.

She reported corn on some farms is only 3 feet tall and hay fields are so withered they can't be raked this month, as they normally are.

Rosalind Lewis, who with her husband, David, raises 500 head of Holsteins on their 550-acre Beriah Lewis Farm in North Stonington, said the effect of the drought will be felt this fall and winter when the silage and hay begin to run out.

"We'll have to buy hay from Canada or New York," she said. "It's going to be very difficult, very tight."

Because of the dry weather, "yield and development (of the corn) is not what it should be and consequently, we're chopping two weeks earlier than we ordinarily do," Henry Morgan, who raises 125 Holsteins on his 275 acres in Ledyard, said he also expects to have to buy hay this fall or winter.

"We got a first cutting (of hay), but the second cutting was only a quarter of what we normally get," he said. In addition, Morgan said his corn crop is only about three-quarters of normal yield.

Morgan, who was born on the farm and took it over from his father in 1939, said this is the driest summer he can recall since 1957.

Kenneth Veil, chief of marketing for the Connecticut Department of Agriculture, said his reports show that in some areas hay production will be off as much as 36 percent this year.

As for corn, some farmers already have been chopping it up for silage even though the plant hasn't developed, he said. Those farmers will have to supplement their silage with additives to ensure their cows get enough nutrients.

"It isn't a very good picture at the moment," Veil said.

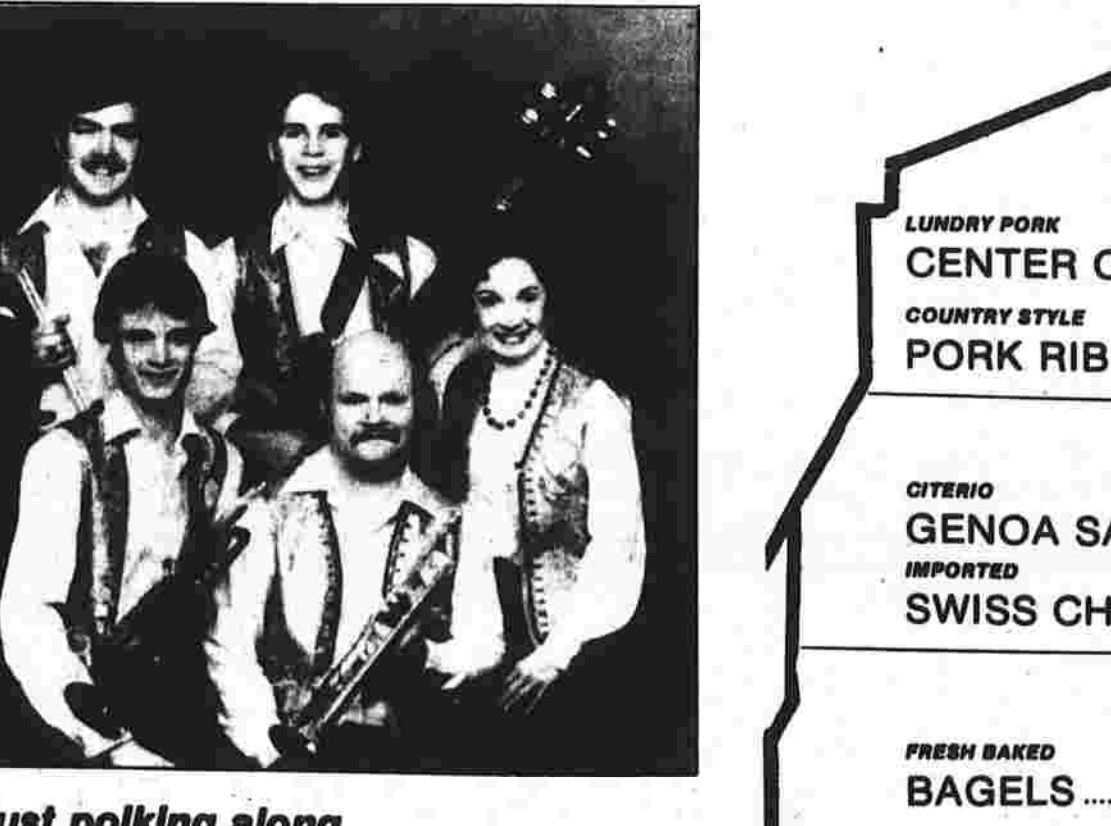
Richard Naez, director of market development for Milk Promotion Services in South Windsor, said dairy farmers already are financially strapped because of low milk prices.

Ms. Meader said farmers should purchase kits to test nitrate levels. These 36 kits are available at the extension office in Brooklyn, she said.

For those who don't have time to test, she suggested cutting the corn stalks higher than normal since the nitrates tend to accumulate near the roots.

Cows that eat corn or hay with high nitrate levels can experience respiratory and digestive problems, and eventually die, Ms. Meader warned.

Ms. Meader added that rainfall can alleviate the nitrate problem, as well as help corn and hay grow. "One inch of water can result in 1.6 tons of silage per acre," she said, noting that a ton is worth about \$30.



Johnny Prytko's Orchestra, just back from the National Polka Festival, is playing a concert Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Manchester Bicentennial Band Shell, on the campus of Manchester Community College. Johnny Prytko is one of the hosts of the "Sunday Evening Polka Party" on WKHT radio Sunday evenings. If it rains, the program will be Thursday at 7.

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Dog law could make insurance hard

NEW BRITAIN — A proposal to require owners of vicious dogs to carry \$50,000 in liability insurance could force owners to get rid of their pets because of the cost and availability of the insurance, officials said.

But city Corporation Counsel Edward Lynch said he does not think that should deter the city council from passing the proposed ordinance.

"I don't see that as a serious reason to dissuade us from trying to protect the public," Lynch said.

Representatives of several insurance companies said Friday that coverage would be difficult to find for the owner of a vicious dog — especially after a biting incident.

"If a dog has demonstrated his viciousness, I personally know of no underwriter who would willingly write a policy to cover the second or third dog bite," said Henry Stone, president of Connecticut Underwriters Inc. of Portland.

Panel to hear parishioners' gripes

NEW BRITAIN — Complaints of autocratic leadership by the pastor of Sacred Heart Church will be investigated by independent fact-finders appointed by Hartford Roman Catholic Archbishop John Whealon, the archbishop's office said.

The plan was announced Friday by the Rev. Thomas Barry, secretary to Whealon, after the archbishop met with the Rev. Paul Wyszocki.

Meanwhile, Wyszocki said in a statement that "out of courtesy to the archbishop" he will not celebrate Sunday masses in the Polish language at the church until the controversy is settled.

The plan was the target of a violent protest Aug. 9 by about 1,000 parishioners of Sacred Heart Church. Several police officers were injured in several clashes with protesters, some of whom were arrested.

The protest was sparked by the belief of some parishioners that Wyszocki was discouraging Polish culture.

Labor lawyer faces malpractice suit

NEW HAVEN — A lawyer who has long been counsel to the Connecticut State Labor Council is accused of legal malpractice in a cross-claim filed as part of a lawsuit in U.S. District Court here.

Lawyer Norman Zolot of New Haven is accused in the cross-claim of failing to properly advise trustees of a union health fund who are charged with allowing the illegal expenditure of more than \$1.5 million from the fund.

Zolot denied the charges, which stem from his duties as legal counsel to the health services and insurance plan of Teamsters Local 671. He said on Friday that the accusations were "completely without merit."

The original lawsuit was filed in February 1986 by Thomas J. Robidoux, head of the 1,600-member Teamsters Local. It accuses the former head of the local, Richard E. Robidoux, who is Thomas Robidoux's cousin, of illegally using the health plan's money to buy land for a new union headquarters.

Cops seize 60 pounds of pot in raid

WINDHAM — Police seized 60 pounds of marijuana and arrested a local man in the largest such raid in the history of the municipality, authorities say.

Thomas Rivera, 20, of the Willimantic section of Windham was arrested in Saturday's raid at the Regent Inn motel, where \$42,000 worth of marijuana was found, police Chief Milton King said.

Rivera was being held on \$50,000 bond pending a court appearance today on drug charges.

King said the marijuana came from outside the state and more arrests were expected at the source.

Campaign funds paid for services

WASHINGTON — The campaign committee of the late Rep. Stewart B. McKinney spent part of its remaining funds on memorial services for the late term Connecticut Republican, campaign finance records show.

The mid-year report filed with the Federal Election Commission showed that the committee paid more than \$3,800 on audio systems so the service could be heard outside the Trinity Episcopal Church.

McKinney, 56, died May 7 after contracting AIDS. He was the first member of Congress known to have died from acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

The FEC report shows that McKinney had \$26,992 left over from his 1986 campaign against Democrat Christine Niedermeier. McKinney spent \$440,480 last year to beat the former state representative in his toughest re-election contest.

The committee received nearly \$11 million in contributions during the first half of 1987 and spent \$34,000.

Victim's boyfriend arrested again

BRIDGEWATER — Less than a week after a town woman dropped rape and kidnapping charges against a New Milford man and announced plans to marry him, he's been arrested and charged with assaulting her.

Police charged John Cassidy Jr., 23, with assault and criminal mischief early Sunday morning.

Cassidy went to his girlfriend's home and struck the left side of the woman's head during an argument, according to a police report.

Cassidy chased her through the home, kicking in a bedroom door and a bathroom door, which struck her on the right side of her head, before he was apprehended at 4:25 a.m., police said.

The couple had lived together for a short time and broken up before he was arrested in April after allegedly abducting the woman in the parking lot of the bank where she worked, and raping her at the side of a road in Kent, police said.

The woman dropped the rape and kidnap charges against Cassidy on Aug. 18, saying she planned to marry him.

Ex-reporter gets White House job

HARTFORD — A former Waterbury news reporter will move from the U.S. Commerce Department to the White House, where he will serve as a deputy press secretary.

B. Jay Cooper, who worked for the Waterbury Republican and Waterbury American newspapers, will be one of three deputies to replace press secretary Martin Fitzwater. He starts the new job on Sept. 8.

Cooper, 37, will concentrate on domestic matters such as the economy, budget and trade.

Cooper had worked for six years as speech writer and then press secretary for Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige, who was killed in a rodeo accident on July 25.

Three released in fake-gun incident

BOSTON — Brinks Inc. decided not to press charges against three Connecticut teen-agers who were taken into custody after allegedly waiving a toy machine gun at an armored car on the Southeast Expressway, police said.

The youths were questioned after six police cars responded to a "man with a gun radio call" Saturday morning. Metropolitan District Commission Police spokesman Larry Gillis said.

Police did not know the gun was fake until the youths were stopped on the highway near a downtown exit.

"Apparently, they were just horsing around, but for a time it was a very serious situation. The gun was very real looking," Gillis said.

The three, Geoffrey McDonald, 17, Pierce Owens, 17, and an unidentified 16-year old, all from Darien, Conn., could have faced charges ranging from assault to attempted robbery, Gillis said.

Study yields picture of sound woes

Scientists preparing plan to manage environmental pressures

HARTFORD (AP) — Scientists studying Long Island Sound are looking carefully at problems created by low levels of dissolved oxygen, toxic contaminants, and nutrients from sewage treatment plants that appear to fuel the growth of algae.

By 1990, the researchers hope to develop a plan for managing these environmental pressures so that the 110-mile-long Sound accommodates the needs of both man and nature.

"There isn't an answer today about what needs to be done," said U.S. Rep. Bruce A. Morrison, D-Conn., co-chairman of the Long Island Sound Congressional Caucus.

"Some people will say 'Well, why don't you do something right away?' And the correct answer is, you can do a lot of things and not solve the problem, if you don't know enough about where the problem is coming from."

Connecticut's \$30 million fishing industry is in a long-term decline.

and fishermen are beginning more than ever to focus on pollution.

"It's absolutely horrible," said Gary J. Yerman of Clinton, one of only a handful of fishermen still trawling the Sound. "I used to see juveniles — (fish) 3 or 4 inches long — over the place. Now I hardly see any. It's scary."

Terry Backer, president of the Connecticut Coastal Fishermen's Association, said: "The initial feeling is one of denial. We're in the second stage now — anger and fear. I don't want to go to the third stage — acceptance. Because this is unacceptable."

With the Long Island Sound study in its third year, the results are beginning to show more clearly.

Researchers at the National Marine Fisheries Service laboratory in Milford found that winter flounder from heavily industrialized areas — around New Haven and Bridgeport harbors, for example — produce fewer healthy eggs and larvae than flounder from near rural Shoreham, N.Y., off the

north shore of Long Island.

In surveys earlier this month, Barbara L. Welch, an associate professor at the University of Connecticut, discovered depressed levels of dissolved oxygen in the water from the Throgs Neck Bridge east to New Haven.

Many of the readings, taken in the area hit by an oxygen-depleting algae bloom in July, were less than 3 parts per million, the generally accepted threshold at which fish start to die for lack of oxygen.

An independent study prepared by the Coast Alliance, an environmental group based in Washington, D.C., found that fish and shellfish throughout New England showed "serious contamination" from heavy metals, polychlorinated biphenyls and other toxic substances.

"Hardly a coastal town in New England is safe from contamination of its fish and shellfish," the report said.

Eighty-six sewage treatment plants in New York and Connecticut discharge 37 billion gallons of

waste each year into the Sound's waters, mostly in the western end. Factories add another 44 billion gallons a year.

In addition, runoff from highways and farms carry salt, pesticides and other contaminants most of which end up in the sediment and shallow waters of the Sound where fish and shellfish spawn.

"Nobody can deny that dumping raw sewage into the Sound is unhealthy for the wildlife — even for a moment," said Heather Barrand, who runs a bait and boat rental shop in Norwalk Harbor. "And they've been doing it for years."

New York state banned the taking of striped bass last year amid signs that the popular sport fish was contaminated with PCBs, chemicals that can cause liver ailments and severe skin disorders.

The state modified its order this year to let recreational fishermen take home one striped bass a day, if the fish is longer than 33 inches.

Kennelly, Dodd take man trips

WASHINGTON (AP) —

Members of Connecticut's congressional delegation have traveled to Brazil, China, Poland and dozens of other countries in recent years on a series of government-financed fact-finding missions, congressional documents show.

Leading the House members was Rep. Barbara B. Kennelly, a Hartford Democrat who has taken more congressional-sponsored foreign trips since 1984 than any of the other 23 House members of New England — including members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, according to House travel reports.

The congressman's six trips to 19 countries in Europe, South America, Central America and the Far East cost \$45,250, according to reports filed with the House clerk's office and published periodically in the Congressional Record.

Kennelly's travels included a \$16,500 trip in November 1986 to Japan, Korea, Hong Kong and the Thailand. That eight-day trip included 11 other members and nine aides at a cost of \$286,755.

The congressman also went on a \$9,000 excursion in spring 1986 to Brazil, Argentina, Venezuela and the Dominican Republic; a \$7,000 trip in March 1985 to Ireland; a \$6,400 visit to England, Belgium and Portugal last spring; a \$4,500 trip to France, Sweden and Italy in late 1984, and a \$1,650 visit to Central America in January 1984.

Four of the trips were to examine trade issues in her capacity as a member of the House Ways and Means Committee; the other two were to look at troubles in Central America, said Kennelly aide Ross Brown.

"There is no substitute for first-hand observation or the opportunity to talk face to face with foreign leaders," Kennelly said Friday. "My knowledge of an issue sensitivities to the concerns of our trading partners and crucial allies have both been enhanced by these missions."

She said trade and Central America are "the most critical issues we face."

But some lawmakers, like the late Rep. Stewart B. McKinney, have shunned government-financed trips.

"He made it a policy not to go. He viewed most of it as wasteful spending," said Barbara Kinney, a top aide to the late Westport Republican.

Travels by Kennelly and other members of the Connecticut delegation pale in comparison to those of House colleagues outside of New England.

A study by Public Citizen, a self-styled government watchdog group, said 14 House members went on six to nine trips each from January 1984 to September 1985. Rep. Stephen Solarz, D-N.Y., traveled to 45 countries in nine trips made during that 21-month period.

Members of the armed services and foreign affairs panels traditionally take more overseas trips than other members, but they can't see the issues they grapple with on Capitol Hill first-hand and talk to foreign leaders.

Sen. Christopher J. Dodd has taken 10 Senate-sponsored trips in the past five years, mostly to Central America. He has been to Central America four times in the past eight months.

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Students rally around the band shell

L'Ambiance collapse almost ended Yale's architecture tradition

By Linda Stowell
The Associated Press

BRIDGEPORT — A 20-year-old Yale University tradition was nearly ended this year by the collapse of the L'Ambiance Plaza.

Since the early 1960s, Yale School of Architecture graduate students have built pavilions, bandstands, camp buildings and other structures for non-profit clients as part of their curriculum.

This year's project was to be a band shell in Seaside Park for concerts by the local symphony and other groups.

The Yale design was approved by the faculty and city on April 22, the day before the partially completed apartment building collapsed. It took nine days to recover the bodies of the 28 construction workers who were killed in the accident.

The round-the-clock rescue attempt and chaos that resulted from the disaster stopped the students plans because they were unable to get proper permits and approvals from the city for weeks. The project was supposed to be built before the students went home for summer vacation.

But a small group of students decided to cancel their summer plans and stay in Connecticut's largest city to build the band shell.

"Yale had been doing this every year. It came hell, high water or building collapses," said Bob Tucker, 25, a graduate student from Cheshire. "The mayor's office was in a frenzy ... and five weeks later, most of the students had made other plans."

Tucker and a few others met with Mayor Thomas W. Bucci and CityTrust bank, which is paying the \$150,000 for the band shell in honor of the city's 150th anniversary.

"We agreed we wanted to get it done," Tucker said. "For me, this is one of the reasons I chose Yale — to build something."

The students have partially completed the band shell, and plan to finish it next spring after the school year.

"We've even gotten more out of this with so few people," Tucker said. "Each of us had a close look at every aspect."

Tucker said the building collapse, which is still under investigation by federal authorities, made him realize the importance of every detail.

"It sort of brings home the fact that man sometimes builds something and he screws up or nature knocks it down ... You realize you may have built a great thing, but still an earthquake could come and knock it down."

Mary Beth Vogel, a student and a graduate student from Needham, Mass., said the experience "made what we had on paper a realistic thing."

"L'Ambiance made us realize just how careful you have to be. You have to do everything right and you can't cut corners."

The band shell, which will be about 67 feet wide and about 60 to 65 feet long, sits near the water. Stockpiled for inspection in the same park are tons of twisted steel and rubble from L'Ambiance Plaza.

Paul Brouard, an architect who teaches at Yale, has been working on similar projects with students for 16 years. He said he believes Yale is the only school in the country with a building project in its curriculum.

"I feel the students in their education should have hands-on experience," Brouard said. "I gave the students summer jobs."

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Mary Beth Vogel, Randy Wilmot and Darin Cook, from left, stand in front of the skeleton of a band shell that they and other classmates designed as a class project for first-year students at the Yale University School of Architecture. The band shell, in Bridgeport's Seaside Park, was almost never built. The day after the design was approved, L'Ambiance Plaza collapsed, killing 28, and city officials' attention was turned from the shell project.

State braces for more AIDS kids

Campaign aims to recruit families willing to care for children

HARTFORD (AP) — Joyce Simpson, a nurse who counsels foster parents caring for children with AIDS, tells the story of a foster mother who made the mistake of asking her minister to pray for her sick baby.

Instead of offering his prayers, the Protestant minister called a meeting of his New Haven-area congregation, who blamed the woman and the AIDS-afflicted baby from church, Simpson said.

"They are taking a lot of risks, emotional risks," said Simpson, who works closely with the state Department of Children and Youth Services in her capacity as a nurse and researcher in Yale-New Haven Hospital's AIDS program.

Officials from DCYS and the state health department will begin work today on a campaign to recruit families willing to care for the rapidly growing number of AIDS children in Connecticut.

Sharon Cooke, a supervisor in DCYS who will coordinate the effort.

The department currently has 25

Europeans who shielded Jewish children from the Nazis during World War II when she describes the secret lives the foster families must lead.

"It's exactly like hiding Jewish babies, there is no difference," said the one foster mother who agreed to be interviewed, and then only on condition of anonymity.

"People go to extremes to protect the kids," she said. "Others would like to kill them all."

The woman is a nurse who was already a foster mother. She volunteered to take an AIDS child home. Her baby tested positive for AIDS antibodies, but remains healthy.

She doesn't worry about being infected, herself, and takes no special precautions such as wearing a mask and gloves when changing diapers.

Her neighbors have not been told the baby has tested positive, but some suspect and have started to shun her, no longer coming by to use the backyard swimming pool,

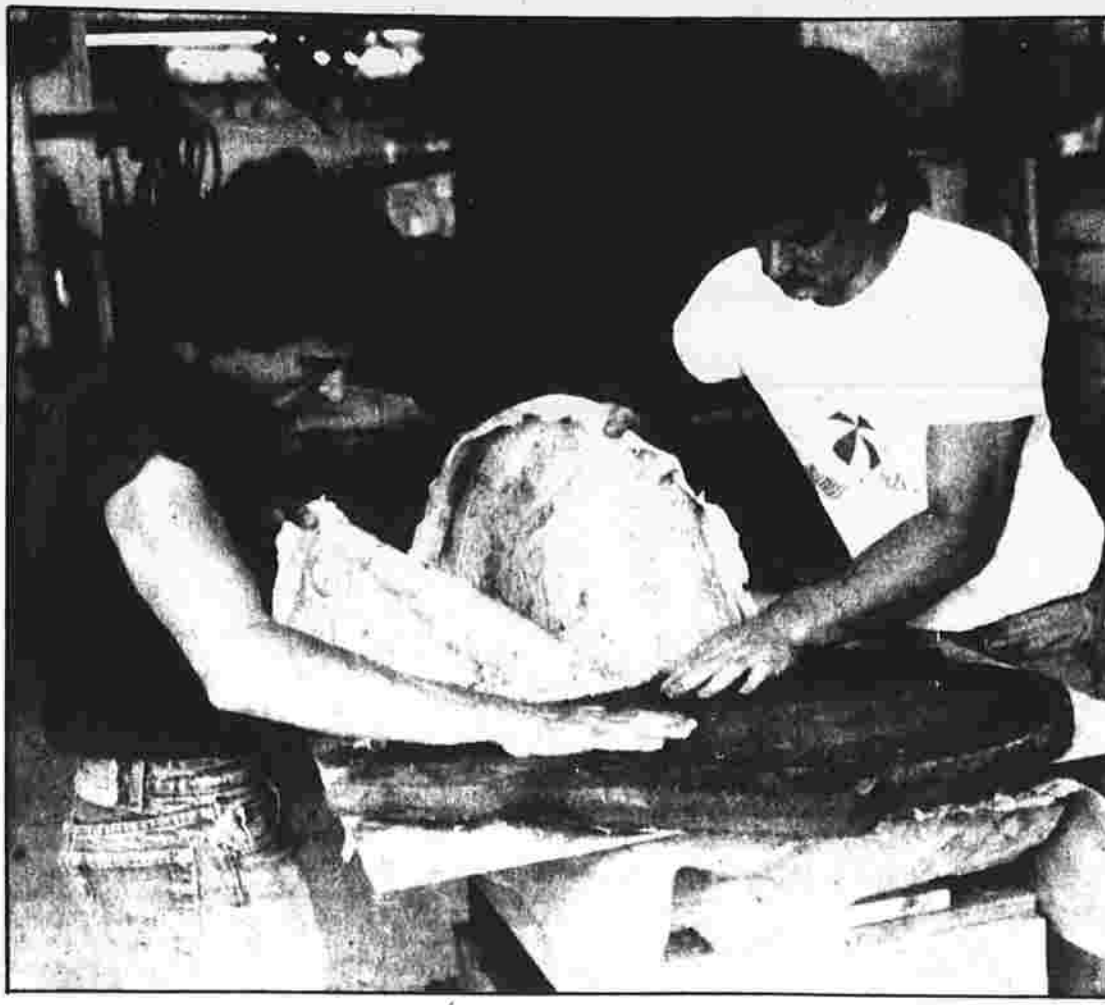
the woman said. "I usually tell my families that they should tell only people that they can really trust, who have the same ideals and ethics as they have," Simpson said.

The department has so far been able to place all the AIDS children in foster homes, but officials are clearly worried about what will happen as the population of AIDS children increases.

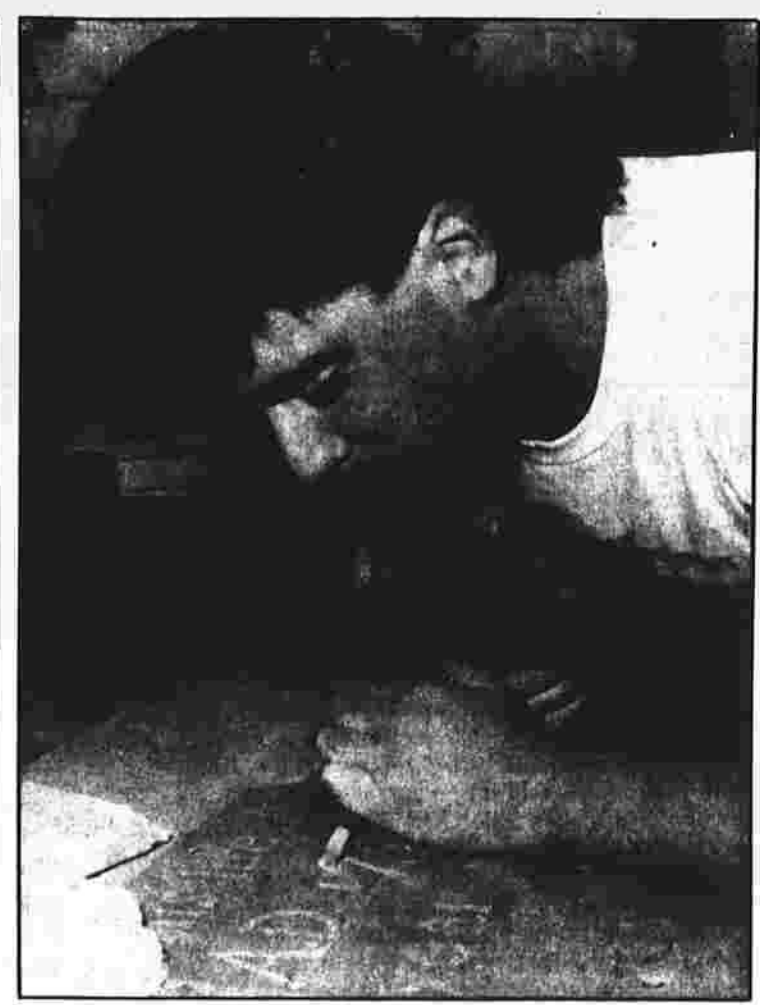
"We've been very fortunate so far, but sometimes we hang by a thread," Simpson said.

Nationwide, more than 2,000 children are thought to have either AIDS or AIDS-related illnesses, the vast majority are black and Hispanic. Most were exposed while in their mothers' wombs. Many of the women are drug addicts who are unable to care even for their healthy children after they are born, Simpson said.

Morrison, in his third term, has gone on two House-financed trips — a House Banking Committee trip to Costa Rica last year and a Judiciary Committee trip to France in 1984. The total cost was \$4,300.



Monument cutters John Zito and John Zito III draw a plastic mold off one of about 125 gravestones being restored in Hartford's Ancient Burying Ground.



John Zito III uses mallet and chisel to recarve the inscriptions on old gravestones.

Hartford recarves its past in ancient cemetery

\$1.1 million restoration program is one of the most ambitious in the country

By Anne McGroth
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — In a city buzzing with the sounds of machinery constructing modern office towers, Hartford's Ancient Burying Ground is an oasis of peace and heritage.

Sheltered by the First Church of Christ and an office tower of reflecting glass, the graveyard holds the remains of many of Hartford's founders. Its gravestones tell much about the mores and history of the colonial city.

The association, an offshoot of the descendants' group, has raised more than \$500,000 toward a goal of \$1.1 million to pay for the project and endow a preservation fund.

"This to me, is like the life raft of the past," Hosley said as he stood in the center of the graveyard. It has only about 400 grave markers, the earliest dating back to about 1685, even though an estimated 4,000 people or more are buried there.

Hosley called the burying ground "the only significant colonial landscape feature in the city of Hartford."

Experts in gravestone restoration say the Hartford project and Boston's efforts to restore headstones in 16 historic graveyards are among the most ambitious now being undertaken in the country.

Churches in Charleston, S.C., and Tarrytown, N.Y., are also restoring their ancient graveyards.

Interest is mounting around the country in graveyards and in the stories they tell, experts said.

"I have a feeling — and it's really nothing more than that — that this is one of the last frontiers of the historic preservation movement," said Lynette Strangstad, a stone conservator from Charleston, S.C.

She has written a book tentatively entitled "A Graveyard Preservation Primer," to be published in



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The Association for Gravestone Studies, started 10 years ago and based in Needham, Mass., has 800 members in 46 states, Canada, England, Scotland, West Germany, Japan, Italy and Guam, according to its executive director, Rosalee Oakley.

Members include academics who use graveyards for research, folklorists who are enchanted by epitaphs and grave markings, genealogists, and people who simply delight in strolling through cemeteries.

"An awfully lot of the people will say they thought they were the only one who liked to do this," Ms. Oakley said.

In Hartford, the Ancient Burying Ground was quickly slipping away as its condition worsened. It was cited by the gravestone association in 1981 "as an excellent example of neglect and poor maintenance," Hosley said.

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Restoring a stone, "our first job is to get rid of as much of the rotten material and save as much of the original stone as possible," said John Zito III, who and his son, John Zito III, are carrying on a craft that has been in the family for four generations.

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Next in the restoration process, mallet and chisel — the same tools used 300 years ago by gravestone artists — are used to carve the stones.

"This is the only way to do it," the elder Zito said.

Hosley said the "miracle" of the project is that the restorers have an inventory of the gravestones and inscriptions done in 1877 by State Librarian Charles Hoadley. The Zitos refer to it when they cannot read a stone.

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OPINION

Crackdown on Route 6 will pay off

The major roads through central and northern Connecticut eastward to Rhode Island, Routes 6 and 44, are really secondary roads and drivers who use them have to realize that for better or worse, there is no fast way to get to their destinations.

Some day, there may be a straighter and swifter section of Route 6 from Bolton to Windham if environmental objections and other obstacles to building it can be overcome. But even if that improved road is built it will amount to only 12 miles of the total route.

For some drivers, the lack of a superhighway through east-central Connecticut may be a frustration that causes them to forget that the routes they are using are, indeed, secondary roads and have to be treated that way.

As a result, the rate of injuries in accidents on those roads has been too high. State police calculate, for instance, that if you are involved in an accident on Route 6, you have a 38 percent chance of being injured.

The police hope to reduce the injury rate on Route 6, as they have on another secondary road, Route 66, by clamping down on violations. The push is on speeding, following too closely, and drunken driving.

Obviously, there is no excuse for anyone to drive while drunk on any kind of road, but there is a great temptation to drive too fast on secondary roads and to stay close to the vehicle ahead of you in hopes of finding a way to pass it in the limited passing zones.

The crackdown along Route 6 has ruffled a few drivers who may think they are being picked on. But if the results of increased traffic law enforcement on Route 66 is any indication, ruffling a few drivers is a small price to pay for the increased safety.

State police say a six-month effort on Route 66 resulted in a 46 percent drop in injury-producing accidents. Perhaps the same good results can be achieved on Routes 6, 44 and 32, the other safety targets.

Drivers, forewarned of the push, may make it easier for the police to do the job.



"Ronald Reagan! You've been wading in the Persian Gulf, haven't you?"

Washington Wire

Gephardt hones his skills

By Jonathan Wolman

WASHINGTON — He looks like such a boy scout that you expect to see Richard Gephardt escorting little old ladies across the street or struggling to win a new merit badge by learning Morse Code.

Instead, the Democratic presidential candidate is out there taunting Michael Dukakis every chance he gets, campaigning with little old ladies across the street or struggling to win a new merit badge by learning Morse Code.

And so the fresh-faced Missouri congressman has turned himself into a poor man's Pete du Pont. Du Pont, the former Delaware governor, has been tweaking two of his better known Republican rivals, Vice President George Bush and Rep. Jack Kemp of New York. Even in defiance of Ronald Reagan's 11th Commandment (thou shalt not criticize another Republican), the du Pont strategy makes sense: plucky underdog attacks Goliath, wins headlines and plants doubts about Goliath's skill and stamina. When voters are looking for an alternative, the plucky du Pont comes to mind — he hopes.

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It's an effort to raise his visibility to match all those senators and governors in the race, and to shock the detail-man image that might remind voters of Jimmy Carter, the unelected president whose Iowa caucus surprise Gephardt is trying to duplicate.

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Unusual case of hospitality by Mexicans

WASHINGTON — Mexicans are famous for their hospitality toward visitors, whether rich gringo tourists or down-at-the-heel political exiles. But the obliging attitude the Mexican government has shown to thousands of uninvited, troublesome "visitors" along the southern border with Guatemala is unusual even by Mexican standards.

Beginning in 1981, the Mexican government has pursued a unique, evenhanded "live and let die" policy toward the leftist Guatemalan guerrillas who seek temporary refuge in Mexico — and toward the Guatemalan military's periodic punitive expeditions across the border.

The "strategy of accommodation" continues to this day, but with an important condition extracted from the guerrillas in return for freedom from harassment: The leftist rebels must do nothing to stir up trouble for their reluctant hosts.

Mexico's appeasement policy is described in a special analysis by a CIA official, who classified it "Secret Noform Nocontract Orcom" — meaning no one is supposed to see the document without permission from the official himself. That includes friendly intelligence services and American CIA contractors.

Although we assume that Guatemalan guerrillas do use the border area for safe haven, resupply and arms smuggling, our knowledge of the actual extent of the document without permission from the official himself. That includes friendly intelligence services and American CIA contractors.

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William Mandel, of Queens, N.Y., first returned six years ago to the Jewish Cemetery in his native city, where the remains of the massacre victims lie.

What he found shocked him — an open field, overgrown grass, empty vodka bottles and children playing soccer on the grave sites. "I took the responsibility to do what should be done," he said Sunday.

The killings were July 4, 1946. "The reason (for the massacre) was that a rumor that Jews had kidnapped a Christian boy to get blood for matzoh, the unleavened Passover bread, said Dr. Zygmunt Hoffman, researcher for the Jewish Historical Institute in Warsaw.

Striking miners fired; death toll up
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — The Anglo American mining conglomerate fired 7,000 black strikers today for defying back-to-work ultimatums, and the death toll in the 15-day-old walkout rose to six.

The mass firings at the No. 2 and No. 3 shafts of Anglo's Western Holdings gold mine in the Orange Free State raised to about 16,000 the number of miners dismissed during the National Union of Mineworkers' strike. All were fired in the past five days.

U.S./World In Brief

Iran likely to reject resolution

WASHINGTON — Iran will likely reject a U.N. resolution calling for a cease-fire in its war with Iraq, according to an Iranian deputy foreign minister who promises cooperation with other efforts to bring peace to the region.

Mohammad Jawad Larjani, Iran's deputy foreign minister for international affairs, is scheduled to meet with U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar today to discuss the cease-fire resolution.

"Iran will be ready to cooperate fully with any effort which aims at bringing peace to the region," Larjani said Sunday. "But this resolution is a very unfortunate one because from the minute of inception, both Iraq and the United States of America will embark on an action which really violates both the spirit and letter of the resolution.

FAA chief says skies are safe

WASHINGTON — The nation's skies are safe for air traffic, but public confidence in the aviation system must be restored in the wake of a Northwest Airlines crash that killed at least 156 people, the head of the Federal Aviation Administration says.

"I think it's fair to say that our system is designed extraordinarily safe," FAA Administrator Allan McArtor said Sunday in an interview on ABC-TV's "This Week With David Brinkley."

"Prior to last Sunday's tragic accident, over 800 million Americans flew on some 12,000 scheduled flights in this country without a fatality," he said.

"But we've got to recapture the public confidence in our aviation system, and I personally don't measure safety by the absence of accidents. I measure it by the exposure to risk," McArtor added.

Louisiana executes accountant

ANGOLA, La. — An accountant who raped and murdered his secretary because he feared she would expose his embezzlement of \$4,000 was executed early today in the electric chair, insisting he was innocent.

The execution made 36-year-old Sterling Rault the eighth person to be put to death in Louisiana in three months and the 15th since the state resumed executions in 1983.

After he was led into the death chamber, Rault read a two-minute statement, saying, "I would like the public to know that they are killing an innocent man at this time.

"I pray that God will forgive all those involved in this matter. I personally do not hold any animosity towards anyone though."

He blew a kiss to Sister Mary Rault, his aunt who is a Roman Catholic nun and was one of his spiritual advisers. She bowed her head through the execution.

Strike paralyzes rails in Canada

MONTREAL — Canada's freight and passenger rail service were paralyzed early today as 48,000 rail workers went on strike after contract talks deadlocked on the issue of job security.

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Flower pots first line of defense

Plan for security fence around Capitol appears to be dead

WASHINGTON (AP) — Future visitors to the U.S. Capitol are unlikely to encounter a security fence around the tree-shaded grounds, similar to one at the White House, but some day they may find the parking lot missing from the East Front plaza.

Meantime, Congress has installed a maze of giant concrete flower pots along sidewalks, drive-ways and the two main vehicular entrances to the Capitol grounds as the first line of defense against terrorist attack.

The soil-filled pots, the largest measuring 6 feet in diameter, are used along with bumper-level stop-plights and hydraulically operated steel barricades to control traffic entering the House and Senate sides of the Capitol. The barricades are lowered only to admit vehicles cleared by police guards.

Officials say the flower pots offer only partial protection against the threat of suicide car or truck bombs aimed at ramming up the Capitol. To complete the security job, they say, the sprawling, 350-car parking lot in the shadow of the Capitol dome must be abolished.

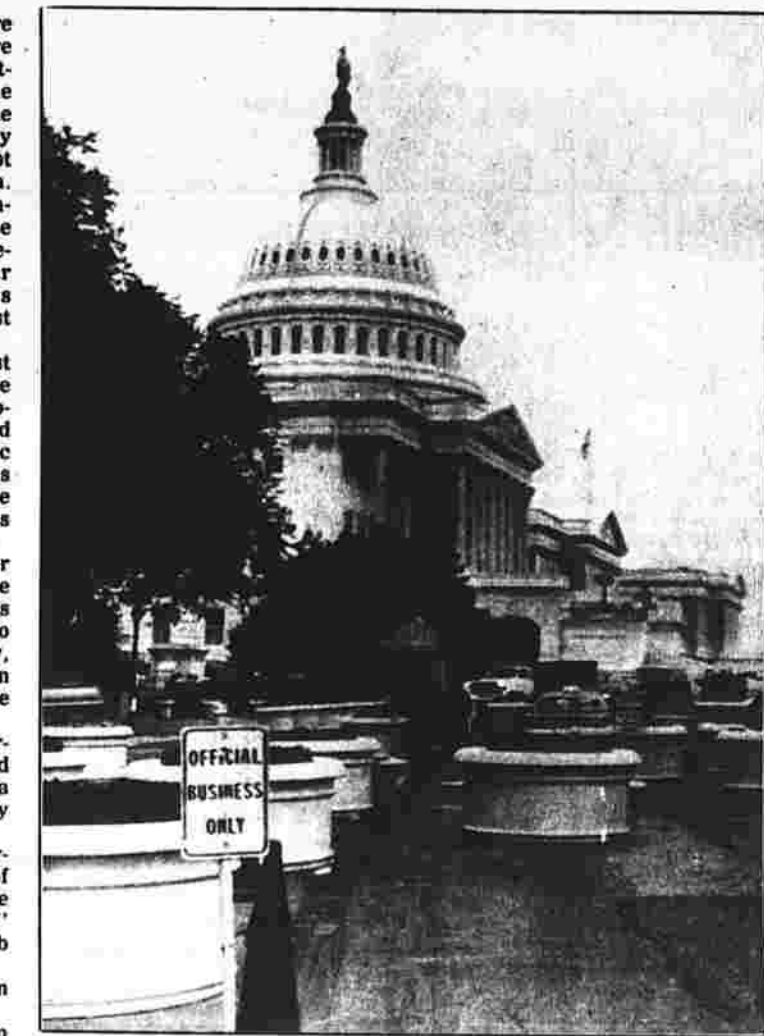
Senate leaders, police and security experts argue that every parked car is a potential carrier of a delayed-action bomb planted by terrorists.

"If we're concerned about security, we're going to have to get rid of all those cars on the plaza so people can't drive in with car bombs," says Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan.

But that isn't likely to happen very soon.

House Speaker Jim Wright, D-Texas, said that with so many other urgent issues demanding attention, no decisions on major parking changes can be expected until after the next Congress convenes in January 1989.

One congressional source close to the security debate, who spoke only on condition that he not be identified, said last week that House leaders probably will agree reluctantly to banish parking from the



AP photo

A maze of concrete flower pots blocks the entrance to the parking lot in front of the U.S. Capitol. The structures are the first line of defense against a terrorist attack.

Capitol Plaza some day, except for a limited number of parking spaces for House and Senate members.

Pete O'Brien, director of the Senate parking office, believes the

dispute stems from the intense competition among the power elite for a parking space close to the Capitol. The plaza lot and surrounding drive-ways are reserved for

legislators, officers of the House and Senate, staff aides and journalists.

"They'll stab one another in the back to get the best space," O'Brien said.

By all accounts, the Senate leadership's proposal to erect a security fence around the entire perimeter of the Capitol's 127-acre grounds is virtually dead. The plan, announced more than a year ago, has been widely criticized as too expensive, disruptive and unsightly.

"That's not going to happen," said Wilson Morris, a Wright spokesman.

Neither is there much support, especially among House leaders, for a backup plan to build a less costly fence only along the East Front from its supplier in California at a cost of more than \$180,000.

Last summer, Congress appropriated \$13 million to improve security at the Capitol, pending approval of a master plan. House and Senate whips of both parties are expected to meet sometime this fall, after Congress returns Sept. 9 from its summer recess, to try to make a final decision.

Architect of the Capitol George M. White, who favors a partial fence along the East Front, is pressing for authority to replace the asphalt parking lot — "an incredible indignity to the United States Congress" — with a landscaped park featuring Belgian pink granite paving blocks and ornamental fountains.

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Guidance problems cut MX reliability

WASHINGTON (AP) — Numerous guidance problems with the multi-warhead MX missile are raising "serious questions" about the dependability of one of the nation's front-line nuclear weapons, a House committee report says.

Thus far, 22 of an expected 100-missile MX force have been deployed, but one-third of those deployed are not meeting the cause of problems in their guidance systems.

"Of the 22 deployed so far, eight don't even have a guidance system and are thus clearly and obviously unguided missiles," said Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., chairman of the House Armed Services Committee that released the report Sunday.

"The Air Force says the other 14 are fine, but it has appointed a scientific panel to look into the issues, which indicates the Air Force isn't so sure," he said in a statement.

The report from the Democratic-controlled panel was sharply critical of Northrop Corp., which built the inertial measurement unit, as the guidance system is formally known, and it also criticized the Air Force for not having an adequate system of checks and balances on contractors.

Instead of checking for quality, the Air Force pushed quantity and Northrop responded by building the program so rapidly that corners were cut, the report said.

Lt. Col. Richard Oborn, a spokesman for the Air Force, disputed the conclusions about the accuracy of the weapon, which is known formally as the Peacekeeper.

"There's no question about the capability of the Peacekeeper system. Its accuracy has been demonstrated in 17 test flights," Oborn said.

Northrop, a spokesman for Northrop, said he had not seen the panel's report and could not respond to specifics in the document.

But Aspin added, "The Air Force has stated that the guidance unit is exceeding its reliability requirements and has met or exceeded its accuracy requirements in the 17 test flights thus far."

"Our problem has been one of quantity, not quality," Aspin said. "Since May, 21 new units have been accepted by the Air Force and we've reduced the backlog from 23 to 17 units."

However, the report said that of the 17 tests thus far, only five used the type of guidance system that would actually be used in the MX deployed in a silo. The other dozen were test versions.

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CONSUMING WITH DESIRE

OH, NEARLY I'VE BEEN TO SO MANY IN THE PAST WEEK, I CAN'T EVEN KEEP COUNT!

BUT NONE OF THEM HAVE REALLY GIVEN ME THE DEEP SATISFACTION I CRAVE.

OF COURSE, I DON'T IMAGINE ANY ONE OUTLET CAN ACCOMMODATE ALL MY EXOTIC NEEDS.

ZIPPY, I HAD NO IDEA YOU WERE FILLED WITH SUCH AN INSTABILITY. I LIKE TO SHOP AROUND!!

YES, WHEN IT COMES TO MAJOR APPLIANCES, I LIKE TO SHOP AROUND!!

SNAFU by Bruce Beattie

"The truth-in-advertising people want us to call it: Dimethyl-Hoglyceride."

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE by Dick Brown

THAT'S NO BEAR, THAT'S A BASTARD. NOW WHEN I WAS LITTLE, I HAD REAL BEARS...

PEANUTS by Charles M. Schulz

I HATE TO TELL YOU THIS...

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO LET THEM BOUNCE BACK.

THE PHANTOM by Lee Falk & Barry

"A DANGEROUS LADY, STARTING A JUNGLE WAR TO GET BACK HER SOLE LANDS."

WHY ARE YOU SILENT, O GHOST WHO WALKS?

THINKING, QUEEN CORONDA WOULD YOU RATHER HAVE A WIFE OR LAND BACK?

WHAT MEANING?

WHEN LONGS WING, DO YOU THINK I THOUGHT YOUR LAND TO YOU?

TOMORROW: HOSTAGES.

THE GRIZZLEWS by Bill Schorr

THAT'S RIPPICULOUS, WHAT MAKES YOU THINK I NEED A BATH?

YOU'VE GOT RINGS AROUND THE FLEA COLLAR.

BLONDIE by Dean Young & Sile

I'M AT THAT ANKWARD AGE, MR. SWAGNEY... TOO YOUNG TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY AND TOO OLD TO GET AWAY WITH ANYTHING."

CAPTAIN EASY by Crooks & Casale

SO, WILL YOU STAY WITH ME, SENORITA?

OR WILL YOUR FRIEND AND YOU DIE?

COMMANDANTE X, COME QUICKLY!

WHAT A GUY by Bill Hoest

WHAT ARE YOU LAUGHING AT?

YOU SUGGESTED IT!

YOU MISUNDERSTOOD...

I SAID YOU NEED MORE POWER TIES!

ALLEY OOP by Dave Graue

HEY, THE LIEUTENANT'S AYE! LOOKS LIKE WE'RE HEADING FOR LAND!

THAT SPAR IS NO GOOD TO US THE WAY IT IS, MR. YES, SIR HOWARTH!

AFTER WE PUT ASHORE, YOU'LL HEAD UP A PARTY TO GET US A REPLACEMENT!

I'LL TELL THE MEN, SKIPPER!

WAKE UP, ALL! WE'VE GOT A JOB TO DO ASHORE!

Bridge

A handy play for a rainy day

By James Jacoby

On a good day, today's declarer would score up the heart slam with an overtrick. He would win dummy's ace of spades, draw trumps and then play a club. If the club jack came down he could throw his spade loser on the fourth club and take a diamond finesse for 13 tricks. But the experienced player knows that there are not that many good days at the bridge table. Forget the overtrick, but look for the best percentage play to get your 12 tricks.

After a little study, even the novice knows about elimination plays. You draw trumps, eliminate a suit or two, and then put one of the defenders on lead so that anything he plays for you will be helpful. It's easy to set up such a play when you have plenty of trumps. It's also possible to set up a partial elimination, and that's the secret of success with the current deal. Declarer should win dummy's ace of spades, play a heart back to his 10 and another heart to dummy's queen. That leaves a trump still outstanding with the defenders. Now let declarer play a second spade. West wins the queen, and since he does not have a trump to play, he must either continue spades, allowing declarer to trump in dummy while discarding a loser from his hand, or lead a minor-suit card, which will assure 12 tricks another way. Notice that declarer had nothing to lose with this play — it simply gave him a sure shot whenever West started with only two hearts.

A new book 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.

Chile declared its independence from Spain in 1810.

THE BORN LOSER by Art Scazom

PERMIT ME TO COMPLIMENT YOU ON AN EFFICACIOUS DELIGHT, MRS. THORNAPPLE!

HECK, THIS IS NOTHING, CHIEF...

...YOU SHOULD HAVE DINED WITH US SOMETIME WHEN YOU'RE NOT HERE!

Polly's Pointers

Make smoothies with fruit and milk

By Polly Fisher

DEAR POLLY — Do you have a recipe for "smoothies," a creamy beverage I used to love in college? — ALISON

DEAR ALISON — Smoothies can be made from a number of ingredients — generally some combination of fruit, milk, yogurt and sometimes eggs. The ingredients are thoroughly whipped together in a blender until they are smooth, thick and rich. They're also nutritious, since they rely on fruit for sweetening, although some have a tiny bit of added sweetening in the form of honey or sugar. A very simple smoothie is simply bananas and milk blended together. One cup of milk blended with one medium-sized ripe banana will give you a large smoothie that tastes fabulous and is also nutritious. For an even more luxurious treat, freeze the banana first — the result is just like an ice cream shake.

Here are a couple of recipes for fruit smoothies (I call them fruit shakes, actually) that you can whip up in your blender whenever the spirit moves you.

Peach Yogurt Shake: Blend ½ cup milk, ½ cup plain yogurt, ½ cup peach slices and ½ teaspoon vanilla in a blender until smooth and creamy. Garnish with a dash of freshly grated nutmeg or fresh mint leaves, if desired.

Peanut-Egg Shake: Blend 1 cup milk, 1 egg, ¼ cup peanut butter and 1 teaspoon honey in a blender until smooth and frothy. Garnish with a dash of ground cinnamon.

Blueberry Shake: Blend 1 cup milk,

FRANK AND ERNEST by Bob Thaves

I'VE GOT AMNESIA. I SURE HOPE I'M GETTING TREATMENT FOR IT!

WINTHROP by Dick Cavalli

"YOU HAVE ALREADY WON AN EXTREMELY VALUABLE PRIZE!"

"HONEST! YOU'VE ALREADY WON A SENSATIONAL, WONDERFUL PRIZE!"

"P.S. IF YOU ARE A DISTRICT ATTORNEY, WE'RE JUST KIDDING."

U.S. ACRES by Jim Davis

EVERYBODY OUT FOR SOCCER!

BOOKER, YOU BE THE FORWARD AND SHELTON WILL BE THE FULLBACK.

WHAT ABOUT ME?

YOU PLUG UP THE GOAL, PORKEY. IS THAT A FAT JOKE?

PEOPLE WHO KNOW... classified

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Houses are fueling the growing consumer economy

By John Cunniff
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — What is fueling the growing consumer economy? Houses are.

That, at least, is a point of view that can be defended, if perhaps only by the process of elimination. Savings aren't the answer, since most households are rather low on that account. And recent wage increases have been minimal.

But housing is generating money like nothing ever invented for the consumer market. House prices are rising, and therefore housing equity is rising. And so is the pace at which people are tapping that equity.

In effect, the home has become the consumer's bank, a steady and ready source of funds that can be used at the stroke of a signature. Once you wouldn't think of using your equity; now, some people cannot live without it.

The pace is quickening. Second mortgages have accounted for nearly 20 percent of all mortgages originated in recent years, rising to about 8 percent of all mortgages outstanding from less than 3 percent in 1981.

In a way, it makes sense: Not only are interest charges on home loans among the lowest available, they are tax-deductible as well.

Often, the loan can be obtained simply by writing a check. And nobody asks what the money is for. But it is the latter factor especially that makes critics of home-equity loans wonder if common sense hasn't been abandoned.

The sensible use of home equity, they say, is for big-ticket items or once-in-a-lifetime expenditures, such as college tuition, home improvement or a car.

But earlier this year a Federal Reserve survey found that the money was not being used solely for those big-ticket items. In fact, only 25 percent of home-equity loans were used for major expenditures. While some of the money went to

Lenders are pushing them, and in a sense, so is Uncle Sam, by affording them their most unique tax-deductibility.

Studying the situation, economists at Wells Fargo Bank observed recently that "homeowners effectively have been liquidating their home equity at a more rapid pace than in the late 1970s, when low interest rates and high inflation encouraged mortgage-related borrowing to finance consumer spending."

But what made sense in the 1970s may not be logical today. Inflation raged in the 1970s, which meant borrowers paid back in cheaper dollars. They actually made money

by borrowing, while savers effectively lost theirs.

Moreover, most of the 1970s loans were fixed; the rates could not go up. Today they can. True, many rates are capped, but those caps still leave room for dramatic increases. And many home-equity loans have no caps at all.

"You can spend the money on anything you want, necessities or luxuries," says Wayne Bengzon, a consumer lending specialist at the U.S. League of Savings Institutions. Tapping the money has never been easier, he says.

But, he adds, you should have a clear understanding of your personal financial goals.



Ranchers are suing Travelers

HARTFORD (AP) — Travelers Corp. maintains it didn't swindle two brothers who borrowed money to pay for a Wyoming cattle ranch only to have the insurance giant foreclose on the 6,400-acre property four years later when they couldn't keep up with their payments.

John and Albert Meyer seek \$3 million in financial damages from Travelers, plus unspecified millions more in punitive damages, in a legal battle that begins today in Douglas, Wyo.

The Meyers claim that Travelers generally acted in bad faith when it sent them \$1 million, knowing they could not repay the debt. They also claim the insurance company's interest in the property was spurred by the land's valuable water and mineral rights.

"The Travelers position is that we fully inform our customers of the terms and the conditions in our financial dealings," said Scott Bushnell, a company spokesman.

However, internal documents reveal that a key Travelers agent handling the Meyers' loans had doubts about the company's conduct and feared a lawsuit.

"These boys are losing all they have accumulated. In a way we are not entirely blameless," Jack Darham, manager of the Travelers' Rapid City, S.D., office, said in a November 1984 memo, shortly before the foreclosure. "It was a bad deal all around and we helped make it so." Another memo written earlier in the year by Darham said that some of the payment problems stemmed from Travelers delaying a loan to the Meyers brothers for 5 1/2 months.

The Meyers, who once had a combined net worth of \$2.2 million, now say they have a negative worth of \$1.8 million and are living on the land as debtors in possession. Two years ago, they filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy which allowed them to stay on their ranch after foreclosure.

They moved to the Natural Bridge Ranch in Colorado in the early 1980s seeking more room for their growing families. But, despite owning adjoining wheat farms in Colorado, they didn't understand what they were getting themselves into when they bought the ranch for \$1.5 million.

Beetle eater

Looking more like something from the imagination of H.G. Wells is a new invention, the Beetle Eater, created by James Szyal, center, of Northampton, Mass. His partners are John Cahillane, left, and William Wood. The tractor-

drawn machine removes destructive bugs using pressurized air instead of pesticides. In tests, the device removed 75 to 90 percent of the Colorado potato beetles from potato plants in the Northampton area.

OSHA flounders in backlog

HARTFORD (AP) — The federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration's Connecticut office is floundering under a complaint backlog of more than three months, agency officials say.

Complaints should be investigated within 30 days and serious complaints should be checked within five days, according to OSHA guidelines.

But OSHA officials who asked not to be identified told The Hartford Courant in a story published Sunday that staffing shortages and an unusually high volume of complaints have prevented the agency from conducting regularly scheduled inspections.

John Stanton, newly appointed director of the office, which covers the entire state, acknowledged the backlog, but said, "I wouldn't say I have a great concern."

Stanton said the office will have to live with the problem until more inspectors are hired later in the fall.

The office's 15 safety inspectors and six industrial hygienists, several of whom are trainees, are responsible for the state's 70,000 work places and 1.3 million private industry workers.

Before scheduled inspections of high-hazard industries, OSHA gives priority to inspecting sites where workers are in imminent danger of being killed or seriously injured, inspecting the sites of fatal accidents, and responding to employees' complaints of unsafe conditions.

In March, John Miles, the agency's regional director for New England, called Connecticut a hotbed of safety and health problems and pledged to improve the situation in Hartford with emergency temporary replacements and increased staffing.

Stanton and other OSHA officials said the backlogs in the Hartford office are partly the result of recent time-consuming projects such as the investigation at Uretex Inc. in New Haven and the continuing investigation of the L'Ambiance Plaza building collapse in Bridgeport.

The Hartford office — like most other OSHA offices — also was forced recently to temporarily reassign safety and health inspectors to California as a result of that state's decision to drop its own OSHA program.

Stanton said the four inspectors lost to California are expected back in two or three weeks, and late last week OSHA announced it would temporarily assign two other health inspectors to Hartford.

Stanton and other officials noted further difficulty in attracting and keeping qualified industrial hygienists because of competition with private industry.

Delay home sale to save tax

QUESTION: I am a woman, 52, divorced and a homeowner. I am contemplating selling my home and purchasing a small condominium. I don't know anything about capital gains tax. Do you have any suggestions to guide me?

ANSWER: Just one suggestion. Don't sell your home until you reach age 55. By waiting until then, you can "exclude" up to \$125,000 of your capital gain — profit on the sale — from tax. That will save a bundle of tax dollars.

Anyone 55 or older who sells the principal residence he or she has lived in for at least three of the previous five years is entitled to this once-in-a-lifetime exclusion.

Your capital gain will be the difference between your "basis" and the proceeds from the sale. Your basis is the price you paid for the house, plus the cost of all additions and improvements.

After you turn 55, you can sell your home and pay no capital gains tax on up to \$125,000 of the profit from the sale. In your case, that tax saving should be well worth the three-year wait.

QUESTION: In regards to the sale of one's home, is there a difference between the once-in-a-lifetime exclusion of capital gains

When you defer the capital gains tax on a home sale until you finally sell and don't buy another principal residence. At that time, you add up all the capital gains from the sale of homes on which you deferred tax.

Then, you can take the once-in-a-lifetime exclusion. If the profit from the sale of your last home and the deferred capital gains on your previous homes total \$125,000 or less, you owe no tax from that final home sale.

QUESTION: My wife and I are in the process of selling our home and moving into rental quarters. How do we claim the once-in-a-lifetime \$125,000 exclusion from capital gains tax?

ANSWER: By filing Form 2119 with your federal income tax return.

That form is used to obtain the once-in-a-lifetime exclusion and/or to obtain a deferral of tax on profit from sale of a home. Anyone who sells a principal residence is required to include Form 2119 with the income tax return for the year in which the sale takes place.

William A. Doyle, a syndicated columnist, welcomes written questions, but he can provide answers only through the column. Write to Doyle in care of the Manchester Herald, P.O. Box 91, Manchester 06040.

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Baseball

American League standings

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Detroit	72	49	.593	0
Toronto	72	51	.589	1
New York	70	53	.568	2
Milwaukee	66	58	.532	6
Boston	65	60	.520	7
Baltimore	57	67	.460	17
Cleveland	47	77	.384	26 1/2

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Major League Leaders

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Twins' road skid reaches six

By The Associated Press

The Minnesota Twins took their first-place show on the road, and after six straight losses they're looking for cover at the Metrodome. Minnesota left home last week after a four-game sweep of Seattle with a five-game lead in the American League West.

In Detroit, the Twins dropped three straight by scores of 11-2, 7-1 and 6-0. Then it was on to Fenway — and three more losses. On Sunday, the Twins had a 4-0 lead, but Don Baylor hit a grand slam and Dwight Evans homered in the fifth as the Red Sox rallied for a 6-4 victory against Steve Carlton.

During the rocky road trip, the Twins lost three games on their lead to Oakland and try to regroup tonight against Detroit at the Metrodome, where they have a 42-18 record, compared to 24-42 on the road.

Minnesota Manager Tom Kelly doesn't think playing out of home will help if the Twins' pitching doesn't improve.

"It doesn't matter where we're playing, we're not gonna win if we don't pitch better," Kelly said. "Nobody is doing the job for us as a starter. We're going to have to sit down and do something about our pitching situation."

Elsewhere in the American League, Milwaukee beat Kansas City 10-5 as Paul Molitor extended his hitting streak to 38 games. Detroit edged Cleveland 4-3, California defeated Toronto 5-2. New York blanked Oakland 4-0, Baltimore nipped Seattle 6-5, and Chicago beat Texas 8-1.

AL Roundup

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The Twins took the early lead on homers by Gary Gaetti, Roy Smalley and Ken Hrbek against Jeff Sellers, 5-6.

"We got to him (Sellers) early, but it's a nine-inning game," Kelly said. "If you don't play for nine innings, you shouldn't bother coming to the ball park."

Carlton, 6-13 for the season and 1-4 since being acquired from Cleveland on July 31, shut out Boston on one hit for three innings.

The Red Sox scored in the fourth on Dave Henderson's bases-loaded walk, but Carlton got out of the jam as Spike Owen grounded into a double play.

With one out in the fifth, rookie Ellis Burks reached on a bunt single, took second on a balk and moved to third on Marty Barrett's single. After Wade Boggs walked, Baylor hit his 12th career grand slam.

"I wasn't looking for anything but a fastball that I could hit hard somewhere — and I definitely wasn't looking to hit just a fly ball," Baylor said of his 16th homer of the season.

Angels, 5 Blue Jays 2

Kirk McCaskill pitched six-hit ball for 6 2-3 innings and Wally Joyner hit a two-run homer as California defeated Toronto at Anaheim, Calif.

White Sox 6, Rangers 1

Floyd Bannister pitched a seven-hit and Greg Walker hit his 22nd home run as Chicago defeated Texas at Arlington.

Brewer 10, Royals 5

Paul Molitor lined a fifth-inning single off Kansas City left-hander Steve Like, who had a 1-1 record.

Reds' decided lack of hustle concern for Rose

Francisco in the National League West. But Rose said the team can stay in the race with its current roster.

"If we can't, we're in trouble," Rose said. "That's what we've got to do. That's the same team that opened a five-game lead before we went to San Francisco."

In other NL games Sunday, it was San Francisco 5, Montreal 3, New York 3, San Diego 2, Los Angeles 5, Philadelphia 1, Atlanta 3, Pittsburgh 2, and Houston 4, Chicago 2.

Vince Coleman and Ozzie Smith went hitless during a three-game sweep by Houston last week, but Coleman had two hits and an RBI and Smith had two hits, drove in two runs and became the first Cardinal this season to score four runs in one game.

"We just went through a period of bad times. Everybody has a slump," Coleman said.

After sweeping the Reds, Coleman said the Cardinals are looking forward to a three-game rematch against the Astros in St. Louis, starting tonight.

"We're going home. It's a mighty poor dog that can't fight at home," Coleman said.

Tom Herr knocked in three runs and Smith and Terry Pendton drove in two apiece for St. Louis. The Cardinals, who now lead the East by 4 1/2 games over second-place New York, sent nine men to the plate in both the first and fifth innings. They scored three runs in the first and five in the fifth after striking Bill Gullickson, 10-11, who lost his fifth straight decision.

Danny Cox, 8-4, was the winner, allowing three runs on nine hits in five innings. Three relievers finished the game.

Pendton had a two-run single in the first after Smith hit an RBI single. Rookie Lance Johnson, Steve Lake and Smith each singled in a run in the fifth, and Herr capped the rally with a two-run double. Herr doubled in another run in the ninth.

Giants 5, Expos 3

San Francisco stayed in first place in the West, beating Montreal with a four-run seventh inning.

Mike Aldrete, who homered for the seventh with a single, went to second on an infield out and scored the tying run on a single by Candy Maldonado off Bob Sebra, 6-14.

Bob Brody and Chris Speier followed with RBI singles, making the score 4-2, and Jose Uribe's suicide squeeze brought in the final San Francisco run.

Kelly Downs, 10-8, making his first major-league relief appearance after 39 career starts, pitched the sixth inning for the victory. Don Eisele worked the final three innings for his 16th save.

Astros 4, Cubs 2

Houston, a half-game behind the Giants, broke a 2-2 tie with Chicago on Billy Hatcher's two-run triple with two outs in the seventh.

Cubs starter Rick Sutcliffe, 15-6, got off first two batters out in the seventh before pinch-hitter Terry Puhl doubled and Gerald Young walked. Hatcher then tripled past diving center fielder Dave Martinez.

Ken Caminiti knocked in the first two Astros runs with a base-loaded walk and a single.

The Cubs erased the deficit in the sixth on Leon Durham's two-run homer off Rocky Childress, who replaced Nolan Ryan after a walk to Martinez. Ryan, who had a blister on his right index finger, allowed two hits and seven strikeouts in 5 1-3 innings.

Jeff Heathcock, 3-1, pitched two innings of hitless relief for the victory.

Mets 9, Padres 2

New York avoided a three-game sweep by San Diego as Dwight Gooden worked the final three innings with the help of Darryl Strawberry and Howard Johnson, who each hit his 31st home run.

Gooden, 11-4, gave up two runs on seven hits in 6 1-3 innings to improve his record in day games to 19-13, compared to 50-10 at night.

The Mets broke open a 3-2 game with five runs in the seventh, keyed by Rafael Santana's two-run single. Gooden scored the tiebreaking run in the fifth inning after a bizarre double error by Padres outfielders.

Braves 6, Pirates 2

Atlanta won its fourth straight game for the first time this season behind David Palmer's four-hit pitching for seven innings against Pittsburgh.

Palmer, 7-10, also did his part with the bat when the Braves took the lead to stay in the third inning. With the score tied 1-1, Palmer doubled, went to third on Albert Hall's sacrifice and scored on Ken Oberkfell's single.

Both Perret and McCarron said their colts were bothered by mud Saturday.

"I wasn't concerned about how far back he was," Day said of Java Gold. "Just wanted him to settle in and make my move at the five-sixteenths pole."

"He was so great, so patient. He never got unerved," trainer Mack Miller said after Day guided Java Gold to a two-length victory over Cryptoclearance in 2:02 on a sloppy track.

Polish Navy finished third, 8 1/2 lengths behind Cryptoclearance and 1 1/2 lengths ahead of Gulch. Bet Twice was fifth, Alysheba sixth. It was the fifth victory in six starts this year for Java Gold, who seems to handle any kind of racing surface. This year he has won twice on sloppy tracks, once on a muddy track, once on a good track and once on a fast track.

Java Gold, owned by Paul Mellon, paid \$8.40 and earned \$673,800 from the \$1,123,000 purse for his second victory in two weeks. On Aug. 8, he won the 1/4-mile Whitney Handicap before a Saratoga-record crowd of 50,407.

Rain served to reduce the size of Saturday's crowd, although 45,055 did turn out for the 11th Travers, the main attraction for most had to be the anticipated duel between Alysheba and Bet Twice, who met for the fifth time. Alysheba won the Kentucky Derby and Freshness Bet Twice the Belmont Stakes and the Haskell Invitational Handicap. Bet Twice was second with a quarter-mile left in the Travers, but the injury wasn't expected to affect his racing schedule.

The Marlboro also is a possibility for Bet Twice.

Shriver maintained her high level of play Sunday to defeat No. 5 Zina Garrison by the same score and capture the Player's Challenge tennis title.

Shriver, runner-up in the 1986 Player's Challenge in Montreal, set a tournament record by playing only 85 games — losing just 25 of them — during the week. Evert, a four-time winner of this event, had held the previous mark of 88, set in 1985.

Her stunning week was witnessed by 78,570 spectators, a record for a week-long Women's International Tennis Association event.

Shriver, 25, earned \$70,000 for her third tournament victory this year.

Garrison, 23, playing in only her second tournament since being sidelined for two months, picked up \$29,820.

But Garrison, who was almost eliminated in her second- and third-round matches, said she wasn't satisfied with her play after recovering from a stress fracture in her right foot.

"I expected a challenge," Weibring, a frequent winner, said.

"I don't care if it was a 54-hole tournament, I don't care if it was played on two different nines on two different golf courses. I don't care if I had to wait two hours," Weibring said. "This was special. It is something very worth it."

"Now, at last, maybe they'll stop writing and saying 'the only thing he ever won was Quaid Cities,'" Weibring said.

Weibring, 34, whose career has been slowed by nagging injuries, wiped out that identifying tag on Sunday when he outlasted Greg Norman and PGA title-holder Larry Nelson in the Western Open. It was a golf tournament that very nearly didn't get started and wound up as one of the more bizarre events in PGA Tour history.

None of that mattered to Weibring.

"Tonight was just a boost for the team," said Cavanaugh, who spent the first five of his previous nine NFL seasons with New England.

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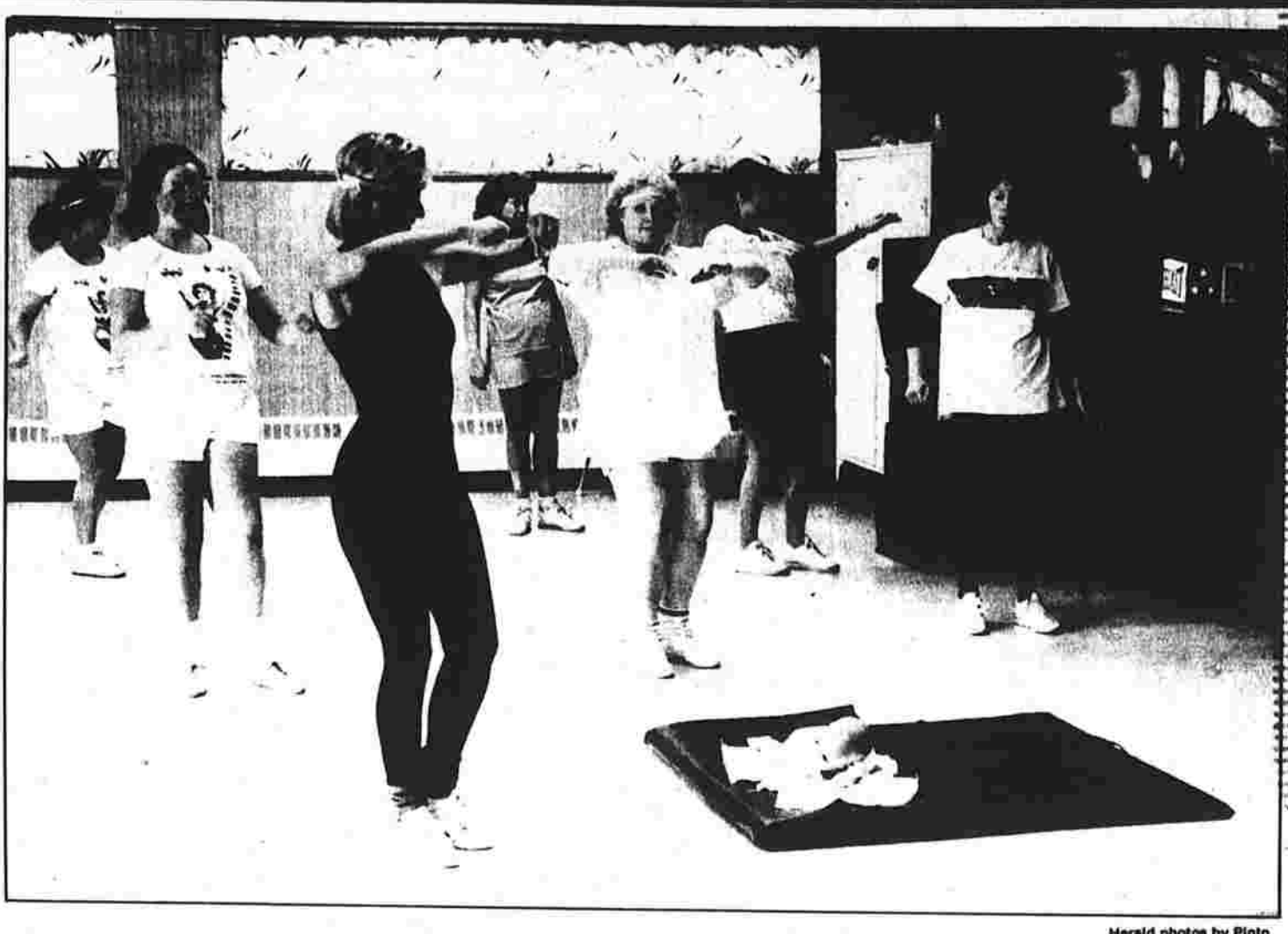
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Pat Murdoch and her baby, Anne, 3 1/2 months, take a hug break during Fit for Delivery, an exercise class for expectant mothers and new mothers at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Above, exercise instructor Debbie Dagenals leads mothers through their paces. Mothers are, from left, Mary Onid, East Hartford, Deborah Freeman, and Martha Johansson, both of Manchester. Dagenals is a licensed practical nurse at the hospital.

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Advice

It's best to take partner's word for it



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: With the recent concern about AIDS, I need to know the answer to this question: We women can use our common sense when choosing to have a heterosexual affair, but how do we tell the difference when it comes to a bisexual man? They are very difficult to recognize.

What are the signs to look for? Are there some specific behavioral patterns? How can one tell the difference between a homosexual and a bisexual man? NO NAME

DEAR NO NAME: I sought the advice of renowned psychoanalyst Dr. Judd Marmor, who has long been my chief psychiatric consultant. He said: "There is no

intimately enough to develop the kind of mutual honesty that will bring any unusual sexual patterns into the open."

In other words (mine): You will have to take your partner's word for it. And if you can't believe him, you have no business being in bed with him.

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for referring to whistling as "a joyful sound." I was shocked and dismayed at the number of readers who hated whistling. The complainers might be interested in knowing that many people who are renowned in the other musical art forms are also whistlers.

For example, Patrice Munsel studied whistling as a child. She gave a whistling recital when she was 12, and at 14 it occurred to her that she might be able to sing as well as she could whistle.

Luciano Pavarotti is another fine whistler. He whistles his operatic scores to "warm up" before appearances.

I, too, am a whistler. There are many of us far less renowned who take whistling very seriously, and devote many hours of practice to whistling. We also invest a great deal of time and money to travel to distant locations to perform for people who appreciate superb whistling, and to promote whistling as an art form.

For your readers who want to whistle with the "whistling greats" or hear great whistlers perform, there are two large whistling conventions and competitions held annually: the National Whistlers Convention in Louisville, N.C., in April, and the International Whistle-Off in Carson City, Nev., in August.

I love to whistle and have been whistling since I was 5. My favorite composer is Puccini.

JEANNE E. HUM, PALOS VERDES, CALIF.
P.S. Yes, my name really is "Hum." My slogan is "Hum whistles."

Finger condition is annoying, harmless



Dr. Gott
Peter Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: The middle finger of my right hand has pulled down into the palm. One doctor said it was carpal tunnel syndrome. Another doctor said it was Dupuytren's contracture. Who is right? What is the appropriate treatment?

DEAR READER: I believe that you have Dupuytren's contracture. This is a disorder of unknown cause in which tissue contracts around the finger-flexing tendons of the hand. As the contractions progress, the tendons themselves become foreshortened, causing the fingers to flex on the palm. The fourth and fifth fingers are most commonly affected, the third less often, the index finger and thumb never.

Dupuytren's contracture is a harmless but bothersome condition for you and your doctor.

DEAR DR. GOTT: When I was in school, learning how to write, a favorite teacher remarked, "Every time I see you write, my stomach does a flip-flop." You see, I'm left-handed. Seldom do I write my name but someone makes a comment like, "Oh, a southpaw" or "lefty." I'm getting increasingly sensitive to these observations and my writing is suffering. Do you have any suggestions?

If the finger flexion advances, a standard operation to release the tendons can be performed.

Carpal tunnel syndrome, the presence of a constricting band which pinches nerves at the wrist, almost always causes pain and tingling in the hand. To prevent muscle weakness from nerve malfunction, surgeons usually advise patients to have the wristband severed. This, too, is a fairly standard operation.

In your case, the simple flexing of one finger is most likely due to Dupuytren's, so you can elect to have it repaired at a time convenient for you and your doctor.

DEAR READER: I never thought much about the name-calling to left-handed people are subjected. As a "rightie," I was never exposed to this type of condescension.

Although our society is geared to right-handedness, there seems to be less criticism of the perfectly normal biological preference of left-handedness today. Years ago, parents made quite an issue out of being left-handed children into the more "socially acceptable" right-handed variety. This doesn't happen much anymore — and I'm glad, because trying to change handedness to the non-dominant side produced children with a wide range of behavioral abnormalities, including feelings of isolation and shattered self-confidence.

People are often insensitive about criticizing others. Since left-handedness is completely normal, your best approach is to ignore people who comment about something that's normal for you. Don't let their observations get under your skin. It's OK to be left-handed; their insensitivity is their problem.

You can improve your writing by practice, or you may wish to enroll in a penmanship class. Such programs are often available through high schools or colleges.

How you write is less important than making what you read legible. Most doctors are right-handed and have lousy handwriting. With a little practice, you can refine your script.

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More are eligible for courtesy card thanks to changes

The income limit for the medical courtesy card for senior citizens has been increased to \$19,950 for a single or \$24,000 for a couple. Seniors who qualify for this card can be assured that the doctors will not charge them more than Medicare allows. They are still responsible for 20 percent of the total bill and the deductible. If it hasn't already been met, Pick up application form at the Manchester Senior Citizens' Center.

Manchester Green Chapter 2399 Meets at Community Baptist Church on East Center Street on Sept. 10. A potluck will be held at noon with a meeting at 1:30 p.m. There will be an executive board meeting on Sept. 2 at 10 a.m. at the First Federal Savings & Loan Association, West Middle Turnpike.

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[ESPN] Truck and Tractor Pull
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SALES Career (Automobile). New Suburban Import dealer has immediate openings for aggressive, honest, hard working individuals. Will train, excellent compensation plan, salary, commission, bonus, demonstration, vacation, and insurance provided. Apply in person, Monday, August 25 from 10-4. Room 201, Quality Inn, 31 Hartford Turnpike, Route 83, Vernon, Ct.

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JEWELRY sales. Year round, part time position, flexible hours. Apply Diamond Showers, 115 Main Street, Manchester.

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WAITRESS-Morning shift. Apply in person: John's Brasserie, 829 Main St., Manchester.

TELEPHONE Operator. Seeking a full time telephone operator. Must possess effective telephone skills, typing, and customer service. For figures and basic office skills to perform a variety of clerical duties. Free parking. Benefits. Apply in person, Monday, August 25 from 10-4. Room 201, Quality Inn, 31 Hartford Turnpike, Route 83, Vernon, Ct.

ACCOUNTANT. New position in small business for degree accountant with 1-3 years experience. Responsibilities include: bookkeeping, bank reconciliations, and collections. Group insurance, 401k, and profit sharing program. Please call to appointment, Monday, August 25 from 10-4. Room 201, Quality Inn, 31 Hartford Turnpike, Route 83, Vernon, Ct.

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WAREHOUSE MATERIAL HANDLERS
G. Fox a New England tradition of satisfaction and a national retail trendsetter has immediate full time openings for Material Handlers at our South Windsor Distribution Center. The individuals we are seeking must be able to lift carts. Position requires some paperwork. Pallet jack experience a plus. We offer a generous employee discount. Apply Monday-Friday from 9-5, at G. Fox Distribution Center, 301 Governor's Highway, S. Windsor. EOE

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LOCAL package store must be able to work nights and weekends. Ask for Charlie, 649-0446.

BAKERY Clerk. Part time position working flexible days or evenings of Jenny's Bakery in Vernon. Send resume for interview. 646-5718.

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TEACHING Assistant. Energetic loving persons needed for day care center. Morning or afternoon. Send resume to P. O. Box 9547, Bolton, Ct. 06043.

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PART TIME general office worker for Manchester real estate office. Typing and bookkeeping experience helpful. 646-4555.

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GRAMPY'S corner store has openings for cashier, Financial Loan hours. Liberal benefits. Apply at Grampy's, 706 Main St., Manchester.

NOW HIRING! FOR ENTRY-LEVEL POSITIONS
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