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## Next step in probe uncertain

Manchester police have not yet decided whether to continue their investigation into an alleged 35-year-old murder of a child who was supposedly buried somewhere in the yard of 24 Pine Hill St.

Three days of digging under a shed attached to the back of the house failed to turn up any evidence to support the claim of an informant that a body had been buried there.

Manchester Police Capt. Joseph Brooks said today that police are done digging, but that it is too early to decide on whether the investigation should continue.

## Violence halts vote in Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Sporadic gunfire echoed early today through nearly empty streets where a voter-targeted terror campaign forced cancellation of Haiti's first presidential election in 30 years.

More than two dozen people were killed in the violence, including 15 people shot or hacked to death at a polling place Sunday before the election was called off by the Electoral Council.

Within hours, the independent council was dissolved by the military-dominated provisional government, led by Lt. Gen. Henri Namphy.

Before it was disbanded, the Electoral Council repeatedly complained that the provisional government and the military had failed to protect the council and the candidates from attacks.

Namphy said in a televised announcement Sunday that elections can still be held by February and that he plans to step down as promised Feb. 7, 1988, to make way for an elected president.

That assurance failed to satisfy the State Department, which in Washington announced the immediate cut off of U.S. military and other non-humanitarian aid and withdrawal of military personnel.

Secretary of State George P. Shultz blamed supporters of deposed President-for-Life Jean-Claude Duvalier for the violence and said the Haitian people's desire for democracy will prevail.

Rene Belante, spokesman for the electoral council, called the junta action "certainly a coup, nothing else."

Duvalier, in exile in France, today called for calm in his homeland. In a statement released in Paris, he expressed "immense sadness over the confrontations that took place in Haiti" over the weekend.



Debbie Desrosiers of Manchester, a toll collector on the Charter Oak Bridge in East Hartford, says she loves her work.

## She's got an 'easy job' but sometimes it takes its toll

By Anita M. Caldwell  
Manchester Herald

The season that Debby Desrosiers likes the best is summer. "The scenery is beautiful in summer with all those half-naked men coming through in their bathing suits," she said.

Desrosiers is a toll collector on the Charter Oak Bridge in East Hartford and it's part of her job to watch who drives through.

"You meet a lot of people going through the tolls," she said from her home in Manchester. The feisty 29-year-old said she loves her work.

"People will talk to you. One of the flower vendors gives us flowers when he comes through." But not all her customers are pleasant.

Desrosiers said New York and Massachusetts drivers are "the nastiest." "I get aggravated with some of the people who come through. They get all upset paying a 35 cent toll," Desrosiers said.

DESROSIER'S BEGAN working on the bridge part time in May 1986 and became a full-time employee last March.

"The money's pretty good," said Desrosiers. "It's an easy job." It may not seem challenging, but she said being friendly all the time is not so easy.

"They (toll collectors) have to have a good personality," said Frank Larala, toll superintendent at the Charter Oak Bridge. "They have to be able to talk to people and control their emotions."

"You see all different kinds of weird stuff," said Desrosiers. On one occasion, she saw two cars cross lanes then stop in the middle of her lane. The drivers got out of their cars and started arguing. One driver threw an electric razor at the other.

Desrosiers has to keep a cool head at all times. "I can ignore it or I can call my supervisor," she said. But Desrosiers doesn't let offensive people

bother her. "A lot of times I just ignore it," she said. "I don't allow them the reaction they're looking for."

ON THE RARE occasions when she does need her supervisor's assistance, no time is wasted. Larala said each lane is monitored by himself and other staff from a console in the building adjacent to the toll booths. The toll collector also has an intercom inside the booth that is connected directly to the office.

If a driver passes through a toll booth without paying, Larala said the toll collector contacts the supervisor and the license number of the car is written down along with the make of the car from the console. The supervisor then notifies the state police.

Larala said toll evaders are infrequent. According to the Crimes and Traffic Analysis Unit of the Connecticut State Police in Meriden, only three arrests were made for toll evasion between Aug. 17 and Nov. 17 of this year.

DESROSIER'S OFFERS ONLY two other hazards of the job. "Personally, it's not good for my complexion or breathing in the fumes," she said. But she said she believes there are hazards with every job.

Nor does it bother her that she works in every type of weather. "We go to work like the postman does — rain, sleet, snow, blizzards — we work; we're there," she said proudly.

And if the summer brings a feast for her eyes, the winter brings out the darker side of people. "When it snows," she said, "people are crazy; the traffic is crazy." Desrosiers said winter drivers expect the toll collectors to know everything.

"Some guy last year came through and asked how the conditions were in Boston," she recalled. "I told him, 'I don't know but call me when you get there.'" And then, she said, she flashed a big smile.

## Power outages cut school day

More than 800 junior high students in Manchester and all students in Coventry, about 1,100, had shorter school days today because of two separate power outages.

The most widespread outage was in Coventry and Mansfield, where more than 2,400 homes lost power at about 2:30 a.m., said Marilyn Brossmer, a Northeast Utilities spokeswoman. By 6:35 a.m., power had been restored, she said.

The power was lost in Coventry because of a downed line. Brossmer said. She said officials are unsure why the line fell.

Because of the power outage, Coventry schools opened at 9:15 a.m., two hours later than usual, said Nathan Chesler, Coventry school superintendent.

A partial power outage at Iling Junior High School forced the early closing of the school today, said James P. Kennedy, Manchester school superintendent.

Kennedy said students would be dismissed today at 12:35 p.m. because of the loss of power and heat. Until then, students were to be relocated from their normal classrooms to areas where the power was working, Kennedy said.

He added that Northeast Utilities workers had hoped to restore full power this morning, but later said they would be unable to do so until the afternoon.

"The rooms are getting pretty cold, and we can't relocate that many students," Kennedy said. There are about 850 students and 60

## Little optimism Atlanta siege will end soon

ATLANTA (AP) — Federal authorities and Cuban inmates holding 90 hostages talked "off and on" today, but officials said the agreement that ended a similar siege in Louisiana prison may not quickly resolve the week-old takeover here.

Seven Cubans climbed atop prison buildings before dawn today and broadcast statements over a loudspeaker in Spanish and English. But their message was lost to the drone of rush-hour traffic and distortion in the speaker system.

"They (talks) are going on, off and on, but there haven't been any new developments," Bureau of Prisons spokeswoman Kathryn Morse said today.

The 1,139 inmates in Atlanta freed four hostages Sunday, hours before Cuban prisoners in Oakdale, La., released all their 46 hostages and surrendered. Both sieges began after the government announced it would deport to Cuba 2,500 criminals or mentally ill people who were among the 125,000 to arrive during the 1980 Mariel boatlift.

Three Cuban exile leaders who visited the U.S. Penitentiary in Atlanta late Sunday briefed the inmate representatives there on the agreement that ended the takeover in Louisiana, said Patrick Korten, a U.S. Justice Department spokesman. The Oakdale inmates surrendered after receiving promises of individual reviews of their immigration cases and no reprisals for the damage to the prison.

The exile leaders remain available today, Korten said. "There has been no subsequent reaction to the meeting (with the exile leaders) or to the Oakdale settlement from the detainees," he said. No negotiating sessions are scheduled, "but this is not necessarily significant," he said.

News of the end of the Oakdale siege was greeted with apparent indifference by the Cubans here, officials said. "There has been no reaction, no celebrating, nothing discernable," said another Justice Department

spokesman, Thomas Stewart. Before the resolution in Louisiana, four hostages in Atlanta were released.

Stewart said there was neither significant progress in talks with leaders of the 1,139 Cuban detainees at the Atlanta penitentiary, nor was there reason to believe the Oakdale developments would affect the Atlanta standoff, which entered its second week today.

"We have no way of knowing what impact it will have," Stewart said. "There has not been much indication throughout the uprising that there was any kind of linkage."

"By and large, it is more hard cases (in Atlanta)," Stewart said. "The Oakdale detention center is something quite a bit softer in penal terms."

Korten identified the Sunday night visitors as Armando Valladeres Perez, a 22-year-old former Cuban political prisoner; Roberto Martin Perez Rodriguez, who was released this year after 28 years in prison in Cuba; and Jorge Mas Canosa, president of the Washington-based Cuban-American Foundation.

The three also visited here last week. "The three of them and three representatives of the detainees held discussions for about an hour face-to-face, after which time there were some efforts to make some contact with the larger body of the detainees nearby," Korten said.

Meanwhile, about 50 people — relatives or supporters of the Cubans — held a candlelight vigil outside the prison Sunday night.

Inmates' relatives had varying opinions about the news from Oakdale.

"It is going to be a lot of good after the Oakdale release because the (Atlanta) prisoners inside haven't harmed anyone," said Virginia Rodriguez, whose son Jose Herrero has been at the prison seven months. "And if they ever committed a crime, they've paid for it."

## Stocks, dollar plunge amid skepticism, fear

NEW YORK (AP) — Stock prices fell sharply today after the dollar plunged amid renewed skepticism about the U.S. budget deficit and fears about inflation.

The Dow Jones industrial average dropped more than 75 points in early trading to about 1,835, while on the broader market 14 issues fell in price for every one that rose.

Stock prices also fell in Japan and Britain. The dollar reached lows against the Japanese yen, West German mark and British pound. Gold prices, also responding to the dollar, surged above \$400 an ounce in both London and Zurich for the first time since January 1983.

Investors saw little reason to buy stocks today due to the dollar's weakness, said Hildegard Zagorski, a stock market analyst. When the dollar is down, investors fear that higher inflation and higher interest rates will ensue.

Foreign exchange dealers in Europe said there were no fresh reasons for the dollar's plunge. "It's just the same old story, the deficit, the lack of leadership (in the United States)," said one dealer at a U.S. bank in Frankfurt. "There isn't any support for the dollar."

The White House and congressional leaders agreed earlier this month to cut the federal budget by \$76 billion over two years. However, financial markets are pessimistic about the implementation of the cuts, which must still be approved by the full Congress.

The budget deficit was blamed in part for the Oct. 19 stock market collapse. At mid-morning, the dollar was trading at 1.6325 West German

marks, a record post-World War II low. It was quoted at 1.6540 late Friday.

In London, the dollar was trading at its lowest level against the British pound since May 1982. It cost \$1.8305 to buy one pound, more expensive than late Friday's \$1.8105.

In earlier Tokyo trading, the dollar fell despite repeated intervention on its behalf by Japan's central bank. The dollar closed at 132.45 yen, down 1.30 yen from Friday's close.

The dollar also was down in New York trading.

On the London Stock Exchange, the main market indicator, the Financial Times-Stock Exchange Index, was down more than 61 points at midday.

### TODAY

#### Clearing and cooler

Showers possible tonight, then clearing and cooler. Sunshine Tuesday mixed with passing clouds. Sunny Wednesday. Details on page 2.

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FOCUS

Dad's wedding role upsets his fiancee

DEAR ABBY: Please, am I being too sensitive, or is it just plain rudeness on the bride's part...

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren



Several months ago, his eldest daughter was married. He took me to the wedding. His daughter insisted that her father be in the group pictures...

DEAR ABBY: I am deeply in love with my boyfriend and he says he loves me, but he has a lot of women calling his apartment night and day...

Friend's husband might be carrier

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have two women friends whose husbands have hairy-cell leukemia...

Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.



question, your friends' husbands probably are carriers of the HTLV virus, they should use condoms and, in my opinion, exercise the same precautions...

DEAR READER: Three retroviruses, viruses that cause disease long after their introduction into the body, have been identified in humans.



Garlic cure what ails you

WASHINGTON (AP) — The more scientists study the chemicals in garlic, the more a clove resembles a pungent morsel of multiple medicines...

Cheney Homestead open house

Arlene Meek, Cheney Homestead hostess, and Jay Savery, president of the Manchester Historical Society, discuss recently the annual open house scheduled for Sunday at the homestead on Hartford Road.

Grammar hot line popular

CLEVELAND (AP) — When you're stumped by a sticky grammar question, when you can't find the spelling for a word, when you can't remember if it's who or whom, where can you turn?

teaching device, I don't feel that it's cheating that they don't have to look it up because I try to give them a little bit extra instead of just the answer.

Supermarket Shopper

Mailing for 25-cent coupons useless

By Martin Sloane United Feature Syndicate. DEAR MARTIN: — I am amazed by the advertisements that ask consumers to mail in proofs of purchase to receive 25-cent coupons...

Clip 'n' file refunds

Miscellaneous Non-food Products. (File No. 12-A) Clip out this file and keep it with similar cash-off coupons — beverage refund offers with beverage coupons, for example...

BUSINESS

Ranch empire faces corporate reality

KINGVILLE, Texas (AP) — Texas' depressed economy has forced drastic changes on the famed King Ranch, which has brought in outside managers to help oversee the 134-year-old family empire...



CAPT. RICHARD KING started ranch in 1853

executives of major Dallas-based corporations — Charles Blackburn, president of Maxus Energy Corp., and Darwin E. Smith, chairman of Kimberly-Clark Corp.

Newport News set to join Trident bidding

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Virginia shipbuilder this week may jump into the high-stakes bidding for the Trident nuclear submarine, but observers question whether the company really wants to build the giant subs or is trying to appease Navy officials...

contract, we will say how many bids were received and how many were solicited.

Business In Brief

Mikolett named assistant treasurer

Mary Ann Mikolett of Manchester was recently elected assistant treasurer in the trust systems department at Connecticut Bank and Trust Co., Hartford.

Manchester attorney honored

Manchester attorney David C. Wichman, of 43 Wildwood Drive, recently received a certificate of commendation from the Connecticut Bar Association...

Johnson a registered representative

Mark Johnson of Manchester has become a registered representative for the Lutheran Brotherhood Securities Corp., headquartered in Minneapolis.

Wichman attends podiatric seminar

Dr. Kenneth L. Wichman of 64 Brookfield St. recently attended the 17th annual Hersey Surgical Seminar, sponsored by the Pennsylvania Podiatric Medical Association Nov. 5 to 8 in Hershey, Pa.

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Puzzles

ACROSS 6 Actor... 1 At what time... 2 Joyful exclamation... 3 Middle East... 4 Assistant... 5 Drones... 6 Drawing... 7 Stupid person... 8 Radiation... 9 Housing agency... 10 Opp. of post... 11 Home... 12 2005, Roman... 13 Claim genus... 14 Horn... 15 Hamlet's home... 16 Bird's perch... 17 Beast of burden... 18 Car's foot... 19 Actress... 20 Gardner... 21 Roman bronze... 22 Heave... 23 Small... 24 Illuminator... 25 Court hearing... 26 Labor group... 27 Letters of alphabet... 28 Witty remarks... 29 51 For... 30 Soft food... 31 Naval abbrev... 32 Airplane part... 33 Inquire... 34 Shakespearean villain... 35 Air combine... 36 Mollusk from... 37 Gas for signs... 38 Methods

Answer to Previous Puzzle
DIT TROP ANON
HIT TROP ANON
LOT INSIDENT
L I T T E R E T T E
L A B E A R S
O L I U R A H E N
O I S I U I I I I I I
N A T T L E A K I M D O
A L E T U R N M E A N
R I P E H A L E
O D U M L E E T E I
D E P O S I T O C U I
L I T T E R A T T A
A L L E E D E N S T Y

DOWN
1 Homeless child
2 Lofy
3 Novelist father
4 Recent (prel.)
5 Spinning machine part
11 Small
12 Illuminator
13 Court hearing
14 Labor group
15 Letters of alphabet
16 Witty remarks
17 51 For
18 Soft food
19 Naval abbrev
20 Airplane part
21 Inquire
22 Shakespearean villain
23 Air combine
24 Mollusk from
25 Gas for signs
26 Methods

CELEBRITY CIPHER
Celebrity cipher cryptograms are created from celebrities, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another. Today's cipher requires A.

JUMBLE
Unscramble these four Jumbles. One letter in each square is from four of the words.

GENUB
EGGOU
UMLUTT
LEHTAH
A NEIGHBORLY PERSON TALKS TO HER NEIGHBORS INSTEAD OF THIS.

AGORAPHOBIA
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Astrograph

Birthdays
Dec. 1, 1987
Influential people with whom you'll socialize in the year ahead will prove helpful to you in furthering your ambitions. It pays to have good friends.

Jane Austen adaptation Sunday

Shirley MacLaine in the title role of a drama graduate of London's Arts Educational Schools, Schlesinger has made her name on the British stage. "She's very direct and honest. She has no pretensions and admits to everything. She even admits to her own ignorance."

TV Tonight

- 5:00PM (8) Wonderful World of Disney (60 min.)
(ESPN) Auto Racing: IHRA Fall National...
(10) Trouble with Grandpa (CC) A teenager Meg Tilly is faced with decisions involving the care of her grandfather.
(11) Alice's Adventures in Wonderland (G) A little girl falls down a rabbit hole and meets a variety of curious characters.
(12) Hannah and Her Sisters (CC) A seriocomic portrait of two women and the emotional lives of three Manhattan sisters.
(13) The Untouchables (G) A mid-mannered executive is whisked away on an exciting but dangerous adventure...
(14) The 24th Annual Peacock Awards (G) A mid-mannered executive is whisked away on an exciting but dangerous adventure...
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BILLY GRAHAM TV SPECIAL



"ONEIENESS"
TONIGHT 8:00 CH 8
Billy Graham's newest book, "FACING DEATH... And The Life After," now available in all bookstores!

HI, TECH!!
PROGRESS, PROGRESS, EVEN MY PHONE HAS A MEMORY FEATURE!!
D-DAY WAS SURELY A BATTLE, BUT IN JUNE, THERE WAS SOMETHING ATROPIC BOWEN.

PEANUTS by Charles M. Schulz
WHAT I WANT TO KNOW MAAM, IS HOW CAN THEY DO ARTHROSCOPIC KNEE SURGERY ON MY DOG IF DOGS DON'T HAVE KNEES?
YOU DON'T KNOW HE WAS A DOG?!

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE by Dick Browne
ALL I CAUGHT WAS A LITTLE HEAD COLD!
BUT I ALMOST CAUGHT A BIG CASE OF PNEUMONIA!

THE PHANTOM by Lee Falk & Sy Barry
I READ WATER. (GASP) I DON'T KNOW HOW TO SWIM...
IT'S EVEN HARDER WHEN YOU'RE HANDICAPPED.

BLONDIE by Dean Young & Stan Drake
WE NOW HAVE OUR FIRST LADY BOARD MEMBER.
TELL ME, MY DEAR, HIGH-HEELS, YOU BE ONE OF THE BOYS?

WHAT A GUY by Bill Hoest
I'M NOT CRAZY ABOUT ARITHMETIC, BUT I LIKE THE HUMANITIES, LIKE DICK AND JANE.
SO NOW IT COMES OUT, WENDY, YOU DON'T LIKE THE GUY!

ON THE FASTTRACK by Bill Holbrook
WELL, IT'D HAD MY HEART SET ON SOMETHING BIGGER.
BUT IT'S SO SMALL.
YOU MEAN YOU'D PREFER SIZE OVER QUALITY?

Bridge
NORTH 13-30-37
WEST 4-3-2
EAST 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1
SOUTH 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1

Don't end up in the wrong hand
By James Jacoby
It's instructive to watch Careful Charlie play a hand. He pays attention to his spots in the trump suit and always handles his entries with caution.

PEOPLE WHO KNOW... 643-2711
know there's a certain magic about Classified Advertising.

KIT 'N' CARLYLE by Larry Wright
THE WEATHER MUST BE TURNING. SHE'S GOING TO GET HER WINTER FEEL.

THE GRIZZLELLS by Bill Schorr
THE WORST PART OF MY NIGHTMARE WAS AFTER SWALLOWING THE BROOMSTICK, WHEN I TRIED TO SLITHER HOME.
I LOVE DINNER THEATER.

CAPTAIN EASY by Crooks & Casale
YO, PALL! (HUM?)
THEY PLAY FRISBEE IN THIS COUNTRY?
BULL'S-EYE!

ARLO AND JANIS by Jimmy Johnson
YOU KNOW, IF IT CLOUDS UP AND THE TEMPERATURE FALLS 35 DEGREES, IT COULD SNOW!
WOW! REALLY? YOU REALLY THINK SO?
WHY DO YOU DO THAT TO HIM?

ALLEY OOP by Dave Grae
STOP YOU! COME HERE!
LOOK UP! RECALL!
ALLEY OOP SUFFERING FROM AMNESIA, HAS JUST CROSSED THE BORDER INTO LEM HABLE BEING PURSUED BY DINNY THE DINOSAUR...
WHOM HE DOESN'T RECOGNIZE AS AN OLD FRIEND?

THE BORN LOSER by Art Sansom
FRIED WAGON AND RICE.
WHAT ARE WE SUPPOSED TO DO WITH THESE CHOPSTICKS?
YOU'RE DISGUSTING!

FRANK AND ERNEST by Bob Thaves
YOU HAVE REACHED THE TELEPHONE COMPANY-- PLEASE HOLD WHILE WE RAISE OUR RATES.

WINTHROP by Dick Cavalli
I CAN'T DECIDE WHAT I WANT TO BE WHEN I GROW UP.
WHAT DO YOU THINK I SHOULD BE?
AS UNOBSERVATIVE AS POSSIBLE.
I DON'T KNOW WHY I BOTHER TO ASK HIM ANYTHING.

U.S. ACRES by Jim Davis
BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK!
PANT PANT PANT
WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE THAT WAS?
I CAN LET'S NOT LABOR OVER THE POINT ANY HILLT BEFORE IT SPREADS!

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