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Town races against Grand List deadline

By Alex Girelli
Manchester Herald

A Grand List containing about a 30 percent increase in property values was to be completed by today, thus ensuring the town would meet a state deadline and avoid penalties.

Town Manager Robert Weiss said the work will be done before the end of today, the deadline set by the state's Office of Policy and

Management when it extended the time limit a month ago.

If the town does not finish the list in time, a vote by the General Assembly might be needed to validate it.

Town Assessor J. Richard Vincent said this morning that the total list is \$989,446,695, up from the 1986 figure of \$752,825,138. That 1986 Grand List figure reflected reductions made by the Board of Tax Review.

Vincent said the increase in the Grand List was about 30 percent, but that includes the increase that comes about as a result of the revaluation of real estate as well as the actual increase in the amount of real estate and other taxable property.

The \$989,446,695 figure includes all real estate, personal property, and motor vehicles. The total for real estate on the tax list is \$773,010,717, up from the

final 1986 figure of \$566,096,962, Vincent said.

He declined to discuss the list in any further detail. He said he was too busy working to meet the deadline. Vincent said he will prepare a news release on the Grand List.

The lack of detail on real growth in the Grand List, as distinct from the increase due to revaluation, makes it difficult to compare the list with the last one.

In a chart he prepared to illustrate the operation of a plan to phase in the revalued real estate tax assessments, Boyce Spinelli, town finance officer, used the figure of \$983,874,000 as illustrative of the effect of revaluation on the Grand List.

The Board of Directors has approved the phase in of the new assessments on real estate over a five-year period. Under that plan, real estate will be assessed for the

first year at 34 percent, not 70 percent, of its fair market value.

The phase-in is designed to keep too much of the total tax burden from shifting suddenly from personal property and motor vehicles to real estate.

Motor vehicles and personal property are, in effect, revalued every year while real estate values have grown at a fast rate since real estate was last revalued 10 years ago.

Panama scares strikers

By Reid G. Miller
The Associated Press

PANAMA CITY, Panama — A general strike started today to demand the resignation of Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega but government intimidation, censorship and the fact that today is payday apparently hurt its effectiveness.

The opposition asked the nation's businesses and industries to close today and remain shut indefinitely.

Deposed President Eric Arturo Delvalle remained in hiding, defying Noriega, who ousted Delvalle and ordered him out of the country.

Buses, by far the main mode of public transportation, circulated this morning like any other morning. Most were full, taking people to work.

About two-thirds of the stores were open at a commercial center of more than 100 enterprises on Central Avenue in Panama City.

Many Panamanian banks were closed by the strike, but international banks were open.

Several people consulted by The Associated Press as they stepped from buses on their way to work mentioned intimidation as a reason for not observing the strike.

"There's fear," said a middle-aged man, a bank employee. "We lack unity to confront these people who have all the arms and are disposed to use them."

"The people don't have means to resist," said a woman, a domestic employee, walking with him. "One has to live as they (the armed forces) say."

The two also noted that today, being the last day of the month, is payday for many Panamanians.

Police Chief Col. Leonidas Macias told journalists it would be understandable if hungry people looted a closed supermarket, and his forces would not try to prevent them.

The strike call was supported by the industrial workers' union of Panama, and its effectiveness appeared to be greater in industry than in commerce. Most factories in Panama City's industrial zone were closed.

Roberto Brenes, a leader of the National Civic Crusade, predicted Sunday that the strike would do well in manufacturing and construction, but would be less effective in the service industries.

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AFTER SCHOOL — Amy Gifford of Manchester bags groceries at the Super Stop & Shop in Manchester.

15-year-olds and jobs: Proposal renews debate

By Anita M. Caldwell
Manchester Herald

For 15-year-old Elise Callahan, being able to work is a mixed blessing.

Callahan previously worked at Kinney Shoes in Manchester and is now looking for another job.

"As long as it doesn't interfere with your schoolwork, it's fine," the Manchester High School student said.

She is one of thousands of 15-year-olds across the state who have been working since a law was passed last year allowing 15-year-olds to work in mercantile establishments as cashiers, baggers and in the stock room. That law goes off the books in five years unless it is renewed by the Legislature.

Meanwhile, the General Assembly is considering a bill that would extend the law to include restaurants. That proposal has drawn protests from educators and legislators, who say studies show that working youths generally do less homework, miss school more often and are likely to have higher rates of delinquency and drug abuse. Additionally, another study shows they spent their earnings on personal luxuries instead of saving for their future education.

Callahan admits there's a trade-off with working. "I know that when I worked, I was really tired on the weekends."

Lee Ann Bonomo, 15, doesn't want to take that risk. "Academically, it's too hard," the Manchester High School student said. Alexandra O'Brien, however,



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ON THE JOB — Ryan Barry of Manchester stacks shelves at Highland Park Market in Coventry.

believes students can juggle their time. "They can choose their hours," the Manchester High School student said, adding that she only works on weekends. "I have other activities after school."

Though Amy Gifford of Manchester likes her job at the Super Stop & Shop in Manchester, she admitted that her grades have dropped a little since she began working. But Gifford said was quick to say that the drop isn't significant.

Gifford also pointed out that the job is helping her to save for a school band trip to Maryland in the spring. "I've met more friends since I've been (working) here," she said. "And I'm not missing out on the band (rehearsals)."

Ryan Barry, also of Manchester, looks at the activity as just another after-school commitment. "It's like having an extra sport," he said. Barry has worked

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Homecoming is 'wonderful' for Gallacher

By Andrew J. Davis
Manchester Herald

It was sort of a homecoming for Michael R. Gallacher.

Today was Gallacher's first day as president of Manchester Memorial Hospital after he was chosen for the post in December. A former assistant director and acting executive director of the hospital before leaving in 1984, Gallacher has returned to the hospital which once passed him over for its presidency.

"Wonderful," Gallacher said today of returning to the hospital. "I can't add anything to that."

The first two hours of his day were spent greeting staff members. A reception was set up in the hospital's first floor conference rooms as employee after employee came to welcome Gallacher back.

Many times staff members waited in line to greet their new president. For the first hour of the two hour reception, Gallacher shook hands with about 100 employees.

Since he was at the hospital for almost 10 years, he had no trouble remembering names and faces. And for the people he did not know, Gallacher spent a few minutes learning the person's name, title and the department he works in.

Gallacher, 47, left the hospital after former president Warren L. Prelesnik was hired three years ago. The day Prelesnik came on board at the hospital, Gallacher announced his resignation to accept a position as chief executive

officer of the Anna T. Jeanes hospital in Philadelphia as well as vice president of the Anna T. Jeanes Foundation.

In 1985, Gallacher left Philadelphia to become senior vice president at Greenwich Hospital.

But Prelesnik abruptly resigned in October, leaving the door open for Gallacher's return.

The search committee for a new president did not take much time in picking Prelesnik's successor. Only about 40 days after Prelesnik resigned, Gallacher was chosen.

But back in 1984, as he left the hospital to go to Philadelphia, Gallacher said he never thought he would return to Manchester Memorial as president.

"No, I really didn't," he said. "I thought (my career) would take me somewhere else."

Two of the many staff members who greeted Gallacher today were Susan Pellerin, laboratory assistant administrative director, and Mary Bezzini, medical laboratory technician. Both women said they were happy to see Gallacher come back.

"We're glad to have Mike back," Pellerin said. "He's a people-oriented person. He has the community's and our interest at heart."

"He knows all of us," said Bezzini. And Gallacher has promised to get to know everyone even better. During his first few days, Gallacher said he was going to visit departments and reorientate himself with the every day workings of the hospital.

"Very hectic, very busy," Gallacher said of his plans for the first few days. "I'll get around. I'll be out and around."



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NEW LEADER — Manchester Memorial Hospital President Michael R. Gallacher talks with staff member Mary Bezzini at the hospital this morning. Gallacher started work today.

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About Town

Cosmo Club

Herbert Bengtson of the Manchester Historical Society will show a slide show on "Old Manchester" to the Cosmopolitan Club Friday, March 4, at 1:30 p.m. at the Center Congregational Church.

Placement Test

Assumption Junior High School will hold a placement examination for students entering grades 5 through 8 Saturday, March 5, from 9 a.m. to noon, at the school at 29 Adams St. There will be a \$5 charge and the snow date is March 19. For more information, call 649-0888.

Chorus meets

The Beethoven Chorus will rehearse Tuesday, March 8, from 10 to 11 a.m., at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 60 Church St. Refreshments will be served on Friday, March 18, the chorus will present a program at the Masonic Temple, 25 E. Center St., Manchester. For information, call 648-7290.

Sunset Club meets

The Sunset Club will meet on Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the Manchester Senior Center.

College courses

The Manchester Community College Older Adults are sponsoring two courses for March. David Glidman will teach a course on Eastern culture on Monday, March 7, at 1:30 p.m., which will meet for eight weeks. Marie Gram will teach a class on character relationships in short stories on Wednesday, March 16, at 1:30 p.m., which will meet for eight weeks. To register, call the college at 647-6125.

Dubliners

The Dubliners, the singing group from Ireland, will appear in concert Thursday, March 10, at 8 p.m., at Glastonbury High School. Admission is \$12 and tickets can be purchased at Belmont Record Shop, 295 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, Travel Shoppe, 972 New London Turnpike, Glastonbury, or from P.J. Tierney at 643-2597.

Students chosen

Several East Catholic High School students were selected for the finals in the 1987-88 Musical Theater Scholarship Competition sponsored by the Hart Music Theater Club of the Hart School of Music.

Senior Kristina RisCassi of Vernon, Juniors Lisa Doucette of Manchester and Alicia Kristina Fitzgerald of Stafford Springs, and sophomore Mary-Elle Callahan of East Hartford competed with more than 100 high school students.

Four East Catholic High School students also were chosen by the Connecticut Music Education Association to perform in the All Eastern Regional Festival held at the University of Connecticut.

Junior Lou Strano, of East Hartford, played the trumpet, while sophomore Cheryl Constantine of East Hartford played the flute. Senior Melanie Green of Vernon played the clarinet, while Angela Laramie of Marlborough, a senior, played the bassoon.

While these East Catholic students were making their mark in the musical area, the East Catholic High School Math Team placed third among 32 area schools in the math meet held Feb. 10 at Newington High School. The team is directed by Ann Cannon, department chairman.

Square circles

The Square Circle Club of Manchester Lodge of Masons will hold an open house Monday, March 7, from 9 a.m. to noon. There will be refreshments and all Masons and their friends are invited. For more information, call 649-7390.

Legislative priority

State Rep. James R. McCavagnh, D-Manchester, will hold a public meeting Tuesday to discuss legislation proposed in the current session of the General Assembly. The meeting will be held at Robertson School at 7 p.m. People are invited to attend and express their views.

Weigh-in

Manchester WATES will meet Tuesday at the Orange Hall, 72 E. Center St. Weigh-in from 7:15 p.m. to 9 p.m., followed by a business meeting. For information, call 742-7767.



"It's good, because employment offers are out there. It keeps them out of trouble and it gives them spending money." Judy Yause, Nurse Nike Circle



"I think it's great that 15-year-olds do, because there's a lot of students out there that want to work and pull their own weight." Zenna Brisson, Homemaker Stafford Springs

Births

Rood, Aldwin James and Ethan Francis, twin sons of William and Karen McNamar Rood, North Windham, were born Jan. 3 at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Their maternal grandmother is Margaret McNamar of Manchester. Their paternal grandfather is Francis Rood of Scotland. They have two brothers, William, 10 and Dustin, 4 and three sisters, Shellee, 24, Marina, 23 and Vanessa, 22.



"I feel they should be allowed to at that age." Steve Hart, Security guard Stafford Springs



"I don't think they should. It interferes with their schooling." Ken Brown, Computer Operator Winter Street Manchester

Dr. Crane's Quiz

- 1. The letters RBI suggests which related set of letters? COD ERA IRS FBI
2. A man who is said to be "stewed" has associated too long with whom? JOHN DICK HARRY TOM
3. Which nicknamed creature often has a bell around its neck? DAISY POLLY ELSIE BIDDY
4. Which nicknamed creature is not lined with the circus? LEO BRUIN MOBY DICK DOBBIN
5. Which famous outlaw was born long before the other three? JESSE JAMES ROBIN HOOD BILLY THE KID DILLINGER
6. Analyze the various colors at the left below. Then try to match them appropriately with the human conditions indicated at the right. (a) Pink (v) Envious (b) Blue (v) Enraged (c) Purple (v) Moody (d) Green (v) Physically fit (e) Yellow (v) Cowardly

Thoughts

It's time for a Lenten snowstorm! That's right. Ever notice how many of us really love a snow storm? Oh, we complain a lot. But like so many, I am already overcommitted and far too busy for my soul's health. I'm glad to have the night off, without guilt. Therefore in this holy season of Lent, when the Church intends for us to take some time apart, why not write into your calendar "snowstorm - stay home." Write this in at least once each week.

Lottery

Connecticut daily Saturday: 966 Play Four: 9971

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Mall housing plan no longer feasible

By Nancy Concelman Manchester Herald

A suggestion by Republican Director Ronald Osella that a portion of the 380-acre Mall at Buckland Hills site be set aside for low- to moderate-income housing is no longer a practical idea, Osella said last week.

Osella, responding to a report issued by the Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission on Housing - which suggested ways towns can require developers to build low- to moderate-income housing - said earlier this month the town should have approached the developers of the mall site with the possibility that some of that land could be set aside for housing.

Osella's suggestion was made before the Board of Directors on Feb. 16 approved a tax-freeze plan that would allow the mall developer, the Homart Development Co. of Chicago, to recapture \$9.5 million, which would be used to pay for utility improvements near the site.

Mayor Peter P. DiRosa Jr. and two of the mall site developers said at the time Osella made his suggestion that it probably wouldn't be feasible. Osella last week agreed, saying that approval of the tax-freeze financing, which will allow a March ground-breaking at the site, made the possibility for planning a low- to moderate-income housing complex impractical.

Joseph LeDuc, a senior developer director for Homart, said the bulk of Homart's property at



SHEEPISH FEELING - Melvin Overstreet, 5, and Trisha Gagnon, 6, kindergarten students at Verplanck Elementary School, play with two baby lambs that their teacher, AnnMarie Russell, brought in from her Coventry farm Friday.



PEACEFUL PROTEST - Members of Laphreese talk with freelance photographer Dennis Davis, of Manchester, during the weekly protest near the corner of Main and Center Streets in front of the Vietnam Memorial. Naomi Munir, 15, left, Lisa Phillips, 18, Michael Robinson, 18, Jenipher Chadburn, 17, and Ingrid Stearns, 15, gathered Saturday.

License request on agenda

By Nancy Concelman Manchester Herald

The Zoning Board of Appeals is scheduled to vote tonight on a variance that would change the use classification of the Manchester Country Club from a restaurant to a cafe and allow the club to resolve alleged violations of its current liquor license.

The request, from Manchester Country Club Inc., will be heard at the Zoning Board of Appeals hearing, scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Lincoln Center hearing room. The country club, located at 305 South Main St., is in a Rural Residence zone.

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The Zoning Board of Appeals also is scheduled to vote on a second request from the Arbors Development Corp. for a variance that would allow the firm to install air conditioning units in a trough in the ground at the Arbors at Hop Brook retirement complex at 403 West Center St.

The variance is required because the trough would require a 10-foot reduction in the front yard to accommodate the two 100-ton central air conditioning units. A 30-foot front yard is required under the zoning bylaws.

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Town moves to resolve suit

By Nancy Concelman Manchester Herald

The town may settle a suit brought against it nearly five years ago by residents of Charter Oak Street and Teresa Road in making improvements to Porter Brook and correcting erosion damage done to their properties.

Town Manager Robert B. Weiss said today that property belonging to eight residents, who in 1983 filed suit in Hartford Superior Court against the town for erosion damages caused by flooding, will be repaired. The town will also install rip rap along the banks of the water to protect the residents' yards, Weiss said.

The eight Charter Oak Street and Teresa Road residents who filed the original suit charged that the town was responsible for increasing the amount of flooding from the brook by approving upstream development.

Weiss said some of the eight properties have changed hands since the suit was originally filed, but he didn't know who the new owners were. He referred questions to town attorney William Shea, who was unavailable for comment this morning.

The settlement, which was discussed but not voted on by the Board of Directors last week, is estimated to cost \$10,000 for materials and \$10,000 for labor. Separate from this potential settlement is the town's plan to replace two culverts over Porter Brook to prevent future flooding and erosion. The replacement of the culverts is part of an existing town program to make traffic and utility improvements at five intersections in the town, Weiss said.

These projects, including the Porter Brook culverts, will go out to bid soon, he added. Under that program, the town may receive 92.5 percent reimbursement of the cost of new culverts from the state and federal governments.

The Planning and Zoning Commission had approved residential subdivisions in the area of Butler Road, Hickory Lane, Highwood Drive, Pilgrim Lane and Patriot Lane, streets from which storm water drains and goes into the brook, residents said in the suit. Residents said the town violated drainage subdivision regulations.

The property owners who filed the original suit are: Susan H. Chaloux, of 66 Teresa Road, Menas and Grace Alice Kalagian, of 20 Teresa Road, Albert and Margaret Kellogg, of 42 Teresa Road, James F. McVeigh, of 264 Charter Oak St., Joseph and Frances Muccio, of 36 Teresa Road, William and Pauline Lautenbach, of 268 Charter Oak St., Anton F. and Carol Deane Maylor, of 273 Charter Oak St., and Doris Hunt, of 285 Charter Oak St.

Enfield corruption case nearing trial

By Andrew Yurkovsky Manchester Herald

A corruption case involving the former chairman of the Enfield Planning and Zoning Commission and two prominent Manchester men could move closer to trial if certain legal issues are resolved by the state Supreme Court this week.

"Particularized need" is considered a more difficult point to prove. The Supreme Court is to hear oral arguments Tuesday to decide what judicial body has the jurisdiction to release the grand jury transcripts related to the corruption probe to the public. The trial of the men charged in the case - including former Manchester Board of Education Chairman Leonard Seader and developer Neil Ellis, owner of the Journal Inquirer newspaper - has been on hold since last April pending the resolution of that question.

In December 1986 and January 1987, Seader and Ellis were each charged with first-degree bribery and conspiracy to commit bribery. The charges stemmed from allegations that Seader, vice president of First Hartford Realty Co. of Manchester, negotiated with former Enfield Planning and Zoning Commission Chairman William J. Boudah to sell an 8.8-acre tract of land to Boudah for about \$50,000 below fair market value, according to court records.

The sale took place while First Hartford was seeking a zone change from the commission on another plot of land in Enfield on which the firm wanted to build a senior housing project, records say.

The commission approved First Hartford's zone change, with Boudah actively participating in deliberations and voting for the change. Police said that Ellis, the president of First Hartford, approved the sale to Boudah of the 8.8-acre plot. Boudah sold most of that land and realized a profit of about \$45,000.

The release of the grand jury transcripts centers on which of two attorneys representing Seader should be applied. Under rules governing grand jury proceedings, the transcripts could be released only if a superior court judge found that there was "particularized need" for the information. The new rules would leave the decision in the hands of a three-judge panel, which would decide whether the documents should be released based on the public's interest to know.

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Town names Weber as assistant engineer

By Andrew Yurkovsky Manchester Herald

James Weber, a civil engineer in the town's engineering department, has been named assistant town engineer, Personnel Director Linda Parry said today.

Weber, who was the acting assistant town engineer, was promoted to the post last week. The position had been vacant since former Assistant Engineer William Camosci became acting town engineer when Wallace Senkow was forced to resign as engineer in 1986 after being charged with sexually harassing a female employee.

Camosci has since been named to the newly created post of director of engineering services. The salary range for assistant town engineer ranges between \$34,175 and \$48,145, Parry said. Two employees had applied for the job.

Meanwhile, Parry said, the town has extended its search for a new director of public works to take the place of George A. Kandra, who left the job this month. The town originally set an application deadline of Feb. 18 and limited its advertising search to the Capitol Region.

The town has extended the deadline to March 25 and will be advertising nationally for the post, Parry said.

THE WEATHER The Accu-Weather forecast for 8 A.M., Tuesday, March 1 (FLURRIES) COOL, BREEZY, SHOWERS, CLOUDS, DRY, CLEAR, CLOUDS, WARM, COLD, STATIONARY

REGIONAL WEATHER Accu-Weather forecast for Tuesday Daytime Conditions and High Temperatures: Montreal 22, Caribou 29, Breezy, Albany 30, Buffalo 25, Boston 34, Pittsburgh 34, New York 38, Washington 42, Atlantic Ocean

It's warm in Northwest, wet in California, Texas

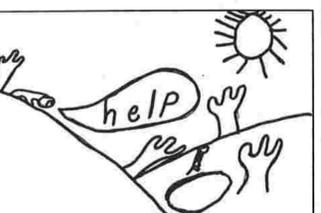
By The Associated Press The Northwest basked in record-high temperatures while the East shivered and showers and thunderstorms doused parts of California and Texas today.

Cloudiness enshrouded the lower Great Lakes region, resulting in widely scattered snow showers. Isolated rain showers were common in the Rocky Mountain region.

Temperature records established Sunday included 66 degrees in Boise, Idaho, 71 in Portland, Ore., 60 in Spokane, Wash., and 57 in Kalamazoo, Mich. The afternoon high of 71 degrees in Portland also established a record for February.

Showers and thunderstorms moved through southern and central California and central Texas Sunday evening and early today. The rain developed ahead of a cold front pushing across Oklahoma and Texas.

Cloudiness extended from the northern Ohio Valley to the West Coast. Advisories for dense fog were in effect this morning for southern and central Louisiana and parts of southeast Texas. Temperatures were generally below freezing this morning in the



Today's weather picture was drawn by Joseph Young, who lives on Maple Street and attends Nathan Hale School.

CONNECTICUT WEATHER

Central, Eastern Interior, Southwest Interior: Partly sunny today. High 35 to 40. Wind becoming light southwest. Partly cloudy tonight. Low around 20. Wind becoming northwest around 10 mph. Mostly sunny Tuesday. High in the middle 30s.

West Coastal, East Coastal: Partly sunny today. High near 40. Wind light and variable becoming southwest around 10 mph. Partly cloudy tonight. Low around 20. Wind becoming northwest 10 to 15 mph. Mostly sunny Tuesday. High 32 to 35.

Northwest Hills: Partly sunny today. High 35 to 40. Wind becoming light southwest. Partly cloudy tonight with a chance of an evening flurry. Low 10 to 15. Wind becoming northwest 10 to 15 mph. Mostly sunny Tuesday. High near 30.

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Take time to talk with your doctors

A significant number of older adults have serious drug problems — and they may not know it. Many elderly are unintentionally misusing — not abusing — their prescription medication, reports a recent survey by the National Council on Patient Information and Education. The report was detailed by Geraldine Gallagher in Mature Outlook magazine.

The best solution to these problems, says Paul G. Rogers, chairman of NCIPI, is communication. "Take time to talk, really talk, with your doctors, pharmacists and nurses. They're just as concerned as you are about making your medicines work right for you."

AARP Roundup

Ambrose Diehl

Chapter 2399
Manchester Green Chapter 2399 will meet March 10 at 1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Room of Community Baptist Church at the Green. Dennis Horgan of The Hartford Courant will present a program, "A Little Bit of Ireland."

Trips:
On March 16, there will be a trip to the Coachlight Dinner Theater to see "Sophisticated Ladies." The bus will leave the Community Baptist Church parking lot at 11 a.m. The trip coordinator is Ruth Lloyd, 118 Lydall St., 649-6527. The cost is \$26.

On April 19, there will be a trip to Marblehead on the North Shore of Boston. There will be a visit to the Peabody Museum, which is a maritime museum with ship models, scrimshaw, whaling gear and paintings. Lunch will be at the Danversport Yacht Club, followed by a guided bus tour of the area. The cost of the trip is \$36. The bus leaves the church parking lot at 7:30 a.m., returning about 6 to 6:30 p.m. The tour coordinator is Janet Phillips, 185 E. Center St., Apt. 4C, 649-6524.

Northeast Chapter 604
Connecticut Northeast Chapter 604, AARP, will meet Wednesday at Concordia Lutheran Church on Pitkin Street. Social hour will be from 12:45 until 1:30 p.m. The business meeting will be held. We will be entertained by the "Sunshiners." They will perform a St. Patrick's Day program. Everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day.

Capitol Calendar

HARTFORD (AP) — Here is the schedule of committee meetings (CM) and public hearings (PH) in the Connecticut General Assembly Tuesday through Friday.

All events are open to the public. Times and places are subject to change and information about individual meetings and hearings can be obtained by calling the Legislative Management Committee at 249-0100.

The first hour of each public hearing is reserved for legislators and agency heads. The public is then permitted to speak.

Subcommittee meetings are not listed.

Tuesday, March 1
Family and Workplace, PH 9 a.m. Room W-56. CM follows PH.
General Law, PH 10 a.m. Room W-58.
Executive and Legislative Nominations, PH 10 a.m. Room W-54.
Energy, PH 11 a.m. Room W-52. CM follows PH.
Censure, CM Noon.
Human Services, CM 1 p.m. Room E-57.
Planning and Development, CM 1 p.m. Room E-55.
Human Services, CM 1 p.m. Room W-54.

Wednesday, March 2
House session, 11 a.m.
Senate session, 2 p.m.
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WAITING TO GO UP — Children who are handicapped outpatients at Newington Children's Hospital wait in the lift line at the Mount Southington Ski Area. The children are part of the hospital's ski program.

Disabled kids find joy on ski slopes

By Susan Okulo
The Associated Press

SOUTHINGTON — Twelve-year-old Amy Hollis can't walk, but she can ski.

Amy, of East Hartford, has cerebral palsy. But that hasn't stopped her from zipping down the slopes for two years, thanks to a program developed by the Newington Children's Hospital.

"It's fun," Amy said on a recent Friday at the Mt. Southington Ski Area.

Amy is one of 16 handicapped children, outpatients aged 6 to 17 years, in the hospital's ski program. Many of the children have cerebral palsy, a disorder of the central nervous system, or other neuromuscular disorders. At least one is an amputee.

On the slopes, Amy supported herself with a walker rigged onto skis. Accompanied by two volunteers and a nurse, she repeatedly used the J-bar to get up the beginner's hill, leaning back on one of three helpers. Then with one person on either side of her and a third trailing behind holding onto a harness, Amy would glide down, practicing slalom moves, smiling broadly.

"It certainly gives the kids an experience that they could not do otherwise," said Amy's mother, Brenda Hollis, as she watched her daughter.

Stephen Balconoff, a recreational therapist at the Newington hospital, said the skiing is a kind of physical therapy.

"They're working on increasing their range of motion and also on their strength. But the biggest benefit for all the kids and the families is it is a tremendous boost of self-esteem," he said.

The children experience a new kind of motion, he added.

"They have no other way to experience the speed and fluid motion. They fight gravity when they're walking, they don't fight it when they're skiing," he explained.

The program, run on Fridays in January and February, costs parents nothing. Balconoff said that Mt. Southington lets the children, volunteers and instructors use the slopes for free. A ski shop in West Hartford, Alpine Plus, donates skis and other equipment to the hospital.

Some of the equipment is adapted for use by the kids, such as the skis for Amy Hollis' walker. Some skis are hooked together in front, to keep the skiers tracking straight. Outriggers, a type of pole with a small ski on the bottom, helps some skiers distribute their weight through their arms as well as their legs.

Volunteers are another part of the program, called Skiers Unlimited. About 14 students from Quinnipiac College are helping this year, with the school providing a van to get them from the Hamden campus to Southington.

Many of the Quinnipiac students are majoring in physical



DOWN THE SLOPE — Landon Potts, a patient at Newington Children's Hospital, slides down a slope at Mount Southington with the help of Linda Therrien. She is one of 16 handicapped children in the ski program.

therapy, and the Fridays on the slopes provide professional experience, said Richard Albro, an assistant professor of physical therapy at Quinnipiac who organized the students.

The college volunteers are under the direction of program instructors and work one-on-one with the children, Albro said.

"It's often physically demanding and tiring work that Albro, a former volunteer, said is too much for him at the age of 46.

"They go up on the slopes and they actually do things... working with these special kids," he said.

"They don't stand around and watch. The Quinnipiac students thought they would never be that instructive."

One of the student volunteers, sophomore Allison Foley of West York, was working with hospital volunteer Heidi Nichols in shepherding 12-year-old Elizabeth Barnett of West Hartford up and down the hill. Elizabeth, who doesn't need a walker, has a mild case of cerebral palsy.

"It's great," said Foley, as she stood in line with Elizabeth for another trip up the J-bar. "They just have so much fun."

Balconoff said the program began eight years ago, when a clinical nurse specialist who also was a ski instructor heard of a similar project in Colorado. Albro said he has heard of another program in Maine.

The nurse took several children skiing for a number of years.

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Report due on censure

HARTFORD (AP) — A legislative committee weighing possible action against a legislator who referred to homosexuals as "lollipops" is to issue its recommendation to the House of Representatives this week.

A special four-member committee will meet Tuesday to decide what action to recommend to the House concerning the remark of Rep. Eugene A. Migliaro Jr., R-Wolcott. Rep. Paul Gianfriddo, D-Middletown, wants Migliaro censured.

The committee was unable to come to a conclusion on a recommendation at its first meeting last week.

Also at the Capitol this week, hearings are scheduled on bills granting pay raises to the governor and other elected officials and a bill aimed at tightening building code requirements in the wake of last year's collapse of a Bridgeport apartment complex.

Lake may hold train wreck

MERIDEN — In the minds of train buffs, there's a treasure buried in the muck of Silver Lake.

Historians speculate that hidden on the bottom are the remains of several railroad cars that fell into the 151-acre lake after two derailments in the 1880s.

If they are ever recovered, the Valley Railroad Co. of Essex would be interested in bringing those intriguing remnants of history to its museum, director James M.S. Ullman said.

"If an engine was preserved, that would be incredible," Ullman said.

Silver Lake, on the Meriden-Berlin line, has been targeted by the state for a seven-year project to dredge 800,000 cubic yards of organic waste that has accumulated on its bottom. The state will spend \$3 million on the project, which is expected to begin in the fall.

State appeals capital case

HARTFORD — The state says it plans to appeal a Superior Court decision that ruled out the death penalty in the upcoming second trial of a murder defendant whose 1979 case led to invalidation of an earlier death penalty statute.

Judge Thomas Corrigan ruled Friday that it would violate Gerard Castonguay's constitutional rights in two ways to prosecute him under the state's new death penalty statute. The prosecution did not file a timely appeal after the death penalty was first struck down and the death penalty statute has been altered since 1979.

Assistant State's Attorney James Thomas said the state will appeal Corrigan's ruling. The only question is whether the appeal can be taken immediately or will have to wait until the conclusion of Castonguay's second trial.

Man kills wife, then himself

HAMDEN — Police said Henry Jefferson, 49, of Hamden shot both his wife Rose, 45, and himself to death in their home.

Police Sgt. George J. Gray said the couple were in the midst of a divorce and that Jefferson had recently been served with a restraining order. The shooting was being investigated as a murder-suicide, police said.

One of the Jeffersons' four children called police after hearing two shots around 2:30 a.m. Saturday, police said.

New building code leaves out penalties

HARTFORD (AP) — State officials left local inspectors with a ticklish problem last year when they revised Connecticut's building code: they failed to include penalties for code violations.

Now state lawmakers are scrambling to restore penalties, including fines of up to \$1,000 and six months in jail, for code violations.

"It was just one of those things that was never picked up," State Building Inspector Leo Belval said Saturday.

"There is no teeth to it," he said of the updated code. "It would be hard to enforce unless you went to court, and then it is a long process."

Belval said he has heard of "a few incidents where a person knew there wasn't any fine for violating the codes, so he just said 'Go ahead. What are you going to do to me?'"

The legislature's Public Safety Committee will hold a public hearing Tuesday on the bill to restore the penalties, Belval, hoping to make sure it gets done. Regulations do not have to be approved by the full Legislature.

If a building inspector went to court and showed that a violation was life threatening, a judge would most likely issue an injunction and have the developer arrested, Belval said.

Local officials say the lack of penalties has not caused many problems yet, mainly because few people realize the fines no longer are on the books.

"We are just trying to keep it out of the newspapers," said William Conrad, building inspector for Sharon, Cornwall, Warren and Falls Village. "If we can get you folks to keep your mouth shut, there won't be a problem."

Building inspectors can still refuse to issue certificates of occupancy, a tool that Mickey Richardson, New Milford's acting building inspector, said "either makes or breaks the project." And Conrad noted that the code is still enforceable through the court system.

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Effective Monday evening, March 7, the hours of the Manchester Memorial Hospital Senior Citizen Meal Program will be limited to 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., seven days a week. Meals purchased by senior citizens past 5:30 p.m. will be subject to the \$2.00 surcharge.

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Suspect in unsolved murder wants arrest to clear name

NEW HAVEN (AP) — A man considered by some a suspect in an unsolved 14-year-old murder has publicly denied the accusation for the first time, saying in a nationally televised news show that he wishes police would arrest him so that he can clear his name.

The statements by Phil DeLieto of New Haven came Sunday during a segment of the CBS program "60 Minutes," which looked into the slaying of Concetta "Penny" Serra. Serra was found stabbed to death in a stairwell at the Temple Street parking garage in 1973.

Mayor Biagio DiLieto, who was police chief at the time the 21-year-old Serra was killed, also appeared on the program and denied rumors of a cover-up by the police in the case.

"The mayor called the rumor 'an egregious lie' on the show and said afterward he considered the show 'grossly unfair where I'm concerned.'"

According to the mayor, DeLieto is not related to him as he said afterward he considered DiLieto, not Gollino, should be married to the mayor's niece, but the wedding took place seven years after the killing, the mayor said.

Police thought they cracked the case in 1984 when they arrested Anthony Gollino, of New Haven and charged him with the murder. But in May 1987 on the eve of his trial, charges against Gollino were dropped.

Mary Gollino, then in charge of the prosecution, announced that Gollino could not have committed the murder because his blood type did not match the killer's. Gollino has filed a multimillion-dollar lawsuit against several New Haven police officials and his former wife, seeking damages for what he says was conspiracy, negligence, falsification of records and violation of his constitutional rights. Police arrested Gollino based on information supplied by his former wife.

Gollino said Sunday that he was very pleased with the CBS broadcast, but doesn't see the "60 Minutes" broadcast as total vindication.

"I just think justice will prevail in the long run. I think everybody will see just what happened here. I'm convinced of that," Gollino said.

A key element of the CBS broadcast was a review of claims that DeLieto, not Gollino, should have been arrested for Serra's death.

The show noted that DeLieto was originally considered a suspect in the case, but was dropped because Penny Serra had fled with her shortly before she died, and an eyewitness said he was the man driving her car from the crime scene.

One critical piece of evidence in the case is a parking ticket police say was stained with the killer's blood. Type O, Gollino had Type A blood, while DeLieto's blood is Type O.

DeLieto said on the CBS broadcast that he is innocent and that several witnesses have confirmed his alibi that he was working during the time that police say the killing occurred.

"I've lived with this for 14 years with a cloud over my head," DeLieto said. "If they have a charge to make, like (in the case of) Tony Gollino, they should make the charge. I can be cleared if they make the charge."

John Serra, the victim's father told CBS he is "outraged" by the police and prosecutors' handling of the case. He said he "was led to... by the authorities... I believe the local authorities have lost their credibility."

State's Attorney Arnold Markle, the New Haven state's attorney with overall responsibility for the Serra case, died in December. His successor, Michael Dearington, said Sunday that he had no comment on the broadcast.

"All I can say is that the case is under investigation," Dearington said.

State questioning credentials of 210 public school teachers

HARTFORD (AP) — The state has questioned teaching credentials of 210 teachers following the implementation of new certification rules aimed at ensuring that all public school teachers in Connecticut are qualified.

Under state regulations, new teachers are given provisional certificates and have 10 years to complete 30 credits of graduate work or a master's degree in order to file the proper paperwork to receive a standard certificate.

Previously, if teachers forgot to renew their licenses after 10 years, they simply paid a small fee and filed the proper paperwork, or they could seek an extension to complete needed coursework.

But as of May 1, new teachers and those who have allowed their certificates to lapse must take a test of basic skills called Concept.

Dino Dastur, chief of the state Department of Education's business certification and accreditation, said the state does not keep track of how many teachers actually have lost their right to teach because they failed to renew their certification.

She said many of the 210 teachers who have been asked for more verification actually might be eligible for standard certificates. Computer errors or missing paperwork might be responsible for many of the problems, she said.

Connecticut has more than 37,000 certified teachers. The Connecticut Education Association is asking the Legislature to allow veteran teachers whose licenses have lapsed a one-year grace period to put their paperwork in order, claiming that taking away teachers' certificates is unconstitutional.

Meanwhile, some veteran teachers around the state hope they will pass the Concept exam when it is administered March 12, so they can regain their licenses to teach — and their jobs.

Earlier this year, the state questioned 74 teaching certificates in the New Haven system. Now the number is up to 210. Dastur said. Most of the problems had been blamed on missing college transcripts.

Bridgeport has 12 licenses in question. Since school began in September, 11 city teachers have lost their jobs because they failed to renew their certificates. All the Bridgeport teachers who lost their full-time jobs were offered substitute teaching positions.

Hartford, which earlier this year had 36 certificates in question, now has all its paperwork in order, Dastur said.

Norwalk has three teaching certificates in need of further verification. Earlier this year, the state had problems with eight certificates in the district — mostly the result of computer error or wrong Social Security numbers.

The state needs further information about one teaching certificate in each of the following area communities: Seymour, Fairfield, Westport and Weston.

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OPINION

One problem almost solved for Gallacher

Michael R. Gallacher began work today as the chief administrator of Manchester Memorial Hospital with one of the problems facing the hospital already on the way to a solution.

In a somewhat unusual move, the hospital administration asked that contract talks with the union representing nurses be reopened early. The hospital reached an agreement with the union under which nurses will get what has been described as a substantial pay increase, beginning immediately.

The aim was to complete the negotiations before Gallacher arrived on the scene, presumably to free him to address other matters.

The surprise resignations in November of Warren L. Preslesnik as hospital president and in January of Sandra Muller, vice president of nursing, left the clear public impression that the hospital was experiencing some difficult internal problems.

The early negotiation of a contract with nurses gives the impression of a forthright effort to solve one of those problems: the shortage of nurses and a rather low state of morale in the nursing staff.

The proposed contract, on which the nurses are scheduled to vote this week, reportedly provides for more flexible hours, another step in the right direction.

Increased costs of medical care notwithstanding, Manchester Memorial Hospital must stay competitive with other hospitals in nurses' pay and benefits. If it does not, the quality of medical care will suffer and community support of the hospital will suffer along with it.

Some suggestions for the Olympics

The 1988 Winter Olympic Games are over. They were great for all lovers of winter sports, despite the tropical climate of Calgary, the shortage of snow, the surplus of wind, and the dearth of medals for United States competitors.

There were some problems with the United States contingent, of course, but George Steinbrenner will see that they don't happen again.

Some observers with less expertise than Steinbrenner has in sports management matters might offer a couple of suggestions for improvement of future Games and of the coverage of them by ABC.

The Olympics should ban Bizet for 15 years or so. We don't need any more competing Carnemens.

ABC should get out of the matchmaking business. The Tombs-Witt nonsense was awkward.

Letters to the editor

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

The Herald reserves the right to edit letters in the interests of brevity, clarity and taste.

Buying and selling votes in Clay County

HAYESVILLE, N.C. — Paula Gruenert is the first to admit that the public elections in this territory used to be as crooked as the mountain roads that lead to it. And she is among the many who used to complain. She wrote letters to the authorities, saying the events of every four years were an unacceptable sham.

She said the sheriff would fix traffic tickets, for example, in exchange for polling favors. And she said many voters were illegally registered. She also said hundreds of people would simply peddle their ballots to the highest bidder on Election Day "right smack on the courthouse lawn."

Then the authorities began paying attention to the complaints. The federal government alone has conducted several investigations in the last decade. At least three have been indicted for campaign fraud, dozens have been sent to jail, and close scrutiny has become a permanent part of the system.

Now Gruenert says there will be a decided realignment of this year's elections. They are going to be comparatively straight for a change. She presently serves as the chairman of the Clay County Board of Elections, and, she says, "I'll tell you this, I'm not going to allow anything funny going on."

Gruenert makes her pronouncement from a small office that is adorned with the American flag. She says she doesn't relish talking about the corruption in her community, but she does it for a reason. She says "everyone in the nation should hear this story, and maybe that way it will do some good."

The story began, probably, when local government began, and that coincided with the birth of the nation. Gruenert says Clay County has always been isolated from the rest of the state, seated as it is in the Blue Ridge Mountains, and the



Open Forum

Bring realism to war history

To the Editor:

While reading the allegations and renewed attacks on Kurt Waldheim one begins to wonder if the World War II issues and accusations will ever stop. How naive and ridiculous is the statement that Lt. Waldheim may have been aware of atrocities, yet did not prevent the executions or deportations.

Two points need to be made here. First, anyone with some basic knowledge of the military systems (including our own) realizes the insignificance of a lieutenant at the corps staff level. An officer of this rank knows basically nothing outside of his staff section. Most general staff sections at the corps level are commanded by general officers, and a lieutenant is typically the lowest. This holds true for the U.S. Army and this situation existed in most other forces in the World War II days.

And second, any military ruler in any occupied territory does not tolerate armed opposition by non-uniformed persons. If captured and not visibly identified with the opposing force, these men



"It's nice to think that Jim was able to pay off Jessica with some of the money we sent."



insulation created opportunities for political deceit. Those opportunities were seized by both Democrats and Republicans. But the Democrats have been the most obvious beneficiaries. Gruenert says the Democrats have controlled county government for as long as anyone can remember, and that means they have also controlled county elections.

"They always had the election board in their pocket. That's how they stayed in power. They were to have a woman in this office, you know, whose job was to cast ballots for some of the voters. She'd write in the names of Democratic candidates, and that way the voters didn't have to bother."

"Naturally, the voters got paid for it. It was all prearranged. I used to watch people go to the courthouse for an absentee ballot, and they would have this woman fill it in; then they would come out on the lawn where someone would give them \$50, or \$75, or maybe just a six-pack of beer."

Proposed mall more than that

To the Editor:

For once I'd like to read the Herald minus a daily headline about the "proposed mall." If this is still in proposal, why is Homart preparing for a ground-breaking in March or April? It looks like the town directors and Mr. Weiss have made up our minds for us with their "new proposal."

The last time I checked we still lived in a democratic society, but I guess my "no" vote on the referendum has been tossed aside. The town directors had their plans mapped out whether the November referendum passed or not. Now they take it



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There were also an assortment of election officers and political dupes. Gruenert says 16 people were sent to prison in Clay County, including a sheriff who had been in office 16 years, and reform became the new order of the neighborhood.

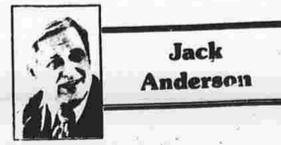
Gruenert was part of the reform. She was named to head the elections board in 1986, and took charge with a vengeance. She says she used to live in Germany, when Adolf Hitler was in power, and she learned to abhor civic abuse. The first thing she did in office was to put political cheats on notice.

It took some courage. Gruenert says customs die hard in the mountains. She was subjected to a whisper campaign that denigrated her foreign birth, and she received so many late night telephone calls — "You'd better watch out lady" — that she had to have her number changed and protected.

And yet she has prevailed. Or so it seems. She says she had cleaned up the registry rolls, and she's established strict procedures for absentee ballots. She says the old regime issued 700 absentee ballots in 1982, most of them misused; that number has now been cut to a handful for the March 8 North Carolina primary.

Gruenert says primary will not be an important one, so far as local offices are concerned. Voters will only be asked to select between school board candidates. But the federal names will also be on the ballots, hence there is hope the processing will be the most honest in local history.

That's not to say every vote will be squeaky clean. Paula Gruenert says changing procedures is not the same as changing human nature. Those who buy and sell votes have been chased from the courthouse lawn, but, presumably, if the past is a guide, some of them may merely move to a less public location.



NSC knew arms sales wouldn't fly

WASHINGTON — President Reagan's National Security Council was paying for secret polls to track public opinion about U.S. arms sales to Iran, even as it was negotiating those sales.

Sources at the Washington think tank that took the polls for the NSC in 1986 said that in retrospect, it is now clear that national security adviser Adm. John Poindexter and aide Lt. Col. Oliver North were looking for public support by shaping the questions asked in the polls. The numbers show they didn't get that support, but they forged ahead anyway.

The pollsters, who asked not to be identified, say they had no idea when they were taking the polls what the administration was up to.

From March 8 to 11, 1986, the private group conducted a 50-question poll for the NSC among 1,500 Americans. Some of the questions focused on terrorism. The poll was one of several the NSC used that year as a novel way to help it shape foreign policy.

Poindexter and North couldn't have been happy with the March poll. It showed that 68 percent of Americans favored a military strike against terrorists. When asked specifically about taking military action against five countries, Iran barely edged out Libya on the venom scale. Seventy-eight percent favored military action against specific targets in Iran.

Poindexter and North didn't have to be geniuses to figure out that Americans would not be thrilled with an arms deal to Iran. If that poll didn't get the message across, the NSC-crafted poll for September should have. The poll asked what Americans thought their government should do to win the release of three Americans then held hostage in Lebanon. Four percent said there was nothing we could do.

Twenty-two percent favored bowing to the demands of the Iranian-backed terrorists to swap some of their hostages for hostages held by the Americans. Twenty-six percent voted to send in a rescue force. One percent had no opinion.

The biggest share, 47 percent, suggested working quietly behind the scenes without making any major concessions. Unfortunately for North and Poindexter, trading arms for hostages and undobtably be seen as a major concession.

In November, the pollsters did their final work for the NSC. The arms deal had been exposed, but not the diversion of the profits to the Nicaraguan Contras. The November poll asked Americans how they felt about the news. A majority, 58 percent, said the president did the right thing in reopening talks with Iran, but 76 percent felt it was wrong to send arms. The "exchange commodity" the administration chose was simply not the one the American public would have chosen.

The pollsters also concluded that the American public didn't support secret deals with other countries, even for national security reasons. "While the public might accept some form of confidentiality from the public at large for a while, the fact that the Iranian contacts were kept secret from other agencies of the government and the legislative branch for so long was unacceptable to most Americans," the pollsters reported to the NSC.

There was some solace for Reagan in the final poll. He had managed to make a whipping boy of the media again. Sixty-seven percent of the respondents thought the news stories about the arms deal hurt the hostages, and 82 percent said the stories hurt national security.

Wedding announcement

Don't ask us how the bride and groom met, but we have early word that two world-famous characters are going to get married in a big bash four years from now. The 50th anniversary of the discovery of the New World by Christopher Columbus comes up in 1992. Spanish pop artist Antoni Miralda thinks that's a great excuse for a party — a wedding party, to be exact. He wants to marry off the Statue of Liberty to the statue of Christopher Columbus in Barcelona. Private companies are putting up the money for Miss Liberty's gown and for Chris's bachelor bash.

Mini-editorial

Miraculously, 2 million Soviets are about to be cured of mental illness. The process is simple. The Soviet health ministry will merely remove their names from the list of mental patients. For years, the Soviets have used a diagnosis of "mental illness" to punish political dissidents. In some cases, people were declared mentally ill because they read the poems of Boris Pasternak. Now, the Soviets have used a diagnosis of "mental illness" to punish political dissidents.

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NATION & WORLD

Impeachment trial to begin

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Even before the start of his historic impeachment trial today, embattled Republican Gov. Evan Mecham predicted the state Senate will deny him a fair hearing.

"What we're doing today is history," said Senate Minority Leader Alan Stephens, a Democrat. "In 20 years people will be looking back and this will be the definitive way to impeach a governor. I hope."

Mecham, 63, also faces a March 22 criminal trial on six felony charges of directing a \$350,000 campaign loan, and a May 17 recall election.

He maintains he'll be acquitted in both trials, with the recall election and return to office.

Swaggart thanks worshippers

BATON ROUGE, La. — Television evangelist Jimmy Swaggart says he would not have survived a week of allegations of immorality conduct with a prostitute had it not been for the love and prayers of members of other religions.

During a brief appearance Sunday before his congregation at the Jimmy Swaggart World Ministries center, Swaggart thanked about 4,000 worshippers for their backing.

"I'll never have the words to express to you how much that I care, my concern, for you and my thanksgiving. If it hadn't been for you, we would not have made it. It's just that plain and simple," said Swaggart.

Arab death toll rises

JERUSALEM — Israeli soldiers killed one Palestinian during a protest in the occupied West Bank today, hospital officials said, and the army said a second Arab died of wounds suffered in an earlier clash with soldiers.

Meanwhile, a Jewish settler suspected of killing two Palestinians was freed on bail, and an Israeli officer trying to teach his men restraint made them watch a footage of soldiers beating captured Arabs.

Yasser Daoud Eid, 18, died after he was shot in the neck during a clash with soldiers in Burin, about 3 miles south of the West Bank city of Nablus, the Arab-owned Palestinian Press Service and officials at Nablus' Al-Hilal Hospital said. The army said it was checking the report.

A second Palestinian, 30-year-old Mahmoud Batwi, died of wounds suffered four days ago when he was shot in the head in a protest in the West Bank town of Jenin, the army said.

Bitter debate about Nazi past stirs controversy in Germany

FRANKFURT, West Germany (AP) — A bitter, open debate marked by charges that some prominent historians are trying to tone down the horror of Nazi atrocities is capturing the attention of West Germans.

The controversy has been the topic of a best-selling book, numerous newspaper articles and TV reports. It is known as the "Historians' Dispute" and has split prominent professors into feuding camps.

One group, represented chiefly by prominent Berlin historian Ernst Nolte, is calling for a new perspective on the Third Reich and German identity 43 years after World War II.

Six million Jews were killed in Europe between 1933 and 1945 as part of Adolf Hitler's "Final Solution."

Nolte and his supporters tend to compare what happened under Hitler to atrocities carried out by other governments, such as the deaths of millions in the Soviet Union under Stalin.

But their opponents, led by Frankfurt University philosophy professor Juergen Habermas, say the conservative historians are trying to lessen the magnitude of Nazi crimes through such comparisons.

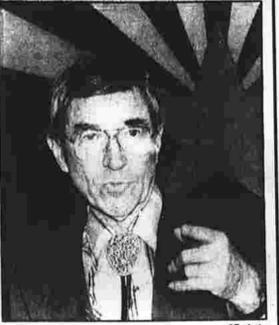
Habermas, one of West Germany's best known intellectuals, also says his opponents are paving the way for nationalist impulses.

In December more than 300 historians, sociologists, and philosophers met in Frankfurt to discuss the dispute's impact. No resolutions were passed there, but lectures held at the meeting will be published in a book scheduled for release in March.

The debate, however, has moved far beyond academic circles. A book documenting the dispute made the best-seller list in the news magazine Stern last year, and new arguments regularly make headlines in leading newspapers. As recently as Jan. 23, regional television in the state of Bavaria devoted a book-review show to new history books associated with the dispute.

Nolte told The Associated Press in a telephone interview Wednesday that he stands by his arguments.

"Those who want to make the Nazis' mass murder stand alone



SEES CRISIS — Impeached Gov. Evan Mecham, standing in front of an Arizona flag, gestures during a Saturday news conference. He said the state is facing a "constitutional crisis" because of the Senate's determination to proceed with his impeachment trial.

Lawyers for the state and for Donald Gene Franklin will present arguments to the high court on the constitutionality of a Texas statute that limits consideration by a jury of mitigating circumstances that could benefit a defendant.

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Inmates see court review as a ticket off death row

By Michael L. Graczyk
The Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE, Texas — A rape-murder case nearly 10 years old will be the focus Tuesday of a U.S. Supreme Court review that many inmates see as a ticket off death row.

"In my opinion, it will affect everybody," said Jim Vanderbilt, who has spent more than 11 years on Texas' death row for the 1975 slaying of an Amarillo teen-ager. "We will have commutation of everybody."

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Shultz returns to Jerusalem after getting Egypt's support

JERUSALEM (AP) — Secretary of State George P. Shultz returned to Jerusalem to meet with Israeli officials after Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak became the first Middle Eastern leader to support his regional peace plan, a senior U.S. official said.

Jordan and Syria have rejected the plan, and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir of Israel has publicly opposed its key elements.

Mubarak, who met with Shultz for three hours in Cairo on Sunday, "liked the package," a senior U.S. official said.

Shultz resumed his discussions with Shamir on Sunday night. Neither Shultz nor Shamir spoke with reporters after meeting.

The secretary of state was to meet with Foreign Minister Shimon Peres today before flying to Amman for a second round of talks with Jordanian officials.

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FOCUS

Blame the yellow jackets

DEAR ABBY: When "Wendy" told of having been stung by a bee that had gotten into her soft drink can while she was golfing, you thanked her for the warning about this hazard.

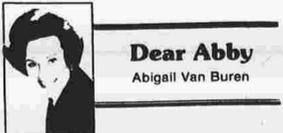
Abby, are you sure the insect was a bee? I am very doubtful. At numerous picnics, I have been harassed by yellow jackets. They were in my soft drink bottle, on my hamburger, buzzing around my head and stinging my ankles. Occasionally other wasps have entered the game, but never have I seen a honeybee behave this way. Honeybees will sting in defense of their hives, or to protect themselves if you grab them. But they do not invade soft drink cans or attack picnickers.

The nasty-tapered yellow jacket, which is about the same size as a honeybee, is very often mistaken for the bee. It attacks without provocation and nests around golf courses, and gravitates toward food and beverages. It's given the useful honeybee a bad reputation. Many a honeybee has been destroyed; many a beekeeper has been forced to quit because neighbors feared "bees" when the real culprits were wasps! We need the honeybee for pollination of many of our most valuable crops.

"Wendy" is correct — insect stings can be quite serious to those who are highly allergic to them — but there is a vast difference in the potency of insect stings. A white-faced hornet sting will make my whole hand swell, a yellow jacket sting will cause my finger to swell for a day and a honeybee sting will make part of my finger swell for perhaps half an hour. If you print this, sign me.

DELAWARE BEEKEEPER

DEAR BEEKEEPER: Thanks for a honey of a letter. I get stung on this one. No entomologist am I, but I wonder how many others can't tell a yellow jacket wasp from a honeybee? Now for a short



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

course in nature. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I'll bet "Wendy" was not stung by a bee — it was a hornet, or a yellow jacket. The bee flies only among flowers, gathering honey for the hive and pollinating flowers.

Hornets, on the other hand, frequent trash cans, dumpsters and other areas where they can find open soft drink cans and other sweets. Unfortunately, these nasty little insects closely resemble the harmless and industrious honeybee!

The flight of the bee is direct — flower to flower. The flight of the yellow jacket is aimless, jerky and erratic. I hope this helps. I'll bet you get a lot of mail on this.

LARRY OF LAKEWOOD, OHIO

DEAR LARRY: I did. The longer I write this column, the more I realize how little I know. What an education your readers have given me!

CONFIDENTIAL TO former pilots who served in the bombing-fighting squadron of the U.S. Navy's Air Group 87 aboard the carrier USS Ticonderoga in the Pacific during World War II: Contact Johnny Johnson, 210 21st Ave., Lewiston, Idaho 83501.

Find source of sinus woes

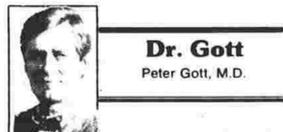
DEAR DR. GOTT: Several doctors have told my son that he has hay fever and sinus trouble. He has problems breathing all the time. Last year he worked with grain. Before that he was in shipping in a metal fabrication plant.

DEAR READER: Grain workers are exposed to a variety of dusts and molds that can cause allergic problems. Furthermore, many people develop extreme sensitivity to other sources of air pollution, such as dust mites in the home, tobacco smoke and pollen from trees and flowers. If the allergen (the substance) to which your son is reacting, he can then consider avoiding these compounds and undergoing desensitization shots to reduce his symptoms. He should ask his doctor to refer him to an allergist for testing.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've had faulty equilibrium trouble for most years. I fell backward 13 years ago and hit my head on frozen ground, but I also had some problems with balance before that. I fall a lot. What could cause this problem?

DEAR READER: Faulty equilibrium can result from damage to either of two nerve systems: vestibular or proprioception.

The vestibular system begins in the tiny gyrocopes, one in each inner ear, that tell us about head motion and position. These bony, fluid-filled canals are extremely sensitive sensors of head movement. When stimulated, they transmit nerve impulses to the brain and give us information about head position. When these vestibular organs are inappropriately stimulated, such as during a bumpy airplane flight or on a rough sea, we may experience



Dr. Gott
Peter Gott, M.D.

spatial confusion leading to motion sickness. Likewise, the vestibular canals can be inappropriately stimulated by infections, circulatory insufficiency or — in rare cases — tumors, which can disrupt normal function to produce vertigo (a sense of violent spinning or turning) that is quite disabling. Vestibular malfunction is usually diagnosed and treated by otolaryngologists (ear specialists).

Proprioception, the ability to recognize the positions of various body parts, is dependent on a detailed and sophisticated pathway of nerves that begin in tendons and muscles, enter the spinal cord and travel to the brain. Proprioception allows us to know the positions of our bodies without looking. It enables us to walk in the dark and to carry out myriad tasks without using our eyes. It is balance.

In its pure form, it permits blind persons to function normally. Proprioception can be altered by nerve injury or infection, particularly if the nerves in the spinal cord are involved. The diagnosis of proprioceptive loss requires the attention of a neurologist.

Supermarket Shopper

In the future: 'Supercart'

By Martin Sloane
United Feature Syndicate

Consider for a moment what a supermarket shopping cart may look like in the year 2000. "Supercart" is a beauty. It's electric, with four-wheel drive and disk brakes that will stop the cart on a dime. At the rear is an electronic control panel. Supercart has a hydraulic bottom that rises and falls with the weight of the items so you never have to reach deeply inside.

These are not the kind of carts that are left around the supermarket parking lot. They are treated very tenderly by a supermarket technician who only gives you a cart when you hand him or her your personal shopping identification and information card. That card then disappears into a special electronic card reader.

The ID card you just gave up has informed the store's computer that you are in the store, and the computer has already started things happening in every supermarket aisle. Don't worry about the card; the technician will have another one for you when you bring Supercart back.

Before you move out into the aisles, notice the control panel. The small TV screen is ready to alert you to bargains, tell you about new products, and most importantly, keep track of your

purchases. Besides it is a mini-scanner, and as you pass your first item across the scanner and put it into the cart, the screen begins to keep a total. It will add up your items as you walk up and down the aisles, or, if you change your mind, just run the item back across the scanner and push the "subtract" button.

Hold it! As you walk down the first aisle, you hear a message from the small control panel speaker on the cart: It tells you that Kraft salad dressing, which you are just passing on your right, is on sale. Another shopper moves his Supercart past you, but there is no Kraft message coming from his Supercart. Obviously, he doesn't use salad dressing.

Wait one more second! A green light on Supercart's panel is flashing. You look at the screen and you see that Kraft has also placed a 50-cent salad-dressing coupon in your electronic coupon account. The sale and the coupon give you a good old "double play" discount. How can you resist a bargain like that?

All you have to do is pick up the Kraft salad dressing bottle and, as you run it across the mini-scanner, the computer deducts the electronic coupon from the purchase price. Couponing was never easier!

As you walk up and down the aisles, Supercart shows you dozens of new products and money-



IT'S AN ORIGINAL — Kevin Banks, a sixth-grader at the Verplanck School, wears the hat he made for "Crazy Hat Day" last Friday. Decorations include

feathers and plastic figurines. Pupils from all grades made hats based on a literary character, a famous person, a sports figure or just make a funny hat.

Buying legal aid in advance



Sylvia Porter

All that's left to do is sign the lease. Then the document is finally arrives in the mail, you quickly read it over, lift your pen, locate the dotted line — and suddenly you panic.

Shouldn't it say somewhere in writing that you have already put down a hefty binder? Aren't there certain laws about putting your money deposit in escrow? What about all the technical legalities that seem to ensure the landlord's rights, but say little about yours?

This is just one of the literally thousands of times when you, a typical American, wish you had an uncle, distant cousin, anyone — you could tap for legal advice.

Enter prepaid legal plans. How these services work: For a monthly fee ranging from \$7 to \$15 (or about \$80 to \$180 a year), you buy the right to pick up the phone or have a face-to-face consultation with a lawyer. You then ask legal questions to your

heart's content. In many cases, a whopping 13 million Americans are covered by prepaid legal plans — up from 1.5 million only a decade ago. Alex Schwartz, executive director of the American Prepaid Legal Services Institute in Chicago, told my research associate Beth Koblinter.

While employers, unions and membership groups often sponsor these plans for workers or participants, the major growth in the last three or four years has stemmed from people signing up on their own. An estimated two million Americans are covered by individual plans. And the figure is growing.

Why are more of you buying into these plans? "Knowing you can call a lawyer and lecturer at any time is not a bad thing," says Gerry Singen, a lawyer and lecturer at Harvard Law School.

The fact is that, for most of the small transactions required in daily living, questions tend to



Sylvia Porter

are usually restrictions, so ask. Many plans will draft one will per family. Don't be lured by offers of a certain dollar amount in defense costs if you are sued in an auto accident. These fees are usually covered by your auto insurance.

(9) Lawyer quality varies. Realistically, this will be difficult for you to determine before you sign up. Experts say you can call and ask for the names of the plan's lawyers, but most people don't bother. In most prepaid plans, you will choose from a panel of lawyers — and this promises to be the trend.

Other questions to ask: Are there enough lawyers in my area to ensure availability? Am I guaranteed same-day service or returned phone calls? Who is the company sponsoring the plan? What is its size? Reliability? Is there a telephone number to call before you join for more information? Are there copayments or deductibles? Free trial periods? Can you cancel at any time — or month by month basis? Do not hesitate to call the plan administrator!

(1) Advice and referral potential are your two main reasons for signing up. • Advice. Some plans offer limited consultations and advice by phone and mail. Others have restrictions. Understand exactly what is covered! For instance, many plans exclude commercial lawyers. That means if you own a small business, you won't be able to get free advice on, say, vendor contracts or disputes with wholesalers.

• Referrals. If you need more extensive legal assistance, say if you are getting divorced, expect to get additional counseling at reduced rates — at discounts of about 20-30 percent. Ask about fees! Note: Referral lawyers may differ from consultation lawyers. Again, find out.

(2) Additional services vary. Will review simple documents, such as a lease or employment contract; write letters; make phone calls on your behalf. There

with puns and double entendres especially favored. Younger adults in particular often use humorous cards instead of phone calls or letters because it is sometimes difficult for them to express personal feelings, he notes.

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Preservation talk tonight

A meeting to inform farmers and owners of floodplain land in East Hartford, South Windsor and East Windsor of the state's floodplain-farmland preservation program is scheduled for 7:30 tonight at the Wood Memorial Library in South Windsor.

Sen. John B. Larson, D-East Hartford, and Agriculture Commissioner Kenneth B. Andersen will lead the meeting. The floodplain areas of the Connecticut River Valley contain some of the best agricultural soils in the state, according to the Department of Agriculture. That rich agricultural area contains about 2,200 acres of cropland that is being farmed by more than 20 families.

At tonight's meeting, Andersen will discuss how this land in the tri-town area can be protected through the Farmland Preservation Program.

Burr Corners gets offices

Construction is scheduled to begin in March on a three-story office building in front of the Plaza at Burr Corners, at the corner of Tolland Turnpike and Buckland Road.

The building, to be called Buckland Centre, will cost between \$1.2 and \$1.3 million to build, said David Lima of Century 21 Jackson Showcase Realty. That excludes the \$17,000 price of the land, which measures about two-thirds of an acre.

The 12,000-square-foot building is being constructed by Buckland Associates, a real estate partnership consisting of three developers. The land was sold to Buckland Associates about a year ago, Lima said. The partnership hasn't determined rental figures because construction contracts haven't been signed and the firm hasn't decided how many offices will be put in, Lima said. The building could consist of only one large office or many smaller ones.

'Stop order' is market order



Investors' Guide
William A. Doyle

QUESTION: Because I was on an extended business trip, I delivered certificates for eight stocks to my broker in September and placed "stop orders" to sell — all at prices below their then prevailing market prices.

When the market crashed on Oct. 19, all my stocks were sold — only one at its stop order price, the other seven at much lower prices. I lost almost \$10,000. My broker blames this on the "specialists," who handled the stop orders. But my broker's firm had possession of the stock certificates. Shouldn't that firm have been more responsible in the handling of the stop orders?

ANSWER: Nope. Your brokerage firm had no control over the execution of your stop orders. A stop order becomes a "market order" when the stock involved trades at or through the price named in the stop order and is immediately executed at the best available price. We'll go through this step by step.

Let's say you place a stop order to sell 100 shares of XYZ stock at "\$27" — \$27 a share. Your brokerage firm sends your order to the floor of the stock exchange where XYZ is traded. There, it is

executed. A specialist has two major functions.

First, he is supposed to maintain "a fair and orderly market, insofar as reasonably practical," in the stocks in which he is registered as the specialist. That involves risking his capital by buying or selling for his own account when there is a disparity between supply and demand. Some specialists fell down on that job during the October crash.

Second, he acts as a broker's broker by executing stop orders, limit orders and stop limit orders left with him by other members of the exchange. When you place such an order with a brokerage firm, that firm's representative on the exchange can't wait around the "trading post" where that stock is traded until the stock reaches the price named in your order. So your order is turned over to the specialist.

William A. Doyle, a syndicated columnist, welcomes written questions, but he can provide answers only through the column. Write to Doyle in care of the Manchester Herald, P.O. Box 991, Manchester 06040.

ANSWER: They are NYSE members who "make markets" in stocks assigned to them by the exchange. There are approximately 450 specialists on the



TURNING OUT BAGS — Bob Brylski, production engineer at FMC Corp.'s Packaging Systems Division in Green Bay, Wis., gives a new high-speed production system for plastic grocery bags a pre-shipment run. The system uses an advanced computerized process to seal, fold, cut and stack bags in a single continuous operation. The system can produce up to 570 bags per minute.

Corporate economists predict we'll escape recession in '88

By Martin Crutsinger
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The U.S. economy has shrugged off the worst effects of the October stock market collapse and should be able to escape a recession this election year, economists for top U.S. corporations predicted today.

The National Association of Business Economists said optimism among its members has risen appreciably since the last survey conducted in the month following the Oct. 10 plunge in stock prices.

In November, more than half of the business economists were predicting a recession for durable goods, which is expected to begin before the end of 1988, an outlook that could have spelled bad news for Republican hopes of halting onto the White House.

Now the number of economists expecting a recession this year has dropped to about one-fourth. "As we move farther away from October, our members are becoming more confident and less nervous. We are seeing continued improvement in manufacturing and other good signs that the expansion will keep going," said Kathleen Cooper, chief economist for Security Pacific National Bank of Los Angeles.

The next president is likely to face a recession soon after taking office, the analysts believe, with about 60 percent of them picking 1989 as the most likely year the downturn will begin.

For 1988, the economists are projecting further growth at a moderate, stable interest rates and a slight drop in inflation. The analysts predicted that the economy, as measured by the gross national product, will expand just 2 percent this year, down from a 3.9 percent GNP increase in 1987, when measured from the fourth quarter of 1986.

This is more pessimistic than the Reagan administration, which is calling for GNP growth this year of 2.4 percent. Ms. Cooper, who compiled the association's survey, said the decline in the stock market caused the majority of economists to reduce their growth forecasts for this year, but she said most of them had cut back their projections by less than 1 percent.

"Economists see the largest effect of the market's plunge on consumer spending for durable goods," she said, noting that they are now expecting car sales to total only 9.8 million units this year, down from an expectation of 10.5 million sales made before the market decline. The forecast of housing starts also was trimmed to 1.52 million units this year, compared to 1.62 million new houses built in 1987.

The analysts expect growth to be most sluggish in the first half of the year, as businesses cut back on production to reduce inventories. GNP growth will average 1.5 percent in the first six months and then improve to 2.5 percent for the rest of the year, the economists forecast. This sluggish growth rate will not be enough to keep the downturn from rising.

The economists forecast that unemployment, which now stands at 5.8 percent, will rise to 6.1 percent by the end of the year. But the slow growth will help keep inflation from getting out of control. The analysts predicted

that consumer prices will rise 4.2 percent this year, slightly slower than the 4.4 percent increase in 1987.

In other predictions, the economists said: • Interest rates, as measured by the prime lending rate, will stay steady. Banks cut their prime rate, used to set interest rates on a variety of corporate and consumer loans, to 8.5 percent in early February, and analysts forecast it will remain at this level through the end of the year.

• The federal budget deficit, which fell to \$150.4 billion in 1987, will rise to \$157 billion in the current fiscal year, but then remains falling, dropping to \$146 billion by 1990. This is more pessimistic than the Reagan administration, which sees this year's deficit falling to \$146.7 billion and a further decline to \$104.2 billion by 1990.

• The country's foreign trade deficit, which hit a record \$171 billion last year, will finally start to come down, dipping to \$150 billion this year and \$130 billion in 1989.

The optimism on the trade deficit is based on a belief that the dollar has finally fallen far enough to stem American's appetite for imports while making U.S. products competitive once again on overseas markets.

Ms. Cooper said the economists are now less pessimistic about the fate of the dollar with less than one-fifth of them thinking the dollar will drop by 10 percent in value this year against other major currencies. In November, more than 40 percent were looking for a decline at least that large.

Flight attendants ready to strike

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. (AP) — Northwest Airlines' 6,700 flight attendants continued to keep the carrier guessing today on whether they will strike, three days after a union deadline for reaching a new contract.

Both sides in the labor talks said just one issue divided them. William Genesee, international director of the Teamsters union's airline division, said late Sunday that no further negotiations were scheduled.

"At this moment we're in strike position. It can happen two minutes from now or any other time. Under the law, we have that right," Genesee said. He said absenteeism had increased among flight attendants.

"They are coming in sick. It's on the minds of the airlines. But he declined to categorize the absences as a negotiating tactic, saying, "I'm not going to say that."

Representatives of the airline and the union met with a federal mediator for four hours Sunday and agreed on all but one contract issue, said Northwest spokesman William Wren. Wren and Genesee said the issue is Northwest's proposal to increase from five to nine years the period that newly hired workers stay on a lower pay scale.

Genesee said he sent a telegram to Steven G. Rothmeier, chairman and chief executive officer of NWA Inc., the parent company of Northwest, request-

ing a meeting. Wren said late Sunday he did not know if Rothmeier knew of the request.

Northwest officials said Sunday the airline's flight attendants were on a normal flight schedule. No delays were reported at airports served by the carrier.

If flight attendants do strike, the airline said it will keep flying, using about 2,000 managers trained as flight attendants and 200 newly hired replacements.

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Panama scares strikers

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Opposition figures also said they expected the strike to pick up in several days. They said government censorship had slowed word of the strike.

Indeed, La Prensa, the leading opposition paper, has been closed by troops and the newspaper building surrounded by city police.

Delvalle's relatives would not disclose his whereabouts but they said he was in a "safe and secure place" in Panama, in "good spirits" and determined to regain his job.

"I am going to stay here (and) stick it out," Delvalle told ABC television in a telephone interview Saturday night. "I'm going to fight it all the way."

Roderick Esquivel, Delvalle's vice president, also was in hiding. Both men were ousted Friday by the National Legislative Assembly in a move orchestrated by Noriega, chief of Panama's 17,000-member Defense Forces.

On Thursday, Delvalle ignited the latest crisis in eight months of civil unrest in Panama when he tried to fire Noriega, charged in Florida with corruption and narcotics trafficking. The United States also has urged Noriega to step down as military chief.

On Friday, Delvalle returned to his home in an upper-class neighborhood. Police surrounded the house Friday night and Delvalle's telephones were cut, leaving him under an undeclared house arrest.

Sometimes that night, he reportedly climbed over a patio wall at the rear of the house and escaped through a neighbor's yard.

Opposition leaders said a prolonged strike could create financial chaos in Panama and force Noriega to resign, paving the way for Delvalle's return.

The pro-government newspaper Critica blamed a security breach in a "closed business" as a takeover business.

Police Roundup

Jumping on cars results in charges

A Manchester man was arrested Friday in connection with an incident in which he jumped on several new motor vehicles at Northchase Motors Inc., 80 Oakland St., after an argument with some friends, police said.

The man, Edward M. Brozek, 22, of 45 Tudor Lane, was charged with first-degree criminal mischief and interfering with an officer, police said.

Police said an off-duty officer saw Brozek jump on a motor vehicle as the officer was passing by in his own car at 11:50 p.m. when the officer pulled his car into the dealership, Brozek ran towards him, jumping from one motor vehicle to another, police said.

Police said there were about 10 motor vehicles in the row of cars Brozek was jumping on. The damage was estimated by police at a minimum of \$2,000.

A woman who was with Brozek told police that Brozek and she had an argument with other friends who were in a nearby parked car before the incident, police said.

Brozek was released on a \$5,000 cash bond. He is to appear in Manchester Superior Court on Wednesday.

Breach of peace charge lodged

An Enfield man who was reported to have pointed a handgun from a car at the intersection of Center Street on Wednesday evening was found to be carrying a plastic cap gun when he was later arrested by police, police said.

Eric S. Wilson, 25, was to face breach of peace charges in Manchester Superior Court today in connection with the incident, which occurred at about 8:40 p.m. Wednesday police said.

Police said a 15-year-old Manchester girl saw a man pointing what appeared to be a black revolver from a car at the intersection of Center and Broad streets while she was in another vehicle stopped behind the car.

Police said they later found a car matching a description of that car in the parking lot at Brunswick Park Lane on West Middle Turnpike. Wilson was arrested inside Parkade Lanes, and police found in his possession a black plastic cap gun with the appearance of a .38-caliber handgun, police said.

Wilson was released on a \$250 non-surety bond.



Reginald Pinto/Manchester Herald

LEAP YEAR BABY — Mary and Keith Phamer of Scotland hold their daughter, Beth, today at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Beth, who was born at 6:57 a.m., was the first leap year baby to be born today at the hospital.

Wider job market for 15-year-olds?

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at Highland Park Market in Coventry since October. Barry said he just works a few hours a week and it gives him the extra spending money he enjoys. "I put half in the bank and the other half I do what I want with it," he said.

Michael Miner, also an employee at the Coventry supermarket since October, says he doesn't have any trouble juggling work and school. "It hasn't affected my academics. I've made honor roll this year," he said.

But according to officials, the motion to extend the law is raising eyebrows. "That's ridiculous," said Carney. "It's already a problem."

Tom Carney, compliance reviewer of Labor, said the State Department of Labor said it gets outraged by the pressure to pass the new law comes from the business community. "They don't care. They just want bodies," he said.

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But Dick Ficks, spokesman for the state department of labor, said the department does not take a position on the subject. However, he said he does see more interest in the law from the community and educators this time around than when the law was due to go into effect last time.

Ficks also pointed out that the considerations for teen-agers working in restaurants is different from those for mercantile establishments.

"You're comparing apples and oranges," he said.

"Teen-agers who would be working in restaurants will be exposed to cutlery and equipment. This will need closer attention," he said.

However, if work is providing constructive use of a student's time, Perrotti thinks working is a good idea.

"There are many temptations out there and compared to drugs or alcohol, this is a good temptation," he said. "One way or another, they're going to distract themselves."

Francis Perrotti, guidance counselor at Coventry High School, said he has mixed feelings about the issue. "I don't think it's a bad idea," he said. "It's the students or parents that need to put restrictions on the number of hours of work," he said.

But Perrotti also sees danger. "I can see the problem where students may make work their first concern," he said.

Perrotti is not alone.

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Obituaries

Joseph J. Sylvester, active in town politics

Joseph J. Sylvester, 82, of 43 Scarborough Road, husband of Anna T. (Sapienza) Sylvester, died Sunday.

He was born in Hartford, Nov. 8, 1905, and lived in Manchester most of his life. He was the owner and general contractor with Aceto and Sylvester Co. of Manchester. He graduated from Northeastern University, Massachusetts, in 1927. He was the past chairman of the town recreation board, a former member of the Manchester Rotary Club and a former member of the Manchester Republican Town Committee.

He was a member of the Holy Family Retreat League and St. Vincent DePaul Society.

The funeral is Wednesday at 10 a.m. from the John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St., followed by a Mass at 11 a.m. in St. James Church. Burial will be in St. James Cemetery. Calling hours are Tuesday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to The Alzheimer's Group, Visiting Nurse & Home Care of Manchester, 397 Porter St., Manchester 06604.

Walter Aitken
Walter "Terry" Aitken, 50, of 10 W. Middle Tpke., died Sunday at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Newtonington. He was the husband of Jennette (Thomson) Aitken and the son of Walter A. and Esther (Osella) Aitken of Manchester.

He was born in Manchester, April 5, 1937, and was a lifelong resident attending Manchester schools. Before retiring because of ill health, he was a carpet installer for the Middletown Rug Company and had been with the company for eight years. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the late 1950s.

Besides his wife and parents, he is survived by two sons, Scott Aitken and Kyle Aitken, both of Manchester; a daughter, Dawn Chapman of Vernon; a brother, Marshall Aitken of Manchester; two sisters, Madeline Girardin and Carolyn Majewski, both of Manchester; two granddaughters, and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral is Wednesday at 11:15 a.m. at the Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., Burial will be in Buckland Cemetery. Calling hours are Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 243 E. Center St., Manchester 06604.

Joseph Gorris
Joseph Gorris, 77, husband of Mary (Vespa) Gorris, of Hallandale, Fla., died Thursday at his home.

He was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and lived in Coventry for 40 years before moving to Florida in 1982. Before retiring in 1972, he was the owner and operator of Gorris Oil Company in Coventry for 25 years. He was a life member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks Lodge 1359 of Rockville and was a former communicant of St. Mary's Church, Coventry.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a sister, Lorraine Green of Longview, Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was today from the Newkirk & Whitney Funeral Home, 318 Burnside Ave., East Hartford. Burial will be in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield.

Joseph F. Hamilton
Joseph F. Hamilton, 84, husband of Helen (Fullshire) Hamilton, of 166 Downey Drive, died Saturday at Manchester Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and lived in Manchester for the last 11 years. Before retiring in 1967, he was employed by the New York Telephone Co. for 45 years. He was a communicant of St. Isaac Jogues Church, East Hartford.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, James J. Hamilton of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; two daughters, Eileen Dyson of East Hartford and Maureen Harvey of Andover, Mass.; six grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

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

He is survived by three sons, Peter C. Sylvester of Norton, Mass.; Richard T. Sylvester of Northampton, Donalyn J. Sylvester of Columbia; an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Erminio Ventresca of Phila., Pa.; and six grandchildren.

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Church. Burial will be in East Hartford. There are no calling hours. Holmes Funeral Home, 400 Main St., has charge of arrangements.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hospice Care, 3400 70th Ave. N., Pinellas Park, Fla. 34664.

Margaret S. Meixell
Margaret S. Meixell, 87, of Vernon, died today at a local convalescent home. John F. Tierney Funeral Home, 219 W. Center St., has charge of arrangements, which are incomplete.

Michael Isiah Rush
Michael Isiah Rush, 31, of Hartford, died Feb. 22 in Hartford.

He is survived by a daughter, LaShawn Rush, of Bronx, N.Y.; his mother and stepfather, St. Clair Jackson; Knowlton and Allen Knowlton of Manchester; his father, Isiah Rush of Brooklyn, N.Y.; four brothers, Theodore, Bruce, Franklin and Jimmy; five sisters, Patricia, Sandra, Leonard, Kathy and Margaret; his maternal grandmother, Martha E. Braice of Orangeburg, S.C.; and five great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by a son, William Yeske.

The funeral was today at the Henry L. Fuqua Funeral Chapel, 287 Main St., Hartford. Burial will be in Soldiers Field Cemetery, Wilson, with full military honors.

Edward E. Yeske
Edward E. Yeske, 73, of East Haddam, died Thursday at his home. He was the brother of Robert Yeske of Coventry and Adolph Yeske of Manchester.

Besides his brothers, he is survived by another brother, William Yeske of Cromwell; a daughter, Mrs. Lewis (Jayne) Dayton of Rocky Hill; a son, James Yeske of Winchester, N.H.; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by a son, William Yeske.

A memorial service will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Sun Chapel at Rose Hill Memorial Park, Rocky Hill. The Biaga Funeral Home, Middletown, has charge of arrangements.

Memorial donations may be made to the East Haddam Ambulance Association, P.O. Box 17, Modest 06469.

Vincenzo Celli
GREENWICH (AP) — Vincenzo Celli, former principal dancer and choreographer at La Scala Opera House in Milan, died Sunday at age 87.

Born in Salerno, Italy, Celli immigrated to the United States with his parents in 1904. Celli said he was inspired at age 14 when, as an usher in a Chicago theater, he saw Nijinsky dance with the Diaghilev Company.

Celli studied for six years with Enrico Cecchetti, the teacher of Nijinsky and Pavlova, and was Cecchetti's last student. He debuted at La Scala in 1926 in "Petrouchka" and was named ballet master in 1929, a post he held for 12 years.

Later he opened a studio in New York and taught ballet for 40 years.

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SPORTS

Wildest Winter Olympics leaves its mark



By Steve Wilstein The Associated Press

ALL IN GOOD FUN — Jill Trenary of Colorado Springs, Colo., is carried on the shoulders of her teammates as the U.S. Winter Olympics team walks into Calgary's McMahon Stadium for the closing ceremonies Sunday night.

Speed skater Bonnie Blair won two medals for the U.S. but the American contingent overall could manage just six medals. There were a lot of "ya hoos" as the athletes said goodbye to Calgary.

Classon fifth at State Open

By Len Auster Manchester Herald

GLASTONBURY — After a fourth place finish a year ago at the State Open Wrestling Championships a year ago, Cheney Tech's Jim Classon was primed for a better performance this year. The two-time state Class M mat champion at 130 pounds had scored a pin over Avon's Mark Banton in 2:45 in his first match of the day at Glastonbury High School.

"You really don't know what to expect here," the 17-year-old Classon said before his semifinal match with Staples' Pat Thomas.

"The competition here is better and the referees know everyone knows what they're doing so they won't call as much," he added.

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Whalers will last-place Quebec trails Hartford by only three points and has two remaining with the Whalers.

With 17 regular season games left, the Whalers will be watching their backs the rest of the way.

Hartford is on the road Tuesday in Winnipeg and Wednesday in Chicago before returning home Saturday to host the New York Rangers.

"It's getting tough," defenseman Ulf Samuelsson said of the Sabres before the visitors tied the affair at 2-all heading into the third period. Mike Donnelly put Buffalo ahead, 3-2, on his goal with 2:58 left and Mikael Anderson added an empty-net score with 1:09 left to make it 4-2. Samuelsson displayed his frus-

tration with the last Buffalo goal by throwing his stick in the direction of Anderson, Hartford's outshot Buffalo, 17-8, in the final period.

Kevin Dineen made things interesting by scoring his 22nd goal of the year with 29 seconds left but it was too little, too late. A power-play goal by Carey Wilson and a short-handed tally by Dave Tippett had given the Whalers a 2-0 advantage nine minutes into the contest.

"Work. Nothing else but that," Whaler Coach Larry Pleau said of the loss. "If we had played the

first half of the game like we played the second half we would've won the hockey game."

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EC back in hunt for title



David Kool/Manchester Herald

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Wrestling Championships at Glastonbury High. Thomas came back for a 17-14 decision.

Whalers to be in dogfight rest of the way

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Smith leads Pitt past Huskies

UConn is relegated again to Big East prelim

By The Associated Press

HARTFORD (AP) — Charlie Smith made his last scheduled basketball return to his home state a success, leading No. 8 Pittsburgh to a 74-69 victory over Connecticut in a Big East Conference contest.

Smith, whose 20 points and eight rebounds moved him into fifth place on the all-time Big East list in both categories, blocked a shot by Cliff Robinson with 46 seconds left and made two free throws with nine seconds to play to help the Panthers to victory.

"I wouldn't have ended in any other way," said the 6-foot-11 senior, who played his scholastic ball at Bridgeport's Warren

Harding High.

Smith's exploits, along with a pair of free throws by defensive specialist Darelle Porter with 25 seconds left, enabled the Panthers to hold off a late Connecticut rally.

Pitt led by 18, 48-30, with 17:39 to play before UConn came back behind the shooting of Phil Gamble, who had 16 of his 23 points in the second half. Gamble's four 3-point goals, some good UConn defense, and Smith's foul trouble got the Huskies within two, 70-68, with 1:39 to go. Connecticut, 13-12 overall, and 4-11 in the Big East, had a chance to tie but Smith came out to block Robinson's jumper and the free throws did the rest.

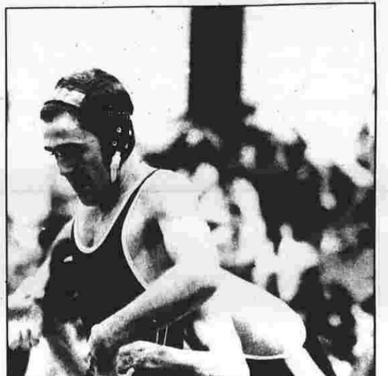
UConn is back in action tonight

in its Big East Conference regular season finale, at Pittsburgh's John's at 8 at the Civic Center. The Huskies wind up their season Saturday at the Field House in Storrs against Brooklyn College.

"We got way ahead and we tried to force the action instead of slowing the play down and working the clock," Pittsburgh Coach Paul Evans said. "We rushed things and at the other end, they made some three-pointers."

UConn Coach Jim Calhoun, while disappointed with the final score, praised his club for its defensive intensity in the second half. "We fought back hard, but we dug too deep a hole for ourselves in the first half," he said.

UConn got 16 from Robinson and 15 by freshman Murray Williams.



MOVING IN — Boston's Kevin McHale of his game Sunday at the Pontiac Silverdome in Detroit. The Pistons won, 106-101.

Winter Olympics comes to a close

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gold medal routines, and thrilled the crowd with his wasabuckling closing show.

No skater, though, pumped up the fans as much as Canada's kids, Brian Orser and the silver belle, Liz Manley. Each received thunderous standing ovations Sunday and gave the crowds glittering farewells.

Orser, in royal blue, stood at center ice, looking up at the 19,000 fans with glistering eyes. He closed his eyes, then skated soulfully to Neil Diamond's "Story of My Life."

It was a poignant moment for Orser, who had been deeply wounded by just missing the gold against Boitano and had talked philosophically about going through life as a silver medalist instead of the winner.

On this night, though, with the pressure of competition yielding to the sheer joy of the moment, Orser celebrated life with a spectacular flip and was rewarded afterward with kisses and hugs and flowers from female admirers.

Manley, who shocked everyone, including herself, by winning the long program and capturing a silver that was good as gold to her countrymen, was greeted by a cry of "We love you, Liz!" before her final encore.

Debi Thomas, too, moved an emotional departure after letting the gold literally slip away Saturday night in one of her most performances ever and settling for bronze.

"My heart wasn't in it after I missed the first jump. Because I couldn't be great," she said. "I couldn't be great."

It was a sad night, a time for the 20-year-old from San Jose to think about quitting skating and going back to Stanford University to pursue her pre-med studies. But she recovered a little on Sunday and skated out her blues in a shimmering gold dress.

Free of pressure, she was the epitome of grace on ice, appearing sometimes to be singing as she skated. A lilting, bittersweet song about success and failure included the line, "Maybe just one more time..." and when the singer sang about tears, she momentarily covered her face with her hands.

World records were set in nearly all the speed skating events, but personalities made these Games special.

Flying Finn Matti Nykanen, once a barroom brawler who learned his aggressiveness to challenge the skies, won poetic flights in ski jumping.

Alberto Tomba, the cocky 21-year-old La Bomba, set off a wild Italian celebration by powering to gold medals in the slalom and giant slalom.

He got the brush-off at first when he tried to give flowers to Witt after her freestyle show, but later won a formal introduction and a smile. He acknowledged, though, that any would-be romance was thwarted by language problems.

No Olympian won more attention, had more fun and gave more joy to fans than Eddie "The Eagle" Edwards, the over-weight, undertrained, ski jumping Briton with the bottle-thick glasses and indefatigable grin.

Some said he invented a new sport — ski dropping — but he reminded everyone that these Games are more about trying than winning. There are many Walter Mittys, daydreaming about adventure, but Eddie Edwards dared to live his dream and Olympic fans were grateful for the chance to watch.

Bonnie Blair, smaller than her

EC hoop season ended by Xavier

MIDDLETOWN — When you score only 12 second-half points, you can't expect to be in at the final gun. That was the case with East Catholic as the Eagles were eliminated from further play in the All Connecticut Conference Boys' Basketball Tournament, 60-36, by host Xavier High School.

The Falcons, 15-6, meet top-ranked 19-1 St. Joseph today at 5:45 p.m. while Notre Dame, which eliminated Fairfield Prep by a 65-56 count, meets St. Bernard at 7:45 in the other semifinal. The consolation and championship games are Wednesday with all the action at Xavier High.

East, which winds up 5-16 for the season, trailed 30-24 at the half. It, however, could manage just five points in the third quarter on two baskets by Rob Stanford, with the Falcons moving to a comfortable 44-29 lead after three periods.

The game was close for a half. Eric Stearns (16), Craig Salomone (13) and Chris Fritz (13) led the Falcons.

XAVIER (48) — Shawn Russell 26-7-11, Eric Stearns 7-1-16, Craig Salomone 2-4-12, Chris Fritz 4-2-13, Bob Winner 0-0-0, Merv LaRocca 1-0-2, Mike Murocco 0-0-0, Anthony Marano 2-0-4, Don Linton 1-0-2.

EAST CATHOLIC (38) — David Price 20-10-19, Scott Furr 1-0-2, Kennerly 1-1-3, Andrew Seeger 2-4-4, Rick Germain 0-0-0, Don Linton 1-0-2, Bill Evans 0-0-0, Scott Sennerly 0-1-1, Chris Salomone 2-0-0, Don Linton 1-0-2, Ted Olive 2-0-0, Totolo 2-1-19, 3-point goals: E — Stanford, Lechy.

Olympics is more than medals count

By Hol Beck

CALGARY, Alberta — Cheer up, America. The Olympics are over and you won't have to look at those depressing medal tables anymore.

Of course, you didn't have to look at them in the first place. You could have concentrated on what the Olympics were supposed to be all about — the spirit of the event, an opportunity for the athletes of the world to meet in friendly competition, sportsmanship and good will.

But in bottom-line America, people worry about more tangible matters, like how much hardware you won, not how many friends you made. So the medal count became a big deal. Not to the athletes, perhaps, but then who cares that they think?

From the beginning, they are raised with conflicting messages. In one ear they are told, "It's not whether you win or lose; it's how you play the game." And in the other, we whisper, "Winning isn't everything; it's the only thing."

If you think they are confused by that, consider how the U.S. Olympic Committee feels when American networks pay big bucks for television rights to the Games, and then the IOC turns huge hunks of that money over to other members of the Olympic family. That, of course, includes the same Eastern bloc nations whose success here so irritates our captains of industry.

Welcome to Catch-22.

"Part of our gross national product in 1984 is the television rights, going outside the United States," said Robert Helmsick, president of the



SHE'S BAD — Olympic women's figure skating champion Katarina Witt of East Germany mimicks Michael Jackson during a figure skating exhibition Sunday night in Calgary.

H.S. Roundup

WILTON — The Manchester High girls' indoor track team took third place at the 2001 Invitational State Meet Saturday at Wilton High School.

Weaver High of Hartford took the team title with 75 points followed by Bloomfield 45 and Manchester 26.

Junior Alexia Cruz for the second consecutive year won the long jump with a leap of 5.17 meters. Cruz also anchored the 4 X 240-meter relay that included Colette Factora, Meg Berrie and Michelle Hornbostel to a second-place finish in 2:10.7. She was also fourth in the 45-meter dash in 1:06.4.

Merry Chadzievich was fifth in the 1000-meter walk with a personal best (by six seconds) of 3:25.2. Kim Jarvis also had a personal best in taking sixth place in the 1500-meter run in the shot put for Manchester with a toss of 9.51 meters.

Manchester was second in the team standings a year ago but senior Laurie Smith suffered a slightly pulled hamstring in the semifinals of the 45-meter hurdles and had to withdraw. "I don't think it was that serious and she should be okay in a couple of days but there was no need to take a chance," Manchester Coach Mike Salmond said. "I'm pretty confident Laurie would have placed in the three events she was in. I'm pleased we ended up third without her."

East Catholic's Jackie Johnston was fifth in the high jump at 5-feet, 1-inch.

NBA Roundup

Even with Michael Cooper sidelined with an injury, the Los Angeles Lakers continue to dominate the NBA.

Wes Matthews, replacing Cooper as the Lakers' sixth man, scored nine points in the fourth quarter. Byron Scott finished with 30 and Magic Johnson had 23 points and 15 assists Sunday night as Los Angeles defeated Phoenix 111-97 for its 10th consecutive victory and 34th in 37 games.

"We're playing great basketball for us," Lakers Coach Pat Riley said. "It's been five or six games that he's been productive and given us solid backup minutes. If he stays in tune with the game, he's going to be effective."

The Lakers took advantage of the disarray in the Suns lineup. Mark West, Ron Moore, Tyrone Corbin, Craig Hodges and Kevin Johnson are new to the team because of trades last week, and Hodges and Johnson are injured.

"We've only practiced on an off-day one time, and we were very limited as to what we could do on the court offensively," Suns Coach John Wetzel said. "It's restricted us to a degree that we don't have as many options offensively as we'd like."

Peplinski's return ignites the Flames

EDMONTON, Alberta — The Calgary Flames were happy to have their captain, Jim Peplinski, back. They're even happier to be going home a winner.

Peplinski, who spent the last two weeks playing for Team Canada in the Winter Olympics, celebrated his return to the NHL Sunday night by scoring the winning goal midway through the final period to give the road-weary Flames a 2-1 victory over the Edmonton Oilers.

Peplinski combined with John Tonelli on a picture-perfect passing play and one-lined the puck past Edmonton goaltender Grant Fuhr at 8:15 of the third period, breaking a 2-2 tie.

"Johnny made the play, put it right on my stick," Peplinski said.

In other NHL games Sunday, it was New Jersey 8, Minnesota 6; Chicago 7, Pittsburgh 5; Buffalo 5, Winnipeg 3 and Los Angeles 2, Vancouver 0.

Joel Otto scored the first two Calgary goals, including a power-play tally early in the third period that tied the game at 2-2.

Craig MacTavish scored a shorthanded goal for Edmonton, and Wayne Gretzky, back from a scored four goals and a club New Jersey to the victory. Verbeek, with 36 goals, set the Devils' single-season record for goals. The win moved New Jersey into fourth place in the Patrick Division.

NHL Roundup

The win put the Flames three points ahead of the Oilers atop the Smythe Division and one point ahead of Montreal in the overall NHL standings. It left Edmonton disappointed, but Oilers Coach Glen Sather promised another hard fight next Saturday.

"I'm not conceding anything," he said.

But the Flames were a bit sharper around the goal Sunday night and Edmonton players said that was the difference.

"We played well enough, had a lot of chances and just couldn't put it in the net," Edmonton defenseman Kevin Lowe said. "We were a little rusty in the scoring department."

Oilers coach John Muckler led the undisciplined play that led to 14 penalties didn't help.

Otto opened the scoring with a goalmouth deflection of Al MacCinnis' drive from the point at 6:06 of the first period.

MacTavish took Mark Messinger's pass and flipped a shot past Flames' netminder Mike Vernon to tie the score early in the second when the Oilers' penalty killers burst out of their own end on a 3-on-1 break.

Gretzky beat Vernon midway through the second for a power-play goal set up by Messier and Esa Tikkanen to give the Oilers the lead.

But Otto came back with his ninth of the season on a power-play at 6:33 of the third, setting up Peplinski's game-winner.

In the closing minutes, Vernon nabbed drives from Craig Simpson and Glenn Anderson to preserve the Flames' win.

Hawks 7, Penguins 5

Rick Vaive recorded his ninth career NHL hat trick and Steve Larmer reached the 30-goal plateau for the fifth time in six years as Chicago beat visiting Pittsburgh, sending the Penguins to their sixth straight defeat and last place in the Patrick Division.

Pittsburgh's Dan Quinn got his second career hat trick, all on power plays.

The Penguins trail fourth-place New Jersey by two points and the New York Rangers by one in the race for the final playoff berth in the Patrick.

Vaive, with 37 goals this season and 349 in his career, got the hat trick to give Chicago a 7-4 lead at 10:33 of the final period.

Devils 6, Stars 6

Pat Verbeek scored four goals and Kirk Muller added three, rallying New Jersey past Minnesota 6-6 at the Meadowlands.

Raiders set to name Shanahan as replacement for Flores

By John Nodel

LOS ANGELES — Mike Shanahan, the assistant coach credited with simplifying the Denver Broncos' offense in 1984 to fit the talents of John Elway, will now try his hand with the Los Angeles Raiders.

The Raiders scheduled a press

conference for today, and The Associated Press learned Sunday that it was to introduce Shanahan as the club's new head coach.

Shanahan, a Broncos' assistant for four seasons, will succeed Tom Flores, who announced his retirement Jan. 20 after nine years as the Raiders' head coach. Shanahan's hiring was confirmed by a high-ranking Raiders

official who asked not to be identified.

The news conference was set for the Forum Room at the Airport Hilton, said Irv Kaze, another top Raiders official. That's the same room where Flores announced his retirement following the Raiders' 5-10 season, their worst in 25 years.

Shanahan, who had been the

United States Olympic bobsled team gives hope for future

By Chuck Melvin

CALGARY, Alberta — Brent Rushlaw, the last of the old-guard Adirondack Mountain bobsled team, has restored credibility to the struggling American team with an out-of-the-blue performance that fell just a heartbeat shy of an Olympic medal.

The 36-year-old Rushlaw drove USA 1 to a fourth-place finish in the four-man bobsled Sunday, two-hundredths of a second behind Ian Kipouris of the Soviet Union.

Rushlaw had moved up from

Baseball News

Braves would not know until today what effect the workout had on his arm.

Meanwhile, Boyd, Bruce Hurst and Lee Smith were among a dozen pitchers who each threw 15 minutes of batting practice for the Boston Red Sox.

"Everybody's throwing nice and smooth," Manager John McNamara said. "We're very satisfied with the progress. We're pretty much injury-free and

Spring training signals the time for pitchers to shapen up

At this point, I'm right in the framework where I can do more than good by changing the routine."

Around the Camps: Veteran third baseman Ray Knight said he welcomed the trade that sent him from the Baltimore Orioles to the Detroit Tigers in exchange for pitcher Mark Thurmond.

"I respect their talent and, after going through last year, it's a nice change," Knight said before working out with the American League East champion Tigers for the first time. Baltimore finished sixth, 31 games

Fasser set a track record

Fasser set a track record (55.88 seconds) in the third heat, and beat Hoppe, the defending gold medalist, by seven-hundredths of a second over four heats, the smallest margin ever in the four-man event.

Franklin Stubbs went 2-for-3

and drove in a run to lead a team managed by coach Joe Amalfitano to a 4-0 victory over a team managed by scout Joe Ferguson in the Los Angeles Dodgers' second intrasquad game.

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ROYAL GALA - The Duke and Duchess of York arrive at the gala dinner party held in their honor Sunday night at the

Andy and Fergie pray, then pray

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Prince Andrew and his wife, Sarah, prayed with ordinary people in church then played with Hollywood celebrities at a black-tie dinner, where the duchess joked with a male admirer in the audience.

Names in the News

Strain but no divorce

CHICAGO - Actor Sean Penn says he is married to a star like Madonna in a trial, but that recent reports the couple was close to divorce were created by the press.

Back to the post office

NEW YORK - Freddy Gorman, co-writer of the song "Please Mr. Postman," says he's content to be a full-time mail carrier again, like he was in 1960 when he wrote the Motown classic that led him into

'Roots' to 'Star Trek'

NEW YORK - Levar Burton, who played the rebellious slave Kunta Kinte in "Roots," says he took an "inner journey" on his way back to his appointed rounds after 13 years in the music industry because his career never brought him "the big money," and he had family responsibilities.

A new feminine mystique

LOS ANGELES - Betty Friedman, author of the women's liberation classic "The Feminine Mystique," says women working in the media face a crisis of a new feminine mystique to send them home again.

Levar Burton Sean Penn

and movie studios, women are being dislocated, Friedman said Sunday at Women, Men and Media, a conference she chaired at the University of Southern California.

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Dr. Crane's Answers

Quiz on Page 2: 1. ERA (Earned run average), 2. John (Barleycorn), 3. Elsie (Cow), 4. Moby Dick (Whale), 5. Green (Golf), 6. (a) Pink - Fit (y), (b) Blue - Moody (x), (c) Purple - Enraged (w), (d) Green - Golfing, (e) Yellow - Cowardy (z).

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MANCHESTER. Exciting home convenient to schools, recreation and business. Not a ride by. Must be seen. 4 bedrooms, modern bath and laundry. Eat in kitchen, new 3x10 rear deck, lower level with separate heat zone has recreation room, laundry and workshop. D.W. Fish Realty 643-1591.

MANCHESTER Duplex. (1/2) \$153,900-Open floor plan, 2 large bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, 2 car tandem garage. Lovely landscaped yard. (1/2) \$178,900-2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, dining room overlooking sunken living room, 2 plus car tandem garage. D.W. Fish Realty 643-1591.

MANCHESTER. Newly constructed 4 bedroom Colonial with private country atmosphere. 2 1/2 baths, fireplace family room adjoins kitchen. Large master bedroom with master bath boasting double vanity and whirlpool tub. A front porch and lovely rear deck are among the many other amenities this new home has to offer. \$259,900. D.W. Fish Realty 643-1591.

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5 Plus acres, a rare find! Beautiful, spacious bi-level home on 5.6 private acres is perfect for 2 generations to live in harmony. 1st level boasts 4 bedrooms, 2 baths and fireplace family room for growing family. Lower level offers complete eat in kitchen, 1-2 bedrooms, living room, bath and sliders to patio. Land offers unlimited possibilities! This property is located in Bolton and is being offered at \$389,900. Call for a showing! Realty World, Bennett Frechette Associates 646-7709.

LOVELY newer 2 bedroom Townhouse with sliders to balcony, walk-out basement, private back yard. \$119,900. Anne Miller Real Estate 647-8000.

AN Elegant portrayal of the modern lifestyle can be seen in this 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath Salem Cape end unit in the Lydell Woods community. Clean and captivating. Enjoy the outside inside through the dual atrium doors. Priced at only \$153,900. Blanchard & Rossetto Realtors. "We're Selling Houses" 646-2482.

22 CONDOMINIUMS FOR SALE

LOVELY and large 2 bedroom brick Townhouse. 1 1/2 baths, 950 square feet, small complex, easy commute to Hartford. \$102,900. Anne Miller Real Estate 647-8000.

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MANCHESTER. 3 bedroom apartment. Appliances included. \$650 plus security. 649-8365.

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