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Foes of Bork one vote away from a victory

WASHINGTON (AP) — Opponents of Robert H. Bork moved to within a single vote of victory today as Democratic Sens. Dale Bumpers of Arkansas and Paul Sarbanes of Maryland declared their opposition.



Leslie Buckland of 619 Hillstown Road discusses his pumpkin crop, which he said is about one-quarter smaller than last year's because of an early-summer drought. Although some farmers' crops were smaller, there is no shortage of pumpkins, a state Department of Agriculture official said.

Pumpkins smaller, but supply good

That affected not only pumpkin growers, but apples and sweet corn suffered a lot," Buckland said. "As a whole, a lot of production is down... because of lack of water."

Showdown in Eighth seems likely tonight

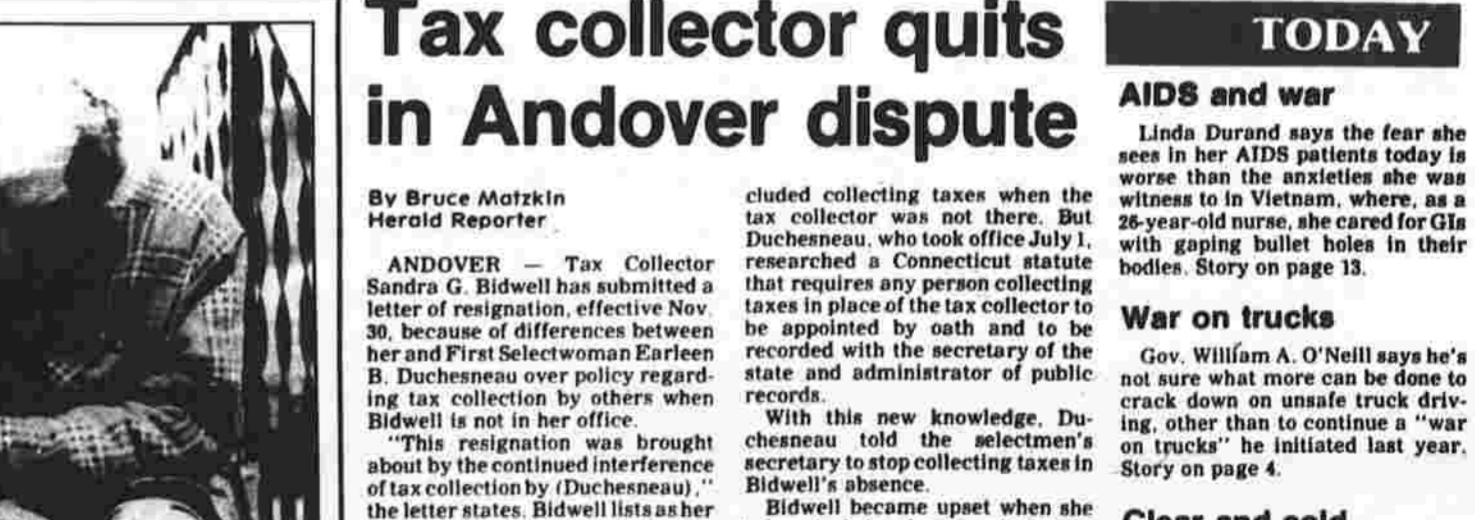
A showdown among Eighth District leaders over a district-line agreement may take place tonight at an emergency meeting of district directors called at the request of three directors who oppose the agreement.

Tax collector quits in Andover dispute

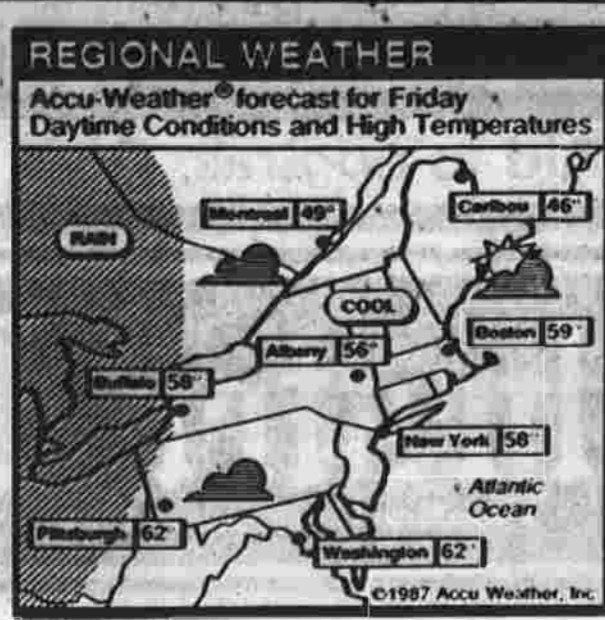
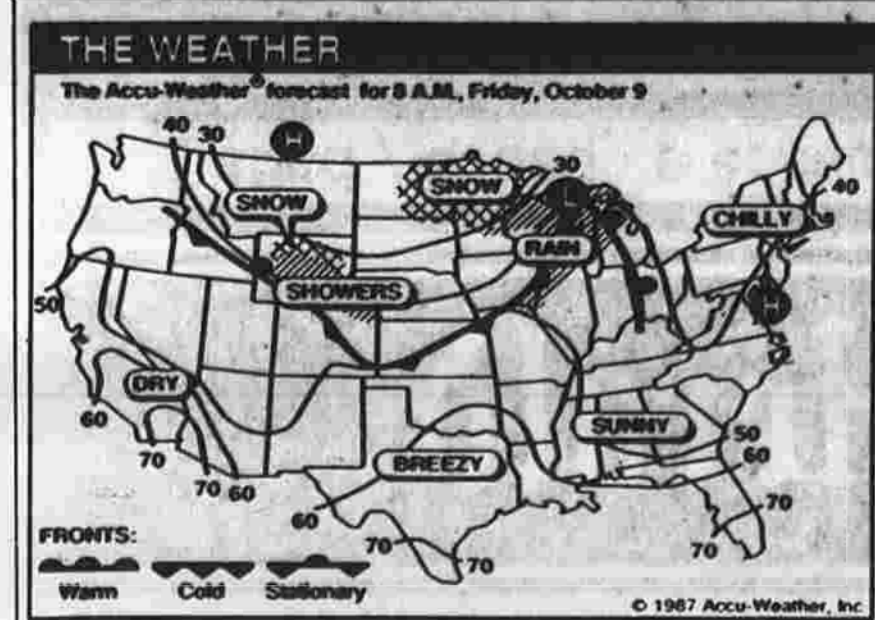
ANDOVER — Tax Collector Sandra G. Bidwell has submitted a letter of resignation, effective Nov. 30, because of differences between her and First Selectwoman Earlene B. Duchesneau over policy regarding tax collection by others when Bidwell is not in her office.

Dog gets medal for heroism

To the hero go the spoils. Or something like that. The hero is a mutt named Happy, who in the early morning hours of July 26 alerted his sleeping owners to a fire that had broken out in their home at 156 Brantford St.







## Much of nation clear; temps dip in Midwest

By The Associated Press

Temperatures dipped to freezing in the Midwest today as much of the nation was under fair skies. Rain was scattered across Maine and the eastern Great Lakes region but most of the rest of the nation was dry, with clear to partly cloudy skies prevailing. Early-morning temperatures today were in the 20s to 30s across much of the Midwest.

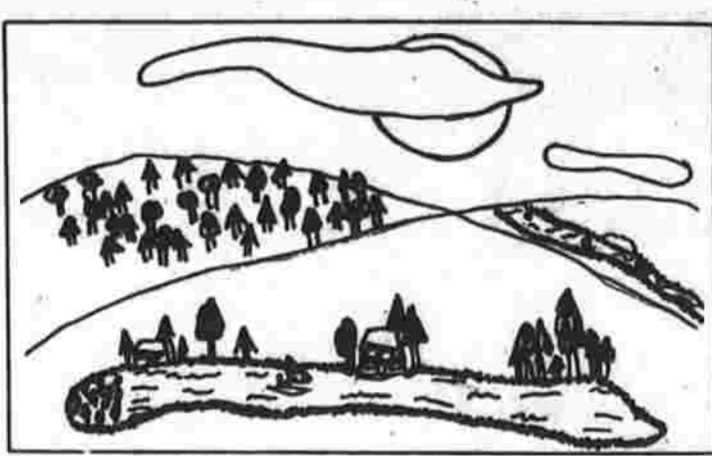
The temperature at Chicago's O'Hare Airport was 30 degrees shortly before midnight, breaking a record low of 35 set in 1952.

Readings were in the 40s to 50s across much of the Southeast and along the East Coast. Tallahassee, Fla., reached 43 degrees early today.

Today's forecast called for rain likely over northern New England and upstate New York; scattered rain showers or snow flurries in the upper Ohio Valley and central Appalachians; widely scattered rain over northwest Montana; scattered rain or snow in northern Minnesota; and mostly sunny skies over the southern two-thirds of the nation.

Highs will be in the 40s to 50s from northern Montana to the Great Lakes, the Ohio Valley, Appalachians and New England; 60s in south Florida and from interior sections of California to the southern Plains; 90s to around 100 across the desert Southwest; and 60s to 70s across most of the rest of the nation.

Temperatures around the nation at 3 a.m. EDT ranged from 25 degrees at Madison, Wis., to 86 at Yuma, Ariz.



Today's weather picture was drawn by Cara J. Damano, 10, who lives on Bruce Road and attends Martin School.

## CONNECTICUT WEATHER

Central, East Interior, Southwest Interior: Tonight, clearing and colder. Low 30 to 35 with frost possible. Friday, sunny but cool. High 55 to 60.

West Coastal, East Coastal: Tonight, clearing and colder. Low near 40. Friday, sunny. High near 60.

Northwest Hills: Tonight, clearing and colder. Low 30 to 35. Friday, sunny but cool. High around 55.

Long Island Sound to Watch Hill, R.I., and Montauk Point: Small craft advisory. Wind west 15 to 25 knots today. Northwest 10 to 15 knots tonight and Friday morning. Southwest 10 to 15 knots Friday afternoon. Seas 2 to 4 feet today and 2 feet or less tonight and Friday. Partly cloudy today. Clear tonight and Friday.

# FOCUS

**Words For Rich**  
Millionaire T. Boone Pickens has plenty of company. Experts estimate that there are now about 1,000,000 millionaire families in the United States. According to some sources, the richest person in the nation is Gordon Peter Getty. Forbes Magazine, however, lists Sam Moore Walton as the nation's richest billionaire. Walton runs a chain of discount stores. The term "billionaire" was coined in the year 1740. The first "billionaire" appeared in 1861.

**DO YOU KNOW** — Jean Paul Getty's empire is based primarily on what product?  
**WEDNESDAY'S ANSWER** — Tofu is a cheese-like duct made from pressed soybean curds.

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## Almanac

Oct. 8, 1987

Today is the 281st day of 1987 and the 16th day of autumn.

**TODAY'S MOON:** Between full moon (Oct. 6) and last quarter (Oct. 14).

**TODAY'S TRIVIA:** What is Chevy Chase's real first name? (a) Chevy (b) Chester (c) Cornelius

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1871, the Great Chicago Fire began when, according to legend, Mrs. O'Leary's cow kicked over an oil lamp in a barn.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Eddie Rickenbacker (1880); Bruce Catton (1899); Billy Conn (1917); Jesse Jackson (1941); Chevy Chase (1943).

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "The Bible is nothing but a succession of civil rights struggles by the Jewish people against their oppressors." — Jesse Jackson.

## Astrograph

**Your Birthday**  
Friday, Oct. 9, 1987

Focus your hopes on practical goals in the year ahead, and you will experience a time of fulfillment. If you think realistically, the results will be positive.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** You will do something kind for another today without realizing the value of your gesture. However, the recipient will know and will not forget. Major changes are ahead for Libra in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o The Newspaper, P.O. Box 9328, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)** Cooperation is the key word today. Others will go out of their way to help you if they perceive that you're willing to do the same for them.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** If you have been contemplating embarking on some type of self-improvement program, now is the time to start reaping its benefits today.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Organization and management are your strong suits today. If you're involved in a venture that's been faltering, straighten it out now.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** The reservoir of strength you have to draw on today is impressive. However, to be as effective as possible, pace yourself wisely.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** The strong tide is from the weak and the smart take it from the strong. In your commercial involvements today, bullies are not much for your wits.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Positive measures can be taken today to re-align the value of your gesture. However, the recipient will know and will not forget. Major changes are ahead for Aries in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o The Newspaper, P.O. Box 9328, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** In order to advance personal interests today, you'll have to be bold and assertive, yet conduct yourself without offending others in the process.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Much can be accomplished today. Arrange your schedule so that you are able to operate free from outside influences. Avoid restrictions.

**CANCER (June 21-July 23)** Try to utilize your free time as productively as possible today. Participate in activities that provide you with a sense of accomplishment.

**LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)** You have what it takes today to achieve success in an important situation that has been too tough for others to handle. Don't waste this opportunity.

**VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)** Use your common sense in handling challenging developments today. Approach matters in a practical fashion, and the results will be gratifying.

## Current Quotations

"What you saw was a rather frantic performance by a man who is deeply worried that peace is going to break out in Central America." — Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., who heads an anti-contra aid lobbying effort, after President Reagan called for more contra aid.

Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, saying the White House didn't do enough to offset the campaign against Supreme Court nominee Robert H. Bork.

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# Town's battle plan hinted at during laser hearings

By Andrew Yurkavsky  
Herald Reporter

VERNON — What could become important issues in determining whether Manchester's amusement center ordinance should be allowed to remain on the books were hinted at during the first day of hearings in Rockville Superior Court on Wednesday.

Much of the day's proceedings were taken up by attorneys' efforts to establish the facts in the case. But the lawyer representing the town, in his questioning of a businessman who is fighting the ordinance, revealed what may be the town's strategy to defend itself.

Wednesday's hearing also revealed new details about the proposed laser entertainment center at 587 E. Middle Turnpike. Part of the ordinance, which prohibits the Laserquest center from opening at its proposed location, was prompted by neighborhood opposition to that particular business.

Wednesday was the first of three consecutive days of the questioning brought forward by attorneys at hearings, after which Judge Robert Stengel is to decide whether to make permanent a temporary injunction against the town granted in August to the developers of Laserquest.

HARTFORD ATTORNEY Marshall K. Berger, who is representing the town in the case, focused most of his questions on the ownership of Laserquest and two other companies in which several stockholders in Laser Games have an interest. He also asked detailed

questions about the various contracts between each of the three companies.

The two other companies involved in Laserquest are Laser Games International, which is selling the franchise for the Manchester Laserquest, and Laser Games of Hartford, and 587 Middle Turnpike East Associates, a real estate partnership formed to buy the former Mott's Shop-Rite and lease it to Laser Games.

LASER GAMES' originally charged that enforcement of the ordinance could cause Laser Games of Hartford and 587 Middle Turnpike East Associates to suffer "severe economic and financial failures" that could result in bankruptcy.

But under questioning by Berger, Harold R. Cummings, the corporate director of Laser Games, admitted that Laser Games would be able to pull out from a five-year lease agreement with the real estate partnership because the partnership had passed a deadline on the closing of the property.

In earlier testimony, Cummings said that Laser Games of Hartford had already invested \$700,000 on equipment and services for the Manchester entertainment center. He said the equipment could be used in an entertainment center located elsewhere.

Berger's questioning of Cummings also revealed that the closing on the Laserquest site has been delayed several times and probably will be delayed beyond the present Oct. 20 deadline. That latest delay, Cummings said, is because soil at the site of the supermarket has

been contaminated with gasoline, apparently from a Gro-C Automotive Service Inc., a nearby service station.

CUMMINGS SAID that the real estate partnership had made a commitment to buy the property for \$1.3 million, but the group has paid only a \$300,000 deposit so far. Loss of that deposit, however, could result in the partnership's bankruptcy, he said.

In his testimony, Cummings had said that a franchise agreement with Laser Games International requires Laser Games of Hartford to open its Manchester franchise by December 1988. But during a courtroom break, he said that the agreement could be amended.

In his brief questioning of Cummings, Laser Games' attorney, Richard M. Rittenband of South Windsor, sought mainly to establish the particulars of the company's actions since it first proposed building an entertainment center in Manchester earlier this year. The questioning brought frequent objections from Berger that Rittenband was leading his witness. After one such question, Stengel himself interjected, "You want to give him the answer now?"

WEDNESDAY'S HEARING offered new details about the closing on the Laserquest site. Company officials have said in public hearings that the former supermarket building would be converted to resemble a large spacehip, in which players using devices that emit

laser beams would battle with computer-controlled aliens and monsters.

But the game as described Wednesday would be more complex, providing players with the chance to actually commandeer the spaceship. Cummings said the computer-controlled, animated aliens would be able to act out 10 different scenarios with players.

Cummings said the actions of the players would change what scenario would then be followed by the aliens and monsters. The players' actions would be fed to a central computer controlling the animated figures through what Cummings called a "laser vest." The vest would contain a miniature computer and a radio.

Each game would last 10 minutes. In his opening remarks Wednesday, Rittenband raised many of the points brought up in the complaint Laser Games of Hartford had filed when it was granted a temporary injunction by Superior Court Judge Harry N. Jackaway on Aug. 7.

Rittenband also argued that the ordinance was unconstitutional because it was drafted specifically with Laserquest in mind and because it does not provide provisions for appeal.

The ordinance prevents amusement centers measuring more than 5,000 square feet from operating within 1,000 feet of schools, senior citizens' housing, convalescent homes, hospitals and churches. It would affect Laserquest because elderly housing and the Manchester Senior Citizens' Center are near the proposed game center.

# Delays plague sale of two water firms

By Bruce Motzkin  
Herald Reporter

The state Department of Public Utility Control's decision on the transfer of Coventry's Elm Water Co. and Manchester's L&M Water Co. to John Wittenzeller of Stafford has been postponed until Tuesday.

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As receiver, Wittenzeller has made the necessary repairs and improvements to the two water systems. However, he cannot make capital improvements, such as installing a new \$75,000 filtration system in the Elm system, until he is the owner.

Wittenzeller proposed to buy Elm and L&M several months after taking over as receiver, but the sale process has been long and slow.

This is because the companies were left by Koppelman with many liabilities. A settlement with the Koppelman estate to pay these debts, which consist mainly of back taxes owed to the state and to Coventry and Manchester, required complicated negotiations.

The sale was finally approved last February by a West Hartford Probate Court judge allowing the sale to go before the DPUC for final approval. The DPUC hearing began on July 2 in Manchester, but was completed until Sept. 8, the hearing had been closed in August, but the Coventry Hills Homeowners' Association requested it be open again, so members could attend and voice their views on the proposed transfer.

Another hearing was scheduled in Manchester, but a mixup prevented the Coventry residents from attending. The DPUC held a session in Coventry.

Throughout the hearing, both in Manchester and in Coventry, customers of the two water systems have expressed their support for the sale to Wittenzeller. They have testified to the DPUC that Wittenzeller has done an excellent job of improving the systems, and have pleaded that the DPUC approve the sale as soon as possible.

On Oct. 13, their pleas may finally be answered.

# Support rent panel, CCAG tells directors

The Connecticut Citizen Action Group and the leader of the Manchester Tenants Housing Coalition have asked candidates for the town Board of Directors to make a written commitment to support formation of a fair-rent commission in Manchester.

A director-appointed study committee recommended Sept. 22 that such a commission be formed.

"The board's decision on this matter is extremely important," Robin Tracey, chairman of the tenants' group, said in a letter to the directors. "While we understand that we need a fair-rent commission to be positioned until after the November elections, we feel that it is incumbent upon the board members and their opposing candidates to take a stand on the issue."

In a news release, CCAG, which has been pushing for a fair-rent commission along with the tenants' group, asked that candidates sign a form pledging to make establishment of a fair-rent commission "one of the first orders of business" if elected.

# Accolades on agenda

Three members of the town Board of Directors who are not seeking re-election were honored by their fellow directors during the board's meeting Tuesday night.

Mayor Barbara B. Weinberg presented the three with citations thanking them for their service to the town. She also presented them with glass plates bearing the town seal and her own signature.

Though Weinberg's remarks were serious, some directors and members of the public couldn't resist the temptation to make light of the proceedings.

When Weinberg presented a citation to Republican William J. Diana, who has served on the board for 12 years, Diana asked the mayor why she didn't read it, as she had when she presented one to Thomas H. Ferguson, another Republican who is stepping down.

"It says the same thing," Weinberg cracked.

Town Manager Robert B. Weiss told Democratic Director Stephen T. Penny, a 10-year veteran of the board, that Penny would no longer be able to keep tabs on the town manager through the manager's secretary, Phyllis Soles.

"I want to tell Steve that the direct line to Phyllis so he can keep track of me is being disconnected," Weiss said. "Almost every resident who addressed the board Tuesday night took the time to praise the outgoing directors."

Resident William Pagan, a regular at the directors' meetings, said later in the evening, "You, Mr. Penny, don't have to listen to Mr. Pagan again."

Weiss praised the three for their professionalism. "The result has been a sense of teamwork between the administration and the Board of Directors," he said.

By the end of the meeting, the accolades had become a bit too much for Director James F. Fogarty.

"If I knew the tributes would be so good, I would have quit tonight," he said.

# Town may form rec panel

The town's Board of Directors is considering setting up a study panel of representatives of various town agencies to discuss park and recreation concerns.

The idea of a joint committee, to include members of the Advisory Park and Recreation Commission and representatives from the Board of Directors and other boards, was raised at last month's directors' meeting after some directors complained of the poor condition of the town's playing fields.

The Board of Directors was to consider actually appointing members to such a joint committee during its Tuesday night meeting, but members voted to table the item until a later date.

"I think this committee is of great significance. I think the last thing we should do is rush on into it," said Director Stephen T. Cassano.

# PEOPLE

## Laughing Liz

NEW YORK (AP) — Actress Elizabeth Taylor, who has gone from svelte beauty to obesity and back again, says she was able to laugh along with Joan Rivers and others who poked fun at her weight.

"My laugh was always the loudest, even when I was on the verge of tears," she said in an interview published in November's Ladies Home Journal.

"How could I hate the person making the jokes when I knew I was responsible," Taylor said.

The actress said she went on a diet after turning her life around at the Betty Ford Clinic to stop her drug and alcohol abuse.

Her physical transformation included minor plastic surgery to firm her chin after losing weight, she said.

Asked whom she considers beautiful, Taylor said actresses Sissy Spacek, Meryl Streep, Kathleen Turner and Debra Winger "all have a special radiance. And, thank God, the big studios aren't around to tell them to become a blond or to fix their noses the way studios used to."

The 55-year-old Taylor also listed two of her elders.

"I think Bette Davis is one of the most beautiful women I know. She's had a stroke and coped bravely with so many things. She has a wonderful face," Taylor said. "I think Katharine Hepburn is a beautiful woman, too. Both these women radiate energy."

## Closed dispute

FREEHOLD, N.J. (AP) — Actor Peter O'Toole's custody dispute with his former lover over their 3-year-old son has been closed to the public until later this month.

Superior Court Judge Alexander D. Lehrer sealed the court records Tuesday at the request of O'Toole's attorney, and ruled that cameras will be barred from the courtroom Oct. 23 when he announces whether to reopen the records.

A cable television outlet and a newspaper had sought permission to have cameras in court for



AP photo

**CELEBRATING** — Actress Joan Collins flashes a victory sign Wednesday in Los Angeles after a judge threw out a \$80,000-a-month alimony request by her former husband, Peter Holm. Holm, who was in France, was cited for contempt of court and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

opening arguments in the custody battle of Lorcan O'Toole, son of the actor and Karen O'Toole, of Rumson.

Ms. O'Toole, who according to court records took the actor's name but never married him, filed suit in April seeking full custody of her son.

Under the current agreement, the boy spends equal time with each parent, according to Jeffrey P. Weinstein, the actor's attorney.



AP photo

O'Toole recently appeared on Broadway in a revival of "Pygmalion."

## Don't hesitate

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Harold Russell, the soldier who lost his hands in World War II and later won an Academy Award for his only movie role, in "The Best Years of Our Lives," says employers should not hesitate to hire the disabled.

Many of the eight million disabled people in the United States are denied work because of the unfounded fears of employers, said Russell, chairman of the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped.

"Disability should not be a part of our criteria as we look at job possibilities for these individuals," he said Wednesday at a program recognizing local employers and their handicapped workers.

Russell said four U.S. presidents had what many employers would consider unacceptable handicaps: Franklin D. Roosevelt, who was stricken with polio; John F. Kennedy, who suffered chronic back pain; Lyndon Johnson, who survived a heart attack before his election; and Ronald Reagan, who is beyond the usual retirement age.

## Top fund-raiser

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — New York City Opera director Beverly Sills will lead a national fund-raising drive for the March of Dimes' 50th anniversary celebration in 1988.

## Comics Sampler

ON THE FASTTRACK by Bill Holthrosk

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### Connecticut In Brief

**Victim identified in I-91 pileup**  
**CROMWELL** — State police have identified the victim of a 10-vehicle pileup on Interstate 91 as a 27-year-old Windsor woman who had been returning home from work.  
 Anne R. Silvia worked in Fairfield and was headed north on Interstate 91 when her car was struck from behind by a tractor-trailer truck at about 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, state police said.  
 Four others also were injured in the crash near Exit 21 in Cromwell, about 20 minutes south of Hartford.  
 Silvia was trapped in her car, which burst into flames after being struck by a truck driven by Anson W. Gibson, 60, of Bristol, Tenn., said state police Sgt. Daniel Lewis.  
 The accident resulted as troopers were removing the wreck of another accident in the left lane farther north on the highway, Lewis said. Gibson failed to slow his tractor-trailer, Lewis said.

### CL&P gets power back to everyone

The Connecticut Light and Power Co. has completed the restoration of electricity to customers who lost service during the weekend's freak snowstorm, Northeast Utilities officials said.  
 Nearly 70,000 customers lost power during the storm when trees, weighed down by wet leaves and heavy snow, collapsed onto power lines, the utility said. All power was restored by Wednesday.  
 Virtually all the customers affected were located in western Connecticut, the area hardest hit by Sunday's storm, officials said.  
 William Seekamp, spokesman for Southern New England Telecommunications Corp., said storm-related telephone outages were down to about 460 by Wednesday. Power to 95 percent of those customers was expected to be restored by today, Seekamp said.  
 About 3,400 customers lost telephone service after the storm, Seekamp said.

### Price of heating oil remains stable

**HARTFORD** — The average retail price of home heating oil remained relatively stable during September at 84.5 cents per gallon, the state Energy Division reported.  
 The department's Fuel Oil Survey of Oct. 1 showed a range in price for home heating oil from a low of 70 cents per gallon in the greater New Haven area to a high of 89.9 cents in the Greater Hartford, Northwestern Connecticut and Stamford/Bridgeport areas, the department said.  
 Heating oil prices in Connecticut have remained in the 84 cents to 85 cents range for the last eight months, according to Bradford S. Chase, under secretary for energy.  
 "Barring any truly extraordinary event in the Gulf, there will probably be only minimum fluctuations from the existing price," he said.

### Doctor nabbed in steroid crackdown

**WILTON** — A Wilton physician has been arrested in what state drug control officials describe as a crackdown on the illegal prescribing of anabolic steroids to athletes.  
 Dr. Walter X. Lehman was arrested Wednesday on eight counts of illegally prescribing anabolic steroids. Under state and federal law, it is a misdemeanor for physicians to prescribe anabolic steroids for non-medical reasons.  
 Agents from the state Department of Consumer Protection and Wilton police made the arrest and accused Lehman of prescribing the steroids to four patients to aid in body building and weight lifting.  
 William P. Ward, head of the department's drug control division, said more arrests are expected.  
 Lehman is charged with prescribing steroids to four men in their early 20s. The men, from Greenwich, Danbury and Branford, used the drugs in connection with body building and football, Lehman said Wednesday.

### KoC promotes beatification of two

**NEW HAVEN** — The Knights of Columbus has established an office to promote the possible beatification of two former supreme chaplains, officials said.  
 The purpose of the Office for Historical Research will be to advance the possible cause for beatification of the Rev. Michael J. McGivney and Bishop Charles P. Greco, the KoC said in a prepared statement.  
 In beatifying, the Roman Catholic church declares a deceased member to be among the blessed in heaven. The process usually, but not always, leads to the person being canonized as a saint.  
 The director of the new office will be Elmer Von Feldt, who has served as editor of Columbia, the International Journal of the KoC, for 22 years.

### Mistrial declared in ballot case

**WATERBURY** — A conflict involving attorneys has prompted a Superior Court judge to declare a mistrial in the absentee-ballot tampering trial of Anthony M. "Ace" Guzzardi.  
 The mistrial was declared Wednesday because a witness called by the prosecution is being represented in another case by a law partner of Guzzardi's attorney.  
 Superior Court Judge William Lavary declared the mistrial after Frank N. "Cappy" DeBlasio was called to the stand Wednesday, the second day of the trial.  
 Guzzardi is charged with two counts of illegal possession of absentee ballots. The state alleges Guzzardi picked up the absentee ballots of Rose Borrelli and Lawrence Natale. State law requires that absentee ballots must be picked up in person or mailed to homes. Only public officials are allowed to handle them.

## O'Neill continues war on trucks

**HARTFORD** — Gov. William A. O'Neill says he's not sure what more can be done to crack down on unsafe truck driving, other than to continue a "war on trucks" he initiated last year.  
 On Tuesday, a fiery crash involving two tractor-trailers and eight cars left one person dead and four others hurt on Interstate 91. The day before, a truck had been involved in another I-91 crash that snarled traffic.  
 "They are cracking down on trucks all the time. They're stopping them, they're weighing them, they're checking them," O'Neill said reporters. "There has been no reduction so far as the crackdown."  
 "I don't know what more can be done, to be honest with you."  
 The governor said he would talk with Col. Lester J. Forst, the state police commander and commissioner of public safety, about the need for additional state troopers.  
 O'Neill noted that the last two classes of troopers have been the largest in state history.

The governor also said Wednesday that potential overtime abuses by state police troopers on highway construction projects are under review by his counsel, Jay W. Jackson.  
 O'Neill said that Jackson, the state police and the state auditors were "looking at that whole situation."  
 A state police spokesman last week refused to discuss the matter because it was still under investigation.  
 Documents made public last week showed that at least 10 troopers, who worked on more than 100 construction projects in 1986, were involved in apparent abuses of overtime. The documents did not reveal the extent of the problem or the amount of money involved.  
 In June, Forst had written to the auditors and the governor asking for help in sorting through records from more than 10,000 highway projects.  
 Forst said that if abuses were confirmed, steps would be taken to recover any improper payments.  
 State troopers are routinely assigned to highway construction projects to help with traffic.

## John Doe convicted, won't eat

**NEW LONDON (AP)** — An anti-nuclear protester who has refused to give authorities his name remains on a hunger strike in his prison cell after he was convicted on charges of disorderly conduct and interfering with a police officer.  
 A Superior Court jury in New London deliberated for just eight minutes on Wednesday before convicting the man, known as John Doe. His trial lasted slightly more than a day.  
 After his conviction, Doe refused to sign a written promise to appear in court, which would have made him eligible for release without bond.

Doe has been jailed since his arrest on Labor Day for refusing to leave the Nautilus Memorial, dedicated to the nation's first nuclear submarine, at closing time. About 75 people were protesting outside the museum at the time.  
 Doe has said he is a 27-year-old Korean War veteran who calls a commune in Maine his home and makes a living building solar greenhouses.  
 He has been on a hunger strike since his arrest and has lost 20 pounds.  
 "Either we put our bodies on the line with our government today, or we'll be facing a fascist state in the future," Doe said in an interview earlier this week.  
 "The world is being held hostage to a military complex. We face nuclear destruction because it is more profitable to build machines that kill people than machines that help people."  
 Connie Wilks, a spokeswoman for the state Department of Correction, said Doe's vital signs are being monitored at the Montville Correctional Center, where he is being held.  
 Wilks said authorities would only force a prisoner to take nourishment "if we feel that somebody has been on a hunger strike which has impacted on their overall health."  
 Doe said he would not resist if prison officials try to force feed him.  
 "I'm doing this to make a point," said Doe. "I'm not going to commit suicide."  
 Assistant State's Attorney Kevin Kane, who prosecuted Doe's case, said the defendant faces up to a year in prison or fines of up to \$1,500 when he is sentenced on Oct. 28.



Here's the beef  
Three-year-old Colan Lohnes of Upper Northfield, Nova Scotia, takes charge of his father's oxen, Lion and Spark, at the Cumberland Fair last weekend in Cumberland, Maine.

## School bus driver didn't know she'd struck and killed toddler

**NEW BRITAIN (AP)** — A two-year-old boy was killed after being struck by a school bus Wednesday, police said.  
 Gregory Miller, who lived with his mother, Linda Miller, 23, in the Oval Grove housing project, was struck outside his baby sitter's home on Doherty Road about 3 p.m., said Lt. James F. Ahern.  
 The bus driver, Daniela Brzyzinski, 23, of New Britain, apparently was unaware of striking the child and returned to the Datto Bus Co. headquarters, Ahern said.  
 The bus, traveling north on Doherty Road, had just dropped off the last child on its route from Smalley Elementary School and was leaving when Gregory apparently darted in front of the bus, Ahern said.  
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Mayra Garcia, 10, said she was walking toward her home after being dropped off by the bus when she heard a sound "like a bump."  
 When Garcia turned around, she said, she saw Gregory lying face down in the road.  
 "I screamed at the bus for her to stop," Garcia said, but the bus drove off.  
 Clark said the boy's mother works as a nurse's aide at New Britain General Hospital and had been leaving the boy in her care since the middle of last summer, dropping him off at 6:30 a.m. and picking him up at 3 p.m.  
 Felicia Willis, a secretary in the same unit as Miller at New Britain General, said Miller ran home, about a half-mile, after she was told her son had been hit. She was later taken to the hospital after becoming hysterical, police said.  
**Serious Injuries**  
 Pro golfer Bobby Nichols, who ultimately won 12 PGA Tour Events, was injured so badly in an auto accident when he was 18 that he was paralyzed for about two weeks and spent 96 days in a hospital.  
 Ahern said. The child was pronounced dead at Johnson Funeral Home. A spokeswoman for the state medical examiner's office in Farmington said an autopsy will be performed Thursday.  
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## Police seek motive in reporter's murder

**HARTFORD (AP)** — Police were still seeking a motive in the slaying of a Journal Inquirer reporter who was found strangled in her apartment.  
 Police said Wednesday they have found evidence in the killing of Kara Laczynski, 24, whose body was found Monday.  
 Hartford police Lt. Frederick Lewis called the murder "very peculiar and mysterious."  
 "It's a very difficult investigation at this point," he said. "We do have evidence. I can say that. What we have to do now is develop suspects."

declined to say whether she had been sexually assaulted or whether her body bore signs of a struggle.  
 The Journal Inquirer of Manchester has offered a \$10,000 reward in the case, and police have asked anyone with information about it to call them.  
 A funeral will be held Saturday in New Jersey. Laczynski was born in Elizabeth, N.J., and lived in Union, N.J., for 20 years before moving to Hartford in March, when she started work for the Journal Inquirer.  
 She leaves her parents, Edward and Frances Laczynski of Union; a sister, Barbara Laczynski, and a brother, Edward; her maternal grandparents, Frank and Antonette Melchione of Elizabeth; and her paternal grandmother, Helen Laczynski of Elizabeth.  
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### U.S./World In Brief

**Iranians attack Japanese ship**  
**MANAMA, Bahrain** — An Iranian gunboat fired a missile at a Japanese-owned vessel in the Persian Gulf off Saudi Arabia today, setting it ablaze and injuring three crewmen, Marine salvage experts reported.  
 Iraq said its warplanes raided a ship off Iran's Kharg Island oil terminal five minutes after the Iranian strike. There was no immediate confirmation of the raid from gulf-based shipping agents or Iran.  
 Meanwhile, Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency said today that a U.S. warship attempted to force an unarmed Iranian reconnaissance plane to change its course Wednesday "but the plane successfully carried out its mission."  
 Iranian Prime Minister Hussein Musavi said Iran was prepared for a possible confrontation with the United States. He reiterated Tehran's warning that all shipping in the Persian Gulf would be in danger if Iran's own sealanes were insecure.

### Woodward: Casey always lying

**WASHINGTON** — Journalist Bob Woodward today said his impression after writing a new book about William Casey is that the late CIA director "was always deceiving, lying, breaking the rules and laws."  
 Woodward, an assistant managing editor of The Washington Post, said that Casey, in his zeal to revive the CIA and fight communism and terrorism around the world, "clearly became not just part of the problem but maybe the problem. At the same time, I think a lot of people are going to read this (book) and say, 'Gee, he was a hero. He did what was necessary.'"  
 Woodward, interviewed on NBC-TV's "Today" show, speculated that Casey agreed to talk with him repeatedly as he researched the book "Veil: The Secret Wars of the CIA, 1981-1987" because the CIA director hoped to help shape its contents and soften its portrayal of the CIA.

### Journalists ordered out of Tibet

**BEIJING** — Western journalists covering independence unrest in Tibet have been accused of violating reporting rules and ordered to leave Tibet within 48 hours, official Chinese media said today.  
 The Chinese news agency Xinhua said 15 journalists from the United States, Britain, Italy, Canada and Australia were being expelled from Tibet because they had not applied for permission to cover news in the region.  
 There has been a virtual blackout on communications out of Lhasa since Tuesday, raising speculation that Chinese authorities were upset about foreign reports on pro-independence demonstrations that shook Lhasa in the past 10 days.

### Falwell, officers quit PTL board

**FORT MILL, S.C.** — PTL Chairman Jerry Falwell said he and PTL's board and top officers resigned this morning rather than remain at the helm of a ministry that has become the "Watergate of evangelical Christianity."  
 Falwell's resignation came the morning after a bankruptcy court judge allowed the evangelical empire's creditors and contributors to file a competing plan to reorganize PTL under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.  
 That move would leave the ministry open to a comeback by its founder, defrocked evangelist Jim Bakker, who turned the ministry over to Falwell on March 19 amid a sex-and-money scandal.  
 Falwell announced the decision at a news conference at the ministry's headquarters in Fort Mill.  
 Several top PTL leaders threatened on Wednesday to quit if a bankruptcy judge allowed the evangelical empire's creditors and contributors to file a competing reorganization plan.

### Nicaragua begins limited cease-fire

**YOLAINA, Nicaragua** — Soldiers withdrew from several combat areas and freed at least eight jailed rebel sympathizers to mark the beginning of the leftist government's limited cease-fire with the U.S.-backed contra rebels.  
 The Contras have condemned the partial truce, which was declared in connection with a regional peace plan signed Aug. 7 by Nicaragua and four other Central American countries.  
 "We are showing our good faith," Lt. Col. Roberto Calderon, commander of the 5th Military Region, said in Yolaína after the cease-fire became effective Wednesday.

### Reagan picks Dole's successor

**WASHINGTON** — President Reagan has chosen James H. Burnley IV, a federal transportation official who has clashed with senators about aviation safety, to succeed Elizabeth Dole as secretary of transportation, administration and congressional sources say.  
 The sources confirmed Wednesday that Burnley, deputy secretary of transportation since 1983, is in line for the Cabinet-level position. The sources, who spoke on condition they not be identified, said the announcement was expected to be made today.  
 The position has been vacant since Mrs. Dole, wife of Senate Republican leader Bob Dole, left to campaign full-time for her husband for the GOP presidential nomination. Mrs. Dole's final day on the job was last Thursday.

### Agreement near on Saudi arms

**WASHINGTON** — Congressional leaders and the Reagan administration are near agreement on a controversial weapons package for Saudi Arabia, according to sources on Capitol Hill and in the administration.  
 While the exact shape of the package had not been worked out, officials on both sides of the talks said they were optimistic a compromise could be reached at a meeting today between President Reagan and the bipartisan leadership of Congress.  
 The original \$1.4 billion weapons package planned by the administration has been stalled for weeks in the face of stiff congressional opposition, and White House officials have been holding intensive consultations with congressional leaders to shape an arms list acceptable on Capitol Hill.

### New AIDS chairman gets support

**WASHINGTON** — The new chairman of President Reagan's AIDS commission, retired Navy Adm. James D. Watkins, will be supported to the "nth degree" by others on the panel, a commission member says.  
 That assessment by Dr. William B. Walsh, founder of Project Hope, came late Wednesday shortly after Reagan announced that Watkins was being selected to replace Dr. W. Eugene Mayberry.  
 The White House announcement occurred nearly eight hours after a spokesman at Mayo Clinic, where Mayberry is executive director, confirmed reports that Mayberry was stepping aside.

### Federal jury indicts Myerson

**NEW YORK** — Bess Myerson, a housepainter's daughter who rose to become Miss America and then a top city official, has been indicted for allegedly using her position to influence the judge in her boyfriend's divorce.  
 A federal grand jury Wednesday charged the 63-year-old former cultural affairs commissioner with conspiracy, mail fraud and bribery-related charges for allegedly giving a city job to the judge's daughter in return for a reduction in the support her "intimate companion" had to pay his ex-wife.  
 If convicted, Miss Myerson could receive up to 30 years in prison and fined \$513,000. Arraignment was scheduled for Oct. 15.

## Babbitt sees 'bad blood' in race

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The Democratic presidential hopefuls confronted Sen. Albert Gore Jr. over his increasing attacks in an exchange that left Bruce Babbitt saying their race "has the makings of bad blood."  
 "Al, you're sounding like the tough kid on the block," the former Arizona governor told Gore on Wednesday following their debate before the Democratic National Committee. "We need to kind of lighten up."  
 Their debate was the third in two weeks in which Gore depicted the positions of his five rival candidates as weak on defense and foreign policy and out of step with the mainstream. Gore said he was resisting a party nominating process that in the past "has pushed all our candidates toward a single homogeneous view that is wildly appealing to a minority of Americans."  
 His opponents responded that Gore had dug up phony differences in an appeal to conservatives.  
 Not ready to quit after the two-hour debate, four of his rivals gathered beside Gore on the stage afterward and engaged in a lively debate of their own before a crush of reporters.  
 "These attempts to be a Democrat in Republican clothing represents a kind of tension, and I hope we can reduce it," said Jesse Jackson, standing by Gore's side.  
 "To try to set up artificial distinctions, phony differences, I don't think makes any sense for our party," Rep. Richard Gephardt of Missouri said. "We're doing what the Republicans want us to do."  
 Gore, whose hopes rest greatly on the outcome of the March 8 Super Tuesday regional primaries in his native South, cited his support for using U.S. military force in the Persian Gulf and his opposition to a ban on flight testing of ballistic missiles, which are advocated by all of his rivals except Babbitt.  
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Democratic National Chairman Paul Kirk Jr., center, stands with presidential candidates during a forum in Washington Wednesday. From left are Sen. Albert Gore, Rep. Richard Gephardt, the Rev. Jesse Jackson, Kirk, Bruce Babbitt, Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis and Sen. Paul Simon.

"Retreat, complacency and doubt are labels that I believe characterize a view in part of the Democratic Party that all five of my opponents have come close to subscribing to," Gore said.  
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we can go in that direction. I'm not complacent about it," Gore said.  
 On the stage, Simon told Gore "we ought to keep in mind the tone" when discussing their differences.  
 Gore interrupted: "Well, if you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen."  
 Speaking moments later apart from Gore, Babbitt said he objected to Gore's use of sweeping characterizations of the others' positions.  
 "It has the makings of bad blood," Babbitt said.  
 "The senator sort of reminds me of the tough kid on the block — a little too much swagger, a little too

ready to use big sweeping adjectives to characterize everybody else," Babbitt said. "Stress the differences ... but don't get into name calling."  
 In a meeting later of presidential campaign managers, Gore manager Fred Martin was chastised by his counterpart for Gore's recent tactics, according to several sources familiar with the session.  
 He was warned that if they continue, Gore's opponents intend to fight back, giving Gore "as much as he can stand," according to one source who spoke only on condition of anonymity.

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# OPINION

## Recycling questions are valid

Director Stephen T. Penny raised a very legitimate question Tuesday when he persisted in wanting to know who is going to buy theoretically recyclable junk materials after Manchester and other Connecticut towns have devised ways of separating them from the rest of the trash.

His fellow director, Kenneth Tedford, offered a long-term answer when he predicted that some day reusing paper and metal will take the place of mining and foresting. Tedford seemed to be suggesting that recycling will become an integrated part of the nation's production system. He is probably right, but the transition will be lengthy and costly.

The need to reduce the amount of trash we produce is upon us now. We may as well face the fact that the days of cheap dumping are almost at an end.

The state has told the towns that by 1991 they must recycle at least 25 percent of their trash. Manchester, with its rudimentary recycling, has achieved an unimpressive 3 percent.

Like everyone else, Manchester must do better. Doing better is going to cost more in immediate dollars.

Citizens have to realize that the real savings come in reducing the amount of space that needs to be devoted to refuse and in reducing the dangers of polluting resources.

Nevertheless, Penny has a point. A major part of the push to realize the recycling dream has to be some hard-headed searching for reliable markets for the cast-off materials. Those markets are necessary partly to offset some of the added costs of recycling, but mostly to guarantee that the state will not end up with growing stockpiles of separated trash instead of growing stockpiles of unseparated trash.



EXCUSE ME, BUT I AM NOT A BIMBO...



I'M STUDYING TO BE A TOMATO...

### Open Forum

#### Vernon Street project shameful

To the Editor: I don't live there, but I've been there and it's sad to relate that the Vernon Street project is shameful to date.

For officials so anxious to give millions to Sears, the fiasco on Vernon earns them nothing but jeers. It is better, yes, much better to heed the Vernon Street cry than to dream about castles and of pie in the sky.

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#### Volunteers make programs work

To the Editor:

The volunteers who come forward to lend their services and talents to help their units are commendable. It seems lately that it is always the same ones who are there all the time and no new faces to help their unit. If it weren't for the many non-members who help support our programs, as well as meetings, it's the non-members and outsiders who come and support these programs and activities. To the ones who do volunteer to help their unit, a big salute.

There are those who work behind the scenes and never ask to get credit. These volunteers come

#### What happened to the Red Sox?

To the Editor:

Red Sox, Red Sox, what's happening with you. When games start, you make the first runs one or two. Your games start out so great. Then you go into the lake. We know you didn't surely come close to winning the crown. Show your fans you are going to try. Cause you let us all down with that cry, cry, cry. So good luck, next year.

Mary Jarvis  
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#### Portable rooms are not answer

To the Editor:

As a resident of Manchester I

am very concerned about the proposed use of modular classrooms in our elementary schools. Modular classrooms are trailer-like "portable" rooms which can be attached to existing buildings. One effect of these is to segregate that particular class from the rest of the school.

If our existing open schools are crowded enough to warrant the use of these classrooms, then it appears that cafeterias, gymnasiums, auditoriums and other facilities will become overcrowded. Why overtax our school facilities and invest a great deal of money in modular units when there is a school in Manchester (Highland Park) which the town is maintaining?

Modular classrooms are a temporary (yet expensive) answer to the long-range problem of overcrowding in schools. A more permanent solution would be desirable.

Elizabeth A. Mandel  
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#### Letters to the editor

The Manchester Herald welcomes original letters to the editor. Letters should be brief and to the point. They should be typed or neatly handwritten, and, for ease in editing, should be double-spaced. Letters must be signed with name, address and daytime telephone number (for verification).

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Address letters to: Open Forum, Manchester Herald, P.O. Box 991, Manchester, CT 06040.

Jack Anderson

## Gemayel had links to CIA

WASHINGTON — In his new book about the CIA's secret wars, Bob Woodward has resurrected from the dead a charismatic Lebanese warlord, Bashir Gemayel, whose violent death probably changed the history of the Middle East. Nine days before he was scheduled to be sworn in as president of Lebanon, an assassin's bomb brought a three-story building crashing down on his head.

Gemayel lived only a brief 34 years, yet already he had become a leader to be reckoned with in the disjointed, unruly Arab world. There was nothing menacing in his appearance. He had a baby-smooth, caring face, with large, intense eyes. His voice was soft, his manners gentle, his smile contagious. Yet there was an air of suppressed danger about him.

Woodward called him a "ruthless warlord" and "savagely murderer" who had close, covert ties to the CIA. But Philip Habib, the top U.S. diplomat in the Middle East at the time, described Gemayel as "a passionate man (who) felt strongly about his country, about his people, about his mission."

No Western reporter understood Gemayel better than did our associate Barbara Newman. In an earlier column, we told how she had gone to Lebanon to interview Gemayel and had stayed to become his confidante and lover.

She was aware of his violent side. She knew him to be back-alley conspirator, urban mob leader, organizer of cabals, who had made himself the master of the labyrinth of violent groups that had brought Lebanon to the brink of chaos.

Woodward reported that President Reagan signed a top-secret order in early 1982, authorizing \$10 million in covert aid to Gemayel's militia. Newman confirmed that Gemayel not only received cold cash but raw intelligence from the CIA. In fact, she used to pass on CIA reports, including secret CIA profiles of all the top leaders in the Middle East, that she got from Gemayel.

Woodward contended that Israel's truculent former defense minister, Ariel Sharon, asked the late CIA director William Casey to provide paramilitary support to Gemayel. Newman learned from her warlord Sharon's secret motive. The Israeli war hawk wanted Gemayel to support the Israeli invasion of Lebanon. Later, after Gemayel became Lebanon's president-elect, Sharon pressured him to sign a peace treaty that would crack Arab unity and recognize Israel.

Sharon mistakenly thought the youthful Gemayel was childlike and could be easily manipulated, Newman said. But the real story, which she also learned from Gemayel, was that the CIA had double-crossed Sharon. The CIA wanted the new president of Lebanon to look to the United States, not Israel, for guidance. The CIA, therefore, urged Gemayel to reject Sharon's request.

The Israelis made a last effort to win over Gemayel just a few days before his scheduled inauguration. They persuaded him to sit down with Menachem Begin, then the Israeli prime minister. An Israeli helicopter was dispatched to whisk him across the border to the remote Israeli settlement of Nahariyya.

But Begin made a poor impression upon Gemayel, repeatedly calling him "young man" and putting him down. Gemayel obligated to Israel for its past support, but after the summit meeting, he told Newman: "Begin has set me free."

Watch on the Kremlin  
The unorthodox style displayed by Mikhail Gorbachev's wife, Raisa, evidenced in her obvious taste for fashionable clothes, furs and jewelry, is nothing new. Twenty years ago she thumbed her nose at Soviet tradition by submitting a doctoral dissertation in sociology — an academic discipline that is not taught in Soviet universities. According to a 25-page summary, she wrote on "Living conditions on the collective farms of Stavropol," the southern Russian region where the Gorbachevs began their careers. The thesis focused on the farmer's inalienable wants, the lack of basic conveniences and the role of women. She got her Ph.D. anyway.

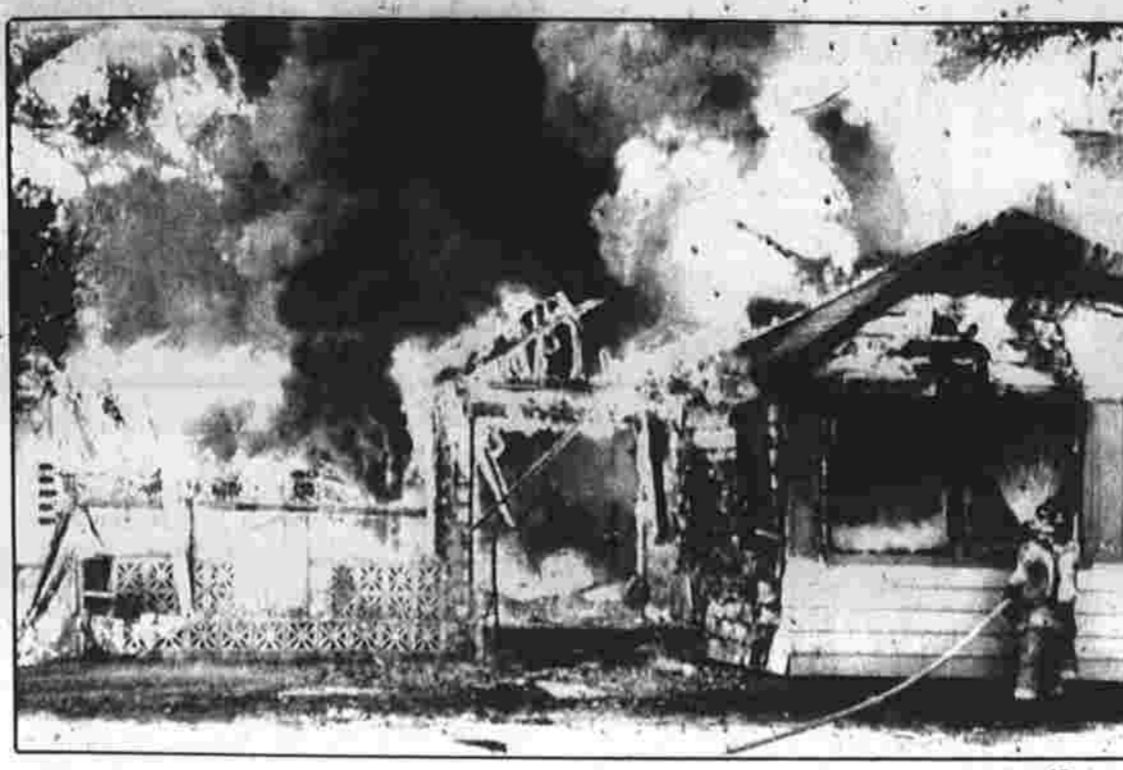
Mikhail Gorbachev's "glasnost" campaign is paying off in one offbeat way here in Washington: His widely publicized domestic reforms and public consider today several revenue-generating ideas. As a senior National Security Council official griped to us recently, the NSC has been forced to recognize that "Gorbachev is the most manipulative player ever to sit in the Kremlin."

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A firefighter trains a hose into a window of a burning vacant home in Deland, Fla., Wednesday afternoon after a twin-engine plane with five people aboard crashed into it. Officials reported

that the pilot and four passengers perished in the crash, which occurred about half a mile from the Deland Regional Airport.

## Deficit-reduction bills target telephone users, deadbeats

By Jim Luther  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A deficit-reduction tax increase is beginning to take shape in Congress, and telephone users, the super-rich and deadbeats who owe the government are getting hit.

In the House, the tax bill is being put together despite a boycott by Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee who think the majority Democrats should give more emphasis to spending cuts.

The Senate Finance Committee is starting work on its version, with no indication how much help the GOP will offer.

Hanging over the exercise is President Reagan's often-stated opposition to raising taxes to cut the deficit. Many Republicans in both houses share his feeling that the deficit is not serious enough to require higher taxes, and some Democrats are hesitant about going it alone and handing the GOP an election issue for 1988.

The delay is being advocated because of confusion among many taxpayers about the new W-4 tax-withholding forms. Here are major parts of what Democrats agreed on:

- Extend through Dec. 31, 1990, the 3 percent tax on local and long-distance telephone services. This would cost telephone users \$1.3 billion in 1988.
- Extend through 1990 an expiring program under which the IRS withholds tax refunds from individuals who owe money to various government agencies. The program would be expanded to cover corporations.
- Freeze estate and gift tax rates at present levels, rather than let them drop next year as scheduled. Only the richest handful of estates

are subject to any tax. Require employers to pay Social Security taxes on all cash tips received by employees. Employers now are taxed only to the extent that a worker's wage falls below the federal minimum wage.

Repeal gasoline-tax exemptions now allowed by operators and state and local governments. Impose a user fee on taxpayers who petition the Internal Revenue Service for private letter rulings and determination letters. This would affect about 200,000 individuals, companies and tax-exempt organizations that write the IRS for binding rulings on specific tax issues.

Boost occupational taxes on producers and dealers in alcohol and firearms, and on retailers who deal in liquor, wine and beer. Correct an error in last year's tax-overhaul law to avoid giving a five-year windfall of \$4 billion to the estates of corporate executives who sell company shares to an Employee Stock Ownership Plan.

The caucus postponed, and likely killed — the president's recommendation that all state and local government employees be required to pay tax for Medicare. Meeting a similar fate were Reagan recommendations to raise the tax on coal by about 50 percent, finance black-lung benefits for ailing miners, and to tax miners on those cash benefits.

Rostenkowski said, "I'm not comfortable" writing a bill without GOP participation.

## Wright: No aid for contras as long as peace has chance

By Jim Drinkord  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Congressional leaders are telling President Reagan he cannot expect them to approve any request for renewed military aid to Nicaragua's contra rebels as long as Central America's peace effort remains on track.

"I don't believe there is any disposition in Congress to pass any military money at a time when we are negotiating for peace," House Speaker Jim Wright, D-Texas, said Wednesday following Reagan's speech to the Organization of American States in which the president vowed to seek \$270 million for the contras.

But Wright said Congress does feel a responsibility, if the peace process succeeds, to provide any humanitarian aid needed to help the rebels become reestablished in Nicaraguan civilian life or to aid them in relocating to other countries.

"The Congress will have some responsibility, and will fulfill its responsibility in August by Nicaragua, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras, Reagan was scheduled to meet with Reagan today to discuss contra aid and other issues, and it was expected the president would lay out a timetable for formally requesting aid from Congress.

In his OAS speech, Reagan vowed to keep up the flow of aid to the rebels fighting the leftist Sandinista regime well after Nov. 7, even if a cease-fire is achieved by that target date.

"The renewed assistance will continue until the Sandinistas, negotiating with the freedom fighters, conclude an agreement for a

cease-fire and full democracy is established in Nicaragua," Reagan said.

He said after a cease-fire, only enough aid will be given to maintain the rebels as a "viable force," and that aid gradually would be decreased as the Sandinistas open up the political process to opposition parties.

"The Congress of the United States has made a moral commitment to these men. It cannot just walk away," Reagan said, referring to past contra aid. "And I will make a solemn vow: As long as there is breath in the bodies of the president vowed to seek \$270 million for the contras.

Reagan said the Sandinistas have a long record of "deceit and broken promises," and that the United States would therefore scrutinize their actions under a five-nation Central American peace accord to make sure elections are free, civil rights are fully restored and political prisoners are freed.

Those elements are among the conditions set in the peace agreement signed in August by Nicaragua, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras, Reagan noted, and said the United States would not be asked to support the Managua regime.

But he continued to criticize the accord for not requiring an end to Soviet and Cuban aid to Nicaragua, something he said is demanded by U.S. security interests, and said Cuban and Soviet military crimes must be expelled for peace to succeed.

"We cannot be satisfied with facades of freedom erected to fool international opinion, and then quickly dismantled when the pressure is off," Reagan declared. "We

must insist on real democracy in Nicaragua — not for a week, not for a month or a year, but always."

In the speech, the president welcomed such developments as the reopening of Nicaragua's opposition newspaper, La Prensa, and a Roman Catholic radio station. But he said those steps are only a beginning.

Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega, in New York on Wednesday in advance of an address today to the United Nations General Assembly, said the "foundations for an authentic democratic process are being laid in Nicaragua."

Beyond that, he said, Nicaragua "never has and never will pose a threat to the security of the United States," and he accused the Reagan administration of imperiling Nicaragua's security through its backing of the contra rebels.

White Wright declined to criticize the more strident aspects of Reagan's remarks, seeking instead to emphasize what he saw as its positive aspects, some contra opponents were more harsh in their judgment.

Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., said it seemed as though Reagan were "kind of waving his arms, saying, 'Stop peace!'"

"What you saw was a rather frantic performance by a man who is deeply worried that peace is going to break out in Central America," said Miller, who heads an anti-contra lobbying effort.

And Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., a leading contra critic, said while Reagan's rhetoric was less inflammatory than in recent weeks, the president's insistence on contra aid could give the Sandinistas an opportunity to break the peace pact and blame the United States.

## Dodd: Aid risks Arias plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Christopher J. Dodd, D-Conn., says peace talks in Central America could be undermined by President Oscar Arias, architect of the peace proposal, "very clearly created a box" for the Nicaraguans to make it very difficult for them to get out of.

"It's unfortunate, right in the midst of these delicate negotiations that the president would take this opportunity to declare a commitment to seek military and humanitarian assistance for the contras," Dodd, chairman of the Senate subcommittee on the region, said Wednesday following Reagan's renewed call for \$270 million in contra aid.

Dodd said the peace plan, because it is being negotiated exclusively by Central American nations, is difficult for Nicaragua not to comply with. But renewed American aid would provide a reason for the Sandinistas to pull out, he said.

"It seems to me you have just given the Sandinistas a wonderful opportunity to start to back away from this plan," Dodd told reporters after Reagan's speech to the Organization of American States.

Dodd said Costa Rican President Oscar Arias, architect of the peace proposal, "very clearly created a box" for the Nicaraguans to make it very difficult for them to get out of.

"The president has just opened up a door for the Sandinistas to walk right through. I hope that doesn't happen, but I'm fearful that it will," Dodd, a leading critic of Reagan's Latin American policies and chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee on Western Hemisphere affairs, said.

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## Character weaknesses of the candidates

It took some weeks of pawing around, but the agreed-upon rationalization for shredding candidates for the Democratic presidential nomination is the question of "character." Thank goodness, the argument goes, these men's character defects were exposed to the sunlight before one of them got anywhere near the White House. For this we have our mass media to thank, or so we are told.

For the most part, though, the media role is passively confined to answering the telephone when a tipster calls. Both Hart's and Biden's downfalls came about because the compromising information was dropped in a reporter's lap. Whether to print or not seems to have less to do with the gravity of evidence of the alleged character flaw than how sensational-looking the incident in question may seem.

Biden was brought down because he used passages from other people's speeches and because he witnessfully told some person in an argument on a campaign outing that he had finished in the upper half of his law school class when he hadn't. Given the bane lawyers are to honest citizens, this was no accomplishment to brag about. Biden would have been better off saying that he barely got through law school and is subject to momentary disbarment. Biden's bragging is thought by some to show underlying insecurity about himself and his accomplishments and therefore unfitness for the top job. It might be argued that self-doubt and hesitation in the Oval Office are not altogether undesirable traits.

Sometimes it appears that leadership means going off half-cooked and ignorant; less leadership and more thinkers might help. The political dead sentence passed on Biden is



#### Nicholas Von Hoffman

also justified by remarking that he was presenting a false picture of himself to the voting public. The gross mislabeling and deceptive advertising of presidential candidates goes so far back in American history, you have to wonder if it isn't built into the structure of our politics or our culture. William Henry Harrison, the winning Whig Party candidate for president in 1840, had an entire life history invented for him. Almost nothing the public was told about the man was true. Of course, a few weeks after he was inaugurated he died of pneumonia. One modern-day candidate, the Rev. Pat Robertson, would say it was You Know Who punishing him.

The process of deciding whose character flaws need airing is haphazard, depending, as it apparently does, on a malevolent ill-wisher's and television executive's explanations that, while Jesus remains the ex-reverend's main squeeze, it will be from a layman's point of view henceforth. Instead of being sworn in by the chief justice with a Bible, Robertson intends to show the sincerity of his secularization by using an old copy of Barron's weekly.

In the meantime, Michael Dukakis's candidacy is hanging by frayed rope because of the asserted characterological flaws in his campaign manager. The manager supplied reporters with videocassettes containing bites of a Joe Biden speech and the Neil Kinrock speech, which Joe stole. For this the guy loses his job? In a time less sodden with hypocritical pieties, the man might have been felicitated for doing what he was supposed to do, namely catching an opponent out doing something more humorous than sinful. Once upon a time Biden's cribbing and its being brought to light would have been a good day-and-a-half laugh in a long, long campaign.

But perhaps the incident did bring out a character weakness in Dukakis after all. When the reporters started crying for his campaign manager's head, he ought to have told them to go love off in vulgarly strident street language. Instead he accepted the man's resignation.

If one has a bad character or merely one unsuited to attracting the voters, should a candidate be allowed to change character in mid-campaign? Robertson is doing that. Previous candidates have promised to lower taxes, and promote prosperity and peace. He was the first to offer to cure hemorrhoids and relieve humpage through prayer. Now he says he's no longer a minister, that he has defrocked himself and we should call him just plain mister. Mr. Robertson, self-styled business leader and television executive, explains that, while Jesus remains the ex-reverend's main squeeze, it will be from a layman's point of view henceforth.

Instead of being sworn in by the chief justice with a Bible, Robertson intends to show the sincerity of his secularization by using an old copy of Barron's weekly.



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Obituaries

John W. Gigue Sr.

John W. Gigue Sr., 87, husband of Minnie (Dorothy) Gigue of Hartford, died Wednesday at a local convalescent home. He was the father of Shirley G. Potter of Manchester. Besides his wife and daughter, he is survived by three other daughters, Beryl J. Capewell of East Windsor, N.J., Jeanne M. Miller of Harbor Hills, Fla., and Norma M. Hart of Guilford; a brother, William A. Gigel of Wethersfield; a sister, Margaret Diehm of Essex, formerly of Elmwood; 15 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. The funeral is Friday at 2:30 p.m. at the Taylor & Moeven Funeral Home, 138 S. Main St., West Hartford, with the Rev. Erskine White officiating. Burial will follow in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Hartford. Calling hours are one hour before the service.

Horace L. Gruden

Horace L. Gruden, 72, of Bolton, died Tuesday at his home. He was the husband of the late Edna (Lanaine) Gruden of Bolton, N.Y. He was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and lived in Bolton for 30 years, working as a cabinet-maker and boat builder. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, and was a member of the Civilian Conservation Corps during the Depression. He was also a member of the Andover Sports Club, the Tobacco Valley Flyers Radio Control Club, the National Rifle Association, and the Connecticut Aeronautical Historical Association. He was a volunteer at the New England Air Museum at Bradley International Airport, Windsor Locks. He is survived by a son, Alfred J. Gruden of Bolton; two daughters, Ann M. Gruden and L. Vanessa Gruden, both of Hartford; a brother, Richard Fracaroni in Florida; a sister, Claire Giacalone of Norwich; a close friend, Mary Swanson of Manchester; and two grandchildren. The funeral is Saturday at 9 a.m. at the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St., followed by a mass of Christian burial at 11 a.m. in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Warwick, R.I. Calling hours are Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial donations may be made to the National ALS Foundation, 185 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y. 10016.

Annie F. Silfka

Annie F. Silfka, 66, of 92 Scott Drive, died Tuesday at Connecticut Hospice, Branford. She was born in Hartford and lived in Manchester for more than 25 years. Before retiring, she was a secretary for Mott's Supermarkets. She attended St. Bridget Church. She is survived by Thomas and Alice (Jacobs) Corcoran of Wethersfield; Emma Jacobs of Glasbury; Sara Kenney of South Weymouth, Mass.; and Elizabeth Flanders of Weymouth, R.I.; and several other relatives. The funeral is Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St., followed by a mass of Christian burial at 11 a.m. in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. Calling hours are Saturday from 9:45 to 11:15 a.m.

Showdown seems likely

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LaBelle has not returned phone calls seeking further information about the situation. Tonight's meeting was called at the request of Directors Thomas Landers, Ellen Burns and Samuel Longest, all of whom oppose the agreement with the town. A fourth director, Joseph Tripp, also opposes the agreement. Three directors favor it. Walter Joyner, district president and a supporter of the agreement, charged that the petition is an attempt to disenfranchise the district voters. Robert Blechman, a leader in a pro-agreement group, agreed. At the Oct. 14 meeting, if it had not been aborted, district voters attending would have been asked to determine when and how the questions would be voted on. Presumably that could include a special election or a district meeting. Commercial jet air travel across the Atlantic began in 1958 when a British Comet Four crossed the ocean from New York to London in six hours, 18 minutes.

Emanuela Romano

Emanuela (Valvo) Romano, 87, of 44 Scarborough Road, widow of Antonio R. Romano, died early this morning at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Born in Canicattini, Sicily, Italy on Jan. 11, 1900, she was a Manchester resident for over 50 years. Before retiring, she worked at the former Manchester Modes and was a member of St. James Church and the Regina D'Italia Society of Manchester. She is survived by a brother, Sebastian Valvo in Sicily; two nieces, Emanuela Romano of Manchester and Josephine Giglio in Sicily; two nephews, Sebastian LaRosa of West Hartford and Anthony Valvo of Wethersfield; and several grandnieces and grandnephews. The funeral is Saturday at 8:15 a.m. at the Watkins Funeral Home, 142 East Center St., followed by a mass of Christian burial at 8:45 a.m. at St. James Church. Burial is in St. James Cemetery. Calling hours are Friday from 7 to 9 p.m.

Joseph Timothy Deegan

Joseph Timothy Deegan, 76, of 201 Main St., died Wednesday evening at an area convalescent home. He was the husband of the late Ruth (MacLeod) Deegan. Born in Troy, N.Y., April 21, 1911, he lived in Manchester for many years and previously in Hartford. Before retiring, he was employed at Colt Industries, Hartford, and the former Royal Typewriter Co., Hartford, for many years. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and was a member of the VFW Lieutenant Caldwell Colt Robinson Post of Hartford. He is survived by a close friend, Marie B. Flynn of East Hartford; two nieces, Mary Lou Mermelstein of Kingston, N.Y., and Helen A. Besette of Loudonville, N.Y.; two nephews, Charles Wilkens of Avon and Fredrick Wilkens of Westfield, Mass.; and a sister-in-law, Christine MacLeod in Massachusetts. A prayer service will be Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., followed by a mass of Christian burial at 10:30 a.m. in St. Joseph's Cemetery. Calling hours are Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 237 E. Center St., Manchester 06040, or to the American Diabetes Association, 17 Oakwood Ave., West Hartford 06119.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of Our Mother, Dec. 15, 1899 - Oct. 8, 1984 Between tears and many memories, Your loving touch is felt. Though apart the words Shall always remain imprinted in our hearts. Your son, Alphonse and Family



SANDRA G. BIDWELL tax collector resigns



EARLEEN B. DUCHESNEAU goes by statute

Tax collector quits in Andover

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Bidwell, the Board of Finance, at its Sept. 15 meeting, told her to advertise that collection would be halted from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday, instead of 9 a.m. to noon Monday to Thursday, Bidwell's hours. Bidwell said that Duchesneau, at that meeting, told her she had spoken to a clerk in the office, and the clerk, who normally works until 3 p.m., agreed to stay until 4 p.m. and to collect taxes in Bidwell's absence. Duchesneau said that though she does feel a full-time tax collector is needed, the law determines who is allowed to collect taxes. She said she received a letter from Town Attorney Mark Brasse stating that anyone collecting taxes must be bonded. The letter also states that because the Board of Selectmen is the body that entrusts the tax collector to collect public money, the selectmen can require that anyone collecting taxes be bonded. Duchesneau said she is going to see that tax collection is performed only by bonded employees. "If I'm here to do the job, I'm going to do it right," she said. Duchesneau said that she would recommend that the Board of Finance approve making the tax collector a full-time position. Bidwell said that she will not change her mind about resigning. "It took a lot of wrestling in my mind to make the decision," she said. "But I can't see a solution to the problems in the near future."

ZBA may decide quarry's fate

BOLTON — A decision may be reached tonight about whether the Bolton Notch Quarry can continue to operate in the residential zone, when the Zoning Board of Appeals meets at 7 in Community Hall. The Zoning Commission, argued that quarrying is not permitted in the residential zone, and also that Brasse could not prove that a legal non-conforming use had been established. The ZBA, on Sept. 17, found that quarrying in the residential zone does not comply with zoning regulations. The ZBA based its decision on a section in the zoning regulations that lists permitted uses, in which quarrying is not included. The ZBA is now deliberating on the issue of whether quarrying has been established as a legal non-conforming use in Bolton Notch. Letters from previous quarry owners Stanley Patnode, who owned the quarry from 1948 to 1970, and Henry Gonder, who owned it from 1970 to 1982, seem to support the claim that quarrying was done in the residential zone while they owned it. However, there is uncertainty about the extent to which quarrying was done in the residential zone. The ZBA has to now decide whether quarrying, if found to be an established, non-conforming use, should be limited to the extent it was being done when it became non-conforming. Another issue the ZBA is expected to discuss is whether the Zoning Commission acted properly in 1986 when it denied the quarry's annual permit. The ZBA must determine whether the permits issued by the Zoning Commission prior to 1986 allowed quarrying in the residential zone, or whether the commission specified it was allowed only in the industrial zone.

Democrats pledge to fix park

A pledge to restore Center Springs Park to its former role as a recreation facility kicked off the campaign of the Democratic candidates for the Board of Directors this morning. The candidates also said they are committed to maintaining other recreation facilities in good order. Four candidates held an early morning news conference at the party's election headquarters on Main Street, beginning a weekly series of press conferences. Mayor Barbara B. Weinberg declined to say what the other goals are. Two candidates, Mary Ann Handley and James F. Fogarty, did not attend. Handley issued a news release later in the morning, supporting restoration of the park. Deputy Mayor Peter P. DiRosa Jr. said the Democratic plan to work toward upgrading facilities including Center Spring Park, a large area in the center of town which once was extensively used for family recreation activities. Director Stephen T. Cassano said the aim is to restore the lodge and expand the lodge at the park, which was damaged by fire last October but had not been used by the public for years. The lodge was once widely used as a warming hut for people who skied on the pond in the park. Dredging the pond and redirecting the brook that flows into it so that the pond will freeze over more easily is another objective, Cassano said. Weinberg stressed that there will be emphasis on doing as much of the work as possible with zoning forces, and she said one aim is to clear away enough brush to open the park up to view to and from surrounding streets to provide security for those who use the park. Cassano said the goal of restoring the park was one reason why the town needs a broad-based committee to study recreation. Director Kenneth Tedford said the Democratic Party has concentrated on economic development, encouraging the construction of Manchester Industrial Park, and working toward the establishment of the Mall at Buckland Hills, but pride in the community calls for an effort to improve parks and recreation areas. Weinberg said the town administration will be asked to come forward with proposals and cost estimates for the work.

Coventry bridge needs fix

By Jacqueline Bennett Herald Correspondent  
COVENTRY — The state Department of Transportation has ordered that another town bridge be repaired, said Town Engineer Domenico M. Bommarito. "I was out there early this week. The problem is structural. There is deep erosion," Bommarito said Wednesday morning. On a routine inspection last week, DOT inspectors found the problem in the beams of Depot Road Bridge. Half of that bridge is located in Coventry on Depot Road, the other side is in Mansfield on Coventry Road. The bridge carries light to moderate traffic from Route 31 to Route 32, Bommarito said. However, Upton Construction Co. is nearby, and its heavy construction vehicles often use it, he said. The bridge needs bracing. That repair work will be done by the town of Mansfield and the estimated cost — \$6,000 — will be shared with Coventry, Bommarito said. This is not Coventry's only bridge problem. Last May, Hop River bridge was closed by the town under orders from the state. Holed were found in the concrete. Half of the bridge is in Coventry, the rest is in Columbia. The two towns agreed to cooperate on temporary repairs, which must be approved by the state before work can begin. Bommarito is pushing to get the project started this month. Using town road crews, work should take about 24 days, he estimated.

Dog cited as a hero

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The last time an award was given was more than three years ago, when a dog in Enfield alerted his master and his master's invalid mother to a fire. Before that, the award hadn't been given for 10 years. McGee was excited about having another award to honor. "We were very pleased. We're always happy to hear one of our best friends was successful in saving its owners lives," said McGee. The award consisted of a medal on a red ribbon and three ribbons, a certificate of commendation, and a leather collar. The medal has the words "heroism," "courage," "bravery" and "courage" on it. The certificate reads, "The Connecticut Humane Society, by this certificate, attests the award made by its Board of Directors to Happy of its Medal for Heroism." After the ceremony, Happy and the Cornells were taken to a photography studio in Bloomfield, where portraits of the Cornells with Happy, and of Happy alone, were taken. Raymond Cornell said Tuesday that he would now like to try to reach the Alpo dog food company to see if Happy could be given an endorsement contract. "Ever since I've owned him, that's what's been brought up on," he said. The Cornells adopted Happy from the dog pound in December 1983, after seeing his picture in the Manchester Herald's Adopt-A-Pet column.

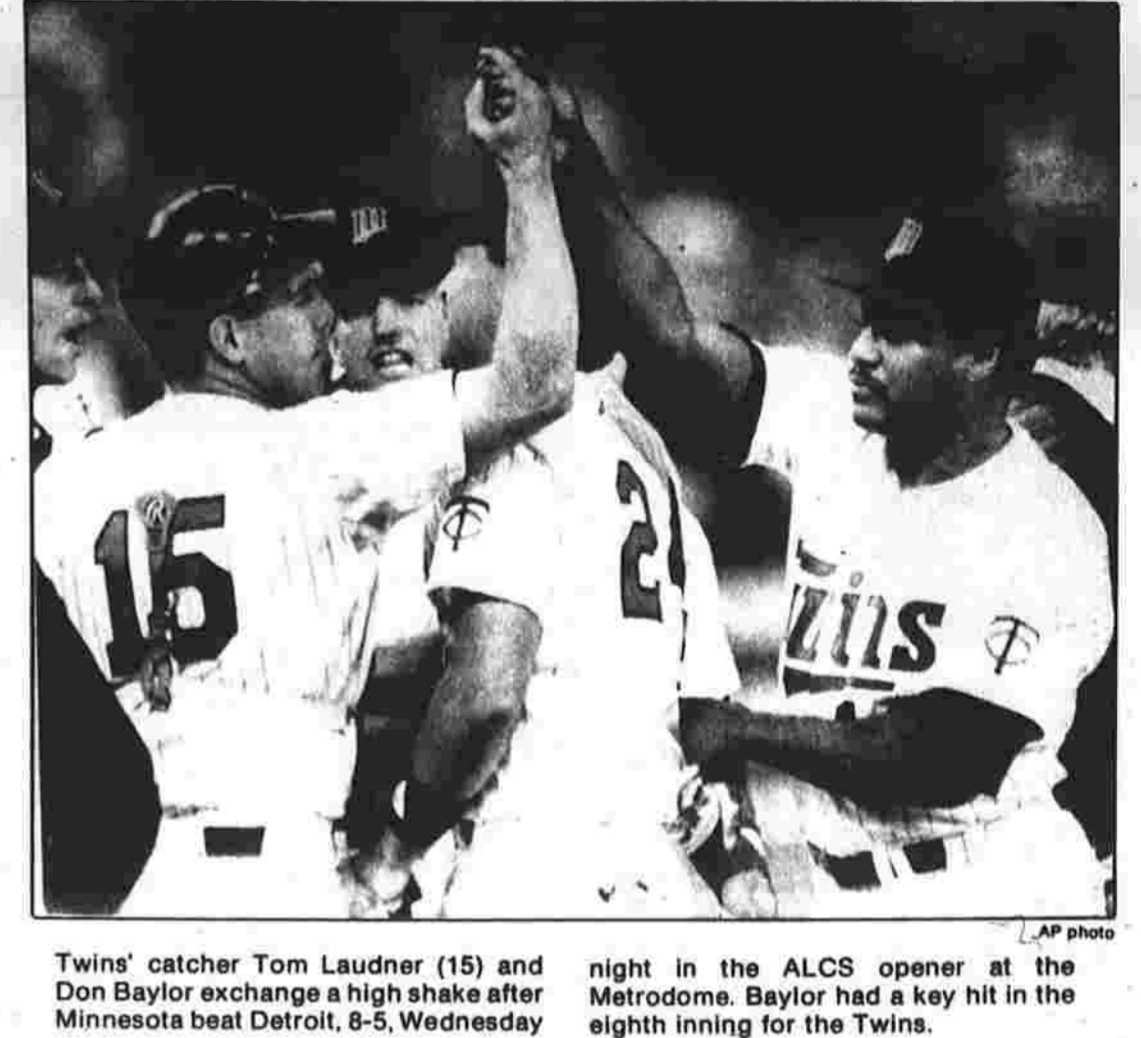
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SPORTS

Alexander only human as Twins cop opener

By Mike Model Associated Press  
MINNEAPOLIS — When Gary Gaetti hit a second-inning homer, the Metrodome became so noisy that it was impossible to hear what was truly the most important sound in the Twins' most important game in 17 years — a sigh of relief in the Minnesota dugout. Gaetti hit two homers to break Doyle Alexander's spell and Don Baylor came through with a game-winning pinch single in the eighth inning Wednesday night, leading the Twins to an 8-5 victory over the Detroit Tigers in Game 1 of the American League playoffs. "The key blow was Gaetti's first home run off Doyle Alexander. After he hit that, there was a sigh of relief. We said he (Alexander) is human," said Tom Brunansky, who followed with a two-run double. "Don Baylor is a clutch hitter, a good competitor, and he's always ready — physically and mentally — to come off the bench," pitcher Bert Blyleven said. Blyleven, 18-12, starts against Detroit's Jack Morris, 18-11, tonight in Game 2 of the best-of-seven series. "I think it was my first at-bat in the league championship series. I might have been nervous," Baylor said. "When you see Gary Gaetti hit the ball out his first time up, that's special." Tigers Manager Sparky Anderson had said before the series that he liked the way Gaetti played. Asked afterward if he still felt that way, Anderson said: "That's why I like Gary."

You could hear a sigh after that one." But Baylor was the one who broke the tie. With the Twins trailing 5-4 entering the eighth, Dan Gladden led off with a single. One out later, Kirby Puckett's RBI double to right tied the game and chased Alexander in favor of rookie Mike Henneman. Henneman walked Kent Hrbek intentionally to get to Gaetti and then walked Gaetti unintentionally to load the bases. Left-hander Willie Hernandez came to pitch to lefty Randy Bush, who was promptly removed for the right-handed hitting Baylor. On a 2-2 pitch, Baylor, the 37-year-old designated hitter, swung and followed with a two-run double. "Don Baylor is a clutch hitter, a good competitor, and he's always ready — physically and mentally — to come off the bench," pitcher Bert Blyleven said. Blyleven, 18-12, starts against Detroit's Jack Morris, 18-11, tonight in Game 2 of the best-of-seven series. "I think it was my first at-bat in the league championship series. I might have been nervous," Baylor said. "When you see Gary Gaetti hit the ball out his first time up, that's special." Tigers Manager Sparky Anderson had said before the series that he liked the way Gaetti played. Asked afterward if he still felt that way, Anderson said: "That's why I like Gary."



Twins' catcher Tom Laudner (15) and Don Baylor exchange a high shake after the Minnesota beat Detroit, 8-5, Wednesday night in the ALCS opener at the Metrodome. Baylor had a key hit in the eighth inning for the Twins.

Whalers open season at home with Quebec

HARTFORD — The Hartford Whalers, the defending Adams Division champions, open their 1987-88 campaign tonight at 7:30 against the Quebec Nordiques at the Civic Center. The Whalers were eliminated in the first round of the playoffs a year ago by the Nordiques in six games. The Whalers are basically the same team as last year after sending down promising prospect Mike Millar to Binghamton. Hartford acquired a team record of 83 points last season. The Whalers are intent on defending their Adams Division title and proceed further in the playoffs after learning a valuable lesson from Quebec six months ago. The two new faces on the Whaler roster are center Brent Peller and right wing Mark Reed. Other than that, Hartford is intact with Steve Turgeon healthy and ready to go from the start of the season. He missed half of last year's schedule. Ron Francis led the Whalers last year with 93 points (30 goals, 63 assists) while Kevin Dineen was second with 79 (40 goals, 39 assists) and John Anderson was third with 75 (31g, 44a).

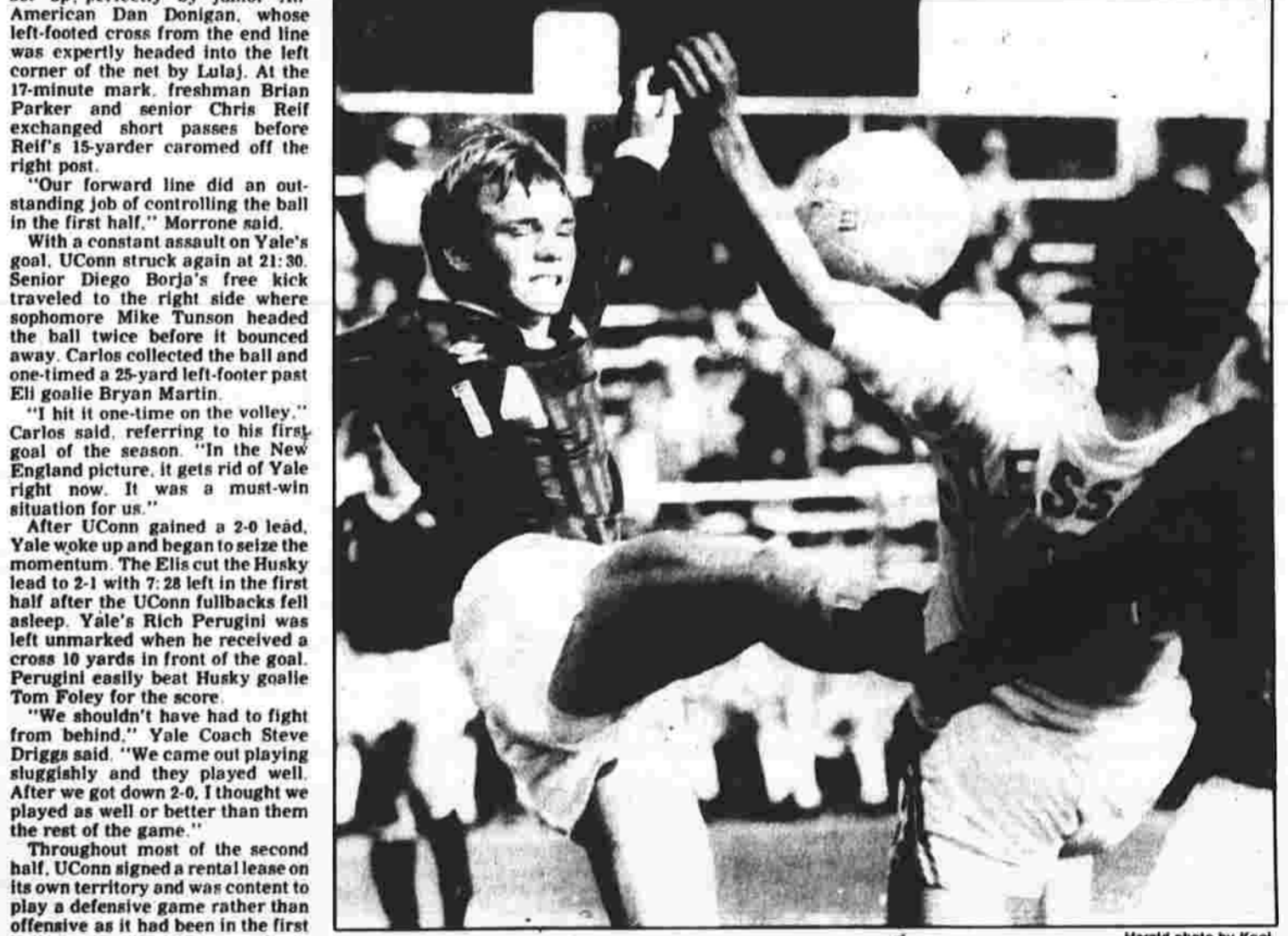
Dravecky brings SF all even

By Paul LeBoer The Associated Press  
ST. LOUIS — According to San Francisco catcher Bob Melvin, Dave Dravecky's two-hit shutout ranked fourth in perfect games. From the first batter on, we were together on almost every pitch," Melvin said of the left-hander who pitched over St. Louis on Wednesday that evening the best-of-seven National League playoffs at one victory each. "When he walked and Tommy Herr singled to open the St. Louis fourth inning. "When we had (runners at) first and second with no outs and didn't score, I knew we were in trouble." St. Louis Manager Whitey Herzog said of the fourth-inning bid. "He walked a few, but he just didn't make mistakes." Dravecky, while baffling St. Louis with sharp control that belied the four walks he issued, stretched his streak of scoreless post-season innings to 19-2-2.

"It's a dream I've had for a long time," Dravecky said of his gem. "The ball was moving so much that I really didn't have to work on corners." So effective was Dravecky that he faced only 18 batters after Ozzie Smith walked and Tommy Herr singled to open the St. Louis fourth inning. "When we had (runners at) first and second with no outs and didn't score, I knew we were in trouble." St. Louis Manager Whitey Herzog said of the fourth-inning bid. "He walked a few, but he just didn't make mistakes." Dravecky, while baffling St. Louis with sharp control that belied the four walks he issued, stretched his streak of scoreless post-season innings to 19-2-2. "I love it," said Leonard, who gleefully responded to catcalls from Cardinals fans in the left-field bleachers by hitting a home run, his second in two games, and two singles. "I've been a villain in my own ballpark. It pumps me up, it gives certain batters a little bit of an advantage." Leonard's home run was a towering shot to straightaway center field off a 0-1 changeup from John Tudor that led off San Francisco's fourth. "I don't know whether the wind got it or what, but it went out," Tudor said of Leonard's 426-foot homer. "It was a good pitch for me. It was a good pitch for him." Leonard's homer, drawing awe-filled Leonard was using a hammer.

Connecticut booters top Yale in critical matchup

By Jim Tierney Herald Sports Writer  
STORRS — Crucial confrontations are nothing new for the University of Connecticut men's soccer team whose rigorous schedule has the tried and true Huskies prepared for anything. In a critical matchup of the No. 2 and 3 teams in New England, UConn and Yale University, the Huskies dictated the tempo from the outset and held on for an important 3-2 victory Wednesday afternoon before a crowd of 1,799 at the Connecticut Soccer Stadium. The win solidified the Huskies' No. 2 New England ranking behind Harvard, who the Huskies tied, 0-0, on Sept. 23. "If there was such a thing as a key game to win, this was it," UConn Coach Joe Morrone said. The Huskies, ranked 18th nationally, improved their record to 8-2-2 while the visiting Elis fell to 4-2. UConn's next outing is Sunday at 2 p.m. at home against 6th-ranked Duke University, the 1986 NCAA champions. The overbearing Huskies took the match right to the Elis during the first 30 minutes. UConn jumped to a 2-0 lead in the first half on goals from senior Kanto Lalaj and junior Fernando Carlos. UConn's first score at 9:24 was set up perfectly by junior All-American Dan Donigan, who left-footed cross from the end line was expertly headed into the left corner of the net by Lalaj. At the 12-minute mark, freshman Matt Parker and senior Chris Reif exchanged short passes before Reif's 15-yarder caromed off the right post. "Our forward line did an outstanding job of controlling the ball in the first half," Morrone said. "With a constant assault on Yale's goal, UConn struck again at 21:30. Senior Diego Borja's free kick traveled to the right side where sophomore Mike Tunson headed the ball twice before it bounced away from Carlos. Carlos collected the one-timed 25-yard left-footer past Eli goalie Bryan Martin. "I hit it one-time on the volley," Carlos said, referring to his first goal of the season. "In the New England picture, it gets rid of Yale right now. It was a must-win situation for us." After UConn gained a 2-0 lead, Yale woke up and began to seize the momentum. The Elis cut the Husky lead to 2-1 with 7:28 left in the first half after the UConn fullbacks fell asleep. Yale's Rich Perugini was left unmarked when he received a cross 10 yards in front of the goal. Perugini easily beat Husky goalie Tom Foley for the score. "We shouldn't have had to fight from behind," Yale Coach Steve Driggs said. "We came out playing a defensive game rather than offensive as it had been in the first half. Meanwhile, Yale was dominating the action until the pivotal play of the match occurred with 11:14 left to play. Off a free kick in Yale's end, Donigan fed himself on the left side and he was taken down by Dennis McCoy clearly inside the penalty area and UConn was awarded a penalty kick. Rammel made no mistake on the penalty kick and made it 3-1. Driggs won the sour grapes award for his comment on the deciding penalty kick. "It's questionable whether or not he was even in the box," he said. "Probably it was a foul, but the question of giving a penalty. They (referees) are



Yale's Steve Cass (14) and UConn's Todd D'Alessandro contest for the ball which is at eye level during their New England matchup Wednesday in Storrs. UConn came away with a 3-2 win over the Elis.

going to give it to Joe's team and not going to give it to the other guys. It was an even game except for the penalty." Yale's Peter Zenobi scored with a penalty kick. "I've been hitting penalty kicks all my life," Rammel said. "It really doesn't bother me. I know where I'm going to put it, up to him (the goalie) to save it." Morrone decided to use Rammel

over Donigan for the penalty kick. "Donigan had taken a penalty kick before," he said. "I had to believe that they knew that Danny struck the ball one place. I had to put someone in there new and put some guesswork into the part of the keeper." YALE OUTHOU UCONN, 13-12. Foley had six saves while Martin had one. Reserve goalie Brian Hall did not suffer because of an ankle injury drenched in practice on Tuesday.

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It looks like a rugby scrum as Yale's Dave Pfefferkorn (left) and Jay Hambrick battle UConn's Brian Parker (center) and Fernando Carlos during Wednesday's game in Storrs.



# Montana leads dozen 49ers across the picket line



New England place-kicker Tony Franklin speaks to the press in Foxboro, Mass., Wednesday after he rejoined the team before the deadline for striking players to return to work and be eligible for this weekend's games.

By The Associated Press

All but seven NFL teams have cracks in their union solidarity as 37 more players defied the strike, bringing to 129 the number who have crossed the picket line.

The San Francisco 49ers, who beat the New York Giants 41-21 on Monday night, with no regular players on the field, became even stronger Wednesday as quarterback Joe Montana, wide receiver Dwight Clark, running back Roger Craig and nine other 49ers rejoined the team.

Players who decided against staying out of uniform for the third straight weekend had to report by 1 p.m. in order to be eligible — and paid — for this week's games. The players union has 1,885 members, and of the 129 who have reported, 25 are injured reserve.

The seven completely non-union teams are Kansas City, Philadelphia, the New York Giants, Seattle, San Diego, Tampa Bay and Washington. On four other teams — Chicago, Detroit, Minnesota and Green Bay — the only players who have reported are on injured reserve.

Thus, four of Sunday's games will match all non-union players, with San Diego at Tampa Bay, Washington at the Giants, Minnesota at Chicago and Detroit at Green Bay.

The Super Bowl champion Giants had three non-union players, including linebacker Lawrence Taylor, the NFL's most valuable player last season. Pro Bowl defensive end

Leonard Marshall and third-string quarterback Jeff Hostetler reported Wednesday.

But they left after meeting with team officials. General Manager George Young denied the players were asked to leave.

"Our policy is that each man has to answer with his own conscience," Young said. "Each man has to make the decision on his own."

The St. Louis Cardinals lead the league in defections, with 18 including four players who returned Wednesday — offensive tackle Tootie Robblee, punter Greg Carter, linebacker Charlie Baker and guard Mike Morris.

Offensive tackle Luis Sharpe, the Cardinals' assistant player representative, said strong union teams hold a low opinion of his return, but he has no regrets about the defection. "It's a shame that the Cardinals are being ridiculed, not only for having so many coming in to play, but also for losing that game," Sharpe said.

"The majority of the guys don't want to be a part of the players who are being talked about around the league. Those guys in there might not realize it, but people around the league are looking down on them."

Other teams in double figures among defections were the Los Angeles Raiders and San Francisco, with 13 each. New Orleans with 12, Denver with 11 and the Los Angeles Rams with 10.

The defections on the 49ers began Tuesday night with the return of veteran tight end Russ Francis, 31, and safety Liffort Hobbey of Miami.

While Franklin and Davis re-joined the Patriots, two New England strikers running back Eric Wright, defensive end Dwayne Board, linebackers George Cooper, Kevin Dean and Jeff Piller; tight end Ron Heller and defensive lineman Pete Kugler.

Keith Fahnhorst, the 49ers' player representative, said the defections would cause team devaluations.

But Coach Bill Walsh said he would not intervene with the players coming back as he did last week.

"I wouldn't want to try it again," Walsh said. "We don't have any other choice. If they want to come back, our doors have to be open."

The other players returning Wednesday were: placekicker Tony Franklin and running back Elvin Davis of New England; cornerback Lester Hayes of the Raiders; quarterback Blair Kiel, nose tackle Scott Keller and tight end John Brandes of Indianapolis; center Joe Fields of the New York Jets; defensive end Carl Hairston of Cleveland; running back Frank Pollard of Pittsburgh; defensive end Eddie Edwards of Cincinnati; defensive tackle Kevin Brooks, running back Robert Lavette and wide receiver Karl Pogue of Dallas; running back Carl Byrum and defensive back Darwood Roquemore of Buffalo; linebacker Bobby

# UConn gridders win another YanCon test

BOSTON — With a successful debut in Yankee Conference football warfare a week ago, the University of Connecticut will be after its second conference win in as many tries Saturday when it invades Nickerson Field to battle Boston University at 1:30 p.m.

Connecticut comes in 2-2 overall while the Terriers sport an 0-2 mark in YanCon and 1-3 overall.

UConn, after two sub-par performances against Northeastern and Yale, came back strong to turn back the Terriers Tuesday. He is UConn's leading ball carrier with 312 yards on 52 carries. Fullback Terry Antrum has carried the pigskin 32 times for 225 yards while No. 1 tailback Jeff Gallaher, who returned against Richmond, has 221 yards on 38 carries.

Through four games, UConn has exhibited perfect balance on offense with 843 yards rushing and



Will Clark of the Giants swings at a second-inning pitch from St. Louis' John Tudor which he connected on for a two-run homer in the second game of the NLCS at Busch Stadium in St. Louis. The Giants won, 5-0, to even the series.

# Upshaw, Donlan are meeting, but that's about all

By David Ginsburg  
The Associated Press

TYSONS CORNER Va. — As Gene Upshaw and Jack Donlan continued to work to end the NFL strike, 37 more players crossed picket lines, including quarterback Joe Montana and 11 of his San Francisco 49ers teammates.

Upshaw and Donlan, representing the two NFL labor fronts, were to continue negotiations today in the latest round of talks designed to end the 17-day-old walkout.

Upshaw, the executive director of the NFL Players Association, and Donlan, his management counterpart, have held one-on-one meetings at an undisclosed site in the Washington area since Tuesday.

There were conflicting reports on the progress made Wednesday.

But both sides said that no immediate settlement was in sight. Thus, it is a certainty that this weekend's games will once again feature teams with a majority of replacement players and a smattering of defectors.

The latest round of regular to regular picket lines came Wednesday as players strived to meet the

deadline imposed by owners to pick up this week's paychecks and qualify to play in this weekend's games. The 37 defections brought to 129 the number of players who have crossed over since the strike began Sept. 22.

Both sides gave different versions of the latest round of negotiations. Upshaw said he and Donlan were effectively shielded from the press coverage

# EC girls back at .500 mark

HAMDEN — Four goals in the first half was more than enough as East Catholic bested Sacred Heart, 5-1, Wednesday in All Connecticut Conference girls' soccer action.

East is now 2-1 for the season while Sacred Heart dips to 1-5-1. The two clubs will meet again Friday at the Eagles' field off New State Road.

Brenda Bailey had East's first two scores, with assists from Patty McDewitt and Kelly Keene. Tina Bearer, Amelia and Andrea, accounted for the Eagles' third goal with Amelia scoring at the 30-minute mark. Tina McDewitt, Melissa Carroll, tallied, with an assist from Bailey.

The Bears sisters combined for East's second-half goal with Amelia, again, scoring. Heather Dahill scored for the host club at the 35-minute mark of the second half.

"The first few minutes the team was ragged but we put our combinations together and they all looked good by the end of the first half," said East Coach Ron

team outlasted host Rockville High Wednesday in CCC East girls' volleyball action in five sets. Scores were 15-15, 15-6, 4-15, 15-12 and 15-12. Manchester is now 2-5 for the season.

Sue Guereite received well. Lisa Moricent set well. Andrea Billey served well. Lisa Cartier served well and Tina Zorger played well for Manchester.

Manchester also took the junior varsity match 15-10.

Manchester's next match is Friday at home against East Hartford High.

# SCOREBOARD

**Baseball**

Twins 8, Tigers 5

**DETROIT MINNESOTA**

Whitaker 2b	4-0-0	Gladden lf	1-1-1
Madock dh	5-0-0	Coggesw 4	0-0-0
Albinson cf	1-1-1	McGee cf	1-1-1
Trombly ss	4-1-0	Herbst lb	3-1-0
Hernandez rf	0-0-0	Forster ph	0-0-0
Bryant dh	0-0-0	Bush dh	3-1-1
Leon cf	3-0-1	Brumby rf	4-1-2
Bransb 3b	3-0-0	Lindner 2b	3-0-0
Grube ph	1-1-0	Leach 1b	1-1-0
Heath c	1-0-0	Totals	32-8-10-8

San Francisco 5, Cardinals 0

**SAN FRAN ST LOUIS**

Thompson 2b	5-0-0	Coleman lf	3-0-0
Mitchell 3b	5-0-0	Smith ss	3-0-0
Leonard 1b	4-2-1	Herr 2b	2-0-0
Molinar cf	4-2-0	Penglin 3b	3-0-0
Davis rf	2-0-0	McGee cf	2-0-0
Milner cf	0-0-0	Lindner lb	3-0-0
Wilts 2b	1-0-0	Folmer ph	0-0-0
Melvin c	3-0-0	Penc c	2-0-0
Walters dh	1-0-0	Pogostol ph	1-0-0
Drivcovy p	4-0-1-0	Totals	35-10-13-26



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**Baseball playoff picture**

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Wednesday's Game

Minnesota 8, Detroit 5, Minnesota leads series 1-0.

Thursday's Game

Detroit (Morris 10-11) vs Minnesota (Bilaven 15-17), 8:30 p.m.

Saturday's Game

Minnesota at Detroit, 1:07 p.m.

Minnesota at Detroit, 8:25 p.m.

Minnesota at Detroit, 8:25 p.m., if necessary

Wednesday, Oct. 14

Detroit at Minnesota, 3:07 p.m., if necessary

Thursday, Oct. 15

Detroit at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m., if necessary

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# H.S. Roundup

Palmer: "I was very pleased with the defensively play of Lynn Gentilcore, Patty McDewitt and Jen Boutlay and Melissa Carroll played well for the Eagles last week." Ann Marie Comollo, Katie Gillespie, Kathy Birmingham and freshman goalie Laura Gunsten also played well for the Eagles last week.

East outshot Sacred Heart, 33-6.

East Catholic scored 4-1-5.

Scoring: EC — Boutlay (2), Amelio (2), Gaudin (2), DeBelli (2), Gaudin (2), Gaudin (2), Kim Cusick (2).

# Volleyball

ROCKVILLE — Rebounding from a two set to one defeat, Manchester High girls' volleyball

# Baylor plays role for I wins

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none out but only managed one run — on Heath's RBI single — in the seventh.

Heath came back to haunt Viola, who had said before the game that being a left-hander gave him an advantage because "I'd much rather face Mike Heath than Matt Nokes."

Detroit scored twice in the eighth to chase Viola and take a 5-4 lead. Gibson walked and Trammell doubled him to third, bringing on reliever Jeff Reardon. Pinch-hitter Dave Bergman and Chet Lincecum followed with consecutive sacrifice flies.

"I was (mad) for not getting strikeouts," said Reardon, who pitched a scoreless ninth for the victory. "You can't be perfect all the time. After we got the tying run, I forgot all about it."

"That was the most pumped I've been," Reardon said of the ninth inning. "I was hoping to get them

# Dravecky near perfect as Giants square series

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inspired murmurs from a red-clad crowd of 55,331, continued an assault of Tudor that Will Clark started in the second.

"Clark hit a fastball down the middle," Tudor said of the two-run homer that followed a single by Candy Maldonado. "You don't have to make many (mistakes) to have them beat when you throw home runs."

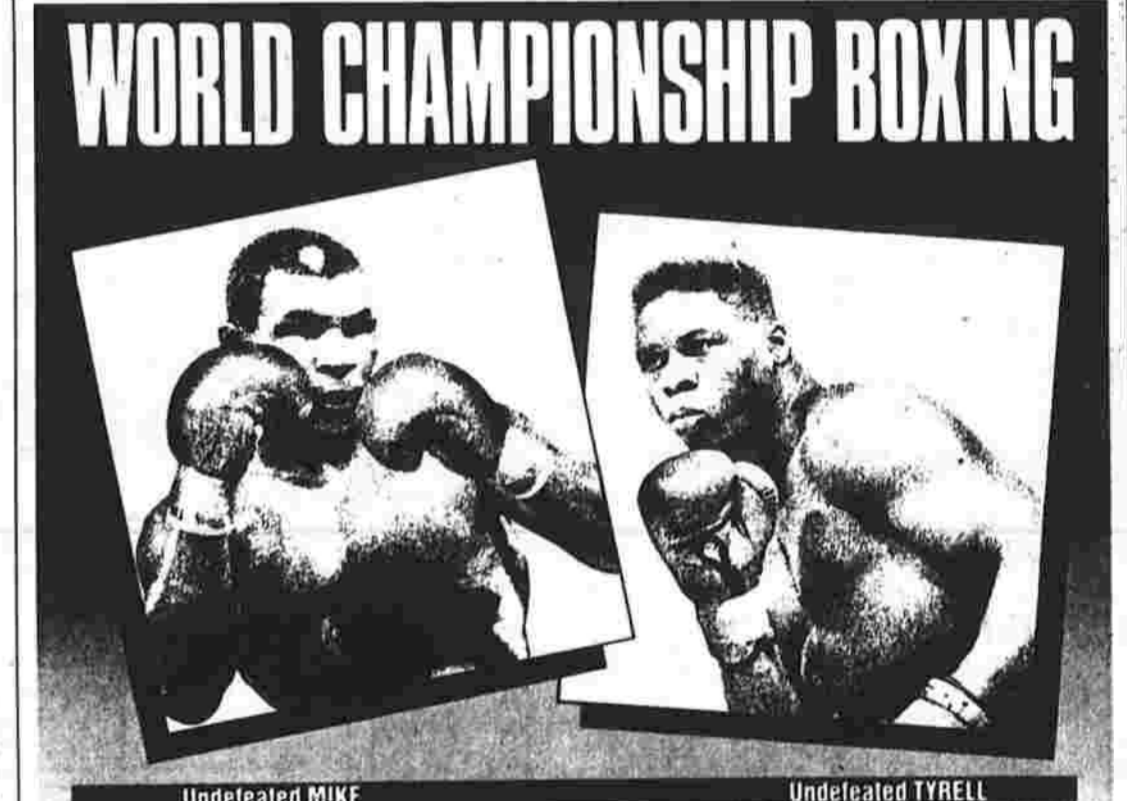
"The bottom line is the good Lord has given me (good) health," said Dravecky, who in addition to Herr's hit permitted only Jim Lindeman's hit-out single in the second.

"I've written in the past that I've had a bum arm, but this year I started healthy."

Dravecky, who became the fourth pitcher in playoff history to pitch a complete-game two-hitter, extended his NL playoff string at scoreless innings to 15 — one fewer than the record Mike Scott of the Houston Astros set last fall.

"It's that simple. What more can I say?" Smith said. "Today just wasn't our day."

It was, however, a crisp afternoon that Dravecky, who in the second game of the NLCS at Busch Stadium in St. Louis, the Giants won, 5-0, to even the series.



Undeatable MIKE Tyson won the crown — but can he keep it? Undeatable TYRELL Biggs is a WBA-ranked contender.

# Twins' win in ALCS opener will give them shot in arm

By Harry Atkins  
The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The opening game of the American League playoffs has given the victorious Minnesota Twins added confidence.

Tigers and pitcher Doyle Alexander to the realities of defeat.

"Tonight was the most nervous of any game this year," winning pitcher Jeff Reardon said after the Twins, who rallied from behind in the eighth inning Wednesday night, came away with an 8-5 victory. "It gives us confidence we can match up with a team we've never met before."

It was a point well taken because the Tigers won a major-league high 98 games — including the last three against Toronto to take the AL East — and held an 8-4 regular-season advantage over the Twins.

"I knew I couldn't win forever," said Alexander, who posted a 8-0 record — the Tigers were 11-0 in games he started — following his trade from Atlanta in August. "We had our chances."

"It was good to get the first one out of the way," said Gary Gagne, who became the first player to homer in his first two at-bats in the AL playoffs. "It doesn't remove the pressure, though."

Reardon, who saved 31 games during the regular season — as many as the entire Tiger bullpen — got the victory after relieving left-hander Frank Viola with no outs in the eighth inning.

"It was a real big game for us because we're known as a post-home team," Reardon said of the

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# Calendar

**TODAY**

Girls Soccer

Bolton at Portland, 3:30

Coventry at Cromwell, 3:30

**FRIDAY**

Boys Soccer

East Hartford at Manchester, 3:30

East Hartford at Storrs, 3:30

East Hartford at Coventry, 3:30

Manchester at East Hartford, 3:30

Sacred Heart at East Catholic, 3:45

East Catholic at Windsor Locks, 3:30

Girls Swimming

Cheney Tech/Aquatics at Berlin, 3:30

East Hartford at Manchester, 3:30

Ellington at East Catholic, 3:30

**SATURDAY**

Football

Manchester at Coventry (Strong Field), 1:30

East Catholic at Xavier (Strong Field), 1:30

Boys Soccer

Xavier at East Catholic, 10:30 a.m.

Cheney Tech/Aquatics at Windsor Locks, 10:30 a.m.

East Catholic/Manchester at Wickham Park Invitational

**RADIO, TV**

**TONIGHT**

7:30 p.m. — Nordiques of WHLERS, SportsChannel, WTTV

8:30 p.m. — Canadiens of Bruins, ESPN

8:30 p.m. — Canadiens of Flyers, ESPN

8:30 p.m. — ALCS: Tigers at Twins, Channel 37





Runners from Manchester High School (center), Simsbury, Rockville and Windham take off at the start of a recent race at Wickham Park. Manchester and the others

will be back there Saturday for the sixth annual Wickham Park Invitational.

# Top cross country teams collide at the Wickham Park Invitational

By Jim Tierney  
Herald Sports Writer

When the leaves begin to change their colors, this is a true sign that the fall season is upon us. Slightly speaking, another sign of the fall season is high school cross country.

Several of the top boys' and girls' cross country teams from Connecticut and the rest of New England will be on hand Saturday for the seventh annual Wickham Park Cross Country Invitational. Meet director Dick Britney expects approximately 100 schools to compete, over 1,200 runners, and representatives from Connecticut, New York, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island dotting the 12-race card.

The boys' races will start at 5:00 a.m. and will be run at a distance of 4,000 meters (2.5 miles). The two highlighted races will be the boys' and girls' championship races which will bring together the best teams from Connecticut and the other states.

The highly successful Manchester High boys' conference-ranked

second in the unofficial state poll with a spotless 6-0 dual meet record, will be in the championship race which will answer the gun at 2 p.m. Coach George Sultor has, perhaps, his finest team of the decade. The big question is whether or not the Indians are strong enough to match the strength of perennial powerhouse Xavier High of Middlebury — the top-ranked team in the state. It will be Manchester's first head-to-head confrontation with Xavier this year.

"We'll use Saturday as a gauge to see how we compare with Xavier and other teams in the state," Sultor said. "It'll give us a good idea if we're in the ballpark (with Xavier)." The tight-knit Indian squad has been led by senior Shaun Brooks, and Rhode Island dotting the 12-race card.

The East Catholic girls will also run in the championship race which is slated for an 11:30 a.m. start. The

Eagles are 3-1 in dual meets, but more importantly are beginning to come together as a team.

"I think we'll do really well," East Coach Kathy Kittredge said. "The girls are really starting to improve. It's going to depend on everyone." East, which placed second in the championship race a year ago and is currently ranked third in the unofficial state poll, will be out to beat St. Bernard's, Darlington, Bethel, Avon, Rockville, Wantagh High (N.Y.), Manchester Central (N.H.), and Notre Dame (Mass).

The Eagles have been led by freshman Nancy Byrne, the most promising freshman since Teresa Kittredge. Kathy's sister, came into the East picture in 1980. Kittredge is hoping her team will

place in the top three in the state and the top five overall.

The Manchester girls will be in the seeded race which goes off at 11 a.m. Despite the Indians 6-1 dual meet record, Coach Phil Blanchette knows his team isn't ready for the top competition yet.

"We're not really ready for them yet," he said. "Maybe by the states. We haven't beaten a team with a winning record. We're in a race where the girls can do well." Senior Kim Jarvis has been impressive this year and should have one of the fastest times of the day. "I know she (Jarvis) will run well," Blanchette said. The East boys, with a 2-3 dual meet record will be in the seeded race which begins at 1:30 p.m.

# Penguins bank on a playoff spot

By Ken Rappoport  
The Associated Press

Last season, the Pittsburgh Penguins were ousted by the New York Rangers for the fourth and final playoff spot in the NHL's Patrick Division.

Tonight, the Penguins will have a chance to get a leg up on the Rangers in one of nine NHL openers.

The Penguins, in fact, are literally banking on making the playoffs this season. After missing the playoffs for five straight years, the Penguins raised all ticket prices to apiece. But they promised season ticket-holders a refund of the \$2 if they fail to make the playoffs this season.

"We think we're in position to at least finish in the fourth spot," Penguins General Manager Eddie Johnston said.

The Patrick Division game is one of three intradivisional matchups on opening night. Quebec plays at Hartford in an Adams Division game, while Toronto is at Chicago in the Norris Division.

Elsewhere, it's Washington at Boston, Minnesota at Buffalo, Montreal at Philadelphia, Detroit at Calgary, the New York Islanders at Los Angeles and St. Louis at Vancouver.

The defending Stanley Cup champion Edmonton Oilers will open their season on Friday night at home against Detroit. The Winnipeg Jets will be the last team to open the NHL's 1987-88 season when they visit the Calgary Flames on Saturday night.

Meanwhile, St. Louis and the Islanders — both of whom open with three-game road trips — will be the last of the 21 teams to play their home opener. The Islanders host Philadelphia on Oct. 17, while the Blues entertain Chicago on the same Saturday.

The Pittsburgh-New York game not only features a key division matchup, but two of the league's

seven coaching replacements. Michel Bergeron has moved over to the Rangers after a distinguished career at Quebec and Pierre Cremer is the new coach at Pittsburgh after handling Montreal's top farm team, Sherbrooke in the American Hockey League.

The other new faces: Terry Crisp at Calgary; Bob Murdoch at Chicago; Andre Savard at Quebec; Herb Brooks at Minnesota; and Bob McCammon at Vancouver.

The Penguins feature one of the league's premier players in center Mario Lemieux, the leading scorer in the Canada Cup series for Team Canada. Lemieux, who led all NHL scorers during the pre-season schedule when he amassed five goals and eight assists for 13 points.

The Penguins will be facing another center of note in the Rangers' Marcel Dionne, the second-leading scorer in NHL history behind Gordie Howe with 1,585 points.

Dionne will be reaching for some milestones this season, as will several other players. Dionne (600) needs only 10 more assists and Edmonton center Wayne Gretzky (977) needs only 23 to join Howe (1,049) as the second and third players in NHL history to amass 1,000 assists in a career.

Dionne also needs just seven more goals to reach 700 and 1,000 goals to reach 1,000. Howe had 1,850 points in his storied career.

Some other key milestones within reach: Denis Potvin (688) of the New York Islanders needs to add only 12 more goals to his career total to become the 62nd player ever to play in as many as 1,000 games; New York Rangers' center Pierre Larouche can become only the 26th player in NHL history to score 400 goals with his eighth of the season, and Hartford's Doug Jarvis enters this season only 38 consecutive games from appearing in his 1,000th straight NHL regular-season game.

# FOCUS Clinic helps tiny tots who are at risk

By Susan Plese  
Special to the Herald

The area's youngest population — birth to 6 years — is the target of a pilot mental health program recently organized by the Community Child Guidance Clinic Inc. on North Main Street.

"This will be a model East of the River," said the clinic's director, Tanash Atoyantian, M.D. "It will be a service to children in trouble, but also a preventative service, which was a dream of ours."

Research indicates that from 2 to 3 percent of infants and toddlers are mentally or emotionally disturbed. Atoyantian said. Another 1 percent may be classified as "at risk," because of social, psychological or even financial difficulties of the parents.

The program, which has been funded by the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, will identify signs of trouble at the earliest possible time. Early intervention and prompt treatment make solving the child's problem less complicated than if it was discovered at school age. Atoyantian said. "If delays are detected early, they don't start affecting other developmental areas. They are all related," he said.

A TYPICAL EXAMPLE: deafness in an infant. If it is not detected early, psychological problems may result, "because the child cannot communicate." Poor vision, or difficulty in focusing, may have the same outcome. "All can disturb a child before the age of 5," he stresses.

"The senses have to be functioning for the child to learn," he continues. "The body must be in good shape to help the ego to grow. Psychology is closely involved with physical development."

Besides congenital problems such as vision or hearing difficulties, the staff also looks for other signs, specifically for developmental or emotional delays. In early infancy, for instance, feeding problems, excess crying or failure to thrive — to grow and gain weight — may signal a problem.

Later on speech, walking delays, listlessness or apathy could be a clue. But each child is different. Atoyantian cautions. What appears to the parent to be a problem may only be the individual temperament of the child. "They may just be reacting to their environment," he said.

A GOOD PART of the program focuses on effective parenting. A goal is "to help parents understand their child and how the child reacts to their efforts to communicate." Atoyantian explains.

A simple example is the reaction of the parent to an infant's crying. "It depends on the way the parents interpret it and try to handle it," he said. The parent may try to comfort the child, may ignore the child, or in extreme cases, may abuse the crying baby.

"We look at the family, not the child alone," Atoyantian said. One or two counselors actually work with the parents in the home, demonstrating on the spot what the child does and how to interpret — helping the parents help the child grow the best way.

It includes a child psychiatrist, an educational consultant, a developmental pediatrician, several social workers, a psychologist, and speech or occupational therapists, as needed — big guns for such small people.

Atoyantian's interest in helping very young children goes back to his psychiatric training, which focused on prevention. The idea, however, was not popular at that time.

"Prevention that time was extremely difficult to conceive," he said. "Now, 34 years later, we talk about early detection as one way to prevent (problems). And the earliest age is infants and toddlers. I'm delighted to see that early intervention can bring the child to the point where he can function well in a regular nursery school."

The Community Child Guidance Clinic offers a sliding fee scale, based on family income. For information call 643-2101.

# Nurse compares AIDS with war

'The enemy was identified in Vietnam. You can't see this.'

By George Esper  
The Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Linda Durand says the fear she sees in her AIDS patients today is worse than the anxieties she was witness to in Vietnam, where, as a 25-year-old nurse, she cared for GIs with gaping bullet holes in their bodies.

"The anxiety is so intense, I've never seen anything like it in my 20 years of nursing," said Ms. Durand, now 43, who helped start a consulting clinic for acquired immune deficiency syndrome victims last December.

"The enemy was identified in Vietnam. You can't see this. It's a virus and it affects you sexually. It's made people look at their morality and past sexual behavior and what they're going to do in the future. It puts a lot of doubts in a lot of people's minds."

The toughest part of running the clinic, she said, is seeing the babies, the 19-year-olds and the homeless dying.

"It tears you apart," said Ms. Durand, herself a single parent of a 5-year-old son, Andy, whose framed photos in her office inspire her to keep going.

AT THE CLINIC, a team including doctors, psychiatrists and drug therapists sees adults and children each session, then makes recommendations to their physicians on their care. The clinic covers the whole spectrum of the disease, including patients who test positive for exposure to the AIDS virus or who have AIDS-related complex.

The clinic also works closely with Rhode Island Project AIDS, a non-profit organization of concerned citizens that runs a telephone hot line and tries to help AIDS victims with problems.

The clinic had been operating one day a month. Last month, recognizing the always increasing number of AIDS patients, it extended operations to once a week.

Beyond the clinic, Ms. Durand has run a support group every Tuesday for two years where people with AIDS or who carry its antibodies can come by to talk.



Former Vietnam nurse Linda Durand says the anxiety she sees in her AIDS patients is worse than what she witnessed in Vietnam combat victims.

IT'S SEEING babies with AIDS, most often the children of addicts who use needles to inject drugs, that can leave her choked with emotion, Ms. Durand said. "You feel like crying when you see them, helpless, a listless 2-year-old baby who's supposed to be tearing up my office and he's just lying there."

Ms. Durand met with one mother, a drug addict, just after she'd bent her child had contracted AIDS in the womb. "He didn't know what to say. She

was crying. She was blaming herself. I was feeling angry. I felt sorry for her. I felt sorry for the baby. All these feelings are going around in your head. You just can't knock them out at 4 o'clock."

Ms. Durand went to Vietnam in 1970 and served a year. "I just couldn't understand the war and what was happening," she said. "So I thought 'I'd go over and find out for myself.'"

SHE WATCHED men aged 18 to 25 die every day.

"I think the thing that impressed me most was the gutsy GIs. They had so much fire in them," she said. "I saw incredibly devastating injuries. Some were lethal injuries and they were still alive, like 50 percent burns all over your body, and they'd still be talking and you knew they weren't going to make it."

Ms. Durand returned in February 1971 and was discharged from the Army six months later. In subsequent years, she worked in Veterans Administration hospitals and earned a master's degree in nursing from the University of Rhode Island. She joined the staff of Rhode Island Hospital five years ago as a nurse practitioner in the medical primary care unit.

She started the AIDS clinic with her boss, Dr. Tom Wachel, director of the hospital's medical clinic, to speed care for victims and to help them with other problems such as intravenous drug use.

The patients she sees now are mostly 20-30 year olds. Like the soldiers of Vietnam, they are in their prime.

"A 2-year-old boy told me, 'Well, I've lived a good life,'" she said. "For Ms. Durand, such cases are the realities of AIDS. Vietnam was worlds away and often seemingly unrelatable to many."

"Your flight home was called a flight back to the world," Ms. Durand recalled. "It was like people didn't think Vietnam was part of the world. It was something different. We were there. We were existing. We were doing things, but it wasn't really part of life."

"But this is different. This is a part of life."

# MCC booters record first victory

All good things come to an end. For the Manchester Community College men's soccer team, all bad things — namely a 15-game losing streak dating back to last season — finally came to an end Wednesday afternoon.

The home-standing Cougars ended its long drought by registering a 3-1 win over Holyoke Community College. MCC is now 1-5

while Holyoke drops to 3-6. MCC's next game is Saturday at 1:30 p.m. when it hosts the Southern Connecticut junior varsity team.

"It feels great to have our first win under our belts," Cougar Coach Frank Niederwieser said. "I'm happy for all my players as they have been putting forth a good effort all season and coming up empty handed until today."

MCC took a 1-0 lead at 6:51 of the first half on a goal from A.J. Marcontonio with the assist from John Almeida. The Cougars extended their lead to 2-0 at 18:20 of the second half when Tom Dowd led Marcontonio outside the penalty area. Marcontonio drilled his shot into the upper left corner of the net.

After Holyoke cut the deficit to 2-1, MCC battled back to score its

final goal with 14:05 left to play. Kyle Rockow took a pass from Doug Johnson and easily beat Holyoke goalie Eric Anable.

MCC goalie Joe Lauberth ran nine saves in another fine performance.

MCC Holyoke Soccer, Marcontonio (2), Rockow, Niederwieser, Sevens, Niederwieser; Holyoke 10.

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# Sports In Brief

**Adult volleyball to start Oct. 20**  
The Manchester Rec Department adult volleyball season begins play Tuesday, Oct. 20, at Illing Junior High School. The men's league will play on Tuesday nights at 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. and Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. The women's league will play on Wednesday nights at 6:30, 7:30, and 8:30 p.m. There are 14 teams in the men's league and 10 teams in their women's league. League play will run through Feb. 24.

**White Sox are listening to offers**  
CHICAGO — Frustrated by political bickering, the Chicago White Sox are talking with officials in another city about relocating the American League club, a newspaper reported today.

The Chicago Sun-Times, citing team sources it did not name, did not know which city was involved.

"We want to stay here. Chicago is our home. It's a baseball town," a source told the Sun-Times. "But we've been twisting in the wind for three months as interest rates keep climbing. As long as there's no agreement, we've got to listen to offers."

Work on a new stadium near Comiskey Park has been stalled while Gov. James R. Thompson and Mayor Harold Washington wrangle over who will head the authorities that run the ballpark and the McCormick Place convention center.

**Connors, Lendl win AT&T matches**  
ATLANTA — Ivan Lendl outlasted John McEnroe 5-7, 6-4, 7-6 and Jimmy Connors easily defeated Paul Anacone 6-1, 6-4 Wednesday night at the \$500,000 AT&T Challenge tennis tournament.

In earlier matches at the round-robin tournament, Sweden's Stefan Edberg downed countryman Ulf Stenlund 4-6, 7-5, 6-1 and Miloslav Mecir of Czechoslovakia defeated Mikael Pernfors of Sweden 7-4, 6-4.

At one point in the third set, McEnroe, upset at a line call, threw his racket down so hard it bounced into the stands. A spectator threw it back.

"I thought I played well, but words can't express the way I feel about the officiating," McEnroe said. "The words I would say couldn't be used on TV."

McEnroe is currently on suspension from official tournaments, but is allowed to participate in exhibitions such as the AT&T.

**Nordiques sign Goulet and Cote**  
QUEBEC — The Quebec Nordiques signed high-scoring left wing Michel Goulet and forward Alain Cote to long-term contracts Wednesday.

Financial details of the contracts were not divulged, but General Manager Maurice Filion said he was pleased to be able to reward Goulet, who has 366 career goals, including five straight seasons with at least 49, and Cote, who joined the club in 1978, when it was a member of the World Hockey Association.

**Tate, Olajide battle for IBF crown**  
LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Frank Tate concedes he doesn't dress as flashy as Michael Olajide, or talk as well. But the Olympic gold medalist says he's a better fighter.

"Talking outside the ring doesn't prove a thing," Tate said. "I'm just going to walk through Michael Olajide like a brick wall."

Tate will get his chance on Saturday when the two undefeated fighters square off in a scheduled 15-round fight for the International Boxing Federation middleweight title. Tate goes into the fight against Olajide a 2-1 underdog, but professes to not be worried.

# Your neighbors' views:

Are presidential hopefuls subject to too much scrutiny?



Dorothy Maselli: "I think they expect more of a candidate today than they used to, and I think we should. I think this Biden, whom I hadn't even heard of a few weeks ago, is a real problem. I'm glad that he's out of the race."

Janet Lane: "Yeah, in their personal life, we're giving people too much of a hard time."

Helen Brazauskas: "We do watch them closely. But they should be watched. They have to have very high morals, because they're going to be the leaders of our country."

Vernel Arnum: "I wouldn't know. I really don't think about it too much."

Gunilla LaRose: "Yes, I think they should be allowed their own lives. I mean, even if they have a little run-in with someone, I don't think it should be magnified so much."

Jerome Winters: "I don't think we're being too harsh. I think we should be watching them very closely. They are going to be the ones leading our country."

Herald photos by Pinto



Advice

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QUESTION: My 15-year-old brother has been blind since birth. I think he should apply for SSI, but my parents think that because he's a minor, they're responsible for him and he won't qualify. Is that right?

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ANSWER: Not entirely. To qualify for SSI, a person must meet certain income and resource limits. Some of your parents' income and resources will be counted as your brother's in determining if he meets those limits.

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Colon cancer's rate of growth important indicator of survival

By William C. Hildoy The Associated Press

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The society estimates that in 1987, there will be 102,000 new cases of colon cancer and 52,000 people will die from the disease, Lehmann said.

If the disease is discovered early, before it spreads, 86 percent of its victims are still alive after five years, he said.

In 1985, Bauer and other researchers at Northwestern began a study aimed at trying to determine what made some colon tumors more lethal than others.

They identified 120 patients suffering solely from colon cancer and treated at Northwestern Memorial Hospital between 1976 and 1980.

The researchers used a flow cytometer machine to analyze surgical specimens from those patients, pinpointing the tumor's growth rate by identifying cells with DNA molecules that were rapidly dividing, Bauer said.

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In contrast, 87 percent of the remaining patients with slower-growing tumors were alive after five years, Bauer said.

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By Herbert G. McCann The Associated Press

CHICAGO — For more than half a century, American parents have recorded their baby's firsts from the first day of life to the first day of school — in a book designed to capture those fleeting and precious childhood memories.

Some classic observations out of the mouths of babes also get logged in the book, "Our Baby's First Seven Years," which has been popular with parents since 1928.

"What do dead people eat?" Leona Lynn Simon, then 3, asked her mother in 1954.

And Doris Simon wrote it down, just as she noted the boy doll Leona received from Aunt Greenfield on her first birthday, that "Davy Crockett" was a favorite song at age 2, and the four months of ballet lessons at age 5.

"I treasure the thoughts and information recorded in the book," says Leona Simon Fleischer, now 35, who now keeps baby books for her own three children in Nashville, Tenn.

"Our Baby's First Seven Years" was created by Dr. Joseph B. DeLee. It was published by the Mothers' Aid Board of Chicago Lying-in Hospital, founded by DeLee in 1855.

Began with just \$500 and the help of friends and benefactors, including Hull House founder Jane Adams — the hospital's mission was to make child-bearing "free of pain and fear."

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# Flamingos devoured by coyotes

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A ravenous pack of coyotes descended on 86 flamingos at the Los Angeles Zoo after keepers mistakenly left the birds' pen open, and by morning less than half the flock was still alive, officials said.

Some flamingos were saved by employees beating away the coyotes. "We had a real tragedy here," said Michael Wallace, the zoo's curator for birds, after keepers returned Wednesday morning to the zoo in Griffith Park, north of downtown Los Angeles, and discovered the carnage.

The birds were worth nearly \$50,000, but Wallace and workers were more upset for another reason. "The real loss was emotional," Wallace said. "These birds have been here since 1974, some of them, and we'd just gotten the flock large enough to where we'd had breeding occur."

Some of the flamingos likely would be replaced, but he said zoo officials would wait until after the birds' next breeding season to see if any of the survivors will mate.

Flamingos in the wild travel in flocks numbering several thousand and don't usually breed in small groups, he said.

Wallace said the flamingos' cage door was left open when a zookeeper went to lock them in Tuesday night. The zookeeper saw they were already inside and mistakenly assumed another handler had closed the door.

But the exotic birds, which are allowed to wander freely throughout the zoo during the day, had returned to the cage on their own, he said.

"When the coyotes discovered the open door, they flushed all 86 of the birds out and commenced to catch and kill as many as they could," Wallace said. The birds can't fly, he said, because their wings are clipped.

"Our first people that came in had to beat the coyotes off a couple of flamingos," said zoo director Warren Thomas.

Wallace said 15 American Greater Flamingos and 33 Chilean Flamingos died.

The American birds, which cost about \$1,500 apiece, are better known as pink flamingos. The Chileans, which cost about \$750 apiece, are white flamingos.

Wallace said zoo authorities didn't bother to capture any of the coyotes.

"I'm not blaming the coyotes," he said. "It was typical coyote behavior."

He said the predators, which live in the park's "wild" area, frequently come into the zoo at night looking for scraps of food left behind by visitors.

"Only once before were the animals able to get to any of the zoo's bird flock," Wallace said.

"Two years ago we had some coyotes get into a penguin exhibit and we lost some birds then," he said. Security at that exhibit was improved after the penguin deaths, he said.

He added this incident would be investigated and disciplinary action might be taken.

"Mainly we just want to make sure it doesn't happen again," he said.

# Comedy show may go on live from Moscow

NEW YORK (AP) — Announcer Don Pardo may someday be saying, "Live from Moscow — It's Saturday Night!" And that's no joke.

Executive producer Lorne Michaels said Wednesday that if negotiations succeed, the irreverent NBC comedy show will originate from Moscow sometime after the first of the year.

The show begins its 13th season Oct. 17 with the same cast as last year with the first time that happened in nine years.

At a news conference to talk about the new season, Michaels and the cast fielded the usual questions about guest hosts and conflicts with NBC censors.

Then, Michaels was asked if he planned to take the show out of Studio 5H.

"We're trying to see if we can go to Russia sometime later in the season," he said. The reporters laughed, and he added, "Seriously, oddly enough."

When it became apparent Michaels really was serious, he was asked about censorship problems doing a show from the Soviet Union. "I don't think censorship matters if the audience doesn't understand the language you're performing in," he said. "I think it would be an interesting thing because it's time that the Russian censors met the American censors and work it out."

After the news conference, Michaels said a person he wouldn't identify had approached him about taking the show to the Soviet Union and that negotiations through diplomatic channels are underway. He said the idea is not so unthinkable, since "Saturday Night Live" is well-known in Europe as "the" U.S. satirical television show.



Walter Hudson, 42, lies in his bed at his home in Hempstead, N.Y., Wednesday less than two weeks after beginning a diet. Hudson, who weighs more than 1,000 pounds, decided he'd try to lose weight after he got stuck in his bedroom doorway and had to be freed by rescue workers.

# Half-ton man hopes to lose 800 pounds

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. (AP) — Three weeks after getting stuck in a doorway, a man who broke the scales at 1,000 pounds has stopped gorging on junk food for a diet that includes dried fruit and sesame seeds.

It's said of Hudson already has lost four inches around the knees. He is still a far heavier than the heaviest man listed in the Guinness Book of World Records, who is less than 900 pounds.

Hudson has biceps like flabby watermelons. He has a 103-inch waist. That's 8 1/2 feet. His knees are 51 inches around, down from 55. His neck is 22 inches.

The 42-year-old Hudson weighed 212 pounds when he was 12. Somewhere along the way, he said, he stopped caring what people thought of him, and only started caring again after he got stuck in his bedroom doorway and had to be extricated by rescue workers three weeks ago.

"Sometimes it got real rough," he said Wednesday, explaining that it was so hard to walk that he waited two months at a time to go to the bathroom.

Hudson's plight was widely publicized. He got calls from exercise expert Richard Simmons, Overeaters Anonymous and Dick Gregory, the one-time comedian who runs a weight-loss clinic in the Bahamas.

"I'm absolutely surprised he's not dead," said Gregory, who has taken on Hudson as a client, and hopes to get him to lose enough in three months that he can be taken to the clinic.

Hudson estimated his own weight at 1,200 pounds. Several days ago, Hudson stood on a scale, propped up by three wheelchairs. A spring popped on the scale at 1,000 pounds.

He has forsaken his daily Thanksgiving-size meals, when he would devour three or four ham steaks and six large bottles of soda pop for breakfast or lunch. His grocery bill averages about \$300 a week.

Hudson receives disability pay.

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# Changes in cigarette design could reduce risk of fires

By Christopher Colahan  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A new report concludes that inexpensive design changes could make cigarettes less of a fire hazard, and a proposed law would force manufacturers to meet anti-fire standards.

The report and an accompanying videotape shown to reporters Wednesday by Rep. Joseph Moakley, D-Mass., show that a thinner cigarette with decreased tobacco density and a less porous paper with reduced chemical content is less likely to start a fire.

A bill introduced Wednesday by Moakley and Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., calls on the Food and Drug Administration to create minimum standards for cigarette fire safety within a year of enactment. Cigarette manufacturers and importers would have to comply within another year.

"I think the tobacco industry has a responsibility when they release this torch to the general public," said Moakley, who has been active on the issue since a cigarette ignited his house fire eight years ago. He claimed the lives of a Massachusetts family.

Spoken for by Philip Morris USA and R.J. Reynolds, the nation's largest cigarette manufacturers, declined comment on the bill, referring calls to the Tobacco Institute, an industry lobbying group.

Walker Merryman, institute vice president, said the group has seen the measure but would not comment on it.

Proponents, however, anticipate heavy industry opposition. "The tobacco industry's whole cry was, 'why aren't they fireproof the furniture?'" said Moakley. "You can't fireproof the world just because cigarettes are out there."

Congress ordered in 1984 shows that a modified cigarette would be much less likely to start a fire when dropped on upholstered furniture or mattresses.

He showed a videotape of an ordinary cigarette starting a fire on a chair while a specially designed "fire-safe" cigarette simply burned itself out without damage.

"It doesn't need more study. We've done the study," Moakley said. "I think now we need... to put the tobacco industry on notice that they've got to come up with a fire-safe cigarette."

Merryman said the institute would support legislation that faithfully reflects the results of the study. The group recommended a series of additional technical

studies and information gathering. The final report of the task force said it is technically feasible and may be commercially feasible to develop a safer cigarette.

It also said that the modifications would have only a small effect on the price of cigarettes and little overall impact on the industry.

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The congressman first introduced legislation for a fire-safe cigarette study in 1979, shortly after a family from Westwood, Mass., was killed when a cigarette ignited a home blaze. The fire killed the parents and five children, ranging in age from 2 to 10.

An estimated 1,570 Americans were killed from cigarette-ignited fires in 1984, Moakley said. Another 100,000 were seriously injured, and \$30 million in property was destroyed.

Cranston said California, New York and Minnesota are considering similar proposals on the state level.

# Center for sleep disorders treats variety of problems

By Erica Johnston  
The Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — You probably spend more uninterrupted time sleeping than in any other daily activity. Unless you have chronic problems nodding off or staying there, you probably don't think much about it, either.

But a Charlotte neurologist who heads the first accredited center for sleep disorders in North Carolina and South Carolina says almost a dozen sleep disorders go undetected for decades while the people who have them are unfairly labeled lazy.

"It's not normal to be sleepy during the day," said Dr. Dennis Hill of the Sleep Disorders Center at Charlotte Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. "If you are, there's something going on, except that everyone gets sleepy after lunch. Many people don't even realize when something is wrong."

Hill says the most common problem he encounters is sleep apnea syndrome, which usually strikes middle-aged, overweight men who snore loudly. A normal reflex that usually opens up the

airway so a person can breathe while sleeping is blocked by a fatty muscle, and the sufferer can breathe only by waking up for five to 10 seconds every 30 to 40 seconds. The awakening is so brief that the sufferer does not even realize that he has awakened, Hill said.

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David Willcutt, left, and Mark Fitzgerald, right, are the artists of the "Helga" exhibit. The exhibit is a collection of drawings and watercolors of Wyeth's neighbor, Helga Testorf, done over a 15-year period.

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- Warranty deeds**
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# Service Notes

## Arrives at Tinker AFB

Air Force Tech. Sgt. Alphonse O. Godbout, son of Shirley L. Powell of 193 Cedar St., has arrived for duty with the 522nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron, Tinker Air Force Base, Okla. Godbout, an aerospace ground equipment technician, is a 1978 graduate of Howell Regional Vocational Technical School.

## Serving Air Force hospital

Air Force Capt. Richard D. Greene, brother of Leslie Greene of 88 Oakland St., has arrived for duty with the Regional Hospital, Carswell Air Force Base, Texas. Greene, a staff nurse, is a 1986 graduate of East Aurora High School, N.Y.

## Awarded aeronautical rating

Second Lt. Michael P. Bensch, son of Edward M. and Adeline M. Bensch of Hebron, has been awarded the aeronautical rating of navigator after training at the U.S. Air Force Navigator Training Center, Mather Air Force Base, Calif. He is a 1986 graduate of the University of Connecticut.

## Completes metal worker course

Army Reserve Pvt. Christian J. Knight, son of Billie J. Knight of 352 E. Middle Turnpike, has completed a metal worker course at the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. He is a 1985 graduate of Manzano High School, Albuquerque, N.M.

## Named company grade officer

Air Force 1st Lt. Eve Fralick, daughter of Irene L. Balaban of 115 Timrod Road, has been named company grade officer for a recent quarter at Griffiss Air Force Base, N.Y. She is an executive officer with the 485th Electronics Installation Group at Griffiss. She received a master's degree in 1986 from the State University of New York, Binghamton.

## Completes air training

Airman Fernando Santana, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hernando Santana of 234 Hollister St., has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. He is a 1984 graduate of Manchester High School.

## Graduates at air base

Airman Matthew P. Gagnon, son of Janice K. Gagnon of 225 Hollister St. and Norman G. Gagnon of 95 Avondale Road, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. He is a 1984 graduate of Manchester High School.

## Completes basic training

Airman Dana M. Hainsting, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Jordan of 20 Kensington St., has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. She is a 1984 graduate of Manchester High School.

## Completes unit training

Army Pvt. David F. Broder, son of Kara and David Broder of 331 Bush Hill Road, has completed one station unit training at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.

## Arrives for AFB duty

Air Force Sgt. David C. Warner, son of Charles E. Warner of Hebron and Eileen R. Bertram of East Hartford, has arrived for duty with the 57th Component Repair Squadron, George Air Force Base, Calif. He is married to the former Brenda Lent of Ovid, N.Y.

## Trained at Fort Dix

Army National Guard Pvt. Steven D. Metheny, son of Douglas T. and Janet M. Metheny of 118 Hollister St., has completed basic training at Fort Dix, N.J.

## Accepted at academy

Kim M. Hodge, daughter of Lt. Col Harold S. and Mrs. Hodge of Wrights Mill Road, Coventry, has been officially accepted into the U.S. Military Academy's Corps of Cadets as a member of the class of 1991. The academy at West Point, N.Y. is a four-year educational institution graduating men and women to serve as career army officers. Hodge is a graduate of Coventry High School.

## Trains in leadership

Cadet Mark S. Keith, son of George J. and Uta K. Keith of 97 Woodbrook Drive, Coventry, was named to military leadership at the U.S. Army ROTC advanced camp, Fort Bragg, N.C. Keith is a student at the University of Connecticut.

## Graduates at Keesler

Tech. Sgt. Susan E. Dooley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip G. Dooley of 40 Watrous Road, Bolton, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force manpower management specialist course at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss. She is a 1983 graduate of the University of Maryland. She is married to Air Force Master Sgt. Ronald C. Hartman.

## College Notes

### Makes dean's list

Judith Doughty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Doughty of 818 Carpenter Road, Coventry, was named to the dean's list for the spring semester at Bryant College, Smithfield, R.I. She is majoring in management.

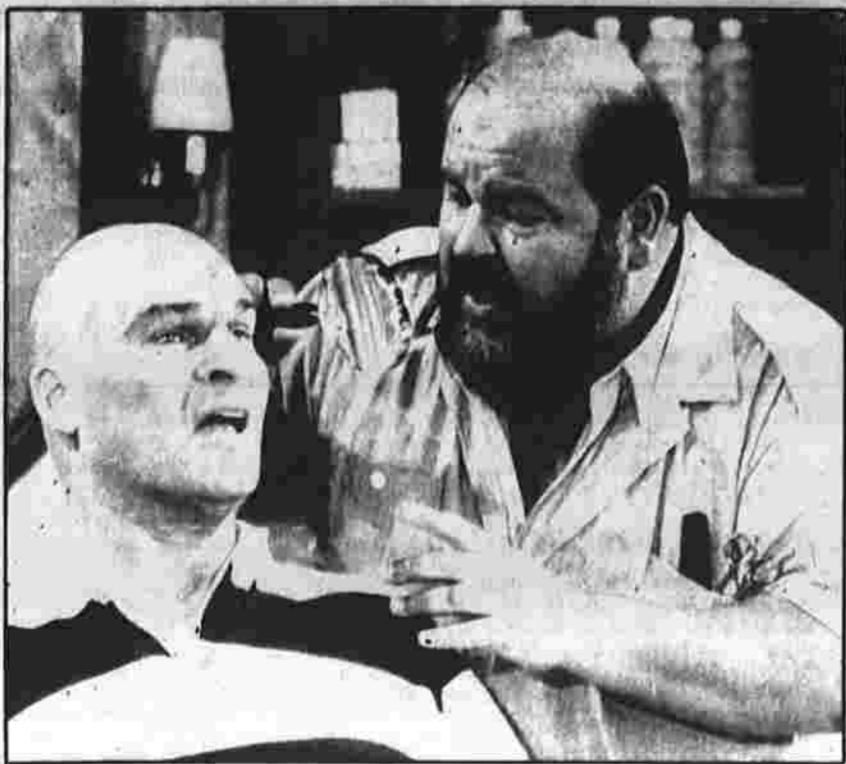
### Graduates from CPI

Richard F. Parr of Andover has graduated with honors from Computer Processing Institute of East Hartford, receiving a diploma in business computer programming. He is a 1982 graduate of Manchester Community College and is employed by Covenant Insurance Group of Hartford as a programmer.

### Studying in Europe

Catherine Day, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard T. Day of Camp Meeting Road, has started a year of studies at the University of Fribourg, Switzerland, through the Providence College Providence-In-Europe Program. Day is a junior who is majoring in English and will study English during this academic year at the University of Fribourg. She will resume studies at Providence College in the fall of 1988.





Where's the hair?

Dom DeLuise gets to the root of the matter as he finds the going a bit rough while trying to trim the already-bald head of guest Richard Moll of NBC-TV's 'Night Court.' DeLuise portrays a barber who caters to the stars in the half-hour TV series.

Recording talk of Congress costs \$18 million each year

By Tom Sepp

WASHINGTON — Talk may be cheap, but not on Capitol Hill. When Mark Lim of Darien, Ill., won the "Land of Freedom" essay contest sponsored by the Friends of Free China, Rep. Harris W. Fawell, R-Ill., took the floor to tell GOP leaders and staff to object to all future insertions that would cost more than \$18,000 to print. "We have gotten quite excessive lately. And it's just got to stop," he said.

Some other recent entries: Sen. Richard G. Lugar, R-Ind., included his remarks and newspaper obituary on Hortense Myers, described as the first lady of Indiana Journalism. Cost: \$818.32. Rep. Mary Kaptur, D-Ohio, inserted a Toledo Blade magazine article on Barney Guller, who for 23 years has been Speaker Pro Tempore of the Ohio House of Representatives. Cost: \$1,025.18.

The Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress says the publication "can be thought of as the world's largest daily newspaper as it contains an account of everything that is said and done on the floors of the House and Senate."

State colleges, corporations consider 'electronic campus'

By Susan Okubo

NEW HAVEN — Instead of walking into a college classroom, some students may be turning on their personal computers under a new proposal being considered by state universities and corporations. The proposal is for a state electronic network giving access to accredited college courses. Students would use the network to communicate with professors via personal computers. Most course work would be done independently with no class time required.

discipline and maturity to work alone, to read and try without a support group. Some people can't be alone with a book and learn. People who attended the meeting were signing up for committees to develop the proposal while Harrison and Eskow said they hoped the first course offerings could start in March.

and want to continue taking courses from them, he said. Courses presently offered to people who use the Electronic University Network cost between \$300 and \$600, said Harrison. Both undergraduate and graduate courses are offered.

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No clear-cut answer on interest rates

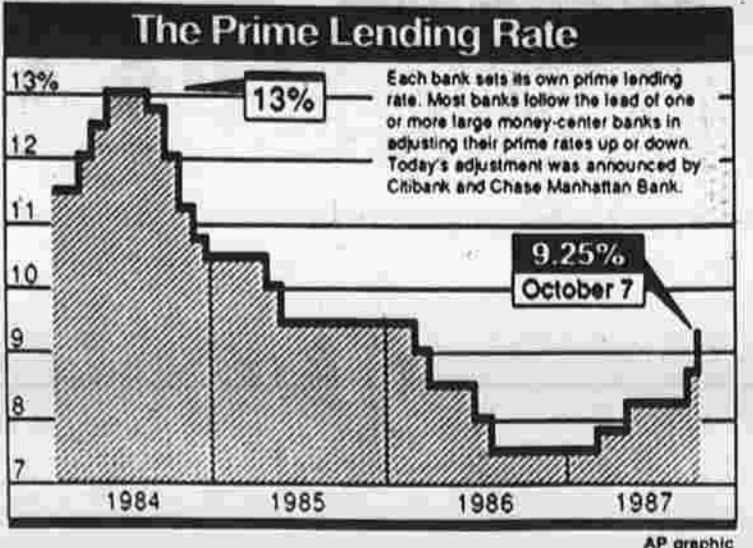
By John Cuniff

NEW YORK — Whether to raise interest rates and attract foreign investors, or to keep rates low, the better to help American manufacturers, and in so doing reduce the trade deficit, that's the question.

It is a question that allows for no either-or decision, and to which there is no clear-cut answer or response satisfying to all parties, domestic and foreign. Whatever the response, it involves a delicate balancing act.

In raising the discount rate, the Fed understood that it would, at least to some small degree, reduce the trade advantage of U.S. exporters, whose goods become relatively less expensive abroad as the dollar falls.

But did it have a choice? Had it not acted, the dollar might have continued falling, bringing with it the investment value that margins had in the United States. The United States needs foreigners. Among other things, it needs them to finance its deficits.



Boost in prime rate is likely to drive up other interest rates

By Vivian Marino

NEW YORK — Major U.S. banks raised their prime lending rate a half percentage point to 9.25 percent, the highest level in 19 months, in a move likely to drive up interest on mortgages, home equity loans and credit cards.

The increase, the fifth this year, was attributed by economists to the prime rate's benchmark used by banks to set interest rates on a range of corporate and consumer loans set no later than the settlement date.

GE earnings increase 16 percent

FAIRFIELD (AP) — GE has announced net earnings for the third quarter were \$703 million, up 16 percent from \$604 million for the same period last year, and attributed the increase to a strong performance by financial services, aircraft engines and medical systems.

The Fairfield-based company said Wednesday that sales for the third quarter were \$2.4 billion, up 1 percent from the \$2.28 billion for the same quarter last year. The third quarter 1986 results included sales from RCA's records and carpets, business which have since been sold.

GE's third-quarter sales this year were up 5 percent. Earnings for the first nine months were \$2 billion, or \$2.24 per share, up from \$1.8 billion, or \$1.93 per share for the same period last year. Sales in the first nine months of 1987 were \$27 billion, up from \$22.9 billion for the comparable period last year.

Particularly good earnings growth came from higher revenues in financial services, aircraft engines, plastic and medical systems, said Chairman John F. Welch Jr. "Earnings in most other key businesses were better or improved profit margins, reflecting the comprehensive productivity programs we have been implementing."

'Ex-dividend' is difficult to understand

QUESTION:

The following question has been bothering me for a long time. We sold 100 shares of stock on Oct. 28, 1986. The "settlement date" was Nov. 4, the "business day" was Nov. 3 following the Oct. 28 "trade date."

On Nov. 21, we received a \$70 dividend check from the company whose stock we had sold. The accompanying letter said the dividend was payable to stockholders of record Nov. 7. We subsequently got a letter from our brokerage firm saying we were not entitled to that dividend. On Dec. 24, we paid our brokerage firm the \$70.

Oct. 28 was the stock gone ex-dividend the fourth business day before the "record date." Since the record date in this case was Nov. 7, the stock would have gone ex-dividend on Nov. 3. We owned the stock shortly before it went ex-dividend, but as the old stock was still registered in your name at the close of business on the Nov. 7 record date.

That happens reasonably frequently, when there are delays in transferring stock ownership on the record books of companies and their transfer agents. I have a recurring dream that all investors will finally understand ex-dividend. But, as the old song goes: "It's only a dream." Questions about the ex-dividend procedure keep coming in.

ANSWER:

Because you sold before the stock went ex-dividend, you stopped owning those 100 shares the very minute you sold on Oct. 28. The \$70 dividend you bought the 100 shares you sold was entitled to that dividend. If you had sold on or after the ex-dividend date, the dividend would have been yours.

Anyone who buys a stock before the stock's ex-dividend date gets the dividend; the seller does. Anyone who buys on or after the ex-dividend date does not get the dividend; the seller does.

The company whose stock you sold sent the dividend check to you because the shares were still registered in your name at the close of business on the Nov. 7 record date.

Why, then, aren't there five days from the time the stock goes ex-dividend to the dividend date? By my count, there are only four days in between.

ANSWER: There are five days in that time span, even though the record date is the fourth business day after the ex-dividend date.

Here's why: If a dividend is payable to holders of record at the close of business Friday, Nov. 6, the stock goes ex-dividend at the opening of business Monday, Nov. 2. Between the opening Monday and the close Friday, there are five full business days. Count 'em again!

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Use these measures to strengthen bones

ATLANTA (AP) — There are things people can do to slow down or prevent osteoporosis, a disease that causes bones to weaken and break more easily with age, according to the Arthritis Foundation. It recommends the following measures to help people under the age of 40 build strong bones and slow down the rate of eventual bone loss.

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