

21 HOMES FOR SALE

COVENTRY Start the New Year in your new home! 3 bedroom ranch near completion. Walk to the lake. \$147,900. Klerman Realty. 649-1147.

MANCHESTER Opportunity to combine your home with a nice income! 3 family 4-4. Quiet dead-end street. Convenient to schools and shopping. Rentally reversible. \$224,900. Klerman Realty. 649-1147.

MANCHESTER New Construction! This lovely Colonial offers 2 spacious bedrooms with all amenities. Fireplace, jacuzzi, skylights, 2 car garage. Beautiful wooded lot. \$374,900. Klerman Realty. 649-1147.

PLENTY of insulation and much work completed in this 5 1/2 Duplex in Vernon. 3 bedrooms each side. patios, separate systems, newer roof. Asking \$139,900. Steven Real Estate. 647-7533.

DON'T Throw the towel in yet! We have just what you need to get started! Immaculate 5 plus room Cape. Terrific family neighborhood. Spacious living room with fireplace, newer kitchen and bath, open air deck, floor plan, breezeway, great yard with oversized garage. Priced to sell! \$134,900. Jackson & Jackson Real Estate. 647-8400.

READY and waiting! This brand new 7 1/2 room Colonial is just waiting for a new family to move in! Features include 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, whirlpool, Andersen windows, top quality cabinetry. Generous allowance. beautiful 1 acre plus lot on the outskirts of Manchester. Now being offered at \$254,900. Jackson & Jackson Real Estate. 647-8400.

ATTENTION Catcher! Stately 8 room Colonial presently under construction on fabulous 2.3 acre country lot in Bolton. 3 spacious bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 24x16 family room, sewing room, gorgeous brick fireplace. Call quick in order to choose your own colors! \$269,900. Jackson & Jackson Real Estate. 647-8400.

BOLTON Immaculate 3 bedroom raised ranch in sought after area. Very quiet and private. Newly decorated including new kitchen sink and countertops. \$220,000. D.W. Fish Realty. 643-1591 or 871-1400.

VERNON Buy it before someone else. 3 bedroom raised ranch with 12x17 master, fireplace living room, large eat in kitchen and 12x20 1st floor family room. Lower level recreation room. Easy access to I-84. Fountain Village Apartments. 3315 Lindo. 646-1238 eves. Kathy.

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SOUTH Windsor, U & R Ranch in one of South Windsor's newest subdivisions. 3 large bedrooms, spacious living room, dining room, kitchen and beautiful 1st floor family room with tile and stone fireplace and a floor to ceiling stone fireplace. 2 car garage, sliding. \$299,900. D.W. Fish Realty. 643-1591 or 871-1400.

LOTS/LAND FOR SALE MANCHESTER Wooded building lots in preferred area. Only 2 left starting at \$100,000. Klerman Realty. 649-1147.

WHIRLPOOL, Auto electric dryer, in very good condition. \$150. 643-1502.

APPLIANCES, Refrigerator, Hot Point, frost free, Avocado green, good condition. \$150. 643-1502.

MACHINERY AND TOOLS ARIENS snow blower. 3 1/2 horsepower. Just serviced. Runs good. \$249. 643-1776.

FUEL OIL/COAL/FIREWOOD SEASONED FIREWOOD YOU LOAD AT SITE. Truck and trailer included. B&B & Firewood. 487-0515 or 429-0229.

FIREWOOD SALE 60 cu yd of 2 inch split, green, delivered, 4 cord plus 1/2 cord. VISA Northern Firewood Distributors 630-0059.

Rentals

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MANCHESTER for rent. Available January 1. 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, newly remodeled. 1st floor apartment. Easy access to I-84. Heat, hot water, appliances included. No pets. Non-smokers preferred. Security deposit and 1 month deposit. Lease \$200 per month. 646-4539.

474 Main Street. Second floor. Three rooms. Heat, No appliances. 648-2426. Security. No pets. 646-2426. 9-5 weekdays.

MANCHESTER 2 bedroom Duplex. Available immediately. No pets. Security and references required. \$475 per month plus utilities. 649-6256 offer 6 p.m.

MANCHESTER 1 bedroom. All appliances. pool, clubhouse, nice area. \$475 per month plus utilities. References. 649-0764 offer 6pm.

HOUSE for rent. Ellington. 3 bedroom ranch garage. \$800 plus utilities. 2 months rent free. Call evenings. 875-7527.

Looking for something special? Why not run "Wanted to Buy" ad in Classified. The cost is small... the response big. 643-2711.

ROOMMATES WANTED ROOMMATE Wanted. Female. Large living room and kitchen, 2 bedroom. Easy access to I-84. Fountain Village Apartments. 3315 Lindo. 646-1238 eves. Kathy.

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FURNITURE DESPERATELY Seeking to sell solid Maple coffee and end table set. Fantastic bargain of \$35 for the set, or \$25 for the coffee table. \$15 for the end table. A perfect gift for the holidays! Give me a call after 5:30pm or 742-9916.

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BUSINESS & SERVICE DIRECTORY

CHILD CARE

KAREN'S DAY CARE Licensed. References. Openings for infants to 4 years. Provide breakfast, snacks and lunch. 647-0338.

ACCOMMODATIONS

JARED CONE HOUSE Bed and Breakfast Colonial Hospitality on the green. 25 Helen Rd., Bolton, CT. 646-8588 or 649-5678.

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WALLPAPER & PAINT for the holiday! Quality work at bargain prices. Call Norm for estimate. 646-1340.

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Handyman Home Improvement, Painting, Wall Papering, Tiling, Light Carpentry. Call BARRY SCANLON at 646-7411 for estimate.

CLEANING SERVICES

Country Maids All Year Cleaning Needs. Free Estimate & References. Please Call 646-3650.

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Remodeling Services. Complete home updating and remodeling. We specialize in bedrooms and kitchens. Small scale commercial work. Registered, insured, references. 646-8165.

WALLPAPERING AND PAINTING

Insured - References. Merry Mattress - 649-4431. Gary Duffell - 643-7321.

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Floors like new. Natural & stained floors. No waxing anymore. John Varticke - 640-5750.

RECREATIONAL EQUIPMENT

GOLF Clubs. Tour model 11.2, 9, like new. \$100. 646-5907.

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FREE puppies 8 months old. 1/2 Golden Retriever and 1/2 German Shepherd. Females. Good with kids. Owner must move. Call 649-8732.

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

TEE Shirt transfers. Approximately 2000, also 50 to 1000 numerals and letters for shirts, caps. Etc. Best offer. 649-3642 offer 5:30pm.

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THIS HAS BEEN A VERY GOOD YEAR FOR OUR CUSTOMERS * Honda Civic DX 4-Door Sedan. BRING YOUR TRADE IT'S WORTH MORE. \$19793. AND IT'S NOT TOO LATE FOR YOU TO BECOME ONE! BRAND NEW FOR 1988 HONDA ACCORD LX 4 DR. \$21992. MANCHESTER HONDA 24 ADAMS ST. MANCHESTER, CT 06040 646-3515. MANY OTHER NICE HONDA'S AND USED CARS IN STOCK MANCHESTER HONDA 646-3515 24 ADAMS ST. MANCHESTER, CT 06040.

Automotive

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1968 Oldsmobile Delta. 2000 cc. V6. 12,000 miles. \$4795.

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Manchester Herald

Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1987 30 Cents

Cold chokes cars; warmer days due



David Kool/Manchester Herald

Bruce Edgerton, formerly of Manchester, takes a break early today from restoration work he's doing on a 1910 Climax geared steam locomotive at The Connecticut Electric Railway Association's Trolley Museum in East Windsor. Climax geared steam locomotive at The Connecticut Electric Railway Association's Trolley Museum in East Windsor. Burning the midnight oil revives coal-eating beast. By Nancy Connelton Manchester Herald.

Cost, contracting problems delay group home opening

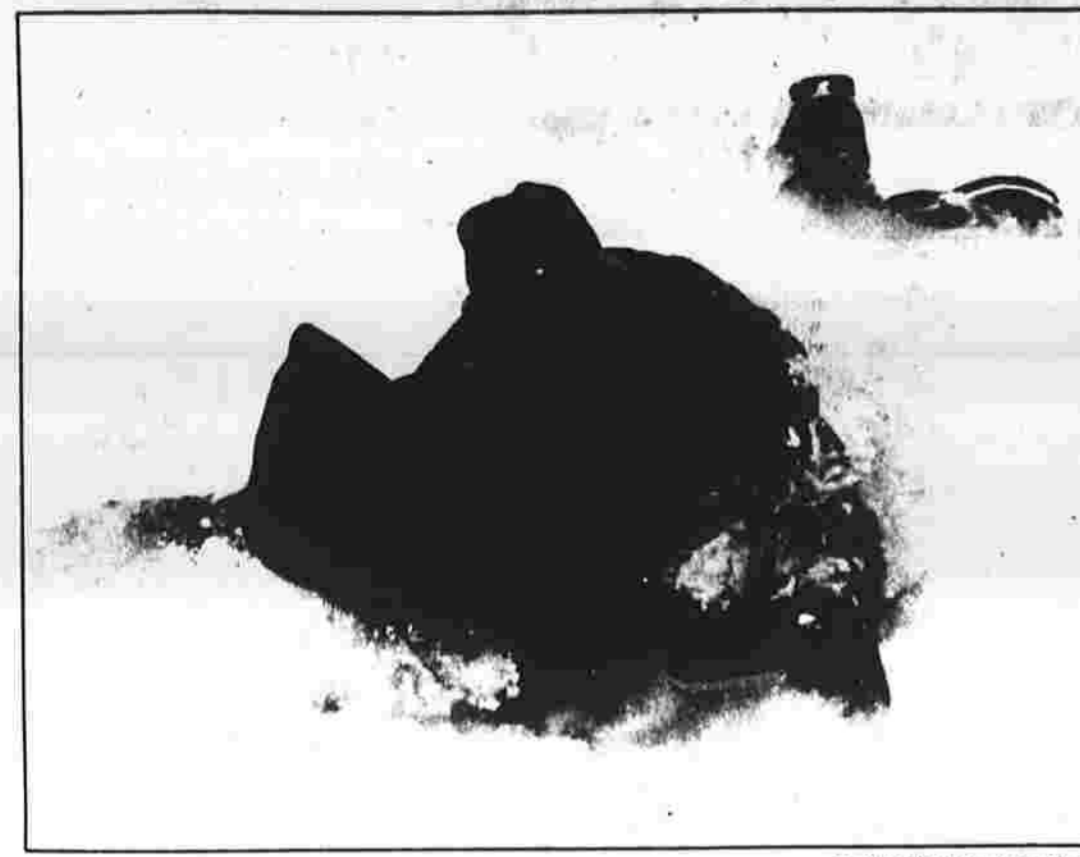
By Andrew J. Davis Manchester Herald. The opening of a group home on Grison Road will be delayed up to a month because of cost and contracting problems, said a state official.

Economic indicators plunge in November

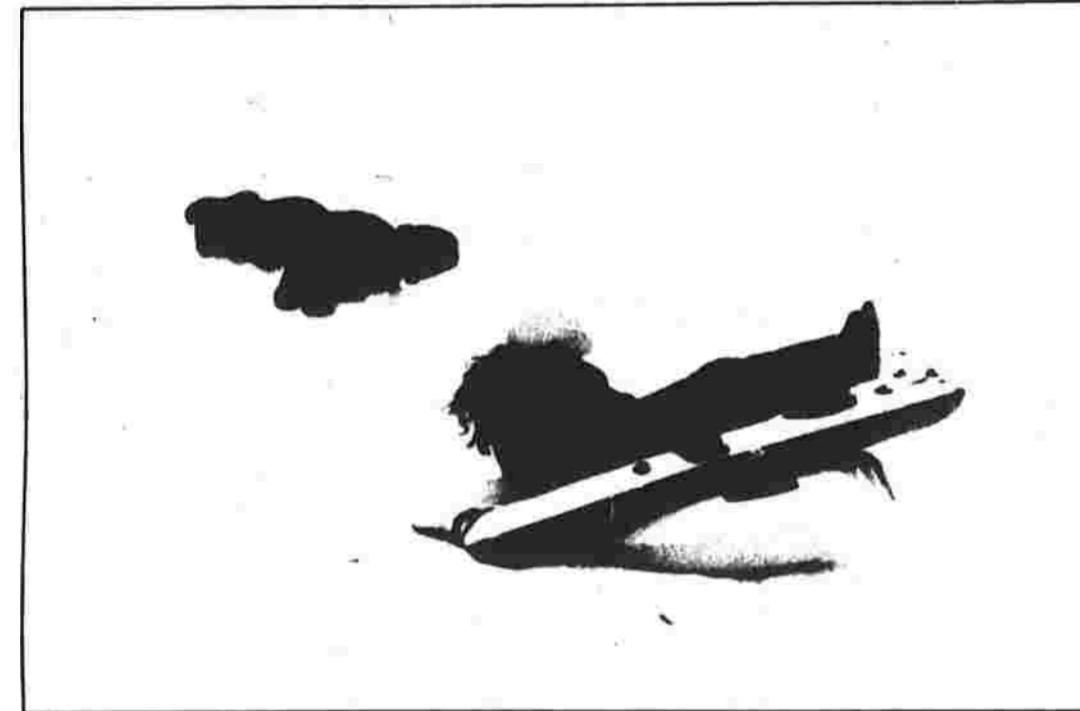
WASHINGTON (AP) — The government's main forecasting agency said Tuesday that the December index of economic activity plunged 1.7 percent in November, the biggest decline in more than six years.

Job forecasts The U.S. economy's ability to create jobs will fall in 1988 after five years of strong growth, and most new positions will be in businesses that offer little economic security, labor specialists say. Story on page 9.

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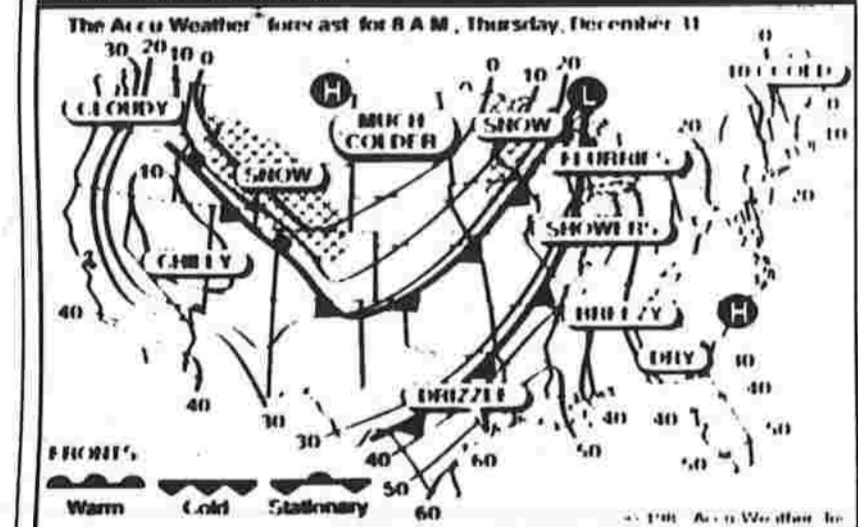


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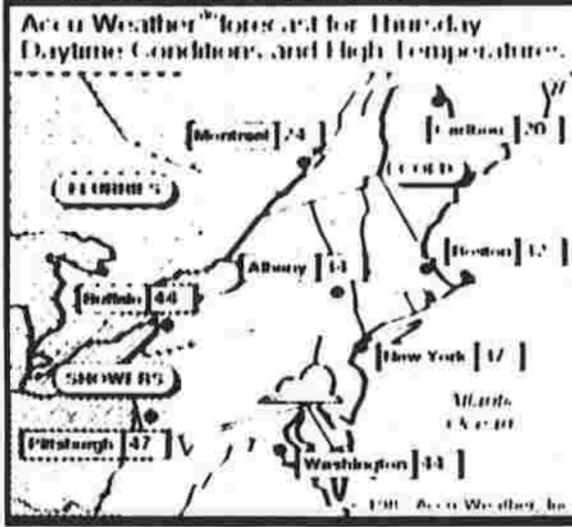
Slippery frolic

Area youngsters took to the hills of Center Park next to the Mary Cheney Library in the aftermath of yesterday's snowstorm. Top, Ethan Morrow, 12, gets a piggyback sled ride on the back of brother Matt, 11. The two were visiting their grandfather on Spruce Street. Above, Jason Beaudry, 8, watches sister Michelle, 10, both of Biaseil Street, collide with his runaway snow saucer.

THE WEATHER

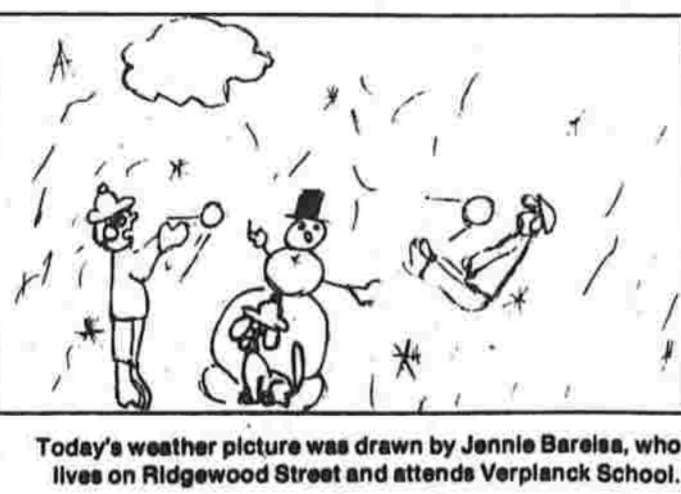


REGIONAL WEATHER



Western storm bears down on high Plains

By The Associated Press
A storm centered over Nevada scattered snows across western Montana, Idaho and Utah today and headed for the northern and central Plains states. A winter storm watch was posted for today over the southern Colorado mountains, and through tonight across southeastern South Dakota. Winter storm watches also were posted for today and Thursday across parts of central and southeastern South Dakota, southern Minnesota and northern Iowa, with snow following freezing rain and bitterly cold wind chills. Temperatures plunged below zero overnight across northern New England and upstate New York, with readings in the single digits and teens common from the Great Lakes to the northern half of the Atlantic Coast. A wind chill advisory was in effect across southern New England, where northerly winds of 25 to 40 mph and cold air produced wind chills of 25 to 30 degrees below zero across New England and the New York City area. Subzero wind chills were reported as far south as Norfolk, Va. High temperatures were expected to be in the single digits and teens over northern New England and northeast New York; the teens over much of Montana; the 20s and 30s from central New England across Virginia, the Great Lakes, the Ohio Valley, the upper Mississippi Valley, Iowa, the northern two-thirds of the Plains, the Rockies, and the Northern Pacific Coast; and in the 40s across southern Texas and the Florida Peninsula.



Today's weather picture was drawn by Jennie Barella, who lives on Ridgewood Street and attends Varplanck School.

CONNECTICUT WEATHER

Central, Eastern Interior, Southwest Interior: Tonight, clear with diminishing northwest winds. Low temperatures 5 to 10 above. Thursday, partly sunny with moderating temperatures. High 30 to 35. New Year's Day, a chance of rain or snow showers. High 35 to 40.
West Coastal, East Coastal: Tonight, clear with diminishing northwest winds. Low in the teens. Thursday, partly sunny with moderating temperatures. High in the middle 30s. New Year's Day, a chance of rain or snow showers. High 35 to 40.
Northwest Hills: Tonight, clear with diminishing northwest winds. Low around zero. Thursday, partly sunny with moderating temperatures. High around 30. New Year's Day, a chance of sleet or snow showers. High 30 to 35.

Public Records

Warranty deeds
Joseph R. Reynolds to Thomas L. and Barbara A. Mason, Still Field Road, \$225,000.
Peter S. and Wendy L. Sullivan to Trevor Postle, 28 Strawberry Lane, \$182,000.
William F. Lagault for the estate of Francis J. Gutchell to Christopher J. and Dieder D. Lagault, 20 Croft Drive, conveyance tax, \$185.20.
William S. Chaffin to John C. and Evelyn C. Kinnebrew, 115 Pine St., \$118,500.
Salem and Ann T. Nasaff to Hertzel and Vicki Shamash, Hoochong and Mann Shamash, Hoochong and Mann Shamash, each \$185,000.
Theodore T. Cummings to Jeanette H. Wiggin, 7 Stock Place, \$118,000.
Multitech New England Inc. to Peter C. Cardillo, Oak Grove Farms Condominium, \$125,000.
William H. McConaughy and Luanne Krystyniak to William D. and Robin J. Lucas, Oak Forest Condominium, \$125,000.
Margaret A. and Bryan P. Kielbasa to Paul P. Fiano, 167 N. School St., \$245,000.
Sandra J. Poulin to Frank J. Campanale and Leonard Golkin, 88 Tolland Pike, conveyance tax, \$90.80.

Quit claim deeds
Dierdre D. Lagault to Thomas M. Jones, one-quarter interest in lot 59 at West Side Heights, conveyance tax, \$108.90.
Christopher Lagault to Thomas M. Jones, lot 59 West Side Heights, no conveyance tax.

Menus

Senior citizens
The following meals will be served at Mayfair Gardens and Westhill Gardens the week of Jan. 4 through 8:
Monday: Cranberry juice, baked ham in raisin sauce, mashed potatoes, zucchini and summer vegetables, cornbread, chocolate pudding.
Tuesday: Turkey chow mein, rice, Chinese noodles, Oriental vegetables, wheat bread, fresh fruit.
Wednesday: Vegetable soup, spaghetti and meat sauce, Italian green beans, tossed salad with Italian dressing, Italian bread, gingerbread with whipped topping.
Thursday: Pineapple juice, Yankee pot roast with vegetable gravy, oven roasted potatoes, baby carrots, biscuits, blueberry crisp.
Friday: Apricot juice, chicken caecileto, mashed potatoes, broccoli, wheat bread, honey cake.

Meals on Wheels
The following meals are to be served to Meals on Wheels clients the week of Jan. 4 through 8. The noon meal is listed first, the cool evening meal second.
Monday: Beef stew with biscuit, green beans, salad, dessert. Cold turkey sandwich, fruit, milk.
Tuesday: Chicken quarter with gravy, whipped potatoes, carrot salad, dessert. Tuna salad sandwich, fruit, milk.
Wednesday: Roast beef with gravy, whipped potatoes, broccoli, salad, dessert. Ham and cheese sandwich, fruit, milk.
Thursday: Spaghetti with mild meat sauce, green beans, carrots, salad, dessert. Chicken salad sandwich, fruit, milk.
Friday: Baked haddock square with newburg sauce, whipped potatoes, spinach salad, dessert. Roast beef sandwich, fruit, milk.

Manchester schools
The following lunches will be served in the Manchester public schools the week of Jan. 4 through 8:
Monday: Hot dog on a roll, potato puffs, carrots, chilled pears.
Tuesday: Beef stew, potatoes, vegetables, cornbread, chocolate pudding.
Wednesday: Shells with meat sauce, green beans, bread and butter, apple wedges.
Thursday: Chicken nuggets and dip, potato puffs, mixed vegetables, chilled peaches.
Friday: French bread pizza, tossed salad, ice cream cup.

Bolton schools
The following lunches will be served at Bolton Elementary and Center schools the week of Jan. 4 through 8:
Monday: Cowboy meatloaf, mashed potatoes, cole slaw, milk, peanut hay stacks.
Tuesday: Tacos, lettuce and tomato, corn chips, Bavarian cream pie.
Wednesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, peas, garlic bread, chilled peaches and pudding.
Thursday: Fish and fries, carrot relish, fresh fruit.
Friday: Orange juice, meat and cheese pizza, tossed salad, pudding with topping.

Coventry schools
The following lunches will be served in the Coventry elementary schools the week of Jan. 4 through 8:
Monday: Ravioli casserole, peas, garlic bread, fruit cup.
Tuesday: Meat and cheese grinder, lettuce and tomato, french fries, sliced peaches.
Wednesday: Oven-fried chicken with stuffing, whipped potatoes, cranberry sauce, green beans, sweet potato muffin.
Thursday: Vegetable soup, tuna salad, bread, celery and carrot sticks, fresh fruit.
Friday: Pizza, salad, fruit.

Andover Elementary
The following lunches will be served at Andover Elementary School the week of Jan. 4 through 8:
Monday: Chicken nuggets, hash brown pattie, mixed vegetables, homemade roll.
Tuesday: Fruit juice, pancakes, sausage, hash brown pattie.
Wednesday: Cheeseburger, french fries, carrots, ice cream, vegetable, fruit.
Friday: Seafood platter, french fries, cole slaw, frosted cake.

RHAM schools
The following lunches will be served at RHAM junior and senior high schools the week of Jan. 4 through 8:
Monday: Chicken nuggets, hash brown pattie, mixed vegetables, homemade roll.
Tuesday: Fruit juice, pancakes, sausage, hash brown pattie.
Wednesday: Cheeseburger, french fries, carrots, ice cream, vegetable, fruit.
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Reginald Pinto/Manchester Herald

Spinning away

Nicole Dalgie, 9, of 87 Church St., whirls down the hills of Center Park on her snow saucer Tuesday. She joined many others of all ages who took advantage of the winter storm aftermath to get some sledding in.

Route 6 game plan prepared

By Nancy Concelmon
Manchester Herald
Town officials from Andover, Bolton and Coventry were to meet with officials from other towns, state representatives and Department of Transportation officials today to organize their presentation for the Jan. 6 hearing on the relocation and improvement of Route 6.
Most of the officials favor the Route 6 plan. During the hearing, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will hear arguments for and against the state's 22-year-old proposal to relocate, widen and make improvements to Route 6 from Bolton to Windham. The state DOT proposes that the highway link Windham to I-94.
Norman French, First Selectman of Windham, said this morning the intent of the meeting is only to organize the presentation so that proponents don't repeat information.
"We're going to find out the final specifics of what the DOT has and what they're going to present that evening," French said. "We're trying to avoid repetition."
Those scheduled to attend today's meeting included Andover's First Selectwoman, Earleen Duchesneau; Bolton First Selectwoman Sandra Pierog and Karen Levine, administrative assistant to the Board of Selectmen from Bolton; Coventry Police Chief Frank Trzniesko, who also is Coventry's acting town manager, and town officials from Columbia, Windham and Mansfield, French said.
The meeting today follows an hour-long parade Tuesday in which town officials, businessmen and residents for the Route 6 project marched down Main Street in Windham, demonstrating their support. French had declared this week "Expressway Awareness Week."
Proponents of the project, including the Expressway 6 Yre Committee, which is headed by French's brother, John, say it will make Route 6 safer and make the commute to Hartford faster.
But members of the Eastern Connecticut Citizens Action Group, are concerned about the nearly 27 homeowners in Andover, Bolton and Coventry whose homes would have to be taken by the state to make way for the new road. Opponents say that improving dangerous areas and including improvements such as new passing lanes, would make the road safer and eliminate the need to rebuild it.
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FitzGerald's move eliminates Democratic committee fight

By Andrew Yurkovsky
Manchester Herald
Democratic Town Committee member John R. FitzGerald will be moving out of District 6 and will not be seeking re-election to represent that district.
The move means that there will not be a fight between present district representatives over who should remain on the town committee.
Earlier this month, Democratic Party treasurer Paul Phillips announced that the number of representatives from District 6 would have to be reduced from nine to eight because of a drop in the number of registered Democrats from that district. The Democrats elect a new town committee in party caucuses on Jan. 13.
Democratic Party Chairman Theodore R. Cummings said Tuesday that he expects challenges to the eight members from District 6 who intend to remain on the town committee. He also said he knows of no contest in the other 11 districts.
Cummings said today that FitzGerald will be moving from District 6 to District 4. He said that FitzGerald is interested in remaining on the town committee, but there are no vacancies at present in District 4.
Efforts to reach FitzGerald this morning were unsuccessful.
Cummings said that other town committee members in other districts may be stepping down before the January party caucuses. In those cases, district chairmen may ask former committee members whether they are interested in serving again on the committee, he said.
In other news in District 8, Roger M. Negro will be stepping down as the district's vice chairman and Joseph V. Camposse will be taking his place. Negro said he has decided to give up the post because of his other responsibilities.
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Auditorium work is planned

By Andrew J. Davis
Manchester Herald
The repair of Manchester Community College's main auditorium, which was closed in November because of fire code violations, should be completed sometime in 1988, an official said.
Steven E. Bidstrup, director of facilities and planning for the Regional Community Colleges (RCC), said the Hartford office of RCC has received approval from the Department of Administrative Services' Bureau of Public Works to allow \$56,500 to repair the auditorium and other fire safety violations around MCC's east campus. The approval was given last week, but it has yet to be formalized, he added.
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Quarry appeals get hearing

By Nancy Concelmon
Manchester Herald
BOLTON — Attorneys representing the Zoning Commission and the owners of the Bolton quarry have agreed to have their appeals of a ruling by the Zoning Board of Appeals heard together in Rockville Superior Court.
Attorney Mark Brasse, who represents Bolton Notch quarry owner Dr. Peter J. Lawler of American Heritage Stone Inc., said this morning that although the quarry owners and Zoning Commission don't agree in their case, holding a joint hearing will save time and effort for all parties. The attorney representing the ZBA suggested the joint hearing and all parties agreed, Brasse said.
"It's a very common procedure," he said.
The case involves an appeal from the Zoning Commission and the Zoning Commission of the ZBA's October decision that quarrying in Bolton Notch is a legal, nonconforming use on a one-acre portion of the 10.2-acre quarry. The ZBA ruled that quarrying would also be allowed in a 2-acre part of the quarry that is zoned industrial, but is prohibited in the remaining approximately 6-acre residential area.
The one-acre portion is zoned residential, and quarrying is allowed as a legal, nonconforming use only because that area was being quarried when zoning regulations were changed, before the 1960s, according to the ZBA ruling. But the quarry owners' appeal states that quarrying had been established as a legal nonconforming use in the entire quarry.
The Zoning Commission's appeal states that quarrying shouldn't be allowed in any part of the residential zone, including the one-acre parcel.
The owners' appeal also states that the ZBA was wrong in sustaining a cease-and-desist order issued by the Zoning Commission May 22. Quarry owners claim that the order is improper because Commission chairman and acting Zoning Enforcement Officer Philip G. Dooley issued the order while the owners were appealing a 1986 decision by the commission to deny an annual permit for quarrying in the residential area.

Mental health head is named

B.J. Crown, R.N., has joined the staff of Manchester Memorial Hospital as program manager of the Inpatient Mental Health Unit. She is a member of the American Psychiatric Nurses Association and is a certified psychiatric and mental health nurse. She earned her bachelor of science degree in nursing from Adelphi University in Garden City, N.Y., and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Hartford in West Hartford. She is in the process of earning a master of science degree in nursing from St. Joseph's College, West Hartford.

About Town

Historical society closes
The Manchester Historical Society, 126 Cedar St., will close for the winter months to the general public, but museum events are planned and listings will be posted at a later date. The museum exhibits will be on view for the public beginning in April. Renovations and improvements are planned during the winter. Volunteers who are interested in helping with archival, long range scheduling of events and exhibit planning should call Ingrid Fraize at 646-9316.

Blood pressure checks offered
Free blood pressure checks are offered at The Medicine Shoppe pharmacy, 348 Main St. No appointment is necessary. For more information, call 649-1025.

Older Adults offer classes
Manchester Community College Older Adults is offering two classes for the spring semester. Gentle Exercise is held Tuesdays and Thursdays in Bentley School Auditorium from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Courses begin Jan. 5 for 6 weeks. Fee is \$20. Introduction to Lotus 1-2-3 will be held daily except Fridays from Jan. 4 through Jan. 14 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in Room C208 at the college. This course is recommended for those who have taken a computer appreciation course. Fee is \$30, textbook is \$18. Register by sending a check to Edna Schuette, P.O. Box 1048, mail station 6, Manchester 06040.

Center gets grant
The Pastoral Counseling Center of Manchester Inc., Main Street, recently received a \$1,000 grant from the Savings Bank of Manchester for general operating support. The Center is a non-profit, state-licensed outpatient mental health facility offering individual therapy and marriage and family counseling. Dr. Felix M. Davis is the director.

Sex discrimination complaint dropped

NEW HAVEN (AP) — A Southern Connecticut State University professor has withdrawn a sex discrimination complaint after the university's decision to grant her tenure.
Sandra Lueder had filed discrimination charges in July with state and federal agencies, claiming that CSU granted tenure to a man in the same department who was less qualified than she.
SCSU President Michael L. Adanti recently recommended Lueder for tenure "after careful consideration of the matter with Connecticut State University officers and the university's legal counsel," according to a prepared statement.
"We're delighted," Thayer Baldwin, her attorney said Tuesday. "We are at peace. All of the conflict is put behind us," Baldwin said.
Adanti initially denied Lueder tenure because she lacked a doctorate degree. His predecessor, as president, E. Frank Harrison, hired Lueder in 1983 in a "tenure track" job, provided she receive a doctorate by the time her tenure review was due.
John Mattia, SCSU's spokesman, said professors typically are evaluated for tenure after their sixth year. Lueder, he said, was granted two years credit in 1983, but still was required to complete her doctorate by the time her tenure review was due.
Lueder had charged that she faced stricter evaluation procedures and conditions than her male counterpart, and that she was harassed by faculty members and administrators at the college.

Almanac

Dec. 30, 1987
Today is the 364th day of 1987 and the ninth day of winter.
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TODAY'S TRIVIA ANSWER: (a) Los Angeles Dodger pitcher Sandy Koufax pitched four no-hitters, including one perfect game.

Current Quotations

"It was a good day for them and a bad day for us." — John Pike, a space analyst with the Federation of American Scientists, as NASA announced a major test failure of the new shuttle booster rocket and the Soviets returned a cosmonaut from 226 days in orbit.
"You don't want to think he would do something like that, but you knew he was capable of doing it." — Edith Neuby, sister-in-law of R. Gene Simmons Sr., the man accused of 16 killings, including nine relatives, in one of the nation's worst mass murders.
"We are familiar with the U.S. position. But we will consider all the means known to us according to our law, including expulsion, and shall use them whenever we feel necessary." — Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin, reacting to U.S. criticism of Israel's plan to deport Palestinians accused of rioting.

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Changes possible in chemical law

HARTFORD (AP) — State laws governing the reporting of chemicals stored by businesses need tightening in light of a fire earlier this month in a Putnam industrial complex, a top environmental official says.

But a spokesman for the state fire marshal's office said Tuesday that recent changes to the law should give a chance to work before any overhaul is contemplated.

Deputy Environmental Protection Commissioner John W. Anderson said the law now refers to manufacturers who store chemicals, but doesn't say how they should be stored. He said he would like to see the law include other companies that might have hazardous materials in storage.

The law requires manufacturers to report to fire marshals in their communities what hazardous materials they have stored. The fire marshals are then supposed to inform the state, under the law.

For example, Anderson said, one of the companies in the Putnam fire was Priority Finishing Corp., which, among other things, uses chemicals to clean materials for its customers.

"If you're providing a service, it would be questionable whether that is a manufacturer" who would be required to report hazardous materials stored on their premises, Anderson said.

"I'm sure we'll be working with the fire marshals to make sure that we have a good working relationship with them, but I don't think it's because of any sinister motive. The failure of compliance is in the confusion of the system itself," he said.

On Monday, Senate Majority Leader Cornelius F. O'Leary, D-Windsor Locks, also said tougher laws might be in order. He said the law is a patchwork of regulations and that the reporting requirements, Berliati said.

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ARREST ANNOUNCED — Police in Providence announce the arrest Tuesday of William Sarmiento in the killing of two boys. In front, from left, are: Chief Kenneth Manusco of Cranston, Chief Anthony Manusco of Providence and Attorney General James E. O'Neil.

Letter led to arrest of man in killings of 2 boys in R.I.

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — A man arrested in the killings of two boys was a murder suspect and had a long criminal record, state Attorney General James E. O'Neil said today.

O'Neil said the man, William Sarmiento, 21, was found hiding in a cellar after someone called police with a tip. Police Chief Anthony Manusco said he was being held at the police headquarters. Manusco said, "I hope you will kill me, cops, because I don't know why I killed the children. Keep boys and kids away from me," the note reportedly said.

A neighbor recalled that Sarmiento liked to dress in fatigues and thrust a spittoon or smaller knife into a boarded-up house.

"He'd stab the house with a knife, for at least 20 minutes to half an hour," said William Perry, who lives next door to the apartment Sarmiento shared with his parents.

"Sometimes he'd wake me up at seven in the morning," Perry said. "I saw him climb a tree 'like a monkey' and get down. He was carrying a rifle and a knife."

Sarmiento lived about a mile from where the bodies of Frankie Barnes, 9, and Jason Wolf, 6, were discovered this month.

Frankie, who disappeared Nov. 4 while riding his bicycle near his home, died of stab wounds and drowning, authorities said. Jason disappeared Dec. 14 when his mother sent him downstairs to check the mail.

Tighter controls proposed

ROCKY HILL (AP) — A state bar association committee formed in association with the state's bar association recommended that the state adopt stiffer controls over clients' money controlled by a Danbury probate judge.

The committee Tuesday recommended that the state require attorneys to file their accounts over an escrow account or other bank account containing a client's money.

The committee was created after Richard L. Nahley committed suicide in November amid allegations that he had embezzled huge sums from his clients.

The committee also voted unanimously in favor of increasing the size of a fund that can be used to reimburse victims of unscrupulous lawyers.

"I'm very pleased," Lawrence M. Liebman, president of the Connecticut Bar Association, said after the meeting.

The recommendations by the panel will be considered by the associations' house of delegates at its Jan. 19 meeting, Liebman said.

The proposal would then have to be adopted by the rules committee of the state Superior Court, which regulates all lawyers in the state, before becoming mandatory.

The panel issued a statement after Tuesday's meeting saying that "the lawyers of the Connecticut bar association recognize there is a problem of the public trusts... As a profession we pledge to limit both the losses and the possible future exposure of the public... Nahley was found dead in a Washington, D.C. hotel room Nov. 20. Clients of his practice have filed claims accusing Nahley of embezzling more than \$3 million from the escrow accounts he maintained on their behalf."

Liebman said that the Nahley affair and similar cases are rare and not characteristic of the profession.

"Over 13,000 Connecticut lawyers handle millions of dollars every day for their clients in all kinds of ways," he said.

Mass-death suspect 'capable' of killings

RUSSELLVILLE, Ark. — A man linked to one of America's worst mass killings was described by an alleged relative as a wife-abusing recluse who once was charged with incest, and his sister-in-law said "you know he was capable" of the 18 slayings.

R. Gene Simmons Sr., 47, was ordered held without bond Tuesday in connection with two of the killings, about the same time authorities started to uncover the bodies of nine relatives in a shallow grave and in the trunk of two cars near his rural home.

Five other slain family members were found in the home Monday after a 45-minute shooting spree in downtown Russellville in which two people were killed and four others wounded.

Russellville Police Chief Herb Johnson filed information Tuesday accusing Simmons of two counts of capital murder and four of attempted capital murder stemming from Monday's shootings. The actual charges probably will not be filed for at least two days, said Pope County Sheriff Jim Babin.

"You don't want to think he would do something like that, but you know he was capable of doing it," Mrs. Neby said in an interview published today in the Arkansas Gazette.

Mrs. Neby said Simmons moved to Arkansas from Cloudcroft, N.M. six years ago because he had been charged with sexually abusing his daughter, Sheila.

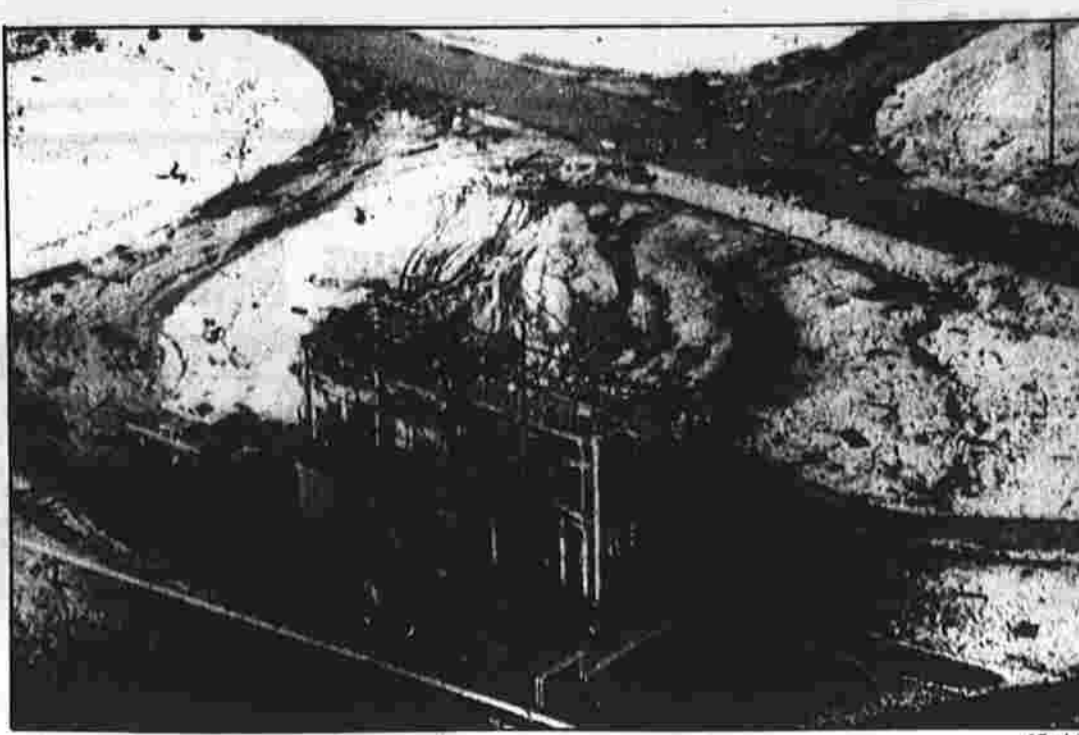
Records in the 12th New Mexico Judicial District show Simmons was charged Aug. 11, 1981 with three counts of incest, and that the charges were dismissed Aug. 16, 1982, the newspaper reported.

Sheila McNelly, 24, was identified Tuesday as one of the five found dead Monday in Simmons' house. She was slayed along with Sylvia, her husband, Dennis McNelly, 23; the suspect's 23-year-old son William H. Simmons; and his wife, Ronald Simmons.

Besides Mrs. Simmons, those found dead Tuesday included a son and a daughter.

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This is all that remained after a fire destroyed Flight 78, a Morton Thiokol building in Brigham City, Utah, and killed four workers Tuesday. The workers were believed to have been removing a casting from the first stage of an MX missile and its 100,000 pounds of solid fuel when the fire began.

Rocket maker suffers blows of MX fire and shuttle delay

SALT LAKE CITY — It was rocket maker Morton Thiokol's worst day since the space shuttle exploded 23 months ago.

Hours after a fire ignited 100,000 pounds of rocket fuel Tuesday, killing five workers, Morton Thiokol announced that failure of a component in Morton Thiokol's redesigned shuttle booster would delay the launch of Challenger's successor.

Though unrelated, the developments were heavy blows for a company proud of its safety record and anxious to avoid the failures that have tarnished it.

"We make the most headlines, but we really are a safe company," said Rocky Raab, spokesman for Morton Thiokol's Wasatch Operations about 90 miles northwest Salt Lake City.

The news that NASA would keep America's manned spacecraft program earthbound before the previous June launch date did not hit the company's 6,500 Utah workers as hard as the MX missile motor fire, Raab said.

"Many thousands of motors have gone through this same procedure ... and all of a sudden it ups and kills five people," he said.

The fire blew out the walls of a building, turning it into a skeleton of twisted girders.

Company officials said they did not know what caused the blast, but believe it occurred as the five workers were removing a casting from the middle of the solid fuel in an MX missile's first-stage motor.

The incident capped a year of ups and downs in Morton Thiokol's work on the intercontinental ballistic missile.

In May, the Air Force awarded the firm a \$14 million contract for producing the MX's first stage. But in July, the Pentagon, saying there was a lack of discipline and unsatisfactory workmanship, ordered 10 percent of the monthly installments on the contract withheld. The payments were reinstated Nov. 24 after \$4 million had been held back.

Company officials declined to detail the problems, but said they did not involve hardware quality and had not affected deployment schedules for the MX.

The announcement from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration came just six days after Morton Thiokol test-fired its redesigned booster in a bay five miles south of the ill-fated missile motor assembly building.

Company engineers called the cold-weather firing, the second of four scheduled tests, a resounding success. But NASA said Tuesday that a review of the test revealed the failure of a new, rubber-like ring that is part of the rocket motor nozzle.

"The people in the space operations division are looking at that problem and saying, 'Well, that obviously didn't work, so we'll try something else,'" Raab said.

The new problem was unrelated to the failure of the booster's field joints, which caused the Challenger disaster on Jan. 28, 1986, but was a deflating reminder of Morton Thiokol's darkest hour.

A presidential commission found that a faulty booster seal allowed superhot gases to escape through an external fuel tank that killed Challenger's seven-member crew.

Morton Thiokol, facing a possible \$10 million penalty, in February voluntarily trimmed its booster production to 48 until the testing by Morton Thiokol of major redesigns in the rocket, which were undertaken as a result of the explosion that destroyed Challenger and killed its seven-member crew on Jan. 28, 1986.

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Water heater sale: Buy now and save

BERLIN (AP) — Some 34,000 customers who rent gas or electric water heaters from Connecticut Light & Power Co. have until Thursday to buy them and save.

The alternative is to pay more for renting from another company, beginning in 1988.

The offer is made in conjunction with the Berlin-based CLAP's sale of its water heater rental business to a Milford company for \$3.2 million. As of Friday, CLAP no longer will rent water heaters.

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Connecticut In Brief

Mechanical failure killed pilot
A World War II vintage bomber flown by Sewell crashed in a wooded area near Church and Day Streets in Brooklyn, shortly after taking off from the Danielson Airport on Aug. 4. In its final report, released Tuesday, the NTSB concludes the single-engine plane lost power after takeoff when engine pistons failed and burned. The NTSB report also states the last annual inspection performed on the aircraft took place Sept. 7, 1983. The airplane was owned by Richard Foote of Willimantic. Foote could not be reached last night for comment.

Sewell was a highly decorated Marine Corps veteran of both the Korean and Vietnam conflicts.

Contract overcharge is settled
NEW HAVEN (AP) — A Danbury subcontractor has agreed to pay the federal government \$72,000 to settle claims it overcharged for work in developing a new battery for Navy submarines, a U.S. attorney said.

Judge lifts gag order in murder
BRIDGEPORT (AP) — Attorneys in the trial of an airline pilot accused of killing his wife will not be restrained by a gag order because a federal judge has ruled such the order unconstitutional.

U.S. District Judge T. F. Gilroy Daily says the gag order by state Superior Court Judge Howard J. Moraghan constituted prior restraint on news gathering and violated the First Amendment guarantee of freedom of the press.

Daily ruled last week in a case brought by Connecticut Magazine, Moraghan issued the order on Oct. 20 before jury selection in the case began.

Richard Crafts, a suspended pilot with Eastern Airlines and part-time police officer, is accused of murdering his Danish-born wife, Helge, and then putting parts of her body through a wood-chipping machine.

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Little good to say about 'slavedriver'

DOVER, Ark. (AP) — R. Gene Simmons Sr., a 47-year-old "slavedriver" who dominated his family and was despised by a teen-age daughter who called him "drunken bum," neighbors and the girl's classmates said.

The daughter was among 16 people killed in a Christmas shooting rampage. Authorities said murder charges would be filed after this week, and a judge Tuesday ordered Simmons held without bond.

Relatives say Simmons, 47, committed incest six years ago with another of his slain daughters and fathered her child, who also was killed, according to reports today in the Arkansas Gazette and the El Paso (Texas) Times.

A New Mexico grand jury charged Simmons in 1981 with three counts of incest that were dropped a year later after he moved to Arkansas, the Gazette said.

Simmons was described Tuesday as a quiet, stingy, retired Air Force master sergeant who made his wife and children do hard work.

"I called him a slavedriver," said Karen Shaddon, a resident of the Pleasant Grove community where the family lived.

"He'd have them (the children) carrying five-gallon jugs of dirt to maintain a steep driveway leading to the property where 14 bodies have been discovered since Monday, she said.

"He'd keep them very isolated," Mrs. Shaddon said, and neighbors named, "he'd shoot the kids up the hill."

Loretta Simmons, 17, disliked her father, said Sister Mooney, a 17-year-old classmate at Dover High School. "She said he was a drunken bum. She was real mean to him," Mrs. Mooney said.

Loretta Simmons got \$5 in spending money each month from her mother, who saved it from cash Simmons gave her for groceries, Mrs. Mooney said.

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Power plan for farmers before state

NEW BRITAIN (AP) — The state Department of Public Utility Control is scheduled to vote Thursday on a proposal to bill commercial farmers for their electricity at commercial rather than residential rates, a move certain to increase the cost of power for some farmers.

The proposal contained in a report by DPUC Commissioner Otto C. Newmann, has drawn criticism from farmers, the state Department of Agriculture and the state consumer counsel, who say it would contribute to the decline of Connecticut's agricultural industry.

They say farmers already are suffering financial pressure from low produce prices, a labor shortage, and developers offering high prices for farm land.

This type of rate-making will help turn Connecticut into one big suburban development," Consumer Counsel James Keenan, who represents customers' interests before the DPUC, said Tuesday.

A ruling in 1980 by state utility regulators required farmers who use more than 50 percent of their electricity for business to be charged the commercial rate. At the time all farmers paid residential rates.

Northeast Utilities, the state's largest electrical supplier, started implementing the order sporadically, taking little action until the past two years.

Electricity bills for some farmers decreased, but others saw their costs rise dramatically. One poultry farmer went from paying \$384 a month for electricity to paying \$664.

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OPINION

Deluge probe is warranted

The Building Committee's plan to investigate the circumstances that led to the water pipe break at Bennet Junior High School in November is a step in the right direction, especially because the committee is willing to combine its efforts with others already investigating the break.

The break sent thousands of gallons of water into the school's library and media center on the weekend of Nov. 21-22. While it caused no injuries because school was not in session, it did cause \$22,000 worth of damage.

That alone is reason for concern. School Superintendent James P. Kennedy is already trying to determine whether the contractor who worked on the school installed a safety valve to prevent such an occurrence. It has not yet been determined whether the initial specifications for the work called for the installation of such a valve.

Building Committee Chairman Paul Phillips has said that the investigation would include input from both Kennedy and Building and Grounds Supervisor Wilfred Dion.

When the investigation into the break is concluded, we expect that safeguards will be taken to ensure that such an accident does not occur again.

Sigh of relief for merchants

While it wasn't exactly a banner Christmas season for local merchants, many were breathing a sigh of relief this week that the October stock market debacle didn't reflect too badly on retail sales. Most merchants reported moderate to high gains during the Christmas shopping season, normally one of the busiest times of the year.

Adding to a brighter financial picture was the fact that merchants reported that there weren't many returns of Christmas gifts. As experts still try to untangle the web that brought about the Wall Street crash, local merchants can attest to the fact that the Dow Jones average is not always an immediate indicator of business close to home.

And that's good news.



"Education is a way of life, but then again, so is GOLF!"

It was a year of warming up for 1988

For the professional politicians of Connecticut, 1987 was a mix of tragedy, bare-knuckle brawling, unintended comedy and new management at the top of both parties.

It was also a year of warming up for the election of 1988, and some positioning by the Democrats for the one and two years later.

Just ahead, Republicans had only to settle whether they like George Bush — the fellow with roots in Greenwich — or Bob Dole best as presidential candidate. Leaders were heading in both directions on that one.

Democrats wound up 1987 in disarray over whom to support as their party's presidential candidate, and frankly fearful that Connecticut would go Republican one more time at that level. They haven't seen a Democrat take the state since Hubert Humphrey pulled it off in 1968.

For the GOP, the highlight of the year — even surpassing the victory by Chris Shays of Stamford over Democrat Chris Niedermeyer of Fairfield in a special election for a vacant seat in Congress — was President Reagan's visit to New Britain on July 8.

There he was, earlier that month, seemingly locked in Washington as the weather and the heat of the Contra aid controversy hearings had him and the GOP squirming. The word was that White House aides were saying to each other, in effect, "We've got to get this guy out of town."

So they did. And as Reagan put it when he addressed the crowd that day, "New Britain is the place to be."

That happened to be the city's promotional slogan, so no one was happier than Democratic Mayor Bill McNamara when Reagan borrowed it. McNamara, you remember, was running for a



Washington Wire

They're looking ahead

By Randolph E. Schmid
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Thousand-story skyscrapers and a return of the blimp, raised medical care and sale of "tuition futures" by colleges all could be part of America's destiny, according to the World Future Society.

The Bethesda, Md.-based group has summarized its predictions of the likely, possible and improbable, for both the near and long term, in "Outlook '88 and Beyond," a collection of the reports issued by the group during the past year.

Under such plans, parents would begin paying into a college fund for their child when the child is as young as age 2, allowing them to pay for the future college education at the current tuition rate — and spread the payments over more time.

Costs too will have a bearing on health, says the group, which projects that "expensive life-saving technologies" will be used if younger Americans are unwilling to support massive health-care expenditures to keep alive the growing number of elderly in poor health.

Added to this bleak prospect is the possibility of an increase in suicide among the elderly, according to the futurists.

As this becomes more acceptable, elderly people in poor health may be able to apply for suicide licenses, the group says.

Death specialists may dispense potent drugs that kill painlessly, and special ceremonies may be created for these occasions, the futurists say.

This could occur at a time when the massive increase in the number of elderly means there will be an acute shortage of physicians trained in geriatrics, and thus

health care for older Americans may often have to be provided by physician assistants and nurses.

All isn't negative on the health front, though, according to the futurists.

They foresee a time when drugs will be available to help people with spinal cord injuries regain the use of legs or other paralyzed body parts. The drugs could replace chemical signals the brain could no longer transmit, thus stimulating the spinal cord to activate the muscles, the futurists say.

They also foresee increased surgical removal of plaque in the arteries to reduce the chance of stroke, correction of birth defects before birth, a reduction in heart attacks and creation of "medical malls" which would include a hospital, medical office buildings, a hotel and health-oriented retail stores.

At least one less-than-modern technology is likely to see a comeback — lighter-than-air craft, according to the futurists.

They look for increased use of balloons and blimps to provide disaster relief and to reach remote areas.

Thousand-story skyscrapers likely will become technologically feasible, the group also says, with a proposed tower in Houston said to be able to grow a mile high.

Other outlooks for the near and distant future, according to the annual assessment:

—Resorts and hotels will market vacations to older consumers, taking a "Club Med" approach with special menus and activities and physicians on staff in the event of emergency.

—Orchestral music may make a comeback as computers and synthesizers offer a less expensive substitute for hiring a full orchestra.

—Robots with computer brains could take over dangerous police

work, such as quelling riots and rescuing hostages.

—Japan will see a major restructuring of its educational system to foster individuality and creativity among its future workers.

—Recent emphasis on high-tech rather than home-ec educational programs could lead to a generation of nutritional illiterates in the United States.

—The nation may be heading for electricity shortages by the year 2000.

—Prospective lovers may sign dating contracts to deal with potential legal problems involving sexually transmissible diseases, pregnancy and abortion, ownership of property and financial compensation if the relationship ends. Dating services may evolve into brokerage firms, using standard contracts.

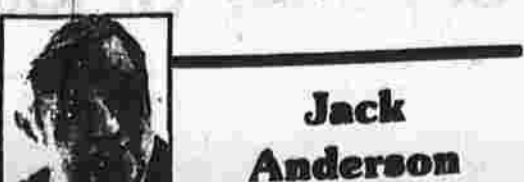
—Houses may become disposable. Factory-built homes will have increasingly sophisticated components, but will be cheaper, making it less costly and simpler to scrap the house than to repair it when something goes wrong.

—Seventy-five percent of all current workers will need retraining by the year 2000.

Letters to the editor
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Jack Anderson

Burrowing warhead in works

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Air Force is working feverishly, and secretly, in a nuclear warhead that will burrow deep into the earth and make mince out of Soviet underground missile silos and control bunkers.

We have learned that both Lockheed and General Electric have been working on more than \$5 million in Air Force contracts to produce prototypes of these earth-penetrating warheads by mid-1988. The Department of Energy, which has responsibility for production of nuclear weapons, has a piece of the research on this project, too.

The United States already has nuclear warheads which have a slim chance of taking out the strongest Soviet missile silos with a hit on the surface above the silo. The new burrowing warhead, instead of bursting in the air over its target, will cozy up next to the silo deep in the ground and explode at a certain, preset depth.

American nuclear weapons designers believe the new warheads could be fitted on U.S. weapons by the mid-1990s. But not without a prolonged political debate.

Our weapons wizards don't have an exclusive on this enterprise. The Soviets are believed to be perfecting their own earth-penetrating warhead, but their job is easier. Soviet missiles are buried deeper and at more sites than U.S. silos. Pentagon strategists have long figured it would take two U.S. nuclear warheads to take out each Soviet silo. These would have to be warheads with "hard-target capability," meaning they could destroy underground missile silos reinforced with steel and concrete.

(In twisted nuclear parlance, "soft" targets are cities and people.)

A highly classified report by the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency notes that the largest force of U.S. missiles able to destroy hard targets are the upgraded Minuteman IIIs. Before the upgrade, they were topped with three W62 warheads, each capable of a 170-kiloton blast and only suitable, according to the report, to hit "soft urban industrial and military targets," but no Soviet missile silos. Considering that the Hiroshima bomb was in the 14-kiloton range, the W62 sounds like it could produce major destruction. Not major, however, for today's state of the art war.

U.S. military leaders decided to upgrade the Minuteman IIIs with the new W78 warhead, which began production in 1980. With their 335-kiloton wallop, more than 1,000 of these warheads have been produced and mounted on Minuteman IIIs along with new guidance systems increasing the accuracy of the missiles by 25 percent.

The secret ACDA report says that with the new W78 warheads, a single Minuteman III missile has a 76 percent chance of destroying a Soviet silo hardened to withstand pressure of 600 pounds per square inch. The previous system, with W62 warheads, had only a 51 percent chance. The updated Minuteman III also has a 38 percent chance of destroying an ultra-hard Soviet silo built to withstand 5,300 pounds of pressure per square inch. The old system's chances against the ultra-hard silos is 15 percent.

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Homeless army ousts prime minister
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — The army in the black homeland of Transkei staged a coup today, ousting the recently elected prime minister and accusing her of corruption.

Maj. Gen. Bantu Holomisa, the 52-year-old army commander, declared martial law, suspended the constitution and outlawed political activity.

Holomisa told the South African Broadcasting Corp. there were no arrests during the takeover and that the ousted prime minister, Stella Sigaua, was "on leave."

There were no reports of violence, but the South African Broadcasting Corp. reported large-scale troop movements in the area and from Umata to the east. It said communications to and from Umata were cut off for two hours before the coup was announced.

Some housing segregation persists
CHICAGO — Housing segregation still flourishes in many U.S. cities, but Asians and Hispanics have been more successful than blacks at moving into once-predominantly white neighborhoods, a new study found.

"Blacks may have won political freedom and may have made substantial progress in achieving their economic goals, but they have not yet achieved the freedom to live wherever they want," says the study released Tuesday. "It is not race that matters, but black race."

Douglas Massey, the study's author and a sociology professor at the University of Chicago, said he was struck by the dramatic difference in segregation levels for blacks, Asians and Hispanics.

U.S./World In Brief

Israel to deport Palestinians
JERUSALEM — Israeli leaders said they plan to deport Palestinians accused of leading recent riots in the occupied lands, even though Washington warned such punishments could cause more violent protests.

However, one Israeli official said there would be no mass deportations and that each defendant's case would be considered individually.

In another development, two people were slightly injured when they opened one of seven letter bombs mailed from Turkey to addresses in Israel and a Jewish settlement in the occupied West Bank, police said today.

The other six letter bombs were defused without causing injuries, police said. The four letter bombs sent to addresses in Israel were discovered today; the three sent to the Jewish settlement were found Tuesday, police said.

Iraq jets attack Iranian targets
MANAMA, Bahrain — Iraq said today its warplanes attacked a tanker off the Iranian coast, breaking a four-day lull in strikes on Persian Gulf shipping that coincided with a summit meeting of Arab nations.

In another development, Iran reported today that two children were killed and three adults were injured Tuesday in Iraqi air raids on western Iran.

Elsewhere in the Gulf, two U.S. warships today escorted two refilled Kuwaiti tankers, and gun-based shipping executives said the convoy was steaming north toward Kuwait without incident.

Also today, a London newspaper reported that Iran has agreed to supply Libya with chemical weapons in exchange for Soviet-made Scud-B missiles.

A communique, carried by Baghdad radio, said Iraqi warplanes "hunted" a "very large maritime target near the Iranian coast, scoring an accurate and effective blow" on Tuesday night.

New home sales drop in November
WASHINGTON — Sales of new homes fell 1.2 percent in November despite a big increase in demand in the Northeast, the government said today.

New single-family homes were sold at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 684,000 units in November, compared to a revised rate of 672,000 units in October, when sales rose by 2.1 percent.

While the November decline indicated weakness in sales, the new report did show unexpected strength in October, a month originally reported as showing a 1.5 percent decline.

The fall in sales in November was accompanied by a big increase in prices. The median price of a new home jumped 12.3 percent to \$18,000 last month, compared to \$16,000 in October. The average price of a new home rose 13.2 percent to \$140,300.

Analysts, however, discounted much of the price increase, saying it primarily reflected the fact that the big increase in sales occurred in the Northeast, the region of the country with the highest home prices.

Robertson doesn't want check
WASHINGTON — Republican presidential candidate Pat Robertson doesn't want the check to be in the mail to him on Monday, because he's just not sure he wants that \$4.5 million in federal money for the 1988 election.

Jesse Jackson wants his federal funds, but he's having trouble getting an OK from the Federal Election Commission.

Xerox obtained a District of Columbia Superior Court order Tuesday aimed at seizing Hart's matching money to settle a 1984 presidential campaign debt owed for copier rentals and Hart, on Monday, the money is scheduled to flow to Robertson, Hart and 10 other candidates who have qualified for nearly \$25.6 million in the first installment for the 1988 campaign. Checks will be written or the money will be wired to the campaigns.

U.S. expels Chinese diplomats
WASHINGTON — Two Chinese diplomats were expelled from the United States last week for activities incompatible with their diplomatic status, the State Department said today.

The Washington Times reported the two had been arrested by the FBI on suspicion of espionage.

"We requested that the Chinese arrange for their departure within a reasonable amount of time, which they have done," the State Department said, declining comment on the spy allegations.

The Times said the men were arrested Dec. 21 after one of them, an assistant military attaché at the Chinese Embassy, received what he thought were classified National Security Agency documents.

Bishops reconsider condom issue
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Names in the News

He's funny and lucky
NEW YORK (AP) — Ten films on top of the hit TV series "Bosom Buddies" have made Tom Hanks quite a success at age 31, anyone would agree.

How did he do it? "I was funny when I needed to be funny, and I was lucky. That's all I know," Hanks said in an interview in the January issue of Gentlemen's Quarterly magazine.

Musling further about the comic abilities he showcases in the forthcoming movie "Punchline," Hanks said: "I am funny. OK, fine. I'm as funny as everybody, but I can be somewhat amusing. And I know it's something I cannot plan or explain or communicate, it's just that I am."

Hanks plays a stand-up comic and co-stars with Sally Field in "Punchline." His previous films included "Splash," "Volunteers," and "Dragnet."

Exiled director returns
BURBANK, Calif. (AP) — Director Stanley Kramer has returned from a self-imposed exile from Hollywood to prepare a script for a movie about Lech Walesa, founder of Poland's outlawed Solidarity union federation.

Kramer, 74, and Oscar-winning screenwriter Dan Taradash have interviewed Walesa in Gdansk, Poland, where the Nobel Peace Prize-winning labor activist works as an electrician in a shipyard.

The movie, tentatively titled "Poloniaise," is being funded by Polish-Americans. Kramer said in a recent interview.

Holding the curtain
NEW YORK (AP) — Producer David Merrick in letting word seep out that people turned away from sold-out Broadway shows are welcome at his long-running musical, "42nd Street."

Merrick is announcing the change in a relatively quiet way — for the master showman. He has hired a troupe of dancers to tap their way through the theater district wearing sandwich boards proclaiming, "David Merrick is holding the curtain for YOU!"

The delayed curtain time, which also will apply to Wednesday and Saturday matinees coincides with the first preview performance across the street of "The Phantom of the Opera," which opens officially on Jan. 26 and has an advance sale of nearly \$16 million.

Rescue brings an award
HOLYOKE, Mass. (AP) — Gerald D. Crowley, who rescued a police officer from attackers, said he is splitting a \$2,500 Carnegie Hero grant with the officer.

"I'm splitting it with him because I helped someone this one time and I'm getting all the awards. He hasn't gotten anything and he does this every day," said Crowley, who was among 112 Americans and Canadians to receive the award this year.

He was honored last week with the grant and a bronze medal for helping Officer David Poole of Holyoke in a May 1986 scuffle at an amusement park. A crowd had surrounded Poole and was shouting "Kill the pig!" when Crowley tackled a 200-pound man who tried to take Poole's gun from his holster.

Both men were convicted and sentenced for beating Poole, who said at the time that Crowley was the only person to come to his aid out of a crowd of 200.

"Actually, I think it's embarrassing," Crowley said of the prize. "I didn't do it for any award."

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Beef Tenderloin 11.99	Colonial Hams 1.99	Small Ruffed Grouse 99¢	Apple Juice 99¢
Beef Tenderloin 11.99	Moroccan Lamb 6.99	Small Ruffed Grouse 99¢	Apple Juice 99¢
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FOCUS

Peer pressure squeezes smoking



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I sat in the seat beside you on a flight to Los Angeles. Although I was dying to talk with you, I understand that thousands of people must have that urge — and follow it — so I said nothing. But since you welcome letters, may I speak with you now?

I have known you to devote many columns to telling people to quit smoking. I doubt if those columns will cause one smoker to stop. They are addicted to nicotine just as heroin addicts are.

The best deterrent to cigarette smoking is peer pressure. You and your legislation. Praise those people who demand that smoking not be allowed in their homes. If enough people were firm about it, more smokers would feel like outcasts and perhaps decide to quit. Making it difficult for a smoker to have a cigarette makes the time between their cigarettes increase, making it easier to quit.

Please Abby, use the great power you have to persuade non-smokers to assert themselves when smokers try to light up in their homes. Persuade non-smokers to write to restaurants, sports arenas, airlines, any place where they are bothered by smoke, and complain! These complaints are heard!

Now, aren't you glad I didn't talk with you on the plane?
**SANDRA LIPPS,
SANTA MONICA**

DEAR SANDRA: No, I would have taken notes in shorthand and used it in my column. You and I agree about smoking. Some smokers are, indeed, addicted. But neither peer pressure nor legislation will cure an addiction.

A smoker has to want to quit for his or her own reasons. Some get the "will" after the doctor says "I

DEAR DR. GOTT: How long can a person live on a respirator? Can a patient get infections from one? Why would a person on a respirator swell up? What would a fluctuating blood pressure mean?

DEAR READER: Respirators are machines that provide mechanical ventilation for patients who cannot breathe on their own. With proper care, a person can be hooked to a respirator indefinitely.

Because respirators are not as efficient as normal respiration, infection can be a problem. Patients on assisted ventilation cannot clear out ordinary mucous secretions (because they can't cough); therefore, such patients usually have to be suctioned mechanically to remove phlegm, which provides a fertile ground on which bacteria will grow. Respirator patients can easily develop pulmonary infection that spreads from the endotracheal tube, the device in the trachea through which artificial breathing takes place.

Fluctuating blood pressure is normal in everyone. In mechanically ventilated people, it can reflect a metabolic imbalance or improper monitoring of the respirator.

Respiratory assistance is a demanding and tricky medical situation that must be constantly supervised by qualified medical personnel.

Thoughts
The rally on Dec. 6 in Washington, D.C. to focus attention on the problems of Soviet Jews, included many presentations. Natan Scharansky was a most inspiring speaker. He is a very short man, and very bald, but his strength comes from his every word.

A treaty signed by the United States and Britain in 1846 agreed on the boundary between Canada and the U.S. in the Pacific Northwest.

Where we're growing

South, West boom while farm, energy states skid

By Tom Rouse
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Farm and energy-depressed states continue to lose residents while the South and the West are booming, states with such as Florida and California posting large population gains in the 1980s, the Census Bureau says.

Florida's population has grown 23 percent since 1980, pushing it past Pennsylvania to become the nation's fourth most populous state, after California, New York and Texas, the bureau said Tuesday.

Meanwhile, Alaska, the least populous state at the time of the 1980 census, is now second-smallest with an estimated population of 525,000. Wyoming ranked 48th, with a population of 490,000.

The estimated mid-1987 overall U.S. population was 243,400,000, up from 241,096,000 in mid-1986 and 228,546,000 in 1980.

The bureau said the South and the West continue to be the fastest growing regions, accounting for 15 million of the nation's 17 million increase in population since 1980.

However, population losses continued between 1986 and 1987 in the farm states of Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota, Montana and Idaho.

Energy-depressed states such as Louisiana, Oklahoma, West Virginia and Wyoming also showed losses, and Texas grew in the decade, the agency said.

Louisiana declined to 4.46 million from 4.59 million in 1980, Oklahoma to 3.27 million from

3.31 million in 1986, West Virginia to 1.90 million from 1.92 million and Wyoming to 490,000 from 507,000 in 1986.

Florida, with a mid-1987 population put at 12.02 million, nudged Pennsylvania, population 11.94 million, into fifth place, the bureau said.

Ranked seventh at the time of the 1980 census, Florida moved past Ohio in 1984 and past Illinois in 1986.

Florida was the only state in this decade to cause a shift in the relative rank of the nation's top 10 states.

Those states, in their present order and estimated population, are: California, 27.86 million; New York, 17.82 million; Texas, 16.79 million; Florida, 12.02 million; Pennsylvania, 11.94 million; Illinois, 11.58 million; Ohio, 10.78 million; Michigan, 9.29 million; New Jersey, 7.63 million; and North Carolina, 6.41 million.

Pennsylvania, despite its drop in relative rank, posted an increase in population. Its mid-1987 estimate of 11.94 million is

up from 11.89 million in 1986 and 11.86 million in 1980.

The new figures are only estimates. "They are provisional, our best guesses," Census Bureau spokesman Gary Wilkinson said.

The government will conduct a full-fledged census in 1990. Florida's gain was surpassed only by California, which has grown by 4 million people since 1980, to 27.86 million; and by Texas, up 2.6 million to 16.79 million since the start of the decade.

However, Texas, hard hit by the decline of world oil prices, the only grew by 100,000 people between July 1986 and July 1987.

In terms of percentage gain, Florida's 23 percent advance from 1980 to 1987 was the fourth largest, behind Alaska's 31 percent, Nevada's 26 percent and Arizona's 25 percent.

Population growth continued in all of the industrial Midwest-ern states from 1985 to 1987, as their economies continued recovering from the recession of the early 1980s," the Census Bureau said.

All the northeastern states grew from 1980 to 1987 as the region's population increased by 1 million in the 1980s after losing ground in the 1970s.

The latest census estimates suggest there will be a shuffle of congressional seats following the 1990 census.

Some large but slow-growing states like New York and Pennsylvania appear sure to lose seats in the House of Representatives to faster growing states like Florida and Arizona.

The number of seats in the House is fixed at 435.

BUSINESS

New job creation will falter in '88

By Rick Gladstone
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The U.S. economy's ability to create jobs will falter in 1988, nearly five years of strong growth, and most new positions will be in businesses offering little employment security, labor specialists say.

"They attribute the decline in quantity and quality of new jobs to the Oct. 19 stock market collapse, changing population patterns, tougher management and the inevitable maturing process in a cyclical economy."

"America's great job-generation machine will run out of steam in 1988," said Richard Belous, a labor economist at the Conference Board, a New York business research group.

One of the bluntest assessments of U.S. employment, the group predicted Tuesday that the number of new jobs will tumble to about 1.5 million next year, roughly half those generated in 1987.

Both labor and industry say the economic dynamo that has created about 13 million new jobs since the last recession is stumbling, although some jobs are being created.

Henry Schacter, deputy director of the AFL-CIO, said a growing inflation rate, decline in housing construction, sluggish auto sales, relentless growth in imports and cutsback in government budgets all would contribute to fewer new jobs next year.

"How bad that will be, I won't define in terms of numbers," he said.

Belous attributed part of the deteriorating job outlook to a dollar remained stable, rising slightly against the yen amid reports of moderate intervention by the Bank of Japan.

Dealers said intervention by the Federal Reserve, West Germany's Bundesbank, the Bank of England, the Bank of France and other banks is only temporarily boosting the dollar's value.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, meanwhile, contracts for February delivery of West Texas Intermediate, the benchmark U.S. crude oil, settled at \$16.93 a 42-gallon barrel, up 51 cents from Monday's close.

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Standard & Poor's Corp. predicted consumer prices will rise 4.5 percent to 5 percent next year, just ahead of 1987's 4.5 percent rise.

"Moderate inflation is likely to be with us for a while," Blitzer said. This year's consumer price rise is likely to be about 4.5 percent.

Standard & Poor's analysts predicted modest price increases for natural gas, air fares, health care, leisure-time goods and food. They predicted auto prices would remain steady and electric bills would drop.

However, they predicted clothing prices would rise 7 percent to 10 percent because of higher raw materials costs and more expensive imports. Personal insurance rates are expected to climb at a 10 percent annual rate.

Repeating Arms sale is closed
NEW HAVEN — The U.S. Repeating Arms Co. has emerged from nearly two years under bankruptcy protection with a sale to new owners.

Business In Brief

Naugatuck newspaper sold to group

NAUGATUCK — The Naugatuck Daily News, the state's smallest daily newspaper, has been sold to the American Daily Publishing Co. for an undisclosed price.

The sale was completed Monday and was announced Tuesday by publisher Frederick E. Hennick.

The Daily News was established in 1885 and serves readers in Naugatuck, Prospect and Beacon Falls. It publishes Monday through Saturday.

The sale brings to an end 45 years of ownership and management by the Hennick family. Hennick will remain as publisher and his son, Thomas, will remain as editor.

American Daily Publishing, based in West Frankfort, Ill., owns more than 20 small daily newspapers in Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, New York and Ohio. American Daily Publishing is a subsidiary of Hollinger Inc., which owns more than 60 small newspapers in the United States and Canada.

Hollinger also holds a controlling interest in the London Daily Telegraph, which has the second-largest circulation in the world.

Emery Air Freight chairman retires
WILTON — John C. Emery Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of Emery Air Freight Corp., has announced he will retire on Thursday after 41 years with the corporation.

Emery, 63, will continue as a director of the corporation and as chairman of a board of directors' executive committee, he said Tuesday.

The board elected William F. Souders, 59, as chairman and chief executive officer. His appointment becomes effective Jan. 1. Souders was formerly an executive vice president and director of the Xerox Corp. He has served as a director of Emery since 1981.

Bell companies deny overcharging
WASHINGTON — The regional Bell telephone companies say a consumer group's charge that they are overcharging phone subscribers while building billions in profits is "a tired old tune" gone flat.

The companies say a Consumer Federation of America report released Tuesday is misleading in predicting that replacing limits on phone companies' profits with rate caps and other forms of price regulation will raise rates significantly.

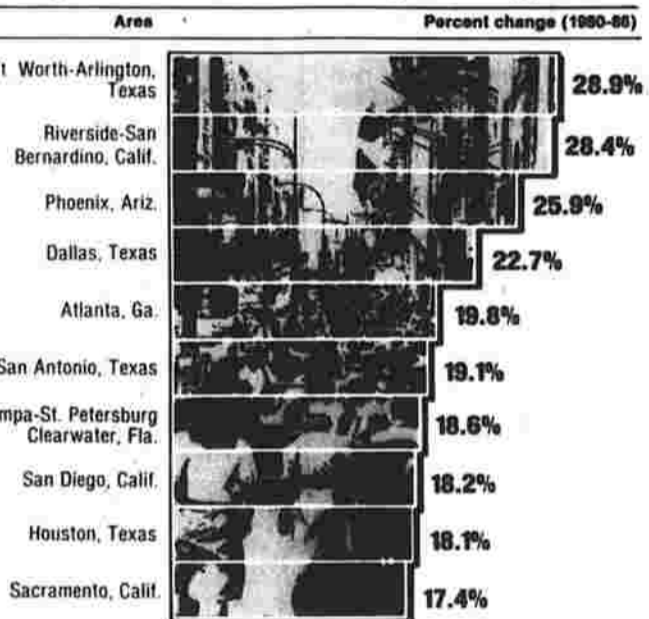
The study said average local monthly residential charges have grown from about \$10.50 in January 1984 to about \$10 today, a rate three times faster than inflation for the same period.

Report sees 4.5% to 5% inflation
NEW YORK — Consumer prices should rise a moderate 4.5 percent to 5 percent next year, helped by a decline in oil prices, according to an annual forecast.

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EXPANDING METROPOLISES

Large urban areas with the greatest growth



GROWING — Among metropolitan areas with 1 million or more people, Los Angeles added the most residents between 1980 and 1986. Almost 819,000 people moved to the area for a 10.9 percent increase in population. Detroit and Pittsburgh lost the most residents.

Tippling is banned but that doesn't stop them

BEIJING (AP) — An American tourist in China recently tried to tip a belly waiter who carried his bags up to his hotel room, but the young man refused the gratuity.

"I am a socialist," he said. "I cannot take this money."

A western businessman at a Beijing hotel coffee shop pressed a few bills into the hands of a young waitress. She politely refused, explaining, "We don't accept tips in China."

The two were observing China's ban on tipping, but many of their colleagues in the tourism industry are not.

Foreigners visiting southern China say tipping is widely accepted there, where proximity to Hong Kong and distance from the capital make enforcement of the ban more lax.

In Canton, taxi drivers regularly pocket change, rather than return it and bellybobs on occasion wait expectantly with open palms.

Tipping, considered a bourgeois practice, has always been banned in Communist China. Instead, people in the service industry are forbidden to accept tips, and all add a 10 to 15 percent service charge, and add another 10 to 15 percent service charge, and add another 10 to 15 percent service charge.

Investors' Guide
William A. Doyle

QUESTION: We have just finished reading the book, "The Great Depression of 1909," by Ravi Batra, the famous professor of economics trained in scientific analysis. We realize no one can predict the future. However, in your opinion, is there a great depression looming in the future?

ANSWER: You're correct about no one being able to predict the future. That's what makes the best-selling status of Batra's book so strange. Then, again, horror movies draw big crowds.

Every time a gloom-and-doom tome results in a batch of mail letters, I'm reminded of my grandmother, who lived to be 97 and who always liked to read "The Witch's Tales."

That's a scientific analysis? Famous? Batra was little known outside of Southern Methodist University, where he teaches, until the publisher of his book launched an immense publicity campaign. Poor marketing.

U.S. bonds to reduce Mexico debt
MEXICO CITY (AP) — The Mexican government announced it will buy as much as \$10 billion in special U.S. bonds as part of an innovative scheme that could allow it \$100 billion foreign debt by almost one-fifth.

The new plan involves swapping part of the \$90 billion Mexico owes foreign commercial bankers for new, 20-year bonds that will be issued by the Mexican government and backed by the special U.S. securities.

The Supermarket Shopper

Potato chips crunch prematurely

By Martin Sloane
United Feature Syndicate

DEAR MARTIN: When my groceries are bagged, the potato chips often are crushed beneath every thing else. What do you think I should do?

LILA BRUNER
Pompano Beach, Fla.

DEAR LILA: There's no need to be shy! They're your potato chips! Tell the person packing the bags exactly how you want them placed.

DEAR MARTIN: In one of your recent columns you said you never met a shopper who bought products only because he or she had coupons for them.

DEAR MARTIN: I am an avid reader of your column because I'm always learning about other people's savings. Some, myself included, have actually earned money with

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U.S. bonds to reduce Mexico debt

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The Mexican government announced it will buy as much as \$10 billion in special U.S. bonds as part of an innovative scheme that could allow it \$100 billion foreign debt by almost one-fifth.

The new plan involves swapping part of the \$90 billion Mexico owes foreign commercial bankers for new, 20-year bonds that will be issued by the Mexican government and backed by the special U.S. securities.

The operation would help Mexico reduce the weight of its foreign debt by means of a significant reduction in its amount, and consequently, the payment of the service on the same," said a statement issued by the Mexican Treasury Department on Tuesday.

Mexico's foreign debt is second-highest in the developing world after Brazil.

Mexico will pay \$8 billion to \$9 billion in interest charges on new debt this year, an amount that government officials say sorely limits development of the economy and Mexico's ability to import U.S. goods.

In Washington, the U.S. Treasury Department said in a statement that Mexico is expected to purchase the special securities in early 1988 and use the bonds as collateral for part of the new swap program.

The Mexican government said

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Restored locomotive fired up

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intact in the world, he said. A total of about 15 people have helped with the project off and on, but Edgerton is the only one who's been working on the project since the beginning. He also works as an art teacher at the State Receiving and Study Home in Warehouse Point.

"We basically rebuilt this locomotive," he said. "There are other museums that have looked at this engine, and called it a 'basket case'."

Edgerton's interest in restoring locomotives began when he joined the Connecticut Trolley Museum Association in 1965. The museum used to run a small steam engine for the public, and Edgerton helped maintain it. It was then that he discovered the Climax Locomotive, which is owned by the Connecticut Electric Railway Association, which also owns and operates the Trolley Museum.

In 1978, the museum was going to sell the locomotive, but Edgerton stepped in. He and the others interested in restoring the engine held rallies and other fund-raising and donated money out of their own pockets to pay for the restoration at first.

"At that time we did nickle-and-dime funding," Edgerton said. "Finally, in the early 1980s, the government for state funding was approved. Edgerton and the museum received a \$10,000 grant from the Committee for the Restoration of Historic Assets in Connecticut, part of the Department of Economic Development. Edgerton is waiting for a second, approved \$10,000 grant, which he needs to purchase bearings for the engine's drive system.

But getting the money was just the beginning. Because the locomotive is so old and rare, getting parts and plans showing the structure of the engine involved a lot of research, time and some travel, Edgerton said.

"It's been very difficult getting the information to make this locomotive was built in November 1910 by the Climax Machine Co. in Corry, Pa. Edgerton said. Climax engines were used in gravel pits, mining operations and for carrying passengers on scenic trips, he said.

After all the research, Edgerton said he had started from "ground zero" with the restoration because the only usable parts on the engine were two wooden window frames. Everything else, including the boiler, piping, generator, flooring and windows, had to be replaced. Edgerton has made contacts all over the United States during the restoration process. A man in Baltimore gave him blueprints for Climax engines that Edgerton had to scale down and revise a little bit. He talked to people in North Carolina who had done a similar restoration, and has traveled to Texas. Edgerton has also made several trips to New Hampshire, where another Climax engine is being restored.

Index fall biggest in six years

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That weakness continued in November as the average price for the month of the 500 stocks in Standard & Poor's 500 declined 12.5 percent on top of a 12.1 percent drop in October. Stock prices last month were 25.8 percent lower than their average in August, when the stock market hit its record high.

In October, stock prices were one of only two indicators which were negative factors. However, in November seven of the available nine indicators declined.

The fall in stock prices contributed almost two-thirds of the 1.7 percent drop. The next largest negative factor came from changes in business delivery times on orders followed by a slowdown in growth of the money supply, changes in raw materials prices, a rise in unemployment claims, a decline in the length of the manufacturing workweek and a fall in contracts and orders for plant and equipment.

Two indicators made positive contributions, led by a rise in orders for consumer goods and an increase in building permits.

Faulty accounting systems costing government billions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government is losing billions of dollars through poor accounting systems and weak internal controls despite several improvements initiated the past two years, the General Accounting Office said today.

About 30 percent of the 1,515 accounting, procurement, debt collection and financial and property management weaknesses identified by 18 government departments or agencies since 1983 remain uncorrected, the watchdog agency said in a report to Congress.

As an example, it said the 18 agencies, which account for about 95 percent of federal expenditures, pay 25 percent of their bills late, incurring millions of dollars in interest penalties annually.

Another 25 percent of the government's bills are paid too early. That, too, cost the government lost interest, more than \$850 million in 1986 alone, the GAO said. But significant progress has been made in a number of areas, according to the 50-page report, the third by the GAO on how federal

agencies are living up to the 1982 Financial Integrity Act intended to curb fraud, waste and abuse in government.

Two years ago in its last report on the congressionally ordered reforms, GAO complained that the major problems remained largely unchanged.

In its report today, the GAO praised OMB's orders requiring five-year plans from each agency on improving their financial integrity and appointment of chief financial officers in each to oversee the effort.

It also said the Reagan administration has taken significant steps in several problem areas, making collection of delinquent loans and other debts owed to the government and better cash management particular priorities.

While improvements have been made, most agencies still "have a long way to go," the GAO said. Underlying the problem, it said, is the government's continued reliance on "antiquated accounting systems... laid out in World War II, and many of them built around 1950s vintage concepts and computers."

"Of the 18 agencies, all but NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) stated that their accounting systems had material weaknesses... hundreds of them," the GAO said. "As a result, billions of dollars are not being adequately accounted for, managed or financially controlled."

For example, the Defense Department, which accounts for about 80 percent of the \$290 billion in goods and services that the government contacts to buy annually, reported that 52 of its 114 accounting systems did not meet GAO requirements. The Pentagon has spent \$33 million since 1982 to implement a new accounting system for foreign military sales, but no significant benefits have been achieved yet.

BETTY FORD AFTER 1978 TREATMENT ... in stable condition at hospital today

Betty Ford is rushed to California hospital

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) — Former first lady Betty Ford, recovering from heart surgery a month ago, was taken to Eisenhower Medical Center by ambulance and was in stable condition today, officials said.

"She experienced some weakness during dinner," said hospital spokesman Michael McFadden. A Riverside County fire ambulance took Mrs. Ford, 69, to the desert hospital at 8:13 p.m. Tuesday, said fire Capt. Dan Proctor.

"I guess apparently she was just having some bleeding from the sutures," he said, referring to her recent coronary artery bypass surgery.

Proctor said Mrs. Ford was alert and talking en route to the hospital. Former President Gerald R. Ford accompanied his wife to the hospital and stayed with her several hours before returning home, McFadden said. She was in stable condition, the spokesman said.

The Ford's live just a few minutes from Eisenhower, located in Rancho Mirage near Palm Springs.

The Betty Ford Center for treatment of substance abuse problems, which has helped such celebrities as Elizabeth Taylor and is one of Mrs. Ford's proudest achievements, is on the grounds of the Eisenhower facility.

Healthy pieces of blood vessel are taken from other parts of the body and used to bypass blocked arteries. Mrs. Ford's surgery involved bypassing four arteries.

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Bypass surgery is performed when blood vessels leading to the heart have become blocked or diseased, creating potential for a stroke or heart attack.

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Obituaries

Rose H. Dagon
Rose H. (Winchell) Dagon, 86, widow of former East Hartford Fire Chief Francis J. Dagon of East Hartford, died Monday at her home. She was the mother of Henry Dagon of Andover.

Besides her son, she is survived by a daughter-in-law, Lorraine Dagon of Andover; another son and daughter-in-law, Francis and Emma Dagon of East Hartford; two daughters, Evelyn M. Dagon of East Hartford and Elizabeth D. Hansen of Windsor; 17 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

The funeral is Thursday at 9:15 a.m. from the Newkirk & Whitney Funeral Home, 318 Burnside Ave., East Hartford, with a Mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. in St. Rose Church, East Hartford. Calling hours are today from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

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Nancy T. Pearson
Nancy T. Pearson, 67, of Orchard Hill Estates, Coventry, died Monday at her home. She was the wife of Alexander Pearson.

She was born Oct. 7, 1920, in Ireland and lived in Coventry for more than 30 years. She was a communicant of St. Mary's Church, Coventry.

Besides her husband, she is survived by three sons, William J. Pearson of Mansfield, John P. Pearson of Gifford, N.H., and Michael F. Pearson of Coventry; two daughters, Nancy Tetreault of Pomfret Center and Denise Werhle of Coventry; a brother, John O'Rourke in Ireland; 11 grandchildren; and a great-grandson. She was predeceased by a daughter, Donna Marie Pearson, and a grandson.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held Thursday at 10 a.m. in St. Mary's Church, Coventry. Calling hours are today from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Potter Funeral Home, 456 Jackson St., Willimantic.

Memorial donations may be made to the Coventry Volunteer Fire Department Ambulance Service.

Steven L. Ross
Steven L. Ross, 47, husband of Blanche (Zaref) Ross, of Vernon, died Monday at Rockville General Hospital.

He was a member of Congregation B'nai Israel of Rockville and formerly served as its membership chairman. He was a member of the Manchester and East Hartford chapters of Cummerbund, a former adviser to the Junior Achievement movement in Meriden.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his mother, Dorothy (Schantz) Ross of Sunrise, Fla.; a son, David A. Ross, and a daughter, Lorraine L. Ross, both at home; and a brother, Kenneth Ross of Queens, N.Y.

The funeral is today at 2 p.m. in Congregation B'nai Israel, 54 Talcott St., Rockville. Burial will be in Congregation B'nai Israel Cemetery, South Windsor. The Weinstein Mortuary, Hartford, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial work will be observed at his home. Memorial donations may be made to Congregation B'nai Israel, Rockville 06066.

Gehre Tanner
Donations in memory of Gehre Tanner, 82, formerly of Downey Drive, who died Sunday, may be sent to Second Congregational Church, North Main Street, Manchester 06040. Incorrect information was published Tuesday.

Anna Eliza Williams
SWANSEA, Wales (AP) — A British woman listed as the oldest person in the world, Anna Eliza Williams, died Sunday at the age of 114 years and 209 days.

Mrs. Williams, who lived at the Tuxedo Home for the Aged in Swansea, became the world's oldest living person when Mamie Keith of Libertyville, Ill., died in September 1986 at age 113, according to the Guinness Book of World Records.

Raeburn L. Van Buren
GREAT NECK, N.Y. (AP) — Raeburn L. Van Buren, who illustrated hundreds of magazine articles and drew the comic strip "Abbie and Slats," died Tuesday at the age of 96 following a fall at his home.

Born in Pueblo, Colo., Van Buren began his career in 1909 as a sketch artist for the Kansas City Star. He came to New York in 1913, sharing a studio apartment with three fellow Missourians: actor William Powell, artist Thomas Hart Benton and caricaturist Ralph Barton. He sold sketches to Life magazine and later illustrated more than 700 stories for The Saturday Evening Post, Collier's, Redbook and other magazines.

SPORTS MHS wins Rotary Club basketball title

By Jim Tierney
Manchester Herald

For the first time since the scholastic division was incorporated into the Manchester Rotary Club Basketball Classic in 1985, a local high school grabbed a winning re-ign and brought home the championship.

Spearheaded by 24 points each from Juniors Paris Oates and Jason Goddard, Manchester High defeated Windsor High School, 49-48, and secured the high school crown in the sixth annual Rotary Club Tournament.

Unbeaten at 4-0, the Indians displayed their finest overall game of the young season. The 6-foot-6 Oates, who was named the Most Valuable Player in the high school division, added 10 rebounds and blocked six Warrior shots. Senior co-captains Matt Vaughn, who dished out 10 assists to go along with his 12 points, and Troy Peters performed admirably in the victory over a good Windsor club.

"That was the best we've played for 32 minutes," Indian coach Frank Kinel said. "We did a nice job with their pressure. Oates was very good. It was the best game he's played this year."

The Indians shot 62 percent from the field for the game (32-for-51). Peters, who neutralized East Catholic's Scott Altun on Monday night, answered the defensive call again Tuesday with a nice effort on Windsor's leading scorer, junior Tchaud Robinson. Ten of Robinson's 18 points came from the foul line. Robinson is a transfer from Houston.

"Troy Peters played a very nice game both nights," Kinel said. Windsor now 3-2, trailed from the outset and never gained control of the tempo. "They (Manchester) played very well," Warrior Coach Dom Ferrara said. "We got behind and we had to scramble. They kick the ball around very well. We didn't have enough stamina" at the end of the game."

Vaughn set the tempo for Manchester in the first quarter and handed out six of his assists to guide the Indians to a 22-17 advantage after the first term. Oates and Goddard tallied seven and six points, respectively. In the initial eight minutes, the Warriors stayed

close behind three-pointers from James Green.

"He (Vaughn) is really a good passer," Kinel said. "He's a key man against the pressure." Ferrara didn't expect Vaughn's assist talents to surface.

"They (Manchester) see the floor well," Ferrara said. "I figured him (Vaughn) to shoot more."

Manchester went up by 10, 33-23, with 4:22 left in the second quarter after Vaughn drew the length of the court for a layup. Robinson, who was held scoreless in the first quarter, scored eight in the second and Windsor trailed at halftime, 38-30.

Consecutive baskets by junior Cory Goldston and Oates opened the third stanza and the Indians had a 42-30 lead. When Oates scored off a feed from Vaughn Manchester was up, 54-46, with 2:34 left in the third quarter. The Warriors, however, refused to quit and ran off the next six to draw within eight, 54-46. Oates and Goddard were terriers on the boards and dominated the inside play. The Indians took a 56-46 lead into the fourth quarter.

Goddard was getting the ball in good position which enabled him to acquire good shots. "He (Goddard) had a great game," Ferrara said. "He's got such a wide body. He shouldn't have been getting the ball like that."

EC wins consolation

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Manchester High's Matt Vaughn (30) holds onto the basketball and looks over the defense in Tuesday night's Rotary Club Classic title game against Windsor at East Windsor.

Windsor while Clayton Knight tallied 11 Green and Elliot Beaver added 10 apiece.

Named to the all-tournament team were Peters, Vaughn, Robinson, Rob Stanford of East Catholic, and Jeff Strole of Suffield. Manchester was 0-4 in its first two Rotary Club appearances until this year.

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By Len Auster
Manchester Herald

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The Tigers, who put on a clinic in Monday's opening round win over San Francisco, persisted in their deliberate style reminiscent of the Harlem Globetrotters. Except they were deadly serious with their outside weave that opened up either three-point shots or back door cuts.

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Rebuilt Twin Towers lead Rockets to victory

By Bill Barnard
The Associated Press

The Houston Rockets' "Twin Towers" are being rebuilt with a slightly different architecture. Seven-foot Joe Barry Carroll, strictly Akseem Olajuwon's backup since the Dec. 12 trade that sent 7-4 Ralph Sampson to Golden State, played many of his 38 minutes at forward Tuesday night. Carroll had 25 points and 13 rebounds and Olajuwon added 15 points and 14 rebounds as the Rockets broke the Detroit Pistons' 16-game winning streak with a 101-91 victory.

"I've always said I think they can play together," Houston Coach Bill Fitch said of Carroll and Olajuwon. "They can play as well as Ralph and Akseem did."

Houston trailed 57-46 at halftime, but Olajuwon and Carroll scored 10 points each in the third quarter as the Rockets outscored the Pistons 30-10 for a 76-67 lead.

"It's not important," Carroll said of his reserve role. "What's really important is what I do with my minutes as opposed to where they are placed."

In other NBA games, it was Milwaukee 106, New Jersey 88; New York 123, Portland 110; Atlanta 106, Chicago 98; Dallas 126, Sacramento 117; Utah 99, Denver 97; and Los Angeles Lakers 131, Philadelphia 115.

"Everyone wants to meet a challenge when they come to a new team," Carroll said. "This is my first trade. I imagine it takes a while for everyone to get acclimated with each other...especially when it involves professional players."

Detroit, which still has the best record in the Eastern Conference, shot 39 percent from the field. Adrian Dantley led the Pistons in scoring with 18 points, but he was 6-for-15, while Isiah Thomas was 4-for-14 and Vinnie Johnson 2-for-10.

"We've got four or five guys who normally shoot a little better."

NBA Roundup

Pistons Coach Chuck Daly said. During its nightmarish third quarter, Detroit made three of 19 shots.

"We took too many long shots," said Bill Laimbeer, who had 14 points and 15 rebounds. "We never got into our rhythm on offense and we settled for 30-foot jumpers."

Lakers 131, 76ers 115

Los Angeles beat Philadelphia for its sixth straight victory as Byron Scott scored a career-high 37 points and Magic Johnson added 26 points and matched his season-high with 17 assists.

Utah, which has won two straight away from home, is just 3-11 on the road this season. The Nuggets are now 11-2 at home.

Denver had a chance to win in the final seconds, but guard Mike Evans shot an air ball and Malone grabbed his 13th rebound. Malone had 15 points in the final quarter, including two free throws with 42 seconds left that gave Utah a 98-94 lead.

Danny Schayes had a season-high 27 points and Alex English scored 24 for the Nuggets.

Bucks 106, Nets 88

Milwaukee won its third straight as Terry Cummings scored 21 points at New Jersey.

The Bucks extended a 28-19 lead to 38-21 early in the second quarter before the Nets used a 9-2 streak to get within 10 points. Milwaukee responded with a 12-2 spurt for a 53-32 advantage and extended the margin to 61-62 in the fourth period.

New Jersey was led by Dennis Hopson with 22 points. Buck Williams, who missed eight games with a severely sprained ankle, returned to action and had 17 points and 13 rebounds.

Knicks 123, Blazers 110

New York broke nine-game losing streak against Portland as Kenny Walker scored a season-high 25 points and Gerald Wilkins hit six



Houston's Jim Peterson (left) yanks the basketball away from Detroit's Adrian Dantley during their NBA game Tuesday night at the Pontiac Silverdome. The Rockets won, 101-91.

Blazers with 29 points and 12 rebounds.

Wilkins started the run with a basket that just beat the 24-second clock and then scored two more baskets during the spurt.

Patrick Ewing added 21 points for New York, 10 in the fourth quarter.

Portland, trailing 103-89 with 8:22 left in the game, cut the deficit to five with 5:16 on a tip-in by Jerome Kersey, who led the Trail Blazers with 22 points and 13 rebounds.

The Knicks, who had not beaten Portland since March 12, 1983, then scored the next 12 points for a 119-102 lead with 2:57 remaining.

Morris returns to the Tigers after finding no takers

By Ronald Blum
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jack Morris is returning to the Detroit Tigers after more than a year on the sidelines. Morris, who won a \$1.85-million salary in arbitration after he returned to the Tigers last year, will receive \$1,988,000 in 1988 and \$1,600,000 in 1989, according to figures published in today's editions of The New York Times.

Morris will receive \$1 million of his 1989 salary next Dec. 1, raising his actual 1988 income to \$2,988,000 of the total of \$3,977,000, the newspaper reports.

"We heard something late," said Arthur Schack, an attorney for union. "We'll be able to confirm it tomorrow."

general manager, denied an agreement had been reached according to the Detroit Free-Press.

"I've talked to Moss and Morris over the holiday period but we haven't reached any agreement," Lajoie was quoted as saying.

Morris, the winningest pitcher of the 1980s with 141 victories, was 18-11 last season. He is 162-105 in 11 years with the Tigers.

He and Moss criss-crossed the country last year in an attempt to leave the Tigers. "First they approached the Minnesota Twins, who turned them down. Then they offered to sign with the New York Yankees at a salary set by an arbitrator. They next went to the Philadelphia Phillies, who also said no."

Minutes before the deadline, Morris accepted Detroit's offer of salary arbitration and last February was awarded \$1.85 million, the highest award ever for a pitcher and, at the time, the highest arbitration award.

Moss had hinted last week that Morris was close to re-signing with Detroit, partially because no other club had made an offer.

Morris' situation is a key piece of evidence in the players' 1986 collusion grievance and it may be key if a grievance is filed over this year's free agents. The players already have won a grievance over 1985 free agency.

"The evidence up to this point is that if (the market) has not opened for the top-ranked players," Moss said last week. "It's been very controlled where it has been opened. It seems every club knows what every other club doing."

"I haven't received any offers," Moss said. "Not at all. They say they're interested, but nobody has made any offers."

Morris, who has won 141 games—the '80s, becomes the third-highest-paid pitcher in baseball.

Fernando Valenzuela of the Los Angeles Dodgers will earn \$2.66 million in 1988 in the final season of a three-year, \$5.5-million contract, an average of \$1.89 million.

Rick Sutcliffe of the Chicago Cubs is next, averaging \$1.8 million.

Morris was led for fourth in the American League in victories.

Sports In Brief

Zabelski earns letter at Wesleyan

MIDDLETOWN — Freshman Marty Zabelski of Manchester earned his varsity letter with the Wesleyan University football team this past fall.

Zabelski, a 1987 graduate of East Catholic High where he earned two football letters, saw action in a reserve role at outside linebacker for the Cardinals during the 1987 season. Zabelski also served on the kickoff coverage squad. In limited playing time, Zabelski recorded two tackles.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Zabelski of Bolton Center Road.

Mercer tops Central for hoop title

NEW BRITAIN — Ben Wilson scored 23 points to lead Mercer University over Central Connecticut State University, 76-68, for the Blue Devil Tournament championship.

The Bears captured 19 of 22 free throw attempts Tuesday night as they held off a rally by the host Blue Devils. Mercer, 4-3, led 45-38 at the intermission and raced to a 48-32 lead with 15:37 remaining before Central went on a 28-11 spurt to nose out from, 60-59, with 5:16 to go.

Wilson's 3-point play with 4:45 remaining put Mercer back on top, 62-60, and the Blue Devils could only manage to tie the score three times.

Reggie Titus added 14 for the winners. Alan Jennings led Central, 3-5, with 13 points.

Whalers' Dineen leads in voting

MONTREAL — Kevin Dineen of the Hartford Whalers has increased his lead at right wing, while Kelly Hrubecky of the New York Islanders has closed the gap on Ron Hextall among Wales Conference goaltenders, in all-star voting released by the NHL on Tuesday.

Dineen, who has been in a see-saw battle with Claude Lemieux of the Montreal Canadiens since fan voting began Nov. 1, has 125,565 votes so far to lead Lemieux by more than 30,000 votes.

Battling for starting lineups at the 39th all-star game, to be played Feb. 9 in St. Louis, concludes Dec. 31. The remainder of the squads will be chosen by the coaches — Mike Keenan of the "les Conference and Glen Sather of the Campbell Conference.

Conlan top NFL defensive rookie

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Buffalo Bills Coach Marv Levy says he has the two most productive defensive players from the 1987 NFL draft.

And, the nation's sports writers agree.

Linebacker Shane Conlan, one of the defensive catalysts who helped the Bills to their best season in five years, was selected Tuesday as The Associated Press NFL defensive rookie of the year.

He beat out his own teammate and fellow linebacker, Cornelius Bennett, in the voting conducted among three sports writers or sportscasters representing each of the NFL's 28 teams.

Wyche to return as Bengals' coach

CINCINNATI — Coach Sam Wyche, whose job reportedly was in jeopardy after the team skidded to a 4-11 season, will be back for the fifth and final year of his contract in 1988, the Bengals announced Tuesday.

"We've decided that we'll honor the fifth year of Sam's contract. He will be the coach next season," General Manager Paul Brown, founder of the 19-year-old franchise, told a news conference.

Stastny at 300, Tugnut 1 and counting

By The Associated Press

Peter Stastny is at 300 and counting. Ron Tugnut is at 1 and doing the same thing.

Stastny, in his eighth NHL season after leading the Canadiens to the playoffs, scored his 300th goal Tuesday night as the Quebec Nordiques beat the Buffalo Sabres 5-1. Tugnut, making his NHL debut, stopped 29 shots and even assisted on Stastny's memorable score.

"It's certainly special to get 300, that's for sure," Stastny said. "That was never my ambition in the NHL, but it is clear that 300 goals represents 10 seasons of 30 goals and that is significant."

"Maybe, like wine, I'm getting better as I get older."

Stastny is 31, which isn't exactly ancient. Tugnut, recalled from the AHL last week, is 20 and the proud possessor of one NHL victory in as many tries.

"All I wanted to do was to come out stopping the puck out there," he said.

Tugnut did a nice job. Just as he was doing at Fredericton where Ron Lapointe was coaching. When Lapointe replaced the fired Andre Savard as Nordiques coach, he didn't wait long to summon Tugnut, who was 13-2-2 in the minors.

"Tugnut was the same as I saw in Fredericton, although he did look a little nervous in the third," Lapointe said. "Maybe he was thinking too much of protecting the lead and he wasn't moving as well as I know he can."

NHL Roundup

Pat LaFontaine's second goal, with 2:13 remaining, lifted the Islanders to the tie and into a tie for first place in the Patrick Division with the Philadelphia Flyers. The Islanders, however, are 1-3-2 in their last eight games.

LaFontaine tied it on a breakaway for his 23rd goal of the season. Defenseman Denis Potvin set up the play and tied Guy Lafleur for 13th place on their NHL's all-time

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49ers' Jerry Rice player of the year

By Dave Goldberg
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jerry Rice of the San Francisco 49ers, who set two new NFL records for touchdown catches despite playing in only 12 games of this strike-shortened season, was named today the NFL's offensive player of the year by The Associated Press.

Rice, called by San Francisco Coach Bill Walsh "the single most dominating player in the game today," had 42 touchdown catches, breaking the single-season mark of 18 set in the 16-game season of 1984

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