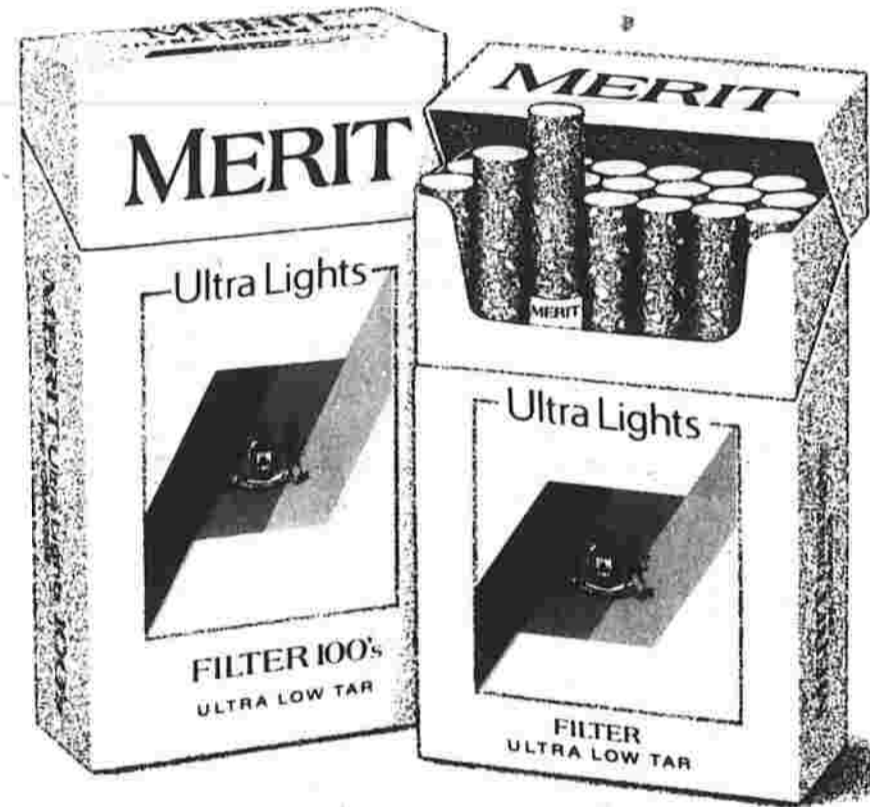


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## No post office construction before 1990

By Nancy Concelman and Andrew Yurkovsky  
Manchester Herald

A U.S. Postal Service official today denied reports from town officials that construction of the Sheldon Road post office will begin immediately and could be complete within a year.

But Linda Crabb, spokesman for the U.S. Postal Service's Hartford office, said today that 1990 is the earliest construction could begin.

Crabb said that the Postal Service expects to receive funding nationwide for design at the beginning of fiscal year 1988, which starts at the end of this September. The design process will probably take six to eight months, she said.

Crabb said nationwide funding for construction should be made available in 1990 and construction contracts should be awarded that same year. Construction should begin two to three months later, she said.

That does not lend itself to say we're groundbreaking tomorrow," May said. Crabb said that the Postal Service expects to receive funding nationwide for design at the beginning of fiscal year 1988, which starts at the end of this September. The design process will probably take six to eight months, she said.

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SHAKY GROUND — Benjamin LeRoy, 2, of Manchester, tries to get across a shaky suspended bridge at the Charter Oak Park



Reginald Pinto/Manchester Herald

playscape Thursday. He fell along the way but picked himself up and concluded his mission.



## Panel eyes housing with study grant

By Nancy Concelman  
Manchester Herald

A \$15,000 grant that could help the town develop an affordable housing strategy has received preliminary approval in the Legislature.

Manchester Mayor Peter P. DiRosa Jr. Tuesday appointed a committee of directors that will help develop such a strategy. The appointment drew skepticism from one member of the public during Tuesday's meeting of the town Board of Directors.

DiRosa, citing the town's 1 percent vacancy rate for rental units, appointed Directors Mary Ann Handley, Dennis "Tony" Werkhoven and Kenneth N. Tedford to the subcommittee. He said he wanted a report back from them in the next few months.

The appointment came days after the Appropriations Committee of the General Assembly approved a \$15,000 grant to the town for the development of a coordinating strategy to provide affordable housing. The grant, one of four requested by Human Services Director Hanna Marcus, is part of a state budget that must be approved by the General Assembly.

Handley, chairman of the committee, said it will probably meet early next week to organize and discuss how to approach the project.

Handley said today she's not prepared to discuss any ideas she has on housing, but said she's been talking to Planning Director Mark Pellegrini to determine what town-owned land may be available.

The availability and cost of land are "critical" problems the subcommittee will face, she said.

Tedford and Werkhoven said this morning they don't have any ideas yet on how to approach the housing problem.

"I think it's going to require substantial research," Tedford said. Handley said that if the \$15,000 grant is approved, the state will probably tell the town what requirements will have to be met.

## Weiss: We'll meet Grand List deadline

Town Manager Robert B. Weiss said today that he does not believe there will be any problem revising the 1986 Grand List in time for the adoption in May of the 1988-89 town budget.

The town administration has been allowed by the state to use the 1986 Grand List in place of the 1987 Grand List for taxes coming due this year because of the unusually large number of appeals received by the town Board of Tax Review.

For the bills coming due July 1, the town will use the 1986 Grand List, subject only to transfer of ownership, additions for new construction and reductions for demolitions.

The town Board of Directors must adopt a budget by May 7 under the town charter. At the same time, the board must set the tax rate for the coming fiscal year.

Meanwhile, James Kennedy, the executive assistant to state Attorney General Joseph Lieberman, said today that a request from the state Office of Policy and Management for

an opinion on what property values should have been used for the town's 1987 revaluation had not been received yet.

Donald Zimkowski, chief of the municipal section of the OPM, has said that the town was wrong in using 1986 property values for the 1987 revaluation and should have used 1987 values instead.

## Presidential pack moves on to New York

By Marc Humbert  
The Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — With Michael Dukakis again holding the upper hand, the Democratic presidential candidates descended full force on New York today for a two-week run to the crucial April 19 primary.

Dukakis picked up back-to-back wins in Colorado and Wisconsin this week over Jesse Jackson, to follow up on home turf victory in Connecticut. Before that, Jackson had piled up victories in Michigan and Illinois.

Even before the polls closed in Tuesday's Wisconsin contest, Dukakis and Tennessee Sen. Albert Gore Jr. were prospecting in New York,

hoping to stake a claim on the mother lode of the primary season thus far. "I hope it's a sign of things to come," Dukakis of his Wisconsin win.

Jackson, too, was upbeat about his prospects. "We go to New York with a good campaign, a broad-based campaign, momentum, a clear message — a message that applies to New York," he said Tuesday night.

At stake in the New York primary are 255 delegates. At the national convention, only California's delegation, a 336-member giant, will be larger. And that primary isn't until June 7.

"We think that if we can win New York, we're going to be in a good

position to dominate the last third of the primaries," said Paul Bogard, Dukakis' New York campaign manager. "But New York will be critical to that."

"No way you can underestimate the importance of this one," said John Marino, executive director of the state Democratic Committee and a political operative of Gov. Mario Cuomo.

Cuomo's presence is felt in the New York primary race, as it has been to some extent in the entire campaign. Reluctant to run for president himself, Cuomo has been equally reluctant to endorse any other Democrat.

Cuomo's apparent indecision has fueled speculation for months that he

might want a deadlocked convention and desperate Democrats turning to him offering the nomination. Cuomo has insisted he doesn't want that, but thus far has refused to rule out accepting a convention draft.

There is also a Republican primary April 19 in New York, with 102 delegates at stake. But it is little more than a formality as Vice President George Bush rolls toward the GOP nomination.

On the other hand, the Democratic primary could provide important answers, including: ■ Can Dukakis keep up the momentum he's regained with this week's

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## Sewer hookup mandate angers many residents

By Jacqueline Bennett  
Manchester Herald

COVENTRY — Several of about 60 residents walked out of Tuesday's public hearing on a proposed order that could force dozens of residents to hook up to the town's sewer system.

The hearing was held by the Water Pollution Control Authority to get residents' reactions to a proposed order from the WPCA that would require buildings in the sewerage area to connect with the system within six months.

The sewer system is located in the southern part of town and near Coventry Lake.

The order was proposed by the WPCA in response to a letter from the state Department of Environmental Protection saying that not enough residents had hooked up to the new system, posing a potential health hazard.

Kathleen Sullivan was joined by about 15 others when she walked out of the meeting. "I'm leaving. This is no longer



## Overwhelming fear of confinement can make phobic's life unbearable

By Denise Fortino  
The Associated Press

Like so many first-time tourists in Italy, Carol and her mother were enjoying the scenic trip by rail from Rome to Venice. But somewhere along the way, the train passed through what seemed like an endless tunnel — and all the lights in their car went out. Carol's mother started to panic. "I remember feeling like I

was in a steel black box, hurtling through space, without any sense of direction. I was sure I could no longer breathe, and that I was being buried alive," she says.

"My only thought was to get out of there fast before I screamed."

Her reaction was triggered by claustrophobia, an overwhelming dread of enclosed spaces — one of the most common of all the phobias. It can happen inside an elevator, a moving vehicle, a theater, a restaurant, even a crowded street fair — wherever a person may feel confined, without

enough air or light or blocked from making an easy escape.

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# Wealthiest pay more U.S. tax

By Jim Luther  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The number of high-income Americans has risen sharply during the Reagan administration, and so has their share of the total federal tax burden.

The 1 million or so couples and individuals whose incomes put them among the nation's wealthiest 1 percent of taxpayers paid 26.1 percent of all personal income taxes collected in 1986, the Treasury Department says. That share is up from 18.1 percent in 1981, when President Reagan took office.

In its study issued Tuesday, the department did not say what income level would place taxpayers into that highest 1 percent. But it issued a parallel set of statistics showing that during the same period, the share borne by those making over \$100,000 rose from 15.2 percent of the total to 30.6 percent.

Meanwhile, the portion of taxes paid by those with incomes under \$50,000 — the majority of Americans — dropped from 66.8 percent in 1981, before enactment of across-the-board tax cuts, to 45.7 percent in 1986, the department said.

Those in between, making \$50,000 to \$100,000, paid the rest, with their share rising from 18 percent to 23.7 percent.

The Treasury attributed part of the higher tax payments by the wealthy to "the extraordinary level of capital gains realized in 1986 in anticipation of the 1987 rate increase on capital gains."

In 1986, the maximum tax rate on capital gains, which are profits from the sale of stock, real estate and other investments, was 20 percent. Knowing the rate would rise to 28 percent in 1987, investors sold billions of dollars worth of assets in the closing days of 1986, which boosted their total incomes for that year.

That sell-off helped capital gains account for nearly 25 percent of the total income of the richest 1 percent of Americans in 1986. In 1985, capital gains accounted for 15 percent, in 1981, 11 percent. By contrast, capital gains make up on the average less than 2 percent of the income of the 99 percent of Americans.

The preliminary analysis is based on a sampling of tax returns filed last year, reflecting income earned in 1986.

The study made no attempt to fully explain the growing share of taxes paid by the richest Americans. However, once its analysis is complete, the administration is likely to claim that the increase results from the big 1981 across-the-board tax cut that Congress enacted at Reagan's behest.

That law slashed the top marginal rate from 70 percent to 50 percent. It since has been cut to 33 percent.

The administration reasons that reducing tax rates gives workers and investors incentive to produce and save more. Inflation and economic growth have helped boost incomes and, in turn, the number of taxpayers who make more than \$100,000 a year. In 1986, about 12 of every 1,000 couples and individuals earned that level. The analysis found those taxpayers paid \$43 billion in taxes in 1981, \$77 billion in 1985 and \$115 billion in 1986.

The IRS says more than 1.2 million couples and individuals earned over \$100,000 in 1985, an increase of 63 percent over 1982. The number earning over \$1 million a year more than doubled from 1982 to 1985, to 17,312.

Between 1981 and 1986, taxes paid by those with incomes between \$50,000 and \$100,000 increased from \$51 billion to \$89 billion. The burden on those under \$50,000 fell from \$190 billion to \$172 billion.

About half of Americans have incomes under \$35,000 a year, including those who are too poor to pay taxes. They paid 7.5 percent of the individual income tax in 1981 and 6.4 percent in 1986.

## BUSINESS

### Firm is 15 years old

Daka Inc., the food-service company for Manchester Community College, celebrated its 15th birthday March 16 with its employees at 400 food-service operations in 15 states, including a celebration at the college.

Daka's 7,000 employees will make a donation to the American Heart Association that was matched by the company's corporate headquarters.

The company provides professional dining management to corporations, schools, health-care facilities and vending operations. The company is headquartered in Wakefield, Mass.

### Express Mail expands

WASHINGTON — Express Mail will be extended to the Soviet Union on May 1, but the special overnight service will be limited to overnight correspondence and parcels sent to Moscow, the U.S. Postal Service says.

Letters and goods being sent to private people will not be covered, Postmaster General Anthony M. Frank said Tuesday.



### Ad firm loses account

NEW YORK — RJR Nabisco Inc. has fired a longtime advertising agency, and one source said it reflected the food and tobacco giant's displeasure over the agency's no-smoking ads for another client.

RJR on Tuesday cited recent philosophical differences for its decision to dismiss the ad agency Saatchi & Saatchi DFB Inc. The advertising firm reportedly will lose \$70 million to \$80 million in annual billings as a result of RJR's decision.

But a source familiar with the decision said RJR was displeased at the ads Saatchi recently developed to tout Northwest Airlines' new no-smoking program.

### Trump pays penalty

WASHINGTON — New York real-estate magnate Donald Trump says he agreed to pay a \$750,000 civil penalty stemming from his attempted takeover of two companies in order to avoid a long, drawn-out legal battle with the government.

The payment settles a suit filed by the Federal Trade Commission over his 1985 stock purchases in Holiday Corp. and Ball's Manufacturing Corp.

### Shuttle sale is off

WASHINGTON — Eastern Airlines will appeal an injunction and contempt citation even though it has dropped plans to sell its Northeast shuttle to another subsidiary of Texas Air Corp., Eastern's president says.

On Tuesday, U.S. District Judge John H. Pratt accepted the company's report of compliance with an order he issued last month and said Eastern will no longer be in contempt once it informs employees it has dropped plans to sell the shuttle.

# Commissions can't be a deduction

QUESTION: I will be making my living this year strictly by investing in stocks. On my income tax return, can I deduct my broker's commission as the cost of doing business? It's important for me to know this, because I will be handling my brother-in-law's \$50,000 and charge him for doing so. My fee will be a percentage of the profits.



## Investors' Guide

William A. Doyle

I will be describing my job as a "private stock analyst and consultant to family members and myself." I have no qualifications from any school, as I am self-taught.

ANSWER: You can't take brokerage commissions as a tax deduction. The commission you pay when you buy stocks adds to your cost. The purchase price plus commission is your "basis" — cost for tax purposes. The commission you pay when you sell reduces your proceeds from the sale. The difference between the basis and the sales proceeds is your capital gain or loss.

This rule applies to you, your brother-in-law and all other investors. Doing what you outline, you'll run afoul of a federal government regulation of which you seem to be unaware. Anyone charging for investment advice,

which you would be doing, is required to register with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an investment adviser.

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Many states also require investment advisers to register. Check that out at your state capital.

QUESTION: On Dec. 24, 1986, I instructed a broker to sell some stock I owned. The confirmation statement I received listed the "trade date" as Dec. 24, 1986, and the "settlement date" as Jan. 2, 1987. I elected to use the trade date and I reported the profit from the sale on my 1986 income tax return.

In January 1988, I received a Form 1099-B from the brokerage indicating the Jan. 2, 1987, settlement date should have

been used. I am being told I was in error by using the trade date and reporting the capital gain on my 1986 return — that I should have reported it on my 1987 return. I was under the impression that a 1982 tax ruling allowed me to choose either the trade date or the settlement date to report a profit from the sale of stock, through the year 1986. Am I right or wrong?

ANSWER: You are absolutely correct. You had that choice from 1982 through 1986 on profits in transactions taking place within the last five business days of a year. As a result, for those years, you could report your capital gain either on the income tax return filed for the year in which the trade date fell or on the return for the year of the settlement date — five business days later. But you were required to report losses for the year in which the trade date fell.

That discombobulated situation was finally squared away by the Tax Reform Act of 1986. One provision of that federal law says that all capital gains and losses must be reported on the return filed for the year in which the transaction took place — the trade date.

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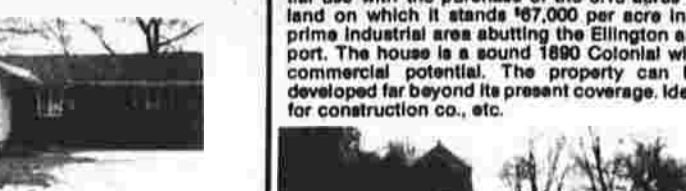


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Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another. Today's cipher is:
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ASTROGRAPH

April 7, 1988
It looks like the year ahead will be both an active and exciting one for you. Considerable travel is in the offing, and something for which you've been hoping may be realized.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) There are indications that you may be exposed to some type of inspirational message today. Listen well, because it could have a profound effect on your outlook. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Matchmaker set can help you understand what it might take to restore the relationship. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Activity of which you may be unaware will be stirring behind the scenes today. However, you should be pleased when it surfaces, because it will be on your behalf.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your judgment is quite good today, so have faith in your decisions. Once you decide on something, make every effort to see it through.
CANCER (June 21-July 21) Raise your sights a bit higher at this time where your career goals are concerned. Challenges will awaken your better qualities and urge you on to success.
LEO (July 22-Aug. 22) Friends have a sincere appreciation for your organizing abilities. You may be drafted into something that will justify their faith in you.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Something that you've been unable to acquire through your usual sources could be attained through an untapped channel. Do a bit of exploring.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you're a trifle restless today, a short excursion could satisfy your wanderlust. Get out and move around, but don't put too many miles on your car.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your financial aspects continue to look solid, particularly in situations where you are earning income through your acquired skills. Keep plugging.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You could be a bit better than usual today in ventures that have elements of chance. However, this doesn't mean you should take foolish risks.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Being in the company of people with whom you have close personal bonds will help make your day. If they don't come to you, go to them.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Continue to scan the horizon for a new opportunity regarding one of your big hopes. You have a good chance of sighting it today.
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Opportunities on which you capitalize at this time will have potential for continued growth. Don't let them slip past you.

TV Topics

Gospel music festival to air

By Robert Barr
The Associated Press
NEW YORK — Be thankful for the low spots and the dull narration in "Family Reunion — A Gospel Music Celebration."
Without the low points, the volume from this musical blowout might leave viewers writing on the floor. Television sets might explode and fires break out across the land. "Family Reunion," appearing Saturday on the CBN Cable Network, offers two hours of hits from some of the biggest names in gospel music, including the Rev. James Cleveland, the Clark Sisters, Andrae Crouch, Sandra Crouch, Jesse Dixon, Edwin Hawkins, Thelma Houston, Billy Preston, Bebe and Cece Winans, and The Mighty Clouds of Joy.
What's wrong with the packaging can be summed up in two words: Dick Clark. The ageless record-spinner, planted beside a fireplace, has little to say about the history or the meaning of gospel music. He seems to be to assure the uninitiated that it's OK to listen, because the Beatles did, too. He might have said more about the history of gospel, because a lot is implied by the songs and the singers. "Precious Lord," sung here by Della Reese, was written in 1931 by

Thomas A. Dorsey, the man who invented gospel. Cleveland was a boy soprano in Dorsey's choir at the Filigran Baptist Church in Chicago. In the 1960s, as the "crown prince of gospel," Cleveland worked with such young people as Billy Preston, Jesse Dixon and Aretha Franklin.
Dixon hits one of the program's high points with a bluesy rendition of Professor Alex Bradford's "I'm Too Close to Heaven (and I Can't Turn Around)."
Cleveland, whose growing volume and dabbling handkerchief recall Louis Armstrong, comes up next and steals the show with "Peace, Be Still."

TV Tonight

- 5:00PM [TMC] MOVIE: "My Undercover Years With the KKK" (80 min.) cover man infiltrates an Alabama Ku Klux Klan and becomes a key witness when Klanman violate civil rights. Don Bright Lights, Big City (40 min.) based on his novel, starring Michael J. Fox.
5:30PM [ESPN] Thoroughbred Dig. (HBO) Behind the Scenes Author Jay McInerney discusses the making of his novel, starring Michael J. Fox.
6:00PM (3) (8) (30) (60) News.
(5) Three's Company.
(3) Magnum, P.I.
(1) Webster Part 1 of 2.
(18) Rockford Files.
(2) A Team.
(22) News (Live).
(24) Doctor Who Part 3 of 4.
(26) T. J. Hooker.
(31) Family Ties.
(41) Noticiero Univision.
(57) Auction 88.
[CN] Showbiz Today.
[DIS] The Hobbit in the adaptation of J.R.R. Tolkien's classic, Hobbit. Bilbo Baggins encounters a magic ring, ancient secrets and the dreaded dragon Smaug in his quest to regain the Dwarf King's gold. Robert Preston, Sylvia Sidney. 1985. (In Stereo).
[ESPN] SportsTalk.
[HBO] MOVIE: "Frasnigan Begin Again" (CC) Smitten with a younger woman, an aging newspaperman is seduced by a nubile star late to start again. Mary Tyler Moore, Robert Preston, Sylvia Sidney. 1985. (In Stereo).
[USA] Cartoons.
6:30PM (5) Family Ties.
(8) NBC News (CC).
(11) Jeffersons (CC).
(22) NBC News (CC).
(24) Nightly Business Report.
(31) News Business.
(41) Noticiero Univision.
(51) Love Connection.
[CN] Inside Politics '88.
[ESPN] NBA Today.
[MOVIE] "The Naked Prey" After his fellow hunters are killed by an African lion, a safari guide is set free from a hunted-down lion in a struggle with Bruce Willis, Kim Cattrall, John Larroquette. 1987. Rated PG-13. (In Stereo).
[USA] Riptide (60 min.).
8:30PM (1) (6) Head of the Class (CC) Jason claims that a potterhead has invaded the classroom.
[ESPN] NBA Today.
7:00PM (3) CBS News (CC).
(5) News.
(1) Wheel of Fortune (CC).
(8) Major League (CC) New York Mets at Montreal Expos (3 hrs.) (Live).
(11) 38 Cheers.
(20) M\*A\*S\*H.
(24) MacNeil / Lehrer Newshour.
(30) Barney Miller.
(38) 48 Wln, Live or Draw.
(41) Rosa Salvaje.
(61) Family Ties.
[CN] MovieLine.
[ESPN] SportsCenter.
[TV] MOVIE: "Stalag 17" During World War II, American G.I.'s in a German prison camp suspect a spy's secret agent by a spy. William Holden, Otto Preminger. 1953.
[USA] Airwolf.
7:30PM (3) PM Magazine A report on the man who was convicted of kidnapping and killing Charles Lindbergh's baby in 1932; ski photographer Dave Stockton.
(5) Current Affairs.
(8) 22 Jeopardy! (CC).
(11) INN News.
(20) M\*A\*S\*H Part 2 of 2.
(26) Wednesday's Question-Answer.
(30) Newlywed Game.
(38) Barney Miller Part 2 of 2.
(40) Hollywood Squares.
(41) Three's Company.
[CN] Crossfire.
[DIS] Animated Hagadah Animated Clayman characters illustrate the children of Israel's liberation from slavery. Voices: Leo Friedman, Evelyn Gova and Anjolie Harris.
[ESPN] Stanley Cup Playoffs: Division Semifinal Game Teams to be announced and starting line is tentative. (2 hrs.) (Live).
8:00PM (3) Smothers Brothers Co-

"AMBIENCE CHASER"
I REVIEW RESTAURANTS.
WELL, I WAS KIND OF CURIOUS WHEN YOU LEAVE THE HOUSE IN THE MORNING TO WORK, WHAT IS IT YOU DO?
OH, I DON'T REVIEW THEM.
WHY SHOULD I LEARN THAT? I'LL BET IN ALL MY LIFE I'LL NEVER MULTIPLY 4 1/2 BY 6 3/8!!
WHAT MAKES YOU THINK SO?
I'LL REFUSE TO DO IT!

PEANUTS by Charles M. Schulz
HOW CAN YOU MULTIPLY 4 1/2 BY 6 3/8? THAT'S RIDICULOUS!
WHY SHOULD I LEARN THAT? I'LL BET IN ALL MY LIFE I'LL NEVER MULTIPLY 4 1/2 BY 6 3/8!!
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HAGAR THE HORRIBLE by Dik Brown
WHY DON'T WOMEN LIKE TO SEE A MAN JUST DOING NOTHING?
IS THIS A RIDDLE?

THE PHANTOM by Lee Falk & Sy Barry
YOU WANT TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT LUAGA?
NO, I'M NOT. I LIKE HIM, HE'S WONDERFUL... BUT...
I WAS PART OF THIS GROUP, THEY PLAN THIS PROCEEDURE ON A WOMAN WHO'S LIFE IS IN DANGER BECAUSE SHE'S CARRYING SIX FETUSES. (60 min.)
[MOVIE] "Mr. Mom" (CC) A rising young executive trades places with his wife when he is fired. Michael Keaton, Tom Gar, Marin Mar. 1983. Rated PG.

BLONDIE by Dean Young & Stan Drake
HELLO, THE HOUSE.
ARE YOU STILL IN THERE?
YES.
ARE YOU RUNNING LATE?
NO, IT'S ALL RIGHT TO COME TO A DATE.
AND THAT'S OUR VERSION OF DEFERRED.

WHAT A GUY by Bill Hoest
I'M STUDYING EVERY MOVE MR. SWEENEY MAKES SO I CAN TAKE OVER WHEN HE RETIRES.

ON THE FASTRACK by Bill Holtz
HOW NOW, IS THIS YOUR NEW ROLDEX?
THAT'S RIGHT, LARKE.
I'M FILLING IT WITH IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS, VITAL TO MY SUCCESS IN MANAGEMENT.
"STRESS HOTLINE" "DIAL-A-PRAYER" "24-HOUR TALK-OUT TELEROLDEX"
THE BIGGIES

FRANK AND ERNEST by Bob Thaves
WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE VAN GOGH WOULD WATCH ON TV TODAY?
PROBABLY ANY SHOW NOT IN STEREO.

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NORTH ♠ 4-4-8
♥ A 10
♦ 7 2
♣ A K 9 8 7 6
WEST ♠ K 3 2
♥ 10 7 6
♦ 10 2
♣ 10 8 3 2
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♦ Q J 3
♣ A J 4
SOUTH ♠ Q 8 7 6 5 4
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SNAFU by Bruce Beattie
JUST UNDER MY KITTEN, HE LOVES TO BE AT THE TABLE.

THE GRIZZLEWS by Bill Schorr
WELL, I THINK YOU'VE CALLED TO YOUR CLASS BULLY?
YEAH, HE'S ALWAYS BEEN A WEIRD KID.
WHEN WE WERE IN PRESCHOOL HE LIKED TO BRING A BARBIE DOLL.
THAT'S NOT WEIRD, LOTS OF BOYS THAT AGE PLAY WITH A BARBIE DOLL.
YEAH, BUT HIS WAS A KLAUS BARBIE ROLL.

CAPTAIN EASY by Crooks & Casale
LET THEM SLICE THEIR ZUMBIANIAN BRAND BALONEY.
THEN WE'LL ALL SIT DOWN FOR A GOOD OOD OOD AMBERLY BUFFET.

ARLO AND JANIS by Jimmy Johnson
YES, I'M STILL HOLDING.

ALLEY OOP by Dave Graue
ALLEY JUST ISN'T! I'M GLAD WE'VE FINALLY FILL THE EYE ON THAT POSITION!
THEN YOU'D BETTER SEE EYE ON THAT POSITION!
I'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING BEFORE MY SOME REAL APPOINTMENT!

THE BORN LOSER by Art Saamon
ARE YOU AWARE THAT YOUR LICENSE PLATES ARE ATTACHED UPSIDE-DOWN, MA'AM?
YES, I AM, OFFICER.
OH, SURE, IT HELPS ME FIND MY CAR IN THE MALL PARKING LOT.

WINTHROP by Dick Cavalli
LOOK AT THIS... MRS. HOLLIPS MARKED ALL MY ANSWERS 'WRONG!'
LOOK AT THIS... SHE EVEN CORRECTED THE WAY I SPELL MY NAME.
I DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS ONLY ONE 'I' IN 'CINDY'!

U.S. ACRES by Jim Davis
HEW BOOKEE, YOU'RE UPSIDE DOWN!
NO, I'M NOT, YOU ARE!
YAAHHH!!
HEW! I'M TRYING TO SLEEP DOWN HERE!

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# SPORTS

## Canadiens ready for opener with Whalers

MONTREAL (AP) — There was no need for a calendar to determine that the Stanley Cup playoffs have arrived.

The room used by Montreal Canadiens Coach Jean Perron for his daily news conference on Tuesday overflowed with reporters and television cameras seeking the comments of the man who won the Adams Division title for the first time since he was selected for the coaching job in 1985.

In the Montreal dressing room, NHL executive vice-president Brian O'Neill, with measuring

stick in hand, brought the pads of the Canadiens' two goaltenders to a secluded room to calculate their length, a standard practice prior to the playoffs to ensure the equipment conforms to regulations.

The Forum, where the Canadiens practiced in preparation for the opener of the division semifinal against the Hartford Whalers tonight, had bunting draped over the railing in front of the first row of boxes.

In another playful ritual, the Canadiens boarded a bus following the workout and returned to

the hotel they sarcastically refer to as Alcatraz — an island lodging south of the city where the players are separated from their families and distractions that might interfere with their pursuit of the Stanley Cup.

After finishing 26 points ahead of the fourth-place Whalers in the regular season, the Canadiens are heavily favored in the first leg of the Stanley Cup chase. But Larry Robinson, the veteran defenseman, approached the opening round with caution.

"Playoffs are dangerous, al-

## Burke easy Devils' choice

By The Associated Press

Picking a goaltender to start the Stanley Cup playoffs is usually a tough choice for many NHL teams. It won't be a problem for the New Jersey Devils.

"He's the main reason why we are in the playoffs," Devils vice president and coach John Sacco said. "It wasn't just his name, we wouldn't be playing anyone else."

Since joining the Devils from the Canadian Olympic Team, the 21-year-old Burke has won 10 of 11 games. He won all four of his starts in the final week of the regular season as New Jersey qualified for the playoffs for the first time.

He'll be in the nets tonight as the surprising Devils meet the first-place New York Islanders in the opener of their seven-game Patrick Division series.

In the other Patrick Division series, the Washington Capitals host the Philadelphia Flyers.

In other playoff action, Montreal hosts Hartford and Boston enters Buffalo in the Adams Division. In the Norris, it's Toronto at Detroit and Chicago at St. Louis. Calgary, the overall points champion, plays Los Angeles and defending Stanley Cup champion Edmonton hosts Winnipeg in the Smythe.

**NHL Playoffs**

or another, including a late-season injury.

Hextall is 7-2 lifetime against Washington. Rick Tocchet is a leader on and off the ice, but he's Sean Burke. "If it wasn't for him, we wouldn't be playing anyone."

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**Adams Division**

Montreal vs. Hartford: The Canadiens stress the collective approach, believing that the player is a link in a chain. But there's little doubt 50-goal scorer Stephane Richer is a key player.

Stéphane Richer wasn't a big factor on our team in last year's playoffs," Coach Jean Perron says. "This year, I had my own healthy Richer."

Hartford had a less than average season and General Manager Emile Francis hopes Kevin Dineen, Sylvain Turgeon, Ray Ferraro and Ron Francis all find their scoring touch.

The former Edmonton goaltender who played for the Canadian Olympic team.

**Norris Division**

Boston vs. Buffalo: As always, goaltending will make or break the Bruins.

"It seems that every time we've gone into the playoffs in recent seasons our guys have played well, but we were giving up a lot of soft goals late in the game and paying the price for it," General Manager Harry Linden said.

Veteran Rejean Lemelin has been heralded as a major reason for Boston's unexpected success during the regular season. The Bruins also added Andy Moog, the former Edmonton goaltender who played for the Canadian Olympic team.

**Smythe Division**

Calgary vs. Los Angeles: Flames Coach Terry Crisp can list six or seven key players on his team, including rookie sensation Joe Mullen and the 39-year-old veteran Mike Vernon who he believes is the most important.

"We've been on losing teams five of my eight seasons, but I still have faith," Savard says. "It's time."

The last two years have been no-win seasons for the Blackhawks in the playoffs. They were swept out each year, first by Toronto and then by Detroit.



SOLID DEFENSE — Milwaukee's Larry Krystkowiak, left, grabs a basket brace as he defends against Atlanta's Cliff Levingston in their game Tuesday night. The Hawks won 121-110.

## Yanks make it look easy with rout of the Twins

By Ben Walker  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Billy is back, and the New York Yankees gave him a great welcome home.

Rick Rhoden pitched a three-hitter. Mike Pagliarulo hit a three-run home run in the fourth, a drive that glanced off Puckett's glove and dropped over the center-field fence. Last year, he hit only four of his 32 home runs against the Yankees.

## AL Roundup

Rhoden, who finished only four of 30 starts last season, probably expected to pitch all nine innings, too. Martin's bats shown a 44 percent increase in complete games in the first year he has taken over.

"You couldn't ask for a better opening day," Rhoden said after his first shutout since Aug. 1, 1986.

"I'm here and they like me and they're happy to have us back."

**Athletics 6, Mariners 0**

If Bob Welch didn't have his best stuff in his Oakland Athletics' debut, as his manager said, then opposing American League batters are in for a grim year.

Welch scattered seven hits and pitched seven shutout innings Tuesday night, recording six strikeouts and never allowing a runner past second base as the A's blanked the Seattle Mariners 6-0.

**Magic pact restructured**

INGLEWOOD, Calif. — Magic Johnson, who said last season that he deserves to be paid as much as the NBA's other top players, has agreed to a restructuring of his existing contract, the Los Angeles Lakers announced Tuesday.

Johnson, sidelined by a strained groin muscle for the last 10 games, had been playing under a 25-year, \$11 million per year agreement.

**Redskins kick off season against the Giants**

NEW YORK (AP) — Super Bowl champion Washington will open its 1988 season on the road against the New York Giants on Monday night, Sept. 5, and the wild card games will be decided on Christmas weekend, according to the NFL schedule released Tuesday.

The Redskins finished the strike-interrupted regular season 11-4, while the Giants had their first losing season in four years at 6-9.

## Lever is good as gold for the red-hot Nuggets



Lafayette Lever continues to be as good as gold for the red-hot Denver Nuggets.

The 6-foot-3 guard had 22 points and a career-high 21 rebounds Tuesday night as the Nuggets beat Houston 110-97 for their ninth consecutive victory. Denver also pulled within four percentage points of first-place Dallas in the NBA's Midwest Division.

"I don't think we can play any better than that," Coach Doug Moe said. "We were playing well in the first half when we were shooting 30 percent and were down by only nine points. We played perfectly in the second half."

**IN BRIEF**

**Lefty Driesell to be named**

HARRISONBURG, Va. — Lefty Driesell, forced to resign as Maryland coach in October 1986 in the wake of Len Bias' death from a cocaine overdose, will be named Tuesday as James Madison University's new basketball coach, according to a published report.

## NBA Roundup

**Pistons 107, Nets 95**

Detroit snapped a season-high four-game losing streak and stayed in first place in the Central Division behind Adrian Dantley's 27 points and Isiah Thomas' 26 points and 12 assists.

Dantley, who had 16 points in the fourth quarter, moved into 12th place on the NBA all-time scoring list with 20,877 career points, passing Bob Pettit's career total of 20,875.

**Hawks 121, Bucks 110**

Atlanta won its sixth straight game and stayed on the heels of the Pistons as Dominique Wilkins scored 34 of his 39 points in the first half and Kevin Willis finished with 25. Wilkins, the NBA's leading scorer, scored the first Hawks pull-ahead by 19 in the first half. But John Lucas hit two 3-pointers as Milwaukee, which got 21 points from Ricky Pierce, came back from a 17-point deficit in the fourth quarter to get within five with 1:18 left.

**Pacers 106, Cavaliers 105**

Indiana snapped a four-game losing streak and pulled into sixth place in the East when Steve Stipanovich sank a pair of free throws with two seconds remaining.

Stipanovich, who has won three games in the closing seconds this

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for the Manchester High boys' golf team.

There are no varsity players returning from last year's CCC East championship squad along with no seniors on the team.

"This is definitely going to be a rebuilding year," says Coach John Wells. "We have a very young team, but we're just going to have to work."

**Cheney golf**

Manchester High will also be rebuilding year.

It will also be rebuilding year.

**NL Roundup**

The Atlanta Braves and Chicago Cubs opened with a bang. The San Francisco Giants went out without a whimper in a bizarre day in the National League.

The Braves and Cubs combined for seven home runs to tie an opening day record Tuesday night before Chicago pulled out a wild 10-9 triumph in 13 innings.

**Braves, Cubs tie HR mark**

highlighted a four-run third inning that carried Pittsburgh to a 3-2 victory over the Yankees.

The Pirates earned a 2-0 deficit in the third as Mike Schmidt's error at third base set up three unearned runs.

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## Coventry girls' softball strong outfit on paper

By Len Auster  
Manchester Herald

COVENTRY — There are plenty of reasons, on paper at least, why the Coventry School girls' softball team should expect a banner 1988 season. The Patriots return three Class S All-State performers from last year's Conference title in the past that won Class S semifinals, bowing 3-1 to Thomaston High.

**Coventry girls' softball strong outfit on paper**

There are a number of familiar names with Page's crew. It begins with senior Leslie Danehy, who batted .514 a year ago, behind the plate. Senior Monica Hodina (.438) is at second base while senior Kim Mizsko (.392) on the mound with a .87 batting average, again handles the pitching chores. The trio was All-State a year ago.

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## System needs alteration

Maybe now the National Hockey League Board of Governors will do something about its playoff system. Despite reminders from several circles that "everyone knows the playoff system at the start of the year," it still doesn't make it right.

How can you call the system just when it allows teams like Toronto and Los Angeles to continue on in postseason action and disqualifies the New York Rangers and Pittsburgh Penguins?

**How about that!**

Kansas and Connecticut reign today as NCAA and NIT basketball champions, respectively.

Who would have thought that a week ago? The Jayhawks were a one-man team in Danny Manning, or so it was assumed. Know what assumptions can get you?

Kansas won the game, but the Sooners were a major factor in the decision. It's mystifying that Oklahoma Coach Billy Tubbs didn't call time out and remind his junior college-transfer backcourt of Mookie Blaylock and Ricky Grace. They had three teammates on the court with them.

## Thoughts ApLenty

Len Auster  
Sports Editor

score in the final 13 minutes. Why was the tandem of Stacey King and Harvey Grant ignored inside? They didn't touch the basketball at the end of the game unless it was on a rebound.

A wheel or two fell off Oklahoma's vaunted offense. It's something Tubbs, not the most loved coach, will have to think about for a while.

**Notable**

Tom Mallin, East Catholic High School athletic director, has a license plate reads "I MN AD." The Rev. William Charbonneau, East's president, is an avid hockey fan. His license plate reads "Q-12," which signifies his bond to the Quebec Nordiques as the team's No. 1 fan. The frame around the license plate reads, "My other car is a Zamboni."

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