

### Harvard fetes Lucy and Steve

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Comedians Lucille Ball and Steve Martin will be honored as the 1988 Man and Woman of the Year by the Hasty Pudding Theatricals, the Harvard University theater group announced.

Ball, 76, will be given a parade through Harvard Square and presented with the traditional "pudding pot" at the Hasty Pudding Theater on Feb. 16.

Martin, 42, will receive his award at the premiere performance of the Hasty Pudding Theatricals' 14th annual musical extravaganza, "Saint Misbehavin'" on Feb. 23.

Since 1951, the Woman of the Year Award has been presented annually to performers who have made a "lasting and impressive contribution to the world of entertainment."

The Man of the Year Award was first presented in 1957.

Ball is best known for her television series "I Love Lucy." Her credits include more than 80 films and starring roles on Broadway and other television work.

Martin's film credits include "The Jerk," "All of Me," "Dead Men Don't Wear Plaid," "Xanadu," and "Planes, Trains and Automobiles." He received Grammy Awards for his first two comedy albums.

### Names in the News

#### Catholic minstrel

NEW YORK (AP) — Bruce Springsteen is a "Catholic minstrel" whose most recent album may have been "a more important Catholic event in this country than the visit of Pope John Paul II," says the Rev. Andrew Greeley.

The pope "spoke of moral debates using the language of doctrinal positions that appeal to (or repel) the mind," while Springsteen "sings of religious realities — sin, temptation, forgiveness, life, death, hope — in images ... from his Catholic childhood," the priest writes in the Feb. 6 issue of America magazine.

Springsteen's images, Greeley argues, "appeal to the whole person, not just the head, and that will be absorbed by far more Americans than those who listened to the pope."

John Paul II should take no offense, because "troubadours always have more importance than theologians or bishops," insists Greeley, a sociologist, best-selling novelist and frequent contributor to America, which is published by the Jesuit order.



CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER ROSA PARKS ... to celebrate her 75th birthday Thursday

brated her birthday with about 350 people.

Parks, who turns 75 on Thursday, said the gathering Sunday left her "just about speechless."

"I can hardly think of a thing to say," she said. "But this has been a great day."

Among those attending were Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich. and U.S. Appeals Court Judge Damon Keith.

The celebration marked the start of a nationwide drive to raise \$1 million for the Rosa and Raymond Parks Institute for Self Development here, named for Mrs. Parks and her late husband and aimed at helping young people.

Parks' refusal to give up her bus seat in Montgomery, Ala., on Dec. 1, 1955, resulted in a boycott and a court case that ultimately outlawed racial discrimination on transportation systems.

#### Bar can't pay

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A neighborhood bar owner says he can't pay the \$2,500 that rock star Bruce Springsteen and two music companies want to settle a copyright infringement suit.

Frank Cascereri, owner of Woody's Pub, said Monday he has been unable to get a license to play popular music in his bar since attorneys informed him one was needed.

"I'm willing to buy one to resolve this matter. I'm not willing to pay them \$2,500, because I don't have it," Cascereri said, adding that a disc jockey continues to play Springsteen music at the bar.

Federal law requires public establishments to obtain a permit from the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers to play copyright music during business hours. ASCAP members get royalties. Cascereri and his bar were sued two weeks ago. ASCAP attorney Richard Riemer said from New York.

#### Hospital release

BLUE ISLAND, Ill. (AP) — Former ABC "World News Tonight" co-anchor Max Robinson was released from the hospital where he was treated for nearly two months, a spokesman said.

"All I can say is he was released (Monday) morning," said St. Francis Hospital spokesman Chuck Green. "I'm sure his vital signs and everything were stabilized before he was released."

Robinson, 48, was admitted to the hospital Dec. 4 in critical condition, but officials refused to give information about his medical problem at his family's request.

Robinson, the first black to anchor a daily network news show, was for six years one of three co-anchors on "World News Tonight" before becoming co-anchor on WMAQ-TV, Chicago's NBC affiliate.

#### For AIDS victims

NEW YORK (AP) — Tony Award-winning playwright Harvey Fierstein and actress-comedian Anne Meara helped launch a workshop where panels will be made for addition to a quilt in memory of AIDS victims.

"It's a way of saying, 'I miss this person. I'm proud of knowing this person. I've made quilts for people I have lost. I have more quilts to make,'" Fierstein, author of "Torch Song Trilogy," said, noting that 28,000 people have died nationwide of

#### 75th birthday

DETROIT (AP) — Rosa Parks, whose refusal to give her seat on a segregated bus to a white man 32 years ago triggered a boycott and a landmark civil rights case, celebrated her 75th birthday Thursday.

The Center Quilt Workshop being run at the Lesbian and Gay Community Services Center in Manhattan is an outgrowth of the national Names Project, which created the quilt.

The quilt was part of a demonstration last October at the Mall in Washington. The project originated in San Francisco.

### Guild to honor film directors

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Steven Spielberg of "Empire of the Sun" was joined by James L. Brooks of "Broadcast News" and Adrian Lyne of "Fatal Attraction" as candidates for the Directors Guild of America 1987 directing award.

Veteran Italian filmmaker Bernardo Bertolucci also was nominated Monday for "The Last Emperor" and Lasse Hallstrom of Sweden received a nomination for "My Life as a Dog."

The winner will be announced March 12.

The nomination was a first for Lyne, a native of England whose previous films include the torrid "9½ Weeks" and "Flashdance."

"Fatal Attraction," which has made more than \$140 million at the box office, stars Michael Douglas and Glenn Close in a story about a woman's deadly obsession with a married man after the two have a weekend affair.

Spielberg won his first DGA award in 1985 for "The Color Purple" but was snubbed that year by the Academy, which did not even nominate him for an Oscar.

"Empire of the Sun," is about a British boy's survival in a Japanese prison camp during World War II. Spielberg has either produced or directed seven of the top 20 grossing films of all time, including "Lawrence of Arabia," "Close Encounters of the Third Kind," "Raiders of the Lost Ark" and "E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial."

The DGA has nominated Spielberg for its top award six times, and he was last year awarded the Academy's Irving Thalberg Award for achievement.

Bertolucci's last guild nomination was for 1973's "Last Tango in Paris" and he directed the first X-rated film with major stars. His other movies include "1900," "La Luna" and "Tragedy of a Ridiculous Man."

### Sinful lottery now a blessing

CHICAGO (AP) — The Rev. Jim Springfield preaches against playing the lottery, but now that his wife has won more than \$1.2 million in an Illinois Lotto game, what was a sin is looking a lot like a gift from above.

"It might be a sin, but I think it is a blessing," said Barbara Springfield, who will receive 20 annual payments of \$60,333 for winning the Jan. 30 drawing of the Illinois Lottery's Lotto game.

The winning ticket — containing the numbers 07, 12, 13, 25, 30, 37 — was one of only a few she had purchased. She had to hide them from her husband because, "he didn't like me to play the lottery," she said Monday night.

"I prayed for her and asked the Lord to forgive her," said Springfield, pastor of Good Hope Free Will Baptist Church, a Westside storefront church.

"My belief is that all unrighteousness is sin," Springfield said when asked if playing the lottery is sinful.

"But the Bible says all things work to the good for those who love the Lord."

Mrs. Springfield, 49, said she plans to use her winnings to buy a house and pay overdue bills, but first she will give 10 percent to the church, where her husband started preaching a year ago.

"My final analysis of what happened the other day is that it was a blessing that came at a time when we were in need," said Springfield.

"It seems to me like the Lord is saying 'Hey, here's your salary for the next 20 years; now preach my word,'" said Springfield, who left a \$30,000-a-year job to become a minister of the 150-member congregation.

Many of the members are low-income people or welfare recipients.

He makes about \$150 a week, so his wife, an administrative assistant for a bank, has been bringing home most of the money. Mrs. Springfield intends to keep her job despite her winnings.

More than \$6,000 Mrs. Springfield plans to donate this year will go toward fixing the ceiling and redecorating parts of the building, which was formerly a garage for laundry trucks.

The pastor is a little concerned about what his flock — whom he has preached to about resisting the lottery — will think about his wife's windfall.

"It will give them the green light," he said, adding that he expects they will ask him, "If the first lady — the pastor's wife — does it, why can't we?"

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## \$6.32 billion budget plan 'keeps commitments'

By Judd Everhart  
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — Gov. William A. O'Neill is asking the 1988 General Assembly to approve a \$6.32 billion budget for 1988-89 that is 10.6 percent higher than this year's budget and one he said "keeps the commitments we have made to Connecticut's residents."

O'Neill managed to balance the budget by shifting millions of dollars from reserve funds, a move his budget chief, Anthony V. Milano, said was responsible and "well thought out."

The budget, O'Neill told reporters today, "includes funding for new programs, but those new initiatives total only 1.7 percent of the budget's total, or \$96.5 million."

O'Neill is to present the budget to today's opening session of the 1988 General Assembly, which convened shortly after 10 a.m.

He proposed a General Fund budget of \$5.6 billion, up from this year's \$4.99 billion; a Transportation Fund budget of \$536.7 million, down from this year's \$598 million; and an Education Excellence Fund budget, set up to improve teacher salaries, of \$207 million, up from this year's \$151 million.

The only tax increase called for in the budget is a penny-a-gallon increase in the gasoline tax, which follows a formula set up in 1984 when the Transportation Fund was created.

O'Neill noted that he was not calling for any General Fund tax increase, making this the fifth consecutive year he has been able to avoid a tax increase.

To balance the budget, O'Neill wants to transfer \$73.8 million from the budget reserve, or "rainy day" fund and use \$63 million set aside to pay off bonds last year to pay off current debts.

House Minority Leader Robert G. Jaekle, R-Stratford, said

O'Neill's dipping into the rainy day fund was a grave mistake.

"I'm very troubled that it's now being used to deficit spend, in essence," Jaekle said. "If by some quirk of the economy we fall short, the rainy day fund was to stand there to basically pay off any deficit that might be incurred."

Milano said, however, that Connecticut's economy should remain "moderately strong" during the coming year. Milano said he would not have recommended using the rainy day fund if he didn't believe that.

O'Neill is also counting on an aggressive new campaign to collect unpaid taxes from out-of-state companies. The program announced last month, is expected to bring in \$90 million during 1988-89.

O'Neill said the Transportation Fund budget went down because "one-shot" road-related programs need not be repeated in 1988-89.

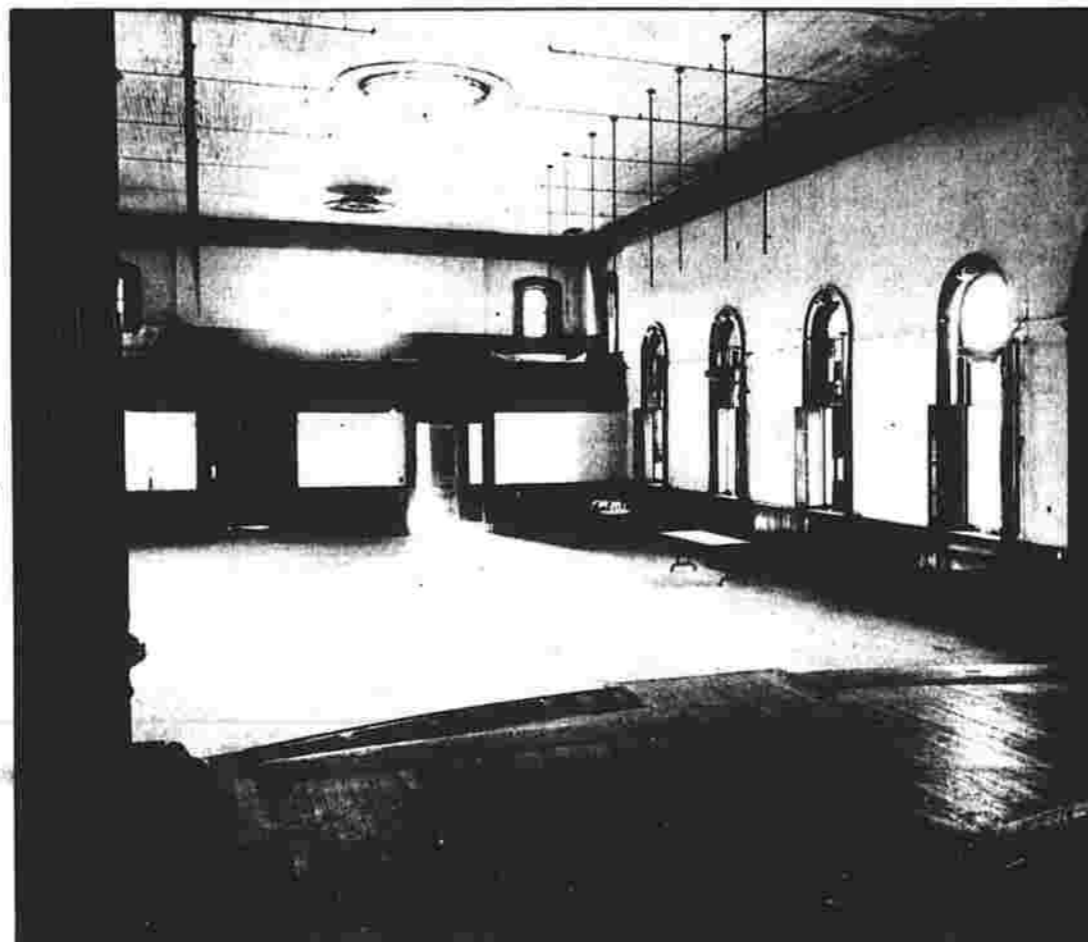
Among his proposals:
 

- \$100 million in bonding for housing programs.
- \$100 million in bonding for a five-year open space acquisition program.
- \$74 million in additional state aid to local schools.
- \$19 million for increased student financial aid.
- \$12 million for AIDS-related programs.
- \$40 million to be added to the Clean Water Fund.

Craftsmen and technicians worked into Tuesday night trying to finish renovations to the Hall of the House Representatives before the gavel pounded the morning, convening a session that marks the 350th year of representative government in Connecticut.

During the three-month session, legislators will be preoccupied with tax and spending bills.

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## O'Neill asks \$400G to aid Cheney Hall

STATE MAY HELP — Gov. William O'Neill has proposed that the state contribute \$400,000 to the fund for restoration of this building, Manchester's historic Cheney Hall. If the funds are provided, the Cheney Hall Foundation will almost have reached the \$1.2 million estimated cost of the renovation.

By Alex Girelli  
Manchester Herald

A \$400,000 state grant for completing the renovation of historic Cheney Hall is included in the budget proposal Gov. William O'Neill delivered to the General Assembly today.

State Rep. James McCavanagh, D-Manchester, announced the inclusion of the fund in the budget proposal early today, saying, "Gov. O'Neill always comes through for Manchester."

The \$400,000 item is part of the annual bonding authorization request submitted by the governor.

"I'm honored that he was so generous," McCavanagh said of the grant.

If the item survives in the budget, it will virtually ensure that renovation of the hall will be completed. All but about \$450,000 of the \$1.2 million needed for renovation has already been donated or pledged.

When Mary Blish, vice chairman of the Cheney Hall Campaign Committee, was told about the grant today, she said, "Oh, that's wonderful, fantastic."

"Let's hope the legislators agree," she said.

McCavanagh wrote to Gov. O'Neill last month asking him to provide some funds for the renovation. In his letter, McCavanagh said he realized that the state gets many requests to support community projects but he said, "I believe that this particular project and the valiant efforts of its many small supporters deserve special consideration."

Some of the \$755,000 pledged for the work so far has come from individual contributors and some from organizations that have made larger matching grants.

When the renovation is complete, the hall will be used as a community gathering place and a center for performances under the management of the Little Theatre of Manchester. Renovations to the exterior of the hall are complete. Only preliminary work has been done on the interior renovations. The Andrew Ansdick Co. is now at work on the basement of the hall under a \$73,800 contract.

The hall, on Hartford Road, in the center of the Cheney Historic District, and was built more than 100 years ago by the Cheney Bros. textile firm which dominated the economy of Manchester.

Asked today what effect the \$400,000 grant might have on future fund-raising efforts, Blish said that the requirements for funds keeping change as the work progresses and new needs are uncovered.

## Mall referendum need debated before Supreme Court

By Nancy Conzelmann  
Manchester Herald

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Washington, D.C., represented the MPOA, charged that the town violated the Town Charter and state and federal law by approving the bonding without a referendum. Beck quoted the Town Charter in the suit as saying, "No bonds or notes ... shall be issued ... until the project for which the bonds or notes are to be issued, has been favorably acted upon by the voters of the town at any

## Mall tax break plan revealed

By Andrew Yurkovsky  
Manchester Herald

The assessment on the proposed Mall at Buckland Hills will be fixed over a seven-year period at \$7 million if the town Board of Directors approves a tax abatement for the project, according to a tentative agreement revealed before the directors' meeting Tuesday night.

That fixed assessment is necessary to achieve the \$9.5 million tax break over seven years, which the developer is seeking from the town to help pay for public improvements around the \$70 million mall. While the assessment would be fixed, the same tax rate applied to other property owners would also apply to the mall.

Also Tuesday night, the town administration presented figures on projected revenues for the mall and related development, as well as the increased cost of town services. According to the estimates prepared by the Finance Department during the 18-year period from fiscal year 1989-90 to fiscal year 1998-99, the town would receive real estate and personal property taxes from the mall and related development of \$43,542,762 if the tax abatement were in effect.

The most optimistic projection by the Finance Department estimates the cost of town services resulting from the mall at \$13,114,126 during the 18-year period. That would leave the town with a gain of \$30,428,636.

The tax abatement is to take

### Food sampler debuts today

Every year, thousands of new food products are introduced. Some are just old friends sporting new flavors, but others are original items. It's rough on a shopper trying to decide what to buy. But now there's help. Beginning today, each Wednesday Food section of the Manchester Herald will carry "Supermarket Sampler," a review of three new products.

The column is written by Bonnie Tandy LeBlang, who won the 1987 Golden Carnation Award for the best nutrition writing in an American daily newspaper, and Carolyn Wyman, a newspaper feature writer and self-described junk food fanatic. Each gives her candid — and often completely conflicting — opinions. Today's column is on page 14.

### Kennedy confirmation unanimous

WASHINGTON (AP) — Anthony M. Kennedy, President Reagan's third choice to fill out the Supreme Court, was confirmed unanimously by the Senate today.

Liberals and conservatives alike praised Kennedy as a conservative judicial craftsman without a rigid ideology. He was approved on a vote of 97-0.

The 51-year-old appellate judge from California will become the 104th justice to sit on the nation's highest court.

### Sterns get custody of Baby M

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — New Jersey's highest court today awarded custody of the child once known as Baby M to her father and adoptive mother, William and Elizabeth Stern of Tenafly, but also held that the surrogate parenting contract under which she was born was invalid.

The New Jersey Supreme Court also said that Mary Beth Whitehead-Gould, who gave birth to the child under the contract, could continue to be permitted to visit her daughter.

### Soviet nuclear accident rumored

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Sweden's national news agency reported today that an accident apparently had occurred at a nuclear power plant in the Soviet Union. But the agency later said the report was based on rumors.

The dispatch by Tidningarnas Telegrambyrå prompted a denial by the Swedish Radiation Protection Agency. The International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna said it had no official report of an accident.

In Moscow, a Foreign Ministry official refused to confirm or deny the report.

## Police to get raise, holiday

By Alex Girelli  
Manchester Herald

The Manchester Police Union and the town reached a tentative contract agreement Tuesday that would give police a 20.5 percent salary hike over three years and designate Martin Luther King Day as a paid holiday.

The tentative agreement provides for 7 percent salary hikes in each of the first two years of the contract and 6 1/2 percent in the third year.

The agreement, if it is accepted by the union members, will avoid the necessity to go through a time-consuming fact-finding process.

Salary and the holiday issue were major stumbling blocks to working out an agreement. The police have been without a contract since the end of June.

Edward Wilson, president of the union, said today that while the union representatives and town administrative officials agreed verbally on tentative contract terms, nothing had been put in writing yet. He said he hopes to have a written proposal ready for study by union members and a vote Monday.

General Manager Robert Weiss said the union and town had tentatively agreed that the police will be equipped with steel nightsticks to replace the traditional blackjacks the administration wants to eliminate. Police officials fear that will be subject to a suit because there is no training available for use of the blackjack.

Deputy Police Chief Henry Minor said today the training for use of nightsticks is available.

Weiss and Wilson also said

### Snow and rain possible

There is a chance of snow tonight, probably beginning after midnight. The low temperature will be around 20. Thursday, snow mixing with freezing rain and sleet then changing to rain in the afternoon. High 30 to 35. Details on page 2.

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BRASSY CLASS — Tim Shumaker, 8th grade band president of Bennett Junior High School, plays a few notes on his trumpet for Darcy Hoagland, center, band president for Manchester High School and Jennifer Clark, 9th grade band president for Illing Junior High School, as the trio get set for a tri-band concert to be held at 7 p.m. Saturday at the high school.

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### Commission delays subdivision okay

By Nancy Concelmum  
Manchester Herald

The Planning and Zoning Commission Monday tabled action on a request for a 40-lot subdivision because of concerns that funds would not be available to maintain a detention basin for the site.

The developer, the Somerville Corp. of Manchester, requested approval of the 40-lot "Green Farms" subdivision located on a 14-acre parcel off Bidwell Street, across from the Meadows Convalescent Center. Somerville also requested approval of an erosion control plan and a wetlands floodplain permit to build a

detention basin on 16 acres next to the subdivision, land which will be transferred to the Manchester Land Trust.

Under an agreement with the Land Trust, Somerville would have maintained the basin for three years after construction was nearly finished and the title to the land had been transferred to the Land Trust. The company agreed to the commission's request that it amend the agreement with the Land Trust to say that the three-year maintenance period would begin after construction was complete.

Many of the commission members said they were afraid "That disturbs me," said commission member Ronald Gates. "I suppose there's no way we can make sure the Manchester Land Trust will have the funds to maintain it."

But Manchester attorney Herb Byk, who represented Somerville, said the most extensive maintenance would be required during construction, not after.

"I think the maintenance, if any, at this point (after construction) would be minimal," Byk said. "Certainly, by the end of this three-year period, this entire property should be stabilized."

Gates also said he was concerned that sediment from a chamber on the basin may run onto area roads or into Folly Brook. Zoning regulations for subdivisions require the use of part of the detention basin as a sediment chamber during construction.

"We've had trouble with sediment in that brook before," Gates said.

But Senior Planner Robert B. Hannon said the town will maintain the sedimentation structure.

### About Town

#### Chapman Court meets

Chapman Court, Order of Amaranth, will meet at 7:45 p.m. on Friday at the Masonic Temple on East Center Street. Officers there will wear colored gowns. There will be a short officer's meeting after the refreshments.

#### Registration set

Registration for kindergarten and grades 1-8 at St. James School will take place from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday. For more information, call the school at 643-5088.

#### Support offered

BOLTON — The Tourette Syndrome Support Group of Eastern Connecticut will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10 in the lounge of St. George's Episcopal Church, Route 44. Syndrome is a neurological disorder that results in twitching body movements. For more information, call John Holliger at 875-6929.

#### Concert slated

The Manchester Music Department will present the annual tri-band concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the high school auditorium. The program will feature the combined junior high school concert bands as well as the high school concert and jazz bands.

Guest conductor for the combined junior high school bands is Dr. Manuel Alvarez, dean of academic affairs at the Hart School of Music, West Hartford. Bisset Junior High School band is directed by James Hillie. The high school band is directed by Bridget Gilchrist. Admission is free.

#### Registration set

Registration for St. Bridget School grades K, 1 and through 8 will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. during Catholic Schools Week, Feb. 8 to 12, at the school office on Main Street. Open House will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 10, and from 9 a.m. to noon on Thursday, Feb. 11.

#### Writer's club meets

The Wit and Wisdom Writer's Club will meet at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 13, for the poetry meeting and at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 27 for the prose meeting, both held at the Whitton Memorial Library, North Main Street.

#### Pre-school clinic set

COVENTRY — A well-child clinic sponsored by the Community Health Care Services Inc. will be held from 8:45 to 11 a.m. on Thursday at St. Mary's Church, Children of Columbia, Andover, Coventry, Ashford, Chaplin and Scotland are eligible to receive immunization and routine physicals by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, call 228-9428.

#### Adults get fit

Fitness classes for adults are offered at the YWCA on North Main Street. Classes begin the week of Feb. 8 and range from light exercise to a vigorous workout.

### Science fair winners announced

Winners in the recent Illing Junior High School science fair have been announced. There were over 265 projects entered. The winners are:

- GRADE 7**
  - 1st place — Brian Rupons and Chris Miller
  - 2nd place — John Boves
  - 3rd place — James Ni
- GRADE 8**
  - 1st place — Don Burnett, Andy Lawrence-Billy, Hanson, Max Wilton, and James J. Corroll, Kristin Kubicki, James J. Corroll, Kristin Kubicki, Scott Thurston, Daniel Chapman, Steven Lyons.

Honorables mention: Lisa Shinnors and Noema Caspi.

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### Dr. Crane's Quiz

- When uttered aloud, which word suggests a creature named "Bruin"?  
DEAR HOARSE BARE YOU
- A lovely girl is often described in our American idiom as being "cute as"  
NEW YEAR'S EASTER THANKSGIVING CHRISTMAS
- Father Time is pictured with a tool that needs use of a  
HONEY FILE WHETSTONE EMERY WHEEL
- The color "green" suggests which emotional state?  
FEAR LOVE RAGE ENVY
- A furlong is most suggestive of which kind of race?  
BOBSLED AUTO HORSE YACHT

### Current Quotations

"I tell you truthfully tonight, there will be no second chances tomorrow." — President Reagan, in a speech for congressional support for his \$36.2 million aid package for the Contra rebels.

"There are people on the street who don't have a place to sleep or anything to eat. I'm doing this for them. This is a political act, not a criminal act." — James L. Harvey, before his arrest in a school hostage siege in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

"He said we wouldn't understand why he was doing it."

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### State gets 4 bids for new office

By Andrew J. Davis  
Manchester Herald

The state Department of Public Works has accepted four bids to house a satellite office of the Department of Mental Retardation in Manchester. Thomas H. Barnett, spokesman for public works, said Tuesday.

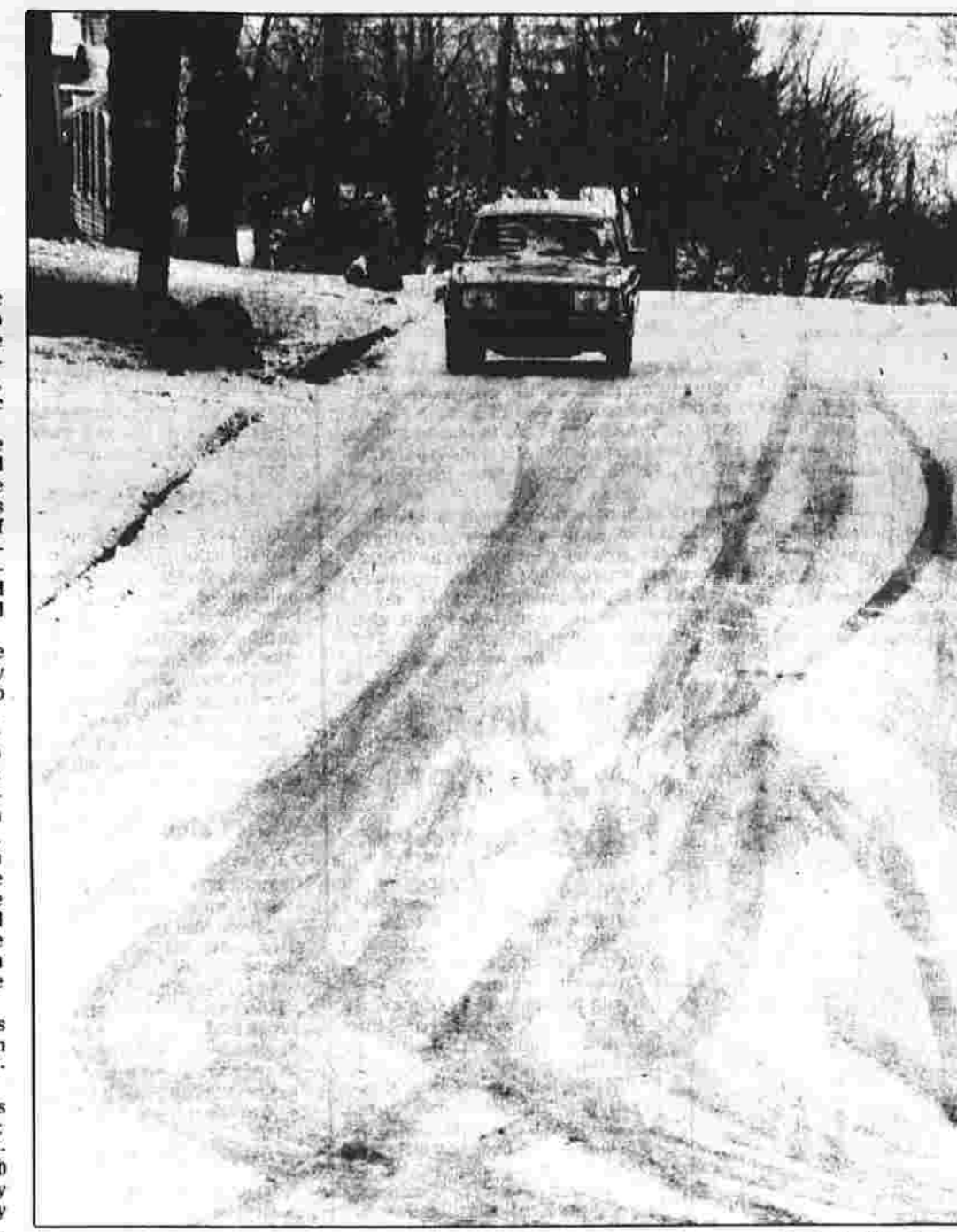
Four bids were accepted by the department when bidding closed last week. Barnett said. The mental retardation department is seeking about 4,800 square feet of office space with on-site reserved, paved and lighted parking for about 33 automobiles, said Thomas J. Sullivan, regional director for the department.

Barnett said he was not sure when a bid would be accepted by public works. He refused to disclose any of the amounts bid.

The mental retardation department's Region 3 office wants to move out of its Vernon office to a main regional office in Williamstown and to a satellite office in Manchester, Sullivan has said. The department is unhappy with its offices in Vernon because the offices are too small and because they are not central to Tolland and Windham counties, which the regional office serves along with Manchester and Marlborough, he said.

The mental retardation office is currently negotiating to open an 11,000-square-foot office in Williamstown, he said.

According to Barnett, the bids taken by public works include: office space owned by Grove-Manchester Associates at 210 Main St., office space owned by Barney Peterman Sr. and Barney Peterman Jr. at 545 N. Main St., office space owned by Robert G. and Martha-Paula Schneider at 222 McKee St., and office space owned by William J. and Jeanette D. Winingar at 697 Parker St.



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### Weiss rapped for appraisal deal

By Andrew Yurkovsky  
Manchester Herald

Town Director James F. "Dutch" Fogarty criticized Town Manager Robert B. Weiss Tuesday night, charging that Weiss' decision to have the town split the cost of appraising the value of the J.C. Penney Catalogue Distribution Center with the company might give the appearance of "collusion."

"We have a credibility problem all over town, and you're getting us there," Fogarty said during the meeting of the town Board of Directors in the Lincoln Center hearing room.

The town administration decided to split the \$12,000 cost of a private appraisal of the 2-million-square-foot building off Tolland Turnpike because of the large expense involved in performing the appraisal. The outside appraisal was performed by Ed Heberger Associates of Cheshire.

Weiss defended his decision Tuesday, noting the savings achieved by the town. But he also took the blame for not informing the Board of Directors of the arrangement.

"If there is any oversight in notifying the board, that oversight was mine," Weiss said. The value of Heberger's appraisal was not available this morning. The assessment had been fixed at \$11.3 million according to a tax abatement plan which ran out last year, and the town Assessor's Office is now completing a revaluation of property throughout town.

Deputy Assessor William Moon said today that appraisals are not made public until the town grand list is released. He said that it is not unusual for private appraisals to be called in for large jobs such as the J.C. Penney building.

Mayor Peter P. DiRosa Jr. said Monday that he was not aware of the administrator's decision to share the cost of the appraisal. Weiss said Tuesday, however, that he remembers informing the board of the arrangement, though only Director Barbara B. Weinberg recalls being told.

Republican Director Ronald Osella voiced support for Fogarty's criticism. Director Stephen T. Cassano, a Democrat, said that the appearance of a conflict of interest can be as much of a problem as a real conflict of interest, but he stopped short of criticizing Weiss.

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### No one knows why the lights went out

Northeast Utilities Co. officials still were searching today for the cause of a power failure Tuesday night that left 3,816 Manchester residents in the dark.

Cheryl Ducey, spokesman for Northeast Utilities, said today the outage has been traced to wires that fell off a utility pole on the intersection of West Center and McKee streets. It has not been determined why the wires fell.

Ducey said there was no vehicle accident at the intersection. The outage occurred at 7:48 p.m. and power was restored to 2,767 customers at 9:09 p.m., Ducey said. The remaining customers had their power restored at 11:55 p.m., she said.

Power was lost to customers mainly in the north and northwest ends of town. Ducey said. Among the town roads where power was completely or partially lost include: McKee Street, Broad Street, Adams Street, Hollister Street, Deer Run Trail, Ambassador Drive, West Middle Turnpike and Woodbridge Street.

The Manchester Police Station 1972 in the 500-square-foot building at 180 Spruce St. At that time McVeigh, who was 18, carried eight models of bicycles. In 1979 the shop was moved into the present site almost directly across the street at 183 Spruce St. The old site was used for storage.

"Moving to Main Street is an exciting move for us," said McVeigh this morning. "In the future I envision Main Street as being the center of specialty shops."

### Bike Shop relocating

By Nancy Pappas  
Manchester Herald

The Bike Shop, of 183 Spruce St., will relocate next month into the former Nichols Motorparts Inc. at 681 Main St.

The new building, which is 4,000 square feet, is five times as large as the old building. The shop currently occupies, said owner Jack McVeigh.

Jack and Debra McVeigh have purchased the 4,000-square-foot storefront from Seymour Kudlow. Kudlow had operated a motorcycle shop in that building from 1973 through 1983, and then had leased the building to Nichols, which had been in that store through the fall of 1987, according to McVeigh.

### Police space study postponed pending more information

By Andrew Yurkovsky  
Manchester Herald

The town Board of Directors voted unanimously Tuesday night to hold off funding for a space study for the police headquarters on East Middle Turnpike until police officials can provide the board with more information.

The present building is "tapped out" of space and may need to be expanded sometime in the future, Deputy Police Chief Henry "Bud" Minor told the board during its meeting in the Lincoln Center hearing room.

The department had proposed that Lawrence Associates of Manchester carry out the study, which would determine how the building can best be utilized and whether an addition may be needed. Lawrence Associates, which submitted a price of \$8,500 for the project, was one of five firms that responded to a request for proposals.

Director Barbara B. Weinberg asked that police officials provide information on past renovation work to the building, which has served as the department headquarters since 1955. Director Kenneth N. Tedford requested the department report back to the board with information on the

four other firms that submitted proposals for the study. In cost, Lawrence Associates ranked in the middle of the proposals, which ranged from \$3,900 to \$35,250. Minor said outside the hearing room that Lawrence Associates was chosen to do the study because it has done similar studies for other police departments.

The police department has received \$2,500 from the state Office of Policy and Management to help pay for the study. The remaining \$6,000 would be funded by the town.

Minor said that if the Board of Directors approves the appropriation at its meeting next week, the study could be finished by the end of March.

Among areas of the police station pressed for space are the records division and the locker room in the basement. Minor said. He said that there is only one shower in the locker room for expansion.

Portions of the police station were renovated just last year. Asking whether those renovations should have been delayed until the space study was conducted, Minor said, "You take what you can and do what you can when you got it."

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### Committee to review fair rent ordinance

By Nancy Pappas  
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Mayor Peter P. DiRosa Jr. appointed three members of the town Board of Directors on Tuesday to a committee to review a proposed ordinance that would govern the town's Fair Rent Commission.

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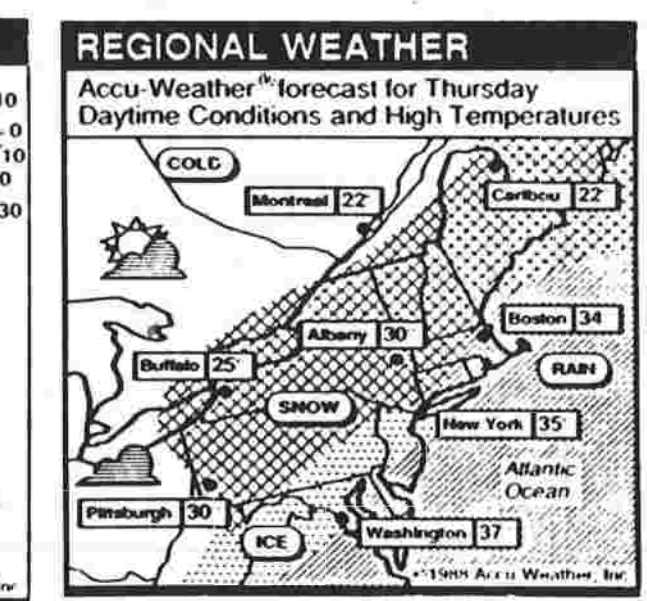
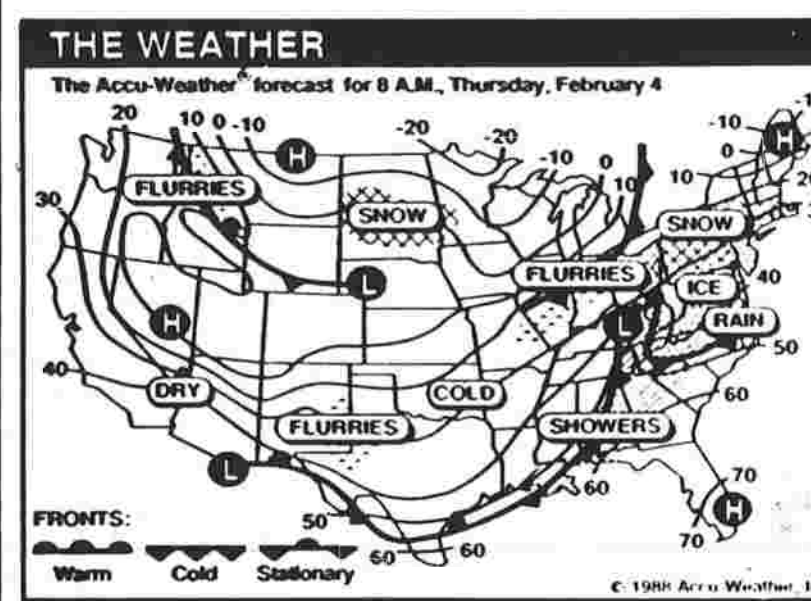
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### Storm spreads snow across Western states

By The Associated Press

A winter storm in the Southwest brought heavy snow to the mountains of Colorado today and spread to the central Plains states after dumping up to 16 inches of snow in the mountains of northern Arizona.

The storm, which left 13 inches of snow at Flagstaff and 16 inches at Williams, Ariz., prompted a winter storm warning today for 8 to 14 inches in southwestern Colorado, with up to 2 feet possible in some areas.

Advisories for snow were in effect through this afternoon for southern sections of Kansas, with 3 to 6 inches of snow expected.

Light snow extended from southeastern Minnesota across eastern Iowa into central Wisconsin early today, and a winter storm watch for 4 to 8 inches of snow was posted for much of northern and central Illinois through tonight.

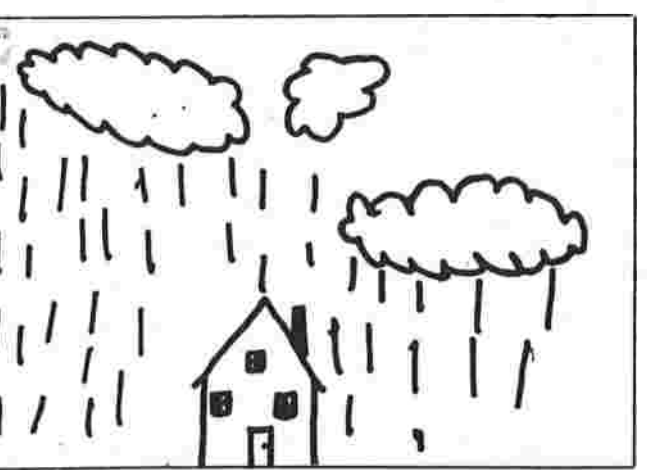
While rain showers leading an arctic cold front extended from southern New England and the mid-Atlantic Coast across the central Gulf Coast states to coastal Texas.

Today's forecast called for snow from the central Rockies through the central Plains and the lower Missouri Valley to the lower Great Lakes region, heavy at times across southern Kansas and west-central Missouri into west-central Illinois. Freezing rain should be widespread from central Oklahoma through southwest Missouri and central Illinois to west-central Indiana.

Rain showers should be widespread from the lower Mississippi Valley and Arkansas through the Tennessee and Ohio valleys into the middle Atlantic states and the Carolinas. Rain will be likely from the lower Ohio Valley into central North Carolina. Snow showers should be scattered across the northern Rockies.

High temperatures should be in the 20s, 30s or 40s across much of the nation; around zero across the northern Plains into northern Minnesota; the teens from the northern Rockies into the central Plains and northern Great Lakes.

An advisory for freezing drizzle or freezing rain was in effect from the Texas and Oklahoma panhan-



Today's weather picture was drawn by John Bukowski, who lives on McKee Street and attends Verplanck School.

### CONNECTICUT WEATHER

Central, Eastern Interior, Southwest Interior: Tonight, becoming cloudy. A chance of snow, probably beginning after midnight. Low around 20. Thursday, snow mixing with freezing rain and sleet then changing to rain in the afternoon. High 30 to 35.

West Coastal, East Coastal: Tonight, becoming cloudy. A chance of snow, most likely after midnight. Low 25 to 30. Thursday, snow changing to rain in the morning. High 35 to 40.

Northwest Hills: Tonight, becoming cloudy with a chance of snow, most likely late at night. Low in the teens. Thursday, snow mixing with sleet or freezing rain in the afternoon. High around 30.

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# Campaign-financing plan in doubt

By Brent Lovmon  
The Associated Press

HARTFORD — One of the Legislature's leading advocates of direct public financing of political campaigns says he is disappointed that a legislative task force will likely stop short of fully endorsing the idea. Instead, members of the Task Force on Public Finance of the Legislature will likely recommend "indirect" public financing, task force Chairman John Rathgeber said Tuesday.

Although details must still be worked out, indirect financing might include the state's buying air time for candidates' debates or giving each candidate a "media voucher" for advertisements, said Rathgeber. "I think that's a very creative, imaginative idea," Rep. Joseph Courtney, D-Vernon, a task force member, said Tuesday. "But I think we could have gone one step further." The General Assembly last year rejected public financing of campaigns and instead created the task force to study that and other election reforms. Task force members met Tuesday and

agreed on three recommendations to be included in a draft report that will be voted on Feb. 11, Rathgeber said. The other two recommendations are:   
• A ban on campaign contributions from lobbyists while the General Assembly is in session.   
• Computerization of campaign finance reports filed with the secretary of the state's office to make them easier to analyze.   
The task force must submit its final report to the General Assembly by Feb. 15. Rathgeber, who is also executive vice president of the 6,300-member Connecticut Business and Industry Association, said he envisioned the indirect public financing as a means to keep the public informed by ensuring that all candidates get at least some opportunity to air their views. Donald Downes, director of policy and legislative affairs for the House Republican Caucus, said he opposed direct public financing because he didn't believe Connecticut's legislative campaigns are costly enough to deny a serious candidate access to the

# Legislators using staff for politics

HARTFORD (AP) — Despite warnings from the state auditors, legislative caucus leaders are still using staffers for work the auditors say should be paid for by funds other than taxpayer dollars. Auditor Leo V. Donohue said Tuesday that caucus staff members should not be doing such work as preparing, duplicating and distributing news releases about presidential candidates. Earlier in the day, Democratic caucus staffers had put together a release about Democratic presidential candidate Michael S. Dukakis, on behalf of House Speaker Irving J. Stolberg and Senate President Pro Tem John B. Larson.



# Bill slated on hunter harassment

HARTFORD (AP) — A state legislator would like to introduce new legislation that would make a federal judge's finding "unconstitutionally vague" in a law barring harassment of hunters. Judge Alan H. Nevas struck up in court, Monday, stating that the state could enact a law protecting hunters from harassment. Hunter Harassment Act, adopted by the legislature in 1985, was not a "properly tailored statute."

# NEW EQUIPMENT — State Rep. Paul Gionfriddo, D-Middletown, checks the new equipment on his desk at the Capitol on Tuesday. The Hall of the House has been refurbished as part of the restoration of the Capitol.

# Gionfriddo still pressing for censure of Migliaro

HARTFORD (AP) — State Rep. Paul Gionfriddo said Tuesday he intends to press for legislative passage of a resolution calling for the censure of state Rep. Eugene A. Migliaro Jr., who publicly referred to homosexuals as "lollipops." House Speaker Irving J. Stolberg said earlier this week that the two lawmakers should sit down and settle the matter between them to avoid debate on the House floor that could be uncomfortable for everyone. Gionfriddo, D-Middletown, said Migliaro needs to talk to the homosexual community, not to him. "I'm really not the one that Rep. Migliaro offended," Gionfriddo said. "If he sat down with (leaders of the homosexual community) and apologized to them, then I would consider withdrawing this."

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# Connecticut In Brief

**L'Amblance criminal case possible**  
NEW HAVEN — An official of the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration has recommended that criminal charges be filed in last year's deadly collapse of the L'Amblance Plaza apartment complex in Bridgeport. "The regional administrator (in Boston) recommended we should consider criminal prosecution," Frank White, U.S. deputy assistant labor secretary for OSHA, said Tuesday. "It is an internal memo and I will not get more specific," he said. White would not say which contractors or subcontractors may be charged. He made his remarks Tuesday in Washington to the New Haven Register outside a congressional hearing room where John Pendergrass, assistant labor secretary and head of OSHA, was answering questions about the agency's efforts to inspect construction sites.

# UConn to reduce freshman class

STORRS — The University of Connecticut will cut its freshman class at the main campus by about 400 students next fall to prevent dormitory crowding it had this past year, the school announced. UConn plans to accept fewer high school seniors to reduce the number of freshmen in campus housing from 2,600 to 2,200, Director of Admissions Ann G. Quinley said Tuesday. Carole A. Wiggins, vice president for student affairs and services, said the university does not want students squeezed into converted studies or "temporary triples" as they were last fall. Quinley said the university will accept more students to its branch campuses, about 3,000 this year, compared with 2,700 a year ago.

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# Ex-lecturer gets citizenship review

NEW HAVEN — A federal appeals court has cleared the way for a former Yale lecturer to seek a U.S. Supreme Court review of a ruling that stripped him of his U.S. citizenship for collaborating with the Nazis in World War II. Brian Gildea, the New Haven attorney for Vladimir Sokolov, said Tuesday he will ask the Supreme Court to consider his client's case. Gildea said he expects the Supreme Court to decide by June whether it will hear Sokolov's appeal. In June 1986, U.S. Judge Thomas P. Murphy in Waterbury ordered that Sokolov be stripped of his citizenship for concealing his background as a Nazi collaborator from U.S. immigration officials. Sokolov, a Milford resident, admitted during the trial that he wrote anti-Semitic and anti-Allied Forces articles for a Nazi-controlled newspaper in the Soviet Union between 1942 and 1944.

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# REAL ESTATE TODAY

By Carl A. Zinsser  
Carl A. Zinsser Agency

# TALK TO YOUR REALTOR

Almost every week, we hear a Realtor tell an anguished tale of working for months with buyers who say they really want a specific kind of home, say a classic house built in traditional style. Then they buy a sleek contemporary! "Maybe what was most important was the high-tech kitchen or the wooded lot, and these could have counted for more than the style of the house itself. To save you time and to spare you from being shown dozens of homes that are completely inappropriate to your needs, talk to your Realtor! Tell him or her what you need. What kind of furniture do you have? Do you have any hobbies that must be accommodated? Are you handy enough to take on major fix-up projects, or do you want a home in move-in condition? What do you like or dislike about your current house?"

# Victory elusive for Contra aid

By George Gaddo  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — After seven years of armed struggle, the Nicaraguan Contra rebels are finding that the most difficult hill to capture is Capitol Hill. President Reagan has expended wads of political capital in support of the rebels during this period, but as this evening's House vote on \$36.2 million in Contra aid approached, opposition to the insurgents remained deep and steadfast. The Democrats were confident of victory, the Republicans were hopeful last-minute vote switches would push them over the top. The president's aides are flabbergasted at the willingness of House Democrats to provide aid to Afghan rebels half a world away while looking on the Contras more as lepers than as liberators. Aid critics are incredulous that the administration would, as they see it, sabotage hopeful moves toward peace and democracy in the region. Not since the Vietnam war has this city been so polarized. Each side looks on the other as the enemy of peace and freedom in Central America. Each is convinced that victory for the other side means the Central American peace process will come undone. Each claims that the

# News Analysis

other's policy will lead ultimately to the deployment of American ground troops in Central America. Hawks see a parallel between the current situation in Central America and the one 50 years ago when the British attempt at appeasing Nazi Germany ended in global disaster. Doves see a different parallel: 25 years ago, American support for South Vietnam began picking up steam. The eventual result a decade later was defeat and 58,000 dead Americans. It was in 1963 that an obscure senator from South Dakota named George McGovern spoke out against American military involvement in Southeast Asia, using the same arguments that his modern day sympathizers allies are using against more aid for the Contras. Reagan has been unable to forge a consensus behind his theory that small, poor Nicaragua poses a potential threat to American security. The nature of his problem — the same one which dogged Hitler's opponents in the 1930s — is that his theory is unprovable unless the apocalypse actually

occurs, namely the communization of Central America and Mexico. He views Nicaragua more as a cause than a country. He sees President Daniel Ortega as more beholden to Moscow and Havana than to his own people. If the Soviet Union could provide \$475 million in military aid in 1987 to the Sandinistas, as the administration claims, is it unreasonable to provide \$36.2 million in mostly non-lethal aid for the Contras, Reagan asks. Ortega has been undercutting Reagan's pitch lately, sounding downright Jeffersonian at times in proclaiming his fidelity to the democratic principles enshrined in the Central American peace plan that he and four other regional presidents signed last August. Among other measures, he has agreed to lift a six-year old state of emergency, disbanded a highly politicized court system and pardoned some 10,000 sympathizers. Reagan has argued that Ortega can easily reverse all his reform measures, but Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., a leading Contra aid opponent, believes the Sandinistas deserve more credit than the White House gives them. "Every time the Sandinistas make a concession, the White House sees it as a major setback," Dodd says.

# Veep packs a pistol for gun debate



CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — Vice President George Bush was packing a five-shot pistol when he appeared at a candidates' forum before New Hampshire gun owners. It was the perfect accessory for a visit with the group. In a crowded session, the same group booped George H.W. Bush and John Anderson into silence for his support for gun licensing. Gun control was the topic again Tuesday night, and the six GOP presidential contenders all hastened to come out against it. "I'm opposed to gun control. I opposed gun control as a member of Congress. I opposed gun control as a governor," said former Delaware Gov. Pete du Pont. "My idea of gun control is a steady aim," declared Rep. Jack Kemp of New York, a favorite of the Gun Owners of New Hampshire. "You tie up the honest people with red tape and the crooks just laugh," Bush said of gun licensing efforts. Former television evangelist Pat Robertson read the text of the Second Amendment to the Constitution, which ensures the right to keep and bear arms, and then said: "I grew up with firearms. I shot expert with a Browning automatic rifle. I scored 900 on the M-1 rifle. I am familiar with the .32-caliber pistol and the .45-caliber pistol." Senate GOP leader Bob Dole, seriously

# U.S./World In Brief

**FBI is under increasing attack**  
WASHINGTON — The FBI is under increasing attack for its surveillance of Americans opposed to the Reagan administration's Central American policies, and even bureau director William Sessions says the probe was not always "properly directed."

# 1988 is the year for Mars mania

MIAMI (AP) — This year, Mars makes its closest approach to Earth in a generation, and astronomers say the red planet's appearance in the night sky may be the astronomical event of 1988. As if to demonstrate the heavens have a sense of humor, the height of the show comes in September, just shy of the 50th anniversary of Orson Welles' 1938 "War of the Worlds" broadcast that panicked the nation with fictional reports of invaders from Mars. "I see 1988 as a great Martian adventure," said Jack Kunkelheimer, 48, a physics teacher at the University of Florida's Broadcasting System and executive director of Miami's Space Transit Planetarium. "I'm like a kid in a candy store."

# Mexico defends anti-drug program

MEXICO CITY — The head of the government's anti-drug program said the United States should stop accusing Mexico of corruption and praise its efforts to stem the flow of illegal drugs into the United States. The comments by Attorney General Sergio Garcia Ramirez were another expression of Mexico's frustration and anger at what it considers unfair charges by U.S. authorities and media that widespread corruption in Mexico promotes drug smuggling into the United States. "We are waging a battle to benefit them (the United States)," Garcia Ramirez said Tuesday in an interview with The Associated Press. "This is costing us money, human lives, resources."

# Ancient tree focus of city debate

CHARLESTON, S.C. — The Dark Ages were just beginning when Angel Oak sprouted from an acorn. But 15 centuries later, the tree is the focus of a modern-day debate over private ownership vs. public benefit. Mayor Joseph P. Riley Jr. wants to acquire the oak and make it the centerpiece of a city park, using the city's power of eminent domain to condemn property owned by S.E. "Speedy" Felkel. But Felkel, a real estate developer who erected a fence around Angel Oak 12 years ago and charges visitors \$1 to see it, says no amount of compensation the city offers will be enough.

# Nurses' strike cancels surgery

LONDON — Hospitals canceled non-emergency surgery today and refused some new patients as thousands of nurses walked off the job to demand higher pay and more money for Britain's government-run health care system. Mayor Joseph P. Riley Jr. wants to acquire the oak and make it the centerpiece of a city park, using the city's power of eminent domain to condemn property owned by S.E. "Speedy" Felkel. But Felkel, a real estate developer who erected a fence around Angel Oak 12 years ago and charges visitors \$1 to see it, says no amount of compensation the city offers will be enough.

# MAKE MY DAY — Vice President George Bush holds a .22-caliber pistol Tuesday night, during a presidential candidates' forum sponsored by the Gun Owners of New Hampshire.

# Hodel vs. Herrington

Interior, Energy secretaries in Cabinet tiff

WASHINGTON (AP) — Verbal warfare has broken out between two members of President Reagan's Cabinet, with Interior Secretary Donald P. Hodel saying Energy Secretary John Herrington should worry more about the job at hand than his future employment prospects. Hodel last summer surprised just about everyone with his proposal to remove the O'Shaughnessy Dam on the Tuolumne River in California's Yosemite National Park. Now he's sprung another surprise with his explanation of why Herrington opposes removal of the dam. Herrington, according to Hodel, said it will hurt his job-hunting prospects in the San Francisco area when the Reagan administration leaves office. To which Herrington's spokesman, Doug Elmets, laughs and says: "That's absurd."

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# Abortion counselors losing aid

HARTFORD (AP) — Thirteen family planning clinics in Connecticut stand to lose more than \$1 million in federal funding if they defy new regulations barring such clinics from counseling a woman that abortion is one way to deal with an unwanted pregnancy. Pro-choice advocates in Connecticut on Tuesday denounced the new regulations as an assault on the rights of poor women. "It puts us in a terrible position of not really being able to be truthful and open with our clients," Susan L. Yolen, director of public affairs for Planned Parenthood of Connecticut, said during a news conference at the state Capitol. "And again, it's poor clients," she said. "Well-to-do people who have insurance and go to see

private doctors are not going to be affected by this." The regulations were published Tuesday in the Federal Register on order of President Reagan. Some of them could take effect as early as March 3 barring court intervention. Yolen expressed hope that a temporary restraining order can be obtained so clinics can continue counseling women about abortion while the matter is litigated.

The National Family Planning and Reproductive Health Association announced in Washington Tuesday that lawyers had filed suits in Boston attacking the new rules. The suit asserts that the standards are counter to the intent of Congress as expressed in the family planning program created 10 years ago and discussed

subsequently on various committees as well as on the floors of the House and Senate. It also alleges the rules would violate the constitutional rights of poor women dependent on federal family planning clinics for health care.

Thirteen family planning clinics in Connecticut received a total of nearly \$1.2 million in federal money in 1986, according to Planned Parenthood clinics. Yolen estimated that the clinics counsel nearly 65,000 women every year, including 20,000 sexually active teenagers.

# Auditor raps ethics rule

HARTFORD (AP) — The Ethics Commission misinterpreted the Connecticut ethics code in clearing a state senator who appointed his father to a \$15,000-a-year job as his constituent aide, state Auditor Leo V. Donohue has charged.

The Ethics Commission on Monday also found no conflict of interest in Rep. Doreen DeBlancio's dual role as vice chairman of the legislature's Labor Committee and her job as a labor negotiator for the Connecticut State Employees Association. The union represents about 5,000 state employees and another 8,500 retirees.

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# OPINION

## An obvious conflict in appraisal

The town may have saved itself \$6,000 by getting the J.C. Penney Co. to pay half the cost of a tax appraisal of the J.C. Penney Catalog Distribution Center in the Buckland Industrial Park, but it should have been obvious from the start that the idea was a bad one.

It is strange that town administrative officials did not see the potential for a serious conflict of interest from the beginning.

The appraisal is to be used by the town to set the tax assessment for the warehouse in the townwide reevaluation now in progress. When that assessment is made, J.C. Penney has the right to appeal it in court.

In the event of such an appeal, any appraisal, the cost of which was shared by parties in dispute, would obviously be invalid as evidence. The explanation by Town Manager Robert Weiss and Tax Assessor J. Richard Vincent that new, independent appraisals could be made if there is litigation is not persuasive.

There are sometimes unusual problems in municipal administration that call for unusual solutions, but there is nothing unusual about establishing the tax assessment for a parcel of real property.

The development of the Buckland Industrial Park was a cooperative venture between the town, J.C. Penney and others. The tax revenue benefits that have stemmed from that cooperation are undeniable.

But when the spirit of cooperation that brought about the development of the park is carried over to the appraisal of the J.C. Penney property for tax purposes, it gives the appearance of collusion, as town Director Stephen T. Cassano noted.

In the reevaluation matter, the interest of the two parties are clearly divergent.

In light of the widespread public perception that the negotiations now under way between the town and the Homeart Development Co. over the proposed mall in Buckland are somehow designed to favor the developer at the expense of the taxpayers, a more orthodox approach to the J.C. Penney assessment would have been wiser.

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## Open Forum

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## It's bedtime for presidents

WASHINGTON — George Bush has already been president of the United States. It says so in his campaign biography. The day was July 13, 1985, and for eight hours, while Ronald Reagan was undergoing intestinal surgery, Bush was acting president.

What the resume doesn't say is that during his eight hours at the top, Bush slipped during a tennis game, banged his head and was out of commission for part of the time Reagan was under anesthesia.

"Out of commission" is the only way to reconcile disputed accounts of this previously unreported incident. Our sources, including high-level White House officials, told Dale Van Atta that Bush was reportedly "unconscious" for a time. But a top Bush press aide said he never

"incapacitated," though he did "sleep it (the injury) off."

On the day when Bush carried the ball for the president and the country, he fumbled it, said a White House source, familiar with the incident.

The "ball" he referred to is not figurative. "Football" is the nickname for the attaché case and codes that allow the president to order a nuclear retaliatory strike on the Soviet Union. While Reagan was on the operating table, Bush had the case and the codes.

Here is what happened: July 12, 1985 — Reagan was admitted to the Bethesda Naval Hospital for examination of a polyp in his intestine. Bush flew off for a vacation at his house in Kennebunkport, Maine.

During the exam, a second growth was found and Reagan decided to have it removed the following day.

July 13, 9:30 a.m. — Bush left Kennebunkport on Air Force Two, feeling he should be near the president while he had the job of acting president.

10:35 a.m. — Reagan signed letters to then-House Speaker Tip O'Neill and then-Senate President Pro Tempore Strom Thurmond. The letters said Bush would be in charge while Reagan was in surgery and under the anesthesia. Reagan quipped to Nancy, "I'm signing these letters, but you're still my first lady."

11:28 a.m. — Reagan went under anesthesia and Bush became acting president. A top-secret exchange of nuclear codes and authority was made over secure communications to Bush who was still aboard Air Force Two. His finger was on the button then.

Non — Bush arrived at Andrews Air Force Base and was to reside at the Naval Observatory in Washington. He later told reporters he passed the day reading and talking on the telephone.

Nothing, that is, unless you're talking President Gerald Ford, the king of the pratfalls. Sometimes during the afternoon, while Bush was playing tennis, "he slipped and hit his head, but was not incapacitated," a Bush aide told us. "It wasn't serious enough to be checked," he said. He simply "sleep it off." Bush never mentioned the accident when he told the press how he spent his day at the helm.

A high-level White House official said that, at the time, Bush's people confided to him by phone that "while he (Bush) was commander-in-chief, he was out playing tennis and he got knocked out." Other sources, who also claimed Bush was unconscious, suggested that the vice president's aide who portrayed him as taking a snooze afterward was not telling the whole truth.

7:22 p.m. — Reagan woke up and, though still on painkillers, was asked if he was ready to assume the powers from Bush. "Gimme a pen!" Reagan exclaimed.

Bush's seven hours and 54 minutes as acting president were over.

Today, Bush's two-page campaign biography notes his role as "acting president," but it falsely states that this was "an historic transfer of authority from President Reagan on the 25th Amendment to the Constitution." Reagan deliberately did not invoke the 25th Amendment, fearing that he might set a precedent requiring a transfer of power when a future president had to undergo anesthesia for something minor, such as dental work.

The only thing historic about the transfer of authority was the fact that both president and vice president may have been out of commission at the same time.

Transfusion dangers

A confidential CIA report says the Red Cross is doing "all that is technically feasible at present" to make sure people don't get AIDS from a blood transfusion. But the risk is not yet zero. The Red Cross screens out the blood donors who fall in the high-risk categories for AIDS, and it tests all donated blood for the AIDS virus. The system isn't "fail-safe," according to the CIA medical report, because AIDS cannot be detected in its early stages. The chances are remote, but a blood donor in that stage could slip by the Red Cross screening.

Primerica reports Musciland offers

GREENWICH (AP) — Primerica Corp. says it has received indications from companies that may want to acquire its Musciland Group.

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# BUSINESS

## Study insists housing affordable

By James Little The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Home-buying "baby boomers" are older and have a smaller household but want more room than their counterparts of a decade ago, and they'll pay more than twice as much for it, a study released today says.

"If there is any one highlight, it would be our finding that there is no housing affordability crisis. There is ample housing available for a wide range of incomes," said Mike Wilson, associate director of research for the Chicago-based U.S. League of Savings Institutions.

The national median price of a home in 1987 was \$95,000, more than double the \$44,000 of a decade ago, according to the study.

The San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose area, the most expensive of 15 metropolitan areas surveyed by the league in 1977, retained that distinction in 1987. The median cost of a home here last year was \$169,347, up from \$72,000 a decade ago.

During the period, the largest increase in the cost of a house was recorded in the New York-New Jersey-Long Island area, where a one-person household drove the median price to \$142,400 from \$48,500.

At \$71,500, Pittsburgh provided the lowest 1987 median price of the 15 metropolitan areas surveyed. Houston showed the lowest rate of appreciation among the areas, climbing 36 percent from \$46,900 in 1977 to \$73,000 last year.

"The national median (price) was \$95,000, but that means that 50 percent of the houses sold for below that," Wilson said. "That means that people, to some degree, must be willing to move into what they can afford."

A typical home buyer in 1977 — when the league conducted its first study — was 32.4 years old, married, and part of a household that included three or more people, but depended only on a single wage-earner.

By 1987, that same home buyer was older (37) and less likely to be married (74 percent vs. 83 percent in 1977), and more likely to be single (26 percent vs. 17 percent in 1977).

And for the first time, the majority came from a one- or two-person household (53.6 percent vs. 45.8 percent in 1977) and depended on a second wage-earner (54.5 percent vs. 47.2 percent).

The second source of income helped boost the 1987 home buyer's median income to \$46,000, more than twice the \$22,700 the 1977 counterpart would have earned.

But the 1987 buyer paid more than double the 1977 median price, and his monthly costs skyrocketed accordingly — to \$822 to cover the mortgage payment, real-estate taxes, utilities and insurance. The 1977 costs were \$400.

The 1987 home buyer caught a break in the amount of income required to cover those costs. In 1977, 37 percent of home buyers' median income to meet monthly obligations. After reaching a high of 45 percent in 1979, the percentage of homeowners devoting more than a quarter of their

income to housing costs declined steadily to 30.5 percent last year. The number of single home buyers was 28 percent last year, compared with 17 percent in 1977.

Data were gathered from a sampling of 22,000 loan applications made by homeowners at savings and loan institutions.

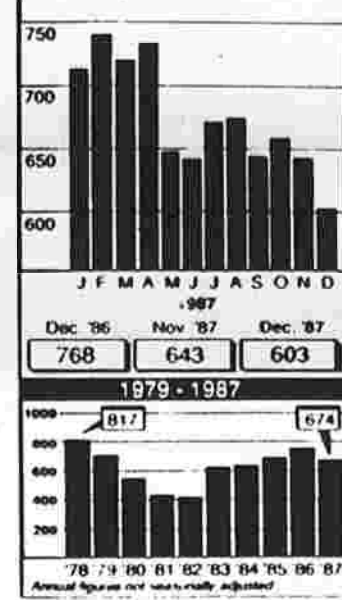
"What we've found tends to confirm many popular conceptions about both the economy and demographics," Wilson said. "The baby boomers are graying, they appear to be delaying having families, and they have higher disposable incomes."

"Further, increases in the value of housing tends to follow prosperity. Almost all the metropolitan areas — except Houston and Dallas, probably because they're oil-based economies tended to show significant increases," he said.

Because the next wave of buyers' members of what mortgage lenders call the "baby bust" generation — will be fewer in number, the study predicted prices will moderate.

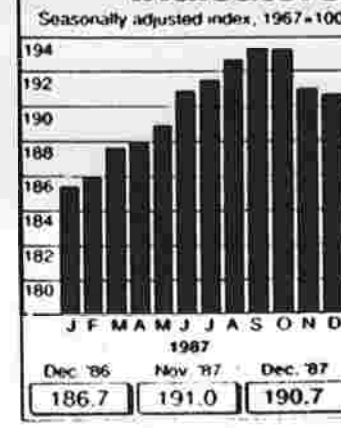
## New Home Sales

Seasonally adjusted annual rate, thousands of units



## Leading Indicators

Seasonally adjusted index, 1967=100



## Stocks & politics: Put-downs are polite

By Dave Skidmore The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Black Monday was bad, but it had one virtue: The worst was over in hours.

The long gray war in its wake is still going on, but what this one lacks in brevity it makes up for in bombast.

In this battle, the weapons are words and statistics, not guns and knives.

Bang. The Commodity Futures Trading Commission fires an inch-thick report. Its conclusion: investor psychology, not computerized trading in the futures markets, caused the Black Monday market crash last October.

The SEC regulates the New York stock market. The CFTC oversees the Chicago futures markets. It may be just a coincidence that each agency, with some digressions, is adopting the stance of the industry it regulates.

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Itself reported to the Federal Reserve Board or some sort of newly created coordinating agency.

There is nice language in this war. Senators begin their attacks on a report by a presidential task force, headed by former New Jersey Sen. Nicholas Brady, saying, "I would commend you, Mr. Brady, for a very fine report."

The SEC politely refers to the largest one-day percentage loss in stocks since World War I as "the market break." The CFTC talks of "the activity during October."

Only the General Accounting Office, an arm of Congress, calls the crash a crash. Congress loves crisis.

Its committees have been falling over each other to get a piece of it.

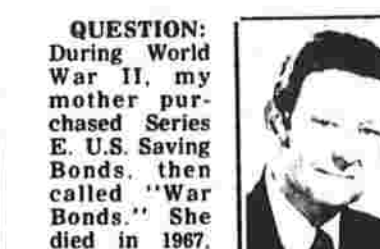
In the House, both the Banking Committee and the Energy and Commerce Committee compete for attention.

In the Senate, the Banking Committee oversees all matters financial, from Wall Street raiders to the corner savings and loan.

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## It's complicated, but replacements can be issued for War Bonds



### Investors' Guide

William A. Doyle

QUESTION: During World War II, my mother bought Series E, U.S. Savings Bonds, then called "War Bonds." She died in 1967, without ever cashing any of the bonds. I thought my sister had the bonds. She thought I had them. We recently realized that neither of us has them.

ANSWER: Write to the Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third St., Parkersburg



# FOCUS

## It's time to shoot some myths about the taxman

As the April federal income-tax date nears, concern is mounting about the 1986 Tax Reform Act (TRA) — with fears about audits leading the list of worries. Many of you are actually panicking about the uncertainties.



Sylvia Porter

**MYTH:** Because of the federal budget deficit and new penalties imposed by the TRA, many more of you will be audited on your 1987 returns than in previous years.  
**REALITY:** Your chances of an audit remain virtually unchanged from year to year, reports the tax staff of Matthew Bender & Co., and the reform act has not changed this fact. Only a small percentage of returns are audited each year. In 1986, only 2 percent of returns were audited. This was actually down from the 2.13 percent audited in 1985.

**MYTH:** Because of the new law, more IRS examiners instead of computers will be looking for offenders than in the past. Prior to this year, computers randomly selected potential offenders and often missed a few.

**REALITY:** The chances are that your return has been scrutinized in the past — and you didn't even know it. There are certain "triggers" that increase your chances of gaining IRS attention. For 1987, triggers include abusive tax shelters,

claims made by individuals who live abroad, and those who are self-employed.

The TRA has not altered the method of identifying audit prospects. A computerized program called the DIF (Discriminate Function System) is used to select most returns tagged for an audit.

**MYTH:** Because of the reform act, the IRS can exercise its privileges by requesting any information it pleases from a citizen being audited.

**REALITY:** Your rights of privacy have (not) been scrutinized in the past — and you didn't even know it. There are certain "triggers" that increase your chances of gaining IRS attention. For 1987, triggers include abusive tax shelters,

professional (CPA or lawyer) who will best be suited to counsel you on tax law and its requirements.

**MYTH:** The new law has extended the period during which an audit can be made. You should save your personal tax records for at least 15 years.

**REALITY:** While it's always a good idea to keep records handy for as many years as possible, the IRS has three years from the time you file to make an audit. While the three-year limit carries some exceptions, for example, the IRS can call for a six-year period of audit if it proves that a taxpayer omitted at least 25 percent of his income, the burden of proof is on the IRS.

**MYTH:** The TRA has reduced many penalties, along with many taxes.

**REALITY:** Many penalties have been increased under the reform law, pursuing the IRS theory that more and harsher penalties will improve taxpayer compliance. Penalties will be levied for: • Substantial understatement of tax (doubled from 10 percent to 20 percent of tax underpayment).

• Failure to pay tax on time (doubled from .5 percent per month to 1 percent per month in certain situations).  
In addition, the civil fraud penalty has been

reformulated. The penalty is now 75 percent of that portion of the underpayment attributable to fraud, plus one-half of the interest on the underpayment attributable to fraud. This is higher than in the past.

**MYTH:** The new law limits the taxpayer's right to question or fight an audit.

**REALITY:** You have many options in tax audit situation, and the TRA has not hindered them in any way. You can always ask the agent to specify any areas of your return which he is interested in checking. You can also delegate your power of attorney to your lawyer or CPA to have your case professionally represented.

Also, don't be too quick to accept an adjustment during an audit. If an agent says he intends to propose an adjustment of an item by disallowing a deduction, credit or exemption, you do not have to agree with him. You should tell him you need time to think about it, or to get legal advice, then ask him to move on to the next item.

**MYTH:** You can expect to see many agents during your audit.

**REALITY:** You will basically be working with one agent. If your agent shows up with a partner, there may be the possibility that the government suspects fraud. If this is so, break off the session and set up a meeting with your attorney.

## Run from prenuptial pact

**DEAR ABBY:** I read with interest the letter from "Parents of the Bride," whose daughter had been manipulated into signing a prenuptial agreement on her wedding eve.

Some years ago, I married a very wealthy man who asked me to sign a prenuptial agreement. He said he "couldn't marry me without it." The agreement not only protected his premarital assets, it prevented me from sharing in any income he earned during our marriage, stipulating that I would receive should we be divorced — and guaranteed me only a pittance in his will.

I hated the agreement, but I loved the man, so I signed it — against the advice of an attorney. I was convinced that I was marrying a fair and generous man, and felt confident that after we were married, he would trash the document.

I was wrong. After three years of marriage, he refused to alter or destroy the agreement, all the while proclaiming his great love for me. He gave me a modest allowance for my personal needs. I bought most of my clothes and even my new car with my earnings. (Yes, I continued to work after my marriage — I was afraid to quit because I felt financially insecure.)

When I finally caught him with another woman (I later learned there had been many), I had the choice of putting up with his philandering, or I could leave empty-handed.

I chose to leave while I was still able to support myself — rather than having him dump me in my old age. I got exactly what the prenuptial agreement stated — except that due to inflation, my pittance of allowance was worth very little.

My advice to any woman who is asked to sign a prenuptial agreement is to run as fast as she can from the sticky bun.

Women everywhere should refuse to sign them. A well-known divorce lawyer once said: "Prenuptial agreements serve only to deny a woman the rights she has under the law, to property accumulated during her marriage. I have never seen a marriage work that required a prenuptial agreement."



Dear Abby  
Abigail Van Buren

party should retain his or her own attorney.

**DEAR ABBY:** Recently a friend and business associate talked me into buying a 2000 health food weight-loss package that we were to divide equally, each paying \$100.

I really had no need for this package, but she talked me into it. I made the purchase and sent her half the contents. (She lives in another town.)

When I received no check from her for her half, I telephoned her to find out if she received the package. She said she had, but decided not to use any of the vitamins or anything else in the package.

A month went by and she did not return the package to me. What should I do? If I weren't associated with her in business, I might handle it differently, but I'm afraid to rock the boat.

**DEAR HOLDING:** Write this loss off as tuition in the school of experience. And in the future, do not allow yourself to be so easily "talked into" anything.

**DEAR ABBY:** I work in an office consisting mostly of women. Yesterday the question arose of whether or not panties should be worn with pantsuits.

There are 10 women in the office; five said yes, five said no. Should we or shouldn't we?

**DEAR SECRET-TERRY:** Pantyhose come with "built-in" panties, and are customarily laundered after each wearing. So panties with pantyhose are, in my opinion, redundant and non-essential. Ladies?

## Speech therapy valuable

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** You had a letter from the son of a man who had suffered a stroke and was having trouble swallowing. As a speech/language pathologist, I wish you had recommended speech therapy for this gentleman. A swallowing problem can be dangerous. One should seek the clinical expertise of a speech/language pathologist who is trained in the function of the oral musculature.



Dr. Gott  
Peter Gott, M.D.

**DEAR READER:** Thank you for reminding me of the valuable services offered by speech therapists. Indeed, a speech/language pathologist is an important member of the stroke-rehabilitation team. I must admit that I (perhaps incorrectly) assumed that the man in question had speech therapy as part of his recovery.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** My sister got tired, had sore legs for a few days and then got a swelling. She laid pieces of bacon on it like a poultice. After a few days, there was a little something hard showing. The doctor came over (they still make house calls in Europe, where she lives) and pulled out a needle. My sister has no idea how it got in her leg or when. My mother always said that needles can "migrate" in the body. Can you shed some light on this mystery?

**DEAR READER:** There are reported cases of needles migrating from one part of the body to another; so do bullets and other fragments of foreign materials. Many of these cases are medical curiosities. However, metal objects do move within the body, and doctors must keep this in mind.

With respect to your sister's, it's more likely that the needle penetrated the skin and then, sometime later, was expelled. This is a common way for the

body to get rid of thorns, splinters and other sharp objects that pierce the skin and become embedded in the deeper tissues. The real mystery, it seems to me, is the circumstance under which your sister failed to perceive the original entry of the needle.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** A blood clot closed the large vein in my leg years ago. I have had bouts of ulcerations on my foot, but they would eventually heal with rest and treatment. However, for more than a year, I have not been able to heal my foot. My doctors shake their heads in frustration. I'm becoming an invalid, and I don't like it.

**DEAR READER:** You seem to be describing a varicose ulcer, the persistent skin sore that can develop as a consequence of poor circulation from varicose veins.

For most patients, these ulcers can be healed by a combination of leg elevation, elastic stockings, an Unna's paste boot (gelatin, glycerin and zinc oxide wrapped with a bandage), antibiotic cream and patience. Sometimes, however, vein-stripping and skin grafts are required in difficult cases. Ask for a referral to a vascular surgeon.

**ATLANTA (AP)** — A new medication has been discovered by researchers that may eventually prevent the damage done by osteoarthritis, according to Arthritis Today.

It says the medication was found by researchers in Miami, Fla.

The chief characteristics of osteoarthritis, the most common form of arthritis, is the breaking of the effects of osteoarthritis in humans.

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## Inventing was the easy part

**By Nancy Funk  
The Associated Press**

LANCASTER, Pa. — Dennis Mitterer couldn't sleep. He tossed in bed, thinking about trying a ring from his woman's swollen finger earlier that day at his job at St. Joseph Hospital.

"I kept thinking there's got to be a better way to do this," said Mitterer, 26, a paramedic at St. Joseph and a business administration student at Elizabethtown College.

The ring had to be cut and stretched from the woman's hand, virtually ruining the family heirloom.

There was no instrument to remove the ring, although the woman's problem is not uncommon — and Mitterer had to use pliers and other clumsy equipment.

That sleepless night led to Mitterer's and partner D. Richard Delgorno's invention of a product, plus the formation of a business — DMRD Ideas, which was founded in August.

"We just sat down and thought it out," he said. The product looks similar to pliers but has a

small, thin metal head with prongs that slide neatly under the ring, stretch it and slide it off the person's hand.

The process doesn't ruin the ring — it just stretches it — and a jeweler can simply compress it back into place, Mitterer said.

After developing their own product and going through all the stages involved in patenting and marketing it, the pair decided to set up a company to do legwork and research for other inventors.

The two are looking for a company to manufacture their own product, but are quickly learning that finding the right company is no easy task.

Manufacturing the product for distribution is a matter of finding a company that can affordably assemble it, Mitterer said, adding that a company that had been interested in the product decided it was too expensive to produce.

But the young entrepreneurs say it's only a matter of time until they are successful in their search.

## 'So ... you keep your money'

**DEAR MR. ROSS:** It's 3:30 a.m. and I can't sleep. I don't know if my pride is hurt or maybe I'm just angry. Some time ago I wrote you of the plight of a minister that lived near me.

You ignored my letter. Then I read the letter the lady wrote asking for a new robe for her minister, and you readily sent her money.

My God, Mr. Ross, the minister I wrote you about hardly had food for his family! How could you? I didn't ask for anything for myself, although, I deserved it as much as some you've given to.

I simply wanted you to do something for a minister that had to give up his church and move to another town so his wife could get a better job.

So, Mr. Ross, you keep your money. But it's in the Bible, and I quote: "It's easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to get into Heaven."

This is one letter I know you'll never acknowledge.

**DEAR MR. ROSS:** My mom is the best mom there is. She does all her housework plus helps lots of sick people. She sits with them, cooks for them, takes them to the store and pays their bills.

Last year she had surgery. They removed one of her breasts. Since then mom can't work regular and can't save money to buy one of those things you wear in your bra, so she is in a bind. She also doesn't want to go anywhere in public because she's embarrassed.

Would you please send \$200 so I can buy her one? I have saved \$65, but as you can see, that's a long way

from the amount it takes. Thanks very much for your time.

**K.M.  
TUSCALOOSA, ALA.**

**DEAR MR. B.:** I like your attitude: "If I don't get it from Percy, I'll do it another way."

Well, this is one instance where you're not going to be left outside a locked door, without a key... \$115 is on the way.

**MR. J.B.  
BRONX, N.Y.**

**DEAR MR. ROSS:** I don't mean to sound like Mr. Rogers, but you may as well know the correct name. One of those things you wear in your bra is called a prosthetic breast.

The check I'm sending your mom will buy her just that. Thanks for being such a good kid and looking out for your mom.

**DEAR MR. ROSS:** Would you be interested in a future locksmith that's willing to make a start for himself and his family — if just given a chance?

As of now I'm in a drug program. Three months ago I decided that if I didn't make a move — things would never change unless I changed them. I enrolled in a locksmith course and am about to graduate.

Problem: I must repay the loan of \$2,000 for my schooling. However, I'm not asking for this amount. My request: \$115 to get my license. Once I'm licensed, I will be able to go out on my own and get a decent job.

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Obituaries

W. Howard Baldwin
W. Howard Baldwin, 79, of Largo, Fla., died Wednesday. He was the husband of Madeline Baldwin.
He was a physician serving his residency in Hartford and practiced in Manchester as a general practitioner while living in town from 1952 to 1977.

Pvt. Donald Crawford Jr.
The funeral for Pvt. Donald R. Crawford Jr., 23, of 36 Hamlin St., who died Saturday in Kentucky in an automobile accident, is 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Watkins Funeral Home, 142 E. Center St. Burial will be in East Cemetery. Calling hours are from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday.

Memorial donations may be made to the Shriners Childrens Hospital, 516 Carew St., Springfield, Mass. 01104.

Gladys Gosselin
Gladys (Carter) Gosselin, 92, formerly of Juniper Hills Village, Storrs, and Bolton, died Sunday at a local convalescent home. She was the widow of Rena "Ray" Gosselin.
She was born in Sterling, Mass., and lived in Bolton for 28 years before moving to Storrs. She was a former member of the Manchester Police Auxiliary, a past president of the American Auxiliary and was the past president of the Don Eagle Pro-Wrestler Fan Club.

She is survived by a son, C. Roger Abbot of Saco, Maine; five grandchildren; and a close friend, Verna Rufin of Bolton. She was predeceased by a daughter, Constance Schwab.
The funeral is 11 a.m. Friday at the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St. Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Cassiopeia Schlichting
Cassiopeia Fawn-Marie Schlichting, 3 months old daughter of Bethany Schlichting, died Tuesday at Manchester Memorial Hospital.
She was born Oct. 3 in Manchester.

Besides her mother, she is survived by her maternal grandmother, Linda Schlichting of Manchester; her paternal grandfather, Robert Mayer-Stone of Elmwood; her maternal great-grandfather, Arthur Van Gasbeck of Margo, Fla., and her maternal great-great-grandfather, Chauncey Stone in Massachusetts; an aunt, Tanya Fawn Schlichting of East Hartford; a great-aunt and a great-uncle.
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Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere gratitude for the outpour of sympathy, kindness, and supportive help shown to us during the illness and death of our husband, father and grandfather, Alexander "Al" Gates.

Eleanor Gates and Family
Police to get raise, holiday

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there was an agreement that the town would supply the officers with more secure holsters for the new semi-automatic weapons that have replaced the revolver.
I believe there will be no problem in getting (ratification of) the agreement," Wilson said.
The union had sought salary increases of 7 percent in each of the three years of the contract. The town administration had proposed increases of 7 percent in the first year and 6 1/2 percent in each of the remaining two years.
Last month the union had agreed to go to fact-finding instead of having the town seek an injunction to stop the state Board of Mediation and Arbitration from ordering binding arbitration.
But Wilson said that fact-finding would have taken three or four months. If the fact-finding mediation did not produce an agreement, binding arbitration, another time-consuming process, would have been necessary, he said.

Assistant Town Manager Steven Werber, the town's chief negotiator, could not be reached this morning for comment.

Budget at a glance

Here is a look at Gov. William A. O'Neill's proposed \$6.32 billion budget for fiscal 1988-89 budget.
Revenues
Sales and Use Tax: \$2.3 billion
Corporate Tax: \$842 million
Capital Gains, Dividends and Interest Tax: \$390 million
Utility Company Taxes: \$255 million
Special Revenue: \$292 million
Federal Grants: \$644 million
Cigarettes and Alcohol Taxes: \$123 million
Licenses, Permits, Fees: \$124 million
Inheritance Tax: \$183 million
Other Taxes and Revenues: \$334 million
Gasoline Tax, Motor Vehicle Fees and Federal Funds: \$555 million
Expenditures
Education: \$1.68 billion
Educational Excellence Trust Fund (to help improve local teacher's salaries): \$207 million
Special Transportation Fund: \$536.7 million
Welfare: \$1.35 billion
Health and Hospitals: \$683 million
General Government: \$359 million
Corrections: \$295 million
Judicial: \$120.4 million
Regulation and Protection: \$182 million
Conservation and Development: \$61.7 million
Legislative: \$31 million
Miscellaneous: \$88.4 million

O'Neill 'keeps commitments'

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Republican state representative died last week.
Both chambers will still be under the overwhelming domination of Democrats: the House breakdown is 91 Democrats, 56 Republicans; the Senate is 25 Democrats and 11 Republicans.
When O'Neill, a Democrat, delivers his budget address, he says his theme will be one of keeping commitments made over the last couple of years.
The budget is broken down into three parts: the General Fund, which is essentially everything but transportation; the Transportation Fund, which covers the Department of Transportation; and the Educational Excellence Fund, created two years ago to help increase teacher salaries.
The short session is supposed to be limited to considering bills that deal with the budget. But numerous other bills that have nothing to do with the budget have already been filed or soon will be.

Among the issues to be debated this year:
construction safety, including a moratorium on the lift-slab construction method, which was being used when a Bridgeport apartment complex under construction collapsed last year;
limits on the amount of money a legislative candidate could accept from a political action committee;
revamping the formula used to distribute state money to local schools;
property tax relief, specifically help to those towns undergoing revaluation where the burden is shifting from commercial to residential property owners;
a bill making it clear that state law does not recognize surrogate mother contracts;
a bill requiring that any merger or takeover proposal that was rejected by a company's board of directors could not be repeated for five years.

\$9.5 million tax break plan for mall revealed

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effect when 50 percent of the mall project is finished and two of the mall's anchor stores are open. The cost and revenue projections are based on 6 percent annual inflation, with mall construction starting in 1988 and a completion date of 1991.
About 100 people filled the Lincoln Center hearing room to listen to the terms of the proposed agreement between the town and the developer, the Homart Development Co. of Chicago. Attorney Stephen T. Penny, a former town director, and Kevin O'Brien, a former town attorney, summarized the agreement. Joe LeDuc, senior development director for Homart, was also on hand to answer questions.

Penny and O'Brien were hired by the town to help negotiate the agreement.
Penny told the Board of Directors that an agreement between the two parties has not been concluded, but the basic terms of it will probably remain unchanged. Asked by Director Ronald Osella whether it would be possible to negotiate a tax abatement lower than \$9.5 million, Penny replied, "To change either the tax benefit number or the fixed assessment number would be very difficult at this time."
LeDuc said that the town's cost and revenue projections are based on a plan to build a mall with a total leasable area of

890,000 square feet.
Final site plans for the mall approved by the town call for a leasable area of 785,000.
LeDuc said that any additional improvements required by the larger mall would be paid for by Homart.
Mayor Peter P. DiRosa Jr. said the cost of the road and utilities improvements could be more than \$15 million.
Director Barbara B. Weinberg asked whether the tax abatement should be allowed to remain in effect if Homart sells the mall if it were to make some kind of restriction on the tax abatement.

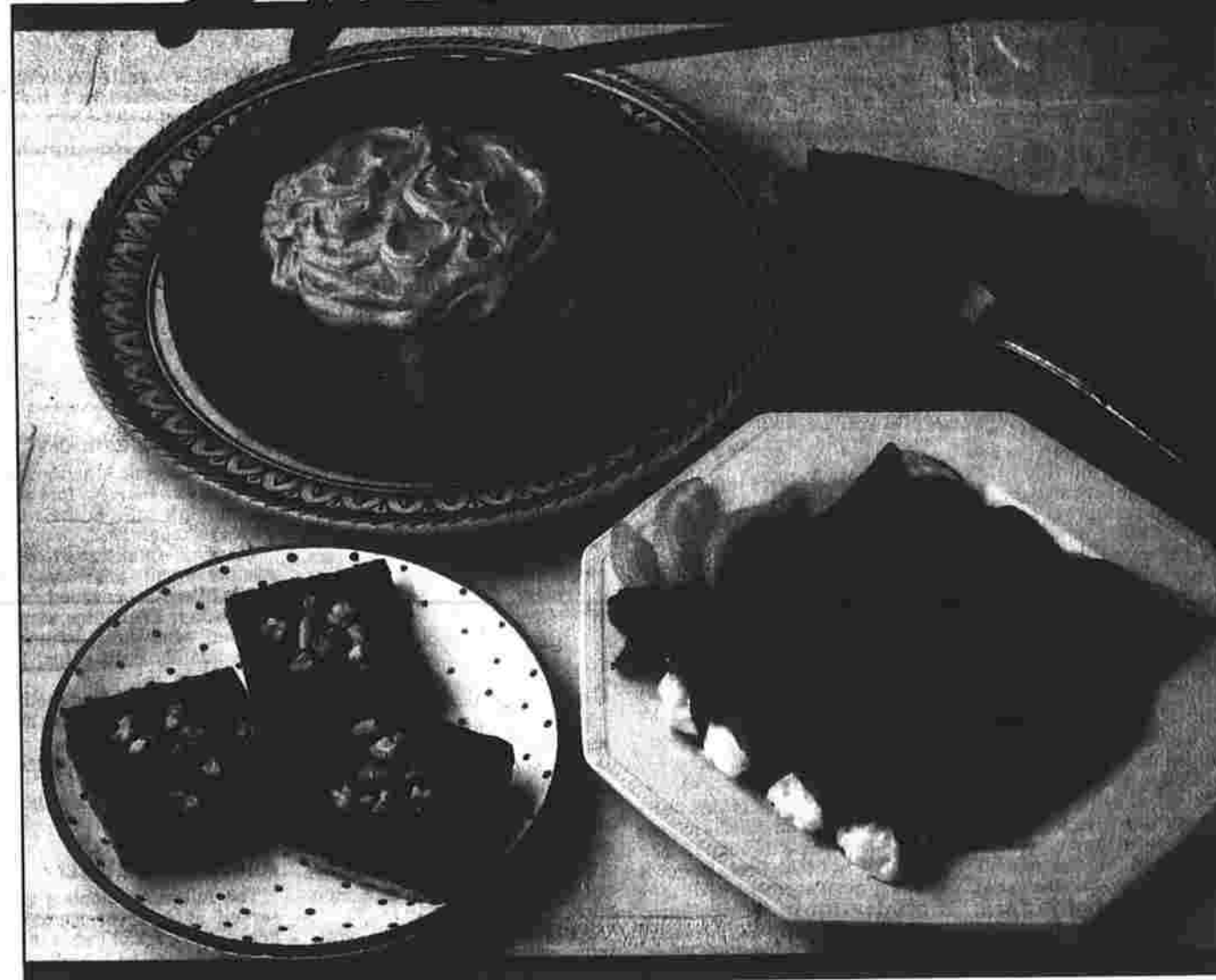
Revenue from real estate taxes on the mall alone is estimated by the Finance Department from fiscal year 1988-89 to fiscal year 1998-99 at \$5,377,892 with the tax abatement and \$14,877,892 without the abatement. Revenue on taxes of personal property for the mall alone would be the same with or without the abatement, \$4,994,377.
The most optimistic cost and revenue analysis performed by the department heads to determine approximate costs of increased services. According to that analysis, road maintenance from the time the mall opened to 1999 would total \$473,202. Police service from 1993 to 1999 would total \$2,610,396, and educational

costs, from 1990 to 1999 would total \$10,030,528.
A second analysis performed through statistical methods, assuming certain fixed costs would remain the same, projected service costs of \$19,530,262 for all services from 1988-90 to 1998-99. Revenues were estimated at \$43,542,762, resulting in a gain to the town of \$24,022,500.
In a third analysis in which fixed costs were not deducted, the cost of services was estimated at \$27,789,020 and revenues were projected at \$43,542,762. The town would gain \$15,773,742. The written statement including these figures said that "this method significantly overstates costs and is presented as a worst-case scenario."

FOOD

WEEKEND CHOCOLATE

Splurge



FUDGY MOCHA BROWNIES WITH A CRUST

Makes 36 brownies

- 1-1/4 cups all-purpose flour, divided
1/4 cup sugar
1/2 cup cold butter or margarine
1 (14-ounce) can sweetened condensed milk (NOT evaporated milk)
1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa
1 egg
2 tablespoons coffee-flavored liqueur or 1 teaspoon instant coffee dissolved in 1 tablespoon hot water
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
3/4 cup chopped nuts
Fudgy Mocha Frosting

Preheat oven to 350°. In medium bowl, combine 1 cup flour and sugar; cut in butter until crumbly. Press mixture firmly on bottom of 13x9-inch baking pan. Bake 15 minutes. Meanwhile, in large mixer bowl, combine sweetened condensed milk, cocoa, egg, remaining 1/4 cup flour, liqueur, vanilla and baking powder; mix well. Stir in nuts. Spread evenly over prepared crust. Bake 15 minutes or until center is set. Cool. Spread with Fudgy Mocha Frosting. Cut into squares. Store tightly covered at room temperature.

Fudgy Mocha Frosting

- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine
3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa
1 tablespoon water
1 teaspoon coffee-flavored liqueur or 1-1/2 teaspoons instant coffee dissolved in 1 tablespoon hot water
1-1/2 cups confectioners' sugar

In small saucepan, over low heat, melt butter; add cocoa and water, stirring constantly until mixture thickens (do not boil). Remove from heat; add liqueur. Gradually add confectioners' sugar, beating with wire whisk until smooth. Add additional water, 1 teaspoon at a time, until desired consistency. Makes about 1 cup.

CHOCOLATE CHEESECAKE

Makes one 9-inch cheesecake

- Chocolate Crumb Crust
1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted
1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa
3 (8-ounce) packages cream cheese, softened
1 (14-ounce) can sweetened condensed milk (NOT evaporated milk)
4 eggs
1 tablespoon vanilla extract

Prepare Chocolate Crumb Crust; set aside. Preheat oven to 300°. Combine butter and cocoa, stirring until smooth; set aside. In larger mixer bowl, beat cream cheese until fluffy. Add cocoa mixture; beat well. Gradually beat in sweetened condensed milk until smooth. Add eggs and vanilla; beat well. Pour into prepared pan. Bake 1 hour and 5 minutes or until set (center will be soft). Cool. Chill thoroughly. Garnish as desired. Refrigerate leftovers.

Chocolate Crumb Crust

- 1-1/2 cups vanilla wafer crumbs (about 45 wafers)
6 tablespoons confectioners' sugar
6 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa
6 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted

In medium bowl, combine all ingredients. Press mixture onto bottom and 1/2 inch up side of 9-inch springform pan.

Busy schedules often leave us with little time during the week to spoil ourselves. But when the weekend rolls around, the time is right for a little indulgence.

Since you're probably one of the millions of chocolate lovers across the country, why not start the weekend right by making one of these sinfully delicious treats from scratch? They feature the all-natural goodness of unsweetened cocoa and sweetened condensed milk.

A batch of freshly baked Fudgy Mocha Brownies With A Crust is the answer to a chocolate lover's dreams. They're scrumptiously delicious and feature a Fudgy Mocha Frosting that will melt in your mouth. Polynesian Chocolate Crepes are the perfect after-dinner dessert or a sweet ending to a Sunday brunch. Filled with a luscious pineapple cream filling, these delicate chocolate crepes are topped with a warm fudge sauce, flavored with a hint of orange.

Cheesecake fans will swoon over Chocolate Cheesecake. This cake is incredibly rich and creamy and features a crunchy chocolate crumb crust.

Remember, when the weekend rolls around and you've had a tough week, RELAX. You deserve it. Then reward yourself with one of these extra chocolaty treats.

POLYNESIAN CHOCOLATE CREPES

Makes 16 to 18 crepes

- Pineapple Cream Filling
3 eggs
3/4 cup water
1/2 cup light cream or half-and-half
3/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa
2 tablespoons sugar
1/8 teaspoon salt
3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted and cooled
Orange Fudge Topping

Prepare Pineapple Cream Filling; chill. In blender container or food processor, combine eggs, water and cream; blend 10 seconds. Add flour, cocoa, sugar, salt and butter; blend until smooth. Let stand at room temperature 30 minutes. Spray 6-inch crepe pan lightly with vegetable cooking spray; heat over medium heat. For each crepe, pour 2 to 3 tablespoons batter in pan; lift and tilt pan to spread the batter. Return to heat; cook until surface begins to dry. Loosen crepe around edges; turn and lightly cook other side. Invert pan over wax paper; remove crepe. Repeat with remaining batter. Spoon about 1/4 cup filling onto each crepe; roll up. Place seam-side down on serving plate. Serve with Orange Fudge Topping.

Pineapple Cream Filling

- 1 (14-ounce) can sweetened condensed milk (NOT evaporated milk)
1 (15-1/4-ounce) can crushed pineapple in juice, well drained
1 teaspoon grated orange rind
1/4 cup orange juice
3 tablespoons bottled lemon juice
1 cup (1/2 pint) whipping cream, whipped

In medium bowl, combine all ingredients except whipped cream; mix well. Cover; chill at least 2 hours. Just before serving, fold in whipped cream. Makes about 4 cups.

Orange Fudge Topping

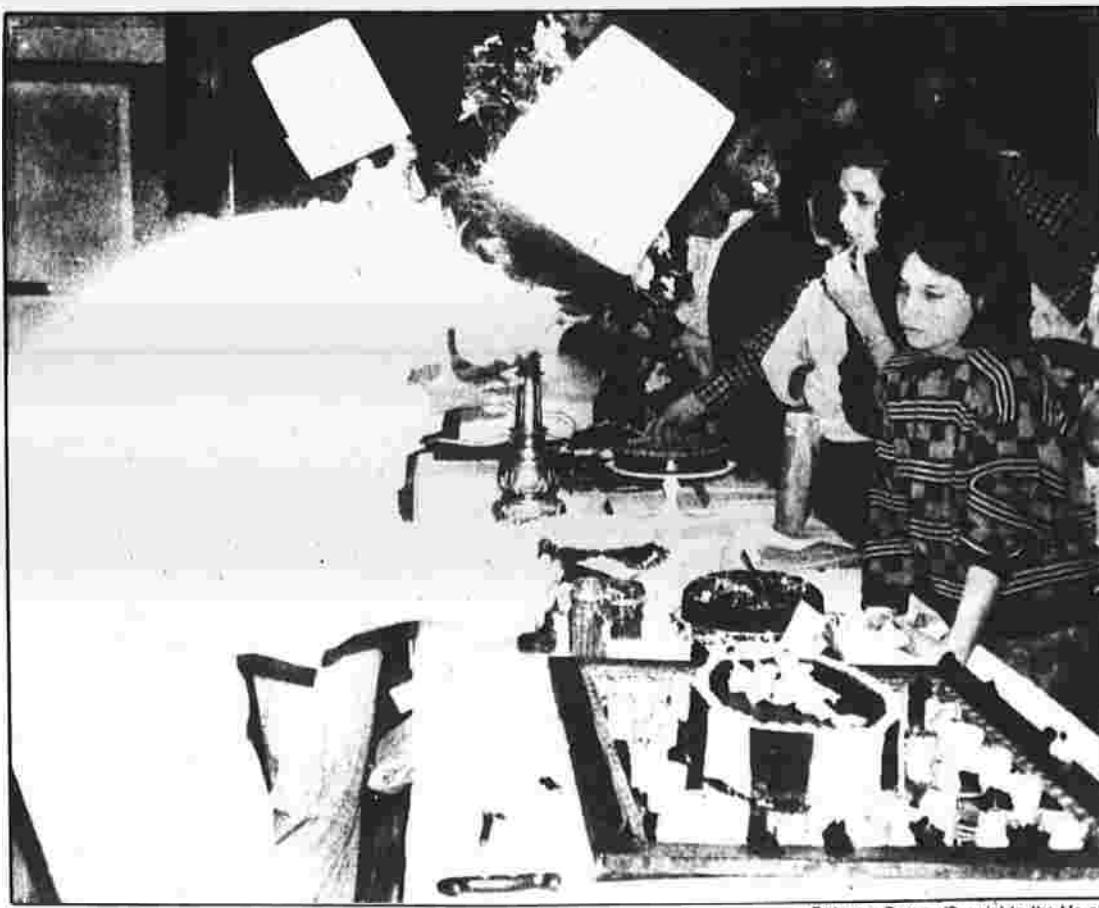
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
1/3 cup unsweetened cocoa
1/4 cup orange juice
3 tablespoons water
1 (14-ounce) can sweetened condensed milk (NOT evaporated milk)
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

In heavy saucepan, over low heat, melt butter; stir in cocoa. Add orange juice and water; mix well. Stir in sweetened condensed milk. Over medium heat, cook, stirring constantly until thickened and bubbly, about 5 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in vanilla. Serve warm. Makes about 1-1/2 cups.

Al Sieffert's Super Discount Center advertisement featuring various appliances like stereos, dryers, washers, refrigerators, and cassette decks with prices and promotional text.

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Rebecca Pappas/Special to the Herald

THE ULTIMATE — Tad Graham-Handley, a Manchester native who's now executive chef at the Hop Brook Mill Restaurant, works on the white

chocolate roses for the top of the chocolate ecstasy torte which he entered in Sunday's Ultimate Dessert Taste-off.

# Judging Chocolate Expo '88: 9,000 calories in 90 minutes

There are any number of excellent reasons for postponing the beginning of a diet.

## My Side

Nancy Pappas

☛ You've got a headache, and the only cure is "a quarter-pounder" of dark chocolate. ☛ You're celebrating New Year's, or the Feast of the Three Kings, or even Groundhog Day, and the menu is terribly elaborate. ☛ Your mother-in-law has just arrived with a six-pound sack of pistachios, which you simply cannot resist.

These are all undoubtedly fine excuses for coveting in the calorific quagmire. But on Sunday, I encountered the best reason of them all: I was a judge at the Ultimate Dessert Taste-Off, a competition among chefs from restaurants and bakeries, which was part of Chocolate Expo '88.

In the space of 90 minutes, I probably packed away 9,000 calories worth of chocolate cake, mocha whipped cream, fudge glaze, silky mousse, sumptuous cherry filling and more.

Beneath an archway of red and white helium balloons, 15 outrageously rich, beautifully decorated desserts were arrayed on a huge table at the Sheraton Hotel at Bradley International Airport.

FOR THREE HOURS, nearly 4,000 people filed past the table, salivating and staring wishfully at the Black Forest cake with festoons of pink icing, the chocolate hills sporting the famous "Hollywood" sign, and the desert known simply as "ecstasy torte."

IT MEANT WE had to be rather circumspect in our comments — both negative and positive. You don't know who's listening when you say that you're ready to swoon from the rum in the Italian bittersweet cake, or that the cloves in the Bundt cake are a bit overwhelming.

It also meant that our table manners had to be strictly Amy Vanderbilt. No whipped cream moustaches, or frosting bits hanging from the lower lip, when a squadron of amateur videomac operators are training their infernal machines on you.

When I found myself with a bit of white chocolate mousse on my palm — and no napkins in sight — I savored myself of an old standby, the back of one's skirt.

places — the chocolate coating, meringue layers, whipped cream, and so forth. Ah, what punishment we food critics will endure for our public!

IN THE END, it was another Manchester native, Tad Graham-Handley, who accepted the award for having created the Ultimate Dessert. Graham-Handley, who grew up on Spring Street, is now executive chef at the Hop Brook Mill Restaurant in Simsbury.

He and the restaurant's pastry chef, Mark Fazioli, developed the dessert known as chocolate ecstasy torte — a recipe for which will be published in the Herald next Wednesday.

Graham-Handley said they chose a novel shape to attract attention, used white and dark chocolate on the outside for dramatic effect, and layered light with dark sweet layers, for maximum appeal to the judges.

All of this sounds like a scientific set of criteria, but the results were pure delight. It was rough to set down the saucer with what remained of our sample slice, even though this was one of the last cakes we tasted. I kept sneaking back to that discarded hunk of chocolate delight, just to savor a bit more of the flavor.

# If you have to eat yogurt, hope for fruit at the bottom

Colombo Nonfat Lite Yogurt, Strawberry, blueberry, raspberry, peach, banana strawberry, vanilla, fruit cocktail. 69 cents for an 8-ounce cup.

Bonnie: Low in fat and high in calcium and protein, yogurt was the original health food. It's too bad no one ate it, at least not until the manufacturers began adding fat, fruits and nuts.

Now Colombo is returning to yogurt's roots by introducing a line of fat-free yogurts. These yogurts have no fat, yet are still fairly high in calories. This is mainly because of the sweetened fruit at the bottom.

I like them and would eat them without mixing in the fruit.

Carolyn: Any day you catch me eating yogurt on a regular basis is the day I relinquish my title as "Junk Food Fanatic."

So my basis for comparing this new line of nonfat yogurts is not wide. The best thing I can say about it is that it tastes no worse than the more fatty yogurts I have tried.

Like them, these yogurts are most rewarding at their fruit bottoms.

General Foods International Coffees. Dutch creamer, instant coffee beverage. \$2.99 for an 8.5-ounce can.

Bonnie: I like the taste of chocolate mint, but I could do without all the gums, emulsifiers and caffeine. General Foods has added to make their coffee beverage.

A less expensive and more healthful alternative would be to mix a heaping teaspoon of cocoa powder, 2 teaspoons of sugar and 5 ounces of milk until well blended.

Heat, either in a microwave oven or in a saucepan on the stove until hot. Then add 1/2 teaspoon pure mint extract.

Carolyn: Like the other International Coffees I have tried, this one is very dark, very sweet and



Carolyn Wyman and Bonnie Tandy Leblang

very easy to make. If I liked the taste of mint, I would undoubtedly be buying about it.

Swanson Homestyle Recipe Sirloin Tips in Burgundy Sauce with noodles and vegetables. \$1.99 for a 7-ounce frozen entree.

Bonnie: Like most frozen dinners, Swanson's Sirloin Tips in Burgundy Sauce is high in sodium and fat. But its ingredient panel is much better than those of other frozen dinners — having no artificial colors, artificial flavors or anti-oxidants.

What's disappointing is the serving size. They are minuscule servings, almost invisible. To make this a complete, well-balanced meal, they'd need to add more vegetables.

Carolyn: I long ago learned never to buy beef-based TV dinners in the \$1.50 to \$2.50 range. At least, not unless I'm in the mood for a vigorous workout.

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Bonnie Tandy Leblang is a registered dietitian. Carolyn Wyman describes herself as a junk food fanatic.

## Menus

**Senior citizens**  
The following meals will be served at Mayfair Gardens and Westhill Gardens the week of Feb. 8 through 12 to Manchester residents who are 60 or older:

**Monday:** Salisbury steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, corn niblets, chilled peas.

**Tuesday:** Minestrone, meatball grinder, french fries, apple sauce, cookie.

**Wednesday:** Juice, cheeseburger, potato puffs, pickles, congo.

**Thursday:** Pepperoni pizza, salad, fruit cocktail.

**Friday:** Closed for Lincoln's Birthday.

**Coventry schools**  
The following lunches will be served in the Coventry elementary schools the week of Feb. 8 through 12:

**Monday:** Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, green beans, sliced peaches.

**Tuesday:** Taco with meat and cheese, lettuce and tomato, rice, corn, ice cream.

**Wednesday:** Vegetable soup, tuna salad, celery with peanut butter, fruit crisp.

**Thursday:** Fruit juice, pizza, hot vegetable, Valentine dessert.

**Friday:** Closed for Lincoln's Birthday.

**Manchester schools**  
The following lunches will be served in the Manchester public schools the week of Feb. 8 through 12:

**Monday:** Hamburger, potato chips, peas, apple wedges with raisins.

**Tuesday:** Pork chop with gravy, whipped potatoes, mixed vegetables, chilled pineapple, samples of refried beans with cheese.

**Wednesday:** Chicken nuggets with dips, potato puffs, broccoli or cabbage, bread and butter, peanut butter jumbo.

**Thursday:** Meat and cheese tacos, lettuce and tomato cup, rice, Mexican corn, cherry crisp.

**Friday:** Closed for Lincoln's Birthday.

**Bolton schools**  
The following lunches will be served in Bolton Elementary and Center schools the week of Feb. 8 through 12:

**Monday:** Salisbury steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, corn niblets, chilled peas.

**Tuesday:** Minestrone, meatball grinder, french fries, apple sauce, cookie.

**Wednesday:** Juice, cheeseburger, potato puffs, pickles, congo.

**Thursday:** Pepperoni pizza, salad, fruit cocktail.

**Friday:** Closed for Lincoln's Birthday.

**Andover Elementary**  
The following lunches will be served at Andover Elementary School the week of Feb. 8 through 12:

**Monday:** Hamburgers, peanut butter, green beans, hash and raisins.

**Tuesday:** Salisbury steaks, mashed potatoes, corn on the cob, chocolate cream pie.

**Wednesday:** Grinders, chips, salad, peaches.

**Thursday:** Cheese pizza, green beans, juice cups.

**Friday:** No school, Lincoln's Birthday.

The following lunches will be served at Coventry High School the week of Feb. 8 through 12:

**Monday:** Beef and bacon burger on a roll, vegetable, fruit.

**Tuesday:** Tomato soup, grilled

cheese sandwich, fruit.

**Wednesday:** Shells and meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread, fruit.

**Thursday:** Pizza, salad, fruit.

**Friday:** Closed for Lincoln's Birthday.

**CHAM high schools**  
The following lunches will be served at CHAM Junior and senior high schools the week of Feb. 8 through 12:

**Monday:** Oven-baked chicken, oven-browned potatoes, homemade biscuits, seasoned carrots.

**Tuesday:** Fruit juice, steak and cheese sandwich, lettuce, tomato, onion, corn chips, lemon pie.

**Wednesday:** Stuffed shells with meat sauce, broccoli, garlic roll, sliced peaches.

**Thursday:** Fruit juice, grinder, chips, gelatin.

**Friday:** Closed for Lincoln's Birthday.

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## Chicken and pumpkin sauce

- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon margarine or butter
- 1 tablespoon olive or cooking oil
- 2 whole large chicken breasts (about 2 pounds total), skinned, boned and halved lengthwise
- 1/2 cup light cream
- 1/2 cup mashed cooked pumpkin
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- Dash white pepper
- Dash ground nutmeg
- Toasted broken pecans or slivered almonds

In a large skillet cook garlic in hot margarine and oil for 30 seconds. Add chicken breasts. Cook, uncovered, over medium-high heat 4 to 5 minutes on each side or until no pink remains. Transfer chicken to a heated platter; keep warm.

Add cream to skillet. Scrape brown bits from bottom and sides of skillet. Add pumpkin, salt, white pepper and nutmeg. Cook and stir over medium heat about 3 minutes or until of desired consistency; pour over chicken. Top with nuts. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 330 cal., 37 g pro., 4 g carb., 18 g fat, 116 mg chol., 285 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 143 percent vit. A, 11 percent riboflavin, 79 percent niacin, 30 percent phosphorus.

## Sausage-spinach loaf

- 1/2 pound bulk pork sausage
- One 16-ounce loaf frozen bread dough, thawed
- One 8-ounce package shredded mozzarella cheese (2 cups)
- One 10-ounce package frozen chopped spinach, thawed and well drained

In a medium skillet cook sausage until no pink remains; drain. On a lightly floured surface roll dough to a 15-by-8-inch rectangle. Sprinkle cheese over dough, leaving a 1-inch border around all edges. Top with sausage and spinach. Bring long sides of dough together; pinch to seal edges and ends. Place loaf, seam side down, on a greased baking sheet. Bake in a 350-degree oven for 30 to 35 minutes or until golden brown. Let stand 8 to 10 minutes; cut into slices to serve. Makes 6 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 415 cal., 22 g pro., 39 g carb., 19 g fat, 48 mg chol., 935 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 65 percent vit. A, 35 percent thiamine, 29 percent riboflavin, 19 percent niacin, 36 percent calcium, 21 percent iron, 33 percent phosphorus.

## Easy apricot salad

- One 8 1/2-ounce can apricot halves, drained
- 1 small apple, cored
- Lemon juice
- One 8-ounce can pineapple chunks, drained
- 1/3 cup thinly sliced celery
- 1/2 cup slivered almonds, toasted
- 1/3 cup dairy sour cream
- 1 tablespoon apricot preserves or orange marmalade
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 2 cups torn lettuce or salad greens

Cut apricots into bite-size pieces. Coarsely chop apple. In a bowl combine apricots and apple with lemon juice, toss to coat. Stir in pineapple, celery and almonds.

For dressing, in a small bowl stir together sour cream, preserves, 1 teaspoon lemon juice and nutmeg. Before serving, pour dressing over fruit mixture. Add lettuce, toss to coat. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 186 cal., 3 g pro., 28 g carb., 8 g fat, 9 mg chol., 28 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 26 percent vit. A, 25 percent vit. C.

## Frozen pumpkin mousse

- 2 cups whipping cream
- 1 1/2 cups mashed cooked or canned pumpkin
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 cup brandy or apple juice
- 3 tablespoons finely chopped candied ginger
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves

In a large mixing bowl combine whipping cream, pumpkin, brown sugar, milk, brandy or apple juice, ginger, vanilla, cinnamon, salt and cloves. Pour into a 13-by-9-by-2-inch pan. Freeze until firm. Break frozen mixture into chunks. Turn into chilled mixer bowl. Beat with an electric mixer until fluffy. Spoon mixture into a chilled 8 1/2-cup mold. Cover and freeze until firm. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 378 cal., 3 g pro., 38 g carb., 23 g fat, 84 mg chol., 118 mg sodium. U.S. RDA: 22 percent vit. A, 10 percent riboflavin, 13 percent calcium, 16 percent iron, 11 percent phosphorus.

— Recipes from Better Homes and Gardens

## For The Record

A story about the Lydall Inc. fun-fairing cookbook in last Wednesday's Manchester Herald contained several errors. The eggs were omitted from the recipe for fruit swirl coffeecake, and the fractions in the recipe for apple squares were difficult to read. Here are repeats of those two recipes:

- Fruit swirl coffeecake**
  - 1 1/2 cups sugar
  - 4 eggs
  - 1/4 cup butter or margarine
  - 1/2 cup vegetable shortening
  - 3/4 teaspoon baking powder
  - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
  - 1 teaspoon almond extract
  - 4 cups flour
  - 1 21-ounce can cherry, blueberry or pineapple pie filling
  - 1 cup powdered sugar
  - 2 tablespoons milk

Mix together the sugar, eggs, oil and vanilla. Add flour, soda, cinnamon and salt. Fold in apples. Pour into a greased 10-by-14-inch glass dish. Bake in a 350-degree oven for 35 minutes.

Best the first 7 ingredients together at high speed for 3 minutes, occasionally scraping

# Escape winter with sun, curry



Marge Churchill

If you're looking for an escape from winter weather, why not plan a party? The menu we have in mind is an east Indian dinner with the taste of sunshine and curry. All of the recipes included are designed to serve 6 to 8 people, so they are perfect for entertaining.

Lamb meatballs  
Marinated vegetable salad  
Riz Indienne  
"Five boy" chicken curry  
Fresh fruit chutney  
Honey cake

The microwave will help you to speed the cooking time, and make it possible for you to have extra time to devote to table decorations and other details.

If you wish, you can begin preparations up to a week in advance. Make the Honey cake, but not glaze. Wrap it and freeze. The chutney, also, can be made up to a week in advance and refrigerated.

The day before, assemble and refrigerate marinated vegetables. Microwave meatballs, drain, cover and refrigerate, but do not prepare sauce. Prepare Chicken Curry, but do not add cream. Cover and refrigerate.

Early in the day, measure all ingredients, except hot water for meatball sauce and Riz Indienne; combine glaze ingredients. Place condiments in small bowls. Set aside until ready to use.

When guests arrive, prepare sauce. Stir in meatballs; cover. Microwave at high for 3 to 7 minutes, or until hot, stirring once or twice. Serve as an appetizer.

About 1 hour before serving time, remove chicken from the refrigerator. Microwave rice. Set aside, tightly covered, to complete cooking and keep warm. To reheat chicken, uncover and microwave at high for 20 to 25 minutes, or until hot. Arrange chicken on platter. Stir into cream sauce.

After dinner, unwrap frozen honey cake. Place on serving plate and pierce with a fork. Microwave at 50 percent (medium) for 2 to 4 minutes, or defrosted and warm. Heat glaze and pour over cake as directed.

**Lamb meatballs**  
1 1/2 pounds ground lamb  
2 tablespoons dried mint flakes  
1/2 teaspoon salt, divided  
1/2 teaspoon pepper  
2 tablespoons butter  
1 large chopped onion  
1 clove garlic, minced  
1/2 cup hot water  
1/2 cup raisins  
1 teaspoon instant chicken bouillon granules  
1 teaspoon flour  
1 teaspoon tumeric  
1 teaspoon ground ginger  
1/2 teaspoon chili powder

Mix ground lamb with 1/2 teaspoon salt and pepper. Shape into tablespoon size meatballs. Place in 12 x 8 inch baking dish. Microwave at high for 3 1/2 to 5 1/2 minutes, or until meatballs are firm and no longer pink, stirring 2 or 3 times, drain and set aside.

In a 1 1/2 quart casserole, combine butter, onion and garlic. Microwave at high for 2 to 4 minutes, or until onion is tender. Blend in lemon juice, olive oil, salt and sugar. Pour over vegetables; stir to coat.

Remove fruit from liquid and coarsely mash. Return fruit to liquid. Cover and refrigerate. Store no longer than 2 weeks.

**Riz Indienne**  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
2 tablespoons butter  
2 1/2 cups hot water  
2 cups uncooked long grain rice  
1 cup blanched almonds  
1 cup raisins  
1 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon pepper  
Microwave onion and butter in a 3 quart casserole at high for 2 to 4 minutes, or until onion is tender. Stir in remaining ingredients. Cover. Microwave at high for 8 minutes. Reduce power to 50 percent (medium). Microwave 15 to 19 minutes, or until rice is tender and liquid is absorbed. Let stand, covered, for 10 minutes. Fluff with a fork.

**Five boy chicken**  
2 tablespoons butter  
1 cup chopped onion  
1/2 cup chopped celery  
2 cloves garlic, minced  
1 1/2 cup flour  
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### Bridge

right away, it may turn out that East began with K-J-x in that suit. If so, you would go set. This time, the unsafe approach of leading the ace won't be too costly. Because the jack is singleton in the West hand, you will make 10 tricks for your contract. But going to dummy's king of hearts and leading the club queen won all the marbles. That play netted the unusual dividend of pinning West's club jack and brought in the whole suit without losing a trick. Declarer now had time to give up a heart and make 12 tricks for a great score on the deal.

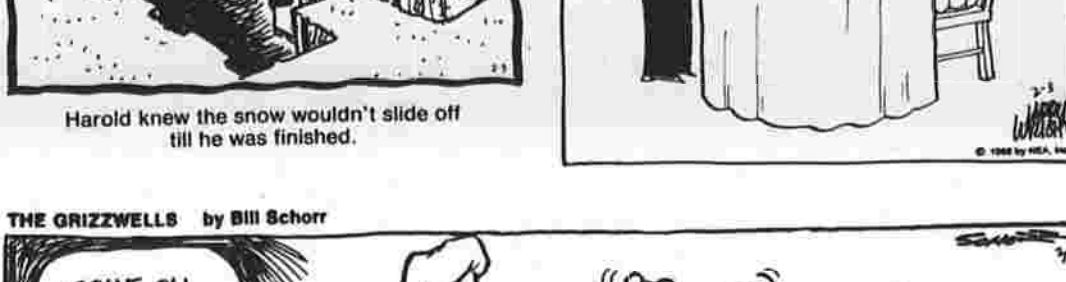
James Jacoby's books "Jacoby on Bridge" and "Jacoby on Card Games" (written with his father, the late Oswald Jacoby) are now available at bookstores. Both are published by Pharos Books.

As always, when the contract seems good, you ask yourself what can go wrong, and there is a quick answer. If reported finding a 72-pound edible you attack clubs by playing the ace

In September 1976, Joseph Opple won the trick with the queen. What mushroom near Solon, Ohio.

NORTH 2-3-5			
♦ 4	♠ 10 3	♥ K 9 6	♣ 10 7 6 3
WEST 4-7-3-2			
♠ 10 7 3 2	♥ Q J 2	♦ A 9 8 5	♣ K 9 5
SOUTH 4-3-2			
♠ A Q J	♥ A 8 6 5	♦ A 9 4 2	♣ 10 7 6 3
Vulnerable: East-West			
Dealer: North			
West	North	East	South
1 ♠	3 ♠	2 ♥	3 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♦ 3			

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# SPORTS

## UConn suffers another frustrating night

By Len Auster  
Manchester Herald

NCAA hoop  
— see page 20

HARTFORD — It's been a frustrating season and it continues to mount for the University of Connecticut basketball team. The Huskies, coming home off a rough road trip in which it had several opportunities to pull off wins over ranked clubs, returned home to the Civic Center Tuesday night only to once again be disappointed in a 61-59 loss to Seton Hall in a battle of Big East Conference tail-enders before a crowd of 9,274.

Connecticut had an opportunity to either tie or win it with possession of the basketball with 26 seconds left, after a timeout, couldn't get a shot off. "We were going to Phil Gamble off a double pick but a couple of guys forgot the play during the 30 seconds in the timeout. Basically we broke down," frustrated Seton Hall Coach Jim Calhoun said, not mincing his words about his team's play.

The loss, Connecticut's fourth in a row, drops the Huskies into the conference cellar at 2-7 and to 9-8 overall. UConn has little time for solace as it travels to Worcester, Mass., Thursday night to take on Holy Cross at the Hart Center at 7:30. Seton Hall, losers of three in a row and six of seven, are now 3-6 in the Big East and 14-9 overall.

UConn was coming home off a one-point loss to nationally ranked Georgetown. That was on the heels of an overtime loss to St. John's, also in the top 20 nationally, and a three-point loss at Pittsburgh. The Huskies, however, once again couldn't come up with the answer in crunch time.

"Obviously, we were very fortunate," Pirate Coach P.J. Carlesimo said. "When it comes down to a couple of possessions at the end, it involves a lot of luck. I thought the difference tonight was we dug in. We let St. John's make a play (in a 58-55 loss). Our defense was pretty good on the last possession."

Calhoun thought the Huskies lost it earlier. "I really thought we lost the game starting at about the 6-minute mark. We had good control of the game 43-38 and they started going over our backs. We started talking to the officials about them going over our backs. The thing to do is box (out) and grab the ball. Then guess what. Bad call, good call, it makes no difference."

"I think the last 26 seconds are for losers. If you want to talk about it, fine. But you're missing the point. If we're going to win on a prayer with 13 (seconds) left or if Spider (Ursery) makes a hook shot at the end, then you don't understand. I think we let the game slip away from us. The last 26 seconds are irrelevant."

Calhoun's team at Northeastern was known for its rebounding but the Pirates, as recent teams have accomplished against Connecticut, owned the backboards to a tune of 38-29. Cliff Robinson, who led the Huskies with 19 points, had 5 rebounds in all, none on the defensive boards in the second half. Calhoun pointed to that statistic afterward.

A bucket with 1:04 left by Michael Cooper, who had a big game off the bench for Seton Hall with 12 points, gave the Pirates a 61-55 lead. One Gamble free throw closed it to a five-point spread before Gerald Greene missed the front end of a one-1-one. Gamble then nailed a three-

pointer with 39 seconds remaining.

The Pirates' John Morton then threw it away with Robert Ursery coming up with the loose ball for Connecticut. Calhoun set up a final play but, after the Huskies tossed it around the perimeter against the Pirates' aggressive man-to-man without success, Ursery threw a pass intended for Robinson into the waiting hands of Ramon Ramos.

Mark Bryant, who destroyed UConn in their first meeting, a 71-58 Pirate win at the Meadowlands, had only 9 points but controlled the middle and grabbed 10 rebounds. "He (Bryant) physically beat on us all night," Calhoun said. Ramos added 13 while John Morton led the Pirates with 15 points. The Gamble 4-for-13 from the field, netted 18 for Connecticut.

HUSKY NOTES— James Manning was the first player in Seton Hall's first win over UConn, was limited to 7 minutes and was 1-for-5 from the floor. "He's misplaced his jump shot. When shooters aren't shooting, there's no reason (for them) to be in the game," Carlesimo said.

Calhoun was piqued when asked if Connecticut was similar to Seton Hall before the Pirates had a winning campaign (15-14) a year ago. "I'm not coaching a basketball team and thinking of next year. The least I'm thinking about is next year. Four games in seven days I'm concerned about. Next year is a lifetime away for us," Calhoun said before departing.

The win was only the fifth for Seton Hall on the road in its history in the Big East. The Pirates are 5-7 lifetime on the road. Tate George, in Calhoun's doghouse, returned after an 11-game suspension and scored two minutes left. He watched



DRIVING — UConn's Phil Gamble (25) drives for the basket around Seton Hall's John Morton during first-half action. Tuesday night at the Civic Center, the Huskies lost their fourth straight, 61-59.

UConn unraveled from the bench. That's why Ursery was on the floor.

SETON HALL (41) — Mark Bryant 2-10 3-5.9, Morris Solley 0-2 0-0, Ramon Ramos 6-9 1-2 1-1, Poole Wington 1-2

6-2, John Morton 6-10 2-2 1-5, Franz Votcy 0-0 0-0, Michael Cooper 5-7 2-12, James Motor 1-0 1-3, Gerald Greene 1-3 0-2, Nick Kostakis 1-4 0-2, Darrell Walker 6-1 3-2. Totals 24-35 10-16 0-1.

UConn (27) — Lynn DeFries 13-20 2-10 3-5, Steve Pittell 6-9 0-0

6-2, Phil Gamble 6-13 2-14 1-6, Tate George 2-4 2-2 0-0, Jeff King 1-2 0-0 2, Robert Ursery 6-6 0-0, Murray Williams 2-3 0-4, Greg Economou 0-1 0-0. Totals 21-50 13-18 9-19.

3-point goals: UConn — Gamble 4; Seton Hall — Morton, Motor, Kostakis. Half-time: 22-30 Connecticut.

## Mann guarantees Redskins will be back in the playoffs

By Ken Peters  
The Associated Press

HONOLULU — Charles Mann won't predict that the Washington Redskins will repeat as Super Bowl champions next year, but he does offer one firm assurance.

"I'm not sure about the Super Bowl, but I'll guarantee you we'll be back in the playoffs and be able to give it a shot. Our coach (Joe Gibbs) and our other coaches will make sure of that. They've really instilled a drive in this team. I think it showed when we fell behind 10-0 (in the Super Bowl last Sunday). We didn't quit, we came back."

Mann said he hopes the Redskins finally get the respect they deserve after their 42-10 Super Bowl victory over the Denver Broncos.

"No one really seemed to give us much credit before," he said. "Considering this Super Bowl, and when you realize Washington's been in three Super Bowls in the '80s and won two of them, I think maybe we'll finally get that respect."

The Redskins, underdogs to the Broncos going into the Super Bowl, roared back from the 10-0 deficit to take complete control of the game in the second quarter.

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"We'd like to have played well all the way from the opening bell," Mann said. "It took us while to get going. But we did the job once we did."

Looking back on the hoops surrounding the game, Mann said he thought that there was too much pre-game pressure put on the quarterbacks for both teams.

"I really felt for John Elway. Mann said of the Broncos' quarterback. "Everybody was talking about how he's the player, everybody was really putting pressure on him."

## Whalers host Canadiens

HARTFORD — The Hartford Whalers (22-23-7), back from their four-game road trip in which they went 1-3, will host the Montreal Canadiens tonight (7:30, SportsChannel, WTIC) at the Civic Center. Montreal (22-15-10) is in first place in the Adams Division while Hartford remains in fourth, six points in front of last-place Quebec and six behind third-place Buffalo.

The Whalers are coming off a tough 5-4 loss to the Canadiens Monday night in the Forum. After

tonight's game, Hartford has 28 games left — 14 at home and 14 on the road. Defensesman Ulf Samuelsson, who has points in the last seven straight games, can tie John Anderson's eight-game consecutive scoring streak tonight which is the longest on the club this season. Samuelsson has 10 points (1 goal, nine assists) in his past seven games.

Mike Liut will be in goal for Hartford while Patrick Roy will probably get the starting nod for Montreal.

## Basnight has a jam to remember

By Tim Dohlerg  
The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Jarvis Basnight remembers intercepting the pass and heading downcourt. He remembers seeing the backboard and a defender in his way.

But at the point where Basnight takes a flying leap over the 6-foot-5 defender on route to a thunderous slam dunk, things get a little hazy for the Nevada-Las Vegas star.

"I knew he was there and then he disappeared but I don't really remember what happened," Basnight said. "Then I heard the crowd."

What he heard was a collective gasp from the 17,835 fans who couldn't believe what they had just seen during Saturday's game at UNLV's campus arena.

This wasn't just some ordinary

in-your-face slam dunk. It may have been the first over-your-face slam dunk.

What the 6-foot-8 UNLV senior did, literally, was vault over the head of Pacific's 6-3 James Gleeves, who appeared to duck only an inch or two at the last minute but was otherwise erect when Basnight sailed over him.

Gleeves was stationed about eight feet in front of the basket, just inside the lane, and preparing for the collision that would cost Basnight a charging foul. The collision never came.

"He just kept rising and rising," the astonished Gleeves said. "I knew he could jump but... I couldn't believe it."

Neither could UNLV Coach Jerry Tarkanian. "That was one of the best plays I've ever seen," Tarkanian said. "It was simply incredible." "What made it all the more

remarkable is that Basnight had forced the play to begin with, intercepting a pass on the other end of the court, dribbling behind his back to elude another defender before going in for the airborne jam. He capped the personal show by landing on his feet.

"Even though he's our big man inside he's also probably our best ballhandler," Tarkanian said. "When we play a team that presses, we have Jarvis bring the ball backcourt for us."

It is Basnight's dunks, however, not his ball-handling skills, that have made him a favorite of UNLV fans. Even as a sophomore reserve, the forward made himself known with some big dunks during rare moments of playing time.

"It's not really showing off. It's just how I play," Basnight said.

## Calgary in final preparations for upcoming Winter Olympics

By Lorry Siddons  
The Associated Press

CALGARY, Alberta — Pierre Harvey has his eye on Olympic gold and the common cold.

Harvey, Canada's best hope for a gold medal in the Nordic events at the Calgary Winter Olympics, is hoping to avoid illness in his buildup to the Games, which open Feb. 13.

"The one reason Harvey has cut out on his training in the final 10 days. He will complete this weekend, however, in the Western Canadian Cross-Country Championships in Invermere, British Columbia.

"We have two races this weekend. We don't want to get crazy and push too hard," Harvey said Tuesday while working out at the Canmore Nordic Center. "You can catch a cold really easily."

Canmore, to the west of Calgary, will host the cross-country, biathlon and skiing portion of the

Nordic combined at the Winter Games.

Final preparations are well under way, with work crews all over the city hanging banners and making sure Calgary is ready for the 1.9 million spectators expected to attend the events.

Some of those fans will use tickets purchased after a night in bitter cold weather.

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Calgary. The classified ad columns of both local newspapers are full of offers to sell tickets, but the papers require that the offer price be no more than the face value of the ticket.

The cold temperatures, which have stayed well below zero since late last week, have been accompanied by gusty winds and snow flurries.

It makes getting around town a bit uncomfortable, but organizers are pleased because the frigid weather has enabled them to cover ski runs with artificial snow and stockpile snow high in the mountains in case warm weather suddenly reappears.

Heavy around the world, bad weather caused a snag in one part of the Olympic celebrations.

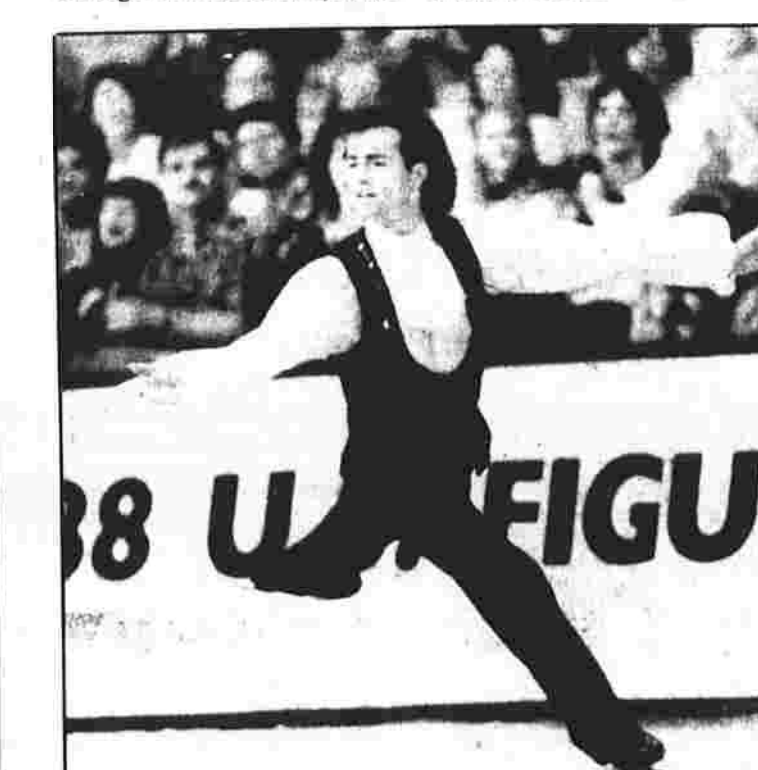
Departure from China of two giant pandas to be displayed at the Calgary Zoo during the Winter Games was placed in doubt because of heavy fog that delayed their flight from Thongqing.

But Trish Exton, promotions coordinator for the zoo, said the pandas had been sent by train to Beijing, where they would leave by plane as scheduled on Thursday.

She said the pandas will be at the zoo for seven months and are expected to draw a record 1.3 million visitors, with about \$500,000 from ticket sales being returned to China for panda conservation programs.

The Olympic torch run, which has carried the Olympic flame across Canada, moved eastward through British Columbia Tuesday and was due to cross into Alberta province on Thursday.

Ignited by the sun's rays in the warmth of ancient Olympia in Greece late last year, the flame will arrive at McMahon Stadium during the opening ceremonies and be used to light the symbolic fire in a cauldron atop the CP Tower, a 625-foot-high landmark in downtown Calgary.



GOING FOR THE GOLD — Brian Boitano of the United States will be one of the favorites in the men's figure skating competition at the Winter Olympic Games which will get under way in Calgary on Feb. 13.

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# Folks are discovering unbeaten BYU for real

By The Associated Press

Folks in the Great Plains now know what basketball fans in the Rocky Mountains have known for quite a while — Brigham Young is for real.

"They took a scalpel and cut us to pieces," Tulsa Coach J.D. Barnett said after the unbeaten and third-ranked Cougars beat the Hurricane 72-57 Tuesday night. Center Jim Usevitch scored 21 points and forward Jeff Chatman added 19 as BYU ran its record to 16-0.

Tulsa, 6-12, made a brief second-half run, trimming a 58-39 deficit to 10 points before the Cougars ran off to a safe 65-48 lead.

"That's why they're undefeated," Barnett said. "I hope they stay undefeated. They deserve it."

In the only other game involving a ranked team, No. 12 Syracuse improved to 16-5 by thrashing Providence 92-71 in the Big East Conference.

At the other end of the Big East standings, Seton Hall escaped from last place with a 61-59 victory over Connecticut, which dropped into the cellar. Seton Hall, 14-9 overall, is 3-6 in the

## NCAA Hoop

league, while Connecticut dropped to 2-7 and 9-8.

Maryland, the once-proud program that was shattered by the drug-related death of Len Bias, continues a remarkable resurgence under second-year coach Bob Wade. The Terrapins, 9-17 a year ago, improved to 11-6 this season by winning in one of college basketball's most renowned snafus, the Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center on the campus of Notre Dame. Freshman Brian Williams scored 18 points as the Terps beat the Irish 78-73.

No. 3 BYU 72, Tulsa 57: At Provo, Utah, BYU grabbed Tulsa by the throat with an 8-0 first-half run sparked by Usevitch's six points. The Cougars led 34-20 at the half.

BYU was particularly pleased with the play of Usevitch, "BYU Coach Ladell Andersen said. "He played a powerful game."

It's going to take a powerful inside team to beat them," Barnett said.

Tulsa exhibited patience early,

taking leads of 2-0 and 4-2 before BYU took control. The closest Tulsa got thereafter was a 6-6 tie.

Tracy Moore scored 19 points to lead the Hurricane.

No. 12 Syracuse 92, Providence 71: At Syracuse, Derrick Coleman scored 20 points as the Orangemen, losers of three of their last four games, took out their collective frustrations on Providence. Syracuse, 16-5, used a 15-2 burst to build a 25-13 lead and a 15-4 run to shut off a mild Providence rally and take a 57-40 advantage with 15 minutes left.

Coleman said Syracuse, which battered then-No. 8 Michigan in its previous game, is returning to form just in time. Six of the next seven games are on the road, beginning with stops at No. 20 St. John's, No. 9 Pittsburgh and No. 14 Georgetown.

"We're playing hard and I think we're really prepared," Coleman said. "The way we've been playing I think we can come back with three wins."

"We're coming together down the stretch and hopefully we can break back on top of the Big East."

The Orangemen are 5-3 in league play, two games behind Pittsburgh.



AP photo

GOES FOR TWO — Tulsa guard Michael Scott attempts to get his shot off over Brigham Young center Jim Usevitch during their game Tuesday night in Provo, Utah. The third-ranked Cougars remained unbeaten with a 72-57 win.

## Sports In Brief

### Little League holding signups

The Manchester Little League will conduct signups on two consecutive Sundays, Feb. 21 and 28, upstairs at the American Legion Hall on Legion Drive between 1 and 4 p.m. each day.

Signups are for all youngsters ages 7 through 12. Age is determined as of July 31, 1988. Birth certificates are required at time of registration and a parent or guardian must accompany all youngsters at the signup sessions. Registration is \$15 per player or \$20 per family.

League tryouts are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, March 19 and 20. Anyone interested in coaching, umpiring, as commissioners or in any other capacity is asked to attend the signup sessions.

For further information, call Frank Galasso at 643-4506 or Paul Schenblum at 649-6470.

### McCroarty paces Hartford to victory

LINGLINGTON, Vt. — Forward Doug McCroarty paced 20 points and senior Anthony Moye chipped in 15 as the University of Hartford defeated Vermont 76-61 in an ECAC North Atlantic Conference game Tuesday night.

The Hawks, 7-12 overall and 5-4 in the conference, outscored the Catamounts 12-4 in the first five minutes behind five points by McCroarty.

Vermont went on a 10-6 sprint to close the game to 14-14, behind four points each from sophomores Mike Lubas and Bart Donovan.

Hartford then scored 14 of the next 25 points to take a 32-25 halftime lead. Vermont scored immediately opening the second half to cut the lead to five, 32-27 on two free throws by Brad Chandler. That's as close as the Catamounts would get, as Hartford, behind eight points by Moye, went on a 21-6 run to open a 53-23 lead with 12:34 remaining.

Ten points by Rahim Hulanid El, who was Vermont's high scorer with 19 points, allowed Vermont to go on a 22-15 run to cut the lead to 70-55. But the Catamounts could get no closer though, extending their losing streak to five games.

Vermont is now 3-14 overall and 2-3 in the conference.

### Boston College overpowers Stags

NEWTON, Mass. — Steve Benton and Bobby Francis scored 16 points each to lead Boston College to an 82-60 victory over Fairfield Tuesday.

The victory raised Boston College's record to 12-8 as Fairfield dropped to 5-12.

Troy Bradford was the Stags' high scorer with 17 points.

### Walters indicted by grand jury

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Norby Walters and an associate have become the latest players indicted by an Alabama grand jury for dealing with college athletes, a prosecutor says.

Alabama Attorney General Don Siegelman said Tuesday a Tuscaloosa county grand jury had returned a three-count indictment against Walters, president of World Sports and Entertainment Inc., the company and Lloyd Bloom, the vice president.

Siegelman said the indictments stem from Walters' and Bloom's dealings with former Alabama basketball star Derrick McKey, who now plays with the NBA's Seattle SuperSonics.

### Irvin says future is in the NFL

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — Michael Irvin, star receiver for the national champion Miami Hurricanes, said Tuesday he will forgo a final year of college eligibility.

"Michael Irvin's plan for 1988 is hopefully to be playing in the National Football League," said Irvin, who set school career records with 26 touchdown receptions, 143 receptions and 2,423 yards in three seasons.

Irvin, 21, redshirted in 1984, had said throughout last season he hadn't decided whether to return next season. But he said Tuesday winning the national championship and his personal accomplishments made up his mind.

### Barraso NHL player of the month

MONTREAL — Buffalo goaltender Tom Barraso, who had a 10-3-1 record and a 2.88 goals-against-average, was selected Tuesday the NHL player of the month for January.

Pittsburgh center Mario Lemieux, Calgary defenseman Gary Suter and Vancouver right wing Tony Tanti also received consideration.

Barraso began the month by winning six straight games, including four against Adams Division rivals, in 10 days. He also had a 3-1-1 record on the road in January.

### Gilliam NBA rookie of the month

NEW YORK — Phoenix forward Armon Gilliam, who averaged 14.8 points and 7.1 rebounds a game, was named the NBA Rookie of the Month for January, while Washington's Wes Unseld, who guided the Bullets to a 9-4 record, was chosen the Coach of the Month, the league announced Tuesday.

In winning the award, Gilliam, the No. 2 pick in last year's draft from Nevada-Las Vegas, beat Tyrone Bogues of Washington, Winston Garland of Golden State, Mark Jackson of New York, Kevin Johnson of Cleveland and Kenny Smith of Sacramento.

# Denny Crum closes in on 400th win

By The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Two national championships, six trips to the NCAA Tournament Final Four, 16 consecutive winning seasons, And now comes another milestone for Louisville Coach Denny Crum — his 400th career victory.

Since his first team went to the NCAA Final Four in 1972, Crum's teams have won games with almost numbing regularity. The ledger shows 399 victories against 136 losses, a performance of quality and consistency that ranks Crum with the best coaches in basketball history.

Yet Crum's thoughts are not on No. 400 as he prepares his team for tonight's game against Metro State in the first round of the Western Kentucky's Ed Diddle was 400-134, 74.9, and Peck Hickman of Louisville was 400-182, 71.2.

Looking at it another way, Crum would join St. John's Lou Carnesecca and Nevada-Las Vegas' Jerry Tarkanian in reaching 400 in the fewest seasons. Carnesecca hit 400 in the 19th game of

his 17th season, Tarkanian in the 20th game of his 17th campaign. Carnesecca, Tarkanian and Crum coach in an era when 30-game seasons are commonplace. Rupp, who needed 19-plus seasons to reach 400, had several teams which played 20 or fewer games.

Tarkanian, incidentally, made it in 483 games, second only to Rupp, and Carnesecca in 535.

"I never set any goals as far as how many games I was going to win or how fast I was going to do it," Crum said.

Crum has a formula for success. He concentrates on fundamentals from the opening of preseason practice, throws his teams against some of the toughest competition in the country and by the end of the season has a toughened squad that is ready for the rigors of the NCAA Tournament. It is a formula that works. Louisville is 27-12 in NCAA games under Crum. The only coaches to win more are John

# Infante likely to be new Packers' coach

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Lindy Infante is expected to be the new head coach of the Green Bay Packers, ending a search of nearly three weeks by the NFL team for a successor to Forrest Gregg.

Tom Braatz, the Packers vice president for football operations, said club president Robert Parms made a take-it-or-leave-it offer Monday night to Infante, offensive coordinator of the Cleveland Browns.

Infante, 47, had been in Honolulu with the Browns' staff, which will coach the American Football Conference in Sunday's Pro Bowl.

But he left Hawaii on Tuesday and was apparently headed to Green Bay to tour the team's facilities and announce his decision either today or Thursday.

Braatz said the odds were

"99-1" that Infante would become the Packers' next coach. Michigan State Coach George Perles turned the Packers down at the last minute last week after the team reportedly offered a five-year contract worth \$2.25 million.

"I was wrong on George Perles. I could be wrong here, too," Braatz said.

"I have already taken the position mentally that he's going to Green Bay," Browns owner Art Modell said. "But I could be wrong."

Modell said Infante was not headed to Cleveland so "if he's left (Hawaii) that means he's going to Green Bay to announce and accept the job. That's logic."

Infante's wife wouldn't comment on her husband's departure. "He is away tending to personal business," Browns Coach Marty Schottenheimer said.

Braatz said the Packers need to name their new coach this week so they could begin scouting and preparing for April's college draft.

"Time is of the essence," Braatz said, noting that the contracts of all but one Packers assistant expired Monday. Two assistants, George Sefcik and Tom Loughlin, have taken jobs with other NFL teams.

The head coaching job opened up last month when Gregg resigned to become coach at Northern Methodist University.

Earlier on Tuesday, Braatz said Infante "has a situation he has to think about strongly."

But later, Braatz said Infante's personal matter was simply discussing a move from Cleveland to Green Bay with his family.

# Illinois names Mackovic

By Robert Lee Zimmer  
The Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — As the new head football coach at the University of Illinois, John Mackovic's first order of business may be hiring two top defensive aides.

Illini defensive coordinator Howard Tippett, who had been a candidate for the head job vacated by Mike White, said Tuesday night that Athletic Director Neale Stoner notified him of the decision to hire Mackovic. The university planned to introduce Mackovic today.

"He said it was a close call, a tough call, but they had offered the job to Mackovic and he had accepted," said Tippett, who indicated he would leave the team.

In addition, a university source who asked not to be identified confirmed that Mackovic would be named to replace White.

Ohio State assistant coach Jim Colletto and former Northwestern Coach Dennis Green also interviewed for the job, the Champaign-Urbana News-Gazette reported.

Mackovic, out of coaching for a year, was fired by Kansas City after the 1986

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